

South Orange Maplewood School District
2017 Summer Reading List
Primary List: Grades K – 2

This list of summer reading suggestions was compiled by your librarians from the South Orange and Maplewood elementary schools and public libraries, and is available online through the SOMSD website and the public library sites. We have included many great books to read over the summer. Reading is one of the best activities for academic success. Enjoy the summer and keep reading!

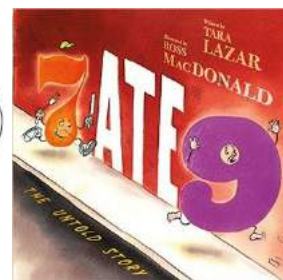
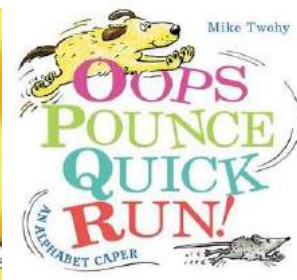
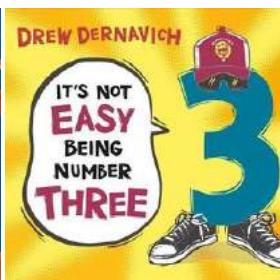
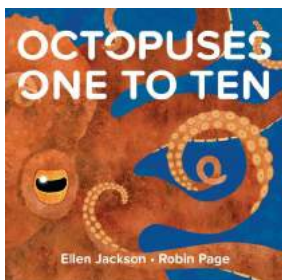
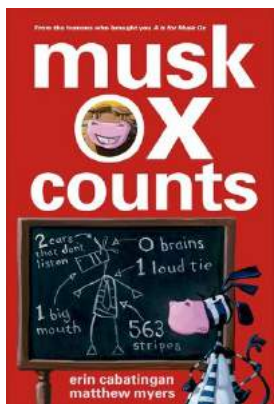


You can find these and other books at your public library:

South Orange Public Library
www.sopl.org
65 Scotland Road
South Orange, NJ 07079
973.762.0230

Maplewood Memorial Library
www.maplewoodlibrary.org
51 Baker Street
Maplewood, NJ 07040
973.762.1622 ext 5005

Maplewood Library Hilton Branch
www.maplewoodlibrary.org
1688 Springfield Ave.
Maplewood, NJ 07040
973.762.1688



ALPHABET AND NUMBER BOOKS

7 Ate 9: The Untold Story by Tara Lazar

Billions of Bricks by Kurt Cyrus

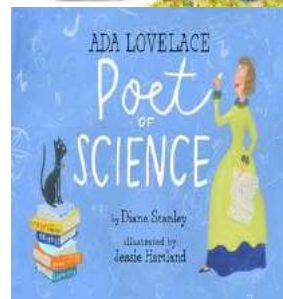
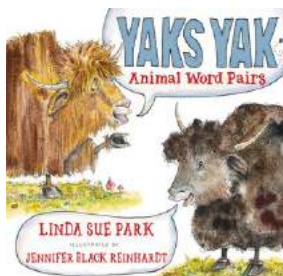
It's not Easy Being Number Three by Drew Dernaivich

Musk Ox Counts by Erin Cabatingan (also read *A is for Musk Ox*)

Octopuses One to Ten by Ellen Jackson

Oops Pounce Quick Run! by Mike Twohy

Yaks Yak: Animal Word Pairs by Linda Sue Park



BIOGRAPHY & HISTORY

Ada Lovelace: Poet of Science by Diane Stanley

Boy Who Harnessed the Wind by William Kamkwamba

Fantastic Undersea Life of Jacques Cousteau by Dan Yaccarino

I Am Jim Henson by Brad Meltzer (also read other books in the *Ordinary People Change the World* series)

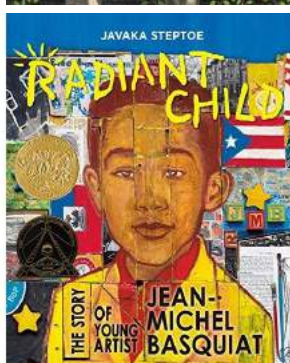
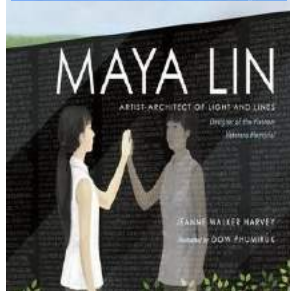
Maya Lin: Artist-Architect of Light and Lines by Jeanne Walker-Harvey

Rachel Carson: Preserving a Sense of Wonder by Thomas Locker

Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat by Javaka Steptoe

When I Grow Up: Misty Copeland by Lexi Ryals (also read *You Should Meet Misty Copeland*)

Whoosh! Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions by Chris Barton



CHAPTER BOOKS

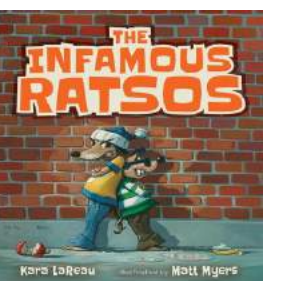
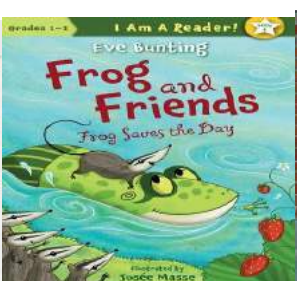
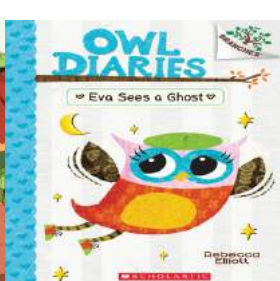
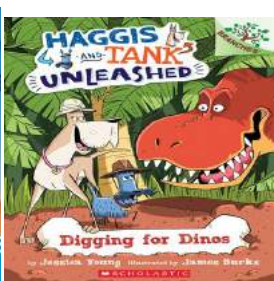
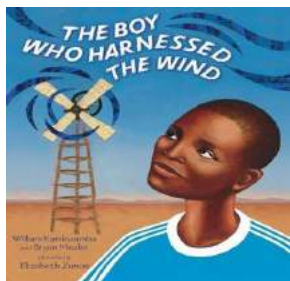
Digging For Dinos by Jessica Young (also read other books in the *Haggis and Tank* series)

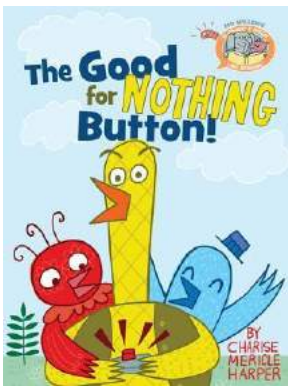
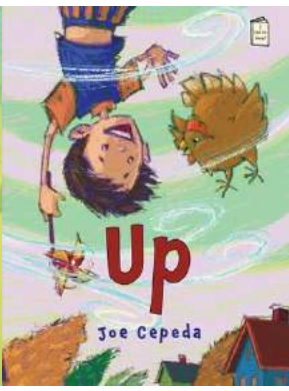
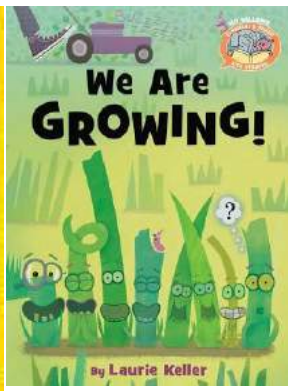
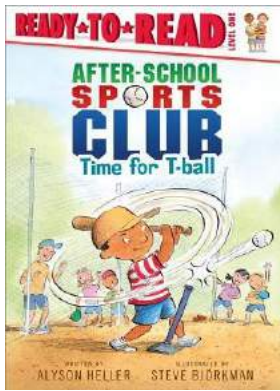
Eva Sees A Ghost by Rebecca Elliott (also read other books in the *Owl Diaries* series)

Frog and Friends: Frog Saves the Day by Eve Bunting (also read other books in the series)

The Infamous Ratsos by Kara LaReau

Katie's Spooky Sleepover by Fran Manushkin (also read other books in the *Katie Woo* or the *Pedro* series)





EARLY READERS

After-School Sports Club: Time for T-Ball by Alyson Heller (also read other books in the *Ready to Read* series)

At the Beach by Shira Evans (also read other books in the *National Geographic Readers* series)

Cookie Fiasco by Dan Santat

Duck, Duck, Porcupine! by Salina Yoon

Frog Jog by HARRIET ZIEFERT (also read other books in the *Flip-a-Word* series)

Good For Nothing Button by Charise Harper

Hi Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold (also read other books in the *Fly Guy* series)

Rabbit and Robot: The Sleepover by Cece Bell

Riddle Rhymes by DJ Panec (also read other books in the *We Both Read* series)

Thank You Book by Mo Willems (also read other *Elephant & Piggie* books)

Up by Joe Cepeda (also read other books in the *I Like to Read* series)

We Are Growing by Mo Willems & Laurie Keller

Weather (also read other books in the *DK Readers, Level 1* series)

FABLES & FANTASY

Beauty and the Beast by H. Chuku Lee

Grandma and the Great Gourd by Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni

Love and Roast Chicken: A Trickster Tale from the Andes Mountains by Barbara Knutson

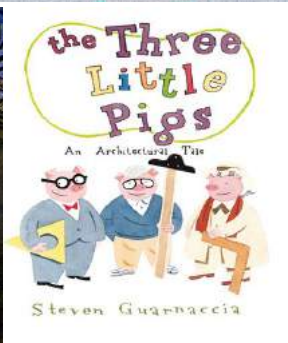
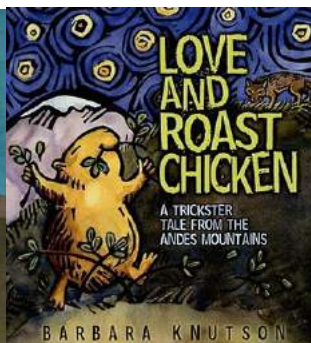
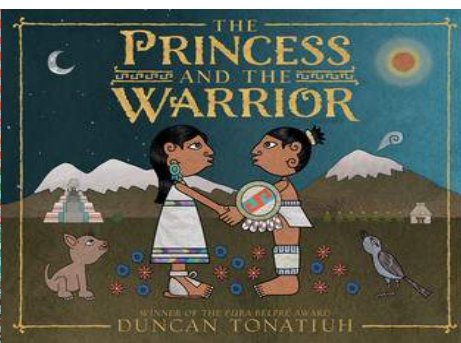
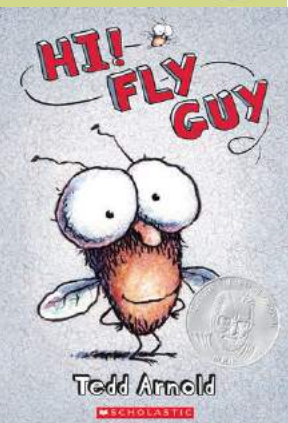
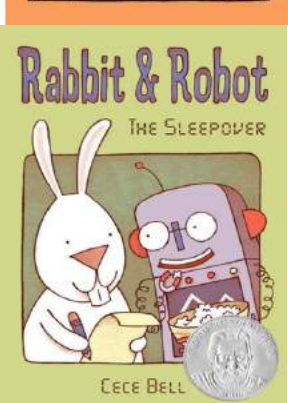
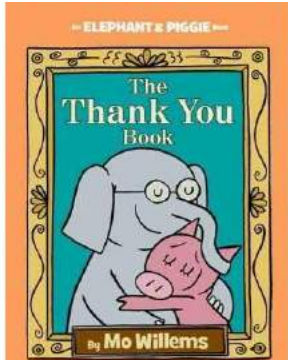
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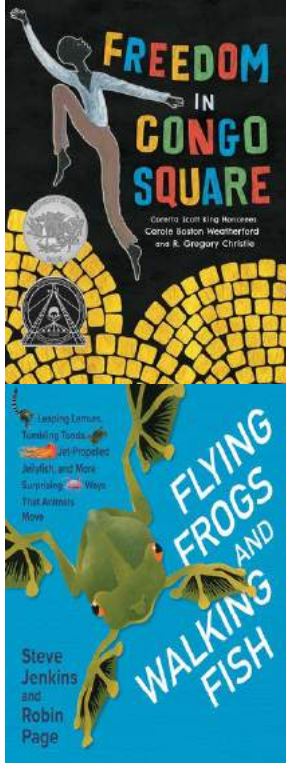
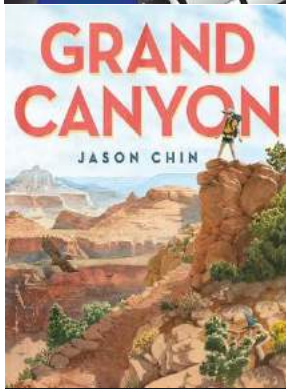
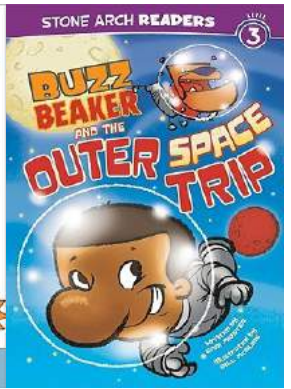
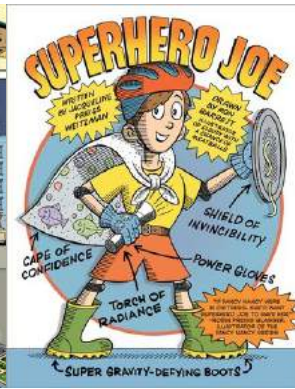
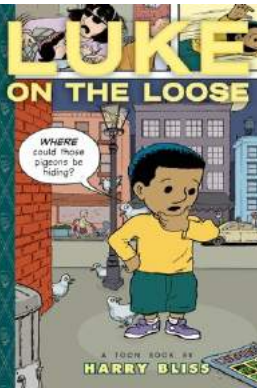
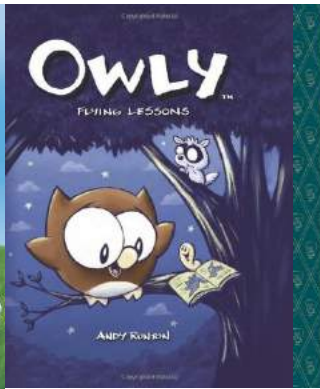
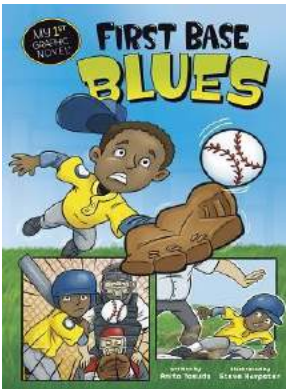
Return by Aaron Becker (also read *Journey* and *Quest*)

Three Billy Goats Gruff by Jerry Pinkney (also read other books by this author/illustrator)

Three Little Pigs: An Architectural Tale by Steven Guarnaccia

Water Princess by Susan Verde





GRAPHIC NOVELS

Buzz Beaker and the Outer Space Trip by Cari Mesiter (also read other books in the series)

First Base Blues by Anita Yasuda (also read other books in the *My First Graphic Novel* series)

Hippopotamister by John Patrick Green

Luke on the Loose by Harry Bliss (also read other books in the *Toon Book* series)

Superhero Joe by Jacqueline Weitzman

NONFICTION

Blobfish Book by Jessica Olien

Boy Were We Wrong About the Solar System by Kathleen Kudlinski

Case for Loving: The Fight for Interracial Marriage by Selina Alko

Flying Frogs and Walking Fish by Steve Jenkins
(also read other titles by Jenkins including *Creature Features*, *Eye to Eye*,
What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?)

Freedom in Congo Square by Carole Boston Weatherford

Galapagos George by Jean Craighead

Giant Squid by Candace Fleming

Give Bees a Chance by Bethany Barton

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

Grand Canyon by Jason Chin (also read other books by the author)

Lego Man in Space: A True Story by Mara Shaughnessy

Locomotive by Brian Floca

Lost and Found Cat: The True Story of Kunkush's Incredible Journey by Doug Kuntz

Marvelous Thing That Came from a Spring: The Accidental Invention of the Toy that Swept a Nation
by Gilbert Ford

Ocean Animals Collection by Laura Marsh (also read other *National Geographic Readers*)

One Proud Penny by Randy Siegel

Polar Bear by Jenni Desmond

Secret Subway by Shana Corey

Snakes Slither and Hiss by Fiona Lock (also read other books in the *DK Readers pre-level 1* series)

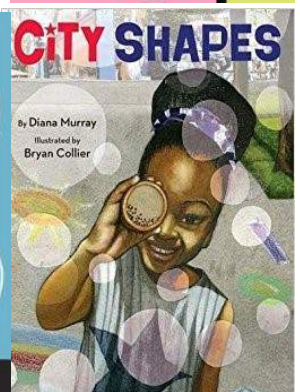
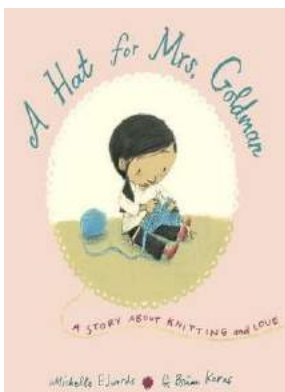
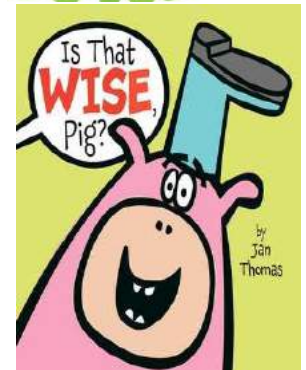
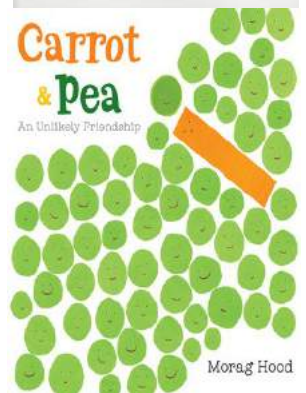
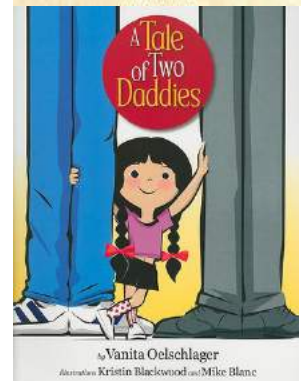
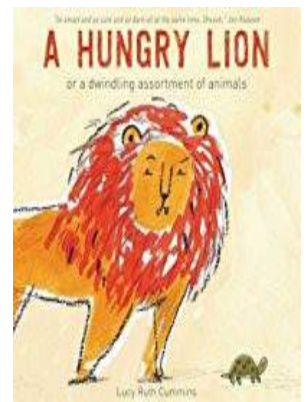
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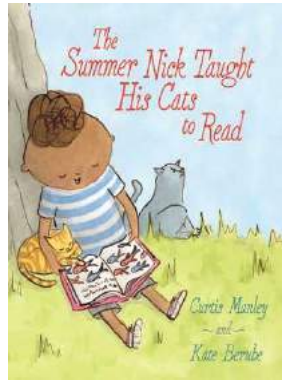
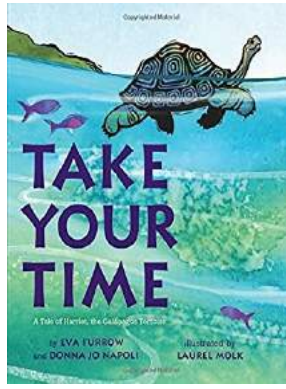
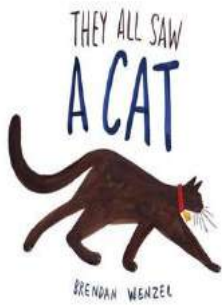
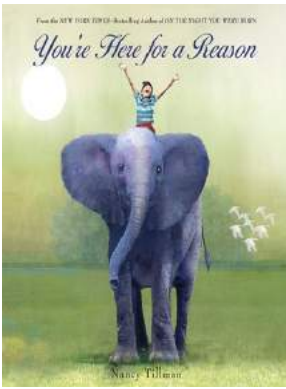
What if Everybody Did That? by Ellen Javernick

You're Pulling My Leg by Pat Street

PICTURE BOOKS

- Are We There Yet?*** by Dan Santat
- A Bike Like Sergio's*** by Maribeth Boelts
- Ballerina Gets Ready*** by Allegra Kent
- Carrot and Pea: An Unlikely Friendship*** by Morag Hood
- City Shapes*** by Diana Murray
- Dear Dragon*** by Josh Funk
- Du Iz Tak?*** by Carson Ellis
- The Fly*** by Peter Horacek
- Going Places*** by Peter Reynolds
- A Hat for Mrs. Goldman: A Story About Knitting and Love*** by Michelle Edwards
- Have you Seen Elephant?*** by David Barrow
- Have You Seen My Trumpet?*** by Michael Escoffier
- A Hungry Lion*** by Lucy Cummins
- Ice Cream Summer*** by Peter Sis
- If You Ever Want to Bring a Piano to the Beach, Don't!*** by Elise Parsley
- If You Plant a Seed*** by Kadir Nelson
- In Plain Sight*** by Richard Jackson
- Inside This Book (are three books)*** by Barney Saltzberg
- Is That Wise, Pig?*** by Jan Thomas (also read other books by this author)
- Joseph's Big Ride*** by Terry Farish
- The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors*** by Drew Daywalt (also read *The Day the Crayons Quit*)
- Lion Lessons*** by Jon Agee
- Maybe Something Beautiful: How Art Transformed a Neighborhood*** by F. Isabel Campoy
- Mitford at the Hollywood Zoo*** by Donald Robertson
- More-Igami*** by Dori Kleber
- My New Mom and Me*** by Renata Galindo
- Nanette's Baguette*** by Mo Willems (also read other books by this author)
- Night Gardener*** by The Fan Brothers
- Over and Under the Pond*** by Kate Messner
- Penguin Problems*** by Jory Johns and Lane Smith





PICTURE BOOKS, continued

Quit Calling Me A Monster by Jory John

Rulers of the Playground by Joseph Kuefler

Rules of the House by Mac Barnett

School's First Day of School by Adam Rex

Strictly No Elephants by Lisa Mantchev

The Summer Nick Taught His Cats to Read by Curtis Manley

Surf's Up by Kwame Alexander

Take Your Time: A Tale of Harriet, the Galapagos Tortoise by Eva Furrow

A Tale of Two Daddies by Vanita Oelschlagel

That's Me Loving You by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

There's a Bear on My Chair by Ross Collins

They All Saw a Cat by Brendan Wenzel

Thunder Boy Jr. by Sherman Alexie

We Found a Hat by Jon Klassen (also read other books by this author)

We're All Wonders by R. J. Palacio

What to Do With a Box by Jane Yolen

Who Broke the Vase? by Jeffrey Turner

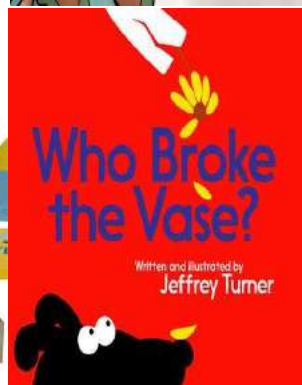
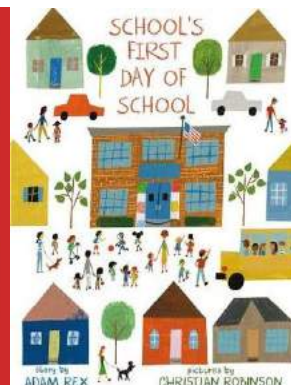
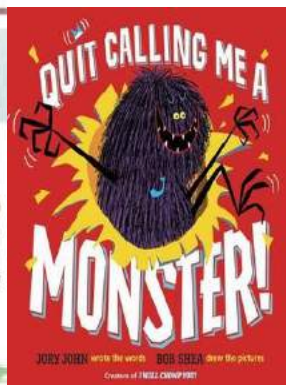
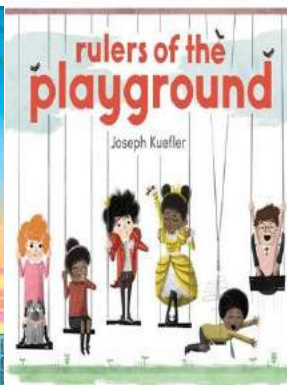
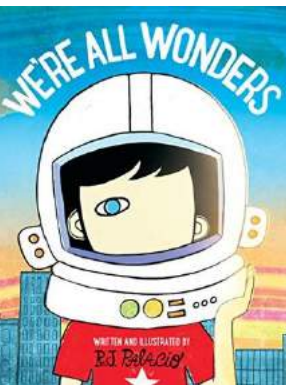
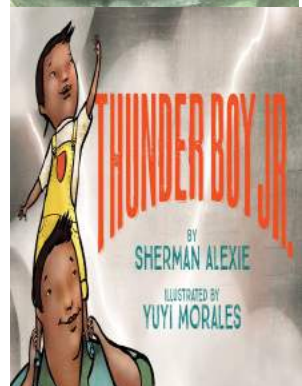
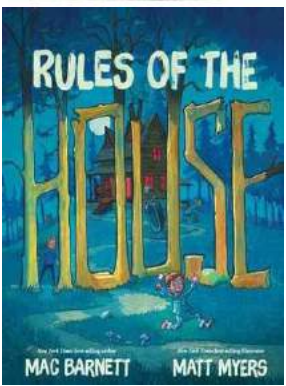
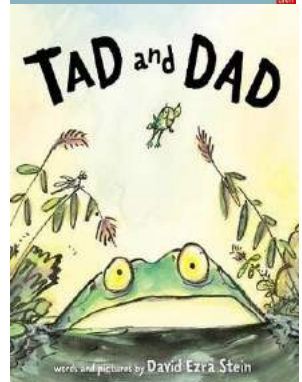
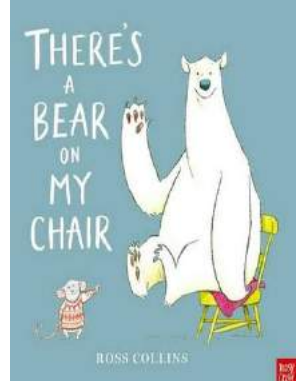
One Word From Sophia by Jim Averbeck

Pool by Jihyeon Lee

Red: A Crayon's Story by Michael Hall

Tad and Dad by David Ezra Stein

You're Here for a Reason by Nancy Tillman



POETRY

Before Morning by Joyce Sidman

Daniel Finds a Poem by Micha Archer

Guess Who, Haiku by Deanna Caswell

La Madre Goose by Susan Elya

When Green Becomes Tomatoes: Poems for all Seasons by Julie Fogliano

SPORTS

Gabby Douglas by Jameson Anderson

Get a Hit, Mo! by David Adler (also read *Don't Throw it to Mo!*)

Ibtihaj Muhammad: Olympic Fencer by Katie Lajiness
(also read other books in the *Big Buddy Olympic Biographies* series)

I Know Basketball by Annabelle Tometich (also read other books in the *I Know Sports* series)

I Love Soccer by Ryan Nagelhout (also read other books in the *My Favorite Sports* series)

I've Got the No-Skateboard Blues by Anita Yasuda (also read other books in the *Victory School Superstars* series)

My New Team by Ryan Howard (also read other books in the *Little Rhino* series)

SERIES BOOKS you may like:

Anna Hibiscus series by Atinuke

A-Z Mysteries by Ron Roy

Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish

Bad Kitty series by Nick Bruel

Ballpark Mysteries by David Kelly

Bink and Gollie series by Kate Di Camillo

Black Lagoon Adventures series by Mike Thaler

Cam Jansen Mystery series by David Adler

Capital Mysteries series by Ron Roy

Cat the Cat series by Mo Willems

Cool Sports Facts series

Elephant and Piggie series by Mo Willems

I Am Reading series

Ivy and Bean series by Annie Barrows

Knufflebunny series by Mo Willems

Mercy Watson series by Kate DiCamillo

Miami series by P. & F. McKissack

National Geographic Kids series

Pete the Cat series by Eric Litwin

Pigeon series by Mo Willems

Princess Posey series by Stephanie Greene

Splat, the Cat series by Rob Scotton

The Stories Julian Tells series by Ann Cameron

You Read to Me, I'll Read to You series

ADDITIONAL AUTHORS & ILLUSTRATORS to explore:

Nic Bishop, Jan Brett, Marc Brown, Peter Brown, Eric Carle, Peter Catalanotto, Beverly Cleary, Lauren Child, Andrew Clements, Joanna Cole, Floyd Cooper, Doreen Cronin, Tomie DePaola, Kate DiCamillo, Hallie Durand, Ed Emberley, Emily Gravett, Kevin Henkes, Tad Hills, Keiko Kasza, Ezra Jack Keats, Steven Kellogg, E.B. Lewis, Leo Lionni, Pat McKissack, Bill Martin, Susan Meddaugh, Robert Munsch, Margie Palatini, Dav Pilkey, Jerry Pinkney, Patricia Polacco, Antoinette Portis, James Ransome, Peter Reynolds, Eric Rohmann, Amy Rosenthal, Cynthia Rylant, John Scieszka, Laura Vaccaro Seeger, David Shannon, William Steig, Mark Teague, Jan Thomas, Chris Van Allsburg, Rosemary Wells, David Wiesner, Mo Willems, Harriet Ziefert

