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### Children's Award Winners: Newbery Award

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#### **The Crossover by Kwame Alexander**

Read by Bob Moore

1 hour, 58 minutes

Twin fourteen-year-old basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court, as their father ignores his declining health. Told in hip-hop style verse. For senior high and older readers. Newbery Medal. 2014.

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#### **The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate**

Read by Joe Peck

3 hours, 37 minutes

Ivan the gorilla has lived comfortably for years in a down-and-out, circus-themed mall. But when baby elephant Ruby arrives, Ivan decides that he must find her a better life. For grades 3-6 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 2012.

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### **Crispin the Cross of Lead by Avi**

Read by Bruce Huntley

4 hours, 50 minutes

In 1377 England, the manor steward falsely accuses a thirteen-year-old orphan of murder. Before he runs away, the boy learns his name from the village priest. On the road with Bear, a juggler, Crispin learns who his father is--and the reason the steward wants him dead. For grades 6-9. Newbery Medal. 2002.

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### **The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Regan Barnhill**

Read by Mare Trevathan

8 hours, 31 minutes

Every year a community leaves a baby as an offering to a powerful yet misunderstood witch named Xan. One infant--now a young girl--is being raised by the witch and must unlock the powerful magic buried deep inside her. Newbery Award Winner 2017. For grades 4-7. 2016.

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### **A Gathering of Days: A New England Girl's Journal, 1830-1832 by Joan W. Blos**

Read by Michele Schaeffer

3 hours, 13 minutes

Thirteen-year-old Catherine Hall, a New Hampshire farm girl, keeps a journal of everyday events such as quilting, berrying, and sugaring. She talks of her new stepmother from faraway Boston and reflects on her own daring to help a runaway slave. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1979.

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### **Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary**

Read by Miriam Wagner

1 hour, 56 minutes

Leigh, a sixth grade boy, writes letters to Mr. Henshaw, who has been his favorite author since second grade. Leigh begins writing the letters because of a school assignment, then he discovers that he likes writing, especially when Mr. Henshaw writes back. And Mr. Henshaw's surprising answers to Leigh's questions change the boy's life. For grades 4-7.

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### **New Kid by Jerry Craft**

Read by Jesus Del Orden, Rebecca Soler, et. al.

2 hours

Twelve-year-old Jordan loves drawing cartoons about his life. But instead of sending him to an art school, his parents enroll him in a prestigious private school, where Jordan is one of the few kids of color in his grade and is caught between two worlds. Commercial audiobook. For grades 4-7. 2019.

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### **Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech**

Read by Martha Harmon Pardee

5 hours, 13 minutes

A year ago, Sal's grieving mother left Sal and her father to visit Idaho and never returned. Sal's father has accepted that his wife is not coming back, but Sal has not. As she and her grandparents travel to Idaho to find her mother, Sal tells them "an extensively strange story" about her new friend Phoebe, whose mother also disappeared. And Sal gets to walk two moons in her mother's moccasins. For grades 3-6 and older readers. Newbery Medal.

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### **The Midwife's Apprentice by Karen Cushman**

Read by Kimberly Schraf

2 hours, 25 minutes

The only name she has ever known is Brat. She does not know how old she is--probably twelve or thirteen; she has no family or home; and she is unwashed, hungry, and unloved. Brat is discovered sleeping in a dung heap by the town's midwife, who reluctantly gives her many jobs to do in return for a piece of dry bread and stale cheese. But Brat soon determines to become a midwife herself. For grades 6-9. 1995

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### **Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis**

Read by Chuck Young

5 hours, 19 minutes

During the Great Depression, ten-year-old Bud, a motherless boy, runs away from his latest (bad) foster home in Flint, Michigan. He sets out for Grand Rapids in search of the man he believes to be his father--renowned bandleader Herman E. Calloway. For grades 4-7. Coretta Scott King and Newbery awards. 1999.

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### **Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Peña**

1 volume of braille

A young boy, CJ, rides the bus across town with his grandmother and learns to appreciate the beauty in everyday things. PRINT/BRAILLE. For grades K-3. 2015.

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### **Flora & Ulysses the Illuminated Adventures by Kate DiCamillo**

Read by Tara Sands

4 hours, 30 minutes

Comic-reading cynic Flora Belle Buckman rescues a squirrel after an accident involving a vacuum cleaner. She is astonished when the squirrel, Ulysses, demonstrates incredible powers of strength and flight after being revived.

Newbery Medal. For grades 3-6. 2013.

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### **The Tale of Despereaux Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup, and a Spool of Thread by Kate DiCamillo**

Read by Jill Fox

3 hours, 57 minutes

Despereaux, a small mouse, is condemned to the dungeon for falling in love with human Princess Pea. Despereaux meets the rat, Roscuro, while Mig, an upstairs serving girl, wishes to be a princess, too. All four meet with near disastrous results. Newbery Medal winner. For grades 3-6. 2003.

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### **Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly**

Read by Deborah Desmone

4 hours, 56 minutes

The lives of four kids are intertwined when a bully's prank leaves shy Virgil stranded at the bottom of a well. Valencia, Kaori, and Gen band together in an epic quest to find and rescue him. Newbery Medal winner 2018. For grades 3-6. 2017.

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### **Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices by Paul Fleischman**

Read by Laura Giannarelli

17 minutes

A collection of poems describing the activities and characteristics of grasshoppers, mayflies, cicadas, and other insects. For grades 3-6 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1988.

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### **The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman**

Read by Edward C. Stern

1 hour, 30 minutes

The arrogant and spiteful Prince Brat decides to run away from the castle, and he makes his whipping boy Jemmy go along. They get into trouble right away, but Jemmy's good sense manages to save the day. For grades 4-7. Newbery Medal. 1986.

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### **Lincoln: A Photobiography by Russell Freedman**

Read by Todd Scofield

2 hours, 58 minutes

A biography of the sixteenth president of the United States. Beginning life as a poor, backwoods farm boy in Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois, Lincoln became a self-educated lawyer and Illinois State representative. He was elected president in 1860, and led the nation through the Civil War. He was assassinated in 1865. For grades 4-7 and older readers. Newbery Award.

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### **The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman**

Read by Mary Kane

7 hours, 17 minutes

A toddler enters a cemetery pursued by the knife-wielding stranger who just murdered his family. Resident ghosts Mr. and Mrs. Owens protect and adopt the child, naming him Nobody "Bod" Owens. Bod's graveyard upbringing serves him well, but why was his family targeted? For grades 5-8 and older readers. 2008.

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### **Dead End in Norvelt by Jack Gantos**

Read by Jack Fox

6 hours, 50 minutes

Norvelt, Pennsylvania; 1962. Grounded for various offenses, twelve-year-old Jack Gantos spends his summer helping his elderly neighbor. As part of his duties, Jack must perform an unusual chore that involves the newly dead, molten wax, underage driving, and more. For grades 5-8 and older readers. Newbery Award. 2011.

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### **Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse**

Read by Kimberly Schraf

2 hours, 32 minutes

Told in free verse, an account of two years in the life of Billie Jo Kelby, who at thirteen loses her mother and new baby brother in a terrible accident for which she is partly to blame. Life in Oklahoma in the mid-1930s is difficult, and Billie Jo can no longer play the piano--her one solace in the past. She seeks a way to heal her father and herself. For grades 6-9. Newbery Medal.

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### **Kira-kira by Cynthia Kadohata**

Read by Laura Giannarelli

4 hours, 47 minutes

Georgia, 1950s. Katie's close-knit Japanese American family puts up a brave front when Katie's older sister Lynn is diagnosed with a terminal illness. The family even goes into debt to buy a house, hoping Lynn's health will improve there. For grades 6-9. Newbery Medal. 2004.

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Read by Deborah Desmone

4 hours, 56 minutes

The lives of four kids are intertwined when a bully's prank leaves shy Virgil stranded at the bottom of a well. Valencia, Kaori, and Gen band together in an epic quest to find and rescue him. Newbery Medal. For grades 3-6. 2017.

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### **The View from Saturday by E. L. Konigsburg**

Read by Brian Conn

4 hours, 33 minutes

Mrs. Olinski is hard-pressed to explain how she selected the four students who will represent the sixth grade in the Academic Bowl. But her choice of the four calling themselves "The Souls" was excellent. As the students prepare and compete, each reveals a reason for being part of the team. For grades 4-6. Newbery Award.

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## **The Giver by Lois Lowry**

Read by June Carter

5 hours, 1 minute

Jonas lives in a utopia: there is no hunger, no disease, no fear; the elderly are tenderly cared for, and every child has attentive parents. The society is uniformly run. Jonas eagerly awaits the Ceremony of Twelve, when twelve-year-olds receive assignments for their lifelong professions. He is selected to be the new Receiver of Memories. As such he learns of misery and pain, but also of joy and love. For grades 6-9 and older readers. Newbery Medal.

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## **Number the Stars by Lois Lowry**

Read by Laura Giannarelli

3 hours

For ten-year-old Annemarie, life in occupied Copenhagen in 1943 is not much changed by the war--until the Nazi persecution of Danish Jews begins.

Annemarie's family helps a Jewish friend by having her pose as Annemarie's dead sis- ter. When a packet must be taken to the captain of a ship smuggling Jews to Sweden, Annemarie learns that being brave means "not thinking about the dangers. Just thinking about what you must do." For grades 3-6 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1989.

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### **Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan**

Read by Phyllis Dorflinger

1 hour, 6 minutes

Anna and Caleb have lived alone with their father since their mother died. When Sarah comes to live with them in response to their father's newspaper advertisement, the whole family falls in love with her. But they fear that Sarah's homesickness for the Maine coast will keep her from staying with them in their prairie home. For grades 3-6. Newbery Medal.

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### **The Hero and the Crown by Robin McKinley**

Read by Laura Giannarelli

8 hours, 53 minutes

With the guidance of a wizard and the help of the blue sword, Aerin fights for the birthright due her as the daughter of both a king and a witchwoman of the mysterious, demon-haunted north. For grades 6-9 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1985.

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### **Merci Suárez Changes Gears by Meg Medina**

Read by Gabriella Cavallero

7 hours, 55 minutes

Merci Suárez relies on her close extended family as she goes through many changes during her sixth-grade year at Florida's Seaward Pines Academy. For grades 4-7. 2018.

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### **Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor**

Read by Richard Hauenstein

2 hours, 43 minutes

Marty Preston, an eleven-year-old West Virginia boy, narrates a gripping account of how he comes to own a runaway dog, Shiloh. Fearing that Shiloh is being abused by Judd Travers, his owner, Marty takes him in. But his family cannot afford to feed another mouth, and Shiloh is returned. When Shiloh comes back to Marty, the boy hides him in the woods and builds a structure of lies that crumbles and compromises everyone. For grades 4-7. Newbery Medal.

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### **A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park**

Read by Gary Tipton

3 hours, 42 minutes

Tree-ear, an orphan in twelfth-century Korea, spends most of his time foraging for food for himself and Crane-man, an older companion. Tree-ear takes advantage of a mishap in master potter Min's yard to become his apprentice, learning a craft and gaining unforeseen rewards. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal. 2001.

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### **The Higher Power of Lucky by Susan Patron**

Read by Catherine Byers

3 hours, 33 minutes

Hard Pan, California: population forty-three. Convinced that her guardian, Brigitte, wants to return to France, ten-year-old Lucky Trimble runs away during a sandstorm with her dog, HMS Beagle. Lucky encounters her five-year-old neighbor Miles, and the three of them have an adventure. For grades 4-7. Newbery Medal. 2006.

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### **Jacob Have I Loved by Katherine Paterson**

Read by Nicola Daval

5 hours, 14 minutes

Louise has always lived in the shadow of her beautiful twin sister on a tiny Chesapeake Bay island. Tomboy Louise grows up hating delicate Caroline, who robs her of her friends, her hopes for schooling, and even the boy she loves. For junior and senior high readers. Newbery Medal. 1980.

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### **A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck**

Read by Marilyn Gleason

3 hours, 46 minutes

During the 1937 recession fifteen-year-old Mary Alice from Chicago is sent to live with feisty Grandma Dowdel in rural Illinois. There she learns about small-town ways and grows to love her grandmother. Sequel to A Long Way from Chicago (DB 50305, BR 12129). For grades 6-9. Newbery Medal. Bestseller. 2000.

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### **Criss Cross by Lynne Rae Perkins**

Read by Jill Fox

5 hours, 3 minutes

Debbie--first met in All Alone in the Universe (RC 49604)--wishes something good would happen to her. She and other young teens in her hometown experience new thoughts and feelings, question their identities, and connect and disconnect as they search for meaning in life and love. For grades 6-9. Newbery Medal. 2005.

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### **Missing May by Cynthia Rylant**

Read by Kerry Dukin

1 hour, 42 minutes

Orphaned at six and raised by an elderly West Virginia aunt and uncle with more devotion than money, Summer is twelve years old when Aunt May dies. While Summer's grief is profound, Uncle Ob seems absolutely unable to go on living without his beloved May; that is, until he decides that her presence lingers nearby and that somehow he can contact her. Disappointed in his efforts, Uncle Ob comes to choose living over mourning. Newbery Medal. For grades 5-8.

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### **Holes by Louis Sachar**

Read by Phil Regensdorf

5 hours, 19 minutes

Stanley Yelnats IV finds himself in a detention center for possessing stolen property that he didn't take. While digging holes under the summer Texas sun, he sees a fellow inmate running away--and follows him. Legends, loyalty, and buried treasure are revealed as Stanley learns to survive. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal. Nat'l Book Award. 1998.

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### **Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices From a Medieval Village by Laura Amy Schlitz**

Read by Laura Giannarelli

1 hour, 55 minutes

Nineteen monologues and two dialogues about the ten- to fifteen-year-old sons and daughters of nobility and paupers living near an English manor in 1255. Interspersed between dramatic readings are background pieces on medieval customs and events, such as farming, falconry, the Crusades, and pilgrimages. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal. 2007.

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### **Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli**

Read by John Polk

4 hours, 14 minutes

Part tall tale and part realistic fiction, this novel weaves together issues of homelessness, racial prejudice, and illiteracy. Orphaned at three, Jeffrey Magee, after eight unhappy years with relatives, takes off running one day. A year later he ends up 200 miles away in Two Mills, a highly segregated community. Magee, who is white, lives alternately with blacks and whites, proving the shared humanity of both. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal.

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### **When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead**

Read by Julie-Ann Elliott

4 hours, 32 minutes

New York City, 1979. Twelve-year-old Miranda helps her mother prepare to be on a television game show. Meanwhile Miranda tries to understand why her best friend Sal doesn't want to hang out anymore--and why someone is sending Miranda tiny notes from the future. For grades 5-8. 2009.

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### **Moon Over Manifest by Clare Vanderpool**

Read by Jill Fox

8 hours, 51 minutes

Great Depression, 1936. Drifter Gideon Tucker sends his twelve-year-old daughter Abilene to stay with his friend Shady Howard, a saloon-owner-turned-pastor, in Manifest, Kansas, where Gideon grew up. Abilene discovers a cigar box full of papers and odds and ends that lead her to long-held secrets. For grades 5-8. Newbery Medal. 2010.

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### **Dacey's Song by Cynthia Voigt**

Read by Sheena Gordon

6 hours, 49 minutes

Dacey Tillerman, oldest of four abandoned children, wrestles with when to let go, when to hold on, and when to reach out as she and her brothers and sisters settle into living with their grandmother. Sequel to "Homecoming." For grades 6-9 and older readers. Newbery Medal.

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### **A Visit to William Blake's Inn: Poems for Innocent and Experienced Travelers by Nancy Willard**

Read by Jill Fox

23 minutes

A collection of magical poems about life at an imaginary inn staffed by two dragons, two angels, and a rabbit who shows to their rooms many curious visitors, including a man in a marmalade hat and the king of cats. For grades 2-4 and older readers. Newbery Medal. 1980.

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