

South Orange Maplewood Librarians  
2011 Summer Reading Suggestions for  
Primary Grades: Grades K – 2

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](http://www.maplewoodlibrary.org)  
51 Baker Street, Maplewood  
(973) 762-1622 ext 5005

Maplewood Library Hilton Branch  
1688 Springfield Ave., Maplewood  
(973) 762-1688

South Orange Public Library  
[www.sopl.org](http://www.sopl.org)  
65 Scotland Rd. South Orange  
(973) 762-0230

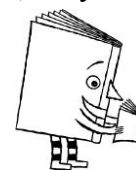
\*\*\*\*\*

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.

**One World, Many Stories**

**AGEE, JON.** *Mr. Putney's Quacking Dog*

Do you like riddles? Mr. Putney is not your stereotypical schoolteacher and neither are his animal friends. You'll have fun reading and enjoy this wordplay on words!

**BAKER, KEITH.** *LMNO Peas*

Having trouble knowing what you want to be when you grow up? Well, not these peas! Learn the alphabet with these humble green vegetables as they journey through different professions and doing different jobs.

**BARNARD, BRYN.** *The Genius of Islam: How Muslims Made the Modern World*

Did you know that the numbers you use everyday are a Muslim invention? Or that the marching band you hear at football games has roots in the Middle East? There's so much more to learn, so read on!

**BARTON, CHRIS.** *The Day-Glo Brothers*

Ready for the third grade Invention Convention? This book is a prime example of what you will discover when you study about inventions. Many inventions were the result of accidents. Enjoy this true story of the Switzer brothers and the discovery of Day-glo paint.

**BARTON, CHRIS.** *Shark vs. Train*

In this friendly competition between Shark and Train, one is good at high diving, while the other is good at basketball. If you like action and humor then have fun reading this book!

**BEMELMANS, MARCIANO.** *Madeline and the Cats of Rome*

The orphan Madeline catches a thief and makes a friend in Rome.

**BIRDSALL, JEANNE.** *Flora's Very Windy Day*

Flora's little brother is unlike any other; she gets the opportunity of a lifetime when she and her little brother are whisked away in the swirling and swooping wind. Where did they go? And did she every get to experience her opportunity?

**BISHOP, NIC.** *Lizards*

Enter the world where geckos wriggle out of their skin and flying dragons glide from tree to tree! Enjoy these captivating photos in vibrant color with captions of information that will keep you reading for more!

**BLISS, HARRY.** *Luke on the Loose*

A young boy's fascination with pigeons soon erupts into a full-blown chase around Central Park, across the Brooklyn Bridge, through a fancy restaurant, and into the sky.

**BLOCH, SERGE.** *You are what you eat*

Feelings of frustration and replaced with feelings of pride as 31 idioms related to food are used in this picky-eater story.

**BOTTNER, BARBARA.** *Miss Brooks loves books (and I don't).*

It's storytime with your librarian and it's "bring your favorite book week"! But not everyone loves to read...What happens next? Find out in this great story for avid and reluctant readers alike.

**BRETT, JAN.** *The 3 Little Dassies*

This retelling of *The Three Little Pigs* is set in southern Africa and stars three small guinea-pig-like creatures who are harassed by an eagle.

**BROACH, ELISE.** *When Dinosaurs Came With Everything*

Although his mother is a little worried, a young boy is delighted to discover that every shop in town is giving away real dinosaurs to their customers.



**BRUEL, NICK.** *Happy Birthday, Bad Kitty*

Bad Kitty's birthday fun is disrupted when someone takes off with her parents, and an unexpected guest arrives for the party.

**BYARS, BETSY.** *Boo's Surprise*

Boo discovers a giant egg in the forest, which hatches into a new dinosaur that causes all kinds of problems for Boo and her brother.

also: *Boo's Dinosaur*

When young Boo is followed home by a dinosaur that only she can see, it causes a bit of trouble for her older brother, Sammy.

**COOK, MICHELLE.** *Our Children Can Soar*

Famous illustrators celebrate the accomplishments of Rosa, Barack, and the pioneers of change. The foreword is by Marian Wright Edelman

**COTTRINGER, ANNE.** *Eliot Jones, Midnight Superhero*

Eliot Jones, an ordinary boy by day, becomes a superhero when the sun goes down, capable of taming lions, recovering the queen's jewels, and maybe even saving the world.

**CUMMINGS, PAT.** *Harvey Moon, Museum Boy*

When Harvey and his pet lizard Zippy go on a school field trip, Zippy gets loose in the museum and they have a harrowing adventure.

**DEEDY, CARMEN.** *14 Cows for America*

A moving, gently told story about Kimali Naiomah, a Kenyan visiting New York City during the events of 9/11 and the wonderful gift from the Masai people to America.

**DICAMILLO, KATE.** *Bink and Gollie*

In three humorous interconnected stories, Gollie, a self-confident girl who lives in a fashionable, contemporary house, and Bink, her ruffled but lovable, impish friend, are adventure-seeking companions, each with her own strong will.

**DICAMILLO, KATE.** *Louise, the Adventures of a Chicken*

Longing for adventure, intrepid Louise leaves her comfortable nest and goes to sea.

**EGAN, TIM.** *Dodsworth in London*

Dodsworth and his friend, a duck, continue their travels, this time arriving in London via hot-air balloon. They make a ruckus in a pub and become separated when the duck (in his little beret) boards a bus without Dodsworth.

**ELYA, SUSAN MIDDLETON.** *Rubia and the Three Osos*

A marvelous and bilingual retelling of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears", Rubia makes herself at home while the three osos go out for a stroll.

**FLOCA, BRIAN.** *Moonshot: The Flight of Apollo 11*

Beautiful illustrations and poetic text retrace the steps of the three astronauts who landed on the moon.

**FRASER, IAN.** *Meet Mammoth*

Ogg and Bob live in a cave and Ogg wants a pet. Despite their shenanigans, these characters learn that having a pet isn't all fun and games, but a real responsibility.

also: *Life with Mammoth*



**FRAZEE, MARLA.** *The boss baby*

Boss Baby is here and he's just as capricious and demanding as any corporate CEO. From midnight meetings to made-to-order drinks, this little tyrant keeps his staff of two on the run until they finally pass out from exhaustion and fail to respond to his calls.

**GOURLEY, ROBIN.** *Bring Me Some Apples and I'll Make You a Pie*

This lovely book about cookbook author and chef, Edna Lewis, will make you hungry, and luckily it includes some recipes for apple crisp, strawberry shortcake and corn pudding among others.

**GRIMES, NIKKI.** *When Gorilla Goes Walking*

In this collection of rhyming poems, Gorilla the cat enjoys answering the telephone, eating soul food, and sharing mischievous adventures with her young owner.

**HARTLAND, JESSIE.** *How the sphinx got to the museum*

Lively artwork and rhythmic text highlight this unique picture book that tells the story of how one particular piece of Egyptian sculpture ended up in the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City.

**HATKOFF, ISABELLA.** *Owen and Mzee: The Language of Friendship*

Continues the story of the unusual friendship between Owen, a young orphaned hippo, and Mzee, a 130-year old Aldabra tortoise.

**HENKES, KEVIN.** *My Garden*

Imagination grows and spreads from the fertile pages of this book to the minds of young readers. Henkes's familiar illustration style invites children into a most unusual garden.

also: *Little White Rabbit*

**HILL, LABAN CARRICK.** *Dave the Potter: Arist, Poet, Slave*

The life of an astonishingly prolific and skilled potter who lived and died a slave in 19th-century South Carolina is related in simple, powerful sentences that outline the making of a pot.

**HILLS, TAD.** *How Rocket Learned to Read*

An endearing white dog with black spots loves chasing leaves and chewing sticks. He also loves napping under his favorite tree. Then his sleep is interrupted one spring day by a tiny yellow bird that designates him her first student.

**HOBBIE, HOLLY.** *Everything but the Horse*

An autobiographical story, in a picture book, based upon her childhood, Hobbie tells of moving from her city neighborhood to a farm.

**HOBERMAN, MARY ANN.** *You Read To Me, I'll Read To You: very short fables*

A companion to the other titles in this series, containing text presented in two voices for young children and adults to read together.

also: *You Read To Me, I'll Read To You: Very Short Scary Stories to Read Together*  
(other titles in this series)

**HOFFMAN, MARY.** *The Great Big Book of Families*

A celebration of the diverse fabric of kith and kin the world over, *The Great Big Book of Families* is a great big treat for every family to share.

**HUGHES, LANGSTON.** *My People*

also: *The Negro Speaks of Rivers*

Sepia toned photographs and radiant watercolor paintings accompany these two classic poems.

**ISADORA, RACHEL.** *Happy Belly, Happy Smile*

Caldecott Honor-winner Rachel Isadora brings a dynamic restaurant to life with beautiful cut-paper collages reminiscent of Eric Carle and Ezra Jack Keats in this story filled with dumplings, egg rolls and chow mein!

**JENKINS, STEVE.** *Bones: Skeletons and How They Work*

In this highly visual picture book, hands, feet, femurs, ribs, spine, and skull are shown and compared to other species.

**also:** *Time to Eat*

**KELLY, IRENE.** *A Small Dog's Big Life: Around the World with Owney*

For seven years, this scruffy dog rode the mail trains he loved, traveling about 143,000 miles across the U.S and collecting more than 1,000 commemorative mail tags from the clerks who was eventually adopted by.

**KHAN, RUKHSANA.** *Big Red Lollipop*

When Rubina comes home with a birthday-party invitation, her mother asks why people celebrate birthdays, as her culture does not, and insists that Rubina take her little sister along despite the older child's insistence that "they don't do that here."

**KONTIS, ALETHEA.** *Alpha Oops (The Day Z Went First)*

A starts to introduce itself and is interrupted by activist letter Z, demanding fair and equal turns at going first, wary of its last place in line, and followed in backwards order by letters Y, X, W, and (oops!)

**KNAPP, RUTHIE.** *Who stole Mona Lisa?*

This history is a terrific way to teach children about the origins of the painting Mona Lisa – short sentences gain momentum from internal rhymes, repeated opening phrases, and humorous details.

**LAMB, ALBERT.** *Tell me the day backwards*

Timmy tries to remember everything that happened to him that day in reverse, from watching the sunset on the hill to the picnic supper before that, from being chased by bees to finding honey in an old tree stump, all the way back to waking up that morning from his winter-long hibernation.

**LaROCHELLE, DAVID.** *1+1=5*

After sharing the numerous examples provided, children can be asked to stretch their imaginations and come up with their own quirky equations. A great way to encourage outside-the-box thinking!

**LEE, SPIKE.** *Giant Steps to Change the World*

This motivational book braces readers for the obstacles that come along when following one's dreams.

**LEE, SUZY.** *Shadow*

In a nearly wordless, nearly monochrome fantasy, a straight-haired girl--perhaps the same exuberant heroine of Lee's Wave--finds a secret world in the shadows cast by the light bulb in a storage room.

**LEWIN, TED.** *Stable*

Small children take their first pony rides there, older children cross the street on horseback to take riding lessons in the nearby park, those with special needs participate in a therapeutic riding program, and wedding parties hire carriages for their special day.

**LICHTENHELD, TOM.** *Bridget's Beret*

Bridget loves to draw, but she needs her black artist's beret as her muse. One day as she is outdoors working, it flies off into the wind, and she believes that her inspiration has flown with it.

**also:** *Cloudette*

LIN, GRACE. *Ling & Ting*

The six short chapters are the perfect length for beginning readers about sisters Ling and Ting who are twins, but that doesn't mean they're "exactly the same," no matter what everyone says upon first meeting them!

LITWIN, ERIC. *Pete the cat*

Pete the Cat strolls down the street singing, "I love my white shoes, I love my white shoes, I love my white shoes". Despite encountering a rough spot, he maintains a positive outlook.

LONG, ETHAN. *Chamelia*

Most chameleons like to blend in, but Chamelia loves being the center of attention. Can Chamelia learn to share the spotlight?

LOW, WILLIAM. *Old Penn Station*

An illustrated account of the construction of New York City's Penn Station, its history and the demolition of one of the most famous railroad stations in America.

MACLEAR, KYO. *Spork*

Spork is the offspring of a spoon mum and a fork dad and his self-esteem is assuaged at last when he turns out to be just what the baby needs to feed itself.

MARKEL, MICHELLE. *Dreamer from the Village: The Story of Marc Chagall*

The village, his extended family, and deep Jewish roots are all emphasized, elements that are central to understanding his art.

MCCARTHY, MEGHAN. *Pop! The Invention of Bubble Gum*

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

McDONNELL, PATRICK. *Me . . . Jane*

Patrick McDonnell tells the story of the young Jane Goodall and her special childhood toy chimpanzee named Jubilee.

McELLAGOT, MATTHEW. *Even Monsters Need Haircuts*

The young narrator learns a lot from watching his barber dad in action—how to give a good haircut or trim, treat his clientele with respect, and give them what they want—even if the "regulars" are monsters.

MCPHAIL, DAVID. *Water Boy*

Fascinated by the fact that humans are made mostly of water, a boy develops an unusual relationship with it once he stops being afraid.

NARA, YOSHITOMO. *The Lonesome Puppy*

The slight story centers on a dog so big that he straddles the globe and is friendless because no one can actually see him. A little girl finally notices him, climbs up onto his face, and sings to him, and they become friends.

NIEMANN, CHRISTOPH. *Subway*

Readers follow two children and their father, pictured as transit map-style stick figures, who spend a rainy day exploring routes.

NIVOLA, CLARE A. *Planting the Trees of Kenya: The Story of Wangari Maathai*

A true story about how this Nobel peace prize winner changed the world one seed at a time.

**O'BRIEN, PATRICK.** *You Are the First Kid on Mars*

An illustrated introduction to what it might be like to live on Mars, covering a boy's journey into orbit, across the solar system, and into an inhabitable station on the red planet.

**PALATINI, MARGIE.** *Lousy Rotten Stinkin' Grapes*

Retells the Aesop fable of a frustrated fox that, after many tries to reach a high bunch of grapes, decides they must be sour anyway.

**PASCHEN, ELISE.** *Poetry Speaks to Children*

Poetry topics that include childhood, animals, nonsense poems, and humor; accompanied by a CD, they hear a variety of accents and dialects—an Irish lilt, New England inflections, or James Berry's lilting Jamaican-British voice.

**PFISTER, MARCUS.** *Questions, Questions*

Inspired by an Italian song, this brightly illustrated picture book asks a series of questions related to the natural world. The rhyming text, translated from the original German, is simple enough for sharing with preschoolers.

**PINKNEY, JERRY.** *The Lion and the Mouse*

This 2010 Caldecott award-winning book is a wordless retelling of an Aesop fable, an adventuresome mouse proves that even small creatures are capable of great deeds when he rescues the King of the Jungle.

**PINTO, SARA.** *Apples and Oranges: Going Bananas With Pairs*

Why is a bicycle like a motorcycle? The answers may surprise you.

**POLACCO, PATRICIA.** *The junkyard wonders*

As Trisha enters a new school in Michigan, she hopes she won't be relegated to a special class. At her old school, she had trouble learning to read. This inspiring story celebrates the extraordinary influence a teacher can have on her students.

**PORTIS, ANTOINETTE.** *Kindergarten Diary*

Imaginative, spirited Annalina narrates a month of days in her life, beginning with the day before she starts kindergarten. This child simply says that she likes preschool and thinks Big School might be filled with Big Kids (What if they're mean?).

**PRAP, LILA.** *Dinosaurs?!*

In this humorous look at evolution, Prap makes the case that all modern-day birds, including chickens, are descended from dinosaurs.

**PROIMOS, JAMES.** *Swim! Swim!*

Lerch, a goldfish wearing a red hat, tells of his isolated, solitary life. He talks in speech bubbles, reminding himself to Swim. The large font and few words make this simple story of friendship accessible to early readers.

**RANSOME, JAMES E.** *New red bike*

Up and down, around and around, Tom is having a blast zooming all over the neighborhood on his new red bike. This book offers a clever take on the concept of sharing.

**RACZKA, BOB.** *Guyku*

Haiku seems like a terrific way to introduce boys to poetry; it's deceptive in its simplicity and accessible to almost any reader. The poems in this picture-book collection capture natural moments that boys, and many girls, have while playing outdoors.

also: Dogku

REIBSTEIN, MARK. *Wabi Sabi*

Text mainly in English, with some Japanese characters. Wabi Sabi, a cat living in the city of Kyoto, learns about the Japanese concept of beauty through simplicity as she asks various animals she meets about the meaning of her name.

REYNOLDS, AARON. *Superhero School*

Leonard is disappointed when all he studies at Superhero school is math, but when ice zombies kidnap all the teachers, Leonard and his friends use their newly-acquired knowledge to best their enemies.

RINKER, SHERRI DUSKEY. *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site*

RODMAN, MARY ANN. *My Best Friend*

What happens when a first grader tries to be friends with a second grader?

ROSENTHAL, AMY. *Spoon*

A small spoon, feeling rather envious of fork, knife, and chopsticks, gets a lot to think about when his mother reminds him of all the things he can do that they cannot.

also: *It's not Fair! Duck! Rabbit! Yes Day! Little Hoot*

RUBBINO, SALVATORE. *A Walk in New York*

Illustrations and text follow a young boy while his father takes him on a tour of Manhattan, and they visit Grand Central Station, the Empire State Building, Union Square Park, and other places.

RYAN, CANDACE. *Ribbit Rabbit*

Frog and Bunny are best friends. RIBBIT, RABBIT! They do everything together, like fight monsters (ZIP IT, ZAP IT!). And even though they get in fights sometimes—YIP IT, YAP IT!—they always make up in the end.

SALLEY, COLEEN. *Epossumondas Plays Possum*

Forgetting his mother's warnings, Epossumondas goes into the swamp alone then must pretend to be dead time and again as he hears frightening sounds and fears they are being made by the dreaded Loup-garou.

also: *Epossumondas Epossumondas Saves the Day*

SAYRE, APRIL PULLEY. *If You're Hoppy*

In this fresh spin on a favorite song, "If you're happy and you know it" perhaps you are "a bunny, or r a cricket." On the other hand, "If you're growly and you know it, you're a dog, or a bear. OR—A TUMMY, OVER THERE!" Get ready for some fun in this story

SCHAEFER, LOLA. *Just one bite*

Curious kids are going to like this one. Just One Bite opens up the world of animals one mouth at a time.

SCHWARZ, VIVIANE. *There Are No Cats in this Book!*

No longer content to stay within the confines of their book, the three felines conspire to escape the pages and see the world.

also: *There Are Cats in this Book*

SEDER, RUFUS BUTLER. *Waddle! A Scanimation Picture Book*

Animals in motion...the images really move!

**SHEA, BOB.** *Dinosaur vs. Bedtime*

No wonder the small but feisty red dinosaur depicted here faces his biggest challenge at bedtime. It's the toddler against the dinosaur, as the youngster takes on everyday things in his world and wins, time and time again.

**SHIELDS, CAROL.** *Wombat Walkabout*

Rhyming text follows six little wombats on walkabout and a hungry dingo following, envisioning them as his lunch until the wombats turn the tables on him.

**SIERRA, JUDY.** *Tell the Truth, B.B. Wolf*

The notorious Big Bad Wolf and other fairy-tale characters of ill repute are hard at work fixing up the Villain Villa Senior Center when Wolf's cell phone rings and the local librarian invites him to tell the story of how he met the three pigs.

**SLOAT, TERI.** *There Was an Old Man Who Painted the Sky*

Reflections upon the Stone Age paintings discovered by a young girl, in 1879, represent the creation of the world, and he tries to re-create the child's thoughts as she viewed them.

**SOETORO-NG, MAYA.** *Ladder to the Moon*

A lush, haunting story that brings together a grandmother and her grandchild; together they listen to moon songs, but then they hear other voices: swimmers struggling against high waves, and sisters in two swaying towers.

**STEAD, PHILIP C.** *A Sick Day for Amos McGee*

Amos McGee, an elderly man who works at the zoo, finds time each day for five special friends. With empathy and understanding he gives the elephant, tortoise, penguin, rhinoceros, and owl the attention they need.

**STEIN, DAVID EZRA.** *Interrupting Chicken*

At bedtime, Papa prepares to read an old favorite to the little red chicken, but before beginning, he reminds her not to interrupt the story. Reassured, he begins "Hansel and Gretel," but just as the two children approach the witch's house, up pops the little red chicken, exclaiming "DON'T GO IN! SHE'S A WITCH!" . . . THE END!"

**STEINER, JOAN.** *Look-Alikes around the World*

Pictures of famous sites around the world, rendered in household objects. Fans of *I Spy* and *Where's Waldo* will love this book. (See the rest of the series of *Look Alikes*).

**TAN, SHAUN.** *The lost thing*

The main humor and intrigue of this remarkable author/artists book lies in the contrast between the casual 'What I did on my holidays' narrative and the bizarre, surreal and funny scenes.

**THOMPSON, LAUREN.** *Ballerina Dreams*

The true story of five little girls with physical disabilities who are determined to become ballerinas.

**THOMSON, BILL.** *Chalk*

Wordless picture book tells the story of three children who find a bag of magical chalk at the playground on a rainy day.

Note: Try some other wordless picture books such as *Waves* by Suzy Lee, *The Museum Trip* by Barbara Lehman and others



**UNDERWOOD, DEBORAH.** *The loud book!*

Unlike its companion, *The Quiet Book*, this one is filled with “lots of louds.” Conditions and situations result in loud noises, each portrayed by the cast of stuffed-animal characters.

**Also:** *The Quiet Book*

**VELASQUEZ, ERIC.** *Grandma’s Gift*

A memoir of Velasquez’s boyhood visits with his grandmother in Spanish Harlem. After helping to shop for ingredients and make her famous pasteles, Eric and his grandmother venture from El Barrio to the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

**WIESNER, DAVID.** *Art & Max*

There’s drama in the desert! Read along in this tale of a feisty friendship between two lizards – a thought-provoking exploration of the creative process.

**WILLEMS, MO.** *Hooray for Amanda & Her Alligator*

Having a stuffed alligator for a best friend can be surprising. Sometimes Amanda surprises her alligator with books. Sometimes Alligator surprises Amanda by *eating them*. A perfect stealth early reader, a story that will begin as a chapter-by-chapter read-aloud.

**WILSON, KARMA.** *The Cow Loves Cookies*

As a farmer makes his daily rounds, readers learn what he feeds his animals and how often.

**WYETH, SHARON DENNIS.** *Something Beautiful*

Picture book offers a shining testament to the ability of human beings to find “something beautiful” in even the most unlikely places.

..Wait!! There’s more!



## BOOKS IN A SERIES:

Here are some suggestions for series books for young readers:

*A is for Africa* and other books about life in an African village by Ifeoma Onyefulu

*A-Z Mysteries* by Ron Roy

*Amelia Bedelia* series by Peggy Parish

*Black Lagoon Adventures* series by Mike Thaler

*Capital Mysteries* series by Ron Roy

*Cat the Cat* series by Mo Willems

*Dolphins* and other nonfiction books by Seymour Simon

*Elephant and Piggie* series by Mo Willems

*Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures* series by Jeff Brown

*Flip-A-Word* series by Harriet Ziefert

*Fly Guy* series by Ted Arnold

*Ivy and Bean* series by Annie Barrows

*Just for You* series and other titles by Mercy Mayer

*Life size series* (Life Size Reptiles / Life size killer creatures/ Live size Dragons)

*Mercy Watson* series by Kate DiCamillo

*Miami* series by P. & F. McKissack

*My First Graphic Novel* series

*Nibbles, bites, and chomps* series

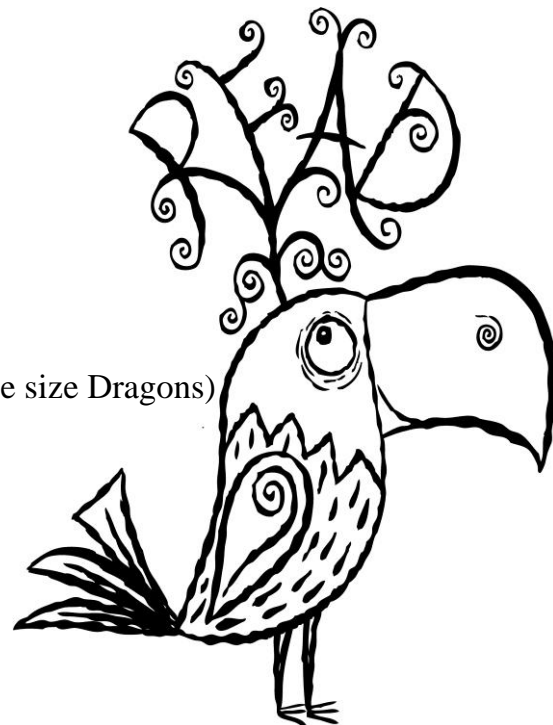
*Fluffy* series by Kate McMullan

*Rhyming Dust Bunnies* series and other titles by Jan Thomas

*Riddle books* by Katy Hall

*Skippyjon Jones* series by Judy Schachner

*Willimena Rules* series by Valerie Wilson Wesley



## ADDITIONAL AUTHORS:

Here are some great authors & illustrators to explore for primary readers:

Marc Brown, Eric Carle, Beverly Cleary, Lauren Child, Andrew Clements,  
Joanna Cole, Floyd Cooper, Doreen Cronin, Tomie DePaola, Ed Emberley, Emily Gravett,  
Ezra Jack Keats, Steven Kellogg, E.B. Lewis, Leo Lionni, Pat McKissack, Susan Meddaugh,  
Robert Munsch, Margie Palatini, Dav Pilkey, Jerry Pinkney, Patricia Polacco,  
James Ransome, Cynthia Rylant, John Scieszka, Mark Teague, George Shannon,  
Rosemary Wells, Mo Willems, Harriet Ziefert

Revised: 06/20/11