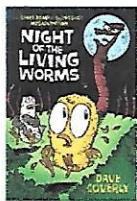


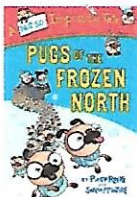
# Sunshine State Young Readers Award Books

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### ***Night of the Living Worms* by Dave Coverly**

What's a bird to do when his sibling is a big-time celebrity? It's a question Speed Bump has to deal with every single morning, because his brother happens to be the one and only Early Bird. Unfortunately, Speed Bump is a sleepy little bird with a big head and tiny wings who's worried he'll never live up to his brother. But he has a great buddy, the ever-hungry Slingshot, who knows how to lift his spirits. Together, they end up on an adventure deep in the nighttime forest, where they're forced to confront something more terrifying—and slimmer—than they've ever imagined.



### ***Pugs of the Frozen North* by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre**

The ship "Lucky Star" becomes trapped in the frozen ocean on the first day of True Winter. Ordered to save the cargo consisting of sixty-six pug dogs, Shen and the pugs travel over the frozen environment on their own. He meets Sika, who tells him of the magical "once-in-a-lifetime" winter and of a race to the North Pole where the Snowfather lives. Snowfather will grant a wish to the winner, and Sika would like to win in order to wish. Shen volunteers himself and the (66) pug dogs so Sika may enter the race and possibly win the race.



### ***Save Me a Seat* by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan**

Two fifth grade boys discover friendship can come in unexpected ways. Ravi, an excellent student, moves from India to New Jersey, only to find out that his skills aren't viewed in the same light at his new school, Albert Einstein Elementary School. Joe has always lived in New Jersey, and attended that same school. However, due to his Auditory Processing Disorder (APD) and how he handles situations, he doesn't feel very good about school. Through several events, the boys find out that life isn't always as it first appears.



### ***Teddy Mars: Almost a World Record Breaker* by Molly Burnham**

Teddy Mars wants to stand out... in a house full of siblings. With the help of his best friends, Lonnie and Viva, Teddy attempts building the biggest snow mound, stuffing the most grapes in his mouth, and lifting a chair with his teeth. He'll try anything, even if it means sleeping in a tent and cleaning up pigeon poop for the Grumpy Pigeon Man. Too bad his little brother, The Destructor, always gets in the way of Teddy's record-breaking plans! His determination will have readers laughing out loud and trying to break records of their own!



### ***The Vanishing Coin* by Kate Egan with Mike Lane**

Fourth-grader Mike Weiss can't get the hang of math, forgets his homework, and has trouble sitting still in school. And as if getting sent to the principal's office the first week of school wasn't bad enough, classmate Jackson ("Mike's enemy since birth") won't lay off him, and he's spending his after-school hours with Nora, the gifted new girl next door. One afternoon with Nora, Mike discovers the town magic shop, The White Rabbit, and something that he might actually be good at. The confidence boost helps Mike work harder in school



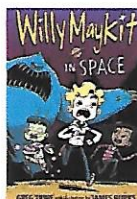
### ***A Whole New Ballgame* by Phil Bildner**

Rip and Red are best friends whose fifth-grade year is nothing like what they expected. They have a crazy new tattooed teacher named Mr. Acevedo, who doesn't believe in tests or homework. They also find themselves with a new basketball coach: Mr. Acevedo! Easy-going Rip is knocked completely out of his comfort zone. And for Red, who really needs things to be exactly a certain way, the changes are even more of a struggle. But together these two make a great duo who know how to help each other—and find ways to make a difference—in the classroom and on the court.



### ***The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown**

When robot Roz opens her eyes for the first time, she discovers that she is alone on a remote, wild island. With no idea as to how she arrived there or her purpose, she only knows she has to survive. She realized that her only hope for survival is to adapt to her surroundings and learn from the island's unwelcoming animals inhabitants. As Roz slowly befriends the animals and begins to feel at home, the robot's mysterious past comes back to haunt her.



### ***Willy Maykit in Space* by Greg Trine**

Earth-dwelling fourth-grader Willy Maykit couldn't be more excited about his school field trip to Planet Ed. Willy's class will blast off for the afternoon, learn about outer space, and be home in time for dinner. But when he wanders off on his own, Willy ends up being left behind on Ed! Can Willy, along with his classmate Cindy and an alien boy named Norp, outsmart the big hungry monsters on Ed until someone rescues them? With a little help from an android who likes knock-knock jokes and a seagull with terrific aim, they just might!