

South Orange Maplewood School Librarians
**2011 Summer Reading Suggestions for
Intermediate Grades: Grades 3-5**

Over the years, the public libraries of South Orange and Maplewood have worked with the school libraries and collaborated to create a list of recommended books for summer reading. You may select from this list or any of the others – or make your own choices.

Reading is one of the best activities for academic success. The librarians are always happy to talk to you about what you are reading and help you find what you like.

Maplewood Memorial Library
www.maplewoodlibrary.org
51 Baker Street, Maplewood
(973) 762-1622 ext 5005

Maplewood Library's Hilton Branch
1688 Springfield Ave., Maplewood
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South Orange Public Library
www.sopl.org
65 Scotland Rd., South Orange
(973) 762-0230

This year we have served up a selection of delectable titles including works of fiction, nonfiction, poetry, graphic novels, and biographies. You will also find some great suggestions for series as well. Don't forget that you can always peruse the library shelves and come across many fascinating books to explore. A wealth of information is available to you in nonfiction; Nic Bishop, Seymour Simon, Gail Gibbons, and Bobbie Kalman are just a few authors who are masters in writing engaging works of nonfiction just for kids. Remember, you are your own best teacher. The library is where you find an endless resource of treasures. Enjoy the summer and keep reading!

Here are some recommended reading websites, too:

<http://www.readkiddoread.com/home>

Author James Patterson works with renowned children's librarian and children's book expert, Judy Freeman, to present a resource-rich website full of "unforgettable titles bound to turn kids on to books." It offers extensive lists of annotated titles, a blog, reading tips and more.



<http://guysread.com>

Boys and girls of all ages love books by Jon Scieszka, such as *The Time Warp Trio* series, *The Stinky Cheese Man*, *Math Curse*, and *Science Verse*. Mr. Scieszka has created a wonderful websites of suggested titles specifically aimed toward boys; but, don't kid yourself, girls will love these books as well.

ANGLEBERGER, TOM. *The strange case of Origami Yoda*

Tommy and his friends think that Dwight is a weirdo who's "always talking about robots or spiders or something." In true Dwight fashion, he shows up at school one day brandishing a little origami Yoda finger puppet.

ARONSON, MARC. *If Stones Could Speak*

Learn some new facts about Stonehenge. If you like history mysteries, you'll love this book. The author lives in Maplewood

also: *Sugar changed the world: a story of spice, magic, slavery, freedom, and science*

BARNETT, MAC. *The Ghostwriter Secret (Brixton Brothers)*

Steve Brixton is fast becoming America's top detective. After saving the United States of America in The Case of the Case of Mistaken Identity, he has opened his own agency. Steve gets a call to solve the case of the Fairview diamond but it turns into an even bigger mystery.

BARRETT, TRACY. *Case that time forgot*

London years ago... Xena and Xander's ancestor, Sherlock Holmes, tried to find it, but with no luck. The twins are on the case—but so is someone else. Can Xander and Xena track down what Sherlock Holmes could not?

BASKIN, NORA RALEIGH. *Anything But Typical*

Jason, a twelve-year-old autistic boy who wants to become a writer, relates what his life is like as he tries to make sense of his world.

BECCALONI, GEORGE. *Biggest Bugs Life-Size*

This book presents 35 of the world's biggest, longest, and heaviest bugs, from beetles, grasshoppers, and butterflies to praying mantises, spiders, and millipedes and even the lesser-known vinegaroon (an arachnid that resembles a scorpion) and solifugid (an arachnid that resembles a spider).

BIRDSALL, JEANNE. *The Penderwicks at Point Mouette*

When summer comes around, it's off to the beach for Rosalind . . . and off to Maine with Aunt Claire for the rest of the Penderwick girls, as well as their old friend, Jeffrey.

BUCHANAN, ANDREA J. *Daring Book for Girls*

Jam-packed with information on how to do almost anything.

CLEMENTS, ANDREW. *Fear Itself*

Benjamin Pratt and his friend Jill are trying to find the clues that will keep their 200-year-old school from being torn down and replaced by a theme park.

also: *We the Children* and *Extra Credit*

COLE, HENRY. *Nest for Celeste: A Story about Art, Inspiration and the Meaning of Home*

At Oakley Plantation near New Orleans, temporary home to naturalist John James Audubon and his assistant, Joseph Mason, lives a mouse named Celeste. Industrious and sweet, she forages for food in the dining room and weaves baskets of grass. Unfortunately, she is harassed by resident rats, and, attempting to assuage their hunger, she is trapped by a cat and unable to return to her nook under the floorboards.

CRONIN, DOREEN. *The Trouble with Chickens*

J. J. Tully, a former search-and-rescue dog, is supposed to be resting and relaxing after a noble career. But he is hardly settled into his new home before a mama chick named Mildred wants him to find two of her brood that have gone missing.

COLLINS, ROSS. *Medusa Jones*

In ancient Greece, Medusa Jones, a gorgon, and her friends, a minotaur and a centaur, are mocked and sneered at by the other Acropolis Academy children whose parents are kings and gods, but when they go on a school camping trip together, the "freaks" become true heroes.

DANDICAT, EDWIDGE. *Eight Days: A Story of Haiti*

This beautiful and touching picture book is a true testament of the miraculous rescue in the earthquake in Haiti, where Junior, seven, tells his survival story of being trapped beneath rubble for eight days.

DICAMILLO, KATE. *The Magician's Elephant*

When ten-year-old orphan Peter Augustus Duchene encounters a fortune teller in the marketplace one day who tells him that his sister, who is presumed dead, is in fact alive, he embarks on a remarkable series of adventures in an attempt to find her.

DOWD, SIOBHAN. *London Eye Mystery*

When Ted and Kat's cousin Salim disappears from the London Eye ferris wheel, the two siblings must work together – Ted with his brain that is "wired differently" and impatient Kat – to try to solve the mystery of what happened to Salim.

DRAPER, SHARON M. *The dazzle disaster dinner party (Sassy)*

Sassy's fourth-grade class has an assignment to research a topic and experience it, then present it to their fellow students. Sassy decides to research recipes and throw a dazzling dinner party at her house. She succeeds in talking her mom into it by promising that nothing she makes will involve cooking.

DRAPER, SHARON. *Out of My Mind*

A brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

D'AGNESE, JOSEPH. *Blockhead: The life of Fibonacci*

Leonardo does his math problems so quickly that he has plenty of time to look out the window and count other things in nature. His teacher, however, chastises him for daydreaming and the other students call him a "blockhead."

EPSTEIN, ADAM JAY. *The Familiars*

Escaping from a bounty hunter, a streetwise cat becomes the familiar of a boy magician-in-training.

FLEMING, CANDACE. *Amelia lost: the life and disappearance of Amelia Earhart*

A chilling recounting of Earhart's final flight and the search that followed—Fleming seeks to uncover the "history in the hype," pointing out numerous examples in which Earhart took an active role in mythologizing her own life.

FREDERICK-FROST, ALEXIS. *Adventures in Cartooning: How to Turn Your Doodles into Comics*

Once upon a time...a princess tried to make a comic. And with the help of a magical cartooning elf, she learned how--well enough to draw her way out of an encounter with a dangerous dragon, near-death by drowning, and into her very own adventure!

GIOVANNI, NIKKI, editor. *Hip Hop Speaks to Children: a Celebration of Poetry with a Beat*

A collection of fifty-one children's poems that features selections from Nikki Giovanni, Queen Latifah, and the Sugarhill Gang; and contains an audio CD with thirty performances.

GREENBERG, JAN. *Ballet for Martha: Making Appalachia Spring*

A poetic prose tells the story of the creation of one of the world's most-loved ballets and compositions, and Floca's graceful watercolor illustrations take admirers through every part of its development.

GUTMAN, DAN. *The Genius Files: Mission Unstoppable*

The precocious brother and sister uncover a secret government plot to use "YAGs," or Young American Geniuses, to solve the complex problems of the nation, and find that they are on the list. Suddenly, their 3,000-mile road trip becomes a lot more exciting.

HATKE, BEN. *Zita the Spacegirl*

For no reason at all, a little red button crashes to earth while Zita and her pal Joseph are out cavorting around...Zita follows and lands on a delightfully bizarre alien planet.

HOOSE, PHILLIP. *Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice*

Presents an account of fifteen-year-old Claudette Colvin, an African-American girl who refused to give up her seat to a white woman on a segregated bus in Montgomery, Alabama, nine months before Rosa Parks, and covers her role in a crucial civil rights case.

IGGULDEN, CONN. *Dangerous Book for Boys*

An adventure guide for boys.

JENKINS, EMILY. *Toy Dance Party: Being the Further Adventures of a Bossyboots Stingray, a Courageous Buffalo, and a Hopeful Round Someone Called Plastic*

Six stories relate further adventures of three best friends, who happen to be toys.

also: *Toys Go Out*

KELLY, DAVID. *Babe Ruth and the Baseball Curse*

A telling of the true story behind the creation--and breaking--of the Curse of the Bambino, inflicted on World Series champions the Boston Red Sox after they traded Babe Ruth to the New York Yankees in 1918.

KIMMEL, ERIC. *A Horn for Louis*

A biography of the great jazz musician – Louis Armstrong. A Stepping Stones chapter book.

KORMAN, GORDON. *Framed*

The Man with the Plan needs help from his friends at Cedarville Middle School to clear him of a crime he didn't commit. And the kids are convinced that Principal Egan is trying to pin the heist on them!

KRULL, KATHLEEN. *Lives of the Pirates: Swashbucklers, Scoundrels (Neighbors Beware!)*

Based on a tantalizing mix of hard facts and credible rumors, here are 20 brief biographies of pirates arranged chronologically. The earliest is Alvilda, a Scandinavian princess whose pirating helped her avoid an unwanted suitor.

LaFEVERS, R. L. *Flight of the Phoenix (Nathaniel Fludd: Beastologist series)*

In 1928, when timid ten-year-old Nate learns that his parents have been lost at sea, he joins his father's cousin on a flight to Arabia where they must oversee the death and rebirth of the phoenix, thus beginning his training as a "beastologist."

also: *Basilisk's Lair, The wyverns' treasure and The Unicorn's Tale*

LARSON, KIRBY. *The Friendship Doll*

In 1927, my 57 doll-sisters and I were sent from Japan to America as Ambassadors of Friendship. Our work wasn't all peach blossoms and tea cakes. My story will take you from New York to Oregon, during the Great Depression.

LIN, GRACE. *Where the mountain meets the moon*

Minli, an adventurous girl from a poor village, buys a magical goldfish, and then joins a dragon who cannot fly on a quest to find the Old Man of the Moon in hopes of bringing life to Fruitless Mountain and freshness to Jade River.

LINDO, ELVIRA. *Manolito Four-Eyes*

He's wild and he's spunky and he gets into a lot of trouble. You will fall off your chair laughing at the hilarious adventures of this 10-year old boy from Spain.

also: *Manolito Four-Eyes the Second Volume*
Manolito Four-Eyes the Third Volume

MACAULAY, DAVID. *Built to last*

This new book reveals the how and why behind some of the most fascinating and enduring structures humankind has ever created.

MARTIN, ANN. *Runaway Dolls*

Best friends Annabelle and Tiffany risk placing all of dollkind in danger when they run away while trying to prevent Tilly from being sent back to London before they can determine if she is Annabelle's long-lost baby sister.

also: *Doll People* and *The Meanest Doll in the World*

MCCARTHY, MEGHAN. *Pop! The invention of bubble gum*

This picture-book biography of the inventor of bubblegum is equal parts informative and entertaining.

MCCULLY, EMILY ARNOLD. *The secret cave: Discovering Lascaux*

In 1940, four boys found a tunnel beneath a tree in the French countryside. Looking for buried gold, they came upon, instead, the most famous prehistoric art of all time, the Lascaux cave paintings.

MCKISSACK, PAT. *The Home-Run King (Scraps of Time)*

Brothers Tank and Jimbo Turner love sneaking into Nashville's Sulphur Dell Ballpark to watch the superstars of Negro League baseball. When Josh Gibson, the famous home-run hitter for the Homestead Grays, bunks at their house, the boys think they're one step away from heaven.

MCMULLEN, KATE. *School!: Adventures at the Harvey N. Trouble Elementary School*

The story takes readers into Ron's week, from Hotsy-Totsy Monday to Hunky-Dory Thursday, at his outlandish school, where, through extreme silliness, little life lessons are learned.

MEBUS, SCOTT. *Gods of Manhattan*

Thirteen-year-old Rory discovers a spirit world that thrives alongside his contemporary New York City, filled with fantastical creatures and people from the city's colorful past who have become gods and goddesses and who have chosen Rory to perform a dangerous mission.

also: *Spirits in the Park*

MERCADO, NANCY, editor. *Baseball Crazy*

A collection of ten short stories from popular, contemporary authors that celebrate the joys of America's favorite past time and the wonder, frustration, and delight of its fans.

MONTGOMERY, SY. *Kakapo Rescue: Saving the World's Strangest Parrot*

Take a parrot. Color it green. Give it soft, fluffy feathers, and whiskers. Give it sumo proportions and take away its power of flight. Make it nocturnal, and have it nest underground. Aha! A kakapo! Once millions of these rather affable birds waddled all over New Zealand.

NELSON, VAUNDA. *Bad news for outlaws: the remarkable life of Bass Reeves, deputy U.S. Marshall*

Bass Reeves seemed bigger than life. As a deputy U.S. Marshal--and former slave who escaped to freedom in the Indian Territories--Bass was cunning and fearless. This title reveals the story of a remarkable African-American hero of the Old West.

PAULSEN, GARY. *Liar, Liar: the Theory, Practice, and Destructive Properties of Deception*
Kevin doesn't mean to make trouble when he lies. He's just really good at it, and it makes life so much easier. But as his lies pile up, he finds himself in big—and funny—trouble with his friends, family, and teachers. He's got to find a way to end his lying streak—forever.

POTTER, ELLEN. *Slob*
Picked on, overweight genius Owen tries to invent a television that can see the past to find out what happened the day his parents were killed.

PREUS, MARGI. *Celebritrees: History and Famous Trees of the World*
The introduction of 14 trees famous for history and legend; some are renowned for their age, height, girth, or other physical characteristics. For example, Methuselah, a bristlecone pine in California, is more than 4000 years old, while the Tule Tree in Mexico measures 177 feet around.

RICHARDSON, CHARRISE K. *Real Lucky Charm*
Thinking that luck -- rather than hard work -- has helped her succeed, ten-year-old Mia panics and turns to her twin brother for help when her lucky gold basketball goes missing from her charm bracelet.

ROSENTHAL, AMY. *The Wonder Book*
Poems, brief stories, word games, and palindromes let children have fun with words and also learn various facts and concepts.

SAINT-EXUPERY, ANTOINE DE. *The little prince* (graphic novel)
This timeless story of a man who meets a mysterious boy in the middle of the desert is one that has been enjoyed by readers of all ages for more than 65 years. The man is young at heart, strongly influenced by the memories of his own childhood.

SCHERTLE, ALICE. *Button Up! Wrinkled Rhymes*
The outfits in this book are brought to life with personalities by Schertle's wry poetry and Mathers's exuberant cast of animal characters. The duds on display in this poetry collection are as unique as the critters who wear them.

SCHEUNEMANN, PAM. *Cool Jobs for Kids Who Like Kids*
A combination of bright graphics with a clear layout suggesting work opportunities for children too young for traditional employment.
also: *Cool Jobs for Yard-Working Kids*

SCHLITZ, LAURA AMY. *Night Fairy*
Flory is a night fairy who is still becoming accustomed to her beautiful moth-like wings when a run-in with a bat makes her unable to fly. Dropped in a strange garden, she has to learn to survive.

SCIESZKA, JON. *Knucklehead*
A memoir of what it was like to grow up in the 1950s and other almost true stories by American children's author Jon Scieszka.
also: *Guys Read: Funny Business*

SEDER, RUFUS BUTLER. *Star Wars: A Scanimation Book: Iconic Scenes from a Galaxy Far, Far Away...*

Bringing to life the most memorable scenes from the epic: Obi-Wan battles Darth Maul *The Millennium Falcon* zooms away from an exploding Death Star Luke rides a galloping Tauntaun, Yoda twirls his green lightsaber, Boba Fett blasts up, up and away!

SEEGERT, SCOTT. *Vordak the Incomprehensible: How to Grow Up and Rule the World*

This fictionalized self-help manual calls on kids to embrace their inner evil...amplifying the cheeky fun are instructions, advice, anecdotes, rhymes, charts, and cartoon illustrations for destroying the planet and putting together a deadly organization capable of wreaking havoc on humanity.

SHANG, WENDY WAN-LONG. *The Great Wall of Lucy Wu*

Lucy knows that sixth grade is going to be the best year ever: she finally gets her own room now that her older sister is off to college, and she and her friend Madison are ready to rule the basketball courts.

SHULMAN, POLLY. *The Grimm Legacy*

Feeling left out from her stepfamily at home and from her classmates at her new school, Elizabeth is delighted when she gets a job at the New York Circulating Material Repository, a library that loans objects of historical value.

SMITH, DAVID. *If America Were a Village: A Book about the People of the United States*

The author helps children understand large statistical numbers by collapsing the U.S. population of 300 million down to a village of 100.

SMITH, LANE. *It's a Book*

The monkey's oval head creates an "o" in the word "book." Slapstick humor ensues in an armchair face-off when one character, reared on a diet of Web 2.0 and gaming, cannot fathom what to do with a book and slings a barrage of annoying questions.

SPIRES, ASHLEY. *Binky the Space Cat*

Binky is a space cat - at least in his own mind. He's really a house cat who has never left the family "space station." Unlike other house cats, Binky has a mission: to blast off into outer space (outside), explore unknown places (the backyard) and battle aliens (bugs).

SPRATT, R. A. *The Adventures of Nanny Piggins*

Mr. Green is a major cheapskate and has little interest in his three motherless children. His recent nanny left and he needs to hire a new one, but he refuses to pay for an ad in the newspaper.

STAMATY, MARK. *Shake Rattle and Turn that Noise Down: How Elvis Shook up Music, Me and Mom*

For his eighth birthday, Mark Alan Stamaty's parents gave him his very own radio. Little did his mother realize that that innocent-looking plastic box would one day be the gateway for a new kind of sound that would "rock" her nearly out of her mind!

STEAD, REBECCA. *When You Reach Me*

As her mother prepares to be a contestant on the 1980s television game show, "The \$20,000 Pyramid," a twelve-year-old New York City girl tries to make sense of a series of mysterious notes received from an anonymous source that seems to defy the laws of time and space.

STEPHENS, JOHN. *The Emerald Atlas*

"Unfolding magic and secrets deepen the story and build excitement as it reaches its complex and time-bending climax....Echoes of other popular fantasy series, from "Harry Potter" to the "Narnia" books, are easily found, but debut author Stephens has created a new and appealing read that will leave readers looking forward to the next volumes in this projected trilogy."

TASHJIAN, JANET. *My life as a book*

Twelve-year-old Derek has been identified as a reluctant reader. He likes to read, but doesn't enjoy required materials. He says he prefers having his own adventures (tossing as hand grenades the avocados his mother is saving for dinner, climbing onto the roof with a croquet set to hit wooden balls into the satellite dish) to learning about someone else's life.

VERNON, URSULA. *Dragonbreath: Attack of the Ninja frogs*

When Suki the salamander--the new foreign exchange student--is being stalked by ninja frogs, Danny, Wendell the iguana, and Suki travel to Great-grandfather Dragonbreath's home in mythical Japan to find a solution for the problem.

WALLACE, RICH. *Sports Camp*

Riley Liston feels like the smallest kid at sports camp and maybe he is. He's pretty sure he can bring in a swimming trophy for his camp at Lake Surprise. He doesn't count on Big Joe the camps the giant vicious turtle. Wasn't he supposed to be camp legend?

WEISSMAN, ELISSA BRENT. *Nerd Camp*

Ten-year-old Gabe has just been accepted to the Summer Center for Gifted Enrichment. That means he'll be spending six weeks at sleep-away camp writing poetry and perfecting logic proofs. S.C.G.E. has been a summer home to some legendary middle-school smarty-pants (and future Jeopardy! contestants), but it has a reputation for being, well, a Nerd Camp. S.C.G.E = Smart Camp for Geeks and Eggheads.

WEITZMAN, DAVID. *Pharaoh's Boat*

Tells the story of how one of the greatest boats of ancient Egypt came to be built—and built again. In the shadow of the Great Pyramid at Giza, the most skilled shipwrights in all of Egypt are building an enormous vessel that will transport Cheops, the mighty pharaoh, across the winding waterway and into a new world.

WILLIAMS-GARCIA, RITA. *One Crazy Summer*

It is 1968, and three black sisters from Brooklyn have been put on a California-bound plane by their father to spend a month with their mother, a poet who ran off years before and is living in Oakland.

WINSTON, ROBERT. *What Goes on in My Head*

This book explains what the different parts of the brain do, how they work together, what gives us our individual personalities, why some people are better at doing certain things than others, and why, despite its immense complexity, there are still some things the brain cannot do or understand.

WINSTON, SHERRI. *President of the Whole Fifth Grade*

Brianna Justice is good at setting goals and knows what she wants for her future: to become fifth-grade class president and eventually be rich and famous with her own cupcake business and cooking show.



WINTER, JONAH. *You never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!*

Offers a brief overview of the life of baseball player Sandy Koufax, discussing the obstacles and physical challenges he faced, his successful career, his retirement, and other related topics.

WOODFORD, CHRIS. *Cool Stuff and How it Works*

"...a fascinating, thorough look at modern technology."

YOUNG, KAREN ROMANO. *Doodlebug: A Novel in Doodles*

Twelve-year-old Dodo moves from Southern California to San Francisco with her family, renaming herself "Doodlebug" and tells her story using small drawings and words that are sometimes written in cursive, sometimes in capital letters, each page a fresh, creative layout.

Don't stop here!!

Books in a Series:

Here are some more books you may like:

The 39 Clues series

Abbott, Tony. *The Secrets of Droon* series

Baratz-Logsted, Lauren. *Sisters 8* series

Barron, T.A. *Merlin's Dragon* series

Benton, Jim. *Franny K. Stein* series

Blade, Adam. *Beast quest: The dark realm* series

Brezenoff, Steven. *Field Trip Mysteries* series

Buckley, Michael. *Sisters Grimm* series

also: *Nerds* series

Cabot, Meg. *Allie Finkle's Rules for Girls* series

Charles, Veronika Martenova. *Easy-to-read spooky tales* series

Child, Lauren. *Clarice Bean* series

Clements, Andrew. *Jake Drake* series

Cool Sports Facts series

Deutsch, Stacia. *Blast to the Past* series

DeVillers, Julia. *Liberty Porter, First Daughter* series

Draper, Sharon. *Ziggy and the Black Dinosaurs* series

Draper, Sharon. *Sassy* series

Gallagher, Diana. *Complicated Life of Claudia Cristina Cortez* series

Greenburg, Dan. *Weird Planet* series

Grimes, Nikki. *Dyamonde Daniel* series

Gutman, Dan. *My Weird School* series

Gutman, Dan. *My Weird School Daze* series

Harper, Charise Mericle. *Fashion Kitty* series

Hennesy, Carolyn. *Pandora (Mythic Misadventures)* series

Holm, Jennifer. *Babymouse* series

Hull, Bunny. *Young Masters Little Wisdom* series

Hunter, Erin. *The Warriors* series

also: *The Warriors Graphic Novel* series

Kinney, Jeff. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series

Klein, Abby. *Ready Freddy* series

Krosoczka, Jarrett. *Lunch Lady* series

Leonard, Elise. *Al's World* series

Martin, Ann. *The Babysitter's Club Graphic Novel* series

Mazer, Anne *Sister Magic* series

McDonald, Megan. *Judy Moody* series

McDonald, Megan. *Stink* series

McDonald, Megan. *Sisters Club: Rule of Three* series

McMullan, Kate. *Dragon Slayer's Academy* series

Moore, Ulysses. *Ulysses Moore* series

Moss, Marissa. *Max Disaster* series

O'Donnell, Liam. *Max Finder Mystery* series

Pennypacker, Sara. *Clementine* series

Pilkey, Dav. *The Adventures of Ook and Gluk* series

Pierce, Lincoln. *Big Nate* series

Prineas, Sarah. *Magic Thief* series

Reisman, Michael. *Simon Bloom* series

Books in a Series Continued....



- Riddell, Chris. *Ottoline* series
Riordan, Rick. *Percy Jackson and the Olympians* series
Riordan, Rick. *The Red Pyramid* series
Rouss, Silvia. *Sammy Spider* series
Roy, Rob. *Calendar Mysteries* series
Small, Charlie. *Charlie Small* series
Smith, Jeff. *Bone* series
Snicket, Lemony. *A series of unfortunate events*
Stadler, Alexander. *Julian Rodriguez* series
Stanley, George Edward. *Third-Grade Detectives* series
Geronimo Stilton series
Stewart, Trenton Lee. *The Mysterious Benedict Society* series
Van Draanen, Wendelin. *Shredderman* series
Vernon, Ursula. *Dragonbreath* series
Watterson, Bill. *Calvin and Hobbes* series
Weeks, Sarah. *Oggie Cooder* series
Wesley, Valerie. *Willimina* series
Who was . . . ? biography series
Winkler, Henry. *Hank Zipzer* series

ADDITIONAL AUTHORS:

Here are some great authors to explore for intermediate readers:



Nic Bishop

Dan Gutman

Mary Downing Hahn

Carl Hiaasen

Jack Prelutsky

Graham Salisbury

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