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AMAZING

featuring

gifted children

FAVORITE BOOKS FEATURING GIRLS

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Criteria for book selection

EACH PROTAGONIST STRUGGLES TO BALANCE HER ABILITIES WITH OTHERS' EXPECTATIONS.

NONE RELY ON TIRED CLICHES OR OVERUSED SCHOOL SETTINGS. EACH NOVEL IS WELL-WRITTEN



Main Character: Turtle

- Strong, young female lead.
- Precocious, clever, and physically tough.
- Gifted girl who isn't a nerd.
- Stands up to older boys, and sacrifices her reputation to protect her older sister's.
- Yet somehow she doesn't fit in with anyone.

Lead character: Meg

- Has trouble fitting into any box.
- Extremely intelligent, yet struggles in school.
- Athletic, yet remains unpopular.
- Knows she has strong emotions, yet cannot understand them.

MADELEINE L'ENGLE A Wrinkle in Time

WINNER OF THE NEWBERY MEDAL



E.L. Konigsburg

WITH A J5TH ANNIVERSARY AFTERWORD FROM THE AUTHOR



Main Character: Claudia

- She is dramatic without being cliche.
- She wants to correct her brother's grammar at every turn, yet knows that she must hold back to keep him on her side.
- Demonstrates the complexity of being a gifted young girl. On one hand, she has the power to out-think and outdo those around her, yet she tries to control this power in order to fit in. When she can't fit in, she struggles frantically to find an identity.



Boys in Gifted Literature

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Calvin and Hobbes

- An Intelligent Behavior Problem
- Loves Learning, Dislikes School
- Asynchrony
- Imaginational Overexcitability
- Emotional Sensitivity



More Gifted Guys

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TRENTON LEE STEWART





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Characters who have traits of giftedness beyond "being smart."



