



# INDIE BESTSELLERS LIST

# January 1, 2025

For the week ending December 29, 2024 based on sales in hundreds of independent bookstores nationwide.

# CHILDREN'S

## RANK EARLY & MIDDLE GRADE



**1 Impossible Creatures**  
Katherine Rundell, Ashley Mackenzie (Illus.), Knopf Books for Young Readers, \$19.99



**2 The Bletchley Riddle**  
Ruta Sepetys, Steve Sheinkin, Viking Books for Young Readers, \$18.99

**3 The Squad: A Graphic Novel**  
Christina Soontornvat, Joanna Cacao (Illus.), Graphix, \$12.99



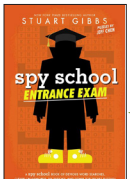
**4 The Millicent Quibb School of Etiquette for Young Ladies of Mad Science**  
Kate McKinnon, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$17.99

**5 Warriors Graphic Novel: The Prophecies Begin #1**  
Erin Hunter, Natalie Riess (Illus.), Sara Goetter (Illus.), HarperAlley, \$15.99



**6 The New Girl: A Graphic Novel**  
Cassandra Calin, Graphix, \$12.99

**7 The Sherlock Society**  
James Ponti, Aladdin, \$18.99



**8 The Eyes and the Impossible**  
Dave Eggers, Shawn Harris (Illus.), Knopf Books for Young Readers, \$19.99

**9 Super Duper Extra Deluxe Essential Handbook (Pokémon)**  
Scholastic, \$16.99

**10 The Last Dragon on Mars**  
Scott Reintgen, Aladdin, \$18.99

**11 Hatchet**  
Gary Paulsen, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$9.99

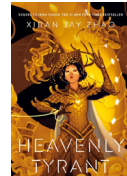
★ **12 Scholastic Year in Sports 2025**  
James Buckley, Scholastic, \$14.99

**13 Bluey 5-Minute Stories**  
Penguin Young Readers, \$14.99

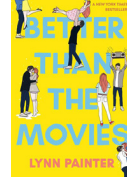
**14 Spy School Entrance Exam**  
Stuart Gibbs, Jeff Chen, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$10.99

**15 Orris and Timble: The Beginning**  
Kate DiCamillo, Carmen Mok (Illus.), Candlewick, \$16.99

## RANK YOUNG ADULT



★ **1 Heavenly Tyrant**  
Xiran Jay Zhao, Tundra Books, \$20.99



**2 Better Than the Movies**  
Lynn Painter, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$12.99

**3 Powerless**  
Lauren Roberts, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$19.99



**4 Nothing Like the Movies**  
Lynn Painter, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$19.99

**5 Heir**  
Sabaa Tahir, G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, \$21.99



**6 The Reappearance of Rachel Price**  
Holly Jackson, Delacorte Press, \$20.99

**7 If He Had Been with Me**  
Laura Nowlin, Sourcebooks Fire, \$10.99



**8 Pride and Prejudice**  
Jane Austen, Anna Bond (Illus.), Puffin Books, \$17

**9 If Only I Had Told Her**  
Laura Nowlin, Sourcebooks Fire, \$12.99

**10 The Grandest Game**  
Jennifer Lynn Barnes, Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, \$19.99

**11 Divine Rivals**  
Rebecca Ross, Wednesday Books, \$18.99

**12 The Perks of Being a Wallflower**  
Stephen Chbosky, MTV Books, \$15.99

**13 Betting on You**  
Lynn Painter, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, \$12.99

**14 Darkly**  
Marisha Pessl, Delacorte Press, \$19.99

**15 The Outsiders**  
S. E. Hinton, Viking Books for Young Readers, \$14.99

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## OTHER CHILDREN'S INDIE FAVORITES



### AGES 8 TO 12

#### Bye Forever, I Guess

Jodi Meadows, Holiday House, \$18.99

"Never want to say goodbye to *Bye Forever, I Guess!* The perfect middle grade novel about the changing nature of friendship, finding your fit while remaining true to yourself, and where to sit at lunch. Plus, a focus on nerdy girls rocks!"

—Susan Williams, M. Judson Booksellers & Storytellers, Greenville, SC



### TEEN READERS

#### The Dividing Sky

Jill Tew, Joy Revolution, \$19.99

"Jill Tew's debut is everything readers have been waiting for. I was completely sucked in! With its swoony romance, twisty plot, and all the thrills, it's sure to make its way into the canon of YA dystopia."

—Vania Stoyanova, Brave + Kind Bookshop, Decatur, GA