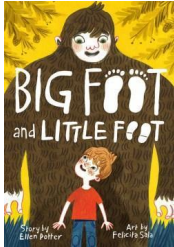
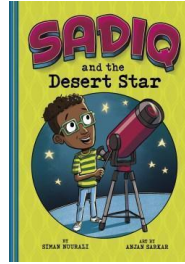


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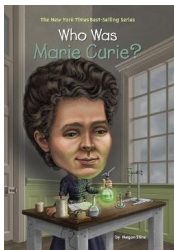
Summer is an opportunity for students of all ages to enjoy reading in a relaxed and leisurely setting. Summer reading is also a vital way that students keep their skills sharp for the upcoming school year. Maret recommends that students spend at least 20 minutes reading each day during the summer. Students 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. Starred* titles are available for checkout online from Maret as e-books or audiobooks through [Sora](#). Use your student's Maret email address and password to log in.



***Big Foot and Little Foot series by Ellen Potter:** Hugo is a young Sasquatch who longs for adventure. Boone is a young boy who longs to see a Sasquatch. When their worlds collide, they become the unlikeliest pair of best friends.



Sadiq series by Siman Nurali: Sadiq has many interests, from soccer to video games to cooking (and eating!) samosas. In each book, Sadiq shares a new hobby with friends and neighbors.

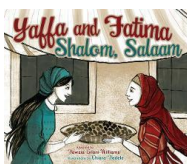


***Who Was? series**

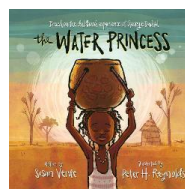
The titles in this series offer kid-friendly accounts of the lives of famous figures, including musicians, writers, sports stars, and more.



***The Big Bad Fox by Benjamin Renner:** Fox comes up with a plan to be the terror of the barnyard. Unfortunately his plan falls apart when three adorable chicks hatch and call him Mommy.



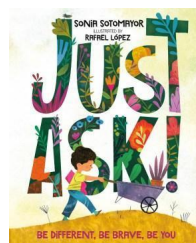
***Yaffa and Fatima: Shalom, Salaam by Fawzia Gilani-Williams:** Two neighbors--one Jewish, one Muslim--have always been best friends. When they both fall on hard times, can they find a way to help each other?



***The Water Princess by Susan Verde:** The story of one young girl's quest to bring clean drinking water to her African village.

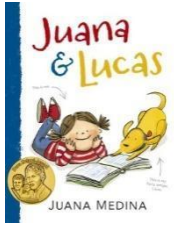


***Klawde series Up by Johnny Marciano:** Klawde is not your average cat. He's an emperor from another planet, exiled to Earth. He's cruel. He's cunning. He's brilliant...and he's about to become Raj Banerjee's best friend. Whether he likes it or not.

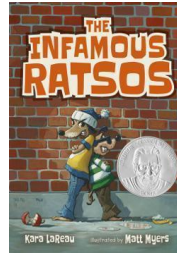


***Just Ask!: Be Different, Be Brave, Be You by Sonia Sotomayor:** A story in which friends who have different abilities, work together to build a community garden.

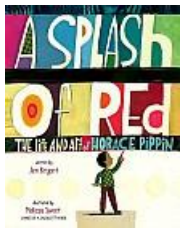
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***Juana and Lucas* by Juana Medina:** A spunky young girl from Colombia loves playing with her canine best friend and resists boring school activities, especially learning English, until her family tells her that a special trip is planned to an English-speaking place.



***The Infamous Ratsos* by Kara LaReau:** Rat brothers Louie and Ralphie Ratso try to prove they can be as tough as their father in the Big City, but every time they do, they end up accidentally doing good deeds instead.



***A Splash of Red* by Jennifer Bryant:** An illustrated biography of African American painter Horace Pippin.



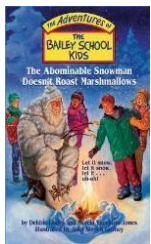
***It's Not Hansel and Gretel* by Josh Funk:** A retelling of the classic fairy tale where Hansel and Gretel will not listen to the narrator.



***Craftily Ever After* series by Martha Maker:** These eight-year-olds have one special thing in common: they love to create. They each have unique talents, too!



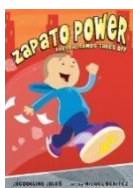
***Major Eights* series by Melody Reed:** Jasmine, Maggie, Becca, and Scarlet love jamming together, but are they ready to perform in front of a real audience in a Battle of the Bands competition?



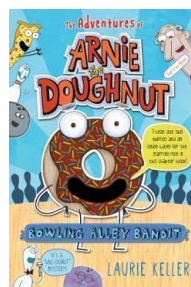
***Bailey School Kids* series by Debbie Dadey:** The Bailey school kids are always investigating strange people and events that take place in their town.



***Real Pigeons Fight Crime* by Andrew McDonald:** Ever wonder why pigeons act so weird? Because they are secretly chasing bad guys and flying around saving your butt!



***Zapato Power* series by Jacqueline Jules:** Freddie Ramos finds a mysterious package outside his apartment containing sneakers that allow him to run faster than a train, and inspire him to perform heroic deeds.



***Arnie the Doughnut* series by Laurie Keller:** Full of winning charm and silly humor, these chapter books feature Mr. Bing and Arnie, his new pet "the talking doughnut."

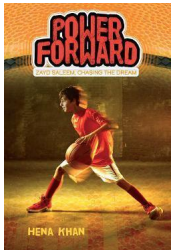
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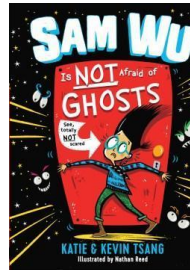
***Jake Maddox Sports series by Jake Maddox:** The characters in these books face obstacles on the gridiron, the court, the ice, and the half-pipe, and meet mental and social challenges, too.



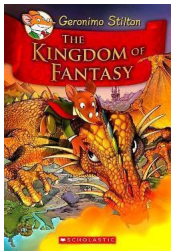
***Secret Coders series by Gene Luen Yang:** Welcome to Stately Academy, a school crawling with mysteries to be solved! The founder of the school left many clues and puzzles to challenge his enterprising students.



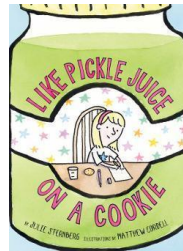
***Power Forward series by Hena Khan:** An exciting new chapter book series about a fourth-grader with big dreams of basketball stardom.



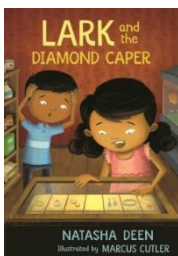
***Sam Wu series by Katie Tsang:** Don't call him scaredy-cat Sam, because Sam Wu IS NOT AFRAID of ghosts! Except . . . he totally is. Can he conquer his fear by facing the ghost that lives in the walls of his house?



The Kingdom of Fantasy series by Geronimo Stilton: Join Geronimo for his biggest, most fabumouse adventure yet! Dragons, mermaids, and much more await readers in this very special edition!



***Like Pickle Juice on a Cookie by Julie Sternberg:** When Eleanor's babysitter moves away, Eleanor must spend the summer adjusting to a new babysitter while mourning the loss of her old one. The first in a series.



***Lark series by Natasha Deen:** Amateur detective twins Lark and Connor solve mysteries together.



***The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate:** When Ivan, a gorilla who has lived for years in a rundown mall, meets Ruby, a baby elephant, he decides that he must find her a better life.

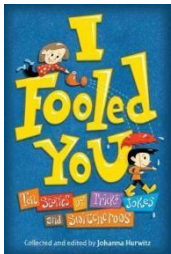


Space Battle Lunchtime series by Natalie Reiss: Earthbaker Peony gets the deal of a lifetime when she agrees to be a contestant on the Universe's hottest reality TV show, Space Battle Lunchtime!



***Mia Mayhem series by Kara West:** Meet Mia Macarooney, an ordinary eight-year-old who finds out she has an extraordinary super-secret.

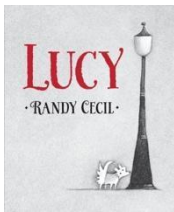
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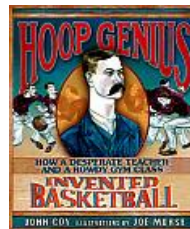
I Fooled You: Ten Stories of Tricks, Jokes and Switcheroos: How many different ways can ten leading middle-grade authors tell a story including the line "I fooled you"? Prepare to be surprised!



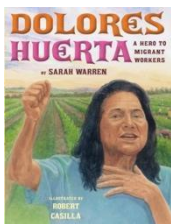
****The Vast Wonder of the World: Biologist Ernest Everett Just*** by Melina Mangal: A brief biography of African American biologist Ernest Everett Just, discussing his life and accomplishments as a scientific pioneer.



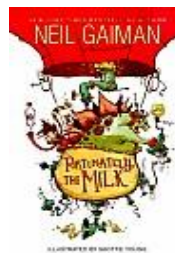
Lucy by Randy Cecil: A tiny dog, a kindhearted girl, and a nervous juggler converge in a cinematic book in four acts.



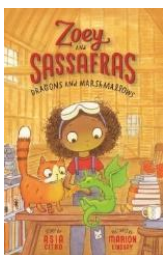
****Hoop Genius: How a Desperate Teacher and a Rowdy Gym Class Invented Basketball*** by John Coy: Why and how James Naismith invented basketball in 1891.



Dolores Huerta: A Hero to Migrant Workers by Sarah E. Warren: An illustrated look at the life and accomplishments of Dolores Huerta, who fought to ensure fair and safe workplaces for migrant workers.



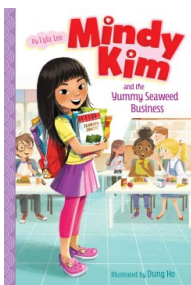
****Fortunately, the Milk*** by Neil Gaiman: While picking up milk for his children's cereal, a father is abducted by aliens and finds himself on a wild adventure through time and space.



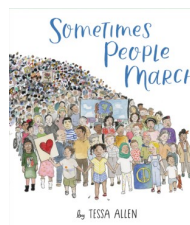
****Zoey Sassafras series*** by Asia Citro: A girl, Zoey, and her cat, Sassafras, use science experiments to help solve magical problems.



Meanwhile by Jason Shiga: In this choose-your-own adventure graphic novel, a boy stumbles on the laboratory of a mad scientist who asks him to choose between testing a mind-reading device, a time machine, and a doomsday machine.



****Mindy Kim series*** by Lyla Lee: An adorable new chapter book series about Mindy Kim, a young Asian American girl who is starting a snack business!



Sometimes People March by Tessa Allen: This book combines rudimentary facts about peaceful resistance with art that depicts organized actions from the 19th century through today, and endnotes reveal more specifics about each illustration, including historic figures represented.