

# A Guide to **Summer Reading**

a resource to support SBISD families and  
**quality reading experiences for kids**

a **ReadSBISD** learning resource



# How to use this guide

## A message for parents

Literacy is  
a priority  
in SBISD.

Dear Spring Branch ISD Families:

Despite these unprecedented times, literacy is a key priority in SBISD. To grow as learners, students must continue to read and write – whether in person or online, independently or alongside a partner.

We know the challenge of navigating where to start. This guide is designed to help!

What follows are carefully curated lists of recommended summer reading titles for Grades K-8. You will find titles accessible both in print and online, in English and in Spanish, and some that are even available as Audiobooks. All titles are high-quality, engaging books chosen to help foster a lifelong love of reading in your child.

You will also find a Reading Log and Book Bingo board to track your child's progress and challenge him or her to read a variety of titles. We encourage you to share your experiences @SBISD using #sbisd\_readers. We cannot wait to see what your child accomplishes!

Thank you, families, for being your child's first and most important teacher. We wish you a wonderful and safe summer filled with unlimited literacy adventures books can provide.

*Estimadas familias de Spring Branch ISD:*

*A pesar de estos tiempos sin precedentes, la alfabetización es una prioridad clave en SBISD. Para crecer como estudiantes, los estudiantes deben seguir leyendo y escribiendo, ya sea en persona o en línea, de forma independiente o junto a un compañero.*

*Conocemos el reto de no saber por dónde empezar. ¡Esta guía está diseñada para ayudar!*

*Lo que sigue son listas cuidadosamente seleccionadas de títulos recomendados de lectura de verano para los grados K-8. Encontrará títulos accesibles tanto impresos como en línea, en inglés y en español, y algunos que incluso están disponibles como audiolibros. Todos los títulos son libros atractivos y de alta calidad elegidos para ayudar a fomentar el amor de por vida por la lectura en su hijo.*

*También encontrará un registro de lectura y tablero de bingo de libros para realizar un seguimiento del progreso de su hijo y desafiarlo a leer una variedad de títulos. Le animamos a compartir sus experiencias @SBISD utilizando #sbisd\_readers. ¡No podemos esperar ver lo que su hijo logra!*

*Gracias, familias, por ser el primer y más importante maestro de su hijo. Le deseamos un verano maravilloso y seguro lleno de aventuras de alfabetización ilimitada, las cuales los libros pueden proporcionar.*



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Superintendent of Schools

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**We know that readers have different ability levels when it comes to reading independently. You know your child and their abilities.**

We hope you will use this guide to help you support your child's reading this summer. The books listed in our reading lists are in approximate order of reading level.

Some of these books are great for independent reading while others make great read-together books.

Also consider looking at lists for the next grade level for ideas to read aloud to your child.

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summer reading  
progress  
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**#SBISD\_readers**

Reading list  
**Grades K-1**

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F = Fiction  
(a) = also available as an audiobook  
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or Harris Public Library



*I Got Next (F)* by Daria Peoples-Riley  
*One Fox (F)* by Kate Read  
*Jack Book* (series)\* (F) by Mac Barnett  
*Frank and Bean*\* (F) by Jamie Michalak  
*Harold & Hog pretend for real!* (F) by Dan Santat  
*The proper way to meet a hedgehog and other how-to poems* (NF) by Richard Jones  
*King & Kayla* (series)\* (F) by Dori Hillestad Butler  
*Henny, Penny, Denny, and Mike*\* (F) by Cynthia Rylant  
*Monkey & Cake* (series)\* (F) by Drew Daywalt  
*Yasmin* (series)\* (F) by Saadia Faruqi  
*Day and night*\* (NF) by Shira Evans  
*Ballet Cat* (series)\* (F) by Bob Shea  
*Kick it, Mo!*\* (F) by David Adler  
*The Cool Bean*\* (F) by Jory John  
*Neck and Neck*\* (F) by Elise Parsley  
*Pig in Wig* (series)\* (F) by Emma Virjan  
*Book Hog*\* (F) by Greg Pizzoli  
*Bear Came Along*\* (F) by Richard Morris  
*Roar Like a Dandelion* (NF) by Ruth Krause  
*Hey Water* (NF) by Antoinette Portis  
*The Great Eggscape!*\* (F) by Jory John  
*The Real Poop on Pigeons!* (NF) by Kevin McCloskey  
*Charlie & Mouse* (series)\* (F) by Laurel Snyder  
*Hair Love*\* (F) by Matthew Cherry  
*We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga*\* (NF) by Traci Sorel

Audiobooks

*Goodnight Already*\* (F)  
by Jory John  
*The Wall in the Middle of the Book*\* (F)  
by Jon Agee  
*The Word Collector*\* (F)  
by Peter H. Reynolds  
*How to Read a Book*\* (F)  
by Kwame Alexander  
*Mango, Abuela, and Me*\* (F)  
by Meg Medina  
*Esquivel! Space-Age Sound Artist*\* (NF)  
by Susan Wood  
*El Coleccionista de Palabras*\* (F)  
by Peter H. Reynolds

Libros en español

*Lluvia! Rain!*\* (F) by Linda Ashman  
*Vamos! Let's Go to the Market*\* (F) by Raul the Third  
*Lola Goes to School*\* (F) by Anna McQuinn  
*La Casa de Algún Día*\* (F) by Julia Durango  
*Mi Papi Tiene una Moto*\* (F) by Isabel Quintero  
*Soñadores*\* (NF) by Yuyi Morales  
*¿De Dónde Eres?* (F) by Yamile Saied Méndez  
*Buenas Noches, Construcción. Buenas Noches, Diversión*\* (F) by Sherri Duskey Rinker  
*Arenas Y Trinos Abecedario Del Rio* (F) by Alma Flor Ada  
*Pasando Paginas*\* (NF) by Sonia Sotomayor  
*Un Nuevo Hogar* (F) by Tania De Regil

Reading list  
**Grades 2-3**

Looking for more K-5 reading lists?  
**Check out these:**



*Bird and Squirrel* (series)\* (GN) by James Burke  
*Up Down Inside Out* (NF) by JooHee Yoon  
*Everybody Counts* (NF) by Kristin Roskifte  
*Planting Stories*\* (NF) by Anika Denise  
*The Undeclared*\* (NF) by Kwame Alexander  
*Potato Pants!*\* (F) by Laurie Keller  
*Strictly No Elephants*\* (F) by Lisa Mantchev  
*My Grandma and Me* (NF) by Mina Javaherbin  
*It Came in the Mail*\* (F) by Ben Clanton  
*Inky the Octopus*\* (F) by Erin Guendelsberger  
*Mercy Watson* (series)\* (F) by Kate DiCamillo  
*Bad Guys* (series)\* (F) by Aaron Blabey  
*My Papi Has a Motorcycle*\* (F) by Isabel Quintero  
*The Important Thing about Margaret Wise Brown*  
(NF) by Mac Barnett  
*Thank You, Omu!*\* (F) by Oge Mora  
*Dreamers*\* (NF) by Yuyi Morales  
*Zoey And Sassafras* (series)\* (F) by Asia Citro  
*If I Built a Car*\* (F) by Chris Van Dusen  
*Counting on Katherine*\* (NF) by Helaine Becker  
*Amelia Bedelia*\* (F) by Herman Parrish  
*Mindy Kim* (series)\* (F) by Lyla Lee  
*Frankie Sparks and the Class Pet*\* (F) by Megan Frazer  
Blakemore  
*The Underground Abductor*\* (GN) by Nathan Hale

Audiobooks

*Mercy Watson* (series)\* (F)  
by Kate DiCamillo  
*Princess in Black* (series)\* (F)  
by Shannon Hale  
*The One and Only Ivan*\* (F)  
by Katherine Applegate  
*Mango, Abuela, and Me*\* (F)  
by Meg Medina  
*The Best of Iggy*\* (F)  
by Annie Barrow

Libros en español

*Los Deseos de Carmela*\* (F) by Matt de la Pena  
*La Noche Centelleante*\* (Carlos & Carmen) (F)  
by Kirsten McDonald  
*El Libro de Las Adivinanzas / The Book of Riddles*\* (NF)  
by Esther Villardon  
*El Diario de Una Lechuza*\* (series) (F)  
by Rebecca Elliott  
*Narval : Unicornio Marino* (GN) by Ben Clanton  
*Yasmin* (series) (F) by Saadia Faruqi  
*Los Tipos Malos*\* (F) by Aaron Blabey  
*Lola* by Junot Díaz  
*Marisol McDonald y la Fiesta sin Igual*\* (F)  
by Monica Brown

*Señorita Mariposa*\* (F) by Ben Gundersheimer  
*Alma Y Cómo Obtuvo Su Nombre* (F)  
by Juana Martínez-Neal  
*Si Yo Disenara un Auto*\* (F) by Chris Van Dusen  
*Tejedora del Arcoiris* (F) by Linda Marshall  
*El Chupacabras*\* (F) by Adam Rubin  
*Fushhh!*\* (NF) by Chris Barton  
*De Como Tía Lola Aprendio*\* (F) Julia Alvarez  
*¿Quién Fue Walt Disney?*\* (NF) Whitney Stewart  
*Fenway y Hattie*\* (F) Victoria Coe



Reading list  
**Grades 4-5**

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*Max and the Midknights*\* (F) (a) by Lincoln Peirce  
*New Kid*\* (F) (a) by Jerry Craft  
*Meg, Jo, Beth, Amy*\* (F) by Rey Terciero  
*I Remember: Poems and Pictures of Heritage* (NF)  
by various authors  
*Hope in the Holler*\* (F) (a) by Lisa Lewis Tyre  
*Jack and the Geniuses*\* (F) by Bill Nye  
*Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus*\* (F)  
by Dusti Bowling  
*Roll With It*\* (F) by Jamie Sumner  
*Ghost*\* (F) (a) by Jason Reynolds  
*Sweep: the Story of a Girl and Her Monster*\* (F) (a)  
by Jonathan Auxier  
*Front Desk*\* (F) by Kelly Yang  
*The Dirt Diaries*\* (F) by Anna Staniszewski  
*Sal and Gabi Break the Universe*\* (F) (a)  
by Carlos Hernandez  
*Look Both Ways*\* (F) (a) by Jason Reynolds  
*The One and Only Bob*\* (F) by Katherine Applegate  
*The Strangers*\* (F) by Margaret Peterson Haddix  
*Clean Getaway*\* (F) by Nic Stone  
*Can You Hear the Trees Talking*\* (F)  
by Peter Wohlleben  
*White Bird*\* (GN) by R.J. Palacio  
*Aru Shah*\* (series) (F) by Roshani Chokshi

*Origami Yoda* (series)\* (F) by Tom Angleberger  
*The Might Odds*\* (F) by Amy Ingatow  
*Soldier for Equality*\* (NF) by Duncan Tonatiuh  
*We're Not from Here*\* (F) (a) by Geoff Rodkey  
*Flunked*\* (F) by Jen Calonita  
*Endling the Last*\* (series) (F)  
by Katherine Applegate  
*Nikki on the Line*\* (F) by Barbara Carroll Roberts  
*Dinosaur Boy*\* (F) by Cory Putnam Oakes  
*Nevermoor*\* (series) (F) by Jessica Townsend  
*Song for a Whale*\* (F) (a) by Lynne Kelly  
*The Midnight War of Mateo Martinez*\* (F)  
by Robin Yardi  
*Humanimal* (NF) by Christopher Lloyd  
*The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise*\* (F) (a)  
by Dan Gemeinhart  
*Words on Fire*\* (F) by Jennifer Nielsen  
*The Parker Inheritance*\* (F) (a) by Varian Johnson  
*Klawde: Evil Alien Warlord Cat*\* (GN) (a)  
by Johnny Marciano  
*Any title* by Kate DiCamillo

Libros en español

*El Mundo de Acuerdo a Humphrey*\*  
(F) Betty Birney  
*Mario y el Agujero en el Cielo*\* (F)  
by Elizabeth Rusch  
*Max y la Pandilla Medieval*\* (F) by Lincoln Peirce  
*Sonic the Hedgehog: Consecuencias* (GN)  
by Ian Flynn  
*¿Quien fue Abraham Lincoln?*\* (NF) by Janet Pascal  
*¿Quién fue Walt Disney?*\* (NF) by Whitney Stewart  
*Saraí y el Significado de lo Genial*\* (F)  
by Saria Gonzalez  
*Agallas = Guts*\* (GN) by Raina Telgemeier

*Serie La Diversión de Martina* (series)\* (F)  
by Martina D'Antiochia  
*Mi Rincon de la Montana* (F)  
by Jean Craighead George  
*Flora y Ulises*\* (F) by Kate DiCamillo  
*Frida, el Misterio del Anillo del Pavo Real y*  
*Yo = Me, Frida, and the Secret of the Peacock Ring*\* (F)  
by Angela Cervantes  
*El Crossover*\* (F) by Kwame Alexander  
*Harry Potter* (series)\* (F) by JK Rowling



Reading lists  
**Grades 6-8**

Enjoy these reading suggestions from SBISD's middle school librarians. Scan each QR code for more recommendations from your librarian. Or, scan the BIG district list for more!

**The BIG district list of books**

**CSA**

**SOMS**

**SBMS**

**SFMS**

**Landrum**

**Memorial**

**SWMS**

**Northbrook**

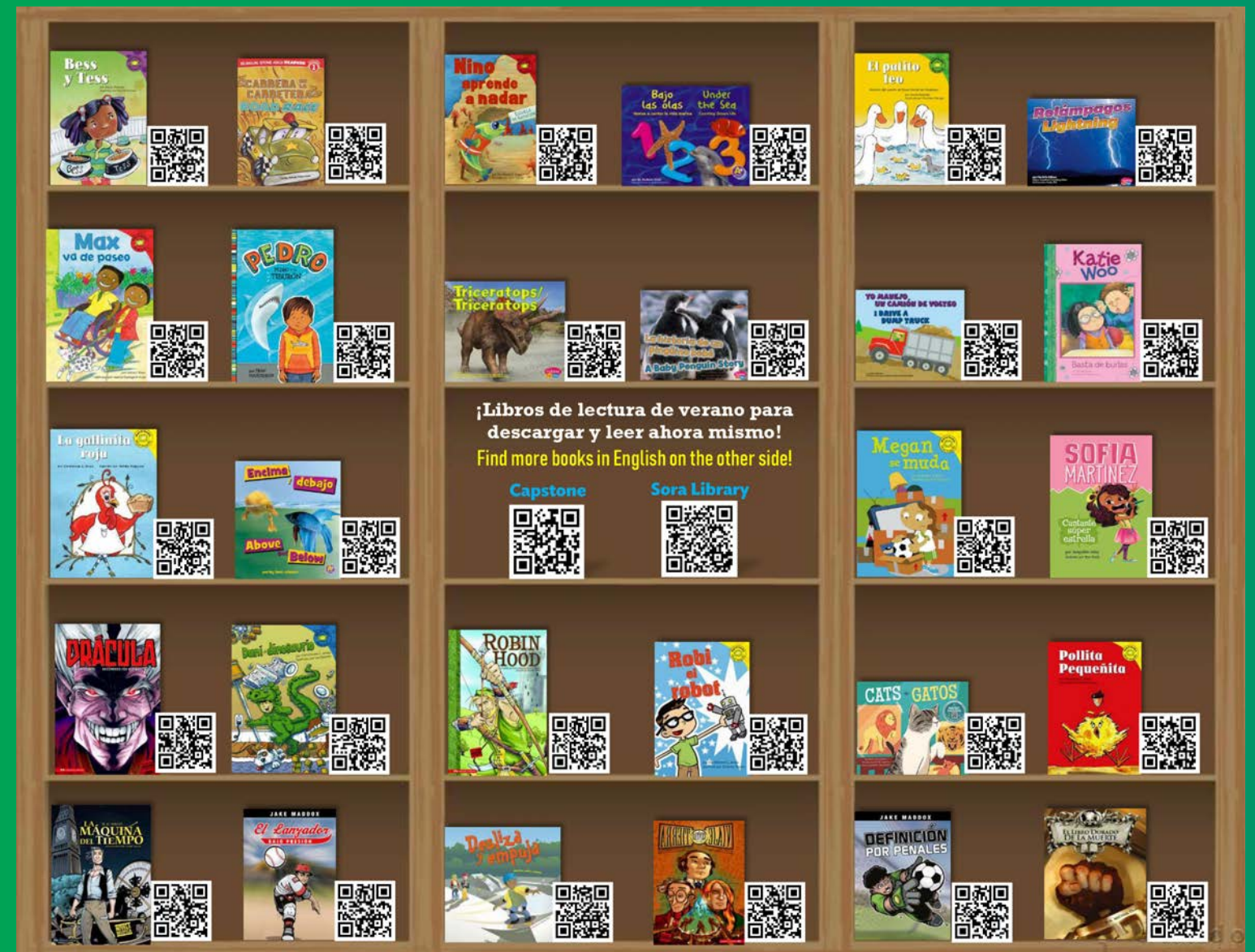
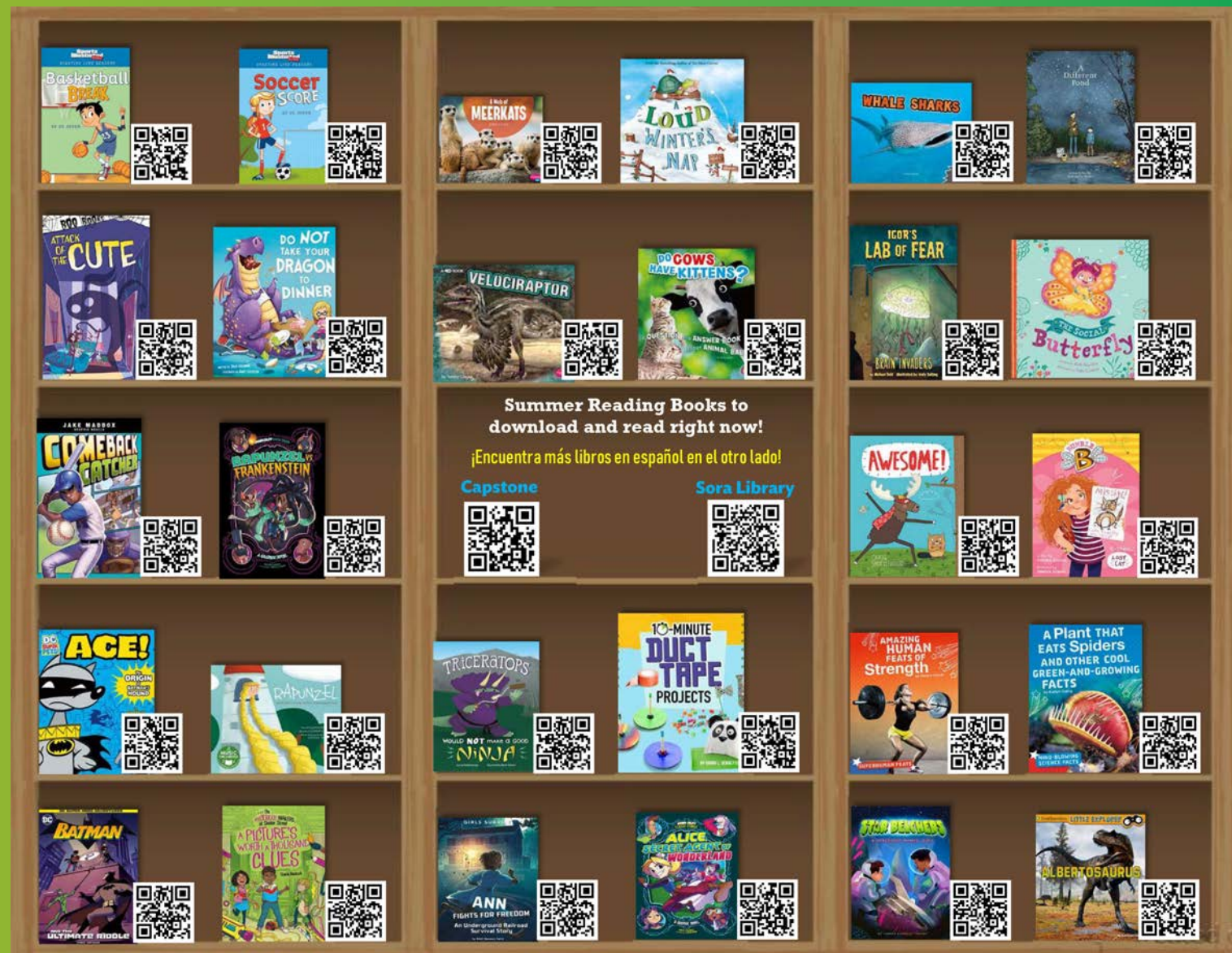
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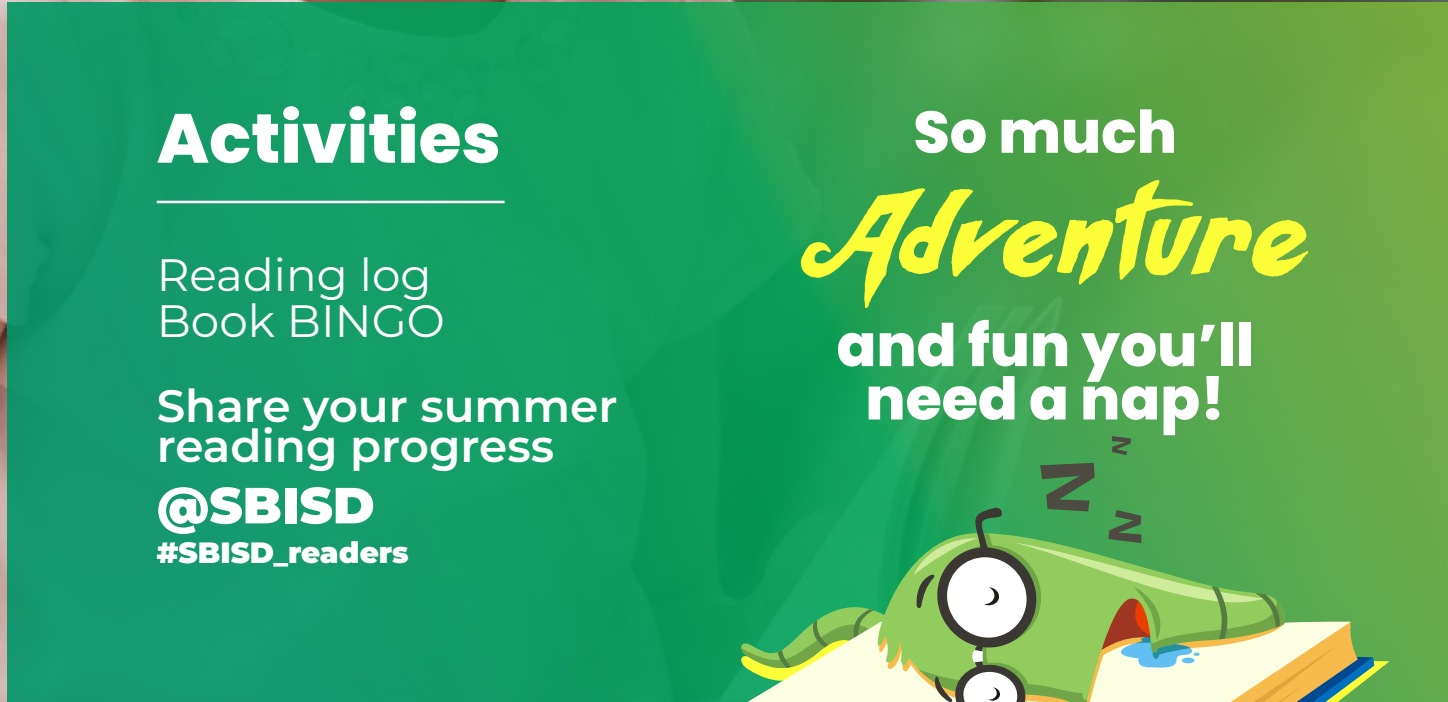


# Elementary Bonus bookshelf

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**SBISD Summer READING**

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# SBISD BOOK BINGO

Share what you are reading with us: #SBISD\_readers

<p>Read a graphic novel or comic book</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read to a Family member</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a book with only 3 words in the title</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a FUNNY BOOK</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Re-read a book you love</p> <p>Title of book:</p>
<p>Read a book that has sports in it</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a joke book and share the Funniest joke</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a Fairy tale or a Fairy tale with a twist</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a book with a blue cover</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>READ A FANTASY STORY</p> <p>Title of book:</p>
<p>Listen to an audiobook</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>READ A BOOK THAT MAKES YOUR SPINE TINGLE</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>For more reading fun:</p> 	<p>Read a mystery</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a book about a group of friends</p> <p>Title of book:</p>
<p>Read a book that takes place in a different country</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a NONFICTION BOOK</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a book you aren't sure you will like - was it good?</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read a book about animals (fiction or nonfiction)</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read about a topic you don't know about</p> <p>Title of book:</p>
<p>READ A BOOK TO A FURRY FRIEND OR STUFFED ANIMAL</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read the first book in a series</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Read about someone famous</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>READ A BOOK THAT HAS BEEN RECOMMENDED TO YOU</p> <p>Title of book:</p>	<p>Have someone read a book to you</p> <p>Title of book:</p>

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_