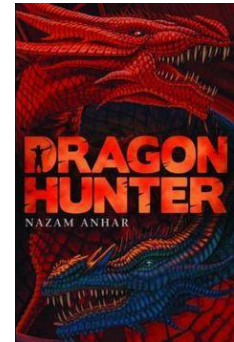


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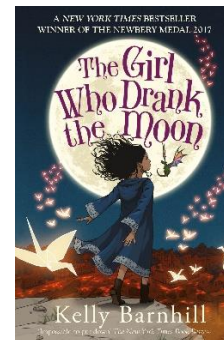
Dragon Hunter by Nazam Anhar

When the dragons emerge to terrorise the village of Shenzing, the legendary Dragon Warriors are summoned for help. Hajur answers the call, but in exchange for his protection he requests a boy to become his follower - someone brave enough to train in the dangerous ways of the warrior. Could Barran, a village outcast, prove to be the one?



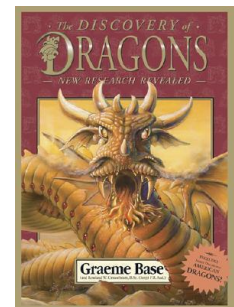
The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill

This is a very sweet story of a witch who takes abandoned children and puts them in the hands of new, loving families. When Xan nourishes a baby with moonlight, instead of starlight, the baby becomes a magical being so Xan decides to keep that child as her own, naming her Luna. When Xan's life is in danger, it's Luna's time to use her magic to protect her.



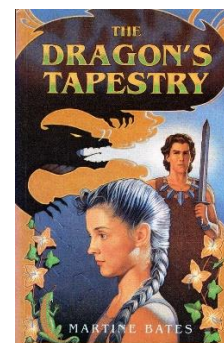
The Discovery of Dragons by Graeme Base

A group of eccentric Victorian scientists describes and catalogues dragons from around the world, including everything from their natural habitats to their unusual eating habits. Amazing illustrations.



The Dragon's Tapestry and its sequel The Prism Moon by Martine Bates

When news of dragon trouble comes from the north, villagers in Marmawell scoff. Marwen, the Oldwife's apprentice, knows the reports are true; she senses the dragon's magic. Her destiny will lead her to lost lands, to a powerful magic she can scarcely control, to a mystery no one should have to face alone.



Jane and the Dragon Series by Martin Baynton

#1 *Jane and the Dragon*

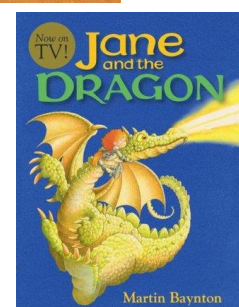
#2 *The Dragon's Purpose*

#3 *Jane and the Magician*

#4 *Three's a Crowd*

#5 *A Dragon's Tail*

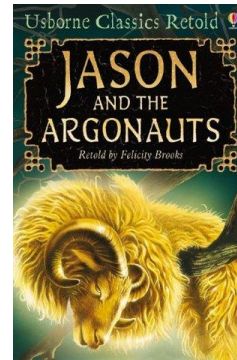
These children's books, written and illustrated by Martin Baynton, have also been made into a television series. A feisty heroine who'd rather joust than sew seeks out her own adventures in these magical fairy tales.



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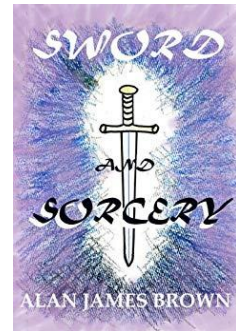
Jason and the Argonauts by Felicity Brooks

Deep in the heart of enemy territory, through mountainous seas and uncharted lands, Jason and his fearless crew, the Argonauts, do battle with giants, dragons, monsters and a merciless sea god, to bring the legendary Golden Fleece back to Greece.



Sword and Sorcery by Alan Brown

The legendary King Arthur is reborn into a future world where forest covers the islands of Albion. While people struggle to survive, other species grow to giant size. Mythical beasts stalk the land and sorcery is rife. Attacked by the Dragonfolk, most of Art's family are dead. Only Art can save his family from destruction. Only he can lead the dangerous quest to defeat the fearsome Dragonfolk.

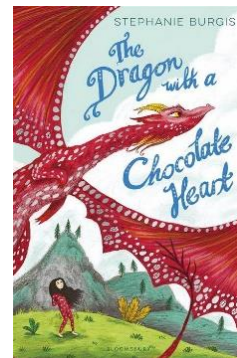


Tales from The Chocolate heart Series by Stephanie Burgis

#1 The Dragon with A Chocolate Heart

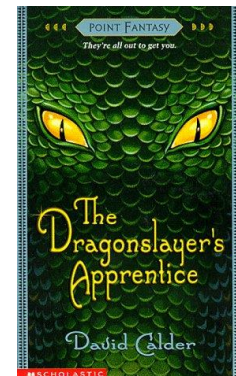
#2 The Girl with the Dragon Heart

This book series can be described as a sort of reverse tale: here, it's the dragon who becomes a girl. In her quest to capture a human, Aventurine is tricked into drinking chocolate by the human she tried to snatch and becomes herself a human girl. Instead of being put off by this sudden turn of events, however, Aventurine decides to learn how to make chocolate. But turning this new dream into a reality isn't as easy as she deemed it to be.



The Dragonslayer's Apprentice by David Calder

She's smarter than Xena, funnier than Guinevere, and spunkier than Catherine (a.k.a. Birdy). She's Jackie, Dragonslayer-in-training, and she's moving through the land to kick some major tail!



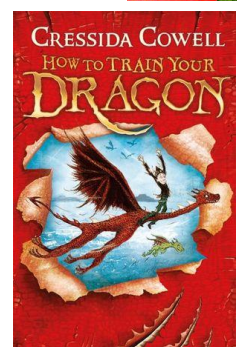
How to Train Your Dragon Series by Cressida Cowell

#1 How to Train Your Dragon

#2 How to Be a Pirate

#3 How to Speak Dragonese and more

This is a series of twelve books, which tells the tale of Hiccup. Hiccup is a Viking hero nicknamed "The Dragon Whisperer", but before earning the title, he had to learn how to overcome his fears, and how there are different ways to achieve the same result. Kinder ways. We mustn't forget to put our heart in what we do, and we'll get better things than expected.



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The Secret Dragon by Ed Clarke

Mari Jones is desperate to be a real scientist, even though she's only eleven. So when she discovers a tiny dragon while fossil hunting on the beach, she's sure she can find a good scientific explanation - as long as she can keep it hidden long enough to study it.



The Dragons of Wayward Crescent Series by Chris D'Lacey

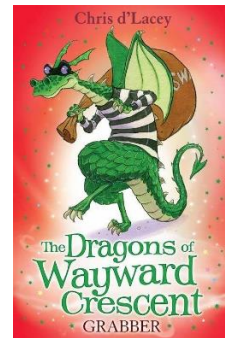
#1 Gruffen

#2 Gauge

#3 Glade

#4 Grabber

These four books follow Lucy Pennykettle who is convinced that a monster is lurking in her room at night and thus there is only one solution. Lucy's mother, Liz, mixes a bit of magic and a little clay to create Gruffen, a miniature dragon who comes to life.



Last Dragon Chronicles by Chris d'Lacey

#1 The Fire Within

#2 Icefire

#3 Fire Star

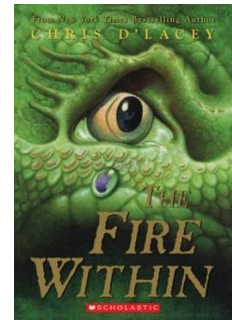
#4 The Fire Eternal

#5 Dark Fire

#6 Fire World

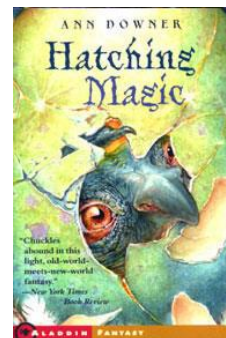
#7 The Fire Ascending

These seven books follow the breathtaking adventures of David Rain and his quest to save the tear of the last dragon, Gawain, and protect nature, dragons and humankind from evil...



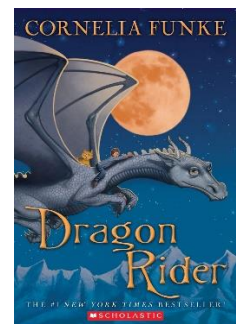
Hatching Magic by Ann Downer

Poor Gideon! Wycca, his pet dragon, has disappeared through a magic hole in time in search of a place to lay her egg. Kobold, Gideon's rival wizard, wants to capture Wycca and turn her against her master. In a desperate attempt to rescue Wycca from Kobold's evil clutches, Gideon follows her through the magic hole...



Dragon Rider by Cornelia Funke

Firedrake, a brave young dragon, his loyal brownie friend Sorrel and a lonely boy called Ben are united as if by destiny. With only a curious map and the whispered memories of an old dragon to guide them they embark on a magical journey to find the legendary place where silver dragons can live in peace for ever.



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Samurai Kids Series by Sandy Fussell

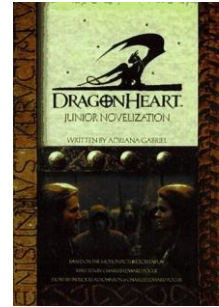
- #1 White Crane
- #2 Owl Ninja
- #3 Shaolin Tiger
- #4 Monkey Fist
- #5 Fire Lizard
- #6 Golden Bat
- #7 Red Fox
- #8 Black Tengu



It's not easy being a one-legged Samurai. Niya - the White Crane - is not alone. He is one of the Samurai Kids who must face many dangers. Together, they confront the might of the Dragon Ryu and overcome their gravest fears.

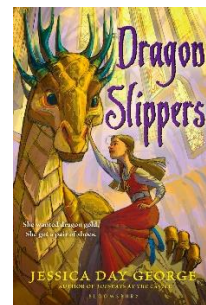
Dragonheart: A Novel by Adriana Gabriel

On the day evil King Freyne is killed on the battlefield, young Prince Einon is badly wounded. His mother, Queen Aislinn, makes a pact with a dragon to save her son's life. Einon, now king, chooses tyranny over the teachings of his mentor, Sir Bowen. Disillusioned, Sir Bowen is bent on revenge against the dragon who saved Einon's life. Based on the motion picture screenplay written by Charles Edward Pogue.



Dragonskin Slippers by Jessica Day George

When Creel is abandoned outside a dragon's cave by her uncaring aunt as a sacrifice no one expects her to survive. But not only does she make friends with the dragon, she finds herself the owner of a very special pair of shoes, and then Creel's extraordinary adventures really take off.



The Girl at Midnight by Melissa Grey

Echo is a free spirit, and a thief. She's part of the magical Avicen race, who live beneath the streets of New York. When war breaks out near her home, she decides to take the skills she learned from pickpocketing on the streets to find a powerful creature called Firebird. A task that may be just too big even for the daring Echo.



The Saint of Dragons by Jason Hightman

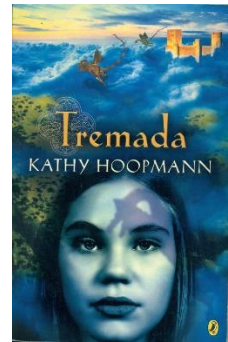
Simon St George has been living at the Lighthouse School since he was two years old, so it comes as a bit of a surprise when suddenly two men show up, both claiming to be his father. It's an even bigger shock to discover that he's descended from Saint George - dragon killer and all-round knight in shining armour - and that he's expected to carry on the family business!



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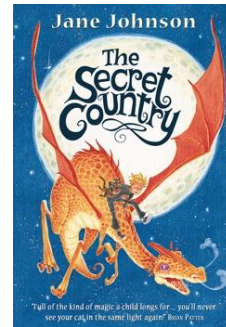
Tremada by Kathy Hoopman

In the age of the gnomes - The Song made them the most powerful creatures in Tremada. In the age of the dragons - Fear rules and the gnomes are enslaved. In the age of Shianna - The Song returns from a most unexpected source. Shianna finds a tiny wounded dragon in the woods. To save its life, she must travel to Tremada, a world ruled by dragons and gnomes.



The Secret Country by Jane Johnson

On entering the Pet Emporium, a small cat hooks his claws into Ben's jumper and begs to be bought and saved from Mr Dodds, the pet shop's cruel owner. The cat, Iggy, has an amazing story to tell. He comes from a place called Eidolon, or the Secret Country, which exists as a shadow-world to our own. It is a world filled with magic and mythical creatures like dragons, selkies, sprites and centaurs.



Elementals Series by Amy Kaufman

#1 Ice Wolves

#2 Scorch Dragons

Ice wolves and scorch dragons are sworn enemies who live deeply separate lives. So, when twelve-year-old orphan Anders takes one elemental form and his twin sister, Rayna, takes another, he wonders whether they are still family or not. Still, Rayna is Anders's only true friend. She's nothing like the brutal, cruel dragons who claimed her as one of their own and stole her away.



To rescue her, Anders must enlist at the foreboding Ulfar Academy, a school for young wolves that values loyalty to the pack above all else. But for Anders, loyalty is more complicated than obedience, and friendship is the most powerful shapeshifting force of all.



Chronicles of Klarin by Andrew Lansdown

#1 With My Knife

#2 Dragonfox

#3 The Red Dragon

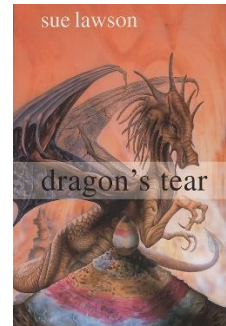
Colyn thinks all his adventures in the land where dragons live are over. However, in his dreams he learns that the dragons are planning a comeback. What is more, they may have discovered a way in which they can enter our own world. It looks as though it is time for Colyn to enter Klarin, the other world.



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Dragon's Tear by Sue Lawson

Cam is miserable. His younger brother, Justin, is a sporting legend, his father works all day and most of the night, and his mother is in a very bad mood - all the time. Life in the country town of Wilton would be better if only Cam could make a friend. But a moody, mythical dragon with bad breath and an egg about to hatch is not what he expected. A story about fear and loneliness and the magic of friendship, trust and self-discovery.



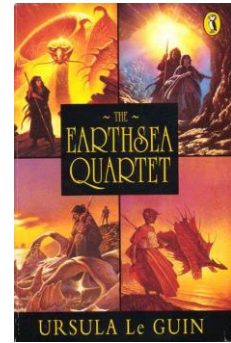
Earthsea Series by Ursula K. Le Guin

#1 A Wizard of Earthsea

#2 The Tombs of Atuan

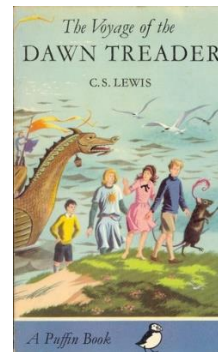
#3 The Farthest Shore

The stories of the deeds of Ged, one of the most renowned wizards of all Earthsea, the fantastical realm full of dragons, wizards and magic.



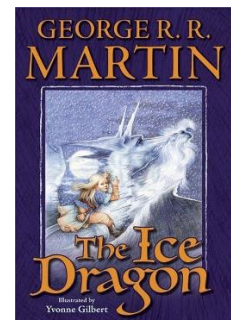
The Voyage of the Dawn Treader by C.S. Lewis

When Lucy and Edmund Pevensie, along with their cousin Eustace, are swallowed into a painting and transported back to Narnia, they join King Caspian and a noble mouse named Reepicheep aboard the magnificent ship the Dawn Treader. The voyagers confront mythical creatures (including dragons) and reunite with Aslan on a mission that will determine the fate of Narnia itself!



The Ice Dragon by George R.R. Martin

Adara could not remember the first time she had seen the ice dragon. It seemed that it had always been in her life, glimpsed from afar as she played in the frigid snow long after the other children had fled the cold. Then, in her seventh year fiery dragons from the North swooped down upon the peaceful farm that was Adara's home. And only a winter child—and the ice dragon who loved her—could save her world from utter destruction.



Seventh Son by Linda McNabb

Jaxon is the seventh son of a seventh son. He was an apprentice wizard until he made a huge blunder and was banished by Wizard Argus. A year later, travelling with Smokey, a very troublesome young dragon, he sees himself described on a wanted poster offering a huge reward. Argus needs his help and is desperately searching for him.



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Dragon Valley Series by Linda McNabb

#1 The Dragon's Apprentice

#2 Shadow Hunters

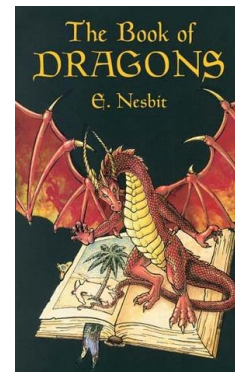
#3 Dragons' Bane

There's something odd about Toby, and it's not just his purple eyes or his amazing ability to talk to Klel, the dragon tied up in the courtyard. His new job as page to the mysterious Prince Blaise is his last chance to avoid a cold winter in the poorhouse. When Blaise's half-sister Sanelle arrives unexpectedly, Toby learns of the terrible secret the prince carries in a hidden stone pendant, and his deadly plans for Klel. Together Toby and Sanelle must escape the clutches of the Prince.



The Book of Dragons by E. Nesbit

Dragons of all sorts make for marvellous fun, and these madcap tales are filled with them. The legendary monsters are funny and mischievous, or downright frightening, and a number of them are wild and unpredictable. There's a dragon made of ice, a scaly creature that carries off the largest elephant in a zoo, and even a dragon whose gentle purring comforts a tiny tot.



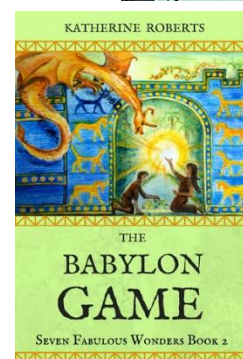
A Darkness of Dragons (Songs of Magic) by S.A. Patrick

In a world of dragons, song spells, pipers and battles...Patch Brightwater is a boy in disgrace. Thrown in jail for playing a forbidden spell, he is no one's idea of a hero. But then he discovers a deadly truth - the evil Piper of Hamelyn is on the loose. With the help of Wren and Barver, a fire-breathing dracogriff, Patch must stop the Piper sparking the biggest battle of them all.



The Babylon Game by Katherine Roberts

Tia's luck starts to change the moment she touches a dragon patrolling the Hanging Gardens of Babylon. At the Twenty Squares Club Tia wins every game - could the dragon have given her a magical power? Tia discovers her lucky gift brings great danger.



Dragons of Deltora Series by Emily Rodda

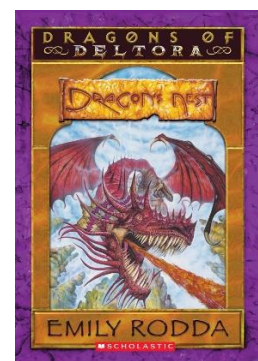
#1 Dragon's Nest

#2 Shadowgate

#3 Isle of the Dead

#4 The Sister of the South

Four vile creations of sorcery called the Four Sisters are hidden in the land. Lief, Jasmine and Barda must find the deadly Sisters and destroy them. Their only clue is a fragment of an ancient map. Their only hope of help lies with seven unlikely allies - the last of Deltora's dragons.

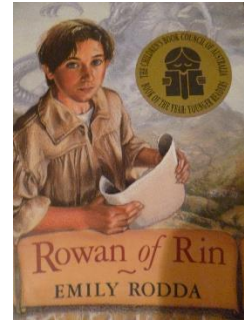


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Rowan of Rin Series by Emily Rodda

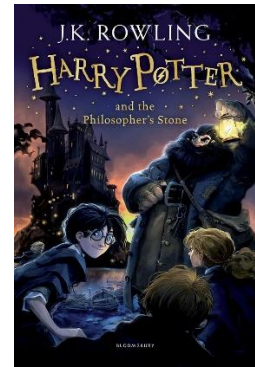
#1 Rowan of Rin #2 Rowan and the Travellers #4 Rowan and the Keeper of the Crystal #5 Rowan and the Zebak #6 Rowan of the Bukshah

Rowan is a boy with a strong heart and mind but with a frail, sickly body. He is an oddity in Rin, where people value physical strength, chest hair and courage. He is designated the Keeper of the Bukshah, a domesticated form of cattle. However, when trouble strikes the six strongest villagers must brave the unknown terrors of the Mountain to discover the answer to their problem, and Rowan, the unwanted seventh member of the group, must go with them.



Harry Potter Series by J. K. Rowling

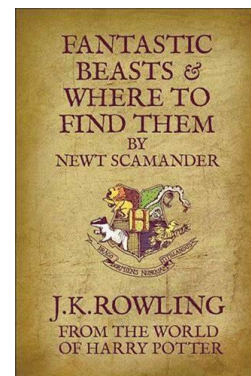
Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone begins the series of seven novels and eight movies all of which feature numerous dragons. **The later novels may not be suitable for primary age children.**



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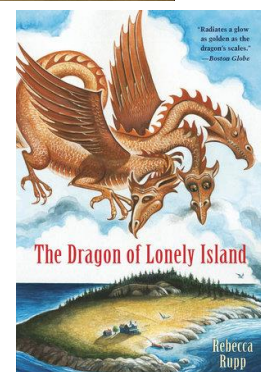
Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them by J. K. Rowling

Newt Scamander's masterpiece has entertained wizarding families through the generations. This is an indispensable introduction to the magical beasts of the Wizarding World. Some of the beasts will be familiar to readers of the Harry Potter books - the Hippogriff, the Basilisk, the Hungarian Horntail dragon ... Others will surprise even the most ardent amateur Magizoologist.



The Dragon of Lonely Island by Rebecca Rupp

Hannah, Zachary, and Sarah Emily are spending the summer at their great-aunt Mehitabel's house on remote Lonely Island. There, in a cave hidden above the ocean, they discover a fabulous creature: a glittering, three-headed dragon with a kind heart, an unpredictable temper, and a memory that spans twenty thousand years.



The Dragon in the Library by Louie Stowell

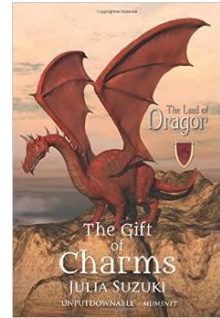
She'd MUCH rather be outside, playing games and getting muddy, than stuck inside with a book. But when she's dragged along to the library one day by her two best friends, she makes an incredible discovery – and soon it's up to Kit and her friends to save the library ... and the world.



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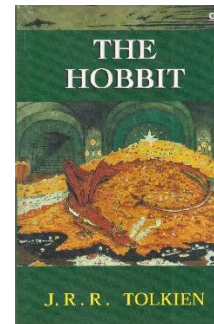
The Gift of Charms by Julia Suzuki

In a secret land, far away from the habitation of man, dwell the world's remaining dragons. Here they try to live their daily lives without discovery, but all is not well, and their talents are fading. Things change, however, when from a strange egg, Yoshiko is born - a dragon with a unique destiny.



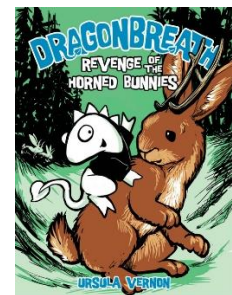
The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

Whisked from his comfortable hobbit-hole by Gandalf the wizard and a band of dwarves, Bilbo Baggins finds himself caught up in a plot to raid the treasure hoard of Smaug the Magnificent, a large and very dangerous dragon...



Dragonbreath by Ursula Vernon

What's the worst thing that can happen to a dragon? Being unable to breathe fire. That's exactly Danny Dragonbreath's problem, which means a life of being bullied at school. With eleven books already out, this is a super-sweet story with a cute dragon as the main character, and it will amuse adult and kids alike.



Dragonkeeper Series by Carole Wilkinson

#1 *Dragon Dawn*

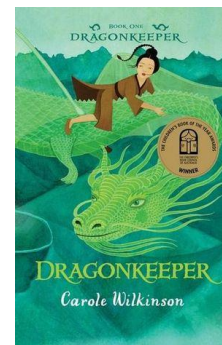
#2 *Dragon Keeper*

#3 *Garden of the Purple Dragon*

#4 *Dragon Moon*

#5 *Blood Brothers*

A slave girl saves the life of an ageing dragon and escapes her brutal master. Pursued by a ruthless dragon hunter, the girl and the dragon make an epic journey across China carrying a mysterious stone that must be protected.



The Enchanted Forest Chronicles by Patricia C. Wrede

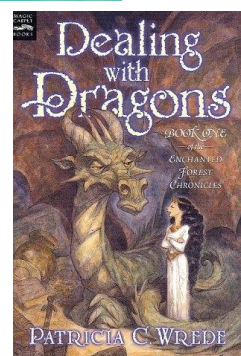
#1 *Dealing with Dragons*

#2 *Searching for Dragons*

#4 *Calling on Dragons*

#5 *Talking to Dragons*

The story of Cimorene, a fairy-tale princess who finds her expected duties boring and therefore runs away to become the "captive" princess of a dragon and finds the family and excitement she's been looking for.



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City Series by Laurence YEP

#1 *City of Fire*

#2 *City of Ice*

#3 *City of Death*

#4 *City of Dragons*

A haunting, original fable about the many facets of beauty. Luminescent watercolour illustrations from award-winners Jean and Mou-sien Tseng capture the exotic beauty and mystery of Yep's fabulous, fantastical underwater kingdom complete with sea dragons.

Dragon Series by Laurence Yep

#1 *Dragon of the Lost Sea*

#2 *Dragon Steel*

#3 *Dragon Cauldron*

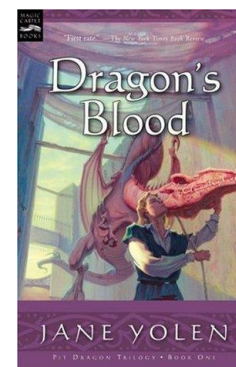
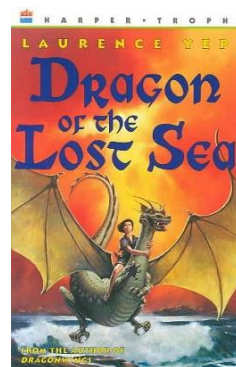
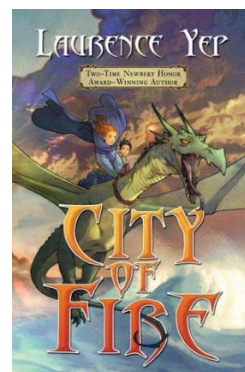
#4 *Dragon War*

The plot centres around an exiled princess named Shimmer, who undertakes a quest to restore her homeland, the Inland Sea, which is now known as the Lost Sea, after its waters were sealed up in the form of a blue pebble by a powerful witch named Civet. She gains an unlikely ally in the form of a young, orphaned human teenager named Thorn.

Pit Dragon Chronicles by Jane Yolen

#1 *Dragon's Blood*

Training a dragon to be a fighting champion is the only way to freedom for Jakkin, a young teenager determined to help the enslaved dragons.



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