Summer Reading Suggestions



Going into 1st Grade

Outside In by Deborah Underwood

Mercy Watson* by Kate DiCamillo

I Am Every Good Thing by Derrick Barnes

Milo Imagines the World by Matt de la Peña

Invent a Pet by Vicky Fang

Lift by Minh Lê

Danbi Leads the School Parade by Anna Kim

Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story by Kevin Noble Maillard

The Bruce Swap* by Ryan T. Higgins

Itty Bitty Kitty Corn by Shannon Hale & LeuYen Pham

Llama Unleashes the Alpacalypse By Jonathan Stutzman

The Arabic Quilt: An Immigrant Story by Aya Khalil

Greta and the Giants: Inspired by Greta Thunberg's Stand

to Save the World by Zoe Tucker

Baloney and Friends by Greg Pizzoli

What if Sharks Disappeared? by Lily Williams

Going into 2nd Grade

Facts vs. Opinions vs. Robots by Michael Rex Sofia

Sofia Valdez, Future Prez by Andrea Beaty

Slug Days by Sara Leach

What a Waste by Jess French

Press Start* by Thomas Flintham

Zapato Power* by Jacqueline Jules

Who Would Win* by Jerry Pallotta

Zoe and Sassafras* by Asia Citro

The Questioneers* by Andrea Beaty

Dave the Unicorn by Pip Bird

Desmond Cole Ghost Patrol by Andres Miedoso

Ten Beautiful Things by Molly Beth Griffin

If You Come to Earth by Sophie Blackall

Isle of Misfits* by Jaime Mae

Ten Beautiful Things by Molly Beth Griffin

What Can a Citizen Do? By Dave Eggers

Dragon Masters* by Tracey West

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Going into 3rd Grade

From the Desk of Zoe Washington by Janae Marks

The Roots of Rap by Carole Boston Weatherford

Mac B. Kid Spy by Mac Barnett

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

Melvin Beedermen by Greg Trine

Ways to Make Sunshine* by Renee Watson

Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of Gwendolyn Brooks by

Suzanne Sladend

Kate the Chemist by Kate Biberdorf

Astronauts: Women on the Final Frontier by Jim Ottaviani &

Maris Wicks

Skunk and Badger by Amy Timberlake

It Began With A Page: How Gyo Fujikawa Drew The Way

by Kyo Maclear

Didi Dodo: Future Spy by Tom Angleberger

We Are Still Here! Native American Truths Everyone Should

Know by Traci Sorell

Mindy Kim* by Lyla Lee

Upside Down Magic by Sarah Mlynowski

Going into 4th Grade

Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Ways to Grow Love by Renee Watson

Wings of Fire* by Tui Sutherland

Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

When You Trap a Tiger by Tae Keller

History Smashers: The Mayflower by Kate Messner

Clean Getaway by Nic Stone

Mañanaland by Pam Munoz Ryan

Three Keys by Kelly Yang

COG by Greg Van Eekhout

Stamped (for Kids) by Ibram X Kendi and Jason Reynolds &Sonja Cherry-Paul

Becoming Muhammad Ali by James Patterson and Kwame Alexander

Ranger's Apprentice* by John Flanagan

*Denotes a series

Going into 5th Grade & 6th Grade

Grenade by Alan Gratz

Blades of Freedom by Nathan Hale

Isaiah Dunn is my Hero by Kelly J. Baptist

The In-Between by Rebecca Ansari

Prairie Lotus by Linda Sue Park

Efren Divided by Ernesto Cisneros

Aru Shah and the End of Time by Roshani Chokshi

The Lion of Mars by Jennifer L. Holm

Flight of the Puffin by Ann Braden

Spy School at Sea* by Stuart Gibbs

A Place Inside of Me: A Poem to Heal the Heart by Zetta Elliot

Lupe Wong Won't Dance by Donna Barba Higuera

Stand Up, Yumi Chung! by Jessica Kim

All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team by Christina Soontornvat

Everything Sad is Untrue by Daniel Neyer

A Wish in the Dark by Christina Soontornvat

The Only Black Girls in Town by Brandy Colbert

They Call Me Guero: A Boarder Kid's Poems by David Bowles

2022 OTTER Award Nominees

All Grades

Dancing at Carnival (Ana & Andrew*) by Christine Platt
Welcome to Unicorn School (Dave the Unicorn*) by Pip Bird

High and Dry by Eric Walters

Mindy Kim and the Yummy Seaweed Business* by Lyla Lee

Red Panda & Moon Bear by Jarod Roselló

Willa the Wisp (Fabled Stables*) by Jonathan Auxier



2022 Young Reader's Choice Award Nominees 4th - 6th Grade

New Kid by Jerry Craft

Shouting at the Rain by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

Song for a Whale by Lynne Kelly

Dragon Pearl by Yoon Ha Lee

Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

A Wolf Called Wander by Roseanne Parry

A Royal Guide to Monster Slaying by Kelley Armstrong
Indian No More by Charlene Willing McManis



2022 Sasquatch Award Nominees 4th - 6th Grade

The Forgotten Girl by India Hill Brown

I Can Make This Promise by Christine Day

Journey of the Pale Bear by Susan Fletcher

Sal & Gabi Break the Universe by Carlos Hernandez

Klawde: Evil Alien Warlord Cat by Johnny Marciano & Emily Chenoweth

Ghost Boys by Jewell Parker Rhodes

We're Not From Here by Geoff Rodkey

Good Dog, McTavish by Meg Rosoff

Pay Attention, Carter Jones by Gary D. Schmidt

To Night Owl From Dogfish by Holly Goldberg Sloan & Meg Wolitzer

Stargazing by Jen Wang

Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

