

St. Hilda's & St. Hugh's
C. V. Starr Library & Learning Center



Summer Reading Suggestions 2021
Entering Grade 5

Sharing Books with Older Students

Here is a selection of books for you and your family to enjoy over the summer months and a few simple tips to help parents and caregivers nurture a child's love of reading. Many of these titles can be found at your local public library (www.nypl.org) and our school's Sora eBook collection. Students should try to read every day and are asked to read at least five books of their own choice during the summer months. Your teacher will provide one or two of these five books, depending on your grade. You may also want to refer to this list throughout the year when borrowing books from Sora, the school's online eBook collection, as well as the school library.

Make it a family value. Children are expert observers. Whether you prefer to read books, blogs, manuals or magazines, let your child see you enjoy reading..

Make reading a social activity. Talk with your child about what she or he is reading or what you have read together. Start a parent-child book club or attend a book signing at your local bookstore. Which is better: the book or the movie? Sometimes children will be motivated to read a book because they liked the movie. Why not listen together to Roald Dahl's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, see the movie, and at the conclusion of the audiobook, celebrate by whipping up a dish from Dahl's *Revolting Recipes* cookbook?

Use the books as conversation starters and allow books to lead to other learning. Reading aloud is a wonderful way to bridge discussions on topics that you may not know how to bring up. As children get older, you can choose material that leads into conversations about relationships, choices, current events, religion, and other relevant subjects.

Use audiobooks. Listening to audiobooks benefits all readers! They are an easy way to introduce children to books above their reading level and model good interpretive reading and critical listening skills. Audiobooks can also provide a bridge to important topics of discussion for parents and children who can listen together while commuting to sporting events, music lessons, or other destinations.

Make it part of your summer routine. Try to encourage your child to read 20-30 minutes a day. You can make reading a part of your child's evening routine, or perhaps a morning activity of "breakfast and books" works better for your family. The goal is to encourage your child to pick up the habit of reading.

Suggested Libraries and Children's Bookstores

St. Hilda's & St. Hugh's
C. V. Starr Library & Learning Center
Librarian: Angela Perna
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SHSH Sora eBook Library
<https://soraapp.com/welcome>

The New York Public Library
www.nypl.org

Book Culture
<https://www.bookculture.com>

Books of Wonder
<http://booksofwonder.com>

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2021 Children's Literary Award Winners

Awarded by the American Library Association, the 2021 children's book awards include:

- Asian/Pacific American Award (★winner ★honor)
- Coretta Scott King Book Award (★honor)
- Newbery Medal (★winner ★honor)
- Pura Belpré Book Award (★winner ★honor)
- Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Award (★winner ★honor)
- Schneider Family Book Award (★winner ★honor)
- Stonewall Book Award (★honor)



Additional young people's literary awards:

- ❖ Amelia Bloomer List (honoring children's books with feminist themes)
 - Audie Audiobook Award
- ∞ Outstanding Science Trade Book selected by the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA)
- ↔ Freeman Book Award awarded by The National Consortium for Teaching about Asia at Columbia University
- ✚ Orbis Pictus Award (recognizing excellence in the writing of nonfiction for children)

New and notable titles for 2020-21

- *Listed throughout and identified with an asterisk preceding the author's name
- 📖 Book suggested as an independent read or as a family read aloud.

Animals: Fiction and Nonfiction

*Carson, Mary Kay. *Animal Watching: The Definitive Interactive Nature Guide*.

Part of the Outdoor School series, this book presents the animal world of North America and sure to encourage readers to go outside and get to know their animal neighbors.

📖 Kelly, Lynne. *Song For A Whale*.

Iris, who is deaf, decides to invent a way to "sing" to a whale that is unable to speak to other whales. There's just one problem: he's three thousand miles away. How will she play her song for him?

*Parry, Rosanne. *A Whale of the Wild*.

Vega is learning to be a salmon finder, preparing for the day when she will be her family's matriarch. But then she and her brother Deneb are separated from their pod when a devastating earthquake and tsunami render the seascape unrecognizable. Vega must use every skill she has to lead her brother back to their family.

Audiobooks: 2021 Audie Award Finalists

Shuri: A Black Panther Novel, Book 1 written by Nic Stone, narrated by Anika Noni Rose, published by Scholastic.

★ *We Dream of Space* written by Erin Entrada Kelly, narrated by Ramon de Ocampo, published by HarperAudio.

Classics

📖 Carroll, Lewis. *Alice in Wonderland*. Illustrated by Lisbeth Zwerger (Mineedition Minibooks)
A handsome, compact edition of this classic tale, graced with lively illustrations by a legendary illustrator. By falling down a rabbit hole and stepping through a mirror, Alice experiences unusual adventures with a variety of nonsensical characters.

📖 Green, Richard Lancelyn. *The Adventures of Robin Hood*. (Puffin Classics Series)
Robin Hood, champion of the poor and oppressed, stands against the cruel power of Prince John and the brutal Sheriff of Nottingham. Taking refuge in the vast Sherwood Forest with his band of men, he remains determined to outwit his enemies.

📖 Nesbit, E. *Five Children and It*. (Puffin Classics Series)
When Cyril, Anthea, Robert, Jane, and their baby brother go digging in the gravel pit, the last thing they expect to find is a Psammead—an ancient sand-fairy! Having a sand-fairy for a pet means having one wish granted each day. But the children don't realize all the trouble wishes can cause.

📖 Tolkien, J. R. R. *The Hobbit or There and Back Again*.
Bilbo Baggins, a respectable, well-to-do hobbit, lives comfortably in his hobbit-hole until the day the wandering wizard Gandalf chooses him to take part in an adventure from which he may never return.

Fantasy, Science Fiction, Spooky, and the Supernatural

*Alston, B.B. *Amari and the Night Brothers*.
Thirteen-year-old Amari, a Black girl from the inner city, gets an invitation from her missing brother to join the Bureau of Supernatural Affairs and join in the fight against an evil magician.

*Andrews, Christiane M. *Spindlefish and Stars*.
After her father fails to come home, Clo embarks on a journey to find him, searching a strange island with enchanted tapestries that hold clues to her clouded past and her father's whereabouts.

★ Cuevas, Adrianna. *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez*.
A Cuban-American boy must use his ability to communicate with animals to save the inhabitants of his town when they are threatened by a witch who transforms into animals.



*James, Anna. *Pages & Co.: The Lost Fairy Tales*.

When 11-year-old Tilly Pages joins Oskar and his family on a Christmas trip to Paris, she and her friend book wander into the land of fairy tales, where someone—or something—is causing chaos.

★★❖Keller, Tae. *When You Trap a Tiger*.

In a wondrous, magic-realist world rooted in Korean folklore, a tiger appears to Lily and offers her a deal that might allow her to save her beloved but very sick grandmother.

★Layne, Aliza. *Beetle & the Hollowbones*.

Twelve-year-old goblin and witch-in-training Beetle enlists her former best friend, Kat Hollowbones, to help stop Kat's sorceress aunt from demolishing the mall where Beetle's friend Blob Ghost is trapped. (Graphic Novel)

*Lukoff, Kyle. *Too Bright to See*.

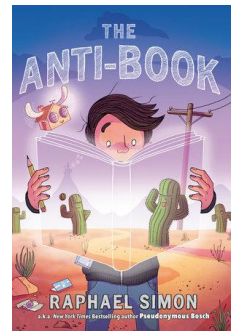
While grieving the loss of a beloved uncle, 11-year-old Bug is haunted by an unfamiliar spirit and spends a summer trying to understand what it's trying to say.

*Simon, Raphael. *The Anti-Book*.

Mickey finds a book that promises to erase whatever is written in it, and after filling the page with all the things and people he dislikes, he finds himself in the anti-world where everything familiar is gone

*Cynthia Leitich Smith. *Sisters of the Neversea*.

In this beautifully reimagined story, Lily who presents as Native American and English Wendy embark on a high-flying journey of magic, adventure, and courage to a fairy-tale island known as Neverland.



★Soontornvat, Christina. *A Wish in the Dark*.

This Thai-inspired twist on Hugo's *Les Misérables* follows Pong, who escapes prison hoping to find a fairer world, and Nok, who pursues Pong through a world that makes Nok question every truth she holds dear.

*Zurcher, Andrew. *Twelve Nights*.

After crash-landing in an alternate world where her father and little sister are imprisoned, Kay has 12 days to rescue her family from Ghastr, the land's tyrannical ruler.

Historical Fiction

❖Levine, Gail Carson. *A Ceiling Made of Eggshells*.

Paloma travels across fifteenth-century Spain with her influential Jewish grandfather and is required to make personal sacrifices as they struggle to keep Spanish Jews safe from widespread persecution.

★LeZotte, Ann Clare. *Show Me a Sign*.

It is 1805, and Mary Lambert has always felt safe among the deaf community of Chilmark on Martha's Vineyard, however, recent events have shattered her life; her brother George has died, land disputes between English settlers and the Wampanoag people are becoming increasingly bitter, and a "scientist" determined to discover the origins of the islands' widespread deafness has decided she makes the perfect "live specimen"—and kidnapped her.

❖❖Lee, Julie. *Brother's Keeper*.

Twelve-year-old Sora and her eight-year-old brother, Youngsoo, must try to escape North Korea's oppressive Communist regime on their own in 1950. Includes historical notes, photographs of the author's mother, glossary of Korean words, and timeline.

★Park, Linda Sue. *Prairie Lotus*.

In Dakota Territory in the 1880s, bicultural Hanna (her mother is Chinese-Korean and her father is white) face racism and resistance to change as they try to make a home for themselves.

*Pinkney, Andrea Davis. *Loretta Little Looks Back: Three Voices Go Tell It*.

Loretta, Roly, and Aggie B. Little relate their Mississippi family's struggles and triumphs from 1927 to 1968 while struggling as sharecroppers, living under Jim Crow, and fighting for Civil Rights.

*Royce, Eden. *Root Magic*.

In the summer of 1963, Gran dies, leaving 11-year-old Jezebel and her twin brother, Jay, to learn the family's trade—working roots, a Gullah Geechee practice of healing, protecting, and conjuring magic.

Humor

Angleberger, Tom. *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda*.

Tommy and his friends describe their interactions with a paper finger puppet of Yoda, worn by their eccentric classmate Dwight, as they try to figure out whether or not the puppet can really predict the future. Includes instructions for making Origami Yoda.

Calabrese, Keith. *Connect the Dots*.

Liar & Spy meets *The Parker Inheritance* in this whimsically complex story about human connection and the power we all have to determine our own fate.

*Harrell, Rob. *Wink*.

The humorous journey of Ross, a cancer stricken middle schooler, as he navigates the preteen years.

Lai, Remy. *Fly on the Wall*.

Twelve-year-old Henry Khoo wants his overprotective family to stop treating him like a baby, so he hatches a scheme to prove his maturity and independence. It goes hilariously wrong!

Patterson, James. *Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life!*

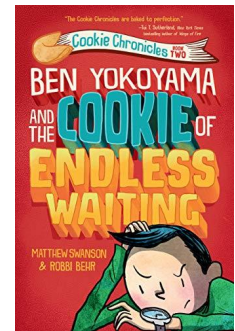
When Rafe Khatchadorian enters middle school, he teams up with his best friend, "Leo the Silent," to create a game to make school more fun by trying to break every rule in the school's code of conduct.

Russell, Rachel Renée. *Dork Diaries*.

Nikki Maxwell writes in her diary of her struggle to be popular at her exclusive new private school, then of finding her place after she gives up on being part of the elite group.

*Swanson, Matthew. *Ben Yokoyama and the Cookie of Endless Waiting*.

A fortune cookie convinces Ben he can have whatever he wants if he is willing to wait, but getting paired with eccentric former friend Walter for a school scavenger hunt leads to unexpected rewards.



Tashjian, Janet. *My Life as a Book*.

Dubbed a "reluctant reader" by his teacher, 12-year-old Derek spends summer vacation learning important lessons even though he does not complete his summer reading list.

*Walliams, David. *Code Name Bananas*.

1940. Britain is at war with Germany. As bombs rain down on the city, Eric forms an extraordinary friendship with a remarkable gorilla: Gertrude. Eric spends his days at the place that makes him most happy: London Zoo. But when the zoo is no longer safe Eric must go on an epic adventure to rescue Gertrude.

Mystery and Adventure

*Bunce, Elizabeth C. *How to Get Away with Myrtle: A Myrtle Hardcastle Mystery*.

When someone commits robbery and murder aboard the luxurious train on which Myrtle Hardcastle, her Aunt Helena, her governess Miss Judson, and cat Peony are traveling, Myrtle is determined to find the culprit.

*Haddix, Margaret Peterson. *The Messengers*.

Told from separate viewpoints, as evil forces from the parallel world invade their home, the Greystones, their doubles, and friends must return to the alternate dimension to save both worlds.

*Gibbs, Stuart. *Charlie Thorne and the Lost City*.

Charlie Thorne must search for Charles Darwin's hidden treasure in South America—with plenty of enemies hot on her trail.

*Ireland, Justina. *Ophie's Ghost*.

A sweeping tale of the ghosts of our past that won't stay buried, starring an unforgettable girl named Ophie.

*Jocelyn, Marthe. *Peril at Owl Park: Aggie Morton, Mystery Queen*.

For young detective Aggie Morton and her friend Hector, Christmas becomes a lot more exciting when a dead body is found in this second book in the Aggie Morton, Mystery Queen series, inspired by the life of Agatha Christie as a child and her most popular creation, Hercule Poirot.

*Kolenc, Anthony Barone. *Shadow in the Dark: The Harwood Mysteries*.

Embark on an adventure with young Alexander as he tries to recover his memory and, with his new friends, uncover the mystery of the shadowy figure in the dark.

*Lawrence, Iain. *Deadman's Castle*.

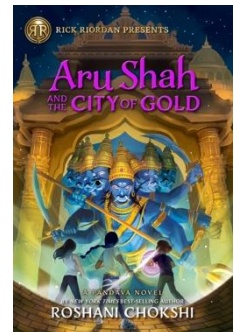
Twelve-year-old Igor yearns for a normal life, but since he was five and his father witnessed a crime, his family has been on the run from the sinister figure he calls The Lizard Man.

Mythologies of the World

*Chokshi, Roshani. *Aru Shah and the City of Gold*.

Aru Shah and her sisters—including one who also claims to be the Sleeper's daughter—must find their mentors Hanuman and Urvashi in Lanka, the city of gold, before war breaks out between the devas and asuras.

Green, Roger Lancelyn. *Myths of the Norsemen*. (Puffin Classics Series) The great Norse sagas are full of magic and heroic deeds. Odin's wanderings, Thor's hammer, the death of Bakkur, the vision of Ragnarok—tales which have been told since time immemorial—are given a fresh life in this version, written as one continuous exciting adventure story.



----- *Tales of Greek Heroes*. (Puffin Classics Series)

The mysterious and exciting legends of the gods and heroes in Ancient Greece, from the adventures of Perseus, the labors of Heracles, the voyage of Jason and the Argonauts, to Odysseus and the Trojan wars.

*Kim, Graci. *The Last Fallen Star*.

After 13-year-old Hattie Oh casts a dangerous spell so her adopted sister, Riley, will get a share of her inherited magic, Riley must undertake a near-impossible quest to save Hattie from death. A story that blends Korean mythology and the modern world.

Lin, Grace. *Mulan: Before the Sword*.

Harnessing her talent for storytelling and relating Chinese myths and history, Lin imagines a compelling account of Mulan's pre-warrior days.

*Mbalia, Kwame. *Tristan Strong Destroys the World*.

Tristan Strong, just back from a victorious but exhausting adventure in Alke, the land of African American folk heroes and African gods, is suffering from PTSD. But there's no rest for the weary when his grandmother is abducted.

Roanhorse, Rebecca. *Race to the Sun*.

Guided by her Navajo ancestors, seventh-grader Nizhoni Begay discovers she is descended from a holy woman and destined to become a monster slayer, starting with the evil businessman who kidnapped her father.

Zhao, Katie. *The Dragon Warrior*.

Siblings Faryn Liu and Alex defend their parents' honor and battle demons in this lively fantasy adventure that seamlessly blends gods and demons from myriad mythologies, including Greek, Phoenician, and Chinese.

Nonfiction Titles and Series: Arts, Biography, Religion, and Social Studies

Basher Basics. – Published by Kingfisher

A world of little books that bring big ideas to life in ingenious ways.

*Bethencourt, Kahran. *Glory: Magical Visions of Black Beauty*.

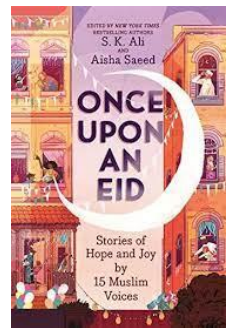
Glory puts Black beauty front and center with more than 100 breathtaking photographs and a collection of powerful essays about the children.

*Brown, Waka T. *While I Was Away*.

In 1983, after being sent to live with her grandmother and attend school in Japan for five months, 12-year-old Waka strengthens her cultural understanding, family ties, and sense of self.

★❖✚Dionea, Evette. *Lifting as We Climb: Black Women's Battle for the Ballot Box*.

For African American women, the fight for the right to vote was only one battle. This eye-opening book tells the important, overlooked story of black women as a force in the suffrage movement—when fellow suffragists did not accept them as equal partners in the struggle.



DK Eyewitness Book. – Published by DK

Lots of photographs and facts on various subjects.

History Smashers. – Published by Random House Books for Young Readers

Myths! Lies! Secrets! Smash the stories behind famous moments in history and expose the hidden truth. Perfect for fans of *I Survived* and *Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales*.

Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales. – Published by Harry N. Abrams

Thrilling, daring, and downright gruesome stories from American history, in graphic novel form.

**Once Upon an Eid: Stories of Hope and Joy by 15 Muslim Voices*. Ed. by S. K. Ali and Aisha Saeed.

An #OwnVoices collection of Eid celebrations throughout the Muslim world.

★★✦♣ Soontornvat, Christina. *All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team*.

Supported with photographs, interviews, and primary documents, *All Thirteen* tells the story of how a united worldwide effort saved 13 boys stranded in a cave after a monsoon deluge turned a day of exploration into two weeks of terror.

A True Book. – Published by Scholastic

Provides the perfect introduction to various nonfiction subjects.

Weird But True! – Published by Scholastic

Based on the hugely popular magazine page of quirky, fun facts that many readers of *National Geographic Kids* magazine turn to first.

Poetry Picks: 2021 Young People's Poet Laureate Naomi Shihab Nye

Each month, Young People's Poet Laureate Naomi Shihab Nye recommends a book of poetry for children. Selections include classics of children's literature, adult collections that are well suited to children, as well as newly published books. For more information: <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/learn/young-peoples-poet-laureate>

Realistic Fiction

*Asher, Diana Harmon. *Upstaged*.

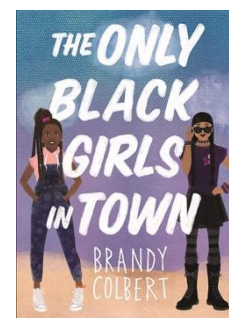
The setting is a middle school play. The protagonist is a painfully shy girl who begrudgingly tries out and is cast in the ensemble. Just as she's adjusting and making friends for the first time, she's asked to understudy the lead...a delightful classic, middle school coming-of-age story with a musical twist.

📖 Buyea, Rob. *Because of Mr. Terupt*.

Seven fifth-graders at Snow Hill School in Connecticut relate how their lives are changed for the better by rookie teacher Mr. Terupt.

★ Cisneros, Ernesto. *Efrén Divided*.

While his father works two jobs, seventh-grader Efrén Nava must take care of his twin siblings, kindergartners Max and Mia, after their mother is deported to Mexico. Includes glossary of Spanish words.



*Colbert, Brandy. *The Only Black Girls in Town*.

Alberta is sure she will be friends with the new girl Edie, but realizes they are from two different worlds. Alberta struggles to voice how her family and race dynamics make her feel but the two girls come together to discover a collection of hidden journals that reveal a secret to the past.

❖ Day, Christine. *I Can Make This Promise*.

Searching for clues to her Native American heritage, Edie uncovers a story of separation and loss that changes her whole world.

★Higuera, Donna Barba. *Lupe Wong Won't Dance*.

Lupe needs an A in all her classes in order to meet her favorite pitcher, Fu Li Hernandez, who's Chinacan/Mexinese just like her. So when the horror that is square dancing rears its head in gym? Obviously she's not going to let that slide.

★Jamieson, Victoria and Omar Mohamed. *When Stars Are Scattered*.

Omar and his younger brother Hassan live in a refugee camp, and when an opportunity for Omar to get an education comes along, he must decide between going to school every day or caring for his nonverbal brother in this intimate and touching portrayal of family and daily life in a refugee camp. (Graphic Novel)

★Kapit, Sarah. *Get a Grip, Vivy Cohen!*

Eleven-year-old knuckleball pitcher Vivy Cohen, who has autism, becomes pen pals with her favorite Major League baseball player after writing a letter to him as an assignment for her social skills class.

★Kelly, Erin Entrada. *We Dream of Space*.

Seventh-grade siblings Cash, Fitch, and Bird Nelson Thomas, each dealing differently with their tense and unpredictable household, are changed and united in unexpected ways by the fateful launch of the space shuttle Challenger in 1986.

*Medina, Meg. *Merci Suárez Can't Dance*.

In Meg Medina's follow-up to her Newbery Medal-winning novel, *Merci* takes on seventh grade, with all its travails of friendship, family, love—and finding your rhythm. The Suárez family is back in a touching, funny story about growing up and discovering love's many forms, including how we learn to love and believe in ourselves.

*Mian, Zanib and Nasaya Mafaridik. *Planet Omar: Incredible Rescue Mission*.

Omar has to solve the mystery of his missing teacher in the third installment of this imaginative, highly-illustrated #OwnVoices middle-grade series.

*Yang, Kelly. *Three Keys* (A Front Desk Novel).

Mia Tang and her family work to save the hotel they recently bought in the face of a looming immigration law that if passed could send them back to China and threatens the safety of Mia's friends.

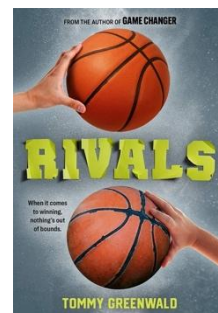
Sports: Fiction and Nonfiction

*Buckley, Jr., James. *It's a Numbers Game! Soccer: The Math Behind the Perfect Goal, the Game-Winning Save, and So Much More!*

Whether you call it soccer or football, "the beautiful game" wouldn't be the popular game it is without numbers. From the clock counting up the seconds to positioning your feet at the right angle for the perfect dribble, this book reveals the ways digits and math are part of the game.

*Greenwald, Tommy. *Rivals*.

In basketball-crazed Walthorne, rival middle school stars Austin Chambers and Carter Haswell are both feeling the pressure when school sports reporter Alfie Jenks reveals scandals that jeopardize the whole season. Told through flashbacks, newspaper reports, social media posts, and interviews.



*Patterson, James and Kwame Alexander. *Becoming Muhammad Ali*.

In alternating verse and prose narratives, Cassius Clay and his friend Lucky create a portrait of the confident child determined to become a boxing champion during the Jim Crow era.

*Shen, E. L. *The Comeback*.

Twelve-year-old Maxine Chen dreams of being a figure skating champion, but a remarkably talented new girl at the arena and a racist classmate at school test her resolve.

*Wetzel, Dan. *Zion Williamson: Epic Athletes*. (A series. Book 10)

Filled with sports action and comic-style illustrations, this inspiring biography tells the story of a once-in-a-generation basketball superstar.

S.T.E.M.: Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

∞Outstanding Science Trade Book for 2021 selected by the National Science Teachers Association Annotations for Outstanding Science Trade Books taken from <https://www.nsta.org/ostb-2021>.

❖Atkins, Jeannine. *Grasping Mysteries: Girls Who Loved Math*.

This novel in verse explores the lives of seven real-life women in history who didn't let gender discrimination prohibit them from pursuing careers involving math.

Basher Science. – Published by Kingfisher

Little books that teach big science concepts in ingenious ways. Simon Basher's hip, kicky style and colorful characters make science learning fun and fundamental ideas easy to remember.

∞Bolden, Tonya. *Changing the Equation: 50+ US Black Women in STEM*.

This book celebrates over 50 women who have shattered the glass ceiling, defied racial discrimination, and pioneered in their fields.

∞Davies, Nicola. *Grow: Secrets of Our DNA*.

This book introduces readers to DNA in a clear, engaging manner, beginning with plants and animals, then connecting to humans.

DK Eyewitness Book. – Published by DK

Lots of photographs and facts on various subjects, with emphasis on natural sciences.

∞Dorian, Christiane. *Darwin's Rival: The Search for Evolution*.

A lavishly illustrated guide to the fascinating explorations of Alfred Russel Wallace, who discovered the theory of evolution, but Charles Darwin got there first.



Field Guides. – Peterson, Audubon, or Simon & Schuster

Explore the outdoors and use a field guide to learn about natural objects, flora, or fauna in nature.

Fries-Gaither, Jessica. *Exemplary Evidence: Scientists and their Data*.

An exploration of major scientific figures and the data they collected. This is a great, fun way to engage readers on the importance of evidence and data!

∞Heinecke, Liz Lee. *The Kitchen Pantry Scientist: Chemistry for Kids:*

Homemade Science Experiments and Activities Inspired by Awesome Chemists, Past and Present.

These thoughtful, interesting experiments are based on various biographies of scientists, many of whom have been forgotten or marginalized.

∞Pêgo, Ana and Isabel Minhós Martins. *Plasticus Maritimus: An Invasive Species*.

Biologist Ana Pêgo collected, named, and cataloged a terrible new species: *Plasticus maritimus*, also known as the plastic waste that is destroying the world's oceans.

★Rocco, John. *How We Got to the Moon: The People, Technology, and Daring Feats of Science Behind Humanity's Greatest Adventure*.

This ambitious nonfiction book chronicles one of the most exciting and miraculous accomplishments in American history—the 1969 lunar landing.

∞Siegel, Rebecca. *To Fly Among the Stars: The Hidden Story of the Fight for Women Astronauts*.

Excitement, disappointment, perseverance, and success permeate this book that tells the tale of the men and women of the Mercury space expedition.

*Swanson, Jennifer. *Outdoor School: Rock, Fossil, and Shell Hunting*.

Rewild your life! *Outdoor School* is your indispensable tool for the outdoors. Make every day an adventure with the included: Immersive activities to get you exploring. Write-in sections to journal about experiences. Next-level adventures to challenge even seasoned nature lovers. No experience is required—only curiosity and courage!

A True Book. – Published Scholastic

Provides the perfect introduction to various nonfiction subjects.

Usborne Guides. – Published by Usborne

Fact filled publications on all sorts of history, science and health topics.

∞Wolfson, Elissa and Margaret Barker. *Audubon Birding Adventures for Kids*.

Do you have a young bird watcher in your life? This book will build their knowledge of birding in a fun and engaging way with a beginners' field guide, easy-to-do activities, games, and more!

Suggested Magazines

Ask: Arts & Science for Kids

Features puzzles, riddles, cartoons, articles and inviting readers to explore the world's greatest artists, inventors and other thinkers.

Chop Chop

The magazine whose mission is to inspire and teach kids to cook and eat real food with their families.

Discovery Girls

The magazine honestly addresses the problems that are faced by girls of this age. *Discovery Girls* offers friendly advice, stimulating contests, and articles that any young girl would find entertaining and relevant.

Sports Illustrated for Kids

Monthly magazine for elementary age children that includes interviews with sports heroes, comics, action photos, and much more.

Stone Soup

Founded in 1973, Stone Soup features the creative stories, poems and artwork of children from all over the world. This unique literary magazine was once referred to as "The New Yorker of the eight to thirteen set."

Time for Kids

Issues cover a wide range of real-world topics kids love to learn about.

