



Summer Reading 2016

CH-UH City School District / Grades K-2

Any ABC, counting, shape books

Getting ready to read books

Any I-Spy Book

Word and picture identification.

Previously Allberg, Allan

The adventures of various nursery rhyme and fairy tale characters are retold in backward sequence with each tale interrelated to the other. The book includes the tales of Goldilocks, Jack and the Beanstalk, Jack and Jill, Frog Prince, and Cinderella.

Dancing in the Wings Allen, Debbie

Sassy worries that her too-big feet, her too-long legs, and even her big mouth will keep her from her dream of becoming a ballerina.

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs Barrett, Judi and Ron Barrett

Everything is calm when it rains things like soup and juice in the tiny town of Chewandswallow.

Enigma: A Magical Mystery and other books by this author Base, Graeme

Young magicians and puzzle-lovers will be highly engaged in this book.

Stellaluna Cannon, Jannell

After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother.

Verdi Cannon, Jannell

A young python does not want to grow slow and boring like the older snakes in the tropical jungle where he lives.

Books by this author Carle, Eric

Read any of his colorfully illustrated and thoughtful stories.

Guji Guji Chen, Chih-Yuan

Chen's story of love, acceptance and self-discovery has much to say about appreciating families and differences.

Amelia to Zora Chin-Lee, Cynthia An ABC book using first names of diverse women who have made impressive contributions to the world.

Books by this author Collicutt, Paul

Explore these engaging concept books that depict various modes of transportation.

Samantha the Snob Cristaldi, Kathryn

A young girl resents her new rich classmate, Samantha May, until she gets to know her.

Tell Me Again about the Night I Was Born

Curtis, Jamie Lee

A child begs her adoptive parents to recount how they came to be a family.

Today I Feel Silly and Other Moods That Make My Day Curtis, Jamie Lee

This colorful, energetic book uses comedy to promote an understanding of common emotions.

Now One Foot, Now the Other De Paola, Tomie

This story sensitively provides understanding of a grandparent's illness.

I Lost My Tooth in Africa Diakite, Penda

This story recounts a child's visit to Mali, where she loses her tooth. After she hides it under a calabash, she waits for the African Tooth Fairy to replace it with a chicken.

Mercy Watson books DiCamillo, Kate

Enter the comical and delightful world of this domesticated pig, Mercy Watson, who seeks adventure in each of these early chapter books.

Books by this author Eastman, P.D.

Read about a confused baby bird, all kinds of different dogs, or other silly situations!

Under My Nose Ehlert, Lois

Author and illustrator of books for young people, Lois Ehlert, shares how she interweaves her creative process with her daily routine.

Seal Surfer Foreman, Michael

Although he is on crutches, a boy goes to the beach with his grandfather, where they watch a seal being born, and over the following seasons, the boy and the seal develop a special bond.

How Do You Know? books Fowler, Allen This series presents the answers to many questions about our world.

Whoever You Are Fox, Mem

Despite the differences between people around the world, there are similarities that join us together, such as pain, joy, and love.

Seven Blind Mice Young, Ed

In this retelling of the Indian fable, seven blind mice discover different parts of an elephant and argue about its appearance.

Mama Zooms Fletcher, Jane Cowen

A young boy's mama takes him zooming everywhere with her, because her wheelchair is a zooming machine.

Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge Fox, Mem

A small boy tries to discover the meaning of "memory" so he can restore that of an elderly friend.



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Dandelion Freeman, Don

Dandelion dresses up to fool his friends into thinking he is someone else and discovers just being yourself proves to be the best.

Ruby Glen, Maggie

Ruby, a teddy bear accidentally made out of the wrong material, leads other rejected toy bears in an escape from the toy factory and seeks a place where she will be appreciated.

The Jazz Fly Gollub, Matthew

While seeking directions to town, a fly picks up the rhythm of the answers he gets from a frog, a hog, a donkey, and a dog, and then uses these sounds to jazz up his band's music.

I Got Community Gottlieb, Dale

A young girl describes, in rhyming verse, how members of her community make her feel loved.

Is Your Mama a Llama? Guarino, Deborah

A young llama asks his friends if their mamas are llamas and finds out, in rhyme, that their mothers are other types of animals.

Miss Mingo and the First Day of School

Harper, Jamie

Miss Mingo is a flamingo, and her class includes Hippo, Narwhal, Frog, and Centipede.

Dog Eared Harvey, Amanda

Another dog makes fun of Otis's big ears, but his friend Lucy mends his feelings when she declares her love for him.

Owen & Mzee books Hatkoff, Isabella

The inspiring true stories of two great friends, a baby hippo named Owen and a 130-yr-old giant tortoise named Mzee (Mm-ZAY).

Chrysanthemum Henkes, Kevin

Chrysanthemum loves her name, until she starts going to school and the other children make fun of it.

Owen Henkes, Kevin

Owen's parents try to get him to give up his favorite blanket before he starts school, but when their efforts fail, they come up with a solution that makes everyone happy.

Wemberly Worried Henkes, Kevin

A mouse named Wemberly, who worries about everything, finds that she has a whole list of things to worry about when she faces the first day of school.

Books by this author Hoban, Tana

Bold images are the hallmark of this beloved children's author's work.

Toot and Puddle Hobbie, Holly

Friends, Toot and Puddle, spend a year apart. Toot tours the world and sends monthly postcards, keeping Puddle aware of his adventures.

Hey, Little Ant Hoose, Phillip

An ant tries to convince a boy not to squish him because although they are different, in many ways they are alike.

Time for Kids: Bears! Iorio, Nicole

See the eight different types of bears, discover where bears live, find out what bears like to eat and learn more than thirty fun facts about these furry mammals.

What Do You Do with a Tail Like This? Jenkin, Steve and Robin Page

A nose for digging? Ears for seeing? Eyes that squirt blood? Explore the many amazing things animals can do with their ears, eyes, mouths, noses, feet, and tails in this beautifully illustrated interactive guessing book.

Coconut Kind of Day: Island Poems Joseph, Lynn

A collection of poems depicting a child's view of the sights and sounds of the Caribbean islands.

When I Am Old with You Johnson, Angela

A child imagines being old with Granddaddy and joining him in such activities as playing cards all day, visiting the ocean, and eating bacon on the porch.

Leo, the Late Bloomer Kraus, Robert

Leo isn't reading, or writing, or drawing, or even speaking, and his father is concerned. But Leo's mother isn't.

Ian's Walk: A Story About Autism Lears, Laurie

A sister experiences everyday things in a different way when she takes her autistic brother for a walk.



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Tacky the Penguin Lester, Helen

Tacky the Penguin does not fit in with his sleek and graceful companions, but his odd behavior comes in handy when hunters come with maps and traps.

Let's Talk About Race Lester, Julius

The author explores the concept of race as only one component in an individual's or nation's "story".

A Hippopotamus'n't and Other Animal Verses

Lewis, Patrick J.

More than thirty mostly humorous poems about a variety of animals.

Friends Lewis, Rob

Oscar the rabbit makes new friends...once he is willing to try new things.

Frog and Toad books Lobel, Arnold

Frog and Toad are always there for each other --just as best friends should be.

Owl at Home Lobel, Arnold

Join Owl on his adventures at home – including his invitation of Winter to join him by the fire and his encounter with strange bumps in his bedroom.

The Gym Day Winner Maccarone, Grace

Sam, usually the slowest and the most clumsy in his gym class, succeeds in making the winning basket.

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?

Martin, Bill

Children see a variety of animals, each one a different color with a mother watching over each of them.

Panda Bear, Panda Bear, What Do You See?

Martin, Bill

Striking illustrations and rhyming text present ten different endangered animals.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear?

Martin, Bill

Zoo animals from polar bear to walrus make their distinctive sounds for each other, while children imitate the sounds for the zookeeper.

Kenny and the Little Kickers Marzollo, Claudio

Kenny has not done well at soccer and doesn't really want to play, but he agrees to give it another try.

Just a Little Different Mayer, Gina and Mercer

A new kid has moved in next door to Little Critter and his family. He's just a little bit different: his mother is a rabbit and his father is a turtle.

Elmer McKee, David

All the elephants of the jungle were gray except Elmer, who was a patchwork of brilliant colors until the day he got tired of being different and making the other elephants laugh.

Eating Fractions McMillan, Bruce

Food is cut into halves, quarters, and thirds to illustrate how parts make a whole. Simple recipes are also included.

Shelley, The Hyperactive Turtle Moss, Deborah M.

Shelley, a very active turtle, gets into trouble despite trying to be good.

Hooway for Wodney Wat Munsinger, Lynn

All his classmates make fun of Rodney because he can't pronounce his name, but it is Rodney's unique speech that drives away the class bully.

Enemy Pie Munson, Derek

Hoping that the enemy pie which his father makes will help him get rid of his enemy, a little boy finds that instead it helps make a new friend.

Ashanti to Zulu: African Traditions

Musgrove, Margaret

Each letter of this exquisitely illustrated alphabet book represents an African tribe.

The Ant Bully Nickle, John

Lucas learns a lesson about bullying when he is pulled into the ant hole he has been tormenting.

The Knight at Dawn (and additional Magic Tree House books) Osborne, Mary Pope

Annie and Jack enter the Middle Ages and learn about knights, castles, and foods of the time.



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It's Okay to Be Different (and additional titles)

Parr, Todd

Children celebrate differences in a simple and fun way.

Rainbow Fish Pfister, Marcus

The most beautiful fish in the entire ocean discovers the real value of personal beauty and friendship.

Doodle Flute Pinkwater, Daniel

A contemporary fable about two boys from different backgrounds who find a common interest in a flute.

Dog Days: Rhymes Around the Year

Prelutsky, Jack

Rhyming quatrains and whimsical pictures describe each month in a fun-loving dog's year in this good-natured collaboration.

Raisin and Grape Proimos, James

A young grape enjoys spending the whole day with his grandpa raisin.

Any *Curious George* book Rey, Margaret and H.A.

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Autumn Leaves Robbins, Ken

Life size features of autumn leaves with a photograph to show the reader a representative tree from which the leaf came found on the opposite page.

Henry and Mudge and other books by this author

Rylant, Cynthia

Henry, feeling lonely on a street without any other children, finds companionship and love in a big dog named Mudge. Also see other Henry and Mudge titles by Cynthia Rylant.

Grandfather's Journey Say, Allen

A personal history of three generations of the author's family that points out the emotions that are common to the immigrant experience.

What's Up, What's Down? Schaefer, Lola and Barbara Bash

Readers of this book must move it around and follow the arrows in order to learn a scientific classification that can be understood even by young children.

The Time Warp Trio series Scieszka, Jon Each volume of this series engages the reader in time travel to some of the most pivotal events in history.

Where the Wild Things Are

Sendak, Maurice

Each volume of this series engages the reader in time travel to some of the most pivotal events in history.

Don't Laugh at Me Seskin, Steve and Allen Shamblin

Through powerful illustrations, this picture book encourages kindness toward others and the celebration of differences.

Homeplace Shelby, Anne

A grandmother and grandchild trace their family story through the history of an old house.

Books by this author Sill, Cathryn

Wonderful watercolors of animals in their habitats are captioned by simple text that offers one fact per illustration.

I Am America Smith Jr., Charles

Simple rhyming text and pictures celebrate diversity in America.

Snapshots from the Wedding Soto, Gary

Maya, the flower girl, describes a Mexican American wedding through snapshots of the day's events, beginning with the procession to the altar and ending with her sleeping after the dance.

Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye Stilton, Geronimo

Geronimo and his sister Thea search for a hidden treasure.

Andy and His Yellow Frisbee Thompson, Mary

A girl wonders about Andy, an autistic boy who plays alone, spinning a yellow frisbee.

Eats, Shoots & Leaves: Why, Commas Really Do Make a Difference! Truss, Lynn

You don't need to be a grammar nerd to enjoy this one... who knew grammar could be so much fun?

Knuffle Bunny Too: A Case of Mistaken Identity and other titles by this author

Willems, Mo

Trixie goes to school with her long-eared sidekick and has quite an adventure.

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In this retelling of the Indian fable, seven blind mice discover different parts of an elephant and argue about its appearance.