8 Boxes of New Books Just Arrived!

One for Project Week?

**Gone Series**  
by Michael Grant

This is a series about a world where all the adults all suddenly disappear. After they disappear, the kids remaining all start to gain powers. It is a very gripping and extremely exciting series. It has a lot of great action and great inter-character relations. It really builds the story well and there are constantly new twists and turns around every corner.

-Recommended by Alex Okita

**Ranger's Apprentice Series**  
by John Flanagan
This book series is quite long, having now 12 books in its series, but it is completely worth it. The series is about a young boy training to become one of the most prestigious ranks in his world. It has an amazing story, and amazing characters you will instantly fall in love with. But the most important factor that makes this series great is the world it is set in, it is a massive expanse of places, that are all made up, containing a whole range of interesting characters.

-Recommended by Alex Okita

《九州缥缈录》
江南著

“当这个世界都要崩溃；当星辰和阳光也熄灭，当马蹄踏过弱者的尸骨，当黑暗的血色吞噬人心，不死的鹰再次降落在草原，英雄还在哭泣，在铁铸的摇篮中成长......《九州·缥缈录》的故事就发生在这里，游牧部落内部的权力争夺激烈，青阳与东陆王朝间恩怨重重。这是乱世的英雄史诗，当古老的王朝日渐衰微，掌管着星辰命
运的神秘宗教走入了政治斗争的漩涡，年轻的王朝继承者崭露出耀眼的锋芒。”

-百度故事简介

《老子说 庄子说》
蔡志忠 绘

漫画版老庄哲学。

Blind Willow, Sleeping Woman
by Haruki Murakami

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In particular, reading the 24 stories included in this collection Blind Willow, Sleeping Woman is like watching Kurosawa's 1990 film, Dreams three times. The 8 stories in the film are said to be based on the actual dreams of Kurosawa. In Murakami's Introduction to the English Edition of this book, he said that Ice Man, one of the 24, is based on a dream his wife had (p. xi). Also, one of Kurosawa’s 8 dreams is entitled "Crows" while one of Murakami's short story The Rise and Fall of Sharpie Cakes is about crows that know how to distinguish genuine and fake sharpie cakes. With Kurosawa gaining tremendous popularity worldwide because of his earlier films Rashomon, Seven Samurai, Red Beard, etc when Murakami was still a struggling novelist, Kurosawa's influence to Murakami is not a far-fetched possibility.

-Recommended by Justin Ng

**Blind Willow, Sleeping Woman**
by Kevin Brooks

"I really liked this book." I loved Pete as a character, maybe even more than I liked Raymond. The book was realistic. Unfortunately, when teens are reported as missing, they don't just come back. The author obviously describes that Raymond's a bit of a nut, so that should be a pretty good reason as to why he's gone. Brooks gave his characters an eerie sort of freedom -- Raymond is a mystery and the essence of him lingers on after you turn the final page. For those who loved Raymond and hoped to see him return (or something), you were filled with anticipation and anxiety, much like a worried parent.
You hoped to find some sort of news, but it never really came. Everything felt like a hint, but the hints never went anywhere. In my eyes, Raymond is represented as the kid who's always there for you, but is also neglected and therefore never appreciated until he is gone.

-Recommended by Justin Ng

**The Red Pyramid**  
by Rick Riordan

This book is about a 14-year old called Carter, his Egyptologist father, and his 12-year old called Sadie. Everything changed when they went to the British Museum for a private viewing for the Rosetta Stone. The stone breaks apart and the floor starts to collapse into a sarcophagus. Their long-lost uncle suddenly appears to help them escape on a magic boat. Since then, Carter and Sadie realised how special they were, and the powers they had within them. Their uncle reveals to them that there are ancient Egypt gods that will destroy North America if they don’t stop them.

-Recommended by Kevin

**The Scorch Trials**  
by James Dashner
The Scorch Trials is the sequel to The Maze Runner. There are a group of people called the Creators, that brainwash kids and put them into a maze. The entire world is in an apocalypse where a disease has made everyone zombies. The Creators believe that the kids are the cure to this virus, and extract a specific strand of DNA within them (this kills them).

-Recommended by Kevin

《蒋勋说红楼梦》
蒋勋著

“这里，有繁华、幻灭的空灵与哀伤，有青春的孤寂、寂寞和彷徨，更有泼泼辣的真生命，热辣辣的真性情。”
—豆瓣书评