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Absolutely Almost

Twelve-year-old Kammy feels very lonely with a new stepfamily until summer camp gives her a new outlook.

A Corner of the Universe

Pearl's older sister Lexie is in eighth grade and has a boyfriend. Pearl's only boyfriend is the family's crabby cat, Bitey. Lexie is popular. Pearl is not, mostly because of the embarrassing Three Bad Things that happened in school and which no one has forgotten. Everything Pearl does seems to drive Lexie crazy. On top of that, their grandfather is moving into their family's apartment and taking over Pearl's room. How will these sisters share without driving one another crazy? Pearl is good at making lists of rules, but sometimes, life doesn't play by the rules!

Karen's Haircut (Baby-Sitters Little Sister #8)

Stacey's parents are getting a divorce. Stacey is sad and angry, and she has a big decision to make--stay in New York with her father, or move back to Stoneybrook with her mother.

Rain Reign, Chapters 1-5

Write on! Everybody in the big house is busy. And Karen is b-o-r-e-d. She tries to read a book. But then she has a better idea! She will write her own book! It will be about her life. She does not remember everything about being little. So she talks with Mommy and Daddy. They tell Karen all the funny things she did. Can Karen write a whole book?

Abby in Wonderland (The Baby-Sitters Club #121)

Newbery Honor author Ann M. Martin's gripping, widely acclaimed novel of a girl confronting the perils of friendship and the conflicts of community. Belle Teal's life isn't easy, but she gets by. She lives with her mother and grandmother far out in the country. They don't have much money, but Belle Teal feels rich with their love. As school begins, Belle Teal faces unexpected challenges. Her best friends are up against some big problems. And there are two new students in Belle Teal's class: a shy boy caught in the town's furor over desegregation, and a snob who has problems of her own. As her world falls apart, Belle Teal discovers the importance of sticking together.

Here Today

Karen's friend, Nancy, is going to be a big sister. Her mommy is having a baby. At first, Karen is so jealous. Then Nancy promises to share the baby with her. Now Karen is super excited. Nancy might even bring the baby to school for Show and Share! Karen and Nancy can't wait for the baby to be born. But how much longer will it be?

Inside Out

When Abby spends a week with her grandparents at their summer house, she learns wonderful things about her family for the first time, as well as one piece of unhappy news.

Loudmouth George and the Sixth-Grade Bully, 2nd Edition

Andi is short. And she has lots of wishes. She wishes she could play on the school basketball team, she wishes for her own bedroom, but most of all she wishes that her long-lost half-brother, Bernardo, could come and live in London where he belongs. Then Andi's biggest wish comes true and she's minutes away from becoming someone's little sister. As she waits anxiously for Bernardo to arrive from the Philippines, she hopes he'll turn out to be tall and just as crazy as she is about basketball. When he finally arrives, he's tall all right. Eight feet tall, in fact—plagued by condition called Gigantism and troubled by secrets that he believes led to his phenomenal growth. In a novel packed with quirkiness and humor, Gourlay explores a touching sibling relationship and the clash of two very different cultures.

Rain Reign

How do you love someone who makes you miserable? Eleven-year-old Jonathan just wants to have a normal life—for instance, a night when he isn't awakened by screams, or a day when he's not teased by other kids for having a disabled family member. But normal can't happen when your little brother is severely autistic. James, Jonathan's four-year-old brother, needs more help than his parents can give him. And it's not just hard for Jonathan—it's causing strife for the whole family. When James gets into a special school for autistic children, Jonathan and his sister have to make a lot of sacrifices so he can go. Jonathan comes up with an idea to help out the family—but will his plan work, or only lead to more teasing? This

ebook features an illustrated personal history of Ann M. Martin, including rare images from the author's collection.

Rain Reign

In this companion to her acclaimed 2005 novel, *A Dog's Life*, Ann M. Martin tells the parallel stories of a stray dog (the brother of the dog featured in *A Dog's Life*), a boy dealing with unspeakable loss, and a boy whose most ardent wish is to own a dog—and everything for a dog. Bone and his sister, Squirrel, are stray dogs born in a shed. Left motherless as puppies, the two dogs survive together for a while, but are soon wrenched apart. Bone doesn't know if his sister is still alive, and must now go on, alone. Charlie is a boy who has suffered a terrible loss. And, as he's healing with the help of his dog, another tragedy occurs. Henry's best friend has moved away. All Henry has wanted is a dog of his own. But his parents won't let him. Bone, Charlie, and Henry live very different lives, but they are fated to intersect in surprising ways. Award-winning author Ann M. Martin has written a powerful, heartfelt novel that's perfect for anyone who has ever longed for a dog, or loved one.

Rules (Scholastic Gold)

Far and near. Lost and found. Four girls. Four generations. Georgia cannot figure out what's going on in her family. Her mother, Francie, is extremely overprotective. Her grandmother, Dana, and her great-grandmother, Abby, don't speak to each other. And Georgia's great-great-grandmother also had some secrets that nobody else knows about. Georgia knows this because she's found her great-great grandmother's diary hidden in a wall in the family's house in Maine. Reading the diary makes her think of her own struggles - and draws her even closer to the mysteries of her family as Abby's hundredth birthday approaches. *HOME IS THE PLACE* is the heartfelt, remarkable conclusion to Ann M. Martin's Family Tree series, which has followed Abby, Dana, Francie, and now Georgia from girlhood to womanhood, showing readers the intertwining, extraordinary ways we grow up.

Karen's Birthday (Baby-Sitters Little Sister #7)

Struggling with Asperger's, Rose shares a bond with her beloved dog, but when the dog goes missing during a storm, Rose is forced to confront the limits of her comfort levels, even if it means leaving her routines in order to search for her pet.

Ten Good and Bad Things About My Life (So Far)

The first day of school can be scary enough as it is without a bully stealing your lunch! And that's just what happens to poor George when he runs into Big Mike, the sixth-grade bully, on the walk to school. Every day George is tormented—not to mention hungry—and too afraid to tell anyone, until his good friend Harriet steps in and helps George give Big Mike a taste of his own medicine.

Rain Reign

From National Book Award finalist Deb Caletti comes an intensely gripping story about love, loss, marriage, and secrets—perfect for readers of Jodi Picoult, Kristin Hannah, and Anna Quindlen. “One of the best books I’ve read all year.”—Barbara O’Neal, author of *The Garden of Happy Endings* “What do you think happened to your husband, Mrs. Keller?” The Sunday morning starts like any other, aside from the slight hangover. Dani Keller wakes up on her Seattle houseboat, a headache building behind her eyes from the wine she drank at a party the night before. But on this particular Sunday morning, she’s surprised to see that her husband, Ian, is not home. As the hours pass, Dani fills her day with small things. But still, Ian does not return. Irritation shifts to worry, worry slides almost imperceptibly into panic. And then, like a relentless blackness, the terrible realization hits Dani: He’s gone. As the police work methodically through all the logical explanations—he’s hurt, he’s run off, he’s been killed—Dani searches frantically for a clue as to whether Ian is in fact dead or alive. And, slowly, she unpacks their relationship, holding each moment up to the light: from its intense, adulterous beginning, to the grandeur of their new love, to the difficulties of forever. She examines all the sins she can—and cannot—remember. As the days pass, Dani will plumb the depths of her conscience, turning over and revealing the darkest of her secrets in order to discover the hard truth—about herself, her husband, and their lives together. “A thought-provoking and moving exploration.”—New York Times bestselling author Erica Bauermeister Look for special features inside. Join the Circle for author chats and more.

Best Boy: A Novel

Newbery Honor medalist Ann M. Martin's funny, insightful take on pets and family -- now with a spectacular new cover. There are ten siblings in the Rosso family. Ten individuals with ten different ways of looking at things. But they all have one thing in common: Each of them wants a pet. The only problem is that their mom does not: "No pets," she has always said. "Ten kids is enough." But now that the Rosso family is moving from the big city to the country, there are big changes ahead, including a new farmhouse and lots of nature. But the Rosso kids will still need to figure out a plan to change mom's mind. . . .

Welcome Back, Stacey! (The Baby-Sitters Club #28)

Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle has gone away unexpectedly and left her niece, Missy Piggle-Wiggle, in charge of the Upside-Down House and the beloved animals who live there: Lester the pig, Wag the dog, and Penelope the parrot, among others. Families in town soon realize that like her great-aunt, Missy Piggle-Wiggle has inventive cures for all sorts of childhood (mis)behavior: The Whatever Cure and the Just-a-Minute Cure, for instance. What is a stressed out parent to do? Why, call Missy Piggle-Wiggle, of course! New York Times-bestselling author Ann Martin brings her signature warmth and comic genius to a new character. And artist Ben Hatke brings it all to life!

Bummer Summer

Download the first five chapters of *Rain Reign*, the latest from Ann M. Martin. Does

losing her dog mean losing everything? Rose Howard is obsessed with homonyms. She's thrilled that her own name is a homonym, and she purposely gave her dog Rain a name with two homonyms (Reign, Rein), which, according to Rose's rules of homonyms, is very special. Not everyone understands Rose's obsessions, her rules, and the other things that make her different – not her teachers, not other kids, and not her single father. When a storm hits their rural town, rivers overflow, roads are flooded, and Rain goes missing. Rose's father shouldn't have let Rain out. Now Rose has to find her dog, even if it means leaving her routines and safe places to search. Hearts will break and spirits will soar for this powerful story, brilliantly told from Rose's point of view.

A Dog's Life

Liza thought she was prepared to lose her father—but coping is harder than she ever imagined. When Liza's dad finds out he has less than a year to live, he asks his family to help him make his remaining time as happy as possible. After the initial shock, twelve-year-old Liza, her three siblings, and their mother resolve to make her dad's last year wonderful—especially on Christmas, his favorite holiday. Liza tries hard to prepare herself for living without him. But after he's gone, she finds that she is still not ready—and maybe she never will be. The family, now faced with financial problems, has to move into a smaller home, which adds to their tension and anger. As another holiday season approaches, Liza feels celebrating without her dad is disloyal, and boycotts the holiday. Liza's search for the courage to face her grief, anger, and guilt will resonate with readers of any age who have survived the loss of a loved one. This ebook features an illustrated personal history of Ann M. Martin, including rare images from the author's collection.

Karen, Hannie and Nancy

New York Times Editor's Choice People Magazine Pick of the Week A Washington Post Notable Book of 2015 Library Journal Top Ten Books of 2015 BookPage Top Five Books of 2015 "Raw and beautiful. . . . What rises and shines from the page is Todd Aaron, a hero of such singular character and clear spirit that you will follow him anywhere. You won't just root for him, you will fight and push and pray for him to wrest control of his future. You will read this book in one sitting or maybe two, and, I promise, you will miss this man deeply when you are done."—Ann Bauer, Washington Post Sent to a "therapeutic community" for autism at the age of eleven, Todd Aaron, now in his fifties, is the "Old Fox" of Payton LivingCenter. A joyous man who rereads the encyclopedia compulsively, he is unnerved by the sudden arrivals of a menacing new staffer and a disruptive, brain-injured roommate. His equilibrium is further worsened by Martine, a one-eyed new resident who has romantic intentions and convinces him to go off his meds to feel "normal" again. Undone by these pressures, Todd attempts an escape to return "home" to his younger brother and to a childhood that now inhabits only his dreams. Written astonishingly in the first-person voice of an autistic, adult man, *Best Boy*—with its unforgettable portraits of Todd's beloved mother, whose sweet voice still sings from the grave, and a staffer named Raykene, who says that Todd "reflects the beauty of His creation"—is a piercing, achingly funny, finally shattering novel no reader can ever forget.

Because of Shoe and Other Dog Stories

Missy Piggle-Wiggle and the Won't-Walk-the-Dog Cure

With the whole summer ahead of them, Karen and her best friends, Hannie and Nancy, are excited about spending every moment together, but as the summer wears on, their patience with one another wears thin. Original.

A Sudden Light

Hilarious and heartwarming stories by nine renowned authors: · Ann M. Martin · Wendy Orr · Pam Muñoz Ryan · Mark Teague · Thacher Hurd · Valerie Hobbs · Margarita Engle · Matt de la Peña · Jon J Muth Adventures abound in this illustrated anthology. Max the Dax tracks a poodlenapper; Peanut, a mutt, is mistaken for a wolf; and a rescue dog named Gabe searches for a lost boy. This collection has a story for anyone who's ever wanted, known, or loved, a dog.

Belle Teal

My name is Squirrel. I was born in a wheelbarrow. There were five of us puppies in the beginning, but only my brother and I survived. So we set off on our own to see the world. Life as a stray has been hard - but filled with adventure! I've been adopted and I've been abandoned. I lost my brother, but found new friends. I've been in scrapes, but I always survived. This is the story of my life. "Heart-wrenching as well as heart-warming" - Kirkus Reviews

Ten Rules for Living with My Sister

Surviving fourth grade isn't going to be easy for Shirley—but the thought of repeating it with her younger sister is too much to bear Shirley Basini is dreading fourth grade—if she doesn't do well this year, she'll be held back. Having dyslexia is tough, but having a brilliant older brother makes it even worse. When Shirley's parents adopt a young girl from Vietnam, she's excited to have someone whom, for once, she can teach some things. But her new sister is actually quite adept at English and winds up in the advanced third-grade class. Shirley can't face the prospect of repeating fourth grade—this time with her adopted sister, who might even perform better than she does. Shirley has only one talent that might prove she's not dumb—but does she have the will to let it shine? This ebook features an illustrated personal history of Ann M. Martin, including rare images from the author's collection.

Yours Turly, Shirley

In 1930, Abby Nichols is an 8-year-old girl growing up in Maine, but as the Depression deepens and her mother dies, the responsibility of taking care of her family falls to her, and she has to put her dreams of going to college and becoming a writer on hold.

The Secret Book Club

Pearl Littlefield's first assignment in fifth grade is complicated: She has to write an essay about her summer. Where does she begin? Her dad lost his job, she had to go to a different camp—one where her older sister Lexie was a counselor-in-training (ugh!)—and she and her good friend James Brubaker III had a huge fight, which made them both wonder if the other kids were right that girls and boys can't be good friends and which landed one of them in the hospital. And there's much, much more on the list of good and bad things, as Ann Martin takes this appealing character into new adventures through which young readers will see that good or bad, life is what happens when you're making other plans.

Tall Story

Newbery Honor medalist Ann M. Martin's "unforgettable" (Booklist, starred) family story, now in paperback "In 1963, Ellie's mother, Doris Day Dingman, was crowned the Bosetti Beauty at Mr. Bosetti's supermarket, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, and the Dingmans began to fall apart." So begins 11-yr-old Eleanor Roosevelt Dingman's story. Ellie, who is about to start 6th grade in the small town of Spectacle, NY, is the oldest child in her off-center family. Her father works construction jobs, while her mother, Doris, has only one dream - to become a rich and famous actress. But when that dream leads to Doris's abandonment of the family, it is Ellie who is called upon to take charge.

Just My Luck

Poor Karen is feeling ugly. Not only does she have glasses, but now her two front adult teeth have grown in and they look like "rabbit teeth." Karen and her mother go to the beauty shop for a makeover. But Gloriana snips away madly and Karen is left with a punk haircut she hates. What will she do about school tomorrow?

Karen's Book (Baby-Sitters Little Sister #100)

Large Print  increased font size and wider line spacing maximizes reading legibility, and has been proven to advance comprehension, improve fluency, reduce eye fatigue, and boost engagement in young readers of all abilities, especially struggling, reluctant, and striving readers.

Ten Kids, No Pets

Fans of E.B. White and Dick King-Smith will adore this heartwarming and funny animal adventure by the award-winning author of New York Times Bestseller Counting by 7s Mama has trained up her baby possums in the ways of their breed, and now it's time for all of them—even little Appleblossom—to make their way in the world. Appleblossom knows the rules: she must never be seen during the day, and she must avoid cars, humans, and the dreaded hairies (sometimes known as dogs). Even so, Appleblossom decides to spy on a human family—and accidentally falls down their chimney! The curious Appleblossom, her faithful brothers—who launch a hilarious rescue mission—and even the little girl in the house have no idea

how fascinating the big world can be. But they're about to find out! With dynamic illustrations, a tight-knit family, and a glimpse at the world from a charming little marsupial's point of view, this cozy animal story is a perfect read-aloud and a classic in the making.

Appleblossom the Possum

Flora, Olivia, and Nikki don't understand it. Someone is leaving books on their doorstep. Each comes with a mysterious message, asking them to read the book and do something new.

Chester and Gus

It's Karen's birthday! She can't wait for all those presents. Karen is even having two parties--one at Daddy's house and one at Mommy's. But what Karen really wants for her birthday is one party, with her whole family together.

Karen's Baby (Baby-Sitters Little Sister Super Special #5)

Ann Martin's phenomenal Newbery Honor book, now in paperback The summer Hattie turns 12, her predictable smalltown life is turned on end when her uncle Adam returns home for the first time in over ten years. Hattie has never met him, never known about him. He's been institutionalized; his condition involves schizophrenia and autism. Hattie, a shy girl who prefers the company of adults, takes immediately to her excitable uncle, even when the rest of the family -- her parents and grandparents -- have trouble dealing with his intense way of seeing the world. And Adam, too, sees that Hattie is special, that her quiet, shy ways are not a disability,

Family Tree Book 4: Home Is the Place

This Newbery Honor Book is a heartfelt and witty story about feeling different and finding acceptance--beyond the rules.

Better to Wish

Ten-year-old Albie has never been the smartest, tallest, most athletic, greatest artist, or most musical in his class, as his parents keep reminding him, but new nanny Calista helps him uncover his strengths and take pride in himself. Simultaneous eBook.

Missy Piggle-Wiggle and the Whatever Cure

From the author of the million-copy bestselling *The Art of Racing in the Rain* comes the breathtaking and long-awaited new novel. This novel centres on four generations of a once terribly wealthy and influential timber family who have fallen from grace; a mysterious yet majestic mansion, crumbling slowly into the bluff overlooking Puget Sound in Seattle; a love affair so powerful it reaches across the planes of existence; and a young man who simply wants his parents to once again

experience the moment they fell in love, hoping that if can feel that emotion again, maybe they won't get divorced after all.

Everything for a Dog

Critically acclaimed author Cammie McGovern presents a heartwarming and humorous middle grade novel about the remarkable bond that forms between an aspiring service dog and an autistic boy in need of a friend. “Joyful, inspiring, and completely winning, Chester and Gus is unforgettable,” proclaimed Katherine Applegate, #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Newbery Medal winner *The One and Only Ivan*. Chester has always wanted to become a service dog. When he fails his certification test, though, it seems like that dream will never come true—until a family adopts him. They want him to be a companion for their ten-year-old son, Gus, who has autism. But Gus acts so differently than anyone Chester has ever met. He never wants to pet Chester, and sometimes he doesn’t even want Chester in the room. Chester’s not sure how to help Gus since this isn’t exactly the job he trained for—but he’s determined to figure it out. Because after all, Gus is now his person. In the spirit of beloved classics like *Because of Winn-Dixie*, *Shiloh*, and *Old Yeller*, Cammie McGovern’s heartfelt novel—told from Chester’s point of view—explores the extraordinary friendship between a child and a dog with a poignant and modern twist.

Rain Reign

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With You and Without You

Missy's back for a second adventure in this spin-off series of the beloved Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle books from Ann M. Martin and Annie Parnell! Missy Piggle-Wiggle is finally starting to feel settled in at the upside-down house, and the families in town have come to trust her magical cures for all sorts of childhood (mis)behavior, just like her great-aunt. But right when everything is going so well, a terrible storm blasts through Little Spring Valley, damaging the upside-down house. Now the house is in need of repair (and isn't happy about it one bit), and money is becoming pretty tight for Missy. And, on top of that, the children of Little Spring Valley continue to need Missy's inventive cures, such as the Smarty-Pants Cure, the Whiney-Whiners Cure, and the Won't-Walk-the-Dog Cure. Luckily, Missy knows just what to do!

He's Gone: A Novel

Critically acclaimed author Cammie McGovern's middle grade debut is a powerful and heartwarming story that will appeal to readers who loved R. J. Palacio's *Wonder*, Ann M. Martin's *Rain Reign*, and Holly Sloan's *Counting by 7s*. Fourth grade is not going at all how Benny Barrows hoped. He hasn't found a new best friend. He's still not a great bike rider—even though his brother George, who's autistic, can do tricks. And worst of all, he worries his dad's recent accident might be all his fault. Benny tries to take his mom's advice and focus on helping others, and to take things one step at a time. But when his dad ends up in the hospital again, Benny doesn't know how he and his family will overcome all the bad luck that life seems to have thrown their way. *Just My Luck* is a deeply moving and rewarding novel about a down-on-his-luck boy whose caring heart ultimately helps him find the strength to cope with tragedy and realize how much he truly has to offer his friends and family.

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