



Timmy Failure: Mistakes Were Made

by **Stephan Pastis**

"I loved *Timmy Failure*. Pastis employs his signature wit and off-beat humor in telling Timmy's gumshoe adventures, but discerning readers will discover a realistic story underneath the jests, as this loveable and well-meaning underdog messes up, and then messes up some more. Timmy's not always the sharpest knife in the drawer, but he does have the advantage of being the only P.I. in town who has a ravenous polar bear for a sidekick. Move over, *Wimpy Kid*, there's a bigger Failure in town."

—Robert McDonald, The Bookstall at Chestnut Court, Winnetka, IL



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Pulse

by **Patrick Carman**

"*Pulse* is a brilliant combination of thriller, mystery, and dystopian adventure. Set 30 years in the future in a world of amazing technology, dwindling energy, and imminent environmental disaster, this is a story of an independent teenager whose life is turned upside down when she discovers she can move objects with her mind. Can she master her new abilities in time to save herself and her friends from those who would hurt them? A fantastic beginning to a mind-bending new series that will leave readers eagerly waiting for the next book."

—Peter Glassman, Books of Wonder, New York, NY



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Out of the Easy

by **Ruta Sepetys**

"This novel has it all: history, humor, heartbreak, and a heroine, Josie Moraine, who will stay with you forever. Set in the French Quarter of New Orleans in the 1950s, this story of a young girl trying to escape an environment where prostitution and petty larceny rule the day features a remarkable cast of characters, not the least of which is Willie Woodley, the madam with a backbone of steel and a heart of gold, who is a better mother to Josie than anyone realizes. Do not miss this book!"

—Anne Holman, The King's English Bookshop, Salt Lake City, UT



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That Is Not a Good Idea!

by **Mo Willems**

"With his signature humor and engaging style, Willems gives us another wonderful read-along starring Fox and Duck, presented like a back-and-white movie. As Fox invites Duck for a walk and leads her to his house deep in the woods, chicks pop out repeatedly and warn us 'That is REALLY not a very good idea!' But little do we know, the surprise is on us!"

—Meaghan Beasley, Island Bookstore, Kitty Hawk, NC



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Eleanor & Park

A Novel by Rainbow Rowell

"Eleanor doesn't have much going for her. Life with her mom and stepdad is minute-to-minute scary and the kids at her new school have singled her out for torment. Somehow into this reality comes Park, who is just trying to keep his head down and not make waves at home or school. These two misfits fall in love to a 1980s soundtrack. With humor and unflinching candor, Rowell propels readers through a story of first love and the courage it takes to keep going when all the odds are against you."

—Julie Wilson, The Bookworm, Omaha, NE

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Destiny, Rewritten

by Kathryn Fitzmaurice

"Being named after a famous 19th-century poet sure puts pressure on a kid, especially when her mother is an English professor. Given that, Emily Elizabeth Davis wonders about destiny and fate. Can any of us really choose our own path, or do we follow a determined plan instead? Big questions are woven into this terrific story filled with likable and memorable characters. There is a frantic search for a missing book that keeps readers guessing and much more to keep them thinking, even after the final pages are turned."

—Christopher Rose, Andover Books, Andover, MA

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Scarlet

by Marissa Meyer

"*Cinder: Lunar Chronicles Book One* introduced a wildly creative world and an unusual, highly satisfying update to classic fairy tale characters. *Scarlet*, the second book in the series, will sate fans' appetites for more. Scarlet and Wolf, a street fighter and her reluctant bodyguard, go on a mission to find Scarlet's grandmother, while Cinder's story picks up where the first book ended, with her escape from prison. The secrets and motivations that bring their stories together are unpredictable and prompt more questions than answers. I can't wait for the next book!"

—Rebecca Waesch, Joseph-Beth Booksellers, Cincinnati, OH

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The Dark

by Lemony Snicket, Jon Klassen (illus.)

"Young Laszlo is afraid of the dark, but as long as it stays in the basement he can carry on. One night, however, he's forced to face his fear when his beloved nightlight burns out. And, surprisingly, the dark isn't nearly as menacing as he thought. Snicket and Klassen are an author/illustrator pairing made in heaven. Snicket's offbeat and oddly charming tone is complemented perfectly by Klassen's clean, simple representation of light and dark. A quirky and delightful little story to share before bedtime!"

—Megan Graves, Hooray for Books!, Alexandria, VA

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A Tangle of Knots

by Lisa Graff

"Cady, an orphan with a talent for baking the perfect cake for any person, anywhere, hopes her 'real and true family will step right out of the fog.' When Toby appears out of that fog, it seems she may have finally found her perfect father. Both charming and not-so-charming characters, a pinch of magic, and a dash of mystery are all woven together to create the knot that is Cady's past and present life until the loops unravel to solve the puzzle that Graff has deftly created."

—Carla Ketner, Chapters Books & Gifts, Seward, NE



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Bluebird

by Bob Staake

"This wordless picture book follows a young boy who is obviously an outcast, laughed at and bullied by the other kids in his class. When a bluebird starts following him around, the boy doesn't feel so lonely anymore and the two develop a friendship. In this truly touching book, Staake delivers a story that will speak to anyone of any age about the importance of friends."

—Melissa Oates, Fiction Addiction, Greenville, SC



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