

GATE CITY BOOK AWARD

<p>Gate City★ Award Winner 2008-2009</p>	 <p><u>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</u> by Brian Selznick</p>	<p>When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toy seller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.</p>
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Gate City Book Award Nominees 2009-2010

*All summaries are from Follett Library Resources (<http://www.titlewave.com/>)

 <p><u>Allie Finkle's Rules for Girls Book 2: The New Girl</u> by Meg Cabot</p>	<p>Guided by her rules, nine-year-old Allie works to get past being just the new girl at school, eagerly awaits the arrival of her kitten, and faces turmoil when her grandmother visits while the family is still settling into their new home.</p>	 <p><u>Digory and the Lost King</u> by Angela McAllister</p>	<p>After having inadvertently acquired the reputation of being a brave young knight, Digory, now also a prince living in the castle, goes in search of the missing King Widget and finds his life complicated even further when he is mistaken for a wizard.</p>
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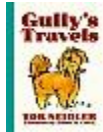
Emily Windsnap
and the Castle in
the Mist
by Liz Kessler

When she incurs Neptune's wrath by finding a diamond ring buried under rocks in the ocean, Emily is put under a curse that will force her to choose to be either a mermaid or a human and split up her parents forever.



Every Soul a Star
by Wendy Mass

Ally, Bree, and Jack meet at Moon Shadow, an isolated campground, to watch a total eclipse of the sun; but soon they begin to learn a great deal about themselves, each other, and the universe.



Gully's Travels
by Tor Seidler

A well-bred Lhasa Apso named Gulliver is forced to leave his master and finds a new one named Carlos, the doorman of a Manhattan apartment building, who takes the dog to his place in Queens, where Gully meets low-life mutts and boisterous humans.



Hank Zipzer : A Tale
of Two Tails
by Henry Winkler

Fifth-grader Hank enters his dachshund Cheerio in a contest to choose a new mascot for his school.



Hate that Cat
by Sharon Creech

Jack is studying poetry again in school, and he continues to write poems reflecting his understanding of famous works and how they relate to his life.



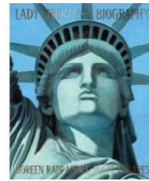
How to Steal a Dog
by Barbara O'Connor

Living in the family car in their small North Carolina town after their father leaves them virtually penniless, Georgina, desperate to improve their situation and unwilling to accept her overworked mother's calls for patience, persuades her younger brother to help her in an elaborate scheme to get money by stealing a dog and then claiming the reward that the owners are bound to offer.



Knucklehead : Tall Tales & Mostly True Stories about Growing up Scieszka
by Jon Scieszka

Presents a memoir of what it was like to grow up in the 1950s and other almost true stories by American children's author Jon Scieszka.



Lady Liberty : a Biography
by Doreen Rappaport

Presents an illustrated biography of the Statue of Liberty, describing who designed it and why, and how it came to become a symbol of the United States.



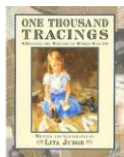
Lost and Found
by Andrew Clements

Twin brothers Jay and Ray Grayson learn about friendship, honesty, and themselves after taking advantage of a clerical oversight in which their new school thinks there is only one Grayson boy.



Oggie Cooder
by Sarah Weeks

Quirky fourth-grader Oggie Cooder goes from being shunned to everyone's best friend when his uncanny ability to chew slices of cheese into the shapes of states wins him a slot on a popular television talent show, but he soon learns the perils of being a celebrity--and having a neighbor girl as his manager.



One Thousand Tracings : Healing the Wounds of World War II
by Lita Judge

The author relates the story of her grandparents' efforts after World War II to send packages of food, clothing, and shoes to their friends in Germany and others in Europe who suffered from the after-effects of the war.



Return of the Emerald Skull (Barnaby Grimes)
by Paul Stewart

Barnaby Grimes' latest case has him tracking down the origins of a curse that is plaguing the local school, threatening students and teachers, but in the course of his investigation, Barnaby learns everything is not as it seems.



Safe at Home
by Mike Lupica

Nick Crandall's new foster parents are both professors who know nothing about sports, and his new teammates feel he is too young to play varsity baseball; but Nick is out to prove that he belongs not only to his team, but to his parents as well.



Slumpbuster
by Kevin Markey

Eleven-year-old slugger Banjo "The Great Walloper" Bishbash is overcome by a nasty hitting slump as he tries to lead the Rambletown Rounders to the division baseball championship.



The Willoughbys
by Lois Lowry

A tongue-in-cheek take on classic themes in children's literature, in which the four Willoughby children set out to become "deserving orphans" after their neglectful parents embark on a treacherous around-the-world adventure, leaving them in the care of an odious nanny.



Toys Go Out : Being the Adventures of a Knowledgeable Stingray, a Toughy Little Buffalo, and Someone called Plastic
by Emily Jenkins

Six stories relate the adventures of three best friends, who happen to be toys.



Trolls, Go Home!
by Alan MacDonald

When the Trolls move next door to the Priddles, both families find the other strange, which causes many misunderstandings.



We are the Ship
by Kadir Nelson

Explores the history of Negro League baseball teams, discussing owners, players, hardships, wins, and losses; and including illustrations.