

Stevermer, Caroline
Magic Below Stairs

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Orphaned Frederick Lincoln brings unexpected baggage to the house of a magician: Billy Bly, a brownie. Magical creatures are banned, but young Frederick cannot abandon his only friend.

Webb, Holly
Rose [Rose]

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Children are disappearing from all over London. Can an orphanage brat turned housemaid and a not very talented magician's apprentice find and rescue them? Perhaps—if the housemaid has magic of her own.

Willard, Barbara
Spell Me a Witch

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Things are going badly at the Academy for Young Witches. The young witches are mischievously out of control, the star pupil has disappeared, and now the school is facing inspection by the three most frightening witches of the Sevenly Sisterhood. What's a beleaguered headmistress to do?

Yolen, Jane
Wizard's Hall

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Armed with his dear ma's good advice, Henry begins his apprenticeship just as the Wizard's Hall comes under attack by a mysterious enemy.

Zambreno, Mary Frances
A Plague of Sorcerers

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Jermyn's magic doesn't work the way it should. Even his familiar is a mistake: a skunk! Others mock him, but when a plague strikes the other wizards, only Jermyn's unusual magic may save them. Sequel: *Journeyman Wizard*.

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Meet these
wizards-in-training
(and the occasional witch!)



From the Youth Department
[Series names are in brackets]

Bell, Hilari

j Bel

The Wizard Test

No one trusts wizards, so Dayven is horrified when his "sorcerous abilities" are identified: now he will never carry the sword of a Guardian. Never, that is, unless he agrees to spy on the wizards. . .

Black, Holly

j Bla

The Iron Trial [Magisterium]

Callum Hunt's dad has forbidden Call to use magic. Call does his best to fail the Iron Trial—the test for magical ability—and he does indeed fail. He's inducted into the Magisterium despite this and is forced to begin his apprenticeship.

Blackwood, Sage

j Bla

Jinx [Jinx Trilogy]

Jinx's stepfather offers to sell him for a silver coin; that's how Jinx goes to work for Simon the Magician. Jinx can see and hear things that other people can't. He knows that Simon is hiding a secret. What is it?

Cammuso, Frank J Graphic Novel Cam
Spelling Trouble [Misadventures of Salem Hyde]
An 800-year-old cat is hired to train a young witch in a series of funny misadventures.

Coville, Bruce j Cov
The Dragon of Doom [Moongobble and Me]
Although not officially an apprentice, Edward finds himself assisting Moongobble the Magician, whose magic has a tendency to go very wrong and whose spells mostly turn things into cheese.

Doyle, Debra j Doy
School of Wizardry [Circle of Magic]
Randal is training for knighthood when a visit from the wizard Madoc sets him on a different path. His new life begins as an apprentice in Tarnsberg at the School of Wizardry.

Duane, Diane j Dua
So You Want to Be a Wizard [Young Wizards]
Using wizardly skills that are more physics than fairy tale, Nita and Kit face the Lone Power, whose purpose is to destroy all life. They are aided by an unusual astronomical companion: a white hole.

Epstein, Adam Jay & Andrew Jacobson j Eps
The Familiars [The Familiars]
When three wizards' magical familiars must save their humans, the task is made more difficult by a secret: Aldwyn the cat isn't actually magical. It's nonstop action and danger for the three animals!

Forward, Toby j For
Dragonborn [Dragonborn]
Sam has not yet finished his apprenticeship when the wizard Flaxfield dies. Unwilling to be apprenticed to anyone else, Sam runs away with his dragon, Starback. He finds himself at a training school for wizards, but may have jumped from frying pan to fire as he becomes entangled in a war of wizards.

Jones, Diana Wynne j Jon
Charmed Life [Chrestomanci]
Eric (Cat) Chant's witch sister Gwendolyn plans to rule the world someday, so she is displeased when her skills are not appreciated at the magical Chrestomanci Castle. Cat is horrified by the things Gwen does in retaliation, and those tricks only get worse as Gwendolyn receives more unpleasant surprises.

Lowe, Natasha j Low
The Power of Poppy Pendle [Poppy Pendle]
Poppy Pendle is a witch, but she isn't happy at Ruthersfield Academy. She doesn't want to learn witchcraft. She wants to be a cook—and she's much better at food than she is at magic!

Mongredien, Sue JE RED Mon
Oliver Moon and the Potion Commotion
[Oliver Moon, Junior Wizard]
Oliver is nominated for the Young Wizard of the Year Award, but how can he explain witch and wizard parents who use a microwave, drive a car, and won't wear capes?

Murphy, Jill j Mur
The Worst Witch [Worst Witch]
Poor Mildred Hubble is the worst student at Miss Cackle's Academy for Witches. Her spells go awry, her cat can't ride a broomstick, and her unfortunate transformation spell has turned mean Ethel into a sworn enemy (and into a pig).

Nimmo, Jenny j Nim
Midnight for Charlie Bone
[Children of the Red King]
Bloor's Academy for Gifted Children is not about academics: it's about strange powers. Charlie Bone can hear photographs and now he's being sent to Bloor's, a strange and frightening place hiding strange and frightening secrets.

Odyssey, Shawn j Ody
The Wizard of Dark Street [Oona Crate]
On the very day apprentice Oona Crate resigns, her uncle (the Wizard) disappears and Oona must solve multiple magical mysteries to find him.

Prineas, Sarah j Pri
The Magic Thief [Magic Thief]
Conn picks the pocket of a wizard—a bad idea—but ends up as the wizard's apprentice. Conn's story alternates with letters and journal comments by Wizard Nevery against a backdrop of dark magical doings in the Kingdom.

Sage, Angie j Sag
Magyk [Septimus Heap]
Septimus Heap is dead. Or is he? A well-hidden princess, two boys without names, an entertaining wizarding family, good and evil Magyk, and large doses of humor introduce Wizard's Apprentice Septimus Heap.