

Moonshot: the Flight of Apollo 11 by Brian Floca
(Jf629.454 F651m)

The story of the Apollo 11 mission to the moon during the summer of 1969, and of its steady astronauts in their great machines.



Marsupials by Nic Bishop (Jf599.2 B541m)

Quolls and pademelons live on the continent of Australia, along with kangaroos, koalas, and many other marsupials.

Nubs: the True Story of a Mutt, a Marine & a Miracle
by Brian Dennis (J636.7 D4228n)

The story of a wild dog who befriended Marine Major Brian Dennis in Iraq, and, when they were separated, trekked seventy miles through the desert winter to rejoin his friend.

One Giant Leap by Robert Burleigh (J629.454 B924o)

Celebrating the 40th anniversary of man's first walk on the moon, this book will make readers experience the moon landing just as Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin did.

A Picture Book of Dolley & James Madison

by David Adler (JB M264ad)



Known as the Father of the Constitution, James Madison served two terms as the fourth president, from 1809 until 1817. When the British set fire to Washington D.C. in 1814, his wife Dolley saved one of our country's greatest treasures.

Sharks! by Anne Schreiber (J597.3 Sch721s)

Discusses the physical characteristics, behavior and life cycles of sharks. Cool photos!

The Story of Snow by Mark Cassino (J551.5784 C273s)

This book about the science of snow features photos of snow crystals in their beautiful diversity and includes how snow crystals are formed into different shapes and snow-crystal-catching instructions in the back of the book.

Tarra and Bella: the Elephant and Dog Who Became Best Friends by Carol Buckley (J599.67 B856t)

A stray Labrador named Bella befriends Tarra, a former circus elephant and resident of the Elephant Sanctuary in Tennessee.

Theodore Roosevelt: The Adventurous President

by the editors of *Time for Kids* (JB R677t)

Traces the life and career of Theodore Roosevelt and discusses his love of the outdoors, sports and hunting.



Tigers by Sarah Thomson (J599.756 T386t)

Discusses the physical characteristics, behavior, habitat, life cycle, and endangered status of tigers.

Up, Up, and Away by Ginger Wadsworth (J595.44 W119u)

Chronicles the real-life drama of one spider as she eats, grows, spins a dragline of silk and soars up, up, and away to find a home of her own.

A Whiff of Pine, A Hint of Skunk: A Forest of Poems

by Deborah Ruddell (J811 R831w)

Take a lighthearted romp through four seasons in the forest with these whimsical poems.

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SUMMER READING

Recommendations 2010

SECOND & THIRD GRADE



Picture Books

Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners

by Laurie Keller (JE)

Mr. Rabbit wonders if he will be able to get along with his new neighbors, who are otters, until he is reminded of the golden rule.



Two Bobbies by Kirby Larson (JE)

Bobbi and Bob Cat are the best of friends. When New Orleans was struck by Hurricane Katrina, only by staying together could they survive.

When Lucy Goes Out Walking by Ashley Wolff (JE)

A curious puppy enjoys an adventure in each month of her first year.

Zinnia and Dot by Lisa Campbell Ernst (JE)

Zinnia and Dot, self-satisfied hens who bicker constantly about who lays better eggs, put aside their differences to protect a prime specimen from a marauding weasel.

Yummy: Eight Favorite Fairy Tales by Lucy Cousins (JE)

Little Red Riding Hood, The Three Billy Goats Gruff, The Enormous Turnip, Henny Penny, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, The Little Red Hen, The Three Little Pigs, The Musicians of Bremen.

Readers

Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa: Rain or Shine

by Erica Silverman (J.E.2)

Cowgirl Kate and her horse, Cocoa, discover what it means to work, play, and be together - rain or shine.



Fox and His Friends by Edward Marshall (J.E.2)

In three separate episodes Fox wants to play with his friends, but duty in one form or another interferes.

Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel (J.E. 2)

Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends - Frog and Toad.

Mr. Putter and Tabby Spill the Beans

by Cynthia Rylant (J.E. 2)

Although he would rather be sipping an ice cream soda, Mr. Putter and his cat Tabby attend a cooking class with Mrs. Teaberry and her dog Zeke, where they learn 100 ways to cook beans.

Oliver Pig and the Best Fort Ever by Jean Van Leeuwen (J.E.2)

Oliver Pig decides to build a fort in the backyard and his friends become involved with the project as well.

The Outside Dog by *Charlotte Pomerantz* (J.E. 2)

Marisol, who lives in Puerto Rico, wants a dog very much but her grandfather will not let her have one, until a skinny mutt wins him over.

Pearl and Wagner: Three Secrets by *Kate McMullan* (J.E.2)

Pearl and Wagner, a rabbit and a mouse who are best friends, learn about secrets during a trip to an ice cream factory and an amusement park birthday party.

Young Cam Jansen and the Library Mystery by *David Adler* (J.E.2)

Cam uses her photographic memory to find a shopping list that her dad lost at the library.

Short Chapter Books



The Buddy Files: the Case of the Lost Boy by *Dori Hillestad Butler* (JY)

While searching for his mysteriously lost human family, Buddy the dog is adopted by another family and helps solve the mystery of their missing boy.

Cam Jansen & the Basketball Mystery by *David Adler* (JY)

When a special autographed basketball is stolen, Cam Jansen uses her photographic memory to identify the thief.

The Case of the Stinky Socks by *Lewis Montgomery* (JY)

Detectives-in-training, Milo and Jazz, join forces to find out who stole the lucky socks from the high school baseball team's star pitcher.

The Cat on the Mat is Flat by *Andy Griffiths* (JY)

A collection of nine funny stories in rhyme.

The Field Guide by *Tony DiTerlizzi* (JY)

When the Grace children go to stay at their Great Aunt Lucinda's old house, they discover a field guide to fairies and other creatures.



Gooney Bird Greene by *Lois Lowry* (JY)

An unusual new student who loves to be the center of attention entertains her teacher and fellow second graders with true stories about herself, including how she got her name.

Ivy + Bean by *Annie Barrows* (JY)

When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, the new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected.

Look Out, Jeremy Bean! by *Alice Schertle* (JY)

A school assignment to share collections prompts Jeremy Bean to become a collector of stories about himself, which he hopes he can share with his grandchildren as his Gramps has shared stories with him.

The Mouse Family Robinson by *Dick King-Smith* (JY)

After a close call with a cat, a family of wild mice, including adventurous, young Beaumont and elderly Uncle Brown, emigrates to a more mouse-friendly house down the block.

My Father's Dragon by *Ruth Gannett* (JY)

A young boy determines to rescue a poor baby dragon who is being used by a group of lazy wild animals to ferry them across a river.

Never Glue Your Friends to Chairs by *Katherine Applegate* (JY)

When the first-graders' bee antennae would not stay on their heads and the drummers would not stay in their seats for the open house play, Roscoe decides to help by using the "don't-you-dare" glue.



The Silver Horse Switch by *Alison Lester* (JY)

Best friends Bonnie and Sam, who love horses, watch in amazement as a farm horse and a wild horse, identical in appearance, trade places.

Sly the Sleuth and the Pet Mysteries by *Donna Jo Napoli* (JY)

Sly the Sleuth, also known as Sylvia, solves three mysteries, all involving pets, through her detective agency, Sleuth for Hire.

Welcome to the Bed and Biscuit by *Joan Carris* (JY)

The family animals at the Bed and Biscuit feel slighted when Dr. Bender returns from a fire with something that occupies the time usually reserved for them.

The World According to Humphrey by *Betty Birney* (JY)

Humphrey, pet hamster at Longfellow School, has an important role to play in helping his classmates and teacher.



Non-fiction

Building on Nature: the Life of Antoni Gaudi by *Rachel Rodriguez* (JfB G233r)

Inspired by the natural beauty of his homeland of Catalonia, Antoni Gaudi became a celebrated and innovative architect through his unique structures that had a significant impact on architecture as it was known.

Butterflies and Moths by *Nic Bishop* (Jf595.789 B541b)

Simple, engaging text presents information and fun, quirky facts about the insects' appearance, habits, and life cycle.

Christian the Lion by *Anthony Bourke* (J599.757 B667c)

A lion cub purchased from a London department store, is sent to Kenya to be rehabilitated by George Adamson, for release into the wild. Told from Christian the lion's point of view.

An Eye for Color: the Story of Josef Albers by *Natasha Wing* (J709.2 AL141w)

The painter Joseph Albers saw art in simple things. Late in his career, he began painting squares of solid, unmixed color, one within another.



Life in the Boreal Forest

by *Brenda Guiberson* (Jf 578.737 G94L)

The boreal forest is buried in ice and snow during winter, but in summer lakes teem with fish, and bogs swarm with insects. Follow a snowshoe hare, beavers, a lynx, and other animals as they survive a year in this endangered landscape.