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 TONATIUIH)
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 Ayris 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 grumpy, 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 to 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 Alvarex
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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