



Make a Splash: READ!

2010 Summer Reading Program
Hedberg Public Library

Suggested Books for Readers: Grades 4-5

FICTION

Adam Canfield: The Last Reporter* by Michael Winerip

The school board has shut down the school paper, the SLASH, for exposing the town's most powerful family. Are Adam's newspaper days over for good?

Brendan Buckley's Universe and Everything in It*

by Sundee T. Frazier

Brendan's dad is black and his mom is white and that's never been a problem until he meets his white grandfather. Can Brendan's scientific problem-solving ability bring his family together?

Into the Woods* by Lyn Gardner

Aurora Eden's To Do List: 1) Convince Storm that witches aren't real. 2) Figure out why the mysterious boy wants an old tin pipe. 3) Do not go INTO THE WOODS. 4) Make sure no one finds out we are living without grown-ups!

Leaving the Bellweathers* by Kristin Clark Venuti

Employment Opportunity. Wanted: One gentleman possessed of nerves of steel. Must know how to set a formal dining table as well as the best method of large-animal sedation. Lunatic-asylum experience is helpful.

Leviathan* by Scott Westerfeld

It's 1914 prewar Europe – or is it? This alternate history is filled with espionage, treachery, adventure, Star Wars-like walking machines, a girl disguised as a boy, and a boy who would be king.

Magic in the Outfield, Sluggers series #1 by Loren Long

It's 1899 and the Travelin' Nine baseball team is barnstorming its way across the country trying to pay off a big-league debt. They may have big troubles, but they also have a magic baseball.

Oceanology: The True Account of the Voyage of the

Nautilus by Emily Hawkins

What if a 16-year-old assistant named Ferdinand de Lessups had traveled with Captain Nemo in his submarine in 1866 - and what if he had been the sole survivor of the ill-fated voyage and had gone on to relay his adventures to Jules Verne? (Illustrated Fiction)

Peace, Locomotion* by Jacqueline Woodson

Lonnie "Locomotion" Collins shares hopes for peace in letters to his younger sister.

Summer According to Humphrey* by Betty Birney

What is the classroom hamster supposed to do when the kids all go home for summer vacation? Go with them!

War Horse by Michael Morpurgo

Joey is a war horse trained to drag heavy loads and carry wounded soldiers, but he once lived on a farm with a gentle boy named Albert. Will Joey ever see Albert and his farm again?

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon* by Grace Lin

In the valley of Fruitless Mountain, Minli lives in a ramshackle hut. Inspired by her father's tales about the Jade Dragon and the Old Man on the Moon, Minli sets off on an extraordinary journey.

NON-FICTION

A Journey into a Wetland by Rebecca Johnson

Take a walk in a swamp and discover how wetland animals and plants are connected. 574.526 JOHNS

Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshall* by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson

On a frontier brimming with treachery and lawlessness, Bass Reeves arrested more than 3,000 outlaws. Children's Biography REEVES

Icebergs and Glaciers by Seymour Simon

Imagine a land of everlasting winter where glaciers and icebergs grind and crush everything in their path. 551.3 SIMON

If Not for the Cat by Jack Prelutsky

Haiku-like poems describe a variety of animals. 811.54 PRELU

Life as a Ninja by Matt Doeden

You're a ninja in feudal Japan. Will you take part in the siege of Sawayama Castle? Fight the army of Oda Nobunaga? You make the call in this interactive book. 355.548 DOEDE

Nasreen's Secret School by Jeanette Winter

Where Nasreen lives, girls are not allowed to go anywhere without a male chaperone, including to school. Nasreen's grandmother is willing to risk everything for her granddaughter's education. 371.8234 WINTE

Oceans by Beverly McMillan

From the depths of the ocean to a Spanish Galleon this vivid book is jam-packed with ocean-related facts. 551.46 MCMIL

Predators of the Sea by Mary Jo Rhodes and David Hall

Come face to face with remarkable sea creatures. 591.92 RHODE