

Second Grade Summer Reading List

Adler, David A: *Young Cam Jansen and the Speedy Car Mystery* c2010

At her school's Green Fair, Cam and her friends are learning to keep the earth green when a student's remote controlled car is missing! Was it stolen? It's up to Cam and her photographic memory to figure it out! *Series*

Arnold, Tedd: *Hi Fly Guy* c2006 fiction series

Boy and fly meet and so begins a beautiful friendship, and so begins a very funny friendship.

Banks: *Max's Words* c2006 *fiction*

Max wants to start a collection since his brothers collect coins and stamps. Max decides to collect words and discovers the importance of how words are put together to create stories.

Barrows, Annie: *Ivy + Bean* series

When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, the new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected. *Series*

Birney: *Humphrey's Really Wheely Racing Day – Tiny Tales* series

Humphrey is one happy hamster. He lives in Room 26 at Longfellow School. He has a big comfy cage with a wheel perfect for spinning and a room *full* of friends. But when Humphrey goes to Mandy's house one weekend, he learns that her hamster has something Humphrey has never seen before—a hamster car!

Blabey: *The Bad Guys* c2016 series

They sound like bad guys, they look like bad guys . . . and they even smell like bad guys. But Mr. Wolf, Mr. Piranha, Mr. Snake, and Mr. Shark are about to change all of that...

Branford: *Violet Mackerel's Natural Habitat* c2013

Seven-year-old Violet identifies with small creatures in the natural world, but when she tries to help a special ladybug, she learns an important lesson about animal habitats.

Bridges: *Ruby's Wish* c2002 *historical fiction, ethnic diversity*

During the 1800s in China, when few girls learn to read and write, Ruby fervently desires to attend university with all the males in her family.

Bunting: *One Green Apple* c2006 *historical fiction, ethnic diversity*

Farah is new to the U.S. and her class. She feels alone until she goes on a field trip and realizes things are alike everywhere.

Chaconas: *Cork & Fuzz* c2011 (series)

Cork is a short muskrat who likes to find things. Fuzz is a tall possum who likes to keep things. Fuzz wants to keep Cork's lost stone when he finds it. But a chipmunk runs away with it. Who will say "finders keepers" now?

Clanton: *Narwhal Unicorn of the Sea* graphic novel series

Narwhal is a happy-go-lucky narwhal. Jelly is a no-nonsense jellyfish. The two might not have a lot in common, but they do they love waffles, parties and adventures. Join Narwhal and Jelly as they discover the whole wide ocean together.

DiCamillo: *Mercy Watson to the Rescue* c2005 *animal, humor, series*

Cute little pig Mercy is happy until the lights turn off at night, and she decides to join her owners in their bed.

DiCamillo: *Bink and Gollie* c2010 fiction, series

Short, blond, sprout-haired Bink and tall, tidy Gollie are complete opposites, but they're also devoted pals who visit each other every day.

Eggers: *Her Right Foot* c2017

In this fascinating and fun take on nonfiction, the authors investigate a seemingly small trait of America's most emblematic statue. What they find is about more than history, more than art. What they find in the Statue of Liberty's right foot is the powerful message of acceptance that is essential of an entire country's creation.

Elliott: *Eva's Treetop Festival – Owl Diaries* series

This is the first chapter book in the series, and is perfect for young girls who love friendship stories starring animal characters!

Hale: *Princess in Black* c2015 series

Who says princesses don't wear black? When trouble raises its blue monster head, Princess Magnolia ditches her flouncy dresses and becomes the Princess in Black!

Henkes: *Penny and Her Song* c2012

Penny comes home from school eager to share her very own song, but must wait until the time is right to teach it to her parents and the babies.

Henkes: *The Year of Billy Miller* c2013

Billy Miller starts second grade with a bump on his head and a lot of worries, but by the end of the year he has learned many important lessons.

Holm: Babymouse series, graphic novel

Meet Babymouse—her dreams are big! Her imagination is wild! Her whiskers are ALWAYS a mess! Fun and funny graphic novel series.

Holm: Squish series, graphic novel

Squish is a graphic novel series about a comic book-loving, twinkie-eating grade school AMOEBA trying to find his place in the world (or at least trying to make it through a school day).

Kugler: Snail and Worm: Three Stories about two Friends c2016

Told in three short stories, and ranging in topic from adventuring to having pets—will have both girls and boys delighting in the friends' silly antics, making it a perfect book for readers transitioning between picture books and chapter books.

Lin: Ling and Ting Not Exactly the Same c2010 fiction

Ling and Ting are two adorable identical twins, but looks are deceiving--people can be very different, even if they look exactly the same.

Ludwig: The Invisible Boy c2013

Meet Brian, the invisible boy. Nobody ever seems to notice him or think to include him in their group, game, or birthday party . . . until, that is, a new kid comes to class.

Mattick: Finding Winnie c2015

Harry Colebourn's real-life great-granddaughter tells the true story of a remarkable friendship and an even more remarkable journey--from the fields of Canada to an army base in England...And finally to the London Zoo, where Winnie made another new friend: a real boy named Christopher Robin.

May: Diary of a Pug c2019 series

Baron von Bubbles, a.k.a "Bub," is the self-proclaimed cutest pug on the planet!

McElligott: Dinosaur Disaster – Mad Science Academy graphic novel series

Welcome to Mad Scientist Academy! The first day of school is always exciting, and Dr. Cosmic's new students can't wait to get started. After their teacher reveals that their school pet, Oscar, is a dinosaur, they quickly realize Dr. Cosmic has an unusual teaching style.

McMullan: *Pearl and Wagner: Five Days Till Summer* c2012

Pearl and her friend Wagner, on the verge of moving up to Ms. Bean's first grade class, worry about their new teacher being "mean" until something surprising changes their mind.

McDonald: *Stink and the Ultimate Thumb-Wrestling Smackdown*. c2011.

When Stink Moody gets an "Unsatisfactory" in gym, he turns first to thumb wrestling, then to karate, to give him a sporting edge. *Series*

McDonald: *Searching for Stinkodon –Judy Moody and Friends* c2019 series

Stink wants to make the find of the century. He's on a digging quest in his backyard to find a tooth from a saber-toothed cat, otherwise known as a Smilodon. Why not? Two kids in Michigan found a mastodon bone in a backyard stream, and a girl in Great Britain found a pterosaur bone. It could happen!

Miller: *Three Stories You Can Read to Your Teddy Bear* c2004 fiction

Author and illustrator of *Three Stories You Can Read to Your Cat* and *Three Stories You Can Read to Your Dog*, have done it again with three comical new stories—this time about teddy bears.

Myracle: *Non Random Acts of Kindness* c2015

Ty remains his wacky, curious self in this bighearted second installment of the *Life of Ty* series. Practicing kindness, random or not, doesn't take that much worrying after all. Being kind is part of being Ty.

Pilkey: *Ricky Ricotta's Might Robot* c2014 series

Meet Ricky Ricotta and his giant flying Robot! Ricky and his enormous flying Robot friend soar through the air and battle the diabolical Dr. Stinky, an evil scientist who threatens to take over the world!

Rosenthal: *Cookies: Bite-Size Life Lessons* c2006

Cookies provide the framework for this clever book, but the focus is really on the lessons to be learned about life.

Roy: *A to Z Mysteries* series

Kids love collecting the entire alphabet and super editions! With over 8 million copies in print, the A to Z Mysteries have been hooking chapter book readers on mysteries and reading for years.

Rylant, Cynthia: *Annie and Snowball and the Book Bugs Club* c2011.

Annie and Henry join the summer reading club at the library, and they vow to be "Book Bugs" for life. *Series*

Sierra: Mind Your Manners, B.B. Wolf c2007 fiction

The Big Bad Wolf receives a lesson in manners in this hilarious fractured fairy tale that begins with a trip to the mailbox.

Silverman: Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa series

Set on a cattle ranch, this warm, beginning chapter book tells four spirited stories about young cowgirl Kate and her beloved talking horse, Cocoa.

Thaler: Black Lagoon series

These fun-filled chapter books mix school, monsters, and common kid problems with hilarious results.

Woodson, Jacqueline. *Each Kindness*. c2012.

It is only after Maya, the new girl, moves away that Chloe regretfully realizes that she and her friends have been unkind by excluding her from their games.

Zagarenski: The Whisper c2015

A sweet-faced girl in a red hood borrows a special book from her teacher and discovers the profound and inspiring notion that we each bring something different to the same story. As she runs home, oblivious to what is happening, the words escape from the story.