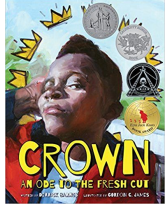


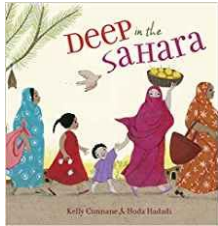
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Picture Books



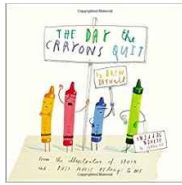
Barnes, Derrick ***Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut* (2018 Newbery/Caldecott Honor)**

The barber shop is where the magic happens. This rhythmic, read-aloud title is an unbridled celebration of the self-esteem, confidence, and swagger boys feel when they leave the barber's chair.



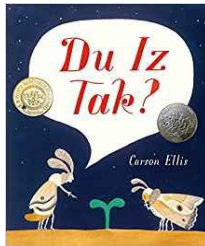
Cunnane, Kelly ***Deep in the Sahara***

Lalla longs to be like her mother and other women in Mauritania and wear a malafa, the bright long cloth that wraps over one's clothes and head. She must come to grips with the reason why malafas are worn (for prayer) before she is allowed to.



Daywalt, Drew ***The Day the Crayons Quit***

Poor Duncan just wants to color, but his crayons have gone on strike. This hilarious story will entice readers with the persuasive letters written by the crayons.



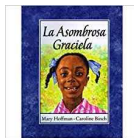
Ellis, Carson ***Du Iz Tak?* (2017 Caldecott Honor, E.B. White Read Aloud Award)**

Du iz tak? What is that? As a tiny shoot unfurls, two damselflies peer at it and talk in their (invented) language.



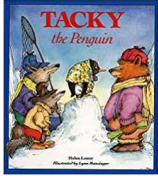
Engle, Margarita ***The Drum Dream Girl***

Set in the 1920's a young Cuban girl is determined to learn to play the drums despite being told that drums are for boys.



Hoffman, Alice ***Amazing Grace***

Grace doesn't become discouraged when her classmates tell her that she can't play the part of Peter Pan in the school play because she is a girl and African-American.

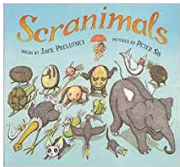


Lester, Helen Tacky the Penguin*

While the other penguins like things neat and orderly, Tacky cheerfully does everything a bit differently. The penguins are fed up with Tacky until his tactics scare off hunters.

Martinez-Neal, Juana Alma and How She Got Her Name (2019 Caldecott Honor)

What's in a name? For one little girl, her very long name tells the vibrant story of where she came from--and who she may be one day.



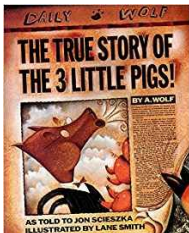
Prelutsky, Jack Scranimals

Prelutsky's poems combine things to create creatures (like a hippopotomushroom) that inhabit Scranimal Island.



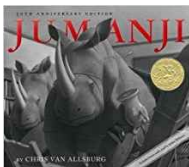
Rex, Adam Frankenstein Makes a Sandwich

Stories about Dracula, Wolfman, Bigfoot and more told through poems and accompanied by great illustrations.



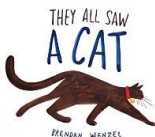
Scieszka, Jon The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!

Al Wolf reveals that the story of the three little pigs has been distorted. It all started with grandma's birthday, his trip to the little pigs' houses to borrow a cup a sugar, and a sneeze. Al pleads his innocence, claiming he was framed!



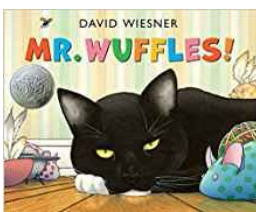
Van Allsburg, Chris Jumanji (1982 Caldecott Winner)

Two bored children discover a board game in the park. Upon playing it, they unleash wild animals in their house.



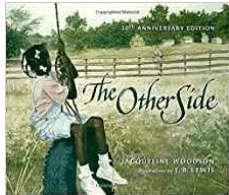
Wenzel, Brendan They All Saw a Cat (2017 Caldecott Honor)

Here are the many lives of one cat, and how perspective shapes what we see. When you see a cat, what do you see?



Wiesner, David Mr. Wuffles (2014 Caldecott Honor)

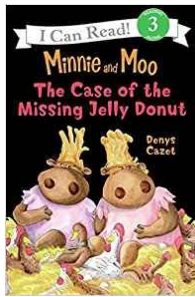
Mr. Wuffles the cat ignores his toys and bats around a small metal item that turns out to be an alien spaceship. Needing to fix the spaceship, the aliens must find what they need and fix it all while staying clear of the cat!



Woodson, Jacqueline ***The Other Side***

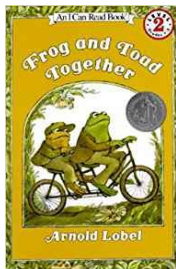
Set in the 1960s, two young children, one white and the other black, form a friendship over the fence that their parents have told them not to cross.

Easy Readers: (*books in series)



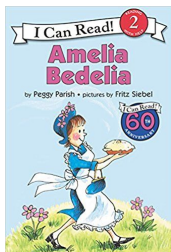
Cazet, Denys ***Minnie and Moo: The Case of the Missing Donut****

Minnie is convinced that her donut has been stolen and so Moo sets off to solve the mystery. Sure that the answer lies in the henhouse, the two cows don chicken costumes to track down the thief.



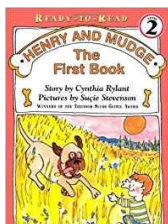
Lobel, Arnold ***Frog and Toad Together****

Beloved friends, Frog and Toad, are back in this collection of stories told in separate chapters. In one, Toad loses a button, and in another, he insists on wearing a bathing suit.



Parish, Peggy ***Amelia Bedelia****

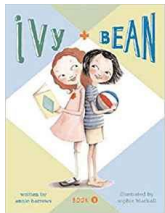
The Rogers hire Amelia Bedelia as a housekeeper only to discover that she takes everything literally, from drawing the drapes (on paper) to dressing the turkey (in clothes).



Rylant, Cynthia *Henry and Mudge**

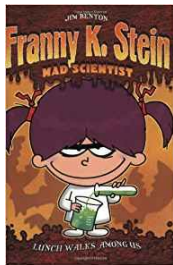
Henry and his very large dog, Mudge, have many adventures in this easy reader short chapter book series.

Short Chapter Books: (*books in series)



Barrows, Annie *Ivy and Bean**

Bean is convinced that she will never be friends with her new quiet neighbor, Ivy, until Ivy helps play a trick on her sister.



Benton, Jim *Lunch Walks Among Us (Franny K. Stein)**

Franny K. Stein doesn't quite fit in with the other kids, probably because she's a mad scientist. When a Giant Monstrous Fiend attacks, Franny is the only one who can save the school.



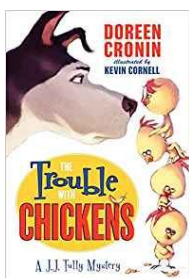
Blume, Judy *Soupy Saturdays with the Pain and the Great One**

First-grader, Jake, keeps annoying his older sister, Abigail in this funny book about two siblings.



Cameron, Ann *Julian's Glorious Summer**

When his best friend, Gloria, receives a new bike, seven-year-old Julian spends the summer avoiding her because of his fear of bikes.



Cronin, Doreen *The Trouble with Chickens **

A hard-bitten former search-and-rescue dog helps solve a complicated missing chicken case.



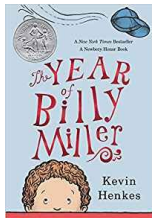
DiCamillo, Kate ***Bink and Gollie*** *

Two roller-skating best friends--one tiny, one tall--share three comical adventures involving outrageously bright socks, an impromptu trek to the Andes, and a most unlikely marvelous companion.



Funke, Cornelia ***Emma and the Blue Genie***

Emma and her dog ride a magic carpet to the land of Barakash to help a genie recover his stolen magical ring.



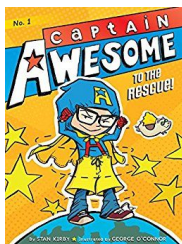
Henkes, Kevin ***The Year of Billy Miller*** (Newbery Honor)

Billy Miller is nervous about starting second grade, but as the year progresses, he makes friends and succeeds.



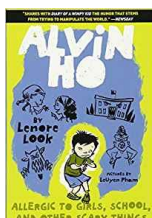
Jonell, Lynne ***Hamster Magic****

Celia captures a magical hamster who promises a wish in exchange for his freedom.



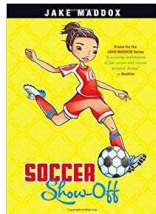
Kirby, Stan ***Captain Awesome to the Rescue****

Eugene enters a new school as a second-grader, and he brings out his superhero alter-ego to solve the mystery of the missing class hamster.



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

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



Maddox, Jake Soccer Show-Off *

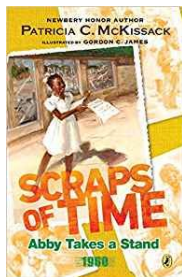
Gina is a new student and wants to be the star of her soccer team, but her teammates think she's a bit of a show-off.



McKay, Hilary

Lulu and the Duck in the Park*

Lulu loves animals and brings a duck egg to school even though she was told not to.



McKissack, Patricia

Abby Takes a Stand (Scrap of Time series)*

Her grandchildren wonder why she has kept an old menu, so Gee tells them about when she was ten years old in 1960 and participated in the Civil Rights Movement sit-ins in Nashville.

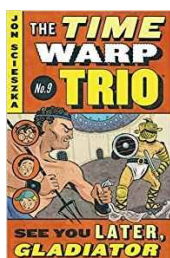


Mills, Claudia

Cody Harmon, King of Pets (Franklin School Friends series)*

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Cody lives on a farm and loves animals, but Cody can't pay the pet show fundraiser fee for all nine of his pets.

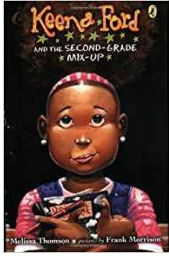


Scieszka, Jon

See You Later, Gladiator (Time Warp Trio series)*

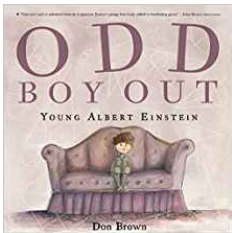
series)*

Joe, Fred, and Sam travel back in time to the Roman Empire and discover that they have to fight gladiators!



Thomson, Melissa ***Keena Ford and the Second-Grade Mishaps****
It's the beginning of 2nd grade, and Keena relates the various funny mishaps.

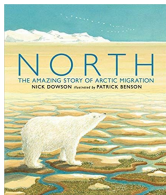
Nonfiction: (*books in series)



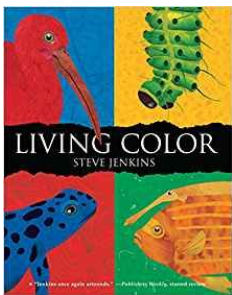
Brown, Don ***Odd Boy Out: Young Albert Einstein***
This well-crafted picture-book biography focuses on Einstein's hard-to-classify brilliance, which led to awesome scientific discoveries, but all too often left him a misunderstood outsider.



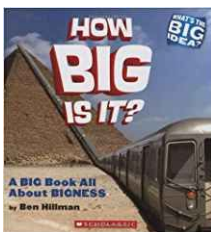
Corey, Shana ***Secret Subway***
The fascinating, little-known--and true!--story of New York City's first Subway.



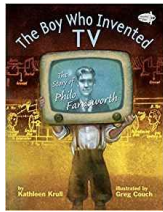
Dowson, Nick ***North***
Traces the awe-inspiring spring migration of millions of creatures to the Arctic—the greatest journey on Earth.



Jenkins, Steve ***Living Color***
Learn how animals use color for many different purposes in this beautiful book.



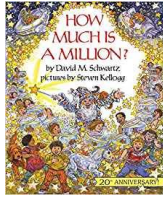
Hillman, Ben ***How Big Is It?***
This book compares two different things to give children a perspective on how big something really is.



Krull, Kathleen
Farnsworth

The Boy Who Invented TV: the Story of Philo

This biography explores how a young boy living on a farm invented all sorts of things as a child and within a few years, at age 22, he invented the television.



Schwartz, David ***How Much Is A Million?***

The author explores big numbers in the context that kids can understand and enjoy.



Ahmed, Roda

Mae Among the Stars

A beautiful picture book for sharing, inspired by the life of the first African American woman to travel in space, Mae Jemison.

We hope you enjoy these suggestions! Happy summer reading and we will see you in the fall!