

## HACKMATACK ENGLISH SHORTLIST 2025-26

ENGLISH FICTION

**Fairest of All: A Graphic Novel \***  
by Sarah Mlynowski,  
illustrated By Anu Chouhan  
Scholastic Canada, 2024  
9781338845099 \$16.99 (pb) 160 pages  
Graphic novel

**Is There a Boy Like Me? \***  
by Kern Carter  
Scholastic Canada, 2024  
9781443198424 \$14.99 (pb) 248 pages  
Middle grade novel

**The Kodiaks: Home Ice Advantage \***  
by David A. Robertson  
Highwater Press, 2024  
9781774921012 \$12.95 (pb) 200 pages  
Middle grade novel

**Lisette of Louisbourg †**  
by Margaret MacKay  
Bradav Press, 2024  
9781778610394 \$15.99 (pb) 202 pages  
Middle grade novel

**Maya Plays the Part \***  
by Calyssa Erb  
Annick Press, 2024  
9781773218519 \$14.99 (pb) 216 pages  
Middle grade novel

**Pet Tales \* †**  
by Heidi Tattrie Rushton,  
Trap Door Books, 2024  
9781777554996 \$14.95 (pb) 187 pages  
Middle grade novel

**Salma Joins the Team \***  
by Danny Ramadan,  
illustrated by Anna Bron  
Annick Press, 2024  
9781773218298 \$11.99 (pb) 112 pages  
First chapter book

**Songs in the Sea †**  
written and illustrated by Pheilm Martin  
Breakwater Books, 2024  
9781778530227 \$19.95 (pb) 36 pages  
School age picture book

**Teddy vs. the Fuzzy Doom**  
by Braden Hallett  
Annick Press, 2024  
9781773218564 \$15.99 (pb) 267 pages  
Middle grade novel

**Tig**  
by Heather Smith  
Tundra Books, 2024  
9780735267510 \$8.99 (pb) 147 pages  
Middle grade novel

\* Diverse author or illustrator

† Atlantic author, illustrator, or publisher

ENGLISH NONFICTION

**All Consuming: Shop Smarter for the Planet \***  
by Erin Silver, illustrated by Suharu Ogawa  
Orca Book Publishers, 2024  
9781459835979 \$26.95 (hc) 96 pages

**The Kids Book of Black History in Canada \***  
by Rosemary Sadlier,  
illustrated by Arden Taylor  
Kids Can Press, 2024  
9781525307379 \$23.99 (hc) 64 pages

**The Longest Shot: How Larry Kwong Changed the Face of Hockey \***  
by Chad Soon and George Chiang,  
illustrated by Amy Qi  
Orca Book Publishers, 2024  
9781459835030 \$24.95 (hc) 104 pages

**Lost at Windy River: A True Story of Survival \***  
by Trina Rathgeber, illustrated by Alina Pete, coloured by Jillian Dolan  
Orca Book Publishers, 2024  
9781459832268 \$19.95 (pb) 96 pages

**Making Sense of Dog Senses: How Our Furry Friends Experience the World \***  
by Stephanie Gibeault,  
illustrated by Raz Latif  
Owlkids, 2024  
9781771475242 \$21.95 (hc) 48 pages

**Meet Jim Egan**  
by Elizabeth MacLeod,  
illustrated by Mike Deas  
Scholastic Canada, 2024  
9781443197250 \$18.99 (hc) 32 pages

**Mighty Scared: The Amazing Ways Animals Defend Themselves**  
by Erin Silver, illustrated by Hayden Maynard  
Orca Book Publishers, 2024  
9781459836068 \$21.95 (hc) 32 pages

**She is Hope for Wildlife: The Story of Wildlife Rescuer Hope Swinimer †**  
by Wanda Baxter,  
illustrated by Leah Boudreau  
Nimbus Publishing, 2024  
9781774713327 \$19.95 (pb) 48 pages

**Walls: The Long History of Human Barriers and Why We Build Them**  
by Gregor Craigie,  
illustrated by Arden Taylor  
Orca Book Publishers, 2024  
9781459833111 \$29.95 (hc) 88 pages

**Your Story Matters: A Surprisingly Practical Guide to Writing**  
by Richard Scrimger,  
illustrated by D. McFadzean  
Tundra Books, 2024  
9781770498426 \$22.99 (hc) 208 pages