

SUGGESTED READING

Rising Pre-K & Kindergarten

COLOR & COUNTING BOOKS

- The Crayons' Book of Numbers D. Daywalt
- Chicka Chicka 1, 2, 3 B. Martin
- Mix It Up H. Tullet
- Bear Sees Colors K. Wilson
- Dog's Colorful Day E. Dodd
- Cookie Fiasco M. Willems
- 1 Big Salad J. Medina
- Each Orange Had Eight Slices P. Giganti, Jr
- Mouse Paint E. Walsh
- 26 Letters and 99 Cents T. Hoban
- Peter the Cat: I Love My White Shoes E. Litwin

STORIES FOR SHARING

- Z for Moose K. Bingham
- Don't Eat Bees D. Petty
- Should I Share My Ice Cream? (Elephant & Piggie) – M. Willems
- Amanda Panda Quits Kindergarten C.
 Ransom
- Ilama Ilama time to share A. Dewdney
- One Big Pair of Underwear L. Gehl
- How Do Dinosaurs Play With Their Friends? – J. Yolen
- Interrupting Chicken D. Stein
- How I Became a Pirate M. Long

BOOKS ABOUT ME

- Chrysanthemum K. Henkes
- Marvelous Me L. Bullard
- All By Myself M. Mayer
- I Can Be Anything J. Spinelli
- I like Me! N. Carlson
- I Like to Be Little C. Zolotow
- The Mixed-Up Chameleon E. Carle
- It's Hard to Be Five J. L. Curtis
- Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon P. Lovell
- I Like Myself K. Beaumont
- Be You! P. H. Reynolds

PREDICTABLE BOOKS (STORIES WITH A PATTERN USING RHYME OR RHYTHM.)

- My Teacher's Not Here! L. Button
- We're Going on a Bear Hunt M. Rosen
- Each Peach Pear Plum J. Ahlberg
- A Frog in the Bag K. Wilson
- The Napping House A. Wood
- A Visitor for Bear B. Becker
- Chicka Chicka Boom Boom B. Martin, Jr
- All the World L. Scanlon
- First the Egg L. Seeger
- The Pout-Pout Fish D. Diesen

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Rising First Grade

FUN STORIES TO SHARE

- My Toothbrush is Missing J. Thoma
- The Big Fat Cow That Goes Kapow A. Griffiths
- Ricky, the Rock That Couldn't Roll J. Miletsky
- Leonardo the Terrible Monster M. Willems
- My P.E. Teacher is a Ninja J. Acker and M. Acker
- 7 Ate 9: The Untold Story T. Lazar
- Where Are You Going, Baby Lincoln? –
 K. DiCamillo
- Not Quite Narwhal J. Sima
- Chick and Brain: Smell My Foot C. Bell
- Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon P. Lovell
- Creepy Pair of Underwear! A. Reynolds

LEARNING TO READ SERIES:

- Hello Reader!, I Can Read Books, Step Into Reading, Rookie Readers
- Amelia Bedelia (series) P. Parrish
- Frog and Toad (series) A. Lobel
- Biscuit (series) A. Capucilli
- Henry and Mudge (series) C. Rylant Elephant & Piggie (series) – M. Willems

AWARD WINNERS

- Chez Bob B. Shea
- I am a Tiger K. Newson
- How Do You Dance? T. Heder
- The Little Red Fort B. Maier
- Hair Love M. Cherry
- My Heart C. Luyken
- The Cave R. Hodgson
- Bear Came Along R. T. Morris
- Dreamers Y. Morales
- Another C. Robinson
- We Don't Eat Our Classmates R. Higgins Small World I. Mercurio
- It Came in the Mail B. Clanton
- Gaston K. DiPucchio

EASY CHAPTER BOOKS

- Kitty and Dragon M. Hashimoto
- Kung Pow Chicken C. Marko
- Princess in Black S. Hale & D. Hale
- Rise of the Earth Dragon T. West
- Meet Yasmin! S. Faruqui
- Game Over, Super Rabbit Boy! (Press Start! series) – T. Flintham
- Owl Diaries (series) R. Elliott

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Rising Second Grade

IF YOU LIKE MAGIC AND MYTHICAL CREATURES, YOU'LL LOVE:

- Dragons and Marshmallows: Zoey and Sassafras – A. Citro
- Diary of an Ice Princess: Snow Place Like Home – C. Soontornvat
- Rise of the Earth Dragon T. West
- The Last Firehawk: The Ember Stone (series) – K. Charman
- The Fabled Stables Willa the Wisp J. Auxier
- Dragons of Ember City: Happy Spark Day – S. Richardson & S. Marino

IF YOU LIKE MYSTERIES, YOU'LL LOVE:

- The Haunted Library D. H. Butler
- Dinosaurs Before Dark (Magic Tree House - Graphical Novel) –M.P. Osborne
- A to Z Mysteries R. Roy
- Mac Undercover (Kid Spy #1) M.
 Barnett
- Crime Biters: My Dog Is Better Than Your Dog – T. Greenwald
- Super Detectives Simon and Chester
 C. Atkinson

IF YOU LIKES ADVENTURE, YOU'LL ENJOY:

- Galaxy Zack R. O'Ryan
- The Notebook of Doom T. Cummings
- Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot D. Pilkey
- Magic Tree House M. P. Osborne
- Ivy Lost and Found C. Lord
- Mia Mayhem is a Superhero! K. West
- Bee & Flea and the Compost Caper A.
- Humphrey

NONFICTION FUN!

- Go Wild! Sea Turtles J. Esbaum
- Blood! Not Just a Vampire Drink S. McAnulty
- Fox Explores the Night M. Jenkins
- What Do They Do With All That Poo? J. Kurtz
- Plants Fight Back L. J. Amstutz
- The Rat: The Disgusting Critters Series E. Gravel
- All About Plants! (Ada Twist, Scientist: The Why Files) – A. Beaty
- Planets E. Carney

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SUMMER SUGGESTED READING

Rising Third Grade

IF YOU LIKE REALISTIC STORIES:

- Sarai and the Meaning of Awesome (series) - Sarai Gonzalez and Monica Brown
- Stella Diaz has Something to Say (series) -Angela Dominguez
- Ellie, Engineer (series) Jackson Pearce
- Planet Omar (series) Zanib Mian
- Mindy Kim and the Yummy Seaweed Business (series) - Lyla Lee
- Stink and the Shark Sleepover (series) -Megan McDonald

IF YOU LIKE ANIMAL BOOKS:

- Jenny and the Cat Club (series) E. Averill
- The Critter Club (series) C. Barkley and M. Riti
- Olga and the Smelly Thing From Nowhere
 E. Gravel
- Love Puppies: Best Friends Furever –JaNay Brown Wood
- Dolphin Rescue (Animal Planet Adventures #1) (series) – C. Nichols
- Who Would Win: Ultimate Jungle Rumble
 Jerry Pallotta
- Who Would Win? Whale vs. Giant Squid Jerry Pallotta
- Unicorn Academy: Sophia and Rainbow Julie Skyes

GOOD READS:

- The Creature of the Pines A. Gidwitz
- Over and Under the Pond K. Messner
- A Different Pond B. Phi
- A Dog Like Daisy K. O'Donnell Tubb
- The Tale of Despereaux K. DiCamillo
- The Witches R. Dahl
- Jumanji C. Van Allsburg
- Charlotte's Webb E.B. White
- Mr. Popper's Penguins R. Atwater
- Sarah. Plain and Tall P. MacLachlan
- Before She Was Harriet L. ClineRansome

IF YOU LIKE READING GRAPHIC NOVELS:

- Cat Ninja Matthew Cody (book series)
- Mr. Wolf's Class: Mystery Club Aron Nels Steinke (series)
- First Cat in Space Mac Barnett (series)
- Dragon Kingdom of Wrenly: The Coldfire Curse - Jordan Quinn (book series)
- Simon and Chester: Super Detectives -Cale Atkinson (series)
- Hound Heroes: Beware the Claw Todd H. Doodler (series)
- King of the Birds Elise Gravel (series)

IF YOU LIKE ADVENTURE AND MYSTERY BOOKS:

- I Survived the San Francisco Earthquake (series) L. Tarshis
- Trapped in a Video Game (series) Herobrine Books
- Mac Undercover (Kid Spy #1) (series) M. Barnett
- Secret Agent Jack Stalwart (series) E. S. Hunt
- The Great Shelby Holmes (series) E. Eulberg
- P.I. Butterfly Gone Guppy Case #1(series) Karen Kilpatrick
- World Travelers and the Taj Mahal Mystery (series) Raj Haldar



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Rising Fourth Grade

IF YOU LIKE FUNNY BOOKS, YOU'LL LOVE:

- The Magical Reality of Nadia by Bassem Youssef and Catherine R. Daly
- The First Cat in Space Ate Pizza by Mac Barnett (graphic novel)
- Phoebe and Her Unicorn (series) by Dana Simpson (graphic novel)
- The Beast and the Bethany by Jack Meggitt-Phillips
- It's the End of the World and I'm in My Bathing Suit by Justin A. Reynolds
- Crabgrass Comic Adventures by Tauhid Bondia (graphic novel)
- Two-Headed Chicken by Tom Angleberger (graphic novel)
- Once Upon a Tim by Stuart Gibbs

IF YOU LIKE ADVENTURE & MYSTERY STORIES, TRY THESE:

- Ninja Kid: From Nerd to Ninja by Anh Do
- I Survived series by Lauren Tarshis
- Survivor Diaries: Avalanche! (series) by Terry Lynn Johnson
- The Last Kids on Earth (series) by Max Brallier
- Me, Frida, and the Secret is the Peacock Ring by Angela Cervantes
- Leon the Extraordinary by Jamar Nicholas (graphic novel)

IF YOU LIKE FANTASY/SCI-FI, YOU'LL ENJOY:

- Dragon with a Chocolate Heart by Stephanie Burgis
- Royal Guide to Monster Slaying by Kelley Armstrong
- Mellybean and the Giant Monster by Mike White
- The Land of Stories (series) by Chris Colfer
- Legends of Lotus Island: The Guardian Test by Christina Soontornvat
- Trapped in a Video Game by Dustin Brady
- Your Pal Fred by Michael Rex
- Pacey Packer Unicorn Tracker by J.C.
- Phillipps

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- Thirst by B. Varsha
- The Midnight Children by D. Gemeinhart
- Ride On by F. E. Hicks
- The List of Unspeakable Fears by J. K. Kramer
- Honestly Elliott by G. McDunn
- Mwikali and the Forbidden Mask by S. Nguru
- Tumble by C. C. Perez
- Air: A Novel by M. Roe
- Omar Rising by A. Saeed
- The Summer of June by J. Sumner

IF YOU LIKE HISTORICAL FICTION, TRY:

- Esperanza Rising by P. M. Ryan
- Lifeboat 12 by S. Hood
- Escape This Book Tombs of Egypt by B. Doyle
- Prairie Lotus by L. S. Park



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Rising Fifth Grade

IF YOU LIKE FANTASY/SCI-FI, YOU'LL LOVE:

- Amari and the Night Brothers (series) by B.B. Alston
- The Endling: The Last (series) by Katherine Applegate
- Travis Daventhorpe for the Win! by Wes Molebash
- Area 51 Interns: Alien Summer by James S. Murray and Carsen Smith
- Escape from Atlantis by Kate O'Hearn
- Pahua and the Soul Stealer by Lori Lee
- Dungeoneer Adventures by Ben Costa and James Parks
- Last Mapmaker by Christina Soontornvat

IF YOU LIKE FUNNY, YOU'LL LAUGH YOUR WAY THROUGH THESE BOOKS:

- Middle School: The Worst Years of my Life (series) by James Patterson and Chris Tebbetts
- The Worst Class Trip Ever (series) by Dave Barry
- The Last Kids on Earth (series) by Max Brallier
- Pie in the Sky by Remy Lai
- The Last Last Day of Summer by Lamar Giles
- Once Upon a Tim by Stuart Gibbs
- Crabgrass Comic Adventures by Tauhid Bondia

IF YOU LIKE REALISTIC FICTION, TRY THESE:

- Measuring Up by Lily LaMotte (graphic novel)
- Roll with It by Jamie Sumner
- A Duet for Home by Karina Yan Glaser
- Unteachables by Gordon Korman
- Isaiah Dunn is My Hero by Kelly J. Baptist
- Not an Easy Win by Chrystal B. Giles
- New Kid by Jerry Craft (graphic novel)
- From the Desk of Zoe Washington by Janae Marks
- Frizzy by Claribel A. Ortega
- Finally Seen by Kelly Yang

IF YOU LIKE ANIMAL STORIES, YOU'LL ENJOY:

- Katie the Catsitter by Colleen AF Venable (graphic novel)
- Always Clementine by Carlie Sorosiak
- The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate
- Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH by Robert C. O'Brien
- Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer (series) by Kelly Jones
- A Whale in the Wild by Rosanne Parry
- Cress Watercress by Gregory Maguire
- The Aquanaut by Dan Santat

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