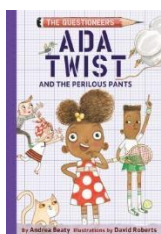


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Summer is an opportunity for students of all ages to enjoy reading in a relaxed and leisurely setting. Summer reading is also a vital way that students keep their skills sharp for the upcoming school year. Maret recommends that students spend at least 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.



***Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants by Andrea Beaty:** Ada must rely on her curious mind, her brave spirit, and her best pals Rosie Revere and Iggy Peck to solve a mystery in her own backyard.



***The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street by Karina Yan Glaser:** Told that they will have to move out of their Harlem brownstone just after Christmas, the five Vanderbeeker children decide to change their reclusive landlord's mind.



***Bayou Magic by Jewell Parker Rhodes:** Visiting her grandmother in the Louisiana bayou, ten-year-old Maddy begins to realize that she may be the only sibling to carry on the gift of her family's magical legacy.



***In the Shadow of the Sun by Anne Sibley O'Brien:** Mia and Simon set off on a harrowing journey to save their father and escape North Korea.

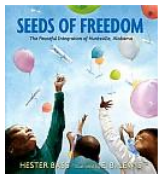


***A Properly Unhaunted Place by William Alexander:** In a world full of ghosts, Rosa and Jasper live in the only unhaunted town--but must spring to action when they realize the ghosts are lying in wait to take the town back.



Stuffed by Liz Braswell: Ten-year-old Clark's beloved stuffed animals protect him every night from the Monsters, but they face their biggest challenge yet when one targets Clark's dad.

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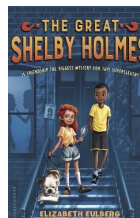
***Seeds of Freedom: The Peaceful Integration of Huntsville, Alabama by Hester Bass:** For the citizens of Huntsville, creativity, courage, and cooperation were key to integrating their city and schools during the Civil Rights movement.



***Get a Grip Vivvy Cohen! by Sarah Kapit:** Eleven-year-old knuckleball pitcher Vivvy 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.



Good Dog by Dan Geimenhart: Brodie breaks the rules of heaven. He returns to Earth as a spirit, determined to find his boy and to save him.



***The Great Shelby Holmes series by Elizabeth Eulberg:** Shelby Holmes, the best detective in her Harlem neighborhood, and her easy-going friend from downstairs, John Watson, become partners in solving crimes.



***The Secret Tree by Natalie Standiford:** Minty discovers a secret tree with a hollow trunk that holds the secrets of everyone in the neighborhood.



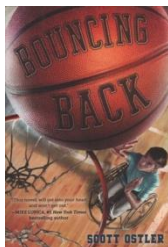
***Lalani of the Distant Sea by Erin Entrada Kelly:** Twelve-year-old Lalani Sarita takes on the impossible task of traveling to the legendary Mount Isa, towering on an island to the north. How can a timid young girl in a tiny boat survive the epic tests of the archipelago?



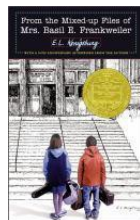
***Notorious Porch by Gordon Korman:** Told in different voices, on Centerlight Island, halfway between the United States and Canada, middle-schoolers Keenan and ZeeBee team up to seek gold rumored to be hidden there by a famous gangster.



***Stef Soto, Taco Queen by Jennifer Torres:** Stef Soto is hoping to break free from her overprotective parents and the embarrassing reputation of their taco truck, but she learns that family, friendship, and the taco truck are important and wonderful parts of her life.



Bouncing Back by Scott Ostler: Orphaned thirteen-year-old Carlos learns what it truly means to be a teammate when he must help save his new wheelchair basketball team's gym from destruction.

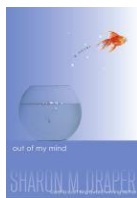


***From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg:** Claudia and Jamie decide to run away and hide out at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, where they try to solve a mystery.

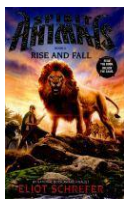
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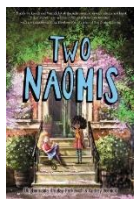
***Stonewall: A building. An Uprising. A Revolution* by Rob Sanders:** Describes the Stonewall Riots in New York City in 1969, which sparked the gay liberation movement in the United States, and details the history of LGBTQ rights since the riots.



***Out of My Mind* by Sharon M. Draper:** Considered by many to be mentally handicapped, a brilliant, impatient girl with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.



Spirit Animals series (various authors): As a dark force engulfs the land, the fate of Erdas has fallen on the shoulders of four young strangers who each have a rare bond with their spirit beasts.



***Two Naomis* by Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich:** The story of two girls, both named Naomi, whose divorced parents begin to date.



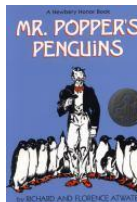
***Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin* by Liesl Shurtliff:** The story of Rumpelstiltskin's childhood—why his name is so important, how he spins straw into gold, and more.



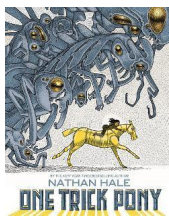
***Stargazing* by Jen Wang:** Growing up in the same Chinese-American suburb, perfectionist Christine and artistic, confident, impulsive Moon become unlikely best friends, whose friendship is tested by jealousy, social expectations, and illness.



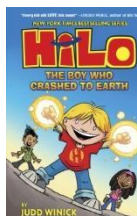
***Survivor Diaries series* by Terry Lynn Johnson:** A high-stakes adventure series perfect for fans of the I Survived series and Hatchet.



***Mr. Popper's Penguins* by Richard Atwater:** Mr. Popper starts out with one penguin in his house, but before he knows it, there are twelve.

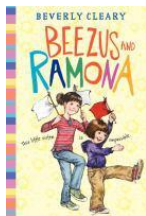


***One Trick Pony* by Nathan Hale:** In a future where alien beings consume technology as a few humans try to preserve it, Strata, her brother, and a friend are separated from their caravan and must fight their way back.



***HiLo series* by Judd Winick:** When a mysterious boy falls from the sky, friends D.J. and Gina must discover the secrets of his identity and help him save the world.

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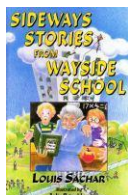
***Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary:** Four-year-old Ramona has an imagination that makes her a menace to everyone around her, particularly her older sister, Beezus.



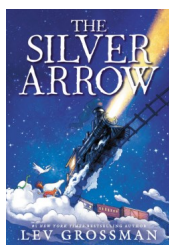
***The Great Googlini by Sara Cassidy:** A young boy copes with his uncle's cancer diagnosis by seeking answers from the Great Googlini, an information scientist who emerges from his computer.



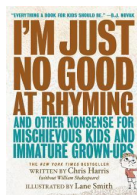
Last Kids on Earth by Max Brallier: After a monster apocalypse hits town, average thirteen-year-old Jack Sullivan builds a team of friends to help slay the eerily intelligent monster known as Blarg.



***Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar:** Humorous episodes from the classroom on the 13th floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways.



Silver Arrow by Lev Grossman: Kate's humdrum life is transformed when her eccentric Uncle Herbert brings her a colossal locomotive train, the Silver Arrow, as her eleventh birthday gift, leading her and her younger brother on a mysterious quest.



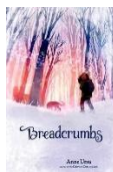
***I'm Just No Good at Rhyming by Chris Harris:** An illustrated collection of comically irreverent rhyming poems for readers of all ages.



***Until I Find Julian by Patricia Reilly Giff:** Mateo's big brother Julian works in the U.S. When the family doesn't hear from Julian, Mateo crosses the border to find him.



***Dragons in a Bag by Zetta Elliott:** In Brooklyn, nine-year-old Jax joins Ma, a curmudgeonly witch, on a quest to deliver three baby dragons to a magical world, and along the way discovers his true calling.



***Breadcrumbs by Anne Ursu:** Hazel is alone in an enchanted wood, trying to save her best friend Jack's life after an accident with a magical mirror and a run-in with a villainous queen.



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