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Orphan Train - Christina Baker Kline
2013-04-02

The #1 New York Times Bestseller Now featuring a sneak peek at Christina's forthcoming novel *The Exiles*, coming August 2020. "A lovely novel about the search for family that also happens to illuminate a fascinating and forgotten chapter of America's history. Beautiful."—Ann Packer Between 1854 and 1929, so-called orphan trains ran regularly from the cities of the East Coast to the farmlands of the Midwest, carrying thousands of abandoned children whose fates would be determined by pure luck. Would they be adopted by a kind and loving family, or would they face a childhood and adolescence of hard labor and servitude? As a young Irish immigrant, Vivian Daly was one such child, sent by rail from New York City to an uncertain future a world away. Returning east later in life, Vivian leads a quiet, peaceful existence on the coast of Maine, the memories of her upbringing rendered a hazy blur. But in her attic, hidden in trunks, are vestiges of a turbulent past. Seventeen-year-old Molly Ayer

knows that a community service position helping an elderly woman clean out her home is the only thing keeping her out of juvenile hall. But as Molly helps Vivian sort through her keepsakes and possessions, she discovers that she and Vivian aren't as different as they appear. A Penobscot Indian who has spent her youth in and out of foster homes, Molly is also an outsider being raised by strangers, and she, too, has unanswered questions about the past. Moving between contemporary Maine and Depression-era Minnesota, *Orphan Train* is a powerful novel of upheaval and resilience, of second chances, and unexpected friendship.

Lion (Movie Tie-In) - Saroo Brierley 2016-11-01
First it was a media sensation. Then it became the #1 international bestseller *A Long Way Home*. Now it's *Lion*, the major motion picture starring Dev Patel, Nicole Kidman, and Rooney Mara—nominated for six Academy Awards! This is the miraculous and triumphant story of Saroo Brierley, a young man who used Google Earth to rediscover his childhood life and home in an incredible journey from India to Australia and back again... At only five years old, Saroo Brierley got lost on a train in India. Unable to read or write or recall the name of his hometown or even his own last name, he survived alone for weeks on the rough streets of Calcutta before ultimately being transferred to an agency and adopted by a couple in Australia. Despite his

gratitude, Brierley always wondered about his origins. Eventually, with the advent of Google Earth, he had the opportunity to look for the needle in a haystack he once called home, and pore over satellite images for landmarks he might recognize or mathematical equations that might further narrow down the labyrinthine map of India. One day, after years of searching, he miraculously found what he was looking for and set off to find his family. Lion is a moving, poignant, and inspirational true story of survival and triumph against incredible odds. It celebrates the importance of never letting go of what drives the human spirit: hope. Previously published as *A Long Way Home*

Land of Dreams - Joan Lowery Nixon 2013-11-27
Swedish immigrant Kristin Swensen lives on a farm in Minnesota. She hoped for a new life in America, but she realizes that her parents are clinging as closely as possible to the life they knew in Sweden. Kristin can't accept coming all this way only to re-create what she left behind. She longs to speak English and help the cause of women's rights. Her parents, however, want her to settle down and get married. Must Kristin give up her dream of independence and accept her parents' Old World values?

In The Face of Danger - Joan Lowery Nixon 2013-11-27

Shy Megan Kelly cannot forget the day a gypsy read her palm announcing to all that she would bring trouble to those around her. Afterward, trouble does follow her, until she takes the necessary steps to free herself from the burdens of fear, loneliness, and superstition

The Giver - Lois Lowry 2014

Living in a "perfect" world without social ills, a boy approaches the time when he will receive a life assignment from the Elders, but his selection leads him to a mysterious man known as the Giver, who reveals the dark secrets behind the utopian facade.

The Kidnapping of Christina Lattimore - Joan Lowery Nixon 2004

A teenage girl is kidnapped, but when freed, she is accused of masterminding the scheme to extort money from her wealthy grandmother.

A Dangerous Promise - Joan Lowery Nixon 2013-11-27

It's 1861, and although Mike Kelly is far younger than the legal age of 16, he and his best friend

Todd secretly join up with the Second Kansas Infantry and become army drummer boys. Mike's dreams of glory end when he's wounded at the bloody Battle of Wilson's Creek and must begin a dangerous adventure behind enemy lines.

Stuart Little - E. B. White 2015-03-17

The classic story by E. B. White, author of the Newbery Honor Book *Charlotte's Web* and *The Trumpet of the Swan*, about one small mouse on a very big adventure. Now available as an ebook! Illustrations in this ebook appear in vibrant full color on a full-color device and in rich black-and-white on all other devices. Stuart Little is no ordinary mouse. Born to a family of humans, he lives in New York City with his parents, his older brother George, and Snowbell the cat. Though he's shy and thoughtful, he's also a true lover of adventure. Stuart's greatest adventure comes when his best friend, a beautiful little bird named Margalo, disappears from her nest. Determined to track her down, Stuart ventures away from home for the very first time in his life. He finds adventure aplenty. But will he find his friend? Stuart Little joins E. B. White favorites *Charlotte's Web* and *The Trumpet of the Swan* as classic illustrated novels that continue to speak to today's readers. Whether you curl up with your young reader to share these books or hand them off for independent reading, you are helping to create what are likely to be all-time favorite reading memories.

The House Has Eyes - Joan Lowery Nixon 2012-10-16

The new kid in school has a poltergeist problem, and only the Casebusters can help Everybody in Redoaks knows the old Everhart mansion is haunted. For years now, lights have flickered around the abandoned property at night, scaring away any local family who might be tempted to buy it. But when the Colliers move in from out of town, they don't know any better. For Brian and Sean's new friend Charles, bedtime is about to get spooky. Lucky for Charles, Sean and Brian are the Casebusters—expert detectives who have handled ghosts before. The phantoms inside Charles's house won't leave easily, though. And Brian and Sean are going to have to come up with something clever, quickly—or else Charles may never get a good night's sleep

again.

All My Tomorrows - Al Lacy 2003-06-07

The second book in the Orphan Trains Trilogy from writing duo Al and Joanna Lacy. When 62 orphans and abandoned children leave New York City on a train headed out West, they have no idea what to expect. Will they get separated from their friends or siblings? Will their new families love them? Will a family even pick them at all? But their futures are wilder than any of them could imagine, and range from kidnappings and whippings to stowing away on wagon trains, from starting orphanages of their own to serving as missionaries to the Apaches. No matter what, their paths are being watched by someone who cares about--and carefully plans--all of their tomorrows.

The Other Side of Dark - Joan Lowery Nixon 2011-01-11

EDGAR AWARD WINNER For fans of Gillian Flynn, Caroline Cooney, and R.L. Stine comes *The Other Side of Dark* from four-time Edgar Allan Poe Young Adult Mystery Award winner Joan Lowery Nixon. Stacy wakes up in a hospital room, in a body she doesn't recognize. Her mother is dead—murdered—and Stacy is recovering from a gunshot wound. She is the sole eyewitness to the crime, but she has only a shadowy memory of the killer's face. Will Stacy be able to regain a clear memory of that fateful day before the killer reaches her? *The Other Side of Dark* is one of Joan Lowery Nixon's most intriguing, suspenseful, and dramatic mysteries. "The compelling premise...and Nixon's mastery of suspense are gripping." -Publishers Weekly "Tense and dramatic...[*The Other Side of Dark* has a] quick pace, and the determined protagonist should attract and hold readers." -School Library Journal

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The Jungle Book - Rudyard Kipling 1920

David's Search - Joan Lowery Nixon 2000-06
After eleven-year-old orphan-train rider David Howard settles with a strict Texas farm family,

his best friend, an ex-slave, is threatened by the growing presence of the Ku Klux Klan.

Will's Choice - Joan Lowery Nixon 1999-09-07
Sent away on an orphan train by his self-centered father Jessie, Will keeps hoping Jessie will return to claim him, even though the people he lives with care for him far more.

Orphan Train Rider - Andrea Warren 1996
Discusses the placement of over 200,000 orphaned or abandoned children in homes throughout the Midwest from 1854 to 1929 by recounting the story of one boy and his brothers.

The Name of the Game Was Murder - Joan Lowery Nixon 2013-09-25
Novelist Augustus Trevor has written a manuscript that reveals the darkest secrets of his guests. Whoever can solve Trevor's clues can have his story removed from the book. But when Trevor is bludgeoned to death, the survivors (along with the reader) are challenged to find both the manuscript and the murderer.

Circle of Love - Joan Lowery Nixon 2013-11-27
The Civil War has officially ended and Frances Mary Kelly's true love, Johnny, is back from the war. But to Frances's dismay, Johnny is hesitant to marry her. Attempting to ease her aching heart, Frances accepts an offer to go to New York City and escort a group of orphans out West to new homes. Along the way, she must deal with a flood of painful memories and a threatening stranger. Will Frances be able to complete her mission... and return home to find out what her future will be?

Orphan Train - Christina Baker Kline 2019-01-08

From Christina Baker Kline comes a novel about two women: one about to age out of the foster care system, the other 90 years old and carrying both a tremendous secret and a story of a life formed by a part of American history almost entirely forgotten: the Orphan Trains. Molly Ayer has one last chance, and she knows it. Close to being kicked out of her foster home -- just months from turning 18 and "aging out" of the system -- Molly should be grateful that her boyfriend found her a community service project: helping an old lady clean out her home. Molly can't help but think that the 50 hours will be tedious, but at least they'll keep her out of juvie, and right now that's all she cares about. Ninety-one-year-old Vivian Daly has lived a quiet

life on the coast of Maine for decades. But in her attic, hidden in trunks, are keys to a turbulent past. Molly is about to discover -- as she and Vivian unpack her possessions, and memories -- that Vivian's story is a piece of America's tumultuous history now largely forgotten: the tale of a young Irish immigrant, orphaned in New York City and put on a train to the Midwest with hundreds of other orphaned children whose destiny would be determined by luck and chance. As Molly digs deeper, she finds surprising parallels in her own experience as a Penobscot Indian and Vivian's story -- and Molly realizes that she has the power to help Vivian find answers to mysteries that have haunted her for her entire life. Rich in detail and epic in scope, *THE TRAIN RIDER* is a powerful novel of upheaval and resilience, of second chances, of unexpected friendships, and of the secrets we carry with us that keep us from finding out who we are.

Search for the Shadowman - Joan Lowery Nixon 2012-10-31

For fans of Gillian Flynn, Caroline Cooney, and R.L. Stine comes *Search for the Shadowman* from four-time Edgar Allen Poe Young Adult Mystery Award winner Joan Lowery Nixon. Twelve-year-old Andy Thomas isn't thrilled with his teacher's assignment to explore family history. But when he starts asking questions about his ancestors, he is surprised to discover a black sheep named Coley Joe Bonner. No one wants to discuss what happened in the family's past. Everyone, including Andy's own relatives, advises him to stop his investigation. But Andy continues and searches everywhere, from the Internet to the local cemetery, to discover the truth. Will Andy's search hurt those he loves or make them realize that it's never too late to seek social justice? "A riveting tale of suspense set against a background of fascinating historical context." -School Library Journal "Hints of disgrace and treachery...children will read the story for the fun of guessing who is warning Andy off the case." -Booklist

The Statue Walks at Night - Joan Lowery Nixon 2012-10-16

The sons of a private detective investigate a crazy art museum caper—and try to avoid a spooky statue! Ever since they were very young, Brian and Sean Quinn have helped their father

solve mysteries. Even though their dad is a professional detective, he always likes to hear his kids' opinions. Sometimes they even help him catch a crook! But when a pair of priceless Leonardo da Vinci drawings disappears from the local art museum, their father is stumped, and only the boys can crack the case. The robbery was an inside job, which means the drawings could be anywhere—even inside the museum. Sean and Brian inspect the premises and get to know the staff. And everything goes fine until they get to the Anubis Room, where the famous Egyptian statue is rumored to come alive at night. The Quinn boys will nab the thief—as long as the statue doesn't catch them first!

A Deadly Game Of Magic - Joan Lowery Nixon 2004-04-01

This classic tale of magic, mystery, and murder by the four-time Edgar Award-winning author is now available in a new paperback edition.

A Place to Belong - Joan Lowery Nixon 1996-05-21

Danny and his younger sister, Peg, are placed in St. Joseph, Missouri, with kind Alfrid and Olga Swenson. Danny is thrilled to have a "real" father again, but when Olga suddenly dies, he is devastated—until he thinks of an ingenious plan to find Alfrid a new wife.

Aggie's Home - Joan Lowery Nixon 2000

Having lived the majority of her life in the Asylum for Homeless Waifs in New York City, twelve-year-old Aggie Mae is both fearful and excited about what her future may hold as she gets aboard the orphan train and heads to her a new destination. Teacher's Guide available. Reprint.

Orphan Train Girl - Christina Baker Kline 2017-05-02

This young readers' edition of Christina Baker Kline's #1 New York Times bestselling novel *Orphan Train* follows a twelve-year-old foster girl who forms an unlikely bond with a ninety-one-year-old woman. Adapted and condensed for a young audience, *Orphan Train Girl* includes an author's note and archival photos from the orphan train era. This book is especially perfect for mother/daughter reading groups. Molly Ayer has been in foster care since she was eight years old. Most of the time, Molly knows it's her attitude that's the problem, but after being shipped from one family to another, she's had

her fair share of adults treating her like an inconvenience. So when Molly's forced to help an a wealthy elderly woman clean out her attic for community service, Molly is wary. But from the moment they meet, Molly realizes that Vivian isn't like any of the adults she's encountered before. Vivian asks Molly questions about her life and actually listens to the answers. Soon Molly sees they have more in common than she thought. Vivian was once an orphan, too—an Irish immigrant to New York City who was put on a so-called "orphan train" to the Midwest with hundreds of other children—and she can understand, better than anyone else, the emotional binds that have been making Molly's life so hard. Together, they not only clear boxes of past mementos from Vivian's attic, but forge a path of friendship, forgiveness, and new beginnings.

Keeping Secrets - Joan Lowery Nixon 2013-11-27
It's the autumn of 1863, and as the Civil War rages, a stranger named Violet seeks refuge with the Kelly family. Peg Kelly, 11, is thrilled—Violet treats her like an adult, not a child. Violet is fleeing Confederate raiders and has information that may save the Union. But she can't deliver her message unless she takes a dangerous journey.

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If You Say So, Claude - Joan Lowery Nixon
1980

Shirley and Claude move across Texas in their covered wagon, looking for a peaceful place to settle down.

A Family Apart - Joan Lowery Nixon 1995-12-18
The middle-grade answer to Christina Baker Kline's New York Times bestselling Orphan Train, this is a shockingly timely historical adventure. Imagine being taken from your home. Imagine your mother is the one who lets it happen. This is the fate that befalls the Kelly children. It's 1856, and their widowed mother has sent them west from New York City because she's convinced that she can't give them the life

they deserve. The Kellys board an "orphan train" and are taken to St. Joseph, Missouri, where their problems only grow worse. It was bad enough that they had to say goodbye to their mother, but now they're forced to part ways with their fellow siblings as well. Thirteen-year-old Frances won't stand for it. She's going to protect her brothers and sisters, even if it means dressing up like a boy and putting herself in danger. Will Frances be able to save her siblings? And what about her mom—was splitting up their family really her greatest act of love? Ride the rails with Frances and her siblings to find out! "This is as close to a perfect book as you'll buy this year." -VOYA

Anpao - Jamake Highwater 1992-01-30

Anpao is young and Handsome and Brave -- a man any maiden would be proud to call her husband. Any maiden but Ko-Ko-Mik-e-is, that is, who calims she belongs to the Sun alone. And so Anpao sets off for the house of the Sun to ask permission to marry the woman he loves. But Anpao's journey is not an easy one. Before he can reach the Sun, Anpao must travel back in time to the dawn of the world. He must relive his own creation, venture through The World Beneath the World, and battle the many magical mystical creatures of Native American legends. For only by doing so can Anpao discover who he really is, and rove to the Sun why he alone is worthy of the fair Ko-komik-e-is

The Orphan Train Adventures - Joan Lowery Nixon 1999-12

The Kellys traveled across the Atlantic Ocean looking for relief from Ireland's potato famine and a better life in America. For years, everything went well, until Tom Kelly became ill and died, leaving his wife to support their young children. Although she tried desperately to find employment, Mrs. Kelly could not sufficiently support her children and eventually had no choice but to send them west on the Orphan Train. Join in the fascinating adventures of the Kelly children as they settle into their new lives with new families in the West.

Will's Story, 1771 - Joan Lowery Nixon 2001

While doing chores at the Williamsburg, Virginia, gaol Will Pelham sympathizes with runaway slave Emmanuel and is uncertain of what to do when he suspects Emmanuel's desire to escape a harsh punishment by his master.

Across the Border - Arleta Richardson
2016-02-01

Life on the Rush farm in South Dakota is not easy. Even so, over the past four years, Ethan Cooper and his siblings have grown to feel they belong with their adoptive family. Then Chad Rush makes an unexpected announcement. The family is moving again—this time to Mexico! Ethan is scared. What dangers will they face in another country? What will it be like to live on an oil homestead instead of a farm? And what about his dreams of getting an education? He can't leave his siblings after he's promised they would stay together—can he? Based on a true story, this conclusion to the *Beyond the Orphan Train* series reminds us that the same God who is with us from the start never lets us go.

Lucy's Wish - Joan Lowery Nixon 2013-11-27
Ten-year-old Lucy Griggs's mother has just died, leaving Lucy orphaned and living on the streets of 1866 New York City. Then Lucy hears about the Children's Aid Society, a group that sends orphans out West to new homes. Lucy knows she'll never replace her mum, but maybe now she'll find a family--and even a little sister--to love. But the family that takes her in is far from ideal. Mr. Snapes seems kind, but Mrs. Snapes is a bitter, angry woman. And Emma isn't the sister Lucy has dreamed of. Emma is a girl who people call "simple." Can Lucy learn to love this less-than-perfect family?

Buddha Boy - Kathe Koja 2008-12-05
Justin spends time with Jinsen, the unusual and artistic new student whom the school bullies torment and call "Buddha Boy," and ends up making choices that impact Jinsen, himself, and the entire school. Reprint.

The Boy from the Basement - Susan Shaw 2004
Having lived his life in the basement and under the physically abusive reign of his father, Charlie is a stranger in a strange world when he is

removed from the home and sent to live with loving foster parents--forcing him to find a way to come to terms with his past life and uncertain future.

Orphan Train Annie - The Sequel - Peggy McGee 2018-06-27

It seemed like everything that Annie once loved, she lost in one way or another. Upon marriage, Annie believed her life was fulfilled with one exception - her inability to have a child. Hoping that her husband, Cal would consider adoption from the Orphan Train similar to her and her siblings' experiences, instead tragedy struck unexpectedly which shattered everyone's dreams. A catastrophic fire destroyed their farmhouse forcing their relocation and a return to the Lake Michigan Commercial Shipping existence. After that, one heartbreaking disaster after another resulted in tearing their marriage and lives apart. Would they be able to overcome their misfortunes to reunite or could Annie, who must overcome her grief, be able to move on? The sequel to "Orphan Train Annie" with a poignant, heart-wrenching conclusion, continues the story of one orphan who must overcome tragedy to fulfill her heart's desire of love and family.

Beats Me, Claude - Joan Lowery Nixon 1988
Exciting escapades follow Shirley's attempts to make an apple pie for Claude until one day an orphan boy makes a pie that wins him Claude's favor.

The House on Hackman's Hill - Joan Lowery Nixon 2001-01-01

For use in schools and libraries only. Cousins Debbie and Jeff stumble across something they were not meant to see when a blizzard strands them in a mysterious old house with a hidden mummy and Anubis, a strange creature that once guarded the pharaoh's tomb.