

Scholastic's 10 trends in Children's Books in 2010

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Dystopian Fiction

Hunger Games	Suzanne Collins	Young Adult
The Maze Runner	James Dashner	Young Adult

Multimedia

39 Clues *	Various authors	3-6
Skeleton Creek *	Patrick Carman	5-8
The Search for WondLa	Tony DiTerlizzi	5-8
Amanda Project	Stella Lennon	Young Adult

Mythology Based

Percy Jackson	Rick Riordan	5-8
The Kane Chronicles *	Rick Riordan	5-8
Goddess Girls *	Joan Holub	3-6
Heroes of Olympus	Rick Riordan	5-8

Popular Characters

David *	David Shannon	K-3
Fancy Nancy *	Jane O'Connor	K-3
Film and Fiction Robots*	Tony Hyland	3-6

Return of Humor

Diary of Wimpy Kid	Jeff Kinney	5-8
Ook & Gluk	Dav Pilkey	3-6

Shift in Picture Books

Pinkalicious *	Victoria Kann	K-3
Splat Cat	Rob Scotton	K-3

Diary/Journal Format

Diary of a Wimpy Kid	Jeff Kinney	5-8
Dork Diaries	Rachel Russell	3-6
Big Nate *	Lincoln Pierce	3-6
Popularity Papers	Amy Ignatow	3-6

Special Needs Protagonist

My Brother Charlie	Holly Robinson Peete	K-3
Marcelo in Real World	Francisco X Stork	Young Adult
Mockingbird	Kathryn Erskine	5-8
Rules *	Cynthia Lord	3-6

Paranormal Romance

Shiver Trilogy	Maggie Stiefvater	Young Adult
Beautiful Creatures	Kami Garcia	Young Adult
Immortal	Gillian Shields	Young Adult
Prophecy of the Sisters	Michelle Zink	Young Adult