

HOMESCHOOLED CHARACTERS: In fact and fiction



Children's Fiction

Alexander, Lloyd **Gawgon and the Boy**

In Depression-era Philadelphia, when 11 year old David is too ill to attend school, he is tutored by the unique and adventurous Aunt Annie, whose teaching combines with his imagination to greatly enrich his life.

Almond, David **Skellig**

Unhappy about his baby sister's illness and the chaos of moving into a dilapidated old house, Michael retreats to the garage and finds a mysterious stranger who is something like a bird and something like an angel.

Alcott, Louise May **Under the Lilacs**

This relates the adventures of Ben Brown, his performing poodle Sancho, and the two young girls who feed and care for them after the boy and dog run away from the circus.

Berenstain, Stan **Berenstain Bears and the Nerdy Nephew**

Brother and sister Bear don't realize the problems they will face when they agree to help Professor Actual Factual's super-smart nephew fit in at school.

Casanova, Mary **Moose Tracks**

Twelve year old Seth, the son of a game warden, tries to save an orphaned moose calf from poachers.

Fanklin, Kristine **Lone Wolf**

When a large family moves into the house near where he and his father live in the woods, Perry's friendship with the oldest girl helps him come to terms with his sister's death and his parents' divorce.

Gantos, Jack **What Would Joey do?**

Joey tries to keep his life from degenerating into total chaos when his mother sends him to be home-schooled with a hostile blind girl, his divorced parents cannot stop fighting, and his grandmother is dying of emphysema.

Haddix, Margaret **Among the Hidden**

In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.

Peck, Richard **Strays Like Us**

When her drug-addict mother can no longer care for her, twelve-year-old Molly comes to stay with her great-great-aunt and slowly begins to realize that others in the small town also feel as if they don't belong.

Peters, Julie Ann **How Do You Spell Geek?**

The relationship between best friends, Kimberly and Ann, is put to the test when Ann takes a geeky new student under her wing and encourages her to compete against front runner Kimberly in the spelling bee.

Regan, Dian Curtis **Monster of the Month Club**

Twelve-year-old Rilla's life becomes chaotic when someone anonymously enrolls her in the Monster of the Month Club and little living monsters start to arrive in the mail.

Snyder, Zilpha K. **Libby on Wednesday**

Tolan, Stephanie **Surviving the Applewhites**

Jake, a budding juvenile delinquent, is sent for home schooling to the arty and eccentric Applewhite family's Creative Academy, where he discovers talents and interests that he never knew he had.

Children's Non-fiction

Lurie, John **Allison's Story j649.68**

This describes the experiences of an eight-year-old girl and her family who are educating their children at home.

Voetberg, Julie **I am a Home Schooler jpbnf 649.68**

This describes the experiences of a nine-year-old girl who is home taught by her mother on their farm in Washington State.