The titles on this list are ones which are popular with students of this age. These books vary in terms of topic and interest as well as in difficulty level. Some of the books provide easy reading for most students, some are best read with your child so that you can help with unknown words, and others are more difficult for most children and will need to be read aloud. Take your cues from your child and provide the support needed for the reading of books on this list—or any other books read this summer. Don’t overlook the benefits of reading aloud to your child as you share new books this summer.

**FICTION**

**Fantasy**

DiTerlizzi, Tony—The Field Guide [Spiderwick Chronicles]

LeGuin, Ursula—Catwings or other books in this series

Rodda, Emily—Rowan of Rin or other books in this series

Selden, George—Cricket in Times Square or other books in this series

Winthrop, Nancy—Castle in the Attic and sequel

**Historical Fiction**

Fritz, Jean—And Then What Happened, Paul Revere? or other books in this series

Hermes, Patricia—Westward to Home: Joshua’s Diary or any title in the My America series

Hill, Kirkpatrick—The Year of Miss Agnes

**Humor**

Blume, Judy—Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing and other books about Fudge

Cleary, Beverly—The Mouse and the Motorcycle or any title by this author

Howe, James—Bunnicula or other books in this series

Kline, Suzy—Herbie Jones or any title by this author

Peck, Robert Newton—Soup or other books in this series

Sachar, Louis—Wayside School is Falling Down or other books in this series

Scieszka, Jon—Knights of the Kitchen Table [Time Warp Trio Series]

Van Draanan, W.—Secret Identity [Shredderman Series]

**Mystery**

Avi—Who Stole the Wizard of Oz?

Osborne, Mary Pope—Spider Kane: Mystery at Jumbo Nightcrawler’s

Sabol, Donald—Encyclopedia Brown Solves Them All [Encyclopedia Brown Series]

Warner, Gertrude C.—The Boxcar Children [Boxcar Children Series]

**Realistic Fiction**

Christopher, Matt—Baseball Flyhawk or any title by this author

Byers, Betsy—My Dog, my Hero or any title by this author

Danziger, Paula—Amber Brown is Not a Crayon or other books in this series

DiCamillo, Kate—Because of Winn-Dixie

Lowry, Lois—Anastasia Krupnik or other books in this series

Park, Barbara—Kid in the Red Jacket or any title by this author

Smith, Doris—A Taste of Blackberries

**NON—FICTION**

Bruchac, Joseph—The First Strawberries or any title by this author

Cole, Joanna—Magic School Bus Inside a Hurricane or any title by this author

Eyewitness Series

George, Jean—One Day in the Tropical Rainforest or other books in this series

Kerley, Barbara—The Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins

Prelutsky, Jack—The New Kid on the Block or any title by this author

Ryan, Pam M.—When Marian Sang

Silverstein, Shel—Where the Sidewalk Ends or any title by this author

Viorst, Judith—If I were in Charge of the World or Sad Underwear

Wick, Walter—Walter Wick’s Optical Tricks

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