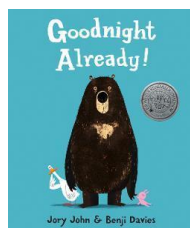
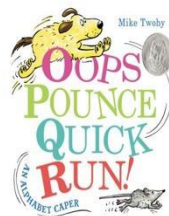


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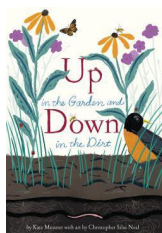
Summer is an opportunity for students of all ages to enjoy reading in a relaxed and leisurely setting. Summer reading is also a vital way that students keep their skills sharp for the upcoming school year. Maret recommends that students spend at least 20 minutes reading each day during the summer. Students should select books and other reading material that interest and challenge them, and families should consider ways that they can read together or make discussing books a part of their lives over the summer months. We recognize that there is a range of readers at each grade level. If books on this list do not match your child's reading ability, you may choose to read them aloud to your child.



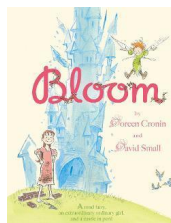
***Goodnight, Already!* by Jory John:** Meet Bear. He's exhausted. All he wants is to go to sleep. Meet Duck, Bear's persistent next-door neighbor. All he wants is to hang out ... with Bear.



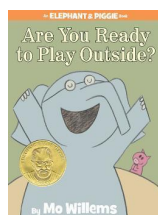
***Oops, Pounce, Quick, Run!: An Alphabet Caper* by Mike Twohy:** When a bouncing ball wakes a sleeping mouse, it's just the beginning of an alphabet adventure.



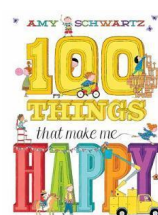
***Up in the Garden Down in the Dirt* by Kate Messner:** Up in the garden, the world is full of leaves and sprouts. But down in the dirt, there is a busy world of insects and animals that make a garden their home. This book is part of a series.



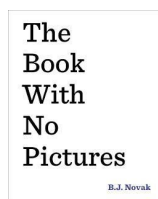
***Bloom* by Doreen Cronin:** A picture book about how an extraordinary "ordinary" girl can save a kingdom with the help of a mud fairy.



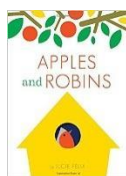
***Elephant and Piggie* series by Mo Willems:** Gerald is careful. Piggie is not. Piggie cannot help smiling. Gerald can. Gerald and Piggie are best friends.



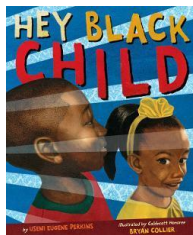
***100 Things that Make Me Happy* by Amy Schwartz:** Lists a wide variety of items—from red socks to peekaboo—that can make one happy.



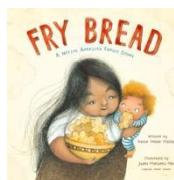
***The Book with No Pictures* by B.J. Novak:** In this book with no pictures, the reader has to say every silly word, no matter what.



***Apples and Robins* by Lucie Felix:** Using die-cut pages, the story explores the shapes and colors of an apple tree through the passing of the seasons.



***Hey Black Child* by Useni Eugene Perkins:** A poem that celebrates black children and seeks to inspire all young ones to dream big and achieve their goals.



***Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story* by Kevin Noble Maillard:** Follows a Native American family as they make fry bread and celebrate their culture.

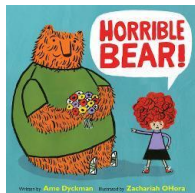
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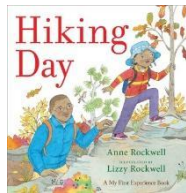
***Eyes that Kiss in the Corners* by Joanna Ho:** This lyrical, stunning picture book tells a story about learning to love and celebrate your Asian-shaped eyes, in the spirit of *Hair Love* by Matthew A. Cherry, and is a celebration of diversity.



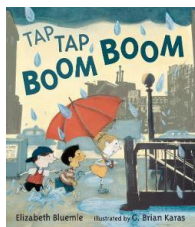
***Some Bugs* by Angela DiTerlizzi:** From butterflies and moths to crickets and cicadas, a rhyming exploration of backyard-bug behavior.



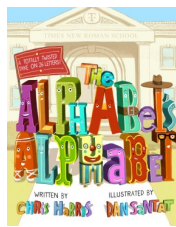
***Horrible Bear!* by Ame Dyckman:** When Bear breaks a little girl's kite, she thinks he is a "HORRIBLE BEAR!"—until she makes a mistake of her own and learns the power of saying "I'm sorry."



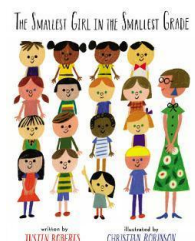
***Hiking Day* by Anne F. Rockwell:** A young girl and her family take a hike in the mountains for the first time and see many surprises.



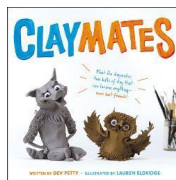
***Tap Tap Boom Boom* by Elizabeth Bluemle:** Clouds are gathering above a city street—*tap, tap, boom, boom!* As a storm rolls in, people race to the subway to get away from the rain and wind.



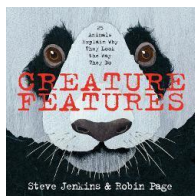
***The Alphabet's Alphabet* by Chris Harris:** Illustrations and easy-to-read text reveal that while letters of the alphabet resemble each other, each is also unique, as if they, like human beings, are part of the same family.



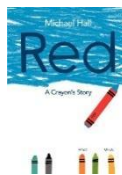
***The Smallest Girl in the Smallest Grade* by Justin Roberts:** Sally McCabe is a very little girl, and nobody notices her, but when she speaks out about the unkindness she sees, people start to pay attention.



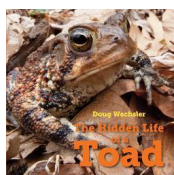
***Claymates* by Dev Petty:** Two balls of clay have a great time shaping themselves into various animals and objects.



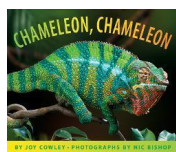
***Creature Features: 25 Animals Explain Why They Look The Way They Do* by Steve Jenkins:** This book examines how unusual facial features help animals survive.



***Red: A Crayon's Story* by Michael Hall:** Red's label clearly says that he is red, but he cannot seem to do anything right until a new friend offers a fresh perspective.

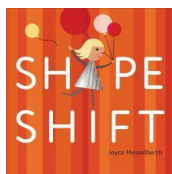


***The Hidden Life of a Toad* by Doug Wechsler:** Close-up photos give a day-by-day look at how tadpoles become toads.

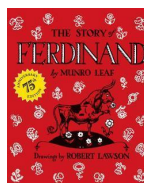


***Chameleon, Chameleon* by Joy Cowley:** A chameleon encounters friend and foe while making its way from one tree to another in search of a tasty dinner.

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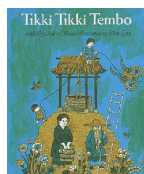
Shape Shift by Joyce Hesselberth: This book reinforces shape identification and encourages kids to pair shapes to make new forms.



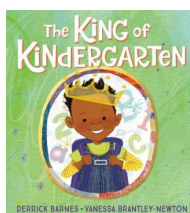
The Story of Ferdinand by Munro Leaf: Ferdinand likes to sit quietly and smell the flowers, but one day he gets stung by a bee, and his loud noises convince everyone that he is the fiercest of bulls.



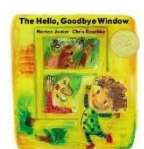
Jabari Jumps by Maia Cornwall: Working up the courage to take a big, important leap is hard, but Jabari is almost absolutely ready to make a giant splash.



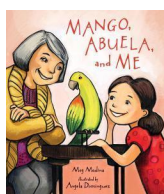
Tikki Tikki Tembo by Arlene Mosel: An adaptation of a Chinese folktale about an incident that made the Chinese decide to give all their children short names.



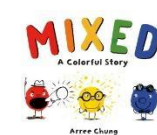
The King of Kindergarten by Derrick Barnes: Instilled with confidence by his parents, a young boy has a great first day of kindergarten.



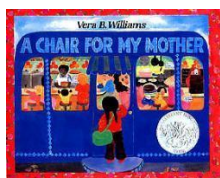
The Hello Goodbye Window by Norton Juster: A girl tells about the window at Nanny and Poppy's house where you can see anything coming and going.



Mango, Abuela and Me by Meg Medina: Mia's abuela has come to live with Mia in the city, which causes their relationship to change in a wonderful way.



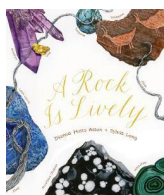
Mixed: A Colorful Story by Arree Chung: Each believing that their hue is the best, the three primary colors live in separate parts of the city until Yellow and Blue meet, fall in love, and decide to mix.



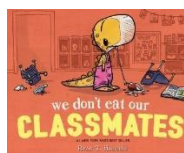
A Chair for My Mother by Vera B. Williams: A child, mother, and grandmother save dimes to buy a comfortable armchair after their furniture is lost in a fire.



Hi, Jack! by Mac Barnett: An uproarious early reader series about a mischievous rabbit, a cranky old lady, and a lovable dog.

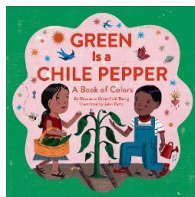


A Rock Is Lively by Dianna Hutts Aston: Introduces young readers to rocks and minerals.

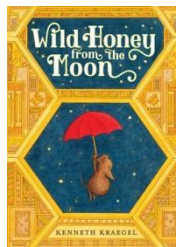


We don't eat our Classmates! by Ryan T. Higgins: When the class pet bites the finger of Penelope, a tyrannosaurus rex, she finally understands why she should not eat her classmates, no matter how tasty they are.

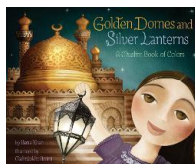
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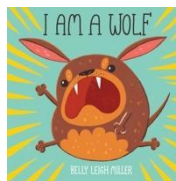
Green is a Chile Pepper: A Book of Colors by Roseanne Greenfield Thong: A little girl discovers all the bright colors in her Hispanic neighborhood.



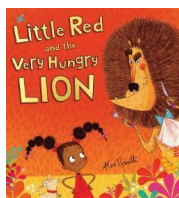
Wild Honey from the Moon by Kenneth Kraegel: An unflappable mother will stop at nothing to find a cure for her ailing young son -- even if it means traveling to the moon itself.



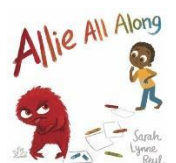
Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns by Hena Khan and Mehrdokht Amini: A Muslim girl and her family explain the traditions and colors of Islam.



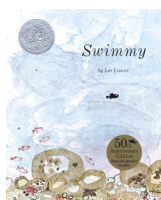
I am a Wolf by Kelly Leigh Miller: A dog who insists she is a wolf finds the perfect home with a young girl who sees past her prickly personality.



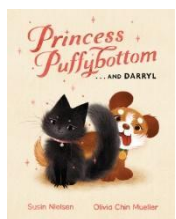
Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion by Alex T. Smith: Little Red realizes what the Very Hungry Lion is up to and teaches him a lesson before generously sharing her donuts with him.



Allie All Along by Sarah Lynn Reul: Have you ever felt mad enough to stomp, smash, and crash? Allie has! Meet one angry little girl and see how she calms down, bit by bit--with the help of her understanding big brother.



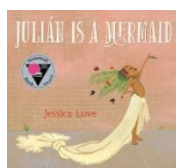
Swimmy by Leo Lionni: Swimmy, a small black fish, finds a way to protect a school of small red fish from their natural enemies.



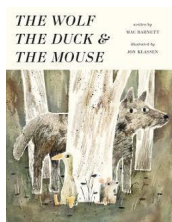
***Princess Puffybottom...and Darryl by Susin Nielsen-Ferlund:** When Darryl arrives in Princess Puffybottom's kingdom, she is not amused.



Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keats: A young boy tries to learn how to whistle so that he can call his dog like all the bigger boys do.



Julian is a Mermaid by Jessica Love: A glimpse of costumed mermaids leaves one boy flooded with wonder and ready to dazzle the world.

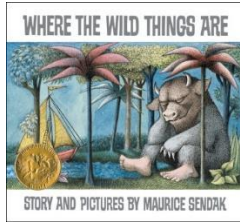


The Wolf, the Duck and The Mouse by Mac Barnett: When a mouse is swallowed by a wolf, he learns that a duck devoured earlier has set up a table to enjoy the food the gluttonous predator eats.

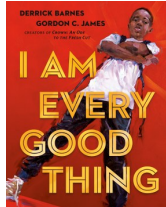


Saturday is Swimming Day by Hyewon Yum: New things can be scary -- but as one endearing little girl discovers, it's perfectly fine to take your time.

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***Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak:** A naughty little boy, sent to bed without his supper, sails to the land of the wild things where he becomes their king.



***I am Every Good Thing* by Derrick Barnes:** The confident Black narrator of this book is proud of everything that makes him who he is.



***Where's Baby?* by Anne Hunter:** In this clever introduction to prepositions, a near-sighted Papa is looking for his baby. Is Baby up in the tree? Is Baby under the log? Is Baby around the corner? Where could Baby be?



***Most People* by Michael Leannah:** Looks at the goodness of most people, pointing out how many more people there are in the world who would like to help others than would like to hurt them, and even most of those who do bad things can change.