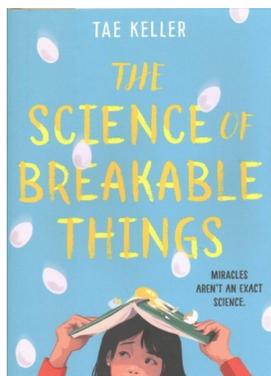


New from the  
Children's Dept.  
May 2018

# Kid Picks

Books for 3rd - 5th graders



**The Science of Breakable Things**  
By Tae Keller  
J F Kell 297 pages *Realistic Fiction*

Natalie's science teacher, Mr. Neely, wants his students to use the scientific method whenever possible to solve problems. Natalie enters an egg drop contest, hoping to win the substantial prize money so she can help her mother overcome her own depression.

Working hard to be able to acknowledge and talk about her situation helps Natalie gain the strength she needs to overcome the obstacles in her life, and try to create a "miracle" for her mom.



**The Last Grand Adventure**  
By Rebecca Behrens  
J F Behr 322 pages  
*Historical Fiction*

It's 1967, and Bea is not thrilled about her dad's new wife, Julie, or her new stepsister, Sally. Bea agrees to visit her grandmother, Pidge, who believes that her own long-lost sister, Amelia Earhart, is still alive! Pidge wants to travel to Kansas to

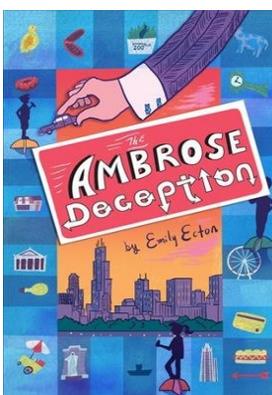
find her, and takes Bea along for the ride. A newly-developed bond between generations gives Bea hope for her future and the courage to face it.



**The Wild Robot Escapes**  
By Peter Brown  
J F Brow 279 pages *Science Fiction*

In this sequel to *The Wild Robot*, Roz is now a farming robot, learning to help and like her new family, but still desperately missing her son, Brightbill. She hatches a plan with the children of Hilltop Farm, who agree to help her return to the island she loved. The trip will be long and dangerous, but Roz is

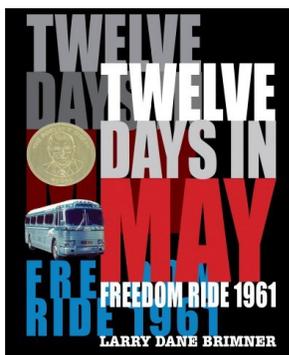
willing to try almost anything. Will she be able to escape the menacing RECO units that constantly fly overhead looking for her, and go back to living in peace with her son and her friends?



**The Ambrose Deception**  
By Emily Ecton  
J F Ecto 359 pages *Mystery*

When three unlikely middle-school students are chosen to compete for a \$10,000 scholarship, they are surprised, but feel they have nothing to lose by trying. Numerous clues take them around the city of Chicago, and the competition among them is fierce, until they realize that things aren't exactly as they appear.

Working together to expose the real story behind the Ambrose Deception could be just the key to helping them all succeed.



**Twelve Days in May:  
Freedom Ride 1961**  
By Larry Dane Brimmer  
J 323.1196 Brim 111 pages  
*Nonfiction*

This books tells the story of thirteen brave "freedom riders" who boarded a bus in May of 1961 with the intention of challenging segregation in southern communities that weren't abiding by recently-enacted civil rights laws. Twelve days and a number of violent encounters later, they arrived in Alabama, bruised and beaten, but even more determined to show the country that nonviolent protest was the best method for furthering their cause.

## Summer Reading Club

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The Club runs from May 17 – July 28.  
Register online or in the library  
beginning May 17.  
Enjoy contests, programs, and prizes  
throughout the summer!

