

Grades K-5 Summer Reading 2020 Booklist

Grades K-1

Fly Guy Presents: Castles (nonfiction)

By Tedd Arnold
Fly Guy and Buzz learn all about castles:
from drawbridges and dungeons to kings,
queens and knights!
(J 728.81 A)

In a Dark, Dark Room: And Other Scary Stories

By Alvin Schwartz; Victor Rivas (Illus.)
Share these stories of ghosts, pirates,
skeletons and strange happenings on a
summer night.
(J FIC SCHWARTZ)
BR, DTB, EBK

Lon Po Po

By Ed Young
Three children must outwit a wolf disguised
as their grandmother
(J 398.2 Y)
BR

Niño Wrestles the World

By Yuyi Morales
Niño the mighty luchador takes on all
contenders from aliens to little sisters.
(J FIC MORALES)
BR, DVD, EBK

Octopus Stew

By Eric Velasquez
What happens
when grandma gets kidnapped by a
gigantic Octopus? You decide!
(J FIC VELASQUEZ)

The Princess and the Warrior: A Tale of Two Volcanoes

By Duncan Tonatiuh
A beautiful tale of devotion between a brave
warrior and a kind princess.
(J FIC TONATIUH)
BR, DTB, DVD

Sisters: Serena and Venus Williams
(biography)

By Jeanette Winter
An inspiring story of two girls growing
through hard work, and determination of two
girls growing.
(J B WILLIAMS W)

Sparkly New Friends (Unicorn and Yeti #1)

By Heather Ayriss Burnell; Hazel Quintanilla
(Illus.)
Two friends love sparkles, magic, super
fancy hats and snowball fights.
(J FIC BURNELL)

The Twelve Dancing Princesses

By Rachel Isadora
Who can solve the mystery of the
princesses' worn shoes?
(J 398.2 I)

Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears: A West African Tale

By Verna Aardema; Diane Dillon and Leo
Dillon (Illus.)
Mosquito sets off a sound-effect filled chain
of events that disrupts the animal kingdom.
(J 398.2 A)
BR, DTB

Recommended Series:

Bright Owl Books, by Molly Coxe

Noodleheads, by Tedd Arnold

Pig in a Wig, by Emma J. Virjan

Dragon, by Dav Pilkey

Aaron Becker's Wordless Trilogy by Aaron
Becker

Grades 2-3

CatWad: It's Me, Two (graphic novel)

By Jim Benton

Catwad's grouchy, Blurmp's gullible. Together they make a hilarious pair.

(J FIC BENTON)

Dragons in a Bag

By Zetta Elliott

Jax discovers that magic, witches and dragons are just around the corner in Brooklyn.

(J FIC ELLIOTT)

DTB, EAUD, EBK

Echo Echo: Reverso Poems about Greek Myths (poetry)

Each poem tells the story of a familiar myth; and when read in reverse, a new point of view is revealed.

(J 811 S)

Jasmine Toguchi, Flamingo Keeper

By Debbi Michiko Florence; Elizabet Vuković (Illus.)

With her first wishing doll, Jasmine asks for an unusual pet.

J FIC FLORENCE

EBK

Juana & Lucas

By Juana Medina

With a sense of humor, Juana resists learning English at school in Bogotá, Colombia.

(J FIC MEDINA)

BT, DTB

John Henry

By Julius Lester; Jerry Pinkney (Illus.)

The hammer swinging hero outruns horses and outworks machines in glorious tall-tale style.

(J 398.2 L)

How to Spot a Sasquatch (graphic novel)

By J. Torres; Aurelie Grand (Illus.)

Jay is determined to prove Bigfoot is real by capturing its photo.

(J FIC TORRES)

Myth Match: A Fantastical Flipbook of Extraordinary Beasts

By Good Wives and Warriors

Use your imagination to invent over one thousand wondrous new creatures.

(J 398.2454 G)

Sadiq and the Green Thumbs

By Siman Nuurali; Anjan Sarkar (Illus.)

Sadiq and his friends learn that helping others feels good -- and can be fun, too.

(J FIC NUURALI)

Snow Place Like Home: Diary of an Ice Princess #1

By Christina Soontorvat

Princess Lina wants to go a non-magical school with her best friend Claudia.

(J FIC SOONTORVAT)

EBK

Recommended Series:

Heroes in Training, by Joan Holub, Suzanne Williams et al.

Princess Pink and the Land of Fake-Believe

Series, by Noah Z. Jones

Kingdom of Wrenly, by Jordan Quinn and Robert McPhillips

Mia Mayhem, by Kara West

Who Would Win, by Jerry Pallotta

Grades 4-5

Akissi: Tales of Mischief (graphic novel)
By Marguerite Abouet; Mathieu Sapin (Illus.)
Akissi can't seem to avoid trouble
on her daily adventures.
(J FIC ABOUET)

The Crossover: Graphic Novel Adaptation
By Kwame Alexander; Dawud Anyabwile
(Illus.)
12-year old Josh navigates basketball,
brotherhood and growing up.
(J FIC ALEXANDER)
DTB

Esperanza Rising
By Pam Muñoz Ryan
Migrating to the U.S.,
Esperanza must rise above her loss.
(J FIC RYAN)
BT, DTB, EBK

Front Desk
By Kelly Yang
Mia's immigrant family works hard to make a
life in California -- and make new friends
along the way.
(J FIC YANG)
DTB, EAUD, EBK, LP

The Jumbies
By Tracey Baptiste
Corinne La Mer claims she isn't afraid
of the jumbies. They're just tricksters made
up by parents to frighten their children...or
are they?
(J FIC BAPTISTE)
DTB, EAUD, EBK

Maker Comics: Bake Like a Pro!
By Falynn Koch
Learn to bake delicious recipes with Sage,
a young wizard.
(J 641.81 K)

Nightlights (graphic novel)
By Lorena Alvarez
Sandy's fantastic drawings attract unwanted
attention from both teachers and an
otherworldly fan.
(J FIC ALVAREZ)

Stargazing (graphic novel)
By Jen Wang
Christine and Moon's friendship is tested
when a secret is revealed.
(J FIC WANG)

The Season of Styx Malone
By Kekla Magoon
Caleb's "ordinary" summer will never be the
same once Styx Malone shows up and
brings adventure with him.
(J FIC MAGOON)
DTB, EAUD, EBK

***Weird but True Know-It-All: Greek
Mythology***
By Sarah Wassner Flynn
Odd facts everything kids need to know
about their favorite Greek characters.
(J 398.2 F)

Recommended Series:

Pandava Series (Aruh Shah), by Roshani
Chokshi
Klawde: Evil Alien Warlord Cat, by Johnny
Marciano and Emily Chenoweth
Five Worlds, by Mark Siegel
A Tale Dark and Grimm, by Adam Gidwitz
Two Truths and a Lie, by Ammi-Joan
Paquette and Laurie Ann Thompson

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EAUD	eAudiobook**
BR	Braille*
EBK	eBook**
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