Grade 2: Units of Study in Reading
Suggested Trade Book Titles

Unit 1: *Becoming a Big Kid Reader*

Trade Book Titles

- *Crazy for Apples (Emma Every Day)* by C.L. Reid
- *Evelyn Del Rey Is Moving Away* by Meg Medina
- *Jellyfish: Mysterious Creatures from the Sea* by Michèle Dufresne

Unit 2: *Becoming Experts*

Trade Book Titles

- *Eruption! The Story of Volcanoes* by Anita Ganeri
- *Volcanoes* by Martha E. H. Rustad

Unit 3: *Second-Grade Word Detectives*

Trade Book Titles

- *My Footprints* by Bao Phi
- *Sadiq and the Perfect Play* by Siman Nuurali

Unit Readers Titles (digital versions available on Heinemann Flight)

- *How to Be Brave*

Unit 4: *Stepping into the World of the Story*

Trade Book Titles

- *Anita and the Dragons* by Hannah Carmona
- *Dragons in a Bag* by Zetta Elliott

Unit 5: *Growing Knowledge Together*

Trade Book Titles

- *A Dragonfly's Life* by Ellen Lawrence
- *Behold the Beautiful Dung Beetle* by Cheryl Bardoe
- *Insects Are Awesome* by Michael Rae-Grant
- *You Can Be an Entomologist!* by Dr. Dino Martins

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Let's Gather: Reading to and with Your Second-Graders
Suggested Trade Book Titles

Read-Aloud Unit 1: "Exploring Strong Feelings and Falling in Love with Characters"

Trade Book Titles

- *My First Day* by Phùng Nguyên Quang
- *Evelyn Del Rey Is Moving Away* by Meg Medina
- *The Arabic Quilt: An Immigrant Story* by Aya Khalil
- *Read! Read! Read!* by Amy Ludwig VanDerwater

Read-Aloud Unit 2: "Exploring the Universe"

Trade Book Titles

- *Mae Among the Stars* by Roda Ahmed
- *National Geographic Readers: Planets* by Elizabeth Carney
- *Your Place in the Universe* by Jason Chin

Read-Aloud Unit 3: "Reading to Develop Empathy"

Trade Book Titles

- *Thunder Cake* by Patricia Polacco
- *Sadiq and the Perfect Play* by Siman Nuurali
- *Each Kindness* by Jacqueline Woodson

Read-Aloud Unit 4: "Exploring Other Worlds and Our Own through Read-Aloud"

Trade Book Titles

- *Dragons in a Bag* by Zetta Elliott
- *Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China* by Ed Young

Read-Aloud Unit 5: "Building Knowledge and Fascination about Insects"

Trade Book Titles

- *Insects Are Awesome* by Michael Rae-Grant
- *A Beetle Is Shy* by Dianna Hutts Aston
- *Behold the Beautiful Dung Beetle* by Cheryl Bardoe

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Grade 2: Units of Study in Writing
Suggested Trade Book Titles

The following books are required to teach the Units of Study in Writing, Grade 2. If you do not have these books in your classroom, trade book packs are available on Heinemann.com. These books are included with the Units of Study in Writing for second grade.

- *Ocean Clean-Up Crew* by Elizabeth Franco (Unit 1: *Making Small Moments Big*)
- *The Ring Bearer* by Floyd Cooper (Unit 1: *Making Small Moments Big*)
- *Splash! Discover Sea Turtles* by Virginia Loh-Hagan (Unit 2: *Chapter Books*)
- *If You Love Robots, You Could Be . . .* by May Nakamura (Unit 2: *Chapter Books* and Unit 3: *Finding Awesome Everywhere*)
- *Eyes that Kiss in the Corners* by Joanna Ho (Unit 3: *Finding Awesome Everywhere*)
- *Octopus Stew* by Eric Velasquez (Unit 3: *Finding Awesome Everywhere*)
- *Those Darn Squirrels!* by Adam Rubin (Unit 3: *Finding Awesome Everywhere*)
- *A Dragonfly's Life* by Ellen Lawrence (Unit 4: *Writing Research-Based Nonfiction*)
- *Dung Beetles* by Martha E. H. Rustad (Unit 4: *Writing Research-Based Nonfiction*)
- *Insects Are Awesome* by Michael Rae-Grant (Unit 4: *Writing Research-Based Nonfiction*)

The following books are recommended as additional read-alouds and mentor texts to support the writing work in the units. You'll see some of these titles referenced as optional teaching texts in individual sessions.

Unit 1: *Making Small Moments Big*

- *Bippity Bop Barbershop* by Natasha Anastasia Tarpley
- *Jabari Jumps* by Gaia Cornwall
- *My Papi Has a Motorcycle* by Isabel Quintero
- *Roller Coaster* by Marla Frazee

Unit 2: *Chapter Books: Writing Nonfiction from the Heart*

- *Not So Different: What You Really Want to Ask About Having a Disability* by Shane Burcaw

Unit 3: *Finding Awesome Everywhere: Celebrating through Opinion Writing*

- *The Book with No Pictures* by B.J. Novak

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Unit 4: *Writing Research-Based Nonfiction*

- *An ABC of Equality* by Chana Ginelle Ewing
- *Eruption! The Story of Volcanoes* by Anita Ganeri
- *Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor: The Woman Who Loved Reptiles* by Patricia Valdez
- *The Real Poop on Pigeons!* by Kevin McCloskey
- *Seed Power: Discovering How Plants Grow* by Anna Prokos

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