

Recommended Summer Reading For Students Entering Grade 5

* Look for more books with these characters!



FICTION (CLASSICS)

Colfer, Eoin	<i>Artemis Fowl*</i>
Dahl, Roald	<i>The BFG</i>
Eager, Edward	<i>Half Magic*</i>
Erdrich, Louise	<i>Birchbark House*</i>
Fitzhugh, Louise	<i>Harriet the Spy*</i>
Fleischman, Paul	<i>Seedfolks</i>
Rowling, J.K.	<i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*</i>
L'Engle, Madeleine	<i>A Wrinkle in Time*</i>
Montgomery, L. M.	<i>Anne of Green Gables*</i>
Norton, Mary	<i>The Borrowers*</i>
O'Brien, Robert	<i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*</i>
Paulsen, Gary	<i>Hatchet*</i>
Sachar, Louis	<i>Holes</i>
Stewart, Trenton	<i>Mysterious Benedict Society*</i>
Walden, Mark	<i>H.I.V.E.*</i>

REALISTIC FICTION

Abdell-Fattah, R.	<i>The Friendship Matchmaker</i>
Ada, Alma	<i>Flor Dancing Home</i>
Banerjee, Anjali	<i>Seaglass Summer</i>
Bowen, Fred	<i>Out of Bounds</i>
Dairman, Tara	<i>All Four Stars*</i>
Davis, Mandy	<i>Superstar</i>
Draper, Sharon	<i>Out of My Mind</i>
Dumas, Firoozah	<i>It Ain't So Awful, Falafel</i>
Glaser, Karina Yan	<i>The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street</i>
Green, Shari	<i>Macy McMillan and the Rainbow Goddess</i>
Keller, Tae	<i>The Science of Breakable Things</i>
Khan, Hena	<i>Amina's Voice</i>
Krishnaswami, Uma	<i>The Grand Plan to Fix Everything*</i>
Levy, Dana Alison	<i>Misadventures of the Family Fletcher*</i>
Lorenzi, Natalie D.	<i>Flying the Dragon</i>
Martin, Ann	<i>Rain Reign</i>
Narsimhan, M.	<i>Mission Mumbai</i>
Parker Rhodes, Jewell	<i>Towers Falling</i>
Pearsall, Shelley	<i>The Seventh Most Important Thing</i>
Perez, Celia C.	<i>First Rule of Punk</i>
Reynolds, Jason	<i>Ghost</i>
Sloan, Holly G.	<i>Short</i>
Torres, Jennifer	<i>Stef Soto, Taco Queen</i>
Winston, Sherri	<i>President of the Whole Fifth Grade</i>
Wold, Lauren	<i>Wolf Hollow</i>
Woods, Brenda	<i>The Blossoming Universe of Violet Diamond</i>
Zia, Farhana	<i>The Garden of My Imaan</i>

FANTASY AND ADVENTURE

Alexander, Lloyd	<i>Chronicles of Prydain*</i>
Anderson, Jodi	<i>My Diary from the Edge of the World</i>
Armstrong, K.L.	<i>Loki's Wolves*</i>
Baptiste, Tracey	<i>The Jumbies*</i>
Brown, Peter	<i>Wild Robot*</i>
Cannon, Sarah	<i>Oddity</i>
Chainani, Soman	<i>School for Good and Evil*</i>
Chokshi, Roshani	<i>Aru Shah and the End of Time</i>
Colfer, Chris	<i>The Land of Stories*</i>
Das Gupta, S.	<i>The Serpent's Secret</i>
Flanagan, John	<i>The Ranger's Apprentice*</i>
Forester, Victoria	<i>The Boy Who Knew Everything*</i>
George, Jessica D.	<i>Dragon Slippers*</i>
Graff, Keir	<i>Matchstick Castle</i>
Hale, Shannon	<i>Princess Academy*</i>
Korman, Gordon	<i>Masterminds*</i>
Laurie, Victoria	<i>Oracles of Delphi Keep*</i>
Littlewood, K.	<i>Bliss*</i>
Mass, Wendy	<i>Pi in the Sky</i>
McMann, Lisa	<i>The Unwanteds*</i>
McMullen, Beth	<i>Mrs. Smith's Spy School for Girls</i>
Nix, Garth	<i>Keys to the Kingdom*</i>
Oppel, Kenneth	<i>The Nest</i>
Prineas, Sarah	<i>The Magic Thief*</i>
Randall, Alice	<i>The Diary of BB Bright,</i> <i>Possible Princess</i>
Snyder, Laurel	<i>Orphan Island</i>
Stead, Rebecca	<i>When You Reach Me</i>
Stewart, Trenton	<i>Secret Keepers</i>
Sutherland, Tui T.	<i>Wings of Fire*</i>
Walliams, David	<i>Grandpa's Great Escape</i>
Yardi, Robin	<i>Midnight War of Mateo Martinez</i>

This list is also available online at:
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MYSTERY

Abbott, Tony *The Forbidden Stone**
Balliett, Blue *Chasing Vermeer**
Bertman, Jennifer *Book Scavenger*
Collard, Sneed *Hangman's Gold**
Dowd, Siobhan *The London Eye Mystery*
Downing Hahn, Mary *Took: A Ghost Story*
Fairlie, Emily *The Lost Treasure of Tuckernuck**
Garza, Xavier *Maximilian and the Mystery of the Guardian Angel**

Gibbs, Stuart *Belly Up**
Malone, Marianne *The Sixty-Eight Rooms**
Mass, Wendy *The Candymakers**
Messner, Kate *Capture the Flag**
Milford, Kate *The Greenglass House**
Ponti, James *Framed: A T.O.A.S.T. MYSTERY*
Raskin, Ellen *The Westing Game*
Sands, Kevin *The Blackthorn Key**
Sherry, Maureen *Walls Within Walls*
Spencer, Octavia *The Case of the Time Capsule Bandit**

Tarpley, Natasha *Harlem Charade*

ANIMALS

Bartok, Mira *Wonderling*
Burnford, Sheila *The Incredible Journey*
Gleitzman, Morris *Toad Rage**
Griffin, Paul *Saving Marty*
King, Amy Sarig *Me and Marvin Gardens*
Laney, Matt *Spinner Prince*
Lasky, Kathryn *Capture**
Pennypacker, Sara *Pax*
Plourde, Lynn *Maxi's Secret*

Historical Fiction

Bolden, Tonya *Finding Family*
Bradley, Kimberly *The War That Saved My Life**
Choldenko, J. *Al Capone Does My Shirts**
Flake, Sharon *The Unstoppable Octobia May*
Hughes, Shirley *Hero on a Bicycle*
Kelly, Jacqueline *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate**

Levine, Gail C. *Dave at Night*
Nielsen, Jennifer A. *A Night Divided*
Preus, Margi *Heart of a Samurai*
Whelan, Gloria *Listening for Lions*
Williams-Garcia *Clayton Byrd Goes Underground*

Wolk, Lauren *Beyond the Bright Sea*
Wong, Li Keng *Good Fortune: My Journey to Gold Mountain*

NON-FICTION

Brown, Daniel J. *Boys in the Boat (Young Reader's Edition)*

Brown, Don *Older Than Dirt: A Wild But True History of Earth*

Denenberg, Barry *Titanic Sinks!*
Doeden, Matt *The World Series: Baseball's Biggest Stage*

Giovanni, Nikki *Hip Hop Speaks to Children*
Harris, Chris *I'm Just No Good at Rhyming & Other Nonsense for Mischievous Kids and Immature Grown-Ups*

Horowitz, Alexandra *Inside of a Dog: What Dogs See, Smell, and Know*

Martin, Jacqueline *Chef Roy Choi and the Street Food Remix*

Myron, Vicki *Dewey the Library Cat*
Newman, Patricia *Sea Otter Heroes: The Predator That Saved an Ecosystem*

Sandler, Martin *Whydah: A Pirate Ship Feared, Wrecked and Found*

Shaskan, Trisha S. *Art Panels, BAM! Speech Bubbles, POW! Writing Your Own Graphic Novel*

Weatherford, C. *Schomburg: The Man Who Built a Library*

Wicks, Maris *Human Body Theater*
Yousafzai, Malala *I Am Malala*

GRAPHIC NOVELS

Cammuto, Frank *Knights of the Lunch Table**
Chantler, Scott *Three Thieves**
Domingo, José *Pablo & Jane and the Hot Air Contraption*

Hale, Nathan *The Underground Abductor: An Abolitionist Tale about Harriet Tubman (Hazardous Tales #5)**

Hale, Shannon *Real Friends*
Hatke, Ben *Little Robot*
Hicks, Faith Erin *Nameless City*
Hirsch, Andy *Science Comics: Cats: Nature and Nurture**

Soo, Ken *Jellaby**
Varon, Sara *Bake Sale*
Vivat, Booki *Frazzled**
Williams, Marcia *Ancient Egypt: Tales of Gods and Pharaohs*

Winnick, Judd *Hilo: The Boy Who Crashed to Earth**
Yang, Gene *Luen Secret Coders*