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Growing up in the forest, Ronia swims in icy lakes, captures wild horses, runs from goblinfolk, and forges a secret friendship with the son of her father's archenemy.

The Village of the Vampire Cat

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by Margaret Peterson Haddix

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Jessie doesn't know if the year is 1840 or 1996 until she escapes from her nineteenth-century hometown to find that it is really a living history experiment controlled by corrupt researchers.