









A Simon & Schuster Guide To Using Graphic Novels in the Classroom



## Why Graphic Novels Belong in Classrooms and Libraries

- Graphic novels offer fast-paced action, conflict, and heroic endeavors—all things young readers embrace.
- Children learn in different ways; visual learners are able to connect with graphic novels in a way that they cannot with text-only books.
- Graphic novels require readers to be active participants in the reading process, using their imaginations to fill in the blanks between panels.
- Graphic novels help young readers develop strong language arts skills, including reading comprehension and vocabulary development.
- Graphic novels contribute to literacy by ensuring that kids continue to read for fun outside of the classroom.

Graphic novels often address important developmental assets like being true to yourself, the power of imagination, and teamwork. They also address current, relevant social issues for young readers like divorce, bullying, and confronting monsters in the closet.

- Graphic novels provide a perfect bridge for young readers transitioning from picture books to text-only books.
- Graphic novels often stimulate young readers to branch out and explore other genres of literature including fantasy, science fiction, and realistic fiction as well as nonfiction and myths and legends.
- Graphic novels are good for English as a Second Language students and students who read below grade level because the simple sentences and visual clues allow readers to comprehend some, if not all, of the story.



For more graphic novels, check out SimonandSchuster.com/p/Childrens-Graphic-Novels-For-All-Ages

## Using Graphic Novels to Enrich Your Students' Learning Experience

The traditional definition of literacy is the ability to read and comprehend. As we move into a more visual world, the definition of literacy continues to change and evolve. The new definition of literacy is to be able to read, to listen, and to view, and then to comprehend. With regard to reading and comprehending graphic novels, there are two types of literacy to take into consideration: visual literacy and critical literacy.

Visual literacy is defined as the ability to view and then interpret, or make meaning, from what you are viewing. To be visually literate, a person must be able to process both words and pictures, or "read" images by decoding and comprehending meaning from pictures and words together. Critical literacy is the role of the reader when it comes to the transaction between the reader and the text. To be critically literate, a reader must be an active consumer of the story. This is more than just sitting down and reading a book full of words. Critical literacy is about having an actual interaction with the text and therefore being actively engaged in the reading process. Young readers who are active consumers of the story are more likely to be actively engaged.

These books have been officially leveled by using the F&P Text Level Gradient™ Leveling SystemThe Lexile reading levels have been certified by the Lexile® developer, MetaMetrics®.

HC Hardcover PB Paperback EB eBook UAB EA Unabridged Audio Download UAB CD Unabridged Compact Disk RTR Ready-to-Read









### **Novels Adapted into Graphic Novels**



## Super Turbo Saves the Day! Part of Super Turbo: The Graphic Novel

By Edgar Powers Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

Ages 5-9 I Grades K-4 HC 9781534474475 PB 9781534474468 EB 9781534474482 Little Simon Lexile\* GN530L • F&P™ N



## Athena the Brain Part of Goddess Girls Graphic Novel Series

Created by Joan Holub and Suzanne Williams Adapted by David Campiti Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

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Four books available



## Zeus and the Thunderbolt of Doom

Part of Heroes in Training Graphic Novel Series Written and illustrated by Joan Holub and Suzanne Williams

Ages 8-12 | Grade 3-7 HC 9781534481152 PB 9781534481145 EB 9781534481169

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## Katie and the Cupcake Cure Part of Cupcake Diaries The Graphic Novel

By Coco Simon Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781665914031 PB 9781665914024 EB 9781665914008 Simon Spotlight



## You Can't Come in Here! Part of Creepover Graphic Novels

By P.J. Night Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

### **Novels Adapted into Graphic Novels**



## Silverwing Part of The Silverwing Trilogy

By Kenneth Oppel Illustrated by Christopher Steininger

Ages 8-12 I Grades 3-7
HC 9781665938488
PB 9781665938471
EB 9781665938495
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## **Keeper of the Lost Cities**Part of Keeper of the Lost Cities Graphic Novel

By Shannon Messenger Adapted by Celina Frenn Illustrated by Gabriella Chianello

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534463370 PB 9781534463363 EB 9781534463387 Aladdin



## **Bunnicula: The Graphic Novel**By James Howe and Andrew Donkin Illustrated by Stephen Gilpin

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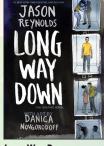


## Spy School: The Graphic Novel Part of Spy School Part of Spy School

By Stuart Gibbs Illustrated by Anjan Sarkar

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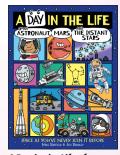


#### Long Way Down: The Graphic Novel

By Jason Reynolds Illustrated by Danica Novgorodoff

Ages 14 & up | Grades 9 & up HC 9781534444959 PB 9781534444966 EB 9781534444973 Caitlyn Dlouhy Books Lexile\* HL630L

### Middle Grade & YA



#### A Day in the Life of an Astronaut, Mars, and the Distant Stars

By Mike Barfield Illustrated by Jess Bradley

Ages 7-10 I Grades 2-5 POB 9781534489219 EB 9781534489226 Aladdin Lexile\* GN840L

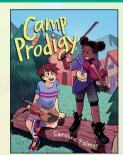


# The Racc Pack Part of The Racc Pack By Stephanie Cooke Illustrated by Whitney Gardner



#### Misfit Mansion Written and illustrated by Kay Davault

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## **Camp Prodigy**Written and illustrated by Caroline Palmer

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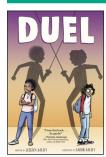
#### Lion Dancers

Written and illustrated by Cai Tse

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### Middle Grade & YA



Duel By Jessixa Bagley Illustrated by Aaron Bagley

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534496552 **PB** 9781534496545 EB 9781534496569 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers



Beetle & the Hollowbones Written and illustrated by Aliza Layne

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534441538 PB 9781534441545 EB 9781534441552 Atheneum Books for Young Readers Lexile\* GN380L



#### How Do Meerkats Order Pizza?: Wild Facts about Animals and the Scientists Who Study Them

Written and illustrated by Brooke Barker

Ages 8-12 | Grade 3-7 HC 9781665901604 PB 9781665901611 EB 9781665901628 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

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Lumberjackula By Mat Heagerty Illustrated by Sam Owen

Ages 8-12 | Grade 3-7 HC 9781534482586 PB 9781534482579 EB 9781534482593 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers



Wizkit: An Adventure Overdue **Adventure** 

Written and illustrated by Tanya J. Scott

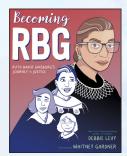
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### Middle Grade & YA



To Dance By Siena Cherson Siegel Illustrated by Mark Siegel

Ages 8-14 | Grade 3-9 HC 9781481486637 PB 9781481486644 EB 9781481486651 Atheneum Books for Young Readers F&P™W



**Becoming RBG** By Debbie Levy Illustrated by Whitney Gardner

Ages 10 & up | Grades 5 & up HC 9781534424562 PB 9781534424555 EB 9781534424579 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers Lexile\* GN910L • F&P™Y



My Nest of Silence By Matt Faulkner

Ages 10 & up | Grade 5 & up HC 9781534477629 PB 9781534477636 EB 9781534477643 Atheneum Books for Young Readers



#### Long Distance Written and illustrated by Whitney Gardner

Ages 10 & up | Grades 5 & up HC 9781534455665 PB 9781534455658 EB 9781534455672 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers Lexile® HL240L



#### Fake Blood Written and illustrated by Whitney Gardne

Ages 10 & up | Grades 5 & up HC 9781481495561 PB 9781481495578 EB 9781481495585 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers Lexile® GN150L

### Middle Grade & YA



Isla to Island Written and illustrated by Alexis Castellanos

Ages 10 & up | Grades 5 & up HC 9781534469242 PB 9781534469235 EB 9781534469259 Atheneum Books for Young Readers



**Enlightened** By Sachi Ediriweera

Ages 12 & up **I** Grades 7 & up **HC** 9781665903110 **PB** 9781665903103 EB 9781665903127 Atheneum Books for Young Readers



Mall Goth By Kate Leth Coloring by Diana Sousa Lettered by Robin Crank

Ages 12 & up | Grades 7 & up HC 9781534476950 PB 9781534476943 EB 9781534476967 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers



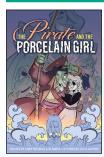
## **Tiny Dancer**By Siena Cherson Siegel Illustrated by Mark Siegel

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### The Dire Days of Willowweep Manor By Shaenon K. Garrity Illustrated by Christopher Baldwin

PB 9781534460867 EB 9781534460881 Margaret K. McElderry Books Lexile\* HL340L



The Pirate and the Porcelain Girl

By Emily Riesbeck Illustrated by NJ Barna Lettered by Lucas Gattoni



**Ready or Not**Written and illustrated by Andi Porretta

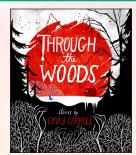
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Forest Hills Bootleg Society
Written and illustrated by
Dave Baker and Nicole Goux

Ages 14 & up | Grade 9 & up HC 9781534469495 PB 9781534469488 EB 9781534469501 Atheneum Books for Young Readers



#### **Through the Woods** Written and illustrated by Emily Carroll

Ages 14 & up II Grades 9 & up HC 9781442465954 PB 9781442465961 EB 9781442465978 Margaret K. McElderry Books Lexile\* GN550L



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Written and illustrated by Eric Gapstur

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Two books available

### **Middle Grade Series**



# **Duel Across Time Part of The History Club**Written by Bret Baier Illustrated by Marvin Sianipar

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534485594 EB 9781534485617 Aladdin

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#### Barb the Last Berzerker Part of Barb the Last Berzerker Written and illustrated by

Dan Abdo and Jason Patterson

Ages 8–12 | Grades 3–7

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## Barb and the Ghost Blade Part of Barb the Last Berzerker Written and illustrated by

Written and illustrated by Dan Abdo and Jason Patterson
Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7

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## Barb and the Battle for Bailiwick Part of Barb the Last Berzerker

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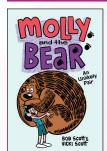


## The eXpets

Part of The eXpets Written and illustrated by Mark Tatulli

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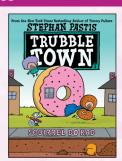
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# An Unlikely Pair Part of Molly and the Bear Written and illustrated by Bob Scott and

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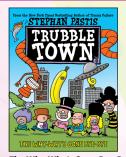
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#### Squirrel Do Bad Part of Trubble Town

Written and illustrated by Stephan Pastis

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## The Why-Why's Gone Bye-Bye Part of Trubble Town

Written and illustrated by Stephen Pastis



# The Okay Witch Part of The Okay Witch Written and illustrated by Emma Steinkellner

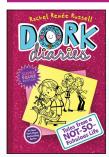


#### The Okay Witch and the Hungry Shadow

#### Part of The Okay Witch Written and illustrated by Emma Steinkellner

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#### Middle Grade Series



#### Tales from a Not-So-Fabulous Life Part of Dork Diaries

Written and illustrated by Rachel Renée Russell

Ages 9-13 | Grades 4-8 POB 9781416980063 UAB CD 9781442338968 **UAB EA** 9781442338975 EB 9781416986553 Aladdin

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#### Locker Hero Part of The Misadventures of Max Crumbly

Written and illustrated by Rachel Renée Russell

Ages 9-13 | Grades 4-8 POB 9781481460019 UAB CD 9781442393806 UAB EA 9781442393813

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#### **Great White Shark Adventure** Part of Fabien Cousteau Expeditions

By Fabien Cousteau and James O. Fraioli Illustrated by Joe St.Pierre

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534420885 POB 9781534420878 EB 9781534420892 Margaret K. McElderry Books Lexile® GN890L • F&P™V



#### Journey under the Arctic Part of Fabien Cousteau Expeditions

By Fabien Cousteau and James O. Fraioli Illustrated by Joe St.Pierre

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534420915 POB 9781534420908 EB 9781534420922 Margaret K. McElderry Books Lexile\* GN800L • F&P™ V



#### Hawai'i Sea Turtle Rescue Part of Fabien Cousteau Expeditions

By Fabien Cousteau and James O. Fraioli Illustrated by Joe St. Pierre

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534420977 POB 9781534420960 EB 9781534420984 Margaret K. McElderry Books Lexile® GN680L

### Middle Grade

## **Chapter Book Series**



#### Deep into the Amazon Jungle **Part of Fabien Cousteau Expeditions**

By Fabien Cousteau and James O. Fraioli Illustrated by Joe St. Pierre

Ages 8-12 | Grades 3-7 HC 9781534420946 POB 9781534420939 EB 9781534420953 Margaret K. McElderry Books Lexile® GN720L • F&P™ V



### Day of the Living Liv

Part of Spirited By Liv Livingston Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

Ages 5-9 | Grades K-4 HC: 9781665942287 **PB**: 9781665942270 EB: 9781665942294

Little Simon



#### Captain Awesome to the Rescue! **Part of Captain Awesome**

By Stan Kirby Illustrated by George O'Connor

Ages 5-9 | Grades K-4 **HC** 9781442440906 PB 9781442435612 EB 9781442435629 Little Simon

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#### Legend of the Yearling Part of Guardians of Horsa

By Roan Black Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

Ages 5-9 Grades K-4 HC 9781665931571 PB 9781665931564 EB 9781665931588 Little Simon



#### The Coldfire Curse Part of Dragon Kingdom of Wrenly

By Jordan Quinn Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

Ages 5-9 Grades K-4 HC 9781534475014 PB 9781534475007 EB 9781534475021 Little Simon

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## **Chapter Book Series**



#### The First Case Part of Pup Detectives

By Felix Gumpaw Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

Ages 5-9 Grades K-4 HC 9781534474956 PB 9781534474949 EB 9781534474963 Little Simon

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#### Dino Trouble Part of Arcade World

By Nate Bitt Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

Ages 5-9 | Grades K-4 HC 9781665904650 PB 9781665904643 EB 9781665904667 Little Simon

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#### The Great Puptective

Part of The Great Puptective Written and illustrated by Alina Tysoe

Ages 6-9 | Grades 1-4 POB: 9781665938242 EB: 9781665938266 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers NEW CHAPTER BOOK SERIE
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#### **Cloud Puppy**

Part of Cloud Puppy Written and illustrated by Kelly Leigh

Ages 6-9 Grades 1-4 POB: 9781665932127 EB: 9781665932141 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers NEW CHAPTER BOOK SERIES AVAILABLE MAY 2024



## Boo! Hiss!

Written and illustrated by Cyndi Marko

Ages 6-9 Grades 1-4 HC 9781534425453 PB 9781534484832 EB 9781534425460 Aladdin

### **Chapter Series**



#### Happy Spark Day! Book #1 of Dragons of Ember City

Written and illustrated by Shane Richardson and Sarah Marino

Ages 6-9 | Grades 1-4 **HC** 9781534475243 PB 9781534475236 EB 9781534475250 Δladdin

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#### The Greatest in the World! Part of Tater Tales

Written and illustrated by Ben Clanton

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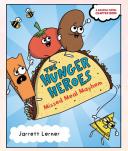
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Written and illustrated by Amy Marie Stadelmann

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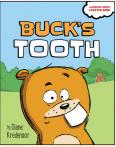
## **Chapter Books**



#### Missed Meal Mayhem Part of The Hunger Heroes

Written and illustrated by Jarett Lerner

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### Buck's Tooth Written and illustrated by Diane Kredensor

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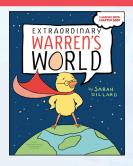


#### This Little Piggy An Owner's Manual

Written and illustrated by Cyndi Marko

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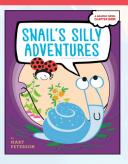
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## Extraordinary Warren's World

Written and illustrated by Sarah Dillard

Ages 6-9 | Grades 1-4 HC 9781534463479 PB 9781534463462 EB 9781534475632 Aladdin



### Snail's Silly Adventures Written and illustrated by Mary Peterson

Ages 6-9 | Grades 1-4 HC 9781534463455 PB 9781534463448 EB 9781534475625 Aladdin

## **RTR Graphics**



#### The Case of the Missing Bicycles Part of Judge Kim and the Kids' Court

Written by Milo Stone, Shawn Martinbrough, and Joseph P. Illidge Illustrated by Christopher Jordan

Ages 6-8 Grades 1-3 RTR Level 3 PB: 9781665919630 EB: 9781665919654 Simon Spotlight Lexile® GN560L • F&P™ M



## The Doggie Defendant

Part of Judge Kim and the Kids' Court Written by Milo Stone, Shawn Martinbrough, and Joseph P. Illidge Illustrated by Christopher Jordan

Ages 6-8 Grades 1-3 RTR Level 3 **PB**: 9781665919661 **EB**: 9781665919685 Simon Spotlight

## **Ready-to-Read Graphics**



#### Geraldine Pu and Her Cat Hat, Too! Part of Geraldine Pu

Written and illustrated by Maggie P. Chang

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#### All Ketchup, No Mustard! Part of Nugget and Dog

Written and illustrated by Jason Tharp

HC 9781534484634 PB 9781534484627 EB 9781534484641 Simon Spotlight Lexile® GN510L • F&P™ M



#### Styx and Scones in the Sticky Wand

Part of Styx and Scones Written and illustrated by Jay Cooper

Ages 5-7 | Grades K-2 | RTR Level 2 HC 9781665935371 PB 9781665935364 EB 9781665935388 Simon Spotlight



### **Cupcake Catastrophe** Part of Chi-Chi and Pey-Pey

Written by Jennifer Fosberry Illustrated by Shiho Pate

Ages 4-6 Grades P-1 RTR Level 1 HC 9781665932011 PB 9781665932004 EB 9781665932028 Simon Spotlight Lexile® GN580L . F&P™ M



## There Might Be a Kazoo

**Emergency**By Heidi E. Y. Stemple
Illustrated by Selom Sunu

Ages 5-7 Grades K-2 RTR Level 2 HC 9781665920049 PB 9781665920032 EB 9781665920056 Simon Spotlight

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Smart vs. Strong Part of Thunder and Cluck
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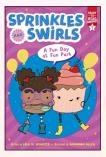
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## Red Titan and the Floor of Lava

Part of Ryan's World By Ryan Kaji Illustrated by Patrick Spaziante

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# A Fun Day at Fun Park Part of Sprinkles and Swirls By Lola M. Schaefer

Illustrated by Savannah Allen

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### Worm and Caterpillar Are Friends

Part of Ready-to-Read Graphics Written and illustrated by Kaz Windness

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## Dog Gets a Pet Part of The Dog and Pony Show Written and illustrated by Jeff Mack

Ages 4-6 Grades P-1 RTR Level 1 PB 9781665939119 EB 9781665939133 Simon Spotlight

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#### We Are Up a Tree! Part of The Dog and Pony Show Written and illustrated by Jeff Mack

Ages 4-6 | Grades P-1 | RTR Level 1 PB 9781665939140 EB 9781665939164 Simon Spotlight



### Best Brother Ever!

Part of Figgy and Boone Written and illustrated by Janee Trasler

Ages 4-6 | Grades P-1 | RTR Level 1 HC 9781665914499 PB 9781665914482 EB 9781665914505 Simon Spotlight Lexile\* GN270L • F&P™ K







