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## **Kids K-5 Summer Reading 2015 Booklist**

These books were selected by librarians at Brooklyn Public Library, New York Public Library, Queens Library, and the NYC Department of Education School Library System.

### **GRADES K & 1**

#### **Fiction**

##### **Camping: A Mr. and Mrs. Green Adventure**

by Keith Baker

An adorable alligator couple ventures into the great outdoors.

##### **Happy Like Soccer**

by Maribeth Boelts; Lauren Castillo (Illus.)

City-girl Sierra wishes her auntie and neighbors could come see her new team play.

##### **Frog and Friends: Frog Saves the Day**

by Eve Bunting; Josee Masse (Illus.)

Raccoon, Rabbit, Squirrel, Possum, and a heroic frog share two exciting adventures.

##### **Max and the Tag-Along Moon**

by Floyd Cooper

A gentle read-aloud about a boy and the moon that follows him home.

##### **Rat Attack**

by Molly Coxe

It'll take more than a pack of jam-loving rats to overcome Gran and her clever little grandkids Ann, Fran, and Stan.

##### **This Jazz Man**

by Karen Ehrhardt; R.G. Roth (Illus.)

Enjoy this true toe-tapper, written to the tune of "This Old Man".

##### **April and Esme, Tooth Fairies**

by Bob Graham

Two sisters go on their first tooth retrieval mission. BR

**Here I Am**

by Patti Kim; Sonia Sánchez (Illus.)

A boy moves from his much loved home to a new country and learns to try new things.

**E-mergency!**

by Tom Lichtenheld and Ezra Fields-Meyer

We would all be lost if the letter E went missing. This book will show you Y! EBK

**Katie Saves the Earth**

by Fran Manushkin; Tammie Lyon (Illus.)

Saving the world isn't easy, but Katie has a plan and it involves a yard sale.

**Squirrel's Fun Day**

by Lisa Moser; Valeri Gorbachev (Illus.)

This busy furry friend wants to have the best day with his buddies!

**The Adventures of Sparrowboy**

by Brian Pinkney

Henry the Paperboy finds he can fly, like his favorite superhero.

**Larf**

by Ashley Spires

A scarf-wearing Sasquatch learns he's not alone in the world. EBK

**The Cazuela That the Farm Maiden Stirred**

by Samantha R. Vamos; Rafael López (Illus.)

The whole barnyard joins in the festivities of making arroz con leche. EBK

**Nonfiction****Fly Guy Presents: Firefighters**

by Tedd Arnold

Explore a real firehouse with Buzz and Fly Guy. (J 363.37 A)

**Hippos Can't Swim: And Other Fun Facts**

by Laura Lyn DiSiena and Hannah Eliot; Pete Oswald (Illus.)

Learn about some of the heroes and villains of the animal kingdom. (J 590.2 D)

**Lizards**

by Nic Bishop

Spectacular photographs and fascinating facts about many lizard species. (J 597.95 B)

**In the Wild**

by David Elliott and Holly Meade (Illus.)

Poetry brings to life the untamed creatures that prowl, stalk, hop, and haunt our dreams. (J 811 Elliott)

## **GRADES K & 1 SERIES**

**Benny and Penny** by Geoffrey Hayes

**Tiny** by Cari Meister and Rich Davis (Illus.)

**Fancy Nancy** by Jane O'Connor and Robin Preiss Glasser (Illus.)

**Cat the Cat** by Mo Willems

**Flip-a-Word** by Harriet Ziefert and Yukiko Kido (Illus.)

## **GRADES 2 & 3**

### **Fiction**

#### **Rabbit and Robot: The Sleepover**

by Cece Bell

Rabbit's careful plans are unraveled by the unexpected behavior of his friend Robot. BR, TB

#### **Franny K. Stein: Lunch Walks Among Us**

by Jim Benton

Mad scientist Franny tries to fit in with her classmates. BR, EBK

#### **Nikki & Deja**

by Karen English; Laura Freeman (Illus.)

Will the nasty new girl succeed in breaking up two best friends?

#### **Bean Dog and Nugget: The Ball (graphic novel)**

by Charise Mericle Harper

Spooky bushes have eaten Bean Dog's favorite toy!

#### **Guinea Dog**

by Patrick Jennings

When your pet guinea pig thinks it's a member of the canine family, it's hijinks galore. BR, EBK

#### **The Shark King (graphic novel)**

by R. Kikuo Johnson

A fishy tale about Nanaue (nah-NOW-way) and the search for his father.

#### **Zapato Power: Freddie Ramos Takes Off**

by Jacqueline Jules; Miguel Benítez (Illus.)

Freddie's new superpowered sneakers make him faster than fast. EBK

#### **Captain Awesome and the New Kid**

by Stan Kirby; George O'Connor (Illus.)

Is the new student Sally Williams a friend or foe for the captain and his sidekick?

**Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things**

by Lenore Look; LeUyen Pham (Illus.)

This superhero-loving descendent of Chinese warriors must overcome his fear of just about everything. EAUD, EBK, TB

**Mo & Jo Fighting Together Forever (graphic novel)**

by Jay Lynch and Dean Haspiel

Two squabbling siblings must get along long enough to defeat the evil Saw-Jaw and save their town.

**The Great Cake Mystery: Precious Ramotswe's Very First Case**

by Alexander McCall Smith; Iain McIntosh (Illus.)

A girl detective puts her sleuthing skills to good use when her school faces a rash of sweet thefts. EAUD

**Lulu and the Rabbit Next Door**

by Hilary McKay; Priscilla Lamont (Illus.)

The new boy next door learns how fun his pet bunny can be. EBK

**Big Foot**

by M.P. Robertson

A lost girl and a lonely Big Foot make for one unlikely friendship.

**Dragonbreath: Attack of the Ninja Frogs**

by Ursula Vernon

Will Danny's fledgling kung fu skills be a match for a gang of sneaky amphibians?

**Nonfiction**

**An Egg Is Quiet**

by Dianna Hutts Aston; Sylvia Long (Illus.)

An elegant and fact-filled book that showcases the beautiful variety of eggs. (J 591.46 A) EBK

**Liberty Rising: The Story of the Statue of Liberty**

by Pegi Deitz Shea; Wade Zahares (Illus.)

Dazzling illustrations accompany the story behind America's iconic monument to freedom. (J 974.71 S)

**Rachel Carson and Her Book That Changed the World**

by Laurie Lawlor; Laura Beingessner (Illus.)

A young marine biologist writes a book about the "wonder and beauty of the earth" during troubling environmental changes. (J B Carson L) EBK

**A Nation's Hope: The Story of Boxing Legend Joe Louis**

by Matt de la Peña; Kadir Nelson (Illus.)

Powerful pictures tell the story of boxing legend Joe Louis and his fight against a German on the eve of World War II. (J B Louis P)

**Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman**

by Marc Tyler Nobleman; Ross MacDonald (Illus.)

The story of two misfit teens who created their very own superhero. (J B Siegel N) EBK

**Malala Yousafzai**

by Robin S. Doak

The life of one brave girl who almost paid the ultimate price to keep learning. (J B Yousafzai D)

**GRADES 2 & 3 SERIES**

**The Enchanted Sisters** by Elise Allen and Halle Stanford

**Heroes in Training** by Jane Holub

**Pinky & Rex** by James Howe

**Magic Tree House** by Mary Pope Osborne

**Ricky Ricotta** by Dav Pilkey

**GRADES 4 & 5**

**Fiction**

**Sidekicked**

by John David Anderson

Middle school is tough even when you have superpowers. EBK

**Tortilla Sun**

by Jennifer Cervantes

Izzy spends the summer in New Mexico and discovers new friends, her family history, and a little magic.

**Flora and Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures**

by Kate DiCamillo; K.G. Campbell (Illus.)

A cynic encounters an unlikely hero: a squirrel with superpowers. AUD, EAUD, EBK

**Sky Jumpers**

by Peggy Eddelman

Living in a future without technology, twelve-year-old daredevil Hope may be the only one who can save her small town from bandits. EBK

**The Magic Shop: The Vanishing Coin**

by Kate Egan and Mike Lane; Eric Wight (Illus.)

Mike has a hard time in school, but a trip to a mysterious magic shop may turn everything around.

**Sidekicks (graphic novel)**

by Dan Santat

Think being a superpowered pet is easy? Think again.

**Sisters (graphic novel)**

by Raina Telgemeier

Take one road trip, add some annoying siblings, and stir in one escaped pet snake and you've got a vacation you won't forget.

**Michael Townsend's Amazing Greek Myths of Wonder and Blunders (graphic novel)**

by Michael Townsend

The funniest, wackiest, wildest graphic novel about the Greek gods you'll ever read.

**Breadcrumbs**

by Anne Ursu; Erin McGuire (Illus.)

Hazel needs to save her best friend in this modern day retelling of "The Snow Queen." EAUD

**Eddie Red Undercover: Mystery on Museum Mile**

by Marcia Wells; Marcos Calo (Illus.)

Edmund Xavier Lonnot must use his photographic memory to stop the Picasso Gang.

**President of the Whole Fifth Grade**

by Sherri Williams

Can Brianna Justice win the school election with her creative campaign cupcakes? EBK

**Leepike Ridge**

by N.D. Wilson

Sucked into an underground cave, Tom is chased by murderous treasure hunters. EBK

**The Blossoming Universe of Violet Diamond**

by Brenda Woods

A biracial girl in an all-white school seeks out her African-American family and finds her place in the world.

**Nonfiction**

**Girls Think of Everything: Stories of Ingenious Inventions by Women**

by Catherine Thimmesh; Melissa Sweet (Illus.)

From cookies to windshield wipers, learn of some of the most fascinating and useful things that have been invented by women. (J 609.22 T) TB

**Guys Read: True Stories**

by Jon Scieszka (Ed.)

Check out these ten amazing real tales, from survival in the Sahara desert to the life and times of a blues musician. (J 808.18 S) EBK

**Titanic: Voices from the Disaster**

by Deborah Hopkinson

The gripping and gritty story of this maritime catastrophe seen through the memories of some of its survivors. (J 910.91 H) EBK, TB

**Boys Who Rocked the World: Heroes From King Tut to Bruce Lee**

by Michelle Roehm McCann

These 46 historical figures were all famous before they even finished their teens! (J 920.71 B)

**Who Was Nelson Mandela?**

by Pam Pollack and Meg Belviso; Stephen Marchesi (Illus.)

The fascinating life of a South African leader who changed the world for the better. (J B Mandela P)

**GRADES 4 & 5 SERIES**

**Amelia Rules** by Jimmy Gownley

**Club C.S.I.** by David Lewman

**Olympians (graphic novel)** by George O'Connor

**Stranded** by Jeff Probst and Chris Tebbetts

**I Survived** by various authors