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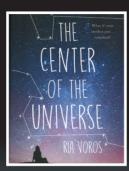
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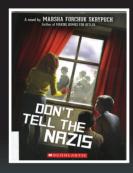
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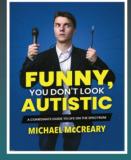
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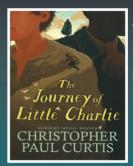
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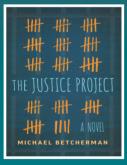
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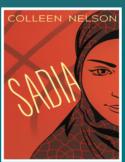
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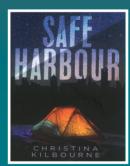
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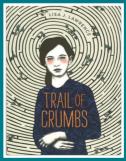
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Trail of Crumbs

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Snow Willow Finalists

Broken Strings

by Eric Walters and Kathy Kacer Penguin Random House, ©2019 ISBN 9780735266261

Shirli Berman is preparing for her school's musical production of "Fiddler on the Roof". While rummaging in her grandfather's attic for props, she finds a violin. Although she is frightened by her grandfather Zayde's obvious pain and anger at this discovery, Shirli is determined to uncover the reason. What happened to her grandfather during WWII?

The Center of the Universe

by Ria Voros Kids Can Press, ©2019 ISBN 9781525300387

Grace Carter's mother is a famous broadcaster whose mysterious disappearance turns her family's world upside down. Was she abducted? Did she leave on her own? As everyone searches for her, Grace realizes she really doesn't know her mother and long lost secrets come to light.

Don't Tell the Nazis

by Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch Scholastic Canada, ©2018 ISBN 9781338310535

Krystia's community is hopeful when Nazis invade Ukraine during WWII, pushing the Soviet oppressors out. However, the atrocities the Nazis begin to impose bring a new kind of fear to their lives. How can Krystia's family continue helping their Jewish neighbours without endangering their own safety? The risks are immense. Based on a true story.

Funny You Don't **Look Autistic**

by Michael McCreary Annick Press, ©2019 ISBN 9781773212579

Michael McCreary was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder at age five. As a teenager he began performing stand up comedy routines. Today, his work helps to break down stereotypes and shows people what it is like to live with autism. Michael's stories are hilarious and empowering.

The Journey of **Little Charlie**

by Christopher Paul Curtis Scholastic Canada, ©2018 ISBN 9781443142632

After the death of his father, Charlie must repay a debt by accompanying a loathsome man to recapture runaway slaves from the north. Charlie's journey takes him across the country and brings new realizations about humanity and his own beliefs about right and wrong.

The Justice Project

by Michael Betcherman Orca Book Publishers, ©2019 ISBN 9781459822504

A snowboarding accident ends Matt Barnes' sports career, forcing him to change his summer plans. He is given an internship with The Justice Project, an organization that defends those wrongfully convicted. Working alongside his high-school nemesis, they investigate Ray Richardson, a man wrongfully convicted of murdering his parents twenty-one years ago.

Sadia

by Colleen Nelson Dundurn Press, ©2018 ISBN 9781459740297

Sadia's passion for basketball is challenged when she is banned from play due to a league rule against head coverings. When her decision to stay true to her identity and wear her hijab conflicts with her best friend's choices, Sadia must confront issues of true friendship and helping others in the face of intolerance and ignorance.

Safe Harbour

by Christina Kilbourne Dundurn Press, ©2019 ISBN 9781459745186

While waiting for her father's return, Harbour is living in a tent with her dog. With no money and winter on the way, Harbour is befriended by Lise, a homeless girl who shows her how to panhandle and navigate the shelter system. However, Harbour can't let Lise get too close for fear that her family's secrets will be revealed.

This Place: 150 Years Retold

by Kateri Akiwenzie-Damm, Sonny Assu, Brandon Mitchell, Rachel Qitsualik-Tinsley, Sean Qitsualik-Tinsley, David A. Robertson, Niigaanwewidam James Sinclair, Jen Storm, Richard Van Camp, Katherena Vermette and Chelsea Vowel Highwater Press, ©2019 ISBN 9781553797586

Beginning with Annie of Red River in 1868 and ending 330 years in the future, this anthology of ten graphic stories is a testament to Indigenous heroes. Through stories of resistance and pain, leadership and triumph, important events that have long been overlooked in Canada's history are brought to light and projected into the future.

Trail of Crumbs

by Lisa J. Lawrence Orca Book Publishers, ©2019 ISBN 9781459821217

In this raw tale of abandonment, seventeenyear-old twins Greta and Ash find themselves without family, money and a home when their father and step-mother disappear one night. Greta is doubly traumatized by abuse at a party. The siblings realize they must find help and kindness in unexpected places if they are to survive the winter ahead.

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