

Summer Reading Book Suggestions for Students Entering Kindergarten-2nd Grade

The following list is filled with suggestions and serves as a starting point for summer reading choices but there are so many wonderful books out there in the world to choose from! Making this list was hard for me because I love so many books so please see the links below for even more great ideas. Many of these books have been published in the last couple of years. Also, all these lists are on our website so if you are reading at a different grade level, feel free to adapt from other lists. And if nothing here strikes your fancy, head to your local public library. They LOVE helping kids pick out great books. If you need a library card, remember you can get a FREE card at any library in Knox county.

These lists were compiled with help from Horn Book, ALA, Boston Public Library, Reading Rockets and Miss Amy from the Camden Library.

For more lists:

<https://www.scholastic.com/summer/home/>

<https://www.bostonpublicschools.org/Page/6694>

<http://www.readingrockets.org/books/summer/2018>

http://www.ala.org/aboutala/offices/resources/its_elementary_graphic_novels

<https://www.hbook.com/2018/05/blogs/family-reading/2018-summer-reading-list/#>

<http://www.ala.org/also/publications-resources/book-lists/2018-summer-reading-list>

Picture Books

Windows by Julia Denos

A Round of Robins by Katie Hesterman

Escargot by Dashka Slater

The Little Red Cat Who Ran Away and Learned His ABC's (the Hard Way) by Patrick McDonnell

Cricket in the Thicket: Poems about Bugs by Carol Murray, Melissa Sweet illustrator

Julian is a Mermaid by Jessica Love

Hello Lighthouse by Sophie Blackall

Peter and Ernesto: A Tale of Two Sloths by Graham Annabel

The Word Collector by Peter Reynolds

After the Fall: How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again by Dan Santat

Big Cat, Little Cat by Elisha Cooper

The Book of Mistakes by Corrinna Luykin

Flowers are Calling by Rita Gray

What Do You Do With a Problem by Kobi Yamada

This is My Dollhouse by Giselle Potter

Now by Antoinette Portis

Little Eliot, Big Fun by Mike Curato

My Awesome Summer by P. Mantis by Paul Meisel

Beginning to Read Books and Early Chapter Books

Charlie and Mouse by Laurel Snyder
Elephant and Piggie by Mo Willems
Fly Guy Series by Ted Arnold
Pete the Cat Series by James Dean
Bink and Gollie by Kate DiCamillo
Penny Series by Kevin Henkes
Ling and Ting by Grace Lin
Cork and Fuzz by Dori Chacanos
Mercy Watson by Kate DiCamillo
Oliver Moon by Sue Mongredian
Mouse and Mole by Wong Herbert Yee
Wallace and Grace by Heather Alexander
Cam Jansen by David Adler
Frog and Friends by Eve Bunting
Caveboy by Sudepta Bardhon-Quallen
Captain Awesome by Stan Kirby
Magic Treehouse by Mary Pope Osborne
Katie Woo by Fran Manushkin
Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant
Stinky Spike by Peter Meisel
Piper Green and The Fairy Tree by Ellen Potter
Princess in Black Series by Shannon Hale
Puppy Place Series by Ellen Miles
Upside Down Magic Series by Lauren Myracle
My Father's Dragon Series by Ruth Stiles Gannett
Baby Monkey, Private Eye by Brian Selznick and David Serlin
Owl Diaries by Rebecca Elliot
Shelter Pet Squad by Cynthia Lord

Non-Fiction

How To Be An Elephant: Growing Up in the African Wild by Katherine Roy
Let's Investigate with Nate: Dinosaurs by Nate Ball
Fly Guy Presents series by Ted Arnold
Snails Are Just My Speed by Kevin McCloskey
The Truth About Bears (series: Dolphins, Hippos) by Maxwell Eaton III
A Hundred Billion Trillion Stars by Seth Fishman
Ada's Violin: The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay by Susan Hood
I Am Series by Brad Meltzer (biography series)
Finding Winnie by Lindsay Mattick
Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly
Star Stuff: Carl Sagan and the Mysteries of the Cosmos by Stephanie Sisson
Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor by Patricia Valdez
A Boy, A Mouse, and a Spider: The Story of E.B. White by Barbara Herkert
I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark by Debbie Levy
Freedom in Congo Square by Carole Boston Weatherford