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Following are titles of books that have recently appeared in paperback, either for the first time or after a long absence from the marketplace. All are recommended as decent reading.


Maguire, Jessie. *Getting It Right*. Ivy Books, 1991. ISBN 0-8041-0847-1. $3.95. 185 pp. Grades 10-12. T. J. and Carol; Josh and Alison; Eric Thomas—all these kids are having fun in high school—it’s their last chance. But are they having fun? Maybe not—they that find losing the way, losing at love, and even dying are all part of life.

Stanley, George Edward. *Hershell Cobwell and the Miraculous Tattoo*. Avon, 1991. ISBN 0-380-75897-0. $2.95. 120 pp. Grades 3-5. Hershell just can’t be unique in his highly successful family until he finally gets something no one else has—a tattoo!

Stine, Jovial Bob. *101 Creepy Creature Jokes*. Scholastic, 1990. ISBN 0-590-43171-4. $1.95. 96 pp. Grades 3-6. This book contains the usual riddles and puns—but these have a spooky difference! Did you ever hear this one?

There once was a werewolf named Dwight,
Whose computer was his constant delight.
But when the full moon was seen,
Dwight would eat his machine.
You see, his bark was much worse than his byte!


Thomas, Jane Resh. *The Princess in the Pigpen*. Avon Camelot, 1993. ISBN 0-380-71194-0. $2.99. 130 pp. Grades 3-5. Poor Elizabeth, daughter of an earl, is transported to an Iowa farm in the twinkling of a very sick eye. Getting someone to believe her and trying to adjust to living in this very strange world are equally difficult.

Wolitzer, Meg. *Operation Save the Teachers: Tuesday Night Pie*. Avon Camelot, 1993. ISBN 0-380-76460-1. $3.50. 124 pp. Grades 4-6. When Trina and Susan’s fourth grade teacher’s wife is killed, the girls decide to help him, and the Tuesday night help society is born. Sometimes a little help can go a long way!