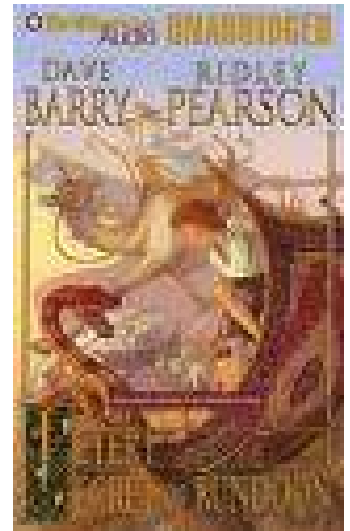


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Skulduggery Pleasant by Derek Landy- When 12-year-old Stephanie inherits her odd uncle's estate, she must join forces with Skulduggery Pleasant, a skeleton magician, to save the world from evil...Skulduggery is an ace detective, a snappy dresser, a crackerjack sorcerer, and a walking, talking, fire-throwing skeleton, as well as Stephanie's ally, protector and mentor. His friends include other oddities like Ghastly Bespoke (the tailor) and China Sorrows, (the librarian). And those are the good guys!

Peter and the Secret of Rundoon by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson- Peter and Molly find themselves in the dangerous land of Rundoon, ruled by evil King Zarboff and his pet snake, Kundalini. In Neverland, a tribal war is underway, and Captain Hook is up to his usual shenanigans. The book is the conclusion to the Starcatchers trilogy, the prequels to Peter Pan. ALSO AVAILABLE ON CD.



The Looking Glass Wars by Frank Beddor- When Alyss Heart, heir to the Wonderland Throne, must flee through the Pool of Tears to escape her murderous Aunt Redd, she finds herself lost and alone in Victorian England. This story is the real Alice in Wonderland story, complete with her bodyguard Hatter Madigan, and card soldiers that more resemble Star Wars Clone Troopers.