
Metamorphosis, “a marked changed in appearance, character, condition, or function”

Appearance

Mimus by Lilli Thal: When Prince Florin arrives in Vinland to celebrate the signing of the peace treaty, he finds his father and his father’s men captives of the king. Florin is forced into apprenticeship with Mimus, the jester. Mimus is a character you will love and hate as you read this medieval tale of courage.



Character

Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landry: Humor, adventure, sarcasm, magic—this book has them all! Skulduggery, a walking, talking skeleton and the hero of this book, saves the world from the nefarious Serpine.

Beowulf retold by Nicky Raven and illustrated by John Howe. Enter the world of the dark ages in this new retelling of an old tale with illustrations that bring this tale to life

Condition

Fearless by Tim Lott: This compelling dystopian story of Little Fearless will provide you with edge of your seat adventure as well as food for thought. Fans of *The Giver* or *Uglies* will want to read this story.

Unwind by Neal Shusterman: Three teens find themselves on the adventure of their lives in an effort to save their lives! Can they save themselves from the unwind process?

Function

Math Doesn’t Suck: How to Survive Middle School Math without Losing Your Mind or Breaking A Nail by Danica McKellar: This star from *Wonder Years* uses real world items and events to help explain those hard to understand math concepts. A fun read for the math challenged among us!

The Paolantonio Report by Sal Paolantonio: Debate the most overrated and underrated players, teams, coaches, and moments in NFL history with Sal of *ESPN* fame and your friends.

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Alcatraz Versus the Evil Librarians by Brandon Sanders: Alcatraz Smedry’s talent for breaking things enables him to fight the evil librarians from continuing to spread their disinformation in an effort to control the world .

Note: Ms. Collins and Mrs. Tunison are NOT members of this notorious group.

Popular Mechanics: Why A Curveball Curves: The Incredible Science of Sports: The experts at *Popular Mechanics* join coaches and players to help you transform your pitch. Play ball!

The Transformation Continues

Speed Solving the Cube: Easy to Follow, Step-by-Step Instructions for Many Popular 3-D Puzzles by Dan Harris: Speedcubing returns once again for summer fun! Transform your Rubiks Cube in record speed with the twists and turns required to solve the cube!



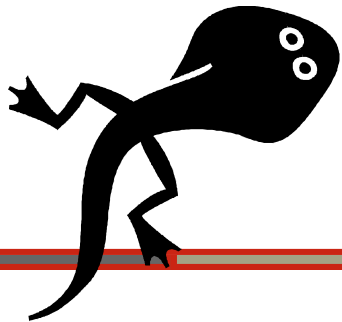
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Morph from Comic Books into Graphic Novels

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules
by Jeff Kinney: Greg's back from summer vacation and trying to cope with school again. How can he keep his brother, Rodrick, from revealing an incident that occurred during vacation? The laughs continue in this sequel to *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*.

Old Man's Cave (Bone Series #6)
by Jeff Smith: The Bone cousins join forces with Gran'ma Ben and Lucius against the rival rat creatures.

The Art of Drawing Manga by Sergi Camara and Vanessa Duran: Learn tips from the masters on drawing your characters manga-style and developing your own unique illustrations.



The New York State Regents call for all students to read 25 books a year. The titles listed in this brochure are suggested for middle and high school students. Check your school library media center, the Schenectady County Public Library (www.sctl.org), and local bookstores.

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