

## NES / NIS Suggested Summer Reading - 2017

### Grades K-1

Any of the books written and illustrated by Mo Willems

A Baby Elephant in the Wild by Caitlin O'Connell

Ballet Cat: The Totally Secret Secret by Bob Shea

Because Amelia Smiled by David Ezra Stein

The Best Pet Ever: With An Imagination Like This, Who Needs a Real Pet? by Victoria Roberts

Big Cat Little Cat by Elisha Cooper

Breathe by Scott Magoon

Buddy and Earl by Maureen Fergus

Children Make Terrible Pets by Peter Brown

Crafty Chloe by Kelly DiPucchio

Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut by Derrick Barnes

A Different Pond by Bao Phi

Everyone Can Learn to Ride a Bicycle by Christopher Raschka

Fly Guy Presents: Sharks by Tedd Arnold

Garden of Happiness by Erika Tamar

Glow: Animals With Their Own Night-Lights by H.W. Beck

Guess Again by Mac Barnett

Happy in Our Skin by Fran Manuskin

Home by Carson Ellis

How to Catch the Tooth Fairy by Adam Wallace

How to Read a Story by Kate Messner

I Wish You More by Amy Rosenthal

If You Ever Want to Bring a Piano to the Beach, Don't! by Elise Parsley

Imaginary Friend by Oliver Jeffers

Job Wanted by Teresa Bateman

The Knowing Book by Rebecca Dotlich

Life by Cynthia Rylant

Look and Be Grateful by Tomie DePaola

Lost Dog by Michael Garland  
Mango, Abuela and Me by Angel Dominguez  
Masterpiece Mix by Roxie Munro  
The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires  
On a Beam of Light: A Story of Albert Einstein by Jennifer Berne  
The Perfect Nest by Catherine Friend  
Pocketful of Posies: A Treasury of Nursery Rhymes by Sally Mavor  
That's a Possibility!: A Book About What Might Happen by Bruce Goldstone  
Seashells: Treasures from the Northeast Coast by J. Roach-Evans  
Seeds of Change: Planting a Path to Peace by Jen Cullerton Johnson  
Sofia Martinez series by Jacqueline Jules  
Wanted: Ralfy Rabbit, Book Burglar by Emily MacKenzie  
Wolfie the Bunny by Amy Dyckman  
You Can't Be Too Careful by Roger Mello

### Grades 2-3

Ada Twist, Scientist by Andrea Beaty  
The Animal Book: A Collection of the Fastest, Fiercest, Toughest, Cleverest, Shyest and Most Surprising Animals On Earth by Steve Jenkins  
Animal Snoops: The Wondrous World of Wildlife Spies by Peter Christie  
At the Same Moment Around the World by Clothilde Perrin  
Ben Franklin: His Wit and Wisdom from A-Z by Alan Schroeder  
Biomimicry by Dora Lee  
The Boy Who Howled by Timothy Power  
Playing From the Heart by Peter Reynolds  
Cat Talk by Patricia MacLaughlan  
The Dancing Pancake by Lindsey Craig  
Deadly: The Truth About the Most Dangerous Creatures on Earth by Nicola Davies  
Emily's Fortune by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  
Field Trip by Susan Nees  
The Fizzy Whiz Kid by Malya Williams  
Fly Guy Presents: Bats by Tedd Arnold

For Good Measure: The Ways We Say How Much, How Far, How Heavy, How Big, How Old by Ken Robbins

For the Birds: The Life of Roger Tory Peterson by Peggy Thomas

For the Right to Learn: Malala Yousafzai's Story by Rebecca Langston-George

The Great Art Treasure Hunt: I Spy Red, Yellow and Blue by Doris Kutschbach

Hoop Genius: How a Desperate Teacher and a Rowdy Gym Class Invented Basketball  
by John Coy

Isabella: Girl in Charge by Jennifer Fosberry

Juana and Lucas by Juana Medina

Kali's Story: An Orphaned Polar Bear Rescue by Jennifer Keats Curtis

Like Pickle Juice on a Cookie by Julie Sternberg

The Long, Long Journey: The Godwit's Amazing Migration by Sandra Markle

Look up!: Bird-Watching in your Own Backyard by Annette Cate

Mirror, Mirror: A Book of Reversible Verse by Marilyn Singer

Mysterious Patterns: Finding Fractals in Nature by Sarah Campbell

Non-Random Acts of Kindness by Lauren Myracle

Oh No! or How My Science Project Destroyed the World by Mac Barnett

One Well: The Story of Water on Earth by Rochelle Strauss

Picture Day by Susan Nees

The Red Bicycle by Jude Isabella

School Play by Susan Nees

Secret of the Peaceful Warrior by Dan Millman

Spring According to Humphrey (and all books in this series) by Betty Birney

Stink and the Freaky Frog Freakout by Megan McDonald

Third Grade Mix-Up by Michele Jakubowski

Upside Down Magic by Sarah Mlynowski

We Came to America by Faith Ringgold

What Do You Do With a Chance / a Problem / an Idea - all by Kobi Yamada

White Fur Flying by Patricia MacLachlan

Word After Word After Word by Patricia MacLachlan

Written and Drawn by Henrietta by Liniers

## **SERIES**

Best Dog Ever by Elaine Landau  
The Buddy Files by Dori Hillestad Butler  
Clementine by Sara Pennypacker  
Daisy Dawson by Steve Voake  
Dear Dumb Diary by Jim Benton  
Dory Fantasmagory by Abby Hanlon  
Kylie Jean by Marci Peschke  
Magic Animal Friends by Daisy Meadows  
Magic Tree House by Mary Pope Osborne  
Martin Bridge by Jessica Kerrin  
Mercy Watson by Kate DiCamillo  
Missy's Super Duper Royal Deluxe by Susan Nees  
My Weird School by Dan Gutman  
The Never Girl series by Kiki Thorpe  
Owl Diaries by Rebecca Elliott  
Princess Posy by Stephanie Green  
Puppy Pirates by Erin Soderberg  
Rainbow Fairy by Daisy Meadows  
Sports Adventures with Jake Maddox

### Grades 4-5

13 Treasures by Michelle Harrison  
A Boy Called Bat by Elana Arnold \*\*  
A Handful of Stars by Cynthia Lord \*\*  
A Night Divided by Jennifer Nielsen \*\*  
The Adventures of a South Pole Pig by Chris Kurtz  
All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook by Leslie Connor \*\*  
Around the World in 100 Days by Gary Blackwood  
Alexander the Great by Demi  
The Bad Guys by Aaron Babley \*\*  
The Buddy Files: Case of the School Ghost by D.H. Butler  
The Case of the Vanishing Golden Frogs: A Scientific Mystery by Sandra Markle

Countdown by Deborah Wiles  
Crenshaw by Katherine Applegate  
The Curious World of Calpurnia Tate by Jacqueline Kelly \*\*  
Dark Emperor and Other Poems of the Night by Joyce Sidman  
The Doldrums by Nicholas Gannon \*\*  
The Dragon Princess by E.D. Baker  
The Dreamer by Pam Munoz Ryan  
Economy by Johnny Acton  
El Deafo by Cece Bell  
Fairy Lies and Fairy Wings by E.D. Baker  
The Fantastic Secret of Owen Jester by Barbara O'Connor  
Fast Break by Mike Lupica  
The Fenway Foul-Up by David Kelly  
Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt  
Football Hero by Tim Green  
Force Out by Tim Green  
The Fourteenth Goldfish by Jennifer Holm  
The Fourth Stall by Chris Rylander  
Framed - A T.O.A.S.T. Mystery by James Ponti \*\*  
The Friendship Maker by Randa Abdel-Fattah  
From Mud Huts to Skyscrapers: Architecture for Children by Christine Paxmann  
George and the Big Bang by Lucy Hawking  
Ghost by Jason Reynolds \*\*  
The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Katie Barnhill  
Gone Fishing: A Novel in Verse by Tamera Will Wissinger  
Growing Up Pedro: How the Martinez Brothers Made it From the Dominican Republic All the Way to the Major Leagues by Matt Tavares \*\*  
Guinea Dog by Patrick Jennings  
Hank Aaron's Dream by Matt Tavares  
Heart of a Dolphin by Catherine Hapka  
Ideas That Changed the World by Julie Ferris  
The Inquisitor's Tale by Adam Gidwitz \*\*  
Inside of a Dog: What Dogs See, Smell and Know by Alexandra Horowitz

It Ain't So Awful, Falafel by Firoozeh Dumas \*\*

Jack Adrift: Fourth Grade Without a Clue by Jack Gantos

Jack on the Tracks: Four Seasons of Fifth Grade by Jack Gantos

Kelsey Green, Reading Queen by Claudia Mills

Kid Owner by Tim Green

The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary by Laura Shovan \*\*

Liar and Spy by Rebecca Stead

A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park

Loot: How to Steal a Fortune by Jude Watson

Make Way for Dyanonde Daniel by Nicki Grimes

Ms. Bixby's Last Day by John David Anderson \*\*

A Nest for Celeste: A Story About Art, Inspiration, and the Meaning of Home by Henry A. Cole

The Night Fairy by Laura Amy Schlitz

No Ordinary Day by Deborah Ellis

Once by Morris Gleitzman

The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

One for the Murphys by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

One Last Word: Wisdom from the Harlem Renaissance by Nikki Grimes \*\*

Operation Redwood by Susannah French

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

Perfect Game by Fred Bowen

Poached by Stuart Gibbs

Quinny and Hopper by Adriana Schanen

Rain Reign by Ann Martin \*\*

Raymie Nightingale by Kate DiCamillo \*\*

Re-Start by Gordon Korman

Sabotaged by Margaret Peterson Haddix

Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks

School: Adventures at the Harvey N. Trouble Elementary School by Kate McMullan

Science Comics: Volcanoes: Fire and Life by Jon Chad \*\*

Seven Wonders Book 1: The Colossus Rises by Peter Lerangis

Shooting Kabul by N. H. Senzai

The Sixty-Eight Rooms by Marianne Malone  
Slacker by Gordon Korman  
Small Persons With Wings by Ellen Booraem  
Spilling Ink: A Young Writer's Handbook by Anne Mazer  
Sprinkles and Secrets by Lisa Schroeder  
Sunny-Side Up by Jennifer Holm  
The Talent Show by Dan Gutman  
The Terrible Two by Mac Barnett \*\*  
The Thing About Luck by Cynthia Kadohata  
This or That? (A series of books by various authors published by National Geographic Kids  
Took: A Ghost Story by Mary Downing Hahn \*\*  
Towers Falling by Jewell Parker Rhodes \*\*  
Treasure Hunters by James Patterson  
The Underground Abductor by Nathan Hale \*\*  
Ungifted by Gordon Korman  
The Unwanteds (first in a terrific series) by Lisa McCann  
Waylon! One Awesome Thing by Sara Pennypacker \*\*  
What Elephants Know by Eric Dinerstein \*\*  
When Life Gives You OJ by Erica Perl  
Wish by Barbara O'Connor  
Wolf Hollow by Lauren Wolk \*\*  
The Wonder of Charlie Anne by Kimberly Newton Fusco  
The World Almanac for Kids - fun book filled with facts!

### **SERIES for Grades 4-5**

The Babysitters Club graphic novels by Ann Martin  
Baseball Card Adventures by Dan Gutman  
Big Nate by Lincoln Pierce  
The Cupcake Diaries by Coco Simon  
Dork Diaries by Rachel Rusell  
The Heroes of Olympus by Rick Riordan  
I Survived series by Lauren Tarshis

Sardine in Outer Space by Emmanuel Guibert (graphic novels)  
Seeds of America trilogy by Laurie Halse Anderson  
Swindle, Zoobreak, Framed and Showoff - all by Gordon Korman  
Timmy Failure by Stephan Pastis  
The Unwanteds; Island of Fire; Island of Silence by Lisa McMann  
Weird But True! (nonfiction) by National Geographic  
Wings of Fire series by Tui Sutherland  
The Yeti Files by Kevin Sherry

\*Denotes 2018-2019 MASS Book Awards book