

# Acton Memorial Library      Children's Department

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Suggested Reading

**J PictureBk Adbage**      Adbage, Lisen      *Koko and Bo (2018)*

Little Koko does not want to do anything Bo tells him he should, but each time Bo lets him do as he pleases, Koko learns a lesson.

**J PictureBk Alemanga**      Alemanga, Beatrice      *On A Magical Do-Nothing Day (2017)*

All I want to do on a rainy day like today is play my game. My mom says it's a waste of time, but without my game, nothing is fun! On the other hand, maybe I'm wrong about that....

**J PictureBk Archer**      Ancher, Micha      *Daniel Finds a Poem (2016)*

What is poetry? Is it glistening morning dew? Spider thinks so. Is it crisp leaves crunching? That's what Squirrel says. Could it be a cool pond, sun-warmed sand, or moonlight on the grass? Maybe poetry is all of these things, as it is something special for everyone--you just have to take the time to really look and listen.

**J PictureBk Arnold**      Arnold, Tedd      *A Pet for Fly Guy (2014)*

In this first Fly Guy picture book, Buzz tries to help Fly Guy find the right pet.

**J PictureBk Barnett**      Barnett, Mac      *The Wolf, the Duck & the Mouse (2017)*

This is a story about a duck and mouse who get swallowed by a wolf, and then decide to live in his belly. Turns out it's pretty nice in there, with delicious food and elegant table settings, courtesy of the wolf's unchecked gluttony. And there's something even better: no more fear of being eaten by a wolf! In fact, life is pretty good, until a hunter shows up....

**J PictureBk Barrow**      Barrow, David      *Have You Seen Elephant? (2016)*

"Elephant wants to play hide and seek. See if you can help the others find him--he's very good at hiding! Keep your eye on the tortoise, too!"

**J PictureBk Bean**      Bean, Jonathan      *Building Our House (2013)*

A young girl narrates her family's move from the city to the country, where they have bought a piece of land and live in a trailer while they build a house from the ground up, with help from relatives and friends.

**J PictureBk Beaty**      Beaty, Andrea      *Ada Twist, Scientist (2016)*

Ada Twist is a very curious girl who shows perseverance by asking questions and performing experiments to find things out and understand the world.

**J PictureBk Becker**      Becker, Aaron      *A Stone For Sascha (2018)*

This year's summer vacation will be very different for a young girl and her family without Sascha, the beloved family dog, along for the ride. But a wistful walk along the beach to gather cool, polished stones becomes a brilliant turning point in the girl's grief.

**J PictureBk Becker**      Becker, Bonny      *A Library Book for Bear (2014)*

Although he sees no need for more books to read, Bear agrees to accompany Mouse to the library.

**J PictureBk Bildner**      Bildner, Phil      *The Soccer Fence (2014)*

Each time Hector watches white boys playing soccer in Johannesburg, South Africa, he dreams of playing on a real pitch one day. After the fall of apartheid, when he sees the 1996 African Cup of Nations team, he knows that his dream can come true.

**J PictureBk Border**      Border,      *Peanut Butter & Cupcake (2014)*

What's a little piece of bread to do when he's feeling lonely? Find a friend, of course! And that's exactly what Peanut Butter tries to do. But sometimes friends are hard to come by, especially when Hamburger has to walk his (hot) dogs, Cupcake is too busy building castles in her sprinkle box, and Egg laughs so hard he starts to crack up! Does Peanut Butter have a soulmate?

**J PictureBk Brown**      Brown, Dolores      *The Truly Brave Princesses (2018)*

Princess Nin is a firefighter, Princess Gilda is a supermarket cashier, Princess Agnes is retired, and Princess Liang is in a wheel chair. This gallery of princesses gives visibility to lot of women who do not fit with the traditional conception of a princess. Maybe it's time to realize that each and every one of us could be a princess.

**J PictureBk Buitrago**                      Buitrago, Jairo                      *On The Other Side Of The Garden (2018)*

Taken to live with her grandmother in the country, a young city girl finds a way to cope with the change brought about by her parents' separation when an owl, a frog, and a mouse take her on a nighttime tour of her extraordinary new world.

**J PictureBk Chase**                      Chase, Kit                      *Oliver's Tree (2014)*

Oliver the elephant loves playing hide-and-seek but cannot tag his friends, Lulu and Charlie, when they hide in trees--their favorite spots--so they work together to find a tree where all three can play together.

**J PictureBk Clarke**                      Clarke, Maxine                      *The Patchwork Bike (2018)*

When you live at the edge of the no-go desert, you need to make your own fun. That's when you and your brothers get inventive and build a bike from scratch, using everyday items like an old milk pot (maybe Mum is using it, maybe not), a bent bucket seat, and bashed tin-can handles.

**J PictureBk Colon**                      Colon, Raul                      *Imagine! (2018)*

After passing a city museum many times, a boy finally decides to go in. He passes wall after wall of artwork until he sees a painting that makes him stop and ponder. Before long the painting comes to life and an afternoon of adventure and discovery unfolds, changing how he sees the world ever after.

**J PictureBk Copeland**                      Copeland, Misty                      *Firebird (2014)*

American Ballet Theater soloist Misty Copeland encourages a young ballet student, with brown skin like her own, by telling her that she, too, had to learn basic steps and how to be graceful when she was starting out, and that some day, with practice and dedication, the little girl will become a firebird, too.

**J PictureBk Coppo**                      Coppo, Marianna                      *Petra (2018)*

A little rock who believes she is a mountain has her perspective changed by a series of movements, including a dog playing fetch, a bird's nest, a pond, and a little girl.

**J PictureBk Davies**                      Davies, Nicola                      *King of the Sky (2017)*

There's a young boy, newly arrived from Italy, who does not feel like he belongs in strange, rainy Wales; an old man, bowed and broken from spending most of his life in the mines; and a racing pigeon, King of the Sky.. The pigeon's struggles during a long-distance race are poignantly portrayed, as is the boy's jubilation when King returns as a champion.

**J PictureBk Daywatt**                      Daywatt, Drew                      *The Day the Crayons Came Home (2015)*

One day, Duncan is happily coloring with his crayons when a stack of postcards arrives in the mail from his former crayons, each of which has run away or been left behind, and all of which want to come home.

**PictureBk de la Pena**                      de la Pena, Matt                      *Carmela Full Of Wishes (2018)*

Carmella, finally old enough to run errands with her brother, tries to think of the perfect birthday wish, while his wish seems to be that she stayed home.

**J PictureBk De Seve**                      De Seve, Randall                      *Zola's Elephant (2018)*

A little girl hesitates to initiate a friendship with her new neighbor Zola because she imagines Zola is busy with another friend--an elephant.

**J PictureBk DiCamillo**                      DiCamillo, Kate                      *Good Rosie! (2018)*

One day George takes Rosie to the dog park, but the park is full of dogs that Rosie doesn't know, which makes her feel lonelier than ever. When big, loud Maurice and small, yippy Fifi bound over and want to play, Rosie's not sure how to respond. Is there a trick to making friends? And if so, can they all figure it out together?

**J PictureBk Dubuc**                      Dubuc,Marainne                      *The Lion and the Bird (2014)*

A lion finds a wounded bird in his garden and decides to care for it through the winter. When spring arrives, the bird's flock returns. The bird goes off with its flock. Lion is sad. But autumn brings a wonderful surprise.

**J PictureBk Escoffer** Escoffer, Michael *Where's the Baboon? (2015)*

If you love word games and riddles, you are really going to love this book! If you love cats, rats, rabbits, and baboons, then this book is for you! If you like reading or are just learning to read, this book is for you!

**PictureBk Fan** Fan, Terry *Ocean Meets Sky (2018)*

Finn's grandfather is gone now but Finn knows the perfect way to honor him. He'll build his own ship and sail out to find this magical place himself! And when he arrives, maybe, just maybe, he'll find something he didn't know he was looking for.

**J PictureBk Fardell** Fardell, John. *The Day Louis Got Eaten (2012)*

When Sarah's brother, Louis, is eaten by a Gulper, Sarah does not panic but follows the trail as the Gulper is eaten by a series of other creatures until finally she has her chance to rescue Louis from them all.

**J PictureBk Farrell** Farrell, Darren *Stop Following Me Moon (2016)*

After stealing food from hikers and other forest animals, a hungry bear thinks the moon is following him, but when Moon finally disappears, the bear promises to be good if only it will come back.

**J PictureBk Fleming** Fleming, Candace *Oh, No! (2012)*

A series of animals falls into a deep hole, only to be saved at last by a very large rescuer.

**J PictureBk Fleming** Fleming, Denise *This Is The Nest That Robin Built: With A Little Help (2018)*

Robin is building a nest, and her friends are ready to help! The squirrel trims the twigs. The dog brings the string. The horse shares his straw. And then a surprise gatefold spread reveals how Robin knits them all together to make a safe and cozy home for her babies.

**J PictureBk Florian** Florian, Douglas *How to Draw a Dragon (2016)*

Get ready to meet dragons who love singing, cycling, playing musical instruments, and more--and learn to draw each one along the way. Then at the end there's a big surprise: a dragon-drawing art show for all!

**J PictureBk Fogliano** Fogliano, Julie *A House That Once Was (2018)*

Deep in the woods is a house, just a house, that once was--but now isn't--a home. Who lived in that house? Who walked down its hallways? Why did they leave it, and where did they go?

**J PictureBk Funk** Funk, Josh *Lady Pancake & Sir French Toast (2015)*

Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast have a beautiful friendship--until they discover that there's only one drop of maple syrup left. Off they go, racing past the Orange Juice Fountain, skiing through Sauerkraut Peak, and reeling down the linguini. But who will enjoy the sweet taste of victory? And could working together be better than tearing each other apart?

**J PictureBk George** George, Kallie *Duck, Duck, Dinosaur (2016)*

Three eggs hatch, resulting in an unusual but happy family.

**J PictureBk Going** Going, K.L. *Dog in Charge (2012)*

A comical saga of a tutu-wearing bulldog who is the designated cat-sitter while the humans are at the store. Once the car leaves the driveway, five cats of varying breeds skedaddle from the sofa to spill milk, stir up fireplace ash, empty the hamper, disrupt a vanity, and more. Dog worries that their raucous acting out will reflect badly on him: His idea to entice good behavior with kibbles disappears with his own hunger. As he naps, the cats remember that they love Dog and bring the house back to perfect order as the family arrives.

**J PictureBk Gray** Gray, Rita *Flowers Are Calling (2015)*

Rhyming text explores the wonders of natural cooperation between flowers and the animals and insects of the forest.

**J PictureBk Grey** Grey, Mini *Toys in Space (2013)*

A group of toys, left out at night for the first time, begins to be afraid but the WonderDoll distracts them by weaving a story of lost toys, space travel, and a strange alien.

**J PictureBk Hesse** Hesse, Karen *Night Job (2018)*

When the sun sets, Dad's job as a school custodian is just beginning. What is it like to work on a Friday night while the rest of the city is asleep? There's the smell of lilacs in the night air, the dusky highway in the moonlight, and glimpses of shy nighttime animals to make the dark magical. Shooting baskets in the half-lit gym, sweeping the stage with the game on the radio, and reading out loud to his father in the library all help the boy's time pass quickly. But what makes the night really special is being with Dad.

**J PictureBk Hesterman** Hesterman, Katie *A Round Of Robins (2018)*

Food Fight. Jumble, jostle, rumble, squirm; Dad has landed with a worm. Game of tug-of-war begins-Biggest bossy baby wins. Mama's a skillful architect, constructing a sturdy nest, while Dad's a champion turf defender. And those hatchlings! Such fluffs of plump perfection!

**J PictureBk Higgins** Higgins, Ryan *We Don't Eat Our Classmates (2018)*

When the class pet bites the finger of Penelope, a tyrannosaurus rex, she finally understands why she should not eat her classmates, no matter how tasty they are.

**J PictureBk Hobbie** Hobbie, Holly *Elmore (2018)*

Elmore is a porcupine desperate to make friends. But it is hard to seek closeness with others when you're covered with spikes that shoot off your back every so often. Elmore suffers rejection and heartbreak, but the goodness of his forest community ultimately shines through as the animals find a way to connect with this prickly bundle of love.

**J PictureBk Howell** Howell, Troy *Whale In A Fishbowl (2018)*

Wednesday, a whale living in captivity, is inspired by a little girl named Piper to try to reach the sea.

**J PictureBk Hughes** Hughes, Susan *What Happens Next (2018)*

An unnamed protagonist tells how he is made to feel different from everybody else--even invisible sometimes. Bullied by a girl at school, our narrator gives a terse script of the related facts (What Her Friends Do: Laugh. What Everyone Else Does: Nothing.) and emotions (How I Feel Sometimes: Bad. Really Bad.). The narrator takes these hurt feelings home, where Mom listens and offers some ideas. At school the next day, the child confronts the bully by turning a "weirdo" fascination with science into an opportunity to find common ground, and maybe help the bully see the world in a new way.

**J PictureBk Hurley** Hurley, Jorey *Nest (2014)*

An artistic depiction of a year in the life of a robin.

**J PictureBk Idle** Idle, Molly Schaar *Flora and the Peacocks (2016)*

The darling, dancing Flora is back, and this time she's found two new friends: a pair of peacocks! But amidst the fanning feathers and mirrored movements, Flora realizes that the push and pull between three friends can be a delicate dance. Will this trio find a way to get back in step?

**J PictureBk Jenkins** Jenkins, Emily. *Tiger and Badger (2016)*

Tiger and Badger are best friends. Of course, sometimes even very best friends can get into disagreements --over a toy, or a chair, or even sharing some orange slices. But no matter what, after a bit of pouting and with the help of some very silly faces, they always make up.

**J PictureBk Jenson-Elliott** Jenson-Elliott, C. *Weeds Find a Way (2014)*

Weeds are wonderful! Persistent, exuberant...these plants have personalities, and this nonfiction picture book puts them on colorful display!

**J PictureBk John** John, Jory *Giraffe Problems (2018)*

Can you guess what's making this giraffe self-conscious? Could it be . . . HIS ENORMOUS NECK?? Yes, it's exactly that--how on earth did you figure it out? Edward the giraffe can't understand why his neck is as long and bendy and, well, ridiculous as it is. No other animal has a neck this absurd. He's tried disguising it, dressing it up, strategically hiding it behind bushes--honestly, anything you can think of, he's tried. Just when he has exhausted his neck-hiding options and is about to throw in the towel, a turtle swoops in (well, ambles in, very slowly) and helps him understand that his neck has a purpose, and looks excellent in a bow tie.

**J PictureBk Jones**

Jones, Val

*Who Wants Broccoli? (2015)*

Broccoli is a lovable but rambunctious dog who wants to find a home in this fetchingly fun picture book! Broccoli lives at Beezley's Animal Shelter and loves to show off his bowl-tossing and tail-chasing skills--and especially his great big BARK! He dreams of playing in a yard with a boy. But when a boy named Oscar comes looking for his perfect pet, Broccoli is hidden away. Will Broccoli find his perfect home?

**J PictureBk Kerascoet**

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*I Walk With Vanessa (2018)*

An elementary school girl witnesses the bullying of another girl, but she is not sure how to help.

**J PictureBk Kimura**

Kimura, Ken

*999 Frogs and little Brother (2015)*

The last (and littlest) tadpole to be born is thrilled to hear that anyone thinks he's BIG--even if it's a baby crayfish. And the two form a fast friendship, until deep in the night Mommy crayfish finds her baby and takes him home. But when the little tadpole finally becomes a frog, he doesn't forget his little brother and it all pays off when the little frog meets a BIG snake!

**J PictureBk Kohara**

Kohara, Kazuno

*The Midnight Library (2014)*

Perfect for bedtime reading, pay a visit to the Midnight Library where you can snuggle up for a nighttime story.

There is a little library that only opens at night. In the library there is a little librarian—and her three assistant owls—who helps everyone find the perfect book. The library is always peaceful and quiet . . . until one night when some of the animals stir up a little trouble (and a little fun!) in the Midnight Library.

**J PictureBk Klassen**

Klassen, Jon.

*We Found a Hat (2016)*

Two turtles have found a hat. The hat looks good on both of them. But there are two turtles. And there is only one hat. . . . Evoking hilarity and sympathy, the shifting eyes tell the tale in this brilliantly paced story in three parts, highlighting Jon Klassen's visual comedy and deceptive simplicity. The delicious buildup takes an unexpected turn that is sure to please loyal fans and newcomers alike.

**J PictureBk Klise**

Klise, Kate.

*Grammy Lamby and the Secret Handshake (2012)*

Larry does not like it when his loud, flashy grandmother comes to visit, especially when she talks about taking him to Tanzania or the South Seas one day, but after a huge summer storm damages their home and valley, he sees another side of Grammy Lamby.

**J PictureBk Kuefler**

Kuefler, Joseph

*The Digger And The Flower (2018)*

Each day, the big trucks go to work. They scoop and hoist and push. But when Digger discovers something growing in the rubble, he sets in motion a series of events that will change him, and the city, forever.

**J PictureBk LaRochelle**

LaRochelle, David

*How Martha Saved her Parents from Green Beans (2013)*

Martha HATES green beans. When some mean, green bandits stroll into town, anyone who ever said "Eat your green beans" is in big trouble. But when the beans kidnap Martha's parents, Martha is forced to take action. She can think of only one way to stop the villainous veggies from taking over her town, and it's not pretty...or tasty.

**J PictureBk Le**

Le, Minh

*Drawn Together (2018)*

When a young boy visits his grandfather, their lack of a common language leads to confusion, frustration, and silence. But as they sit down to draw together, something magical happens - with a shared love of art and storytelling, the two form a bond that goes beyond words.

**PictureBk Ledyard**

Ledyard, Stephanie

*Pie Is For Sharing (2018)*

You're invited to a glorious Fourth of July picnic where you'll learn all about sharing, the good things along with the bad.

**J PictureBk Lendroth** Lendroth, Susan *Hey-Ho, To Mars We'll Go! (2018)*

Explore the science behind a trip to Mars, from launch to landing on the Red Planet.

**J PictureBk Lilly**

Lilly, Elizabeth

*Geraldine (2018)*

Struggling to fit in as the only giraffe in a school of children, reluctant newcomer Geraldine meets fellow outcast Cassie and learns how to stand out by being herself, playing by her own rules, and staying true to her new friend.

**J PictureBk Lin**

Lin, Grace

*A Big Mooncake For Little Star (2018)*

When Little Star's mother bakes a delicious-looking mooncake, she leaves it in the night sky to cool. But it looks so tasty that Little Star can't wait, and every night she must take a little nibble of the perfectly round confection until instead of a glowing, round cookie, there is only a shining trail of crumbs!

**J PictureBk Lodding** Lodding, L.R. *Little Red Riding Sheep (2018)*

Arnold is an eager young sheep who is excited to be in his very first book. No problem-o! Except he's a bit big and fluffy to play Little Red Riding Hood, and he's a tiny bit scared of the deep dark woods. Oh, and he has a friend who would be just perfect as Granny...perhaps the author wouldn't mind a few suggestions?

**J PictureBk MacKay** MacKay, Elly *Red Sky At Night (2018)*

Red sky at night, sailor's delight. And, the next morning, when the dew is on the grass, no rain will come to pass. These are the perfect conditions for a grandfather to take his grandchildren out on a fishing trip. Especially since, as the saying goes, when the wind is from the West, then the fishes bite the best.

**J PictureBk Mallery** Mallery, Sydra *A Most Unusual Day (2018)*

Caroline is anxious all day at school, nervous about her newly-adopted sister's arrival from far away.

**J PicdtureBk Mantchev** Mantchex, Lisa *Strictly No Elephants (2015)*

A boy is excluded from joining his friends' pet club because of his unusual pet.

**J PictureBk Miyakoshi** Miyakoshi, Akiko *The Tea Party in the Woods (2015)*

When a young girl named Kikko realizes her father has forgotten the pie he was supposed to bring to Grandma's house, she offers to try and catch him as he makes his way through the woods. She hurriedly follows her father's footprints in the snow and happens upon a large house she has never seen before. Curious, Kikko peers through the window, when she is startled by a small lamb wearing a coat and carrying a purse. Even more surprising, the lamb speaks, asking her in a kind voice, "Are you here for the tea party?" Suddenly, Kikko realizes her trip through the woods has turned into something magical.

**J PictureBk Mora** Mora, Oge *Thank You, Omi! (2018)*

Everyone in the neighborhood dreams of a taste of Omu's delicious stew! One by one, they follow their noses toward the scrumptious scent. And one by one, Omu offers a portion of her meal. Soon the pot is empty. Has she been so generous that she has nothing left for herself?

**J PictureBk Moore** Moore, Eva. *Lucky Ducklings (2013)*

While following their mother through town, five little ducklings, Pippin, Bippin, Tippin, Dippin and Little Joe, all fall into a storm drain.

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**J PictureBk Morales** Morales, Yuri *Dreamers (2018)*

"An illustrated picture book autobiography in which award-winning author Yuyi Morales tells her own immigration story"--

**J PictureBk Morris** Morris, Richard *This Is a Moose (2014)*

Director Billy Waddler is trying to film a documentary about moose, but the moose in question has no intention of spending his life in the woods and his animal friends, who have dreams of their own, help him prove his point.

**J PictureBk Muth** Muth, Jon. *Hi, Koo!: A Year of Seasons (2014)*

Jon J Muth--and his delightful little panda bear, Koo--challenge readers to stretch their minds and imaginations with twenty-six haikus about the four seasons.

**J PictueBk Nichols** Nichols, Lori *Maple & Willow Together (2014)*

Nature-loving sisters Maple and Willow smooth over a rough patch in their friendship in their own unique way.

**J PictureBk Numeroff** Numeroff, Laura *If You Give a Mouse a Brownie (2016)*

If you give a mouse a brownie, he's going to ask for some ice cream to go with it. When you give him the ice cream, he'll probably ask you for a spoon. He'll start drumming on the table. Drumming will get him so excited he'll want to start a band...

**PictureBk OHora** OHora, Z. *Niblet & Ralph (2018)*

Niblet and Ralph may look a lot alike, but they are very different. Niblet loves noshing on crunchy potato chips. Ralph loves putting on headphones and jamming to his favorite records. But both cats have one thing in common- They love being friends and waving to each other from their windows across the courtyard of the apartment building they live in. One day, Niblet and Ralph decide it's time to meet in person (or in cat?). But when they mistakenly end up at each other's apartments, their owners think that Niblet is Ralph, and Ralph is Niblet! Will Niblet and Ralph be able to switch back to their proper homes,

**J PictureBk Park** Park, Linda Sue *Xander's Panda Party (2013)*

Xander planned a panda party. Yes, a dandy whoop-de-do! But Xander was the only panda. Just one panda at the zoo. The zoo's paucity of pandas doesn't impede Xander's party planning for long. He decides to invite all the bears. But Koala protests. She's not a bear--she's a marsupial! Does that mean she can't come? Xander rethinks his decision to invite only bears, and "Calling all bears" evolves into "Calling all creatures."

**J PictureBk Paschkis** Paschkis, Julie *Magic Spell (2017)*

With his trusty assistant, Zaza, by his side, magician the Great Aziz can turn a d ish into a f ish, a r ose into a h ose, and a w ire into a f ire. But when Aziz turns Zaza's w ig into a p ig-- well, he's gone too far!

**J PictureBk Perrin** Perrin, Clotilde *At the Same Moment, Around the World (2014)*

Discover Benedict drinking hot chocolate in Paris, France; Mitko chasing the school bus in Sofia, Bulgaria; and Khanh having a little nap in Hanoi, Vietnam! Clotilde Perrin takes readers eastward from the Greenwich meridian, from day to night, with each page portraying one of (the original) 24 time zones. Readers learn about the history of timekeeping and time zones, and to explore where each of the characters live on the world map.

**J PictureBk Pett** Pett, Mark *The Girl Who Never Made Mistakes (2011)*

Beatrice is so well-known for never making a mistake that she is greeted each morning by fans and reporters, but a near-error on the day of the school talent show could change everything.

**J PictureBk Ramos** Ramos, Mario. *I Am So Handsome (2012)*

A vainglorious wolf struts through the forest, bragging about his looks to familiar fairy tale characters, until a small dragon brings him back down to earth.

**J PictureBk Reynolds** Reynolds, Aaron *Creepy Carrots! (2012)*

The carrots that grow in Crackenhopper Field are the fattest and crispiest around and Jasper Rabbit cannot resist pulling some to eat each time he passes by, until he begins hearing and seeing creepy carrots wherever he goes.

**J PictureBk Rizzo** Rizzo, Suzanne *My Beautiful Birds (2017)*

A gentle yet moving story of refugees of the Syrian civil war, My Beautiful Birds illuminates the ongoing crisis as it affects its children. It shows the reality of the refugee camps, where people attempt to pick up their lives and carry on. And it reveals the hope of generations of people as they struggle to redefine home.

**J PictureBk Rosenthal** Rosenthal, Amy *Friendshape (2015)*

Friends shape who we are. They make us laugh. They fill us with fun. They stand by us during life's up and downs. And even when we disagree with our friends, if they're tried-and-true, they don't stay bent out of shape for long. That's the beauty of a good buddy. This joyous book rejoices in the simple beauties of friendship, and reminds readers of all ages that it's good to have a group of pals--Provided by publisher.

**J PictureBk Rozier** Rozier, L. M. *Jackrabbit McCabe & the Electric Telegraph (2015)*

With his extra-long legs, Jackrabbit McCabe can outrun anything on the American frontier: horses, trains, and even twisters. So of course, everyone in the town of Windy Flats always counts on his speed when a message has to get out fast.

Then something new comes to town: the telegraph, which can send Morse code messages with the speed of electricity. At first, no one believes the newfangled contraption can deliver a message quicker than Jackrabbit. . . . But in a race between man and machine, who will be left in the dust?

**J PictureBk Rockwell**      Rockwell, Lizzy      *Plants Feed Me (2014)*

Learn how plants grow and about the many parts of plants that we can eat.

**J PictureBk Salmieri**      Salmieri, Daniel      *Bear And Wolf (2018)*

Bear and Wolf become unlikely companions one winter's evening when they discover each other out walking in the falling snow. They're young and curious, slipping easily into friendship as they amble along together. Together they spy an owl overhead, look deep into the frozen face of the lake, and contemplate the fish sleeping below the surface. Then it's time to say goodbye: for Bear to go home and hibernate with the family and for Wolf to run with the pack.

**J PictureBk Santat**      Santat, Dan      *After the Fall: How Humpty Dumpty got Back Up Again (2017)*

Everyone knows that when Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall, Humpty Dumpty had a great fall. But what happened after ? Caldecott Medalist Dan Santat's poignant tale follows Humpty Dumpty, an avid bird watcher whose favorite place to be is high up on the city wall--that is, until after his famous fall. Now terrified of heights, Humpty can longer do many of the things he loves most. Will he summon the courage to face his fear?

**J PictureBk Scanlon**      Scanlon, E. G.      *Dear Substitute (2018)*

In a series of letters a student laments the absence of her teacher and daily routine, but she soon realizes there are benefits to mixing things up, and that perhaps having a substitute teacher is not so bad afterall.

**J PictureBk Schwartz**      Schwartz, Corey      *Ninja Red Riding Hood (2014)*

This fractured fairy tale is a sure-fire storytime hit. Wolf just can't catch a break! Ever since the three little pigs started teaching everyone Ninja skills, huffing and puffing just hasn't been enough to scare up a good meal. His craving for meat sends Wolf to classes at the dojo, and soon he's ready to try out his new moves. A little girl and her tiny granny should be easy targets--right? Not if Little Red has anything to say about it! Kiya

**J PictureBk Seeger**      Seeger, Laura      *Blue(2018)*

How many shades of blue are there? There's the soft blue of a baby's cherished blanket, the ocean blue of a romp in the waves, the chilly blue of a cold winter's walk in the snow, and the true blue of the bond that exists between children and animals.

**J PictureBk Sierra**      Sierra, Judy      *The Great Dictionary Caper (2018)*

When the words in the dictionary get bored and leave to attend a convention in Hollywood, it is up to Noah Webster to restore (alphabetical) order.

**J PictureBk Silvestro**      Silvestro, Annie      *Bunny's Book Club (2017)*

Bunny loves to sit outside the library with the kids and listen to summer story time. But when the weather gets cold and everyone moves inside, his daily dose of joy is gone. Desperate, Bunny refuses to miss out on any more reading time and devises a plan to sneak into the library at night . . . through the library's book drop! What follows is an adorable caper that brings an inquisitive, fuzzy bunny and his woodland pals up close and personal with the books they have grown to love. A

**J PictureBk Soundar**      Soundar, Chitra      *You're Safe With Me (2018)*

When the moon rises high and the stars twinkle, it is bedtime for the baby animals of the Indian forest. But tonight, when the skies turn dark and the night grows stormy, the little ones can't sleep.

**J PictureBk Stead**      Stead, Philip.      *Vernon Is On His Way (2018)*

Today is a very nice day. There has never been a day so nice as this, except for maybe yesterday. Join Vernon and his friends Skunk and Porcupine on a series of three enchanting adventures entitled Waiting, Fishing, and Gardening, as they comb the forest floor for trinkets and go fishing in their own unconventional way.

**J PictureBk Stein**      Stein, David Ezra      *Interrupting Chicken & The Elephant Of Surprise (2018)*

When Little Red Chicken comes home excited about what she learned in school, she explains to Papa that every story has "an elephant of surprise."

**J PictureBk Strouse** Strouse, Benjamin *Hey, Boy! (2017)*

One day a boy finds a dog. He takes him home, already dreaming of the adventures they will have and the games they will play. But when the boy gets hurt, he and his new best friend are separated. Will the boy be able to grow up quickly enough to get his furry companion back, or will life keep getting in the way?

**J PictureBk Sullivan** Sullivan, John *Kitten And The Night Watchman (2018)*

The night watchman hugs his wife and kids and drives to work. All night he is alone. Every hour he makes his rounds. He sees the stars twinkling. He hears the sounds of the night: ki-DEE ki-DEE ki-DEE shhhhhheeeeeEEEEERRROOOOooooommmmm Woof! Woof! Woof! Meeooooow. When he is joined by a stray kitten, the night suddenly seems different. Has the kitten found a new home?

**J PictureBk Tamaki** Tamaki, Jillian *They Say Blue (2018)*

A young girl describes where she finds colors in both the world around her and beyond what she can see.

**J PictureBk Uegaki** Uegaki, Chieri *Hana Hashimoto, Sixth Violin (2014)*

Hana Hashimoto has signed up to play her violin at her school's talent show. The trouble is, she's only a beginner, and she's had only three lessons. Will her confidence waver on the night of the show?

**JJ PictureBk Valerio** Valerio, Geraldo *Blue Rider (2018)*

In a book without words, a child finds a book on a crowded city sidewalk and is transported beyond the repetitive sameness of an urban skyscape into an untamed natural world.

**J PictureBk Wenzel** Wenzel, Brendan *They All Saw the Cat (2016)*

In this glorious celebration of observation, curiosity, and imagination, Brendan Wenzel shows us the many lives of one cat, and how perspective shapes what we see. When you see a cat, what do you see?

**J PictureBk Wenzel** Wenzel, Brendan *Hello, Hello (2018)*

In simple text a set of animals, each one linked to the previous one by some trait of shape, color, or pattern, greet and interact with one another.

**J PictureBk Wiesner** Wiesner, David *I Got It! (2018)*

The few seconds after the ball leaves the bat can be infinitely long. For this eager young outfielder, there's plenty of time to envision the increasingly fantastic and funny situations that might interfere with making the catch. Summoning determination and courage, he overcomes the imaginary obstacles and turns them into a springboard for success.

**J PictureBk Woodson** Woodson, Jacqueline *The Day You Begin (2018)*

There will be times when you walk into a room and no one there is quite like you. There are many reasons to feel different. Maybe it's how you look, talk, or where you're from; maybe it's what you eat, or something just as random. It's not easy to take those first steps into a place where nobody really knows you yet, but somehow you do it.

**J PictureBk Yeomans** Yeomans, Ellen *The Other Ducks (2018)*

This Duck and That Duck were the best of friends. They did everything together but sometimes two ducks just isn't enough. When This Duck declares that he wishes there were Other Ducks around so they could waddle in a line (a very ducky thing to do), That Duck is quite confused. That is until This Duck and That Duck go swimming, look down, and finally meet The Other Ducks.

**J PictureBk Zagarenski** Zagarenski, Pamela *The Whisper-(2015)*

Step inside the pages of a little girl's magical book as she discovers the profound and inspiring notion that we each bring something different to the same story.

**J PictureBk Zuill** Zuill, Andrea *Dance Is for Everyone (2016)*

Dancing is for EVERYONE. Even a 450-pound alligator! An alligator dancing ballet? When the reptile takes her place at the barre, Mrs. Iraina and her dancers are very surprised. But since they can't communicate with the alligator--and she is

able to follow along--they just decide to name her Tanya and let her stay. (Would YOU say no to a 450-pound alligator?) Mrs. Iraina even creates a special ballet to showcase Tanya's larger-than-life talents . . . and super-swishy tail.

### EASY READERS

**J EasyReader Bell** Bell, Cece. *Rabbit and Robot: The Sleepover (2012)*

Rabbit is excited about the sleepover he has carefully planned for his friend Robot, but Robot has some different ideas about how things should go.

**J EasyReader Butler** Butler, D.H. *King & Kayla And The Case Of The Lost Tooth (2017)*

A lovable dog helps his human girl solve a mystery. Kayla lost a tooth, but now it's missing! What does Kayla know? Her tooth is not inside the tooth fairy pillow. It's not inside her backpack. It's not inside the car. What does King know? Mason's hand smells like the tooth fairy pillow. How will they solve the mystery?

**J EasyReader Brunetti** Brunetti, Ivan *Three Times Four With Annemarie (2018)*

Annemarie and eleven other classmates find various ways to draw sets of twelve and learn about multiplication along the way.

**J EasyReader De Groat** De Groat, Diane. *Gilbert and the Lost Tooth (2012)*

When Gilbert loses his tooth, the reader finds out just how resourceful the Tooth Fairy can be.

**J EasyReader Heilbroner** Heilbroner, Joan. *A Pet Named Sneaker (2013)*

This is the story of a pet-store snake who longs for a real home. When he is finally adopted by Pete—a young boy charmed by Sneaker's uncanny ability to twist himself into different shapes—Sneaker not only proves himself a good pet, but proves to be a good student (sneaking into school with Pete and learning to read and write); a good citizen (saving a drowning toddler at a community pool); and a goodwill ambassador for the entire animal kingdom (inspiring the community to open the pool to all animals)!

**J EasyReader Henkes** Henkes, Kevin. *Penny and Her Song (2012)*

Penny comes home from school eager to share her very own song, but must wait until the time is right to teach it to her parents and the babies.

**J EasyReader Kugler** Kugler, Tina *Snail & Worm (2016)*

Snail and Worm are best friends who support each other during a silly game of tag, through Snail's adventure up a flower stalk, and when Worm's pet goes missing.

**J Easy Reader Kann** Kann, Victoria. *Pinkalicious: Soccer Star (2012)*

Pinkalicious and her soccer team, the Pinksters, play their first game against the Ravens, but when the ball is kicked off the field, Pinkalicious chases it and is picked up by Goldilicious for a trip around the world.

**J EasyReader Lloyd** Lloyd, Jennifer *Murilla Gorilla (2014)*

Murilla Gorilla, the jungle detective, is woken up by a new case: Ms Chimpanzee's muffins were stolen. But who did it? It's up to Murilla to find out, as long as she can find her badge first! Murilla may seem like a hopeless detective - disorganised, messy and always thinking about her next snack - but out of her mess comes some pretty good ideas and some pretty funny moments too.

**J EasyReader Michalak** Michalak, Jamie *Frank and Bean (2019)*

When the introspective Frank meets the gregarious Bean, can they find a way to make beautiful music together? Dry wit and hilarious illustrations introduce a new unlikely pair. Frank likes peace and quiet. He likes his tent, his pencil, and writing in his secret notebook. Bean likes noise. He likes his bus, his trumpet - toot, toot! - and making music. Loud music. But Bean is missing something: he does not have words. What will happen if Frank shares his words with Bean?

**J EasyReader Milgrim** Milgrim, David *See Pip Flap (2018)*

Part of the Adventures of Otto series, Otto and his friends are back. Pip wants to fly too--flap, flap, flap! Can Otto help Pip find a way to soar in the sky?

**J EasyReader Parish** Parish, Herman. *Amelia Bedelia, Cub Reporter (2012)*

Amelia Bedelia helps with the school newspaper--to rave reviews.

**J EasyReader Ruzzier** Ruzzier, Sergio *Fox And Chick: The Party And Other Stories (2018)*

Fox and Chick don't always agree. But Fox and Chick are always friends. With sly humor and companionable warmth, Sergio Ruzzier deftly captures the adventures of these two seemingly opposite friends.

**J EasyReader Rylant** Rylant, Cynthia. *Mr. Putter and Tabby Ring the Bell (2011)*

While enjoying autumn weather and activities, Mr. Putter, realizing how much he misses going to school, takes his cat Tabby, their adventurous neighbor, Mrs. Teaberry, and her cake-loving dog Zeke to "Show and Tell."

**J EasyReader Selznick** Selznick, Brian *Baby Monkey, Private Eye (2018)*

Baby Monkey, private eye, will investigate stolen jewels, missing pizzas, and other mysteries--if he can manage to figure out how to put his pants on.

**J EasyReader Tabor** Tabor, Corey *Fox The Tiger (2018)*

Fun-loving, mischievous Fox wishes he were a tiger. Tigers are big and fast and sneaky. So he decides to become one! Soon Turtle and Rabbit are joining in the fun. But will Fox want to be a tiger forever?

**J EasyReader Weeks** Weeks, Sarah. *Mac and Cheese and The Perfect Plan (2012)*

Mac finally convinces his best friend Cheese to go to the beach, but then they miss the bus.

**J EasyReader Willems** Willems, Mo *I'm A Frog (2013)*

Gerald is careful. Piggie is not. Piggie cannot help smiling. Gerald can. Gerald worries so that Piggie does not have to. Gerald and Piggie are best friends. In I'm a Frog! Piggie has some ribbit ing news! Can Gerald make the leap required to accept Piggie's new identity?

**J EasyReader Willems** Willems, Mo *Harold & Hog Pretend For Real!(2019)*

Hog is careful. Harold is not. Harold cannot help smiling. Hog can. Hog worries so that Harold does not have to. Harold and Hog are best friends. But can Harold and Hog's friendship survive a game of pretending to be Elephant & Piggie?

## GRAPHIC

**J Graphic Cathon** Cathon *Poppy & Sam and the leaf thief (Book 12018)*

It's a beautiful day in the garden when Poppy and her panda friend, Sam, hear a commotion. Their friend Basil--who has always been known for his elegance--is in tears, because somebody nibbled his leaves last night! Poppy puts her detective skills to work, with help from Sam, and together they set out to find the culprit.

**J Graphic Fenske** Fenske, Jonathan *Hello, Crabby! (Book 1 2019)*

Crabby is NOT happy. Sun is in Crabby's eyes. Salt is in Crabby's teeth. Sand is in Crabby's shell. Plankton tries again and again to cheer Crabby up -- with laugh-out-loud results! Will Crabby ever crack a smile?

**J Graphic Johnny** Kochalks, James *Johnny Boo : the best little ghost in the world! (Book 1 2008)*

Johnny Boo is the best little ghost in the whole world, because he's got Boo Power. This means that he can go "BOO" really loudly. His pet ghost, Squiggle, has Squiggle Power, which means that he can fly and do really fast loop-the-loops. Together they have the world's greatest ghost adventures!

**J Graphic Tiger** Tetri, Emily *Tiger VS. Nightmare (2018)*

Tiger is a very lucky kid: she has a monster living under her bed. Every night, Tiger and Monster play games until it's time for lights out. Of course, Monster would never try to scare Tiger--that's not what best friends do. But Monster needs to scare someone...it's a monster, after all. So while Tiger sleeps, Monster scares all of her nightmares away.

**J Graphic Toon** Liniers *Goodnight Planet (2017)*

On a fall afternoon, a girl plays with her stuffed animal, a fawn named Planet. He looks like an ordinary toy, but he leads a double life. After the girl says good night to him and falls asleep, Planet sits up. He's thin and gangly, and he gives the girl a kiss and slides out of bed. He distracts Elliot, the family spaniel, from using him as a chew toy with a cookie. Then a mouse appears with a better offer: "Want to see the biggest cookie ever?" (It's the full moon.) The mouse tries to get

Planet to grab the moon from a tall branch, but the plan fails, and the animals trail home for cookies of the chocolate chip variety.

## FICTION

**J Fic Hale** Hale, Shannon *The Princess in Black (2014)*

Who says princesses don't wear black? When trouble raises its blue monster head, Princess Magnolia ditches her flouncy dresses and becomes the Princess in Black! Princess Magnolia is having hot chocolate and scones with Duchess Wigtower when . . . Brring! Brring! The monster alarm! A big blue monster is threatening the goats! Stopping monsters is no job for dainty Princess Magnolia. But luckily Princess Magnolia has a secret --she's also the Princess in Black, and stopping monsters is the perfect job for her !

**J Fic Manushkin** Manushkin, Fran *Perdo: First Grade Hero (2016)*

Spend some time with Pedro, Katie Woo's fun-loving friend. From a buggy disaster to a run for class president, Pedro has what it takes to be the hero of first-grade. No matter what he's doing, Pedro is always good for some laughs and adventure.

## BIOGRAPHY

**J Biography Cristofori, B.** Rusch, Elizabeth *The Music Of Life: Cristofori And The Invention Of The Piano (2018)*

Bartolomeo Cristofori coaxes just the right sounds from the musical instruments he makes. Some of his keyboards can play piano , light and soft; others make forte notes ring out, strong and loud, but Cristofori longs to create an instrument that can be played both soft and loud. His talent has caught the attention of Prince Ferdinando de Medici, who wants his court to become the musical center of Italy.

**J Biography Hopper, G.** Wallmark, Laurie *Grace Hopper: Queen Of Computer Code (2018)*

Who was Grace Hopper? A software tester, workplace jester, cherished mentor, ace inventor, avid reader, naval leader--AND rule breaker, chance taker, and troublemaker.

**J Biography Montague, R.** Mosca, Finley *The Girl With A Mind For Math (2018)*

Meet Raye Montague--the hidden mastermind who made waves in the U.S. Navy! After touring a German submarine in the early 1940s, young Raye set her sights on becoming an engineer.

**J Biography Tubman, H.** Meltzer, Brad *I Am Harriet Tubman (2018)*

This friendly, fun biography series focuses on the traits that made our heroes great--the traits that kids can aspire to in order to live heroically themselves. At the back are an excellent timeline and photos. This volume focuses on Harriet Tubman's brave heroism as part of the movement to abolish slavery. As one of the key players in the Underground Railroad, she helped enslaved African-Americans escape and find freedom.

**J Biography White, E.B.** Herkert, Barbar *A Boy, A Mouse, & A Spider: The Story of E.B. White (2017)*

When young Elwyn White lay in bed as a sickly child, a bold house mouse befriended him.. Propelled by his fascination with the outside world, he began to jot down his reflections in a journal. Writing filled him with joy, and words became his world. Today, Stuart Little and Charlotte's Web are beloved classics of children's literature, and E. B. White is recognized as one of the finest American writers of all time.

## NONFICTION

**J 428.1 P983** Pulver, Robin *The Case of the Incapacitated Capitals (2012)*

Capital letters are being so neglected in Mr. Wright's classroom that they are nearly incapacitated, and a medical team must be summoned to perform CPR-- Capital Posture Repair.

**J 551.5 T255** Teckentrup, Britta *Look At The Weather (2018)*

This immersive illustrated nonfiction book is an invitation for readers to ponder weather and approach it with a newfound sense of understanding, awe, and wonder.

**J 591 W947** Wright, Anna *A Tower of Giraffes (2015)*

A drove of pigs, a romp of otters, an ostentation of peacocks, and a tower of giraffes. . . . This clever book introduces young readers to some of the words we use to refer to animals in a group. The ink, watercolor, and fabric collage art is brightly colored and uniquely sets this fun book apart from the crowd.

**J 591.18 D942** Dupart, Guillaume *Eye Spy: Wild Animals See The World (2018)*

Children will see exactly how animals view the world around them in this innovative and exciting lift-the-flap book.

**J 597.31W724** Williams, Lily *If Sharks Disappeared (2017)*

A healthy ocean is home to many different kinds of animals. They can be big, like a whale, tiny, like a shrimp, and even scary, like a shark. Even though sharks can be scary, we need them to keep the oceans healthy. Unfortunately, due to overfishing, many shark species are in danger of extinction, and that can cause big problems in the oceans and even on land. What would happen if this continued and sharks disappeared completely?

**J 599.53 E14** Eaton, Maxwell *The Truth About Dolphins (2018)*

Did you know that dolphins find their dinners by using sound to track down the location of their prey? Did you know that baby dolphins are born tail-first? Did you know that each dolphin has a unique whistle (like human fingerprints) that makes them recognizable to other dolphins?

**J 613.7046 Y59** Yoo, Taeun. *You Are a Lion! :And Other Fun Yoga Poses (2012)*

Yoga is great for kids because it promotes flexibility and focus - and it's relaxing good fun! The charming pictures of children and animals and the lyrical text make this gentle introduction to yoga a book to be treasured.

**J 720 H161** Hale, Christy *Dreaming Up: A Celebration of Building (2012)*

"A collection of concrete poetry, illustrations, and photographs that shows how young children's constructions, created as they play, are reflected in notable works of architecture from around the world. Includes biographies of the architects, quotations, and sources"