



FCPL/FCPS Collaborative Summer Reading Booklist Grades 3-5 2009-2010

Books or authors with two stars () are for older readers
Series titles are noted at the end of the description

Real Life Fiction:

- Roscoe Riley Rules #1: Never Glue Your Friends to Chairs by Katherine Applegate
- Ivy + Bean: Bound to be Bad by Annie Barrows
- The Penderwicks on Gardam Street by Jeanne Birdsall
- Best Friends and Drama Queens by Meg Cabot
- Chrissa Stands Strong by Mary Cassanova
- No Talking by Andrew Clements
- Strong to the Hoop by John Coy
- Hate that Cat by Sharon Creech
- Little Sister is Not My Name by Sharon Draper
- The Gollywopper Games by Jody Feldman
- Brendan Buckley's Universe and Everything in It by Sundee T. Frazier
- Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Writing Thank You Notes by Peggy Gifford
- Just Grace Goes Green by Charise Mericle Harper
- Piper Reed: The Great Gypsy by Kimberly Willis Holt
- Mighty Monty by Johanna Hurwitz
- Melonhead by Katy Kelly
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw by Jeff Kinney
- Year of the Dog by Grace Lin
- Quarterback Sneak by Jake Maddox
- Scrubs Forever by James McEwan
- Clementine's Letter by Sara Pennypacker
- **Paint the Wind by Pam Munoz Ryan
- Akimbo and the Elephants by Alexander McCall Smith
- A Crooked Kind of Perfect by Linda Urban
- **Feathers by Jacquelyn Woodson

Authors:

Judy Blume
Matt Christopher
Beverly Cleary
Jake Maddox

Fantasy:

- A House Called Awful End by Philip Ardagh
- **Gideon the Cutpurse by Linda Buckley-Archer
- The Time Paradox by Eoin Colfer
- **The Last Apprentice: The Spook's Tale: And Other Horrors by Joseph Delaney
- The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
- A Giant Problem by Toni DiTerlizzi
- Riding the Storm by Salamanda Drake
- Igraine the Brave by Cornelia Funke
- **The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
- **My One Hundred Adventures by Polly Horvath
- Emmy and the Home for Troubled Girls by Lynne Jonell
- Emily Windsnap and the Castle in the Mist by Liz Kessler
- Twin Giants by Dick King-Smith
- Savvy by Ingrid Law

Authors:

Bruce Coville
Roald Dahl
**Margaret Peterson Haddix
Erin Hunter
Gail Carson Levine

- Punished! by David Lubar
- Charlie Bone and the Shadow by Jenny Nimmo
- **The Last Olympian by Rick Riordan
- Queste by Angie Sage
- The Mysterious Benedict Society and the Perilous Journey by Trenton Steward
- Dragon's Egg by Sarah L. Thompson

Historical Fiction:

- **Fever, 1793 by Laurie Halse Anderson
- Whittington by Alan Armstrong
- Iron Thunder: The Battle Between the Monitor & the Merrimac: A Civil War Novel by Avi
- **A Thousand Never Evers by Shana Burg
- **Blood on the River: Jamestown 1607 by Elisa Lynn Carbone
- **Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko
- **The Porcupine Year by Louise Erdrich
- **Stowaway by Karen Hesse
- Torchlight by Carol Otis Hurst
- Horse Song: The Naadam of Mongolia by Ted and Betsy Lewin
- Way Up and Over Everything by Alice McGill
- A Friendship for Today by Patricia McKissack
- The Totally Made-up Civil War Diary of Amanda MacLeish by Claudia Mills
- Here Lies the Librarian by Richard Peck
- **The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg by W. Philbrick
- Love, Ruby Lavender by Debra Wiles
- Counting on Grace by Elizabeth Winthrop
- **Fearless by Elvira Woodruff
- The Earth Dragon Awakes: The San Francisco Earthquake of 1906 by Laurence Yep

Authors:

Christopher Paul Curtis
 Dan Gutman
 Richard Peck
 Laura Ingalls Wilder

Adventure:

- The Door to Time by Pierdomenico Baccalario
- If You're Reading This, It's Too Late by Pseudonymous Bosch
- **Bearwalker by Joseph Bruchac
- Lion Boy by Zisou Corder
- The 7 Professors of the Far North by John Fardell
- Getting Air by Dan Gutman
- Secret Agent Jack Stalwart: The Escape of the Deadly Dinosaur by Elizabeth Singer Hunt
- **Escaping the Giant Wave by Peg Kehret
- Mouse Family Robinson by Dick King-Smith
- Playing with Fire by Derek Landy
- Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
- **Peak by Roland Smith
- **Leepike Ridge by N.D. Wilson

Authors:

Gordon Korman
 Peg Kehret

Mysterious and Spooky:

- ****The Seer of Shadows by Avi**
- ****Gilda Joyce: The Ghost Sonata by Jennifer Allison**
- **The Door to Time by Pierdomenico Baccalario**
- **Calder Game by Blue Balliet**
- **100 Year-Old-Secret by Tracy Barrett**
- **The Red Ghost by Marion Dane Bauer**
- **The Name of this Book is Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch**
- **Masterpiece by Elise Broach**
- **Grooves: a Kind of Mystery by Kevin Brockmeier**
- ****The Return of Skeleton Man by Joseph Bruchac**
- **King of Murder: A Herculeah Jones Mystery by Betsy Byars**
- **Room One by Andrew Clements**
- **The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd**
- **Ghosthunters and the Mighty Monster of Doom by Cornelia Funke**
- **Hook Moon Night : Spooky Tales from the Georgia Mountains by Faye Gibbons**
- **Found by Margaret Haddix**
- **Deep, Dark, and Dangerous by Mary Downing Hahn**
- **Wait Till Helen Comes: A Ghost Story by Mary Downing Hahn**
- **Well-Witched by Frances Hardinge**
- ****The Night Children by Kit Reed**
- ****Rebel by Willo Davis Roberts**
- **Mystery at the Washington Monument by Ron Roy**
- **The Sword in the Grotto by Angie Sage**
- **Night of the Black Bear: A Mystery in Great Smoky Mountains National Park by Gloria Skurzynski**
- **The Case of the Peculiar Pink Fan: An Enola Holmes Mystery by Nancy Springer**

Authors:

****Margaret Peterson
Haddix
Mary Downing Hahn
Peg Kehret
Ron Roy**

Humorous Stories:

- **Stinky and Successful: The Riot Brothers Never Stop by Mary Amato**
- **The Franidate by Jim Benton**
- **Dog Diaries: Secret Writings of the WOOF Society by Betsy Byars**
- **Mercy Watson Thinks Like a Pig by Kate DiCamillo**
- **The Giggler Treatment by Roddy Doyle**
- **Toad Heaven by Morris Gleitzman**
- **Coach Hyatt is a Riot by Dan Gutman**
- **Gym Shorts: Scaredy-Cat Catcher by Betty Hicks**
- **Raymond and Graham Rule the School by Mike Knudson**
- **Pirates Drive Buses by Christopher Morgan**
- ****Lawn Boy by Gary Paulsen**
- **Wayside School Gets a Little Stranger by Louis Sachar**
- **Marco? Polo! By Jon Scieszka**
- **Maybelle Goes to Tea by Katie Speck**
- **Melvin Beederman Superhero: The Fake Cape Caper by Greg Trine**
- **Shredderman: Secret Identity by Wendelin Van Draanen**
- **Oggie Cooder by Sara Weeks**

Authors:

**Allan Ahlberg
Dav Pilkey
Louis Sachar
Jon Scieszka
Kirk Scroggs**

A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words - Graphic Novels

- Benedict Arnold: American Hero and Traitor by Michael Burgan
- The Sinking of the Titanic by Matt Doeden
- Amelia Rules! #3: Superheroes by Jimmy Gownley
- Sardine in Outer Space by Emmanuel Guibert
- **Rapunzel's Revenge by Shannon and Dean Hale
- The Explosive World of Volcanoes with Max Axiom, Super Scientist by Christopher L. Harbo
- Fashion Kitty versus the Fashion Queen by Charise Mericle Harper
- Babymouse: The Musical by Jennifer L. Holm
- Sticky Burr by John Lechner
- The Hardy Boys, Undercover Brothers #1: The Ocean of Osyria by Scott Lobdell
- Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman by Marc Tyler Nobleman
- The Shocking World of Electricity with Max Axiom, Super Scientist by Liam O'Donnell
- Nancy Drew, Girl Detective #9: Ghost in the Machinery by Stefan Petrucha
- Silent Music: A Story of Baghdad by James Rumford
- Owly by Andy Runton
- Tale of Despereaux: The Graphic Novel by Matt Smith and David Tilton
- Adventures in Sound with Max Axiom, Super Scientist by Emily Sohn
- Jellaby by Kean Soo
- It was a Dark and Silly Night by Art Spiegelman
- Daniel Boom #1: Sound Off! by David Steinberg
- Claudia and Mean Janine: A Graphic Novel by Raina Telgemeier
- **Moribito: Guardian of the Spirit by Nahoko Uehashi
- Robot Dreams by Sara Varon
- **Into the Volcano by Don Wood

Poetry:

- Eric Carle's Dragons, Dragons by Eric Carle
- Dogku by Andrew Clements
- Comets, Stars, The Moon and Mars by Douglas Florian
- **Diamond Willow by Helen Frost
- Kick in the Head by Paul Janeczko
- Poke in the I by Paul Janeczko
- Oops by Alan Katz
- Horseradish: Bitter Truths You Can't Avoid by Lemony Snicket
- The Blacker the Berry by Joyce Carol Thomas

Authors:

Jack Prelutsky
Kelli Dakos
Bruce Lansky
Doug Florian



Biographies:

- ****Harry Houdini for Kids** by Laurie Carlson
- **28 Fairmount Avenue** by Tomie dePaola
- ****Bird** by Zetta Elliott
- **The Storyteller's Candle** by Lucia González
- **Abe Lincoln Crosses a Creek: A Tall, Thin Tale (Introducing His Forgotten Frontier Friend)** by Deborah Hopkinson
- **What To Do About Alice? How Alice Roosevelt Broke the Rules, Charmed the World, and Drove Her Father Teddy Crazy!** by Barbara Kerley
- **Planting the Trees of Kenya: The Story of Wangari Maathaiby** Claire A. Nivola
- **Piano Starts Here: The Young Art Tatum** by Robert Andrew Parker
- **Wanda Gág: The Girl Who Lived to Draw** by Deborah Kogan Ray
- **Knucklehead: Tall Tales & Mostly True Stories about Growing Up Scieszka** by Jon Scieszka
- ****Two Miserable Presidents** by Steve Sheinkin
- **How I Learned Geography** by Uri Shulevitz
- **Stand Tall, Abe Lincoln** by Judith St. George
- **Elizabeth Leads the Way: Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the Right to Vote** by Tanya Lee Stone
- **I, Matthew Henson: Polar Explorer** by Carole Boston Weatherford

Nonfiction:

- **A is for Art: An Abstract Alphabet** by Stephen T. Johnson
- **All Stations! Distress!: April 15, 1912, the Day the Titanic Sank** by Don Brown
- ****An Inconvenient Truth: The Crisis of Global Warming** by Al Gore
- **B is for Blue Crab: A Maryland Alphabet** by Shirley Menendez
- **Bodies from the Ice** by James Deem
- **Buffalo Music** by Tracey E. Fern
- ****Chew On This: Everything You Don't Want To Know About Fast Food** by Eric Schlosser and Charles Wilson
- **Christo and Jeanne-Claude: Through the Gates and Beyond** by Jan Greenberg and Sandra Jordan
- **Dangerous Book For Boys** by Iggulden Conn
- **Daring Book for Girls** by Andrea J. Buchanan
- **Extreme Animals: The Toughest Creatures on Earth** by Nicola Davies
- **Heroes of Baseball: The Men who Made it America's Favorite Game** by Robert Lipsyte
- **Killer Rocks From Outer Space: Asteroids, Comets and Meteorites** by Steven Koppes
- **Washington at Valley Forge** by Russell Freedman
- **Knock Knock** by Saxton Freymann
- **Librarian of Basra: A True Story from Iraq** by Jeannette Winter
- **Manfish: a Story of Jacque Cousteau** by Jennifer Berne
- **Marley: A Dog Like No Other** by John Grogan
- **My Librarian is a Camel: How Books are Brought to Children Around the World** by Margriet Ruurs
- **Our Three Bears** by Ron Hirschi
- **Our White House: Looking In, Looking Out** by the National Children's Book and Literacy Alliance
- **Pale Male: Citizen Hawk of New York City** by Janet Schulman
- **Paleo Bugs: Survival of the Creepiest** by Timothy Bradley

- **Porch Lies: Tales of Slicksters, Tricksters, and other Wiley Characters by Patricia McKissack**
- **A River of Words: The Story of William Carlos Williams by Jen Bryant**
- **Stand Up for Yourself and Your Friends: Dealing with Bullies and Bossiness and Finding a Better Way by Patti Kelley Criswell**
- **Spies by Clive Gifford**
- **Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Journey to Change the World... One Child at a Time by Sarah Thomson and Greg Mortenson**
- **We are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball by Kadir Nelson**
- **When the Wolves Returned: Restoring Nature's Balance in Yellowstone by Dorothy Hinshaw Patent**

Listen Up - Great Audio Books

- **The 39 Clues series (various authors)**
- **Whales on Stilts by M. T. Anderson**
- **The Penderwicks by Jeanne Birdsall**
- **Allie Finkle's Rules for Girls series by Meg Cabot**
- **Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis**
- **Half Magic series by Edward Eager**
- **Books by Cornelia Funke**
- **The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman**
- **Clementine series by Sara Pennypacker**
- **Araminta Spookie series by Angie Sage**

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