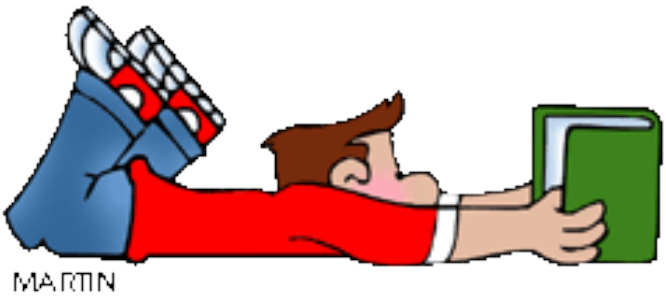

Suggested Summer Reading

2014

Second Grade to Third Grade

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Fiction/Picture Books:

Asch, Frank	*Mr. Maxwell's Mouse*
Bertrand, Lynne	*The Granite Baby*
Frank, John	*The Toughest Cowboy: or How the Wild West Was Tamed*
Harrington, Janice	*The Chicken-Chasing Queen of Lamar County*
Lithgow John	*The Remarkable Farkle McBride*
McKissack, Patricia	*Precious and the Boo Hag*
O'Malley, Kevin	*Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude* (others by O'Malley)
Polacco, Patricia	*Chicken Sunday* (others by Polacco)
Samuels, Barbara	*Aloha, Dolores* (others by Samuels)
Wiesner, David	*Tuesday, Jumanji, Sector 7* (others by Wiesner)

Chapter Books/Series:

Abbott, Tony	*The Secrets of Droon* series
Avi	*Ragweed*
Banscherus, J.	*Klooz* series
Benton, Jim	*Franny K. Stein* series
Blume, Judy	*Freckle Juice* (challenging)
Barrows, Annie	*Ivy and Bean* series
Blume	*Fudge* series
Byars, Betsy	*The Summer of the Swans* (challenging)
Cleary, Beverly	*The Mouse and the Motorcycle* & *Ramona the Brave* series
Dahl, Roald	*The Twits* (also, *James and the Giant Peach* & *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*)
DiCamillo, Kate	*Mercy Watson* series
DiTerlizzi, Tony & Holly Black	*The Spiderwick Chronicles* series
Duffey, Betsy	*How to be Cool in Third Grade* (series)
Durand, Hallie	*Dessert First*
Eager, Edward	*Half Magic*
Erickson, John R.	*Hank the Cowdog* (series)
Fleischman, Paul	*The Dunderheads*
Fleischman, Sid	*The Whipping Boy*
Gardiner, John R.	*Stone Fox*
Greenburg, Dan	*The Zack Files* series
Hale, Bruce	*Chet Gecko Mystery* series
Hurwitz, Johanna	*Aldo Applesauce* (series, challenging)
King-Smith, Dick	*A Mouse Called Wolf*
Kline, Suzy	*Horrible Harry Moves up to Third Grade* (series)
Kurlik, Nancy	*Katie Kazoo, Switcheroo* series & *George Brown, Class Clown* series
Look, Lenore	*Ruby Lu* series
Lowry, Lois	Gooney Bird Greene (challenging)

Maddox, Jake	*Free Throw* (other Jake Maddox series)
McDonald, Megan	*Judy Moody* series (challenging)
Pilkey, Dav	*Ricky Ricotta* series
Rockwell, Thomas	*How to Eat Fried Worms*
Sachar, Louis	*Marvin Redpost* series
Scieszka, Jon	*Time Warp Trio* series
Snicket, Lemony	*A Series of Unfortunate Events* series
Stilton, Geronimo	*Geronimo Stilton* series

Classics:

Banks, Lynne Reid	*The Indian in the Cupboard* series
Anderson, C.W.	*Billy and Blaze* series
Barrett, Judi	*Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs*
Cooney, Barbara	*Miss Rumphius*
Lindgren, Astrid	*Pippi Longstocking* (Chapter Book, challenging)
Steig, William	*Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*

Non-fiction:

Jenkins, Steve	*Bones*
Leedy, Loreen	*Celebrate the 50 States!*
McCarthy, Meghan	*Pop! The Invention of Bubble Gum*
Munro, Roxie	*EcoMazes: 12 Earth Adventures*
Riehle, Mary Ann McCabe	*A is for Airplane: An Aviation Alphabet*
St. George, Judith	*So You Want To Be President?*
St. George, Judith	*So You Want To Be An Inventor?*
Tang, Greg	*The Grapes of Math*

Biography:

Cheney, Lynne	*A is for Abigail: An Almanac of Amazing American Women*
dePaola, Tomie	*26 Fairmount Avenue*
Hill, Laban Carrick	*Dave the Potter*
Krull, Kathleen	*Jim Henson: The Guy Who Played with Puppets* & The Boy Who Invented TV: The Story of Philo Farnsworth
Moss, Marissa	*Brave Harriet*
St. George, Judith	*Stand Tall, Abe Lincoln*
Winter, Johah & André Carrilho	*You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!*
Who Was Series by various authors	

Poetry:

Ashman, Linda	*The Essential Worldwide Monster Guide*
Burleigh, Robert	*Hoops*
Florian, Douglas	*Bing, Bang, Boing: Poems and Drawings*
Prelutsky, Jack	*The Frog Wore Red Suspenders* (others by Prelutsky)
Raczka, Bob	*Guyku: A Year of Haiku for Boys*
Silverstein, Shel	*Falling Up* (others by Silverstein)

Historical Fiction:

Bunting, Eve	*Dreaming of America: An Ellis Island Story*
Fritz, Jean	*And Then What Happened Paul Revere?*
Levine, Ellen	*Henry's Freedom Box*
Polacco, Patricia	*Pink and Say*
Say, Allen	*Grandfather's Journey*
Selznick, Brian	*The Houdini Box*
Williams, Sherley Anne	*Working Cotton*
Woodson, Jacqueline	*The Other Side*

Folklore:

Isaacs, Anne	*Swamp Angel*
Johnston, Tony	*Bigfoot Cinderrrrella*
Lester, Julius	*John Henry*
San Souci Robert	*The Talking Eggs*
Steptoe, John	*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale*
Wisniewsky, David	*Golem*

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The following list of books will help you select reading material that has been highly rated by reviewers, librarians, and children. Hopefully, they will provide alternatives for reading pleasure.

Kindergarten through Third Grade
2013 -2014
Selections from the Best of the Best
PA School Librarians Association

Author	**Title**
Becker, Aaron	*Journey*
Brown, Don	*Henry and the Cannons: The Extraordinary True Story Of the American Revolution*
Brown, Peter	*Mr. Tiger Goes Wild*
Bryant, Jen	*A Splash of Red: The Life and Art of Horace Pippin*
Cunnane, Kelly	*Deep in the Sahara*
Daywalt, Drew	*The Day the Crayons Quit*
Elliot, David	*Henry's Map*
Holub, Joan	*Little Red Writing*
Kennedy, Caroline	*Poems to Learn by Heart*
MacLachlan, Patricia	*Snowflakes Fall*
Martin, Jacqueline Briggs	*Former Will Allen and the Growing Table*
Nelson, Kadir	*Nelson Mandella*

Park, Linda Sue	*Xander's Panda Party*
Roth, Susan L. & Cindy Trumbore	*Parrots Over Puerto Rico*
Scieszka, Jon & Mac Barnett & Alex	*Battle Bunny*
Snicket, Lemony	*The Dark*
Stone, Tanya Lee	*Who Says Women Can't Be Doctors? The Story of Elizabeth Blackwell*
Wiesner, David	*Mr. Wuffles!*
Willems, Mo	*That is NOT a Good Idea!*

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Caldecott Medal Winners
Last Ten Years

Medal Year	Author	Title
2014	Floca, Brian	*Locomotive*
2013	Klassen, Jon	*This Is Not My Hat*
2012	Raschka, Chris	*A Ball for Daisy*
2011	Stead, Philip C.	*A Sick Day for Amos McGee*
2010	Pinkney, Jerry	*The Lion & the Mouse*
2009	Swanson, Susan Marie	*The House in the Night*
2008	Selznick, Brian	*The Invention of Hugo Cabret*
2007	Wiesner, David	*Flotsam*
2006	Jester, Norton	*The Hello, Goodbye Window*
2005	Henkes, Kevin	*Kitten's First Moon*
2004	Gerstein, Mordicai	*The Man Who Walked Between the Towers*

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Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Award Winners
Last Ten Years

Year	Author	Title
2013-2014	Reynolds, Aaron	*Creepy Carrots*
2012-2013	Scillian, Devin	*Memoirs of a Goldfish*
2011-2012	Barton, Chris	*Shark vs Train*
2010-2011	Watt, Melanie	*Chester*
2009-2010	Watt, Melanie	*Scaredy Squirrel*
	Levine, Ellen	*Henry's Freedom Box*
2008-2009	Stevens, Janet & Susan Stevens Crummel	*The Great Fuzz Frenzy*

2007-2008	Gottfried, Maya	*Good Dog*
	McCarthy, Meghan	*Aliens Are Coming*
2007-2006	Schachner, Judy	*Skippyjon Jones*
2005-2006	Buehner, Caralyn	*Super Dog: the Heart of a Hero*
2004-2005	Johnson, Doug	*Substitute Teacher Plans*
2003-2004	McFarland, Lyn Rossiter	*Widget*

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Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Awards Program
Master List for 2014--2015

Kindergarten to Grade 3

Bean, Jonathan	*Building Our House*
Brown, Peter	*Mr. Tiger Goes Wild*
Bryant, Jen	*A Splash of Red: the Life and Art of Horace Pippin*
Fleming, Candace	*Papa's Mechanical Fish*
Keller, Laurie	*Bowling Alley Bandit*
McCarthy, Meghan	*Daredevil: The Daring Life of Betty Skelton*
McCarty, Peter	*Chloe*
Mills, Claudia	*Kelsey Green, Reading Queen*
Moore, Eva	*Lucky Ducklings*
Park, Linda Sue	*Xander's Panda Party*
Prelutsky, Jack	*Stardines Swim High Across the Sky: and Other Poems*
Rubin, Adam	*Dragons Love Tacos*
Schneider, Josh	*Tales for Very Picky Eaters*
Snicket, Lemony	*The Dark*
Sternberg, Julie	*Like Bug Juice on a Burger*

Note: Children love being read to no matter what their age. We offer this suggested list to provide you with books that you and your child might enjoy. The easy readers and chapter books should be at most students' independent reading levels. The best way to ensure that your child does not become frustrated with reading any of them is to have your child read them to you first. If the book is too difficult, a child can develop negative feelings about reading. Let's encourage our children to be lifelong readers

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Free Summer Reading Contests:

- **Barnes & Noble Imagination Destination** - This summer reading program through Barnes & Noble gives your child the ability to earn a FREE book after reading 8 books and keeping track of them in a reading log. Go to **http://www.barnesandnoble.com/u/summer-reading/379003570.**

- **Book Adventure** – Go to **http://www.bookadventure.com/Home.aspx** Sylvan offers this FREE reading incentive program. Basically your child reads books and then takes a simple comprehension quiz to make sure they understood what they read. The quiz is usually about 10 questions long. They earn points based on how much they remember from reading the book. There are hundreds of books to choose from in all reading levels. These are common books that can be found at your local library. Once they have earned enough points they can trade them in for prizes!

- **Chuck E. Cheese** – Go to **www.chuckecheese.com** (go to Games & Activities) and earn 10 FREE tokens every time your child reads for 2 weeks in a row. Just fill out the form and bring it in to claim your free tokens.

- **Half Price Books** – They are offering kids ages 14 and under a chance to earn a $5 Gift Card for reading just 15 minutes each day throughout the summer!
  Go to **http://www.hpb.com/community/literacy/fyb/.**

- **National Amusements Theaters Bookworm Wednesdays** - Your child can earn a FREE movie ticket from National Amusements Theaters when they read a book and complete a book report. Go to **http://www.showcasecinemas.com/** and select *Programs* to get to *Bookworm Wednesdays*.

- **Scholastic Summer Challenge** - Log in your reading minutes to the Scholastic site at **http://www.scholastic.com/summer** and your child will be able to participate in a World Record challenge as well as earn digital prizes!

- **TD Bank Summer Reading Program** – Read and keep track of 10 books this summer and your child will get $10 added to their Young Saver Account FREE!
  Go to **http://www.tdbank.com** (search summer reading).

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- **Local Public Library** – Don't forget to check out your local libraries to find out which programs they will be offering this summer.

Public Library Sites for Summer Reading Programs:

Montgomery County Library System – Lists links to all libraries in Montgomery County
http://www.mclinc.org/kids_programs.htm

http://www.mclinc.org/members.htm - List Montgomery County Libraries with phone #s

Montgomery County-Norristown Public Library
http://www.mc-npl.org/Index.html

Bucks County Library System
http://www.buckslib.org/kids/

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Reading Sites for Parents and Children:

Reading Rockets
http://www.readingrockets.org/audience/parents/

Mrs. P's -An award-winning FREE interactive digital storybook destination. Classic children's stories brought to life by TV star Kathy Kinney as Mrs. P.
http://www.mrsp.com/

Reading is Fundamental
http://www.rif.org/kids/readingplanet.htm

Internet4Classrooms Resources for Parents
http://www.internet4classrooms.com/parents.htm

iVillage PBS Summer Reading Community Challenge is a result of iVillage partnering with PBS KIDS Raising Readers to create a free 6-week program to help children discover the joys of reading. Receive a daily email with fun activities to build reading skills, tricks and advice from your Challenge coach, great book suggestions for kids of all ages, tips from other parents taking the challenge.
Go to **http://www.ivillage.com/challenges/summerreading/signup.**