

## Brothers & Sisters: Friends or Foes??

Books about the joys and pains of having brothers & sisters!

- ***Tall Story*** by Candy Gourlay. Sixteen-year-old Bernardo, who is eight feet tall and suffers from a condition called Gigantism, leaves the Philippines to live with his mother's family in London, much to the delight of his thirteen-year-old half sister Andi, a passionate basketball player.
- ***Dump Trucks and Dogsleds: I'm On my Way, Mom!*** By Henry Winkler. Hank Zipzer is looking forward to a skiing vacation with his dad and sister before his new baby brother arrives, until his mom calls to say the baby is coming early, but when a huge snowstorm strands them in Vermont, it is up to Hank to find a way to get them all safely back to New York before the baby arrives.
- ***The Braid*** by Helen Frost. Two Scottish sisters, living on the western island of Barra in the 1850s, relate, in alternate voices and linked poems, their experiences after their family is forcibly evicted and separated with one sister accompanying their parents and younger siblings to Cape Breton, Canada, and the other staying behind with other family on the small island of Mingulay.
- ***Mission Unstoppable*** by Dan Gutman. On a cross-country vacation with their parents, twins Coke and Pepsi, soon to be thirteen, fend off strange assassins as they try to come to terms with their being part of a top-secret government organization known as The Genius Files.
- ***A Map of the Known World*** by Lisa Ann Sandell. Devastated, along with her parents, by the death of her older brother and apprehensive about being a freshman in the same high school he attended, fourteen-year-old Cora finds unexpected solace in art.
- ***Last Chance for Paris*** by Sylvia McNicoll. Zanna, a rebellious preteen, had hoped to spend the summer in Paris with her mom, but a small tattoo on her ankle results in her being banished to the ice fields of Alberta, where a boring vacation with her glaciologist father and twin brother Martin, turns into a life-and-death situation when Martin disappears.
- ***Mack McGinn's Big Win*** by Coleen Paratore. Whether the prize is a soccer trophy or the esteem of Danville's elite, the McGinn family believes in winning, but while striving to prove he can be best at something, sixth-grader Mack inadvertently demonstrates to his parents and older brother what really matters most.