

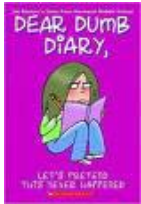


READ ALOUD BOOKLIST

4th – 6th GRADES

Updated: by Stephanie Western 05/09

Check out this list of great books to share with a child! There is sure to be something here for everyone.



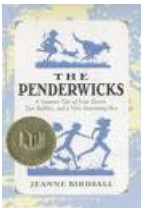
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Let's Pretend This Never Happened

By Jim Benton

Call #: JF Benton

Jamie Kelly describes her life, including her attempts to triumph over her nemesis, the beautiful and popular Angeline. Book 1 of the *Dear Dumb Diary* series.



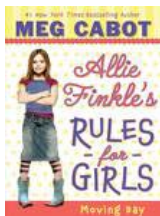
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The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy

By Jeanne Birdsall

Call #: JF Birdsall

Four lovable sisters share summer vacation adventures with a lonely boy, much to the dismay of his snobbish mother.



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Moving Day

By Meg Cabot

Call #: JF Cabot

Allie Finkle keep rules for everything written in a private book, but her world is turned upside-down when her family has to move. How will Allie cope with a new school, new friends, and new rules?



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No Talking

By Andrew Clements

Call #: JF Clements

The noisy fifth grade boys of Laketon Elementary School challenge the equally loud fifth grade girls to a "no talking" contest.



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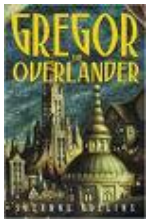
Sahara Special

By Esmara Raji Codell

Call #: JF Codell

Called "Sahara Special" and teased because of her special education class, Sahara gets a fresh start when a new and unique teacher discovers her writing talent.





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Gregor the Overlander

By Suzanne Collins

Call #: JF Collins

When Gregor and his two-year-old sister are pulled into a strange underground world, they trigger an epic battle involving men, bats, rats, cockroaches, and spiders.



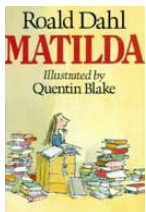
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Love that Dog

By Sharon Creech

Call #: JF Creech

Jack hates poetry, but when his teacher keeps making him study (and write) it, he learns that he actually has something important to say. Check out the new sequel, *Hate That Cat*.



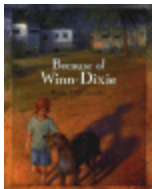
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Matilda

By Roald Dahl

Call #: JF Dahl

Matilda is a genius, but her awful family treats her like an idiot. When the sweet and sensitive child decides to fight back, her parents don't stand a chance.



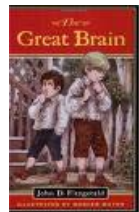
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Because of Winn-Dixie

By Kate DiCamillo

Call #: JF DiCamillo

10-year-old India Opal Buloni is the lonely new kid in town. But once she adopts a big ugly dog named Winn-Dixie, wonderful things start to happen.



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The Great Brain

By John Dennis Fitzgerald

Call #: JF Fitzgerald

The biggest con artist of the West is ten years old! J.D. tells what it was like growing up in Utah with a scheming older brother known as "The Great Brain."



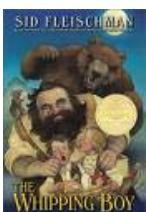
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The Ruins of Gorlan

By John Flanagan

Call #: JF Flanagan

When Will is rejected by the battleschool, he becomes the reluctant apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt, and winds up protecting the kingdom from danger. Book 1 of the *Ranger's Apprentice* series.



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The Whipping Boy

By Sid Fleischman

Call #: JF Fleischman

A bratty prince and his whipping boy have many adventures when they accidentally trade places after becoming involved with dangerous outlaws.





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Coraline

By Neil Gaiman

Call #: JF Gaiman

Coraline ventures through a door into a world that is similar, yet disturbingly different from her own. She must challenge a gruesome entity in order to save herself, her parents, and the souls of three others.



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Jackie and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure

By Dan Gutman

Call #: JF Gutman

With his ability to travel through time by using baseball cards, Joe goes back to 1947 to meet Jackie Robinson. Part of the exciting *Baseball Card Adventure* series.



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Among the Hidden

By Margaret Peterson Haddix

Call #: JF Haddix

The Population Police enforce a law limiting a family to only two children, so Luke lives in isolation and fear on his family's farm, until another "third" convinces him that the government is wrong.



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Wait Till Helen Comes: A Ghost Story

By Mary Downing Hahn

Call #: JF Hahn

Molly and Michael dislike their spooky new stepsister Heather but realize that they must try to save her when she seems ready to follow a ghost child to her doom.



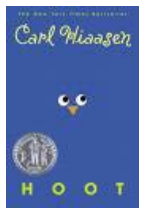
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Ida B. . . and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World

By Katherine Hannigan

Call #: JF Hannigan

Ida B loves being home-schooled and playing in her family's apple orchard. Everything changes when her mother begins treatment for cancer, her parents must sell part of the orchard, and she is sent to public school.



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Hoot

By Carl Hiaasen

Call #: YF Hiaasen

Roy hates his new life in Florida, but things become more interesting when he meets a mysterious barefoot boy who is trying to save a colony of owls from being destroyed.



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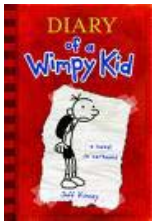
Into the Wild

By Erin Hunter

Call #: JF Hunter

Book 1 of the exciting *Warriors* series introduces Rusty, a domestic cat. He pounces at the chance to join the ThunderClan, a group of true warriors.





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Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Greg Heffley's Journal

By Jeff Kinney

Call #: JF Kinney

"Wimpy" Greg and his best friend, Rowley, just hope to survive middle school. But when Rowley grows popular, Greg must take drastic measures to save their friendship.



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The View from Saturday

By E.L. Konigsburg

Call #: JF Konigsburg

Four students, with their own individual stories, develop a special bond and are chosen to represent their sixth-grade class in the Academic Bowl competition.



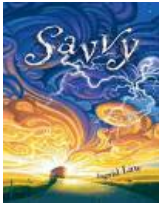
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No More Dead Dogs

By Gordon Korman

Call #: JF Korman

Football hero Wallace Wallace is sentenced to detention attending rehearsals of the school play where, in spite of himself, he becomes wrapped up in the production and begins suggesting improvements to the play.



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Savvy

By Ingrid Law

Call #: JF Law

Mibs Beaumont's 13th birthday has revealed her "savvy"—a magical power unique to each member of her family—just as her father is injured in a terrible accident.



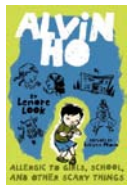
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Ella Enchanted

By Gail Carson Levine

Call #: JF Levine

Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her. She goes on a quest, determined to break the curse and live happily ever after.



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

By Lenore Look

Call #: JF Look

Alvin loves superheroes and comes from a long line of brave Chinese farmer-warriors. He wants to make friends, but first he must overcome his fear of everything.



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The Boys Start the War

By Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Call #: JF Naylor

Disgusted that a family with three girls moves into the house across the river, 9-year-old Wally and his three brothers declare a practical joke war on the girls.





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Hatchet

By Gary Paulsen

Call #: YF Paulsen

After a plane crash, 13-year-old Brian spends 54 days in the wilderness, learning to survive with only the aid of a hatchet.



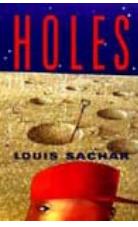
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The Lightning Thief

By Rick Riordan

Call #: YF Riordan

Percy Jackson is a NYC kid who discovers that his father is the Greek god Poseidon. At Camp Half-Blood he meets other demigod kids and begins a quest to save the world! Book 1 of *Percy Jackson and the Olympians* series.



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Holes

By Louis Sachar

Call #: JF Sachar

When a family curse strikes, Stanley Yelnats is sent to a hellish correctional camp in the Texas desert where he finds his first real friend, a treasure, and a new sense of himself.



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Wringer

By Jerry Spinelli

Call #: JF Spinelli

Palmer dreads his 10th birthday. This year he will have to become a wringer at his town's annual Pigeon Day, or find the courage to oppose the tradition.