

Nonfiction

Byrd

Jason and the Argonauts: The First Great Quest in Greek Mythology

Deftly designed to accommodate glorious large pictures and captioned insets, this book is not only a great story, but a wealth of information about ancient Greece.

Dennis

Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine, and a Miracle

Nubs, a skinny mutt, befriends a group of marines stationed in Iraq, but when his human friends are relocated seventy miles away and must leave Nubs behind, Nubs undertakes an incredible journey to find a loving home.

Hartland

How the Sphinx Got to the Museum

A sphinx created and destroyed in ancient Egypt ends up restored and exhibited in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Long

Diary of a Time Traveler

When Augustus falls asleep in history class, his teacher uses magic to show that history isn't boring after all! An amusing journey through the highlights of human history is presented in picture book format.

Nonfiction (cont.)

Raczka

Wet Cement: A Mix of Concrete Poems

This collection shapes poems in surprising and delightful designs that show kids how to look at words and poetry in a whole new way.

Rockliff

Mesmerized: How Ben Franklin Solved a Mystery That Baffled All of France

In 1778, Franz Anton Mesmer convinced many they were cured through "animal magnetism". Benjamin Franklin and others disproved Mesmer's procedure. This illustrated book explains the importance of the placebo effect and the scientific method in an engaging way.

Siegal

To Dance: A Memoir

A memoir of how one little girl realized her dream to become a ballerina told in graphic novel format.

Stabler

Kid Athletes

Hilarious childhood biographies and full-color illustrations show how Tiger Woods, Gabby Douglas, Bruce Lee, Bille Jean King, and other budding sports champions faced kid-sized challenges growing up.



Entering Grade 4

Suggested Summer Reading 2017



Compiled by the
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Chapter Books and Series

Avi

Tales of Dimwood Forest

A fast-paced animal series about Poppy the mouse and her family.

Bradley

The War That Saved My Life

An exceptionally moving story of triumph against all odds set during World War II, this masterful work of historical fiction is equal parts adventure and a moving tale of family and identity—a classic in the making.

Davies

The Lemonade War Series

Upon learning that they will be in the same grade next year, two siblings begin rival lemonade stands, each one vying to be the first to make a hundred dollars.

Dowell

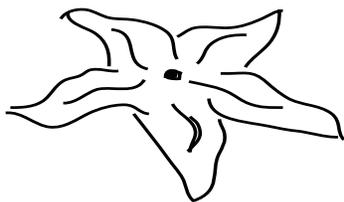
Phineas L. MacGuire

Adventures from the “highly scientific notebooks” of a fourth grade science-whiz.

Eager

Half Magic

Four children expecting an ordinary summer enjoy fantastic adventures by double-wishing on an ancient coin.



Chapter Books and Series (cont.)

George

Castle Glower

Tuesdays at Castle Glower are Princess Celie's favorite days. That's because on Tuesdays the castle adds a new room, a turret, or sometimes even an entire wing. No one ever knows what the castle will do next, and no one, other than Celie, takes the time to map out the new additions.

Gregory

Cabin Creek Mysteries

Suspenseful mysteries that follow two brothers and their cousin, Claire.

Hatke

Zita the Spacegirl

In this action-packed graphic novel series, loveable Zita the Spacegirl enjoys interplanetary adventures.

Holm

Full of Beans

In Key West, in 1934 (the middle of the Great Depression), Beans isn't anyone's fool. In fact, he has plans. Big plans. And the consequences might surprise even Beans himself.

Kelly

Melonhead

Melonhead is a hyperkinetic nine-year-old with a knack for finding trouble. This series chronicles his adventures in his Washington, D.C., neighborhood.

Chapter Books and Series (cont.)

Messner

Ranger in Time

Ranger is a golden retriever who trained as a search-and-rescue dog who finds himself traveling through time to save the day. A hit with young history buffs and dog lovers as well.

Mlynowski, Myracle, Jenkins

Upside Down Magic

Nory, Elliott, Andres, and Bax are just a few students in Dunwiddle Magic School's Upside-Down Magic class where lessons are unconventional, students are unpredictable, and magic has a tendency to turn wonky at the worst possible moments.

Sepahban

Paper Wishes

A moving novel about a girl whose family is relocated to a Japanese internment camp during World War II and the dog she has to leave behind. Heartrending historical fiction about love, longing, and a girl who finally finds her voice.

Tashjian

My Life as a...

This series is perfect for fans of the “Wimpy Kid” books wondering what to read next.

