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It was first published in 1835 as part of a seven-part series of fairy tales. But because of its informal language and lack of moral lessons, it was not well received by Danish people, which is why it was originally released. Nevertheless, this tiny tale emphasizes the importance of kindness, bravery, and honesty in the face of adversity. Thumbelina was born of a flower and she is no bigger than a thumb or a bumble bee. She hopes and dreams of finding her true love, but is afraid she will never meet someone her own size. One day, she meets Prince Cornelius of the Fairies, the person she wished for. But one night, Ms. Toad took Thumbelina away, persuading Thumbelina to join her singing group and marry her son. Now poor yet brave Thumbelina must flee Ms. Toad, with the help of her animal friends. Check out Thumbelina on Beelinguapp today! 2. Harry Potter Series Giphy The wizarding world of Harry Potter is a seven-series fantasy novel written by J.K. Rowling. The Harry Potter series spans a wide range of genres, including fantasy, drama, coming-of-age, comedy, and romance, as well as mystery, thriller, adventure, and horror. The books have been translated into eighty languages and have sold over 500 million copies around the world, making them the best-selling books in history. The success of Harry Potter books allowed for the franchise to expand into films, amusement parks, a traveling exhibition, even a play entitled Harry Potter and the Cursed Child. The story follows Harry Potter, Ron Weasley, and Hermione Granger as they attend Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. Throughout their journey, Harry and his friends find themselves fighting the dark wizard Lord Voldemort, who is attempting to become immortal in order to overthrow the Ministry of Magic and conquer all wizards and Muggles. 3. The Little Prince (Giphy / Netflix Antoine de Saint-voix Exupéry's famous classic called The Little Prince, also known as Le Petit Prince, became his most successful work, selling about 200 million copies worldwide. Le Petit Prince was first published in 1943, with illustrations made by Saint-Exupéry himself. The book has been translated into 301 languages and has been adapted into different mediums such as radio plays, movies, and audio recordings. The timeless story allows the adventure of a young prince who lives on asteroid B-612. This young prince visits different planets in space, meeting mysterious characters, as well as exploring different life lessons in loneliness, friendship, love, and loss. When the little prince visited Earth, he met a wise Fox who taught him the value of trust and friendship. 4. 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Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History Instagram: @vashitharrison Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History is a New York Times Bestselling book that highlights 40 remarkable black women throughout American history written by Vashti Harrison. The women in Harrison's book are fearless and inspiring, and their accomplishments, which are worth remembering and celebrating, paved the way for many to make the world a better place. These exceptional women are depicted by Harrison as "mini representations" of themselves, to remind readers of the incredible achievements that can be achieved with just one dream. Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, Rosa Parks, Alice Ball, Josephine Baker, Mahalia Jackson, Ella Fitzgerald, Shirley Chisholm, Maya Angelou, Gwen Ifill, Wilma Rudolph, and Dominique Dawes are some of the amazing leaders featured in the book. 6. Cinderella Giphy / Disney+ Cinderella is a popular fairy tale also known as The Little Glass Slipper. 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Santiago has returned to the village without any fish for 84 days. The young boy who helps Santiago is told by his parents to join another boat. But the young boy continues to help the fisherman at night.On the eighty-fifth day, his luck changes and so does his life. Santiago sails his boat further away. He drops his fishing lines. At 12 pm, a huge fish (a marlin) takes the bait (the food used to attract fish). The man tries to pull the fish up, but the fish is too big and strong. Instead, the fish begins to pull the boat. The old man continues to fight and hold on to the line. The fish pulls the boat around the sea for two days. On the third day, the fish gets tired. Santiago is able to pull the fish closer and kill it. It's the biggest fish he has seen in his life. He begins to sail back to the village, but the blood of the fish attracts sharks. The boat is attacked by a Mako shark, but Santiago is able to kill it. He kills most of the sharks, but there is a problem. They have eaten the meat of the fish and now only the skeleton (bones) is left. He returns back to his home and falls asleep.All the people of the village are amazed at the size of the fish skeleton. The young boy agrees to be the fishing partner of Santiago once more. 8. The Giver - Lois Lowry"The Giver" begins in a very interesting way and catches the attention of the readers from the beginning. It has easy-to-understand grammar. Most of the grammar is just past simple and past perfect.All of the sentences are short and there is no confusion in the story. This is a longer book, but it's quite easy, so you'll finish it quickly. The book's genre is science fiction, meaning it's about a world that doesn't exist in real life. Plot SummaryJonas is a young boy. He lives a very safe life with a lot of order and rules. There are many rules and everyone follows them. The citizens' lives are planned for them and they don't often make a decision by themselves.They try not to say anything different. One rule is that you must never say anything that will make another person uncomfortable. Every husband and wife is matched by a special committee. Each family has two children, one boy and one girl.When Jonas and the rest of his group become the "Twelves" in December, they get special jobs. Because Jonas is smart and respected, he is given an extra special job. His new job is to become the Receiver of Memories.The Receiver of Memories is the only person in the group who can see all of the memories in the past. He must keep these memories secret until he trains another person to take his place. This job is really difficult. This person knows things that others do not, and they also have to deal with all of the sadness from the past.At first Jonas is really excited. But he soon learns some truths about the people in the community. He comes to understand that this kind of life is unfair. He wants to allow people to make their own choices. Jonas comes up with an interesting plan to change the community. He decides he needs to move the community to another place. In his plan, they will get their memories back and be able to live a good and fair life. 9. Number the Stars - Lois LowryThis is a novel by the same author as the last book. It's based on history. Unlike other historical literature, it's easy to understand. If you already know a lot of information about World War II, this might be an interesting book for you.It's not recommended if you don't know too much about the World Wars. In this case, you will be focusing on trying to understand the facts too much so you will not enjoy the book as much.Plot SummaryThis is a story of hope and courage. The year is 1943 in Copenhagen, Denmark. The area has been taken over by Hitler's army. There are soldiers everywhere. The life of 10-year-old Annemarie has changed a lot. There is little food and everyone is very scared. There is talk about moving all of the Jewish people to another place. This is difficult for Annemarie because her best friend, Ellen, is Jewish.This is a different book about the war. It shows it was not only the Jewish people who suffered during the war. Annemarie's family lost their eldest daughter, Lise, a few weeks before her wedding.Annemarie will later do what her sister, Lise, did. She will join the resistance party to fight against the Nazis. She ends up being a heroine (a female hero) for a few reasons (which I will not tell you because I don't want to ruin the story). 10. A Wrinkle in Time - Madeline L'engleThis book has a mix of shorter and longer sentences. The genre is a mix fantasy and science fiction, so it's also about an imaginary world where amazing things happen.There is a lot of vocabulary to learn. It is a good book if you've already got experience reading novels in English. Make sure you have your vocabulary notebook with you, just in case there are any cool words that you'd like to learn. This book has MANY!Plot SummaryMeg is 14-years-old. Everyone sees her as a troublemaker (a person who makes/causes trouble). They think she's a bad student. Everyone in her family seems to be perfect. Her mom is a very beautiful scientist. Her twin brothers are very athletic. And her little 5-year-old brother, Charles Wallace Murry, is a child genius and can often read the mind of Meg.One night Meg can't sleep. She goes downstairs to find her young brother sitting at the kitchen table drinking milk. A strange neighbor joins them. A strange neighbor called Mrs. Whatsit joins them. Mrs. Whatsit is talking a lot and says that she doesn't know what this means. But Mrs. Murry knows what it is. She looks like she is going to faint (fall down from sickness or fear). Meg and her brother meet a friend the next day. Calvin O'Keefe is a high school junior student. Together, the three of them go to visit an old haunted house which belongs to Mrs. Whatsit. While going there they meet Mrs. Whatsit's friend, Mrs. Who. Mrs. Who is also very strange. Meg and Calvin suddenly announce that they should focus on finding their father who is lost somewhere in the universe.Strange things happen and the older women turn into supernatural (not from Earth) beings. They transport the kids to the universe by the "tesseract." They stop and visit different planets of the world. The women tell the children that the universe is being attacked by the "Black thing" (the devil). They find out where Meg's father is being kept. Charles tries to use his psychic (in his mind) powers to see where their dad is. Eventually they find their dad, but not without drama. Along the way, Meg learns to love. She uses this new love to help them escape. 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