

# Summer Reading Program

For Students Entering  
First and Second Grade



Division of Academic Services

Department of Humanities



**Paterson Public Schools**  
**2017 Elementary Summer Reading Assignment**

**(Students entering First or Second Grade)**

Dear Parents/Students,

All K-12 students attending the Paterson Public Schools during the 2016-2017 school year will have the opportunity to select books that they are interested in and motivated to read during the summer. Our aim is to keep students connected to reading habits and comprehension skills that were introduced during the school year, with the ultimate goal of building a love for reading within your child.

For our incoming first and second grade students, your child has been assessed throughout the school year to determine his/her reading level according to Fountas & Pinnell's leveling system. On this leveling system, your child's "just right" reading level is assigned using a letter between A and Z. This "just right" level is where your son/daughter can read comfortably with fluency and understanding. In order to maintain the reading growth your child has achieved this school year, we are suggesting that your child read books independently on his/her reading level, throughout the entire summer. A list of book suggestions at each reading level can be found by visiting the parents/students tab on the district website.

To support your role during your child's reading experience, we are providing you with guiding questions that you can ask your child about the book that is being read. Questions are organized by reading level, as it is important to ask questions that match your child's reading level. Some of the questions are related to what you might ask before the text is read, during the reading of the text, and at the conclusion of the text. Should you wish to challenge your child or push his/her thinking, you may go up to the next level of questions.

While reading with your child this summer, we are asking that your child keep a reading log of the books he/she read. Further, we ask that your child choose one of the books read and complete the attached project. Both the reading log and project should be sent to school with your son/daughter on their first day of school in September.

This summer we recommend that your child continue to use RAZ Kids, which they have used throughout the school year. In the event you have not used this at home, RAZ Kids can be accessed via the internet at [www.kidsa-z.com/main/Login](http://www.kidsa-z.com/main/Login) or by downloading the free App on any smart device.

Additionally, we encourage you to visit one of the branches of the Paterson Public Library, not only for assistance in selecting books that will interest your child, but also to participate in Build a Better World, this summer's reading incentive program. Further, you may also wish to utilize your library card to access free e-books on [www.tumblebooks.com](http://www.tumblebooks.com).

For more detailed information, please review the packet to best prepare your child for success in their reading journey or visit our district website [www.paterson.k12.nj.us](http://www.paterson.k12.nj.us).



Wishing you a wonderful summer filled with reading!



| <b>Suggested Titles Level A</b>   |                     | <b>Suggested Titles Level B</b> |                         |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Title</b>                      | <b>Author</b>       | <b>Title</b>                    | <b>Author</b>           |
| Do You Want To Be My Friend?      | Eric Carle          | The Bus for Us                  | Suzanne Bloom           |
| Going to Grandma's Farm           | Betsy Franco        | Have You Seen My Cat?           | Eric Carle              |
| I Can Write                       | Rozanne Williams    | Winter                          | Aaron Carr              |
| I Need A Little Help              | Kathy Schulz        | Ollie                           | Oliver Dunrea           |
| Look What I Can Do                | Jose Aruego         | Pig Picnic                      | Patricia Hubbell        |
| Moving Day                        | Jo Kittinger        | I Can Ski                       | Melanie Davis Jones     |
| A Parrot for Pam                  | Mary Ann Hoffman    | How Many Fish?                  | Carson Le Cohen         |
| Play Ball!                        | Janey Levy          | My Big Family                   | Donna Rice              |
| School Is Cool!                   | Colleen Adams       | A Big Surprise                  | Kristi Butler           |
| What Can I Be?                    | Cari Meister        | Buttons, Buttons                | Rozanne Williams        |
| Autumn Leaves                     | Gail Saunders-Smith | Fun With Hats                   | Lucy Malka              |
| Chickenpox                        | Sharon Gordon       | Have You Seen My Cat?           | Eric Carle              |
| Come See My Bugs                  | Rozanne Williams    | Have You Seen My Duckling?      | Nancy Tafuri            |
| The Dog                           | Rozanne Williams    | Honk!                           | Sue Smith               |
| Eating Apples                     | Gail Saunders-Smith | I Need You                      | Patricia Murphy         |
| Globes                            | Robin Nelson        | A Lunch With Punch              | Jo Kittinger            |
| Happy                             | Robin Nelson        | Monday With Meg                 | Victoria Braidich       |
| I Can Read                        | Rozanne Williams    | Patty's Pictures                | Elizabeth Kernan        |
| I Like Colors                     | Rozanne Williams    | Animal Babies                   | Sundance Publishing     |
| I See Patterns                    | Rozanne Williams    | Here Is My Cat                  | Rozanne Williams        |
| Truck                             | Donald Crews        | How's The Weather?              | Rozanne Williams        |
| Tom                               | Tomie Depaola       | I See Colors                    | Rozanne Williams        |
| Good Morning, Good Night          | Michael Grejniec    | Mothers                         | Lola Schaefer           |
| The Accidental Zucchini           | Max Grover          | Noses                           | Melanie Mitchell        |
| Sea Shapes                        | Suse Mac Donald     | Our Pumpkin                     | Renee Keeler            |
| A Boy, A Dog, A Frog and A Friend | Mercer Mayer        | Things I Do With My Friends     | Sundance Publishing     |
| Growing Colors                    | Bruce McMillan      | We Can Share At School          | Rozanne Williams        |
| Have You Seen My Duckling?        | Nancy Tafuri        | Wings                           | Melanie Mitchell        |
| I Like Bugs                       | Margaret Wise Brown | Field Day                       | Melanie Davis Jones     |
| A Frog Grows Up                   | James Duhamel       | Snow Day                        | Mercer Mayer            |
| Birds                             | Alex Ives           | Night Shift                     | Josh Ryan               |
| Penguins Can Go                   | Teddy Jones         | Pig Picnic                      | Patricia Hubbell        |
| A Party                           | Anne Miranda        | Mule Wants to Help              | Gina Shaw               |
| Run, Rabbit!                      | Yael Landman        | Do What I Do                    | Nat Gabriel             |
| Lunch                             | Gay Su Pinnel       | Wake Up, Big Barn!              | Suzanne Tanner Chitwood |
| School Day!                       | Jesus Cervantes     | Car Wash Kid                    | Cathy Goldberg Fishman  |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level C</b>          |                                 | <b>Suggested Titles Level D</b>                       |                   |
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| <b>Title</b>                             | <b>Author</b>                   | <b>Title</b>  | <b>Author</b>     |
| Bugs!                                    | Patricia and Fredrick McKissack | The Chick and The Duckling                            | Mirra Ginsburg    |
| Cat and Dog                              | Rozanne Williams                | Dress-Up  | Marcia Leonard    |
| Gabby's Big Game                         | P. J. Sheehan                   | Footprints in the Snow                                | Cynthia Benjamin  |
| I Went Walking                           | Sue Williams                    | Mary Wore Her Dress and Henry Wore His Green Sneakers | Merle Peek        |
| Joshua James Likes Trucks                | Catherine Petrie                | The Mess  | Patricia Jensen   |
| Pancakes for Breakfast                   | Tomie de Paola                  | My New Town   | Kristen Hall      |
| A Rainbow of My Own                      | Don Freeman                     | Pup and Hound in Trouble                              | Susan Hood        |
| Sam and Jack: Three Stories              | Alex Moran                      | School Bus  | Donald Crews      |
| Silly Sally                              | Betsy Franco                    | Snow Joe  | Carol Greene      |
| What I see                               | Holly Keller                    | Will You Play With Us?                                | Margaret Phinney  |
| Can You Read a Map?                      | Rozanne Williams                | Bears, Bears, Everywhere                              | Rita Milios       |
| Do You Think It's Funny When...?         | Rourke Publishing               | I Can Make Colors                                     | Rourke Publishing |
| Flying                                   | Donald Crews                    | I Can't Sleep   | Kimberlee Graves  |
| Getting Ready for School                 | Sundance Publishing             | I Live In the Desert                                  | Gini Holland      |
| How Many?                                | Rozanne Williams                | In The Park   | DK Publishing     |
| I Am Special                             | Tom Cochrane                    | Let's Look For Birds                                  | Rourke Publishing |
| I Eat Leaves                             | Joanne Vandine                  | Long Ago and Today                                    | Rozanne Williams  |
| Rain                                     | Robert Kalan                    | Mammal Moms and Their Young                           | Rourke Publishing |
| Spots, Feathers, and Curly Tails         | Nancy Tafuri                    | What's the Weather Like Today?                        | Rozanne Williams  |
| Trucks                                   | Gail Saunders-Smith             | Where Are You Going?                                  | Kimberlee Graves  |
| Octopus Goes to School                   | Carolyn Bordelon                | Monkey See, Monkey Do                                 | Marc Gave         |
| Mice Squeak, We Speak                    | Tomie DePaola                   | Tiny Goes to the Library                              | Cari Meister      |
| Magic Hat and the Dinosaur               | Grace Maccarone                 | The Best Bug Parade                                   | Stuart Murphy     |
| Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? | Eric Carle and Bill Martin      | My Messy Room   | Mary Packard      |
| Catch that Cat!                          | Cari Meister and David Brooks   | Noodles (series)                                      | Hans Wilhelm      |
| I Love My Shadow                         | Wilhelm                         | Dirty Larry   | Bobbie Hamsa      |
| I Went Walking                           | Sue Williams                    | Energy is Everywhere                                  | June Young        |
| Quick as a Cricket                       | Audrey Wood                     | From Egg to Robin                                     | Susan Canizares   |
| It Looked Like Spilt Milk                | Charles Shaw                    | My Five Senses  | Margaret Miller   |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level E</b>        |                         | <b>Suggested Titles Level F</b>         |                        |
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| <b>Title</b>                           | <b>Author</b>           | <b>Title</b>                            | <b>Author</b>          |
| Today Is Monday                        | Eric Carle              | Across the Stream                       | Mirra Ginsburg         |
| Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed | Eileen Christelow       | Biscuit (series)                        | Alyssa Satin Capucilli |
| Pete the Cat (Series)                  | Kimberly and James Dean | A Bug, A Bear, and A Boy                | David McPhail          |
| First Grade Friends (series)           | Grace Maccarone         | Cat Goes Fiddle-I-Fee                   | Paul Galdone           |
| Catch Me If You Can                    | Bernard Most            | Cookie's Week                           | Cindy Ward             |
| Days of Adventure                      | Lyn Swanson-Natsues     | Just Like Daddy                         | Frank Asch             |
| Happy and Honey                        | Laura Godwin            | Rosie's Walk                            | Pat Hutchins           |
| Hot Rod Harry                          | Catherine Petrie        | "What Is That?" Said the Cat            | Grace Maccarone        |
| It Looked Like Spilt Milk              | Charles Shaw            | Who Will Be My Friends?                 | Syd Hoff               |
| Monkey See, Monkey Do                  | Marc Gave               | Bread, Bread, Bread                     | Ann Morris             |
| Rip's Secret Spot                      | Kristi Butler           | Cars                                    | Anne Rockwell          |
| Rosa Loves to Read                     | Diane Shore             | Celebrating Thanksgiving: Giving Thanks | Joel Kupperstein       |
| Where's Spot?                          | Eric Hill               | Does A Kangaroo Have a Mother, Too?     | Eric Carle             |
| 1 is for 1                             | Nadia Wheatley          | Have You Seen the Crocodile?            | Colin West             |
| Firefighter                            | Jacqueline Gorman       | I Need to Clean My Room                 | Rosanne Litzinger      |
| Fishy Tales                            | DK Publishing           | It Started as a Seed                    | Kimberlee Graves       |
| Let's Take Care of the Earth           | Rozanne Williams        | A Snowy Day                             | Robin Nelson           |
| Meet the Dinosaurs                     | DK Publishing           | Where Did it Go?                        | Kimberlee Graves       |
| Sink or Float?                         | Kimberlee Graves        | Work in Colonial America                | Mark Thomas            |
| Spicy Hot Colors/Colores Picantes      | Sherry Shahan           | In the Tall, Tall Grass                 | Denise Fleming         |
| Springtime Addition                    | Jill Fuller             | Itchy, Itchy Chicken Pox                | Grace Maccarone        |
| A Bean Plant Grows                     | Vanessa York            | Mr. Doodle Had a Poodle                 | Jane Belk Moncure      |
| A Box Can Be Many Things               | Dana Rau                | No, David!                              | David Shannon          |
| A Buzz is Part of a Bee                | Carolyn Lunn            | Cookie's Week                           | Cindy Ward             |
| All Around Our Country                 | Susan Canizares         | Curious George                          | H.A. Rey               |
| Bear in a Square                       | Stella Balckstone       | Dear Dragon                             | M. Hillert             |
| Bubble Trouble                         | Joy Hulme               | Amy Loves the Sun                       | Julia Hoban            |
| Cat in the Bag                         | Sara Swan Miller        | Baa-Choo!                               | Sarah Weeks            |
| City Arnie in the Country              | Danny Noonan            | Baseball Mom                            | Kate Sinclair          |
| Dinosaurs Dance                        | Larry Brimner           | Bear's Busy Family                      | Stella Blackstone      |
| Dog and Cat                            | Paul Fehlner            | Biscuit and the Little Pup              | Alyssa Satin Capucilli |
| Fat Frogs on a Skinny Log              | Sara Riches             | Busy Honeybees                          | Liza Charlesworth      |
| Five Green and Speckled Frogs          | Priscilla Burns         | Dinosaur Parade                         | Shari Halpern          |
| I Love Cats                            | Catherine Matthias      | Drip, Drop                              | Sarah Weeks            |
| I Love Rocks                           | Cari Meister            | Ella Sarah Gets Dressed                 | Margaret Chodos-Irvine |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level G</b> |                        | <b>Suggested Titles Level H</b>   |                     |
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| <b>Title</b>                    | <b>Author</b>          | <b>Title</b>                      | <b>Author</b>       |
| The Carrot Seed                 | Ruth Krauss            | My Five Senses                    | Aliki               |
| Dinosaurs, Dinosaurs            | Byron Barton           | Hi Fly Guy                        | Tedd Arnold         |
| Harry Takes a Bath              | Harriet Ziefert        | I Like Me!                        | Nancy Carlson       |
| Mine's The Best                 | Crosby Bonsall         | Fox in Socks                      | Dr. Seuss           |
| More Spaghetti, I Say!          | Rita Golden Gelman     | Do Like Kayla                     | Angela Johnson      |
| A New House for Mole and Mouse  | Harriet Ziefert        | George Shrinks                    | William Joyce       |
| Nicky Upstairs and Down         | Harriet Ziefert        | Dogs Don't Wear Sneakers          | Laura Numeroff      |
| Sheep in a Jeep                 | Nancy Shaw             | Captain Cat                       | Syd Hoff            |
| Titch                           | Pat Hutchins           | Chrysanthemum                     | Kevin Henkes        |
| Zoo-Looking                     | Mem Fox                | Come Out and Play, Little Mouse   | Robert Kraus        |
| Barnyard Math With Farmer Fred  | Sandi Hill             | Danny and the Dinosaur Go To Camp | Syd Hoff            |
| Boats                           | Anne Rockwell          | Goodnight Moon                    | Margaret Brown      |
| Caring For Our Lizard           | Kimberlee Graves       | A Kiss for Little Bear            | Else Minarik        |
| A Day in the Life of a Teacher  | Linda Hayward          | Owl Babies                        | Martin Waddell      |
| Houses                          | Rozanne Williams       | Sammy the Seal                    | Syd Hoff            |
| I am a Caterpillar              | Jean Marzollo          | We Are Best Friends               | Aliki               |
| It Started As An Egg            | Kimberlee Graves       | You'll Soon Grow Into Them, Titch | Pat Hutchins        |
| Looking Through a Microscope    | Linda Bullock          | ABC 1 Like Me!                    | Nancy Carlson       |
| Saving Money                    | Tanya Thayer           | Building a House                  | Byron Barton        |
| Wild Weather                    | Katharine Kenah        | Butterflies                       | Susan Ashley        |
| Rabbit's Party                  | Eve Bunting            | Diving Dolphin                    | Karen Wallace       |
| Teddy Bear for Sale             | Gail Herman            | I Want To Be A Firefighter        | Dan Liebman         |
| David Goes to School            | David Shannon          | Mail Carrier                      | Jacqueline Gorman   |
| Addition Annie                  | David Gisler           | Sun Up, Sun Down                  | Gail Gibbons        |
| Animals in the Garden           | Melvin Berger          | Surprise Puppy!                   | Judith Walker-Hodge |
| April Foolishness               | Teresa Bateman         | Tale of a Tadpole                 | Karen Wallace       |
| Bake Sale                       | Jack Booth             | Whatever the Weather              | Karen Wallace       |
| Barnyard Banter                 | Denise Fleming         | The Grandpa Book                  | T. Parr Green       |
| Big Kid Shoes                   | Tori Kosara            | A Friend For Sam                  | Mary Labatt         |
| Chicken Said, "Cluck!"          | Judyann Ackerman Grant | A Kiss For Little Bear            | Else Minarik        |
| Chu's Day                       | Neil Garman            | Bunny Race!                       | Grace Maccarone     |
| Down By the Barn                | Will Hillenbrand       | Charlie Goes to the Doctor        | Ree Drummond        |
| Follow Me, Mittens              | Lola Schaefer          | Clifford Makes a Splash           | Quinlan Lee         |
| Good Luck Charlie               | Jennifer Kramer        | Cow Takes a Bow                   | Russell Punter      |
| Grandpa's Quilt                 | Betsy Franco           | Curious George Plants a Seed      | H. A. Rey           |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level I</b>       |                    | <b>Suggested Titles Level J</b>               |                    |
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| <b>Title</b>                          | <b>Author</b>      | <b>Title</b>                                  | <b>Author</b>      |
| The Missing Mitten Mystery            | Steven Kellogg     | The Very Hungry Caterpillar                   | Eric Carle         |
| The Saturday Triplets (series)        | Katherine Kenah    | Shortcut                                      | Donald Crews       |
| Robin Hill School (series)            | Margaret McNamara  | Bink and Gollie                               | Kate DiCamillo     |
| The Kissing Hand                      | Audrey Penn        | Bugs! Bugs! Bugs!                             | Jennifer Dussling  |
| The Three Billy Goats Gruff           | Ellen Appleby      | Slinky, Scaly Snakes                          | Jennifer Dussling  |
| The Dinosaur Who Lived in My Backyard | B.G. Hennessy      | Danny the Dinosaur (series)                   | Syd Hoff           |
| Messy Bessy (series)                  | Patricia McKissack | Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons      | Eric Litwin        |
| Father Bear Comes Home                | Else Minarik       | Mouse Tales                                   | Arnold Lobel       |
| Happy Birthday, Sam                   | Pat Hutchins       | Owl at Home                                   | Arnold Lobel       |
| Hattie and The Fox                    | Mem Fox            | Henry and Mudge                               | Cynthia Rylant     |
| Henny, Penny                          | Paul Galdone       | Mr. Putter and Tabby                          | Cynthia Rylant     |
| Leo the Late Bloomer                  | Robert Kraus       | Where the Wild Things Are                     | Maurice Sendak     |
| Mrs. Brice's Mice                     | Syd Hoff           | Wild About Books                              | Judy Sierra        |
| The Quilt                             | Ann Jonas          | Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus            | Mo Willems         |
| Reflections                           | Ana Jonas          | The Duckling Gets a Cookie                    | Mo Willems         |
| Who Took the Farmer's Hat?            | Joan Nodset        | Let's Go for a Drive                          | Mo Willems         |
| Airport                               | Byron Barton       | How Do Dinosaurs...? (series)                 | Jane Yolen         |
| All the Colors of the Rainbow         | Allan Fowler       | Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain             | Verna Aardema      |
| Bees                                  | Susan Ashley       | The Doorbell Rang                             | Pat Hutchins       |
| A Day in the Life of a Police Officer | Linda Hayward      | Little Bear                                   | Else Minarik       |
| Dogs on the Farm                      | Mari Schuh         | Mouse Soup                                    | Arnold Lobel       |
| Leaves                                | Vijaya Bodach      | Peter's Chair                                 | Ezra Jack Keats    |
| Rockets and Spaceships                | Karen Wallace      | Poppleton                                     | Cynthia Rylant     |
| Tara and Tiree, Fearless Friends      | Andrew Clements    | The Snowy Day                                 | Ezra Jack Keats    |
| Teacher                               | Jacqueline Gorman  | Celebrating Chinese New Year: Nick's New Year | Rosa Drew          |
| Wild Baby Animals                     | Karen Wallace      | Dinosaur Dinners                              | Lee Davis          |
| A Salamander's Life                   | John Himmelman     | Estimating: How Many Gollywomples?            | John Burnstein     |
| A Wood Frog's Life                    | John Himmelman     | Going By Bus                                  | Susan Ashley       |
| All Tutus Should Be Pink              | Meredith Johnson   | Guinea Pigs                                   | JoAnn Early Macken |
| Anansi Spider's Thin Legs             | Fraser Williamson  | Making Changes at The Fair                    | Julie Dalton       |
| Camping Adventure                     | Kris Hirschmann    | Veterinarian                                  | Jacqueline Gorman  |
| Chocolate Chippo Hippo                | Vincent Andriani   | Fox on Wheels                                 | E. Marshall        |
| Construction                          | Sally Sutton       | Circus Family Dog                             | Andrew Clements    |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level K</b>                             |                               | <b>Suggested Titles Level L</b>                  |                      |
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| Title   | Author                        | Title  | Author               |
| Frog and Toad   | Arnold Lobel                  | Amelia Bedelia (series)                          | Peggy Parish         |
| A Pet for Fly Guy   | Ted Arnold                    | Abuela   | A. Dorros            |
| Madeline  | Ludwig Bemelmens              | Chicka Chicka Boom Boom                          | B. Martin            |
| Franklin  | Paulette Bourgeois            | George and Martha                                | J. Marshall          |
| Ruby Bridges Goes to School                                 | Ruby Bridges                  | I'm Dirty  | K. & J. McMullan     |
| Arthur's Pet Business                                       | Marc Brown                    | Cam Jansen and The Chocolate Fudge Mystery       | David Adler          |
| Mercy Watson  | Kate DiCamillo                | Cam Jansen and The Mystery of The Dinosaur Bones | David Adler          |
| One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish                     | Dr. Seuss                     | Judy Moody                                       | Megan McDonald       |
| Owen  | Kevin Henkes                  | Miss Nelson is Missing                           | Harry Allard         |
| The Emperor's Egg   | Martin Jenkins                | Mr. Grumpy's Outing                              | John Burningham      |
| Harold and the Purple Crayon                                | Crockett Johnson              | Pinky and Rex                                    | James Howe           |
| Pete the Cat – Rocking in My School Shoes                   | Eric Litwin                   | Pinky and Res and The Bully                      | James Howe           |
| If You Give a Moose a Muffin                                | Laura Numeroff                | Whistle for Willie                               | Ezra Jack Keats      |
| If You Give a Mouse a Cookie                                | Laura Numeroff & Felicia Bond | Astronaut: Living in Space                       | Kate Hayden          |
| Nate the Great  | Marjorie Sharmat              | Bug Out!   | Ginjer Clarke        |
| Amanda Pig Series   | Jean Van Leeuwen              | Dolphin  | Robert Ada Morris    |
| Fancy Nancy   | Jane O'Connor                 | From Flower to Honey                             | Robin Nelson         |
| Arthur's Funny Money  | Lillian Hoban                 | From Idea to Book                                | Pam Marshall         |
| Caps for Sale   | Esphyr Slobodkina             | Happy Birthday, Martin Luther King               | Jean Marzollo        |
| Corduroy  | Don Freeman                   | Picking Apples and Pumpkins                      | Amy Hutchings        |
| Jamaica's Find  | Juanita Havill                | The Snow Walker                                  | Margaret Wetterer    |
| The Meanest Thing to Say                                    | Bill Cosby                    | Thinking About Ants                              | Barbara Brenner      |
| The Paperboy  | Dav Pilkey                    | What's It Like to Be a Fish?                     | Wendy Pfeffer        |
| Three Days on A River in A Red Canoe                        | Vera Williams                 | Ira Sleeps Over                                  | Bernard Waber        |
| Chickens Aren't The Only Ones                               | Ruth Heller                   | There Was an Old Lady Who...(series)             | Lucille Colandro     |
| Dinosaur Time   | Peggy Parish                  | Sandwich Swap                                    | Kelly DiPucchio      |
| Fire Fighter  | Angela Royston                | The Kids of the Polk Street School (series)      | Patricia Reilly Giff |
| First Flight: The Story of Tom Tate and The Wright Brothers | George Shea                   | Captain Awesome (series)                         | Stan Kirby           |
| A Girl Named Helen Keller                                   | Margo Lundell                 | Enemy Pie  | Derek Munson         |
| Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie                              | Peter and Connie Roop         | The Gingerbread Man Loose in School              | Laura Murray         |
| Looking at Maps and Globes                                  | Carmen Bredeson               | Galaxy Zak (series)                              | Ray O'Ryan           |
| One Tiny Turtle   | Nicola Davies                 | A Sister More Like M                             | Barbara Jean Hicks   |



| <b>Suggested Titles Level M</b>   |                       | <b>Suggested Titles Level N</b>              |                     |
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| <b>Title</b>                      | <b>Author</b>         | <b>Title</b>                                 | <b>Author</b>       |
| All the colors of the Earth       | S. Hamilton           | Pinkalicious                                 | V. Kann             |
| Pirates Love Underpants           | C. Freedman           | The Name Jar                                 | Yangsook Choi       |
| The Mitten                        | Jan Brett             | Diary of a Spider                            | Doreen Cronin       |
| Flat Stanley                      | Jeff Brown            | Diary of a Worm                              | Doreen Cronin       |
| Charlie and Lola (series)         | Lauren Child          | The Magic Finger                             | Roald Dahl          |
| Click, Clack, Moo Cows that Type  | Doreen Cronin         | 26 Fairmount Avenue                          | Tomie DePaola       |
| The Day the Crayons Quit          | Drew Daywalt          | Amber Brown (series)                         | Paula Danzinger     |
| Strega Nona                       | Tomie dePaola         | The Titanic: Lost and Found                  | Judy Donnelly       |
| The Empty Pot                     | Demi                  | The Gingerbread Girl                         | Lisa Campbell Ernst |
| Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook | Michael Garland       | Zack Files (series)                          | Dan Greenburg       |
| Dinosaurs                         | Gail Gibbons          | Julius, The Baby of the World                | Kevin Henkes        |
| How Rocket Learned to Read        | Tad Hills             | Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse                 | Kevin Henkes        |
| Rocket Writes A Story             | Tad Hills             | The Scrambled States of America              | Laurie Keller       |
| Purplicious                       | Victoria Kann         | Pompeii-Buried Alive                         | Edith Kunhartz      |
| Swimmy                            | Leo Lionni            | Mr. Peabody's Apples                         | Madonna             |
| Goldilocks and The Three Bears    | James Marshall        | Shark Lady: True Adventures of Eugenie Clark | Ann McGovern        |
| Magic Tree House (series)         | Mary Pope Osborne     | The Littles (series)                         | John Peterson       |
| Junie B. Jones (series)           | Barbara Park          | Ricky Ricotta                                | Dav Pilkey          |
| Marvin Redpost (series)           | Louis Sachar          | Judy Moody- Girl Detective                   | Peter Reynolds      |
| Memoirs of a Goldfish             | Devin Scillian        | A-Z Mysteries (series)                       | Ron Roy             |
| The Art Lesson                    | Tomie dePaola         | The Huckabuck Family                         | Carl Sandburg       |
| A Chair for My Mother             | Vera B. Williams      | The Giving Tree                              | Shel Silverstein    |
| Cherries and Cherry Pits          | Vera B. Williams      | Return of the Homerun Kid                    | Matt Christopher    |
| Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs | Judi Barrett          | Catwings (series)                            | Ursula LeGuin       |
| The Drinking Gourd                | F. N. Monjo           | Chicken Sunday                               | Patricia Polacco    |
| Face-Off                          | Jake Maddox           | Donovan's Word Jar                           | Monalisa DeGross    |
| The Littles                       | John L. Peterson      | The Enormous Crocodile                       | Roald Dahl          |
| Molly's Pilgrim                   | Barbara Cohen         | Lily and Miss Liberty                        | Carla Stevens       |
| On Your Mark, Get Set, Laugh      | Nancy Krulik          | My Name is Maria Isabel                      | Alma F. Ada         |
| Too Many Tamales                  | Gary Soto             | Shoeshine Girl                               | Clyde Bulla         |
| Buddy, The First Seeing Eye Dog   | Eva Moore             | All Pigs are Beautiful                       | Dick King-Smith     |
| Buttons for General Washington    | Peter and Connie Roop | Dancing With Manatees                        | Faith McNulty       |
| From Seed to Plant                | Gail Gibbons          | Helen Keller                                 | Margaret Davidson   |
| Five True Dog Stories             | Margaret Davidson     | How a Book is Made                           | Aliki               |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level O</b>                            |                                | <b>Suggested Titles Level P</b>                              |                           |
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| Title  | Author                         | Title  | Author                    |
| The Boxcar Children  | G. C. Warner                   | Katie Kazoo Switcheroo                                       | N. Krulik                 |
| Magic Ponies   | S. Bentley                     | My Weird School: Back To School<br>Weird Kids Rule           | D. Gutman                 |
| Nancy Clancy   | J. O'Connor                    | George's Marvelous Medicine                                  | Roald Dahl                |
| Spaghetti and Meatballs for<br>All                         | M. Burns                       | Magic School Bus- Space Explorers                            | Eva Moore                 |
| Baseball Saved Us  | Ken Mochizuki                  | Wayside School (series)                                      | Louis Sachar              |
| Chocolate Fever  | Robert Smith                   | Time Warp Trio (series)                                      | J. Scieszka               |
| Class Clown  | Joanna Hurwitz                 | Encyclopedia Brown Sets the Pace                             | Donald Sobol              |
| The Courage of Sarah Noble                                 | Alice Dalgliesh                | Fantastic Mr. Fox  | Roald Dahl                |
| The Hundred Dresses  | Eleanor Estes                  | Felita   | Nicholasa Mohr            |
| The Legend of Bluebonnet                                   | Tomie dePaola                  | The Knights of the Kitchen Table                             | John Scieszka             |
| The Mouse and the<br>Motorcycle                            | Beverly Cleary                 | A Lion to Guard Us   | Clyde Bulla               |
| Ant Cities   | Arthur Dorros                  | Sideways Stories from Wayside School                         | Louis Sachar              |
| Corn is Maize  | Aliki                          | Stone Fox  | John Reynolds<br>Gardiner |
| The Girl Who Struck Out<br>Babe Ruth                       | Jean Parnell                   | Summer Reading is Killing Me                                 | John Scieszka             |
| How My Family Lives in<br>America                          | Susan Kuklin                   | Through Grandpa's Eyes                                       | Patricia<br>MacLachlan    |
| I Am Rosa Parks  | Rosa Parks with<br>Jim Haskins | Wayside School is Falling Down                               | Louis Sachar              |
| Is There Life in Outer Space?                              | Franklyn Branley               | Andrew Carnegie: Builder of Librarie                         | Charnan Simon             |
| The Story of Ruby Bridges                                  | Robert Coles                   | Brainstorm!  | Tom Tucker                |
| Ten True Animal Rescues                                    | Jeanne Betancourt              | Dinosaur Bones   | Aliki                     |
| What's The Big Idea, Ben<br>Franklin?                      | Jean Fritz                     | The Land I Lost  | Quang Nhuong<br>Huynh     |
| The Secrets of Droon –<br>Journey to the Volcano<br>Palace | Tony Abbott                    | The Magic School Bus Inside A<br>Hurricane                   | Joanna Cole               |
| Jake Drake   | Andrew Clements                | The Magic School Bus Inside the Earth                        | Joanna Cole               |
| Bunnicula  | James Howe                     | The Magic School Bus Lost in the Solar<br>System             | Joanna Cole               |
| Stone Fox  | John Reynolds<br>Gardiner      | Rosa Parks   | Eloise Greenfield         |
| Silverlicious  | Victoria Kann                  | Water Buffalo Days   | Quang Nhuong<br>Huynh     |
| Pippi Longstocking   | Astrid Lindgren                | What Are You Figuring Now? A Story<br>About Benjamin Banneke | Jeri Ferris               |
| Babysitters Club   | Ann Martin                     | A Good Night For Freedom                                     | Barbara Olenyik<br>Morrow |
| Fantastic Frogs  | Penelope Arlon                 | A Very Improbable Story                                      | Edward Einhorn            |
| Clementine (series)  | Sara Pennypacker               | Goosebumps:Beware the Snowman                                | R. L. Stine               |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level Q</b>                       |                                 | <b>Suggested Titles Level R</b>                                |                         |
|---|---------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| <b>Title</b>  | <b>Author</b>                   | <b>Title</b>   | <b>Author</b>           |
| Karate Kick   | Matt Christopher                | Indian in the Cupboard   | Lynne Reid Banks        |
| Fudgemia  | Judy Blume                      | Dog Finds Lost Dolphins  | Elizabeth Carney        |
| Mr. Popper's Penguins                                 | R. Atwater                      | The Great Kapok Tree: Tale of the Amazon Rain Forest           | Lynn Cherry             |
| Spiderwick Chronicles: The Field Guide                | T.D. Terilizzi                  | Because of Winn Dixie  | Kate DiCamillo          |
| Aliens Ate My Homework                                | Bruce Coville                   | Where Was Patrick Henry on the 29 <sup>th</sup> of May?        | Jean Fritz              |
| Bunnicula: A Rabbit-Tale Mystery                      | James Howe                      | Phoebe the Spy   | Judith Barry Griffin    |
| Dear Mr. Henshaw                                      | Judy Blume                      | Rules  | Cynthia Lord            |
| James and the Giant Peach                             | Roald Dahl                      | Shiloh   | Phyllis Reynolds Naylor |
| Little House in the Big Woods                         | Laura Ingalls Wilder            | Hatchet  | Gary Paulsen            |
| The Original Adventures of Hank, The Cowdog           | John Erickson                   | Stuart Little  | E.B. White              |
| Superfudge  | Judy Blume                      | The Hank Zipper (Series)                                       | Henry Winkler           |
| Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing                       | Judy Blume                      | The Castle in the Attic  | Elizabeth Winthrop      |
| The True Story of the Three Little Pigs               | John Scieszka                   | America Street: A Multicultural Anthology of Stories           | Anne Mazer (editor)     |
| Black Diamond: The Story of the Negro Baseball League | Patricia and Fredrick McKissack | Every Living Thing   | Cynthia Rylant          |
| Finding the Titanic                                   | Robert Ballard                  | The Whipping Boy   | Sid Fleischman          |
| Great Black Heroes: Five Notable Inventors            | Wade Hudson                     | Amelia Earhart: Young Aviator                                  | Beatrice Gormley        |
| If You Lived at the Time of the American Revolution   | Kay Moore                       | And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?                           | Jean Fritz              |
| If You Lived In Colonial Times                        | Ann McGovern                    | Betsy Ross: Designer of Our Flag                               | Ann Weil                |
| If Your Name Was Changes at Ellis Island              | Ellen Levine                    | Can It Rain Cats and Dogs? Questions and Answers About Weather | Melvin Berger           |
| A Medieval Feast                                      | Aliki                           | Flight: The Journey of Charles Lindbergh                       | Robert Burleigh         |
| Sarah Morton's Day                                    | Kate Waters                     | The Great Migration  | Jacob Lawrence          |
| Walking the Road to Freedom                           | Jeri Ferris                     | Mummies Made In Egypt  | Aliki                   |
| The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane               | Kate DiCamillo                  | Mummies! Secrets of the Dead                                   | Harriet Griffey         |
| There's A Boy In The Girls' Bathroom                  | Louis Sachar                    | Spiderwick Chronicles: The Ironwood Tree                       | T.D. Terilizzi          |
| Super Emma  | Sally Warner                    | 39 Clues: The Emperor's Code                                   | J. Watson               |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level S</b>   |                    | <b>Suggested Titles Level T</b>   |                         |
|---|--------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Title   | Author             | Title   | Author                  |
| Cupcake Diaries: The Cupcake Cure   | C. Simon           | Cupcake Diaries: Mia in the Mix   | C. Simon                |
| Goosebumps: Slappy's Revenge  | R. L. Stine        | The Penderwicks   | J. Birdsall             |
| The Lemonade War  | J. Davies          | Strange Case of Origami Yoda  | T. Angleberger          |
| Doll People   | A.M. Martin        | Chasing Vermeer   | Blue Balliett           |
| From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler                            | E.L. Konigsburg    | Joey Pigza Loses Control  | Jack Gantos             |
| Millicent Min, Girl Genius  | L. Yee             | Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key  | Jack Gantos             |
| My Life As a Book   | J. Tashjian        | The Kid Who Ran for President   | Dan Gutman              |
| The Dollhouse Murders   | Betty Ren Wright   | The Lion the Witch and The Wardrobe                                     | C. S. Lewis             |
| The Great Gilly Hopkins   | Katherine Paterson | Boy at War  | Harry Mazer             |
| Hey World, Here I Am!   | Jean Little        | I Funniest: A Middle School Story                                       | James Patterson         |
| How Many Days to America?   | Eve Bunting        | I Even Funnier A Middle School Story                                    | James Patterson         |
| In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson                                     | Bette Lord         | I Funny A Middle School Story   | James Patterson         |
| Journey to Jo'Burg  | Beverly Naidoo     | The Chain Letter  | Julie Schumacher        |
| Letters From Rifka  | Karen Hesse        | Sharks  | Seymour Simon           |
| The Pinballs  | Betsy Byars        | The Sign of the Beaver  | Elizabeth George Speare |
| Poppy   | Avi                | Abel's Island   | William Steig           |
| The Amazing Impossible Erie Canal   | Cheryl Harness     | Smile   | Raina Tegemeier         |
| Beyond Little Women, A Story About Louisa May Alcott                            | Susan B. Aller     | An Angel for Solomon Singer   | Cynthia Rylant          |
| A Boy Called Slow   | Joseph Bruchac     | Jason's Gold  | Will Hobbs              |
| Do Tornadoes Really Twist? Questions and Answers About Tornadoes and Hurricanes | Melvin Berger      | Love That Dog   | Sharon Creech           |
| Eleanor   | Barbara Clooney    | The Magician's Nephew   | C.S. Lewis              |
| A More Perfect Union  | Betsy Maestro      | The Man Who Was Poe   | Avi                     |
| One Day In The Tropical Rain Forest   | Jean C. George     | Sees Behind Trees   | Michael Dorris          |
| Out of Darkness   | Russell Freedman   | Something Upstairs  | Avi                     |
| Sideways Arithmetic From Wayside School   | Louis Sachar       | Behind Rebel Lines: The Incredible Story of Emma Edmonds, Civil War Spy | Seymour Reit            |
| Where Do You Think You're Going, Christopher Columbus?                          | Jean Fritz         | Boy: Tales of Childhood   | Roald Dahl              |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level U</b>                       |                     | <b>Suggested Titles Level V</b>                 |                                |
|---|---------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Title   | Author              | Title   | Author                         |
| The Dork Diaries: How to Dork Your Diary              | R.R. Russell        | Everything on a Waffle                          | P. Horvath                     |
| Ella Enchanted  | G.C. Levine         | Goosebumps: Monster Survival Guide              | R.L. Stine                     |
| My Side of the Mountain                               | J.C. George         | The Cay   | T. Taylor                      |
| The Watsons Go to Birmingham                          | C.P. Curtis         | Circus Mirandus                                 | C. Beasley                     |
| Goosebumps: Night of the Living Monsters              | R.L. Stine          | Holes   | Louis Sachar                   |
| Goosebumps: Planet of the Lawn Gnomes                 | R.L. Stine          | Island of the Blue Dolphins                     | Scott O'Dell                   |
| Loser   | Jerry Spinelli      | Series of Unfortunate Events: The Vile Village  | Lemony Snicket                 |
| Baseball in April and Other Stories                   | Gary Soto           | Series of Unfortunate Events: The End           | Lemony Snicket                 |
| Julie of the Wolves                                   | Jean C. George      | Series of Unfortunate Events: The Bad Beginning | Lemony Snicket                 |
| Nothing But the Truth                                 | Avi                 | Harry Potter: Sorcerer's Stone                  | J.K. Rowling                   |
| The Summer of the Swans                               | Betsy Byars         | Harry Potter: The Chamber of Secrets            | J.K. Rowling                   |
| Tangerine   | Edward Bloor        | Harry Potter: The Prisoner of Azkaban           | J.K. Rowling                   |
| The View From Saturday                                | E.L. Konigsburg     | The Kind of Friends We Used to Be               | Francis O'Roark                |
| Wringer   | Jerry Spinelli      | Tuck Everlasting                                | Natalie Babbitt                |
| Egypt: The Culture                                    | Arlene Moscovitch   | Mrs. Frisby and The Rats of Nimh                | Zena Bernstein                 |
| Extraordinary Emails, Letters and Resumes             | Marc Nobleman       | Chasing Redbird                                 | Sharon Creech                  |
| Insects   | Bettina Bird        | Yolanda's Genius                                | Carol Fenner                   |
| Mandela   | Floyd Cooper        | Pictures of Hollis Wood                         | Patricia Reilly Giff           |
| Ordinary Genius: The Story of Albert Einstein         | Stepahnie McPherson | Old Yeller                                      | Fred Gipson                    |
| Rosa Parks  | Rosa Parks          | Heat  | Mike Lupica                    |
| The Silk Route  | John Major          | The Underdogs                                   | Mike Lupica                    |
| The Tarantula in My Purse                             | Jean George         | Dragonsong                                      | Anne McCaffrey                 |
| Volcano: The Eruption and Healing of Mount St. Helens | Patricia Lauber     | Rascal  | Sterling North                 |
| The Wizard of Oz                                      | Frank Baum          | Tom's Midnight Garden                           | Phillippa Pearce and S. Einzig |
| Masterpiece   | Elsie Broach        | Crash   | Jerry Spinelli                 |
| The Secret Garden                                     | Frances Burnett     | The Clay Marble                                 | Mingfong Ho                    |
| Princess Diaries                                      | Meg Cabot           | The Fighting Ground                             | Avi                            |
| Bud Not Buddy   | C.P. Curtis         | Habibi  | Naomi Shihab Nye               |
| Mighty Miss malone                                    | C.P. Curtis         | A Long Way From Chicago                         | Richard Peck                   |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level W</b>                    |                    | <b>Suggested Titles Level X</b>         |                    |
|--|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| Title  | Author             | Title                                   | Author             |
| Artemis Fowl: The Artemis Fowl Files               | E. Colfer          | The Five Within                         | Chris d'Lacey      |
| Hoot   | Carl Hiassen       | Al Capone Does My Shirts                | Gennifer Cholenko  |
| Roller Girl  | V. Jamieson        | The Graveyard Book                      | Neil Gaiman        |
| Harry Potter: Half Blood Prince                    | J.K. Rowling       | The Maze Runner                         | James Dasher       |
| Harry Potter: The Goblet of Fire                   | J.K. Rowling       | Travel Team                             | Mike Lupica        |
| Harry Potter: The Order of the Phoenix             | J.K. Rowling       | The Clique                              | Lisi Harrison      |
| Walk Two Moons                                     | Sharon Creech      | Gathering Blue                          | Lois Lowry         |
| The Honest Truth                                   | Dan Gemeinhart     | Where the Red Fern Grows                | Wilson Rawls       |
| A Wrinkle in Time                                  | Madeleine L'Engle  | Catherine, Called Birdy                 | Karen Cushman      |
| Elijah of Buxton                                   | Lois Lowry         | Crossing Jordan                         | Adrian Fogelin     |
| Maniac Magee                                       | Jerry Spinelli     | Dacey's Song                            | Cynthia Voigt      |
| How I Spent My Summer Vacation                     | Mark Teague        | A Girl Named Disaster                   | Nancy Farmer       |
| Three Times Lucky                                  | Sheila Turnage     | Jacob Have I Loved                      | Katherine Paterson |
| Freak the Mighty                                   | Rodman Philbrick   | Let The Circle Be Unbroken              | Mildred Taylor     |
| Hope Was Here                                      | Joan Bauer         | The Midwife's Apprentice                | Karen Cushman      |
| The Last Book in The Universe                      | Rodman Philbrick   | Out of the Dust                         | Karen Hesse        |
| Missing May  | Cynthia Rylant     | The Road to Memphis                     | Mildred Taylor     |
| Seedfolks  | Paul Fleischman    | The Yearling                            | Marjorie Rawlings  |
| The Skin I'm In                                    | Sharon Flake       | Black Heroes of the American Revolution | Burke Davis        |
| Slam!  | Walter Dean Myers  | Children of the Wild West               | Russell Freedman   |
| Anne Frank: Life in Hiding                         | Johanna Hurwitz    | Childtimes: A Three Generation Memoir   | Eloise Greenfield  |
| Arctic Explorer: The Story of Matthew Henson       | Jeri Ferris        | Cowboys of the Wild West                | Russell Freedman   |
| Around the World in a Hundred Years                | Jean Fritz         | The Great Little Madison                | Jean Fritz         |
| A Girl From Yamhill                                | Beverly Cleary     | Novio Boy: A Play                       | Gary Soto          |
| I Am A Star: Child of the Holocaust                | Inge Auerbacher    | Pyramid                                 | David Macaulay     |
| Maya Angelou                                       | Jayne Pettit       | Traitor: The Case of Benedict Arnold    | Jean Fritz         |
| Pride of Puerto Rico: The Life of Roberto Clemente | Paul Robert Walker | Zlata's Diary                           | Zlata Filipovic    |

| <b>Suggested Titles Level Y</b>   |                        | <b>Suggested Titles Level Z</b>                     |                           |
|---|------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| <b>Title</b>  | <b>Author</b>          | <b>Title</b>  | <b>Author</b>             |
| The Call of the Wild  | Jack London            | The Adventures of Tom Sawyer                        | Mark Twain                |
| The Giver   | Lois Lowry             | Among the Hidden                                    | Margaret Pettersen Haddix |
| Artemis Fowl  | E. Colfer              | The Greatest: Muhammad Ali                          | Walter Dean Myers         |
| Bull Run  | Fleischman             | Chasing Lincoln's Killer                            | James Swanson             |
| The Devil's Arithmetic  | Jane Yolen             | Fever 1793  | Laurie Halse Anderson     |
| My Brother Sam Is Dead  | James Lincoln Collier  | Monster   | Walter Dean Myers         |
| The Slave Dancer  | Paula Fox              | Of Mice and Men                                     | John Steinbeck            |
| Touching Spirit Bear  | Ben Mikaelson          | The Pearl   | John Steinbeck            |
| Watership Down  | Richard Adams          | Son of the Mob                                      | Gordon Korman             |
| Where The Lilies Bloom  | Vera Cleaver           | Speak   | Laurie Halse Anderson     |
| White Fang  | Jack London            | Tears of a Tiger                                    | Sharon Draper             |
| Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl   | Anne Frank             | To Kill a Mockingbird                               | Harper Lee                |
| Black Pioneers of Science and Innovation  | Louis Haber            | Black Boy   | Richard Wright            |
| The Endless Steppe  | Esther Hautzig         | Bowman's Store: A Journey to Myself                 | Joseph Bruchac            |
| A Friend Called Anne  | Jacqueline Van Maarsen | The Miracle Worker                                  | William Gibson            |
| Hana's Suitcase   | Karen Levine           | My Thirteenth Winter: A Memoir                      | Samantha Abeel            |
| I Have Lived A Thousand Years   | Livia Bitton-Jackson   | Night   | Elie Wiesel               |
| New Kids in Town: Oral Histories of Immigrant Teens   | Janet Bode             | No Pretty Pictures                                  | Anita Lobel               |
| Now Is Your Time! The African American Struggle for Freedom                                     | Walter Dean Myers      | Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of The Cultural Revolution | Ji-Li Jiang               |
| Smiler's Bones  | Peter Lerangis         | To Be a Slave                                       | Julius Lester             |
| A Curse Dark as Gold  | Elizabeth Bunce        | Water Monsters                                      | Brian Innes               |
| After Eli   | Rebecca Rupp           | Harry Potter: The Deathly Hallows                   | J.K. Rowling              |
| Blood is Thicker  | Paul Langan            | A Matter of Trust                                   | Anne Schraff              |
| Courage for Beginners   | Karen Harrington       | A School for Unusual Girls                          | Kathleen Baldwin          |
| Dust of Eden  | Mari Ko Nagai          | Abandon   | Meg Cabot                 |
| Get On Out of Here, Philip Hall   | Bette Greene           | Abraham Lincoln, Vampire Hunter                     | Seth Grahame-Smith        |
| I Am Malala, How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World (Young Reader's Edition) | Malala Yousafzai       | Among the Betrayed                                  | Margaret Haddix           |

## A-Z Leveled Guiding Questions

To support your child's reading experience, here is a sample list of questions that readers at this level can ask before, during and/or after they read. It is important that when asking guiding questions of your child, you ask the questions at your child's independent reading level. Should you wish to challenge your child or push his/her thinking you may ask questions at the next level.

### Level A

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you think is going to happen next by looking at the pictures?</li><li>• How does the character feel in this story?</li><li>• Tell why you think a picture was a good one in the story?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What was the most interesting thing about this book?</li></ul> |

### Level B

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you think is going to happen next by looking at the pictures?</li><li>• How does the character feel in this story?</li><li>• What is at the beginning of the story? The ending?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What was the most interesting thing about this book?</li></ul> |

### Level C

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What predictions can you make about the story based on what you already know and your experiences?</li><li>• What do you think is going to happen next by looking at the pictures?</li><li>• How does the character feel in the story?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What happened first in the text? Next? Last?</li></ul> |

### Level D

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you think is going to happen next by looking at the pictures?</li><li>• How does the character feel in this story?</li><li>• Tell why you think a picture was a good one in the story? What does the picture show from the story?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What was the most interesting thing about this book?</li><li>• What happened first in the text? Next? Last?</li></ul> |



## Level E

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
|--|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What prediction can you make based on what you know about the characters?</li><li>• What caused the character to feel the way he/she does? Find evidence in the text.</li><li>• What caused the character to do something in the story? Find evidence.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What did you learn about this book through pictures/graphs?</li></ul> |

## Level F

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What prediction can you make based on what you know about the characters?</li><li>• What caused the character to feel the way he/she does? Find evidence in the text.</li><li>• What words does the author use to convey meaning or show the character's feelings? i.e. shouted, cried</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• How was the information in the book presented?</li></ul> |

## Level G

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What prediction can you make based on what you know about the characters?</li><li>• What caused the character to feel the way he/she does? Find evidence in the text.</li><li>• Could this story be true? Tell why.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• How was the information in the book presented?</li></ul> |

## Level H

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What prediction can you make based on what you know about the characters?</li><li>• Where in the text can you prove your prediction was correct or not correct?</li><li>• Why do you think the character feels the way he/she does? Find evidence in the text.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view about this text?</li></ul> |

## Level I

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? Can you make a prediction about what the solution may be?</li><li>• What caused the character to do something in the story? What was the effect of his/her actions?</li><li>• Find examples of descriptive language the author used. How did it add to the story?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What did you notice about the layout of the text? (bold letters, italics...)</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li></ul> |

## Level J

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? Can you make a prediction about what the solution may be?</li><li>• What caused the character to do something in the story? What was the effect of his/her actions?</li><li>• Find examples of descriptive language the author used. How did it add to the story?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What did you notice about the layout of the text? (bold letters, italics...)</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li></ul> |

## Level K

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? Can you make a prediction about what the solution may be?</li><li>• How did the ___ change the outcome of the story?</li><li>• What descriptive language is used and how did it add to the text?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• What did you notice about the layout of the text? (bold letters, italics...) Why did the author organize it this way?</li></ul> |

## Level L

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• How did the ___ change how the character felt?</li><li>• What might have changed the character's behavior?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li></ul> |

## Level M

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• How did the ___ change how the character felt?</li><li>• What might have changed the character's behavior?</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What is something new that you learned from reading this book?</li><li>• How did what you learned add to your knowledge?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li></ul> |

## Level N

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
|--|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• Find the part in the story where the problem is resolved.</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li><li>• What did the author do that made this book interesting/funny?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li><li>• What did the author do that made this book interesting?</li></ul> |

## Level O

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• Find the part in the story where the problem is resolved.</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li><li>• Why is the setting important?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li><li>• How would you categorize the information the author presented?</li></ul> |

## Level P

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• Find the part in the story where the problem is resolved.</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li><li>• Why is the setting important? If the setting was changed, how would that alter the outcome?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li><li>• What did the author do that made this book interesting?</li></ul> |

## Level Q

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• Why did the character make the choice he/she did?</li><li>• What might have changed the character's behavior?</li><li>• How does the author build suspense throughout the story?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• How does this book give you a new perspective?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li><li>• How would you categorize the information that the author presents?</li></ul> |

## Level R

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• Find the part in the story where the problem is resolved.</li><li>• How has your view of this character changed now that you have read more?</li><li>• How does the author build suspense throughout the story?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li><li>• What did the author do that made this book interesting?</li></ul> |

## Level S

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• Why is the setting important?</li><li>• What did the author do that made this book interesting?</li><li>• How has your view of this character changed now that you have read more?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li><li>• What did the author do that made this book interesting?</li></ul> |

## Level T

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• What do you think the character will do based on his personality?</li><li>• How does the author build suspense throughout the story?</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li><li>• How would you categorize the information the author presented?</li></ul> |

## Level U

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is the problem of the story? What prediction can you make about the outcome?</li><li>• Find the part in the story where the problem is resolved.</li><li>• What things can you infer about this character? Using that information, what do you think the character will do in this situation?</li><li>• How has the author's use of figurative language added meaning/enjoyment to the reading of the text?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• How does this book give you a new perspective?</li><li>• How would you categorize the information that the author presented?</li></ul> |

## Level V

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Why is the setting important?</li><li>• What things can you infer about this character? Using that information, what do you think the character will do in this situation?</li><li>• How has the character(s) of the text changed? Support with text examples.</li><li>• How has the author used satire and irony to make a point or increase enjoyment? Provide examples.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• How does this book give you a new perspective?</li><li>• How would you categorize the information that the author presented?</li><li>• What did the author do that made this book interesting?</li></ul> |

## Level W

| <u>Fiction</u>   | <u>Non-Fiction</u>   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Why is the setting important?</li><li>• How has your view of the character changed now that you've read more?</li><li>• How has the author used satire and irony to make a point or increase enjoyment? Provide examples.</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• How does this book give you a new perspective?</li><li>• How would you categorize the information that the author presented?</li></ul> |

## Level X

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What things can you infer about this character? Using that information, what do you think the character will do in this situation?</li><li>• How has the author's use of figurative language added meaning/enjoyment to the reading of the text?</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li><li>• What connections can you make about the social/moral issues in your text and real current events?</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• How does this book give you a new perspective?</li><li>• How would you categorize the information that the author presented?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li></ul> |

## Level Y/Z

| <u>Fiction</u>  | <u>Non-Fiction</u>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What things can you infer about this character? Using that information, what do you think the character will do in this situation?</li><li>• How has the author's use of figurative language added meaning/enjoyment to the reading of the text?</li><li>• What did the author want you to learn?</li><li>• What connections can you make about the social/moral issues in your text and real current events?</li><li>• How has the author used satire and irony to make a point or increase enjoyment? Provide examples.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What do you already know about this topic?</li><li>• What new ideas have you learned?</li><li>• How does this book give you a new perspective?</li><li>• How would you categorize the information that the author presented?</li><li>• Do you agree with the author's point of view? Support your answer.</li></ul> |



# First and Second Grade Summer Reading Project

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in September: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Book: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Where does the story take place (setting): \_\_\_\_\_

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Who are the characters: \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why or why not?  
Use details from the book. \_\_\_\_\_

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Retell the story using details from the beginning, middle and ending of the book. You can also include pictures to help your retelling.

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# Paterson Public Library



## Locations and Hours:

### **Danforth (Main) Library**

250 Broadway, Paterson, NJ 07501

(973)321-1223

Hours: Monday through Thursday 9-8, Friday and Saturday 9-5

### **Southside Branch Library**

930 Main Street, Paterson, NJ 07503

(973)357-3020

Hours: Monday noon-8, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 9-5

### **Totowa Branch Library**

405 Union Avenue, Paterson, NJ 07502

(973)942-7198

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 9-5, Tuesday noon-8

### **Northside Branch Library**

Christopher Hope Center 60 Temple Street, Paterson, NJ 07522

(973)321-1309

Hours: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9-5, Wednesday noon-8