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K-2nd Summer Reading List

Here are some summer reading suggestions for students in grades K-2. If you're in kindergarten, first, or second grade, you should already have these titles at home, as they were generously provided by GELF! Enjoy your reading adventures!

Federico and the Wolf

by Rebecca J. Gomez

With his red hoodie on and his bicycle basket full of food, Federico is ready to visit Abuelo. But on the way, he meets a hungry wolf. And now his grandfather bears a striking resemblance to el lobo...Fortunately, Federico is quick and clever—and just happens to be carrying a spicy surprise! Federico drives the wolf away, and he and Abuelo celebrate with a special salsa. Recipe included.

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Don't Touch That Flower!

by Alice Hemming illustrated by Nicola Slater

Spring is here, and today a flower has sprung to life. But when Squirrel becomes too protective of it, Bird shows Squirrel the right way to let flowers blossom and grow.

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The Cookie Fiasco

by Dan Santat and Mo Willems

Hippo, Croc, and the Squirrels are determined to have equal cookies for all! But how? There are only three cookies . . . and four of them! They need to act fast before nervous Hippo breaks all the cookies into crumbs!

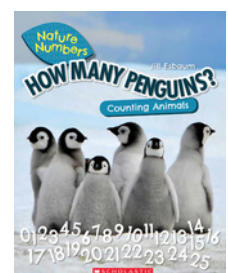
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How Many Penguins?

by Jill Esbaum

This book encourages kids to count groups of animals from reindeer to elephant seals to lemurs in a tour around the globe with amazing nature pictures! Math challenges guide kids to practice adding and subtracting within 1-25 and counting up to 100.



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Predator Face Off

by Melissa Stewart

Find out what happens when predator is pitted against predator in this exciting, informative reader. The Level 1 text provides accessible, yet wide-ranging, information about some of the world's most amazing creatures for beginning readers.



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Sparkle, Shine, Glow

by Lola M. Schaefer

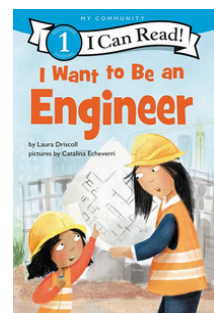
What is light, and how does it shape our world? Acclaimed author Lola M. Schaefer and award-winning artist James Yang illuminate the essential concept of light in this playful and informative picture book. An educational and inventive picture book for readers of David Macaulay and Jason Chin, and anyone curious about how light impacts our world.



I Want to Be an Engineer

by Laura Driscoll

I never knew that there were so many different ways to be an engineer. When my big brother goes to school for engineering, I learn that there are engineers who build buildings and design big rockets. Did you know that there are other kinds of engineers too? There are environmental engineers, plumbing engineers, robotic engineers—and many more! Maybe I'll be an engineer, too?

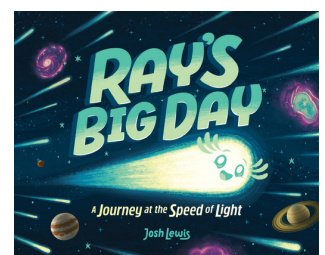


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Ray's Big Day: A Journey at the Speed of Light

by Josh Lewis

When Ray launches from the sun into outer space, she knows she's destined for adventure. But who knew everything in space was so far apart? Can Ray unlock her creativity to pass the time and make something new?



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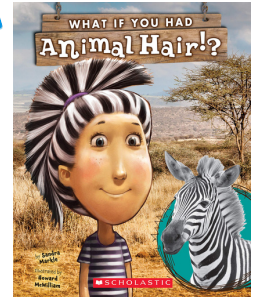
What If You Had Animal Hair?

by Sandra Markle

If you could have any animal's hair, whose would you choose?

If you had a polar bear's double coat, you would never have to wear a hat when playing in the snow. If you had reindeer hair, it could help you stay afloat in water. And if you had a porcupine's hair, no bully would ever bother you again!

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Adventure Friends- Lost Dog

by Brandon Todd

Miguel and Clarke help a neighbor find their lost dog, Spider. They grab their walking sticks and map. Then they set out to search the woods. Across four short stories, their adventure leads them to Spider -- and to the perfect spot for a secret fort!

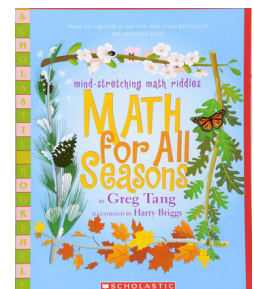


Math For All Seasons: Mind Stretching Math Riddles

by Greg Tang

Your challenge is to find the sum
Without counting one by one
Why not count? It's much too slow --
Adding is the way to go!
Make clever groups before you start --
Then add them in a way that's smart!

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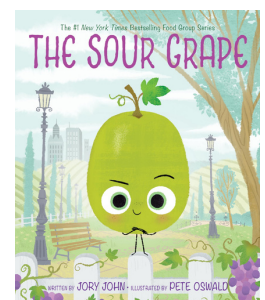


The Sour Grape

by Jory John

The Sour Grape holds grudges for every reason under the sun. Lime never returned a scarf they borrowed? Grudge! Orange never called back? Grudge! But when a friend holds a grudge against the Sour Grape without listening to an explanation, the Sour Grape realizes how unfair grudges can be. Could a bunch of forgiveness and compassion be enough to turn a sour grape sweet?

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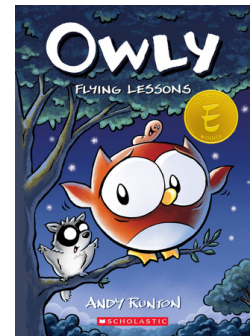
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Owly Flying Lessons

by Andy Runton

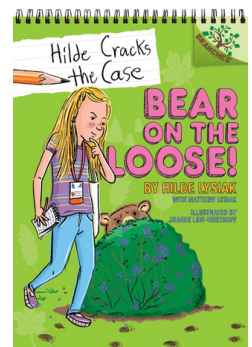
Owly and Wormy love making new friends, and when they spot an unfamiliar animal flying through the trees, they can't wait to meet her! Unfortunately, Shadow the flying squirrel doesn't want to be friends with Owly because she's afraid of him. Wormy tries to convince Shadow that she can trust Owly, but she's still scared... When Wormy gets stuck high up in a tree, Owly's own fear of flying keeps him grounded. Can Owly overcome his fears? And will Shadow be able to do the same?



Bear on the Case

by Hilde Lysiak and Matthew Lysiak

Nine-year-old crime reporter Hilde Lysiak is back for the second book in this early chapter book mystery series! This time, there's a bear on the loose in Selinsgrove! Hilde knows a BIG story when she hears one, and she's determined to get the scoop. So she and her sister/photographer, Izzy, set out to track the bear and find out where he came from. But how will they find the bear? And can Hilde crack this case before someone gets hurt?

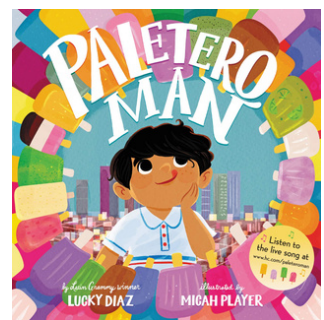


Paletero Man

by Lucky Diaz

Ring! Ring! Ring! Can you hear his call? Paletas for one! Paletas for all! What's the best way to cool off on a hot summer day? Run quick and find Paletero José! Follow along with our narrator as he passes through his busy neighborhood in search of the Paletero Man. But when he finally catches up with him, our narrator's pockets are empty. Oh no! What happened to his dinero? It will take the help of the entire community to get the tasty treat now.

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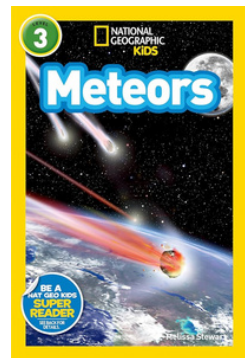
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Meteors

by Melissa Stewart

Blast off on a trip to discover the fascinating world of meteors. In this image-packed book, kids will learn all about these objects hurtling through space—and into our atmosphere. This level 3 reader is written in an easy-to-grasp style to encourage the scientists and explorers of tomorrow!

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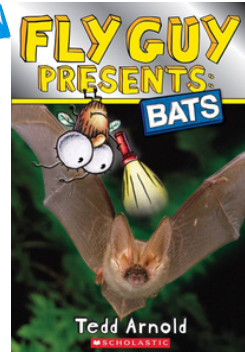


Fly Guy Bats

by Tedd Arnold

The world's smallest tour guide takes adventurous readers into the dark and wonderful world of bats.

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The Ocean is a Big Deal

by Nick Seluk

Have you ever thought about everything the ocean does for you? It changes the weather, creates oxygen, provides food, and is a great place to have fun, too! So why is the ocean such a big deal? Because we couldn't live without it!



Book Log

What did _____ read this week?
(name)

Day	Title	This book was ...			
Monday		Awesome!	Very Good!	Just So-So.	Not Great.
					
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3rd-5th Summer Reading List

The following titles are just suggestion for summer reading in grades 3-5.
Feel free to read your favorite piece of literature and informational text!

Rachel Carson and Her Book That Changed the World

by Laurie Lawlor and Laura Beingsner

A biography of the pioneering scientist and environmentalist, Rachel Carson, author of *Silent Spring*. "Once you are aware of the wonder and beauty of earth, you will want to learn about it," wrote Rachel Carson. Determined and curious even as a child, Rachel Carson's fascination with the natural world led her to study biology and pursue a career in science at a time when very few women worked in the field.

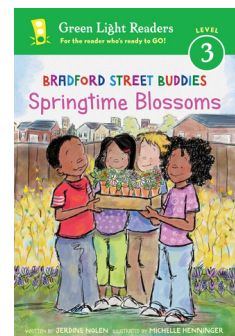
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Springtime Blossoms

by Jerdine Nolen and Michelle Henninger

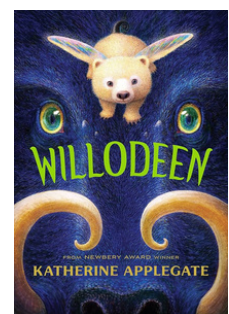
CHIRP! CHIRP! CHIRP! It's springtime on Bradford Street. Jada and Jamal are searching for signs of spring. So are their best friends, Carlita Garcia and Josh Cornell. But the most surprising sign of spring awaits them at school the next day . . . a surprise that blossoms into a colorful plan to beautify the schoolyard just in time for Earth Day.



Willodeen

by Katherine Applegate

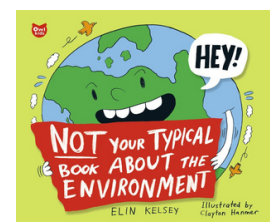
Eleven-year-old Willodeen adores creatures of all kinds, but her favorites are the most unlovable beasts in the land: strange beasts known as "screechers." The villagers of Perchance call them pests, even monsters, but Willodeen believes the animals serve a vital role in the complicated web of nature.



Not Your Typical Book about the Environment

by Elin Kelsey and Clayton Hanmer

We live in a time of heightened environmental awareness, and this knowledge is creating a generation of children with feelings of eco-anxiety — the world is doomed, isn't it? Maybe not. *Not Your Typical Book about the Environment* allays kids' fears by showing how all is not lost.



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How to Find a Fox

by Kate Gardner and Ossi Saarinen

Taking kids on an imaginary trek through different landscapes and seasons, *How to Find a Fox* celebrates one of our planet's most graceful and enchanting creatures: the red fox.



Sir Ladybug

by Corey R. Tabor

Sir Ladybug never shies away from a quest, even when he'd rather be playing a video game or baking a cake. So, when a caterpillar needs rescuing from a "monster" (a hungry chickadee), Sir Ladybug and his trusty friends—his herald, a roly-poly named Pell, and his squire, a snail named Sterling—hatch the perfect (delicious) plan.



Harriet's Ruffled Feathers

by Joy McCullough and Romina Galotta

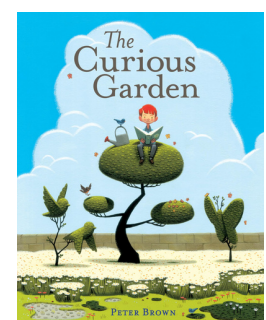
Meet the inspiring woman whose love of fashion led her to start a conservation movement and found the Massachusetts Audubon Society in this lively picture book biography. Harriet Lawrence Hemenway loved hats. She loved them with ribbons and flowers, embroidery, and pearls. And feathers! What was better than a hat with grand, glorious feathers? But then Harriet discovered that millions of birds died so that she and her friends could soar at the height of style. A passion for fashion was one thing, but this was feather-brained!



The Curious Garden

by Peter Brown

While out exploring one day, a little boy named Liam discovers a struggling garden and decides to take care of it. As time passes, the garden spreads throughout the dark, gray city, transforming it into a lush, green world.



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Recyclo-Gami

by Laurie Goldrich Wolf and Bruce Wolf

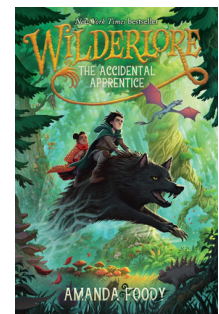
What can you make from your old bits of paper, leftover pieces of yarn, or not-so-brand-new cartons and containers? Craft your purse using playing cards, whip up a scrapbook using cereal boxes, or a dollhouse from an empty juice carton! Tweens and teens can start crafting using the easy-to-follow instructions and photographic directions.



The Accidental Apprentice

by Amanda Foody

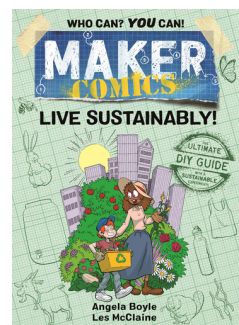
As an apprentice to the town's mushroom farmer, Barclay need only work hard and follow the rules to one day become the head mushroom farmer himself. No danger required. But then Barclay accidentally breaks his town's most sacred rule: never ever EVER stray into the Woods, for within the Woods lurk vicious magical Beasts.



Live Sustainably!

by Angela Boyle and Les McClaine

Maker Comics: Live Sustainably! is a step-by-step DIY guide that will help kids roll up their sleeves and get making with confidence! Inside this graphic novel you'll find instructions for eight sustainability projects.



READING LOG

Month of: _____

DATE	TITLE	AUTHOR	PAGES/MINUTES	RATING

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