



2017 SSYRA - First Line of the Books Grades 6-8

Courage for Beginners: “I don’t know much, but I do know people stop to look at unusual things.”

Framed: “My name’s Florian Bates.”

The Girl in the Well Is Me: “The whole thing feels like a prank at first, like something they planned--a joke with a punch line.”

The Girl Who Drank the Moon: “Yes, There is a witch in the woods. There has always been a witch.”

How to (Almost) Ruin Your Summer: “Someone once told me that money can’t buy happiness.”

It Ain’t So Awful, Falafel: “Today’s Sunday and we’re moving, again.”

The Mark of the Dragonfly: “Micah brought the music box to her on the night of the meteor storm.”

Moving Target: “There should have been some sort of warning.”

The Nerdy Dozen: “The enemy fighter jets surged past Neil Andertol, soaring over desolate, sandy terrain.”

The Nest: “The first time I saw them I thought they were angels.”

Omega City: “Some secrets are small--the size of a battery, or a button, or a scrap of paper.”

Randoms: “Tanner Hughes was in the process of smacking me in the head and making some unflattering observations about my masculinity while his girlfriend, Madison, leaned against the wall, tapping her phone.”

Shadows of Sherwood: “The sign on the fence said ‘Beware of dogs’.”

Terror at Bottle Creek: “Dad said it was too early to be worried about the hurricane.”

The War That Saved My Life: “Ada! Get back from that window!” Mam’s voice, shouting.”