



BROOKWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL

*SUMMER READING LIST – 2009

Students entering 4th and 5th Grades

Brookwood Reads

May 2009

Dear Entering Fourth and Fifth Grade Students and Families,

Summer is just around the corner, and with its arrival comes the opportunity to plan for great vacation reading choices. Please find below an extensive reading list that we hope will provide you and your child with many ideas for reading over the next few months.

Notice the “**New and Noteworthy**” books: these titles represent many of the best books and latest entries in series books published during the past year. Our summer reading goal is to invite students to read widely to discover new reading areas of interest and the Middle School fourth and fifth grade Summer Reading List will serve as a guide to the wide selection of books that are available at your library and local bookstore.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, May 13 and 14, Brookwood’s Spring Book Fair will feature many titles seen below. Please feel free to read from the Upper School Summer Reading list too. All the Brookwood Summer Reading lists may be found online on the Library website:

URL: <http://www.brookwood.edu/library/>

- Students entering grade four are expected to read four books.
- Students entering grade five are expected to read five books.

Thank you for making reading a family priority this summer.

Sincerely,

Middle School Teachers, Mrs. Fox, and Mrs. Geraty



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NEW AND NOTEWORTHY BOOKS – Books published in 2008/2009



The abacus symbol indicates books with math themes.

Alley, Zoe B. *There's a Wolf at the Door*

Don't miss this huge oversized book that offers a hilarious and witty retelling of five traditional folk tales.

Applet, Kathi *The Underneath*

2009 Newbery Honor Book! An old hound that has been chained up at his hateful owner's run-down shack, and two kittens born underneath the house, endure separation, danger, and many other tribulations in their quest to be reunited and free.

Arnosky, Jim *Wild Tracks!: A Guide to Nature's Footprints*

Describes and shows footprints made by different animals, including deer, bears, and birds, and discusses why tracks made by the same animal can appear different depending on the conditions in which they were made.

Bradley, Timothy *Paleo Bugs: Survival of the Creepiest*

Features an appealing introduction to prehistoric arthropods and their relatives.

Broach, Elise *Masterpiece*

After Marvin, a beetle, makes a miniature drawing as an eleventh birthday gift for James, a human with whom he shares a house, the two new friends work together to help recover a Durer drawing stolen from the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Brown, Don *All Stations! Distress!*

A gripping account of the Titanic and its only voyage. Interesting facts and first-person accounts included.

Bryant, Jen *A River of Words: The Story of William Carlos Williams*

This picture book biography of William Carlos Williams traces childhood events that lead him to become a doctor and a poet.

Cherry, Lynne *How We Know What We Know About Our Changing Climate: Scientists and Kids Explore Global Warming*

A great book that explores the science behind climate change and where scientists look for clues.

Chin, Jason ***Redwoods***

A young city boy, riding the subway, finds an abandoned book about redwoods. He finds himself in the very forest described in the book. After finishing the book, he leaves it for someone else to read.

Corey, Shana ***Mermaid Queen : The Spectacular True Story of Annette Kellerman, Who Swam Her Way to Fame, Fortune & Swimsuit History!***

Cowley, Joy ***Snake and Lizard***

Set in the warm Australian desert environs, this humorous chapter book features stories about the unlikely friendship between Snake and Lizard - critters who tend to squabble, but find themselves the best of friends.

DeFombelle, Timothee ***Toby Alone***

At 1.5 millimeters high, a tree is the entire world. Toby finds himself drawn into an adventure to save the tree from corporate interests.

Deem, James M. ***Bodies From the Ice: Melting Glaciers and Rediscovery of the Past***

Recounts the discovery of the oldest human mummy in the 1990s by two mountain climbers on the Austrian border, in this exciting volume that reveals how glaciers, hulking masses of moving ice, are now offering up many secrets from the past.

Dowd, Siobhan ***The London Eye Mystery***

When Ted and Kat's cousin Salim disappears from the London Eye ferris wheel, the two siblings must work together--Ted with his brain that is "wired differently" and impatient Kat--to try to solve the mystery of what happened to Salim.

Erdich, Louise ***The Porcupine Year***

The third installment in *The Birchbark House* and *The Game of Silence* books. In 1852, forced by the United States government to leave their beloved Island of the Golden Breasted Woodpecker, fourteen-year-old Omokayas and her Ojibwe family travel in search of a new home.

Gaiman, Neil ***The Graveyard Book***

2009 Newbery Award winner! Nobody Owens is a normal boy, except that he has been raised by ghosts and other denizens of the graveyard.

Hale, Shannon ***Rapunzel's Revenge***

In this Old West retelling told using the graphic novel format, Rapunzel is raised in a grand villa surrounded by towering walls. She soon learns a surprising truth and uses her hair as a lasso and her wits to take on outlaws and outsmart her rivals.

Hiaasen, Carl ***Scat***

Nick and his friend Marta decide to investigate when a mysterious fire starts near a Florida wildlife preserve and an unpopular teacher goes missing.

Horvath, Polly ***My One Hundred Adventures***

Twelve-year-old Jane, who lives at the beach in a run-down old house with her mother, two brothers, and sister, has an eventful summer accompanying her pastor on bible deliveries, meeting former boyfriends of her mother's, and being coerced into babysitting for a family of ill-mannered children.

Hughes, Langston ***The Negro Speaks of Rivers***

The famous poem, taken from *The Collected Poems of Langston Hughes* (c1994), is illustrated with E.B. Lewis's powerful watercolor renderings.

Kelly, Erica and Richard Kissel ***Evolving Planet: Four Billion Years of Life on Earth -***
Companion book to the Field Museum's exhibit Evolving planet.

Janezko, Paul B., selector ***A Foot in the Mouth: Poems to Speak, Sing, and Shout***

Presents a selection of children's poetry specifically meant to be read aloud.

Jenkins, Steve ***Down, Down, Down: A Journey to the Bottom of the Sea***

Provides a top-to-bottom look at the ocean, from birds and waves to thermal vents and ooze.

Lasky, Kathryn ***One Beetle Too Many : The Extraordinary Adventures of Charles Darwin***

Describes the life and work of the renowned nineteenth-century biologist who transformed conventional Western thought with his theory of natural evolution.

Law, Ingrid ***Savvy***

2009 Newbery Honor Book! Recounts the adventures of Mibs Beaumont, whose thirteenth birthday has revealed her "savvy"--a magical power unique to each member of her family.

Lewin, Ted & Betsy ***Horse Song: The Naadam of Mongolia***

The authors describe the landscapes, people, and activities they encounter during a trip to Mongolia for Naadam, the annual summer festival where child jockeys ride half-wild horses for miles across the Mongolian steppe.

Loizeaux, William ***Clarence Cochran, a Human Boy***

With the threat of extermination looming, a cockroach who has been transformed into a tiny human learns to communicate with his human hosts, leading to an agreement both sides can live with, and a friendship between Clarence and ten-year-old Mimi, a human environmentalist.

Martin, Ann ***The Runaway Dolls***

Best friends Annabelle and Tiffany risk placing all of dollkind in danger when they run away while trying to prevent Tilly from being sent back to London before they can determine if she is Annabelle's long-lost baby sister.

Mass, Wendy ***Every Soul a Star***

Ally, Bree, and Jack meet at the one place the Great Eclipse can be seen in totality, each carrying the burden of different personal problems, which become dim when compared to the task they embark upon and the friendship they find.

McDonald, Megan ***The Hinky Pink: An Old Tale***

Summoned to the Great Castle of Firenze to create a special dress for Princess Isabella Caramella Gorgonzola, Anabel, a talented seamstress, is at first delighted but then increasingly despairing as time passes and her efforts are continually subverted by an unseen sprite.

McGill, Alice ***Way Up and Over Everything***

In this retelling of a folktale, five Africans escape the shackles of slavery by simply disappearing into thin air.

McGinty, Alice B. ***Darwin***

The biography presents an examination of the private notebooks of the English naturalist in which his personal thoughts, feelings, and questions with regard to his theory of survival of the fittest were recorded.

Mills, Claudia ***How Oliver Olson Changed the World***

Afraid he will always be an outsider like ex-planet Pluto, nine-year-old Oliver finally shows his extremely overprotective parents that he is capable of doing great things without their help while his class is studying the solar system.

National Children's Book and Literacy Alliance. ***Our White House: Looking In, Looking Out***

This collection features poems, fictional stories, essays and more by 108 of the most talented children's authors and illustrators, as well as a few scholars and former White House employees and residents.

New York Times ***Obama: The Historic Journey, Young Reader's Edition***

Nivola, Claire A. ***Planting the Trees of Kenya: the Story of Wangari Maathai***

Read the remarkable true story of Wangari Maathai, the winner of the 2004 Nobel Peace Prize, who changed the fate of her village in the highlands of Kenya by teaching her people how to care for it.

Nobleman, Marc Tyler ***Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman***

Jerry Siegel & Joe Shuster, two misfit teens in Cleveland, were more like Clark Kent than Superman. Both boys escaped into the worlds of science fiction and pulp magazine tales. In 1934, they created the superhero, but it was four years before they convinced a publisher to take a chance on their Man of Steel in a new format--the comic book.

Pinkey, Andrea Davis ***Boycott Blues: How Rosa Parks Inspired a Nation***

Illustrations and rhythmic text recall the December 1955, bus boycott in Montgomery, Alabama where Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on the bus.

Prelutsky, Jack ***Swamps of Sleethe: Poems from Beyond the Solar System***

Riodian, Rick ***The Last Olympian***
Latest in the Percy Jackson and the Olympians series!

Sandler, Martin W. ***Lincoln Through the Lens: How Photography Revealed and Shaped an Extraordinary Life***

Sheinkin, Steve ***King George: What Was His Problem?*** and ***Two Miserable Presidents***

Scieszka, Jon ***Knucklehead: Tall Tales and Mostly True Stories About Growing Up Scieszka***
Secrets of a Civil War Submarine : Solving the Mysteries of the H. L. Hunley by Walker, Sally M.; Horne, J. R.

Scott, Michael ***The Sorceress*** - The latest title in the **Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel** series (***The Alchemyst***, ***The Magician***)

Shange, Ntozake ***Coretta Scott***
Unflinching verse and elegant imagery combine in a powerful, evocative, picture-book portrait of Coretta Scott King.

Siwanowicz, Igor ***Animals Up Close: Zoom in on the World's Most Incredible***
A biologist brings the animal kingdom to life through cutting-edge macro-photography that zooms in on the colors, textures, and structures of the smallest of creatures.

Turner, Pamela S.. ***Life on Earth--and Beyond: an Astrobiologist's Quest***

Winter, Jonah ***You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!***
Offers a compelling look at the professional accomplishments and personal struggles of the noted pitcher, including the discrimination he experienced as one of the only Jews in the game and the injury that caused him to retire at the peak of his career.

Wood, Don ***Into the Volcano***
While their parents are away doing research, brothers Duffy and Sumo Pugg go with their cousin, Mister Come-and-Go, to Kokalaha Island, where they meet Aunt Lulu and become trapped in an erupting volcano.

Yue, Guo ***Little Leap Forward: A Boy in Beijing***
Chinese bamboo flautist Guo Yue offers a fictionalized account of his childhood in China in the 1960s.



Classics

General Summer Reading List

Alcott, Louisa May

Little Women

Babbitt, Natalie

Tuck Everlasting

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| Baum, L. Frank | <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> series |
| Burnett, Frances Hodgson | <i>The Secret Garden</i> |
| Enright, Elizabeth | <i>The Saturdays</i> and others |
| Estes, Eleanor | <i>The Moffats</i> series (<i>The Alley, Ginger Pye</i> and others) |
| George, Jean C. | <i>My Side of the Mountain</i> and others in trilogy |
| Grahame, Kenneth | <i>The Wind in the Willows</i> |
| Henry, Marguerite | <i>Misty of Chincoteague</i> and others |
| Juster, Norton | <i>The Phantom Tollbooth</i> |
| Kipling, Rudyard | <i>The Jungle Books</i> |
| Lewis, C. S. | <i>Chronicles of Narnia</i> series |
| Lindgren, Astrid | <i>Pippi Longstocking</i> |
| McSwigan, Marie | <i>Snow Treasure</i> |
| Montgomery, Lucy | <i>Anne of Green Gables</i> series |
| Nesbit, E. | <i>The Railroad Children</i> and others |
| Rawls, Wilson | <i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i> |
| Sewell, Anna | <i>Black Beauty</i> |
| Wilder, Laura Ingalls | <i>Little House in the Big Woods</i> and others in series |
| White, E. B. | <i>Charlotte's Web, Stuart Little, Trumpet of the Swan</i> |



FICTION

Realistic Fiction

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| Baker, Dierdre | <i>Becca at Sea</i> |
| Balliett, Blue | <i>Chasing Vermeer</i> and <i>The Wright 3</i> and <i>The Calder Game</i> |
| Berlin, Eric | <i>The Puzzling World of Winston Breen</i> |
| Birdsall, Jeanne | <i>The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy</i> and sequel |
| Blume, Judy | <i>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing</i> and others |
| Clements, Andrew | <i>The Jacket</i> and others |
| Gantos, Jack | <i>Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key</i> and others in the series |
| Haas, Jessie | <i>Jigsaw Pony, Runaway Radish</i> and others |
| Hannigan, Katherine | <i>Ida B:...and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World</i> |

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| Hobbs, Will | <i>Crossing the Wire</i> and others |
| Horowitz, Alex | <i>Alex Rider adventures</i> series |
| Howe, James | <i>The Misfits</i> and <i>Totally Joe</i> |
| Kerrin, Jessica Scott | <i>Martin Bridge in High Gear</i> and others in series |
| Lupica, Mike | <i>The Big Field</i> and other books |
| Martin, Ann | <i>Main Street</i> series |
| Mead, Alice | <i>Junebug in Trouble</i> |
| McKay, Hilary | <i>Saffy's Angel, Permanent Rose, Indigo's Star</i> |
| Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds | <i>Shiloh</i> and others |
| Patron, Susan | <i>The Higher Power of Lucky</i> |
| Preller, James | <i>Six Innings</i> |
| Roberts, Ken | <i>Thumb on a Diamond</i> - Leon, aka "Thumb", and his best friend Susan decide to form a baseball team. |
| Ryan, Pam Muñoz | <i>Paint the Wind</i> - After her overprotective grandmother has a stroke, Maya leaves California to stay on a remote Wyoming ranch where she discovers a love of horses and encounters a wild mare that her mother once rode. |
| Sachar, Louis | <i>Holes, Small Steps</i> and others |
| Spinelli, Jerry | <i>Loser</i> |
| Springer, Nancy | <i>Case of the Missing Marquess: An Enola Holmes Mystery</i> |
| Staples, Suzanne F. | <i>The Green Dog: A Mostly True Story</i> |
| Woodson, Jacqueline | <i>Feathers</i> |
| Yep, Laurence | <i>Dragon's Gate</i> and others |



Historical Fiction

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| Avi | <i>Seer of Shadows</i> |
| Birney, Betty G. | <i>The Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs</i> |
| Blackwood, Gary | <i>The Shakespeare Stealer</i> and others |
| Broach Elise | <i>Shakespeare's Secret</i> |
| Choldenko, Gennifer | <i>Al Capone Does My Shirts</i> |
| Crossley-Holland, K. | <i>The Seeing Stone</i> and others (King Arthur legends) |

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| Curtis, Christopher Paul | <i>Elijah of Buxton</i> |
| Fletcher, Susan | <i>Shadow Spinner</i> and others |
| Harlow, Joan Hiatt | <i>Star in the Storm</i> and <i>Thunder from the Sea</i> |
| Ibbotson, Eva | <i>The Star of Kazan</i> and other titles- |
| Jocelyn, Martha | <i>Mabel Riley: A Reliable Record of Humdrum, Peril, and Romance</i> |
| Kenny, Kathryn | <i>Trixie Belden</i> series |
| Mochizuki, Ken | <i>Baseball Saved Us</i> |
| Paterson, Katherine | <i>Bridge to Terabithia</i> and others |
| Philbrick, Rodman | <i>The Young Man and the Sea</i> |
| Schlitz, Laura | <i>Good Masters, Sweet Ladies : Voices from a Medieval Village</i> and <i>A Drowned Maiden's Hair</i> |
| Schmidt, Gary D. | <i>Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy</i> |
| Selznick, Brian | <i>The Invention of Hugo Cabret</i> - Don't miss this rare blend of graphic novel and textual narrative. |



Fantasy and Science Fiction

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| Avi | <i>Poppy</i> and other titles |
| Barry, Dave | <i>Peter and the Star Catchers</i> and others in series |
| Bellairs, John | <i>The Mansion in the Mist</i> and others |
| Buckley, Michael | <i>The Sisters Grimm</i> series |
| Byng, Georgia | <i>Molly Moon's Incredible Book of Hypnotism</i> and others |
| Colfer, Erin | <i>Artemis Fowl: The Arctic Incident</i> and others |
| Collins, Suzanne | <i>Gregor the Overlander</i> (Underland Chronicles) |
| Cooper, Susan | <i>Victory</i> and <i>The Dark is Rising</i> sequence and others |
| Coville, Bruce | <i>Moongobble and Me</i> series |
| Dahl, Roald | <i>Charlie and the Chocolate Factory</i> and others |
| DiTerlizzi, Tony | <i>The Spiderwick Chronicles</i> series |
| Duprau, Jeanne | <i>The City of Ember</i> - Books of Ember series |
| Enzensberger, Hans | <i>The Number Devil: A Mathematical Adventure</i> |
| Fardell, John | <i>The 7 Professors of the Far North</i> and sequel |

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| Farmer, Nancy | <i>The Sea of Trolls, The Land of the Silver Apples</i> and others |
| Finney, Patricia | <i>I, Jack</i> |
| Flanagan, John | The Ranger's Apprentice series |
| Funke, Cornelia | <i>Dragon Rider</i> and <i>Inkheart, Inkspell</i> , and <i>Inkdeath</i> |
| Gutnam, Dan | <i>Babe and Me</i> (A Baseball Card Adventure series) |
| Hale, Bruce | <i>Chet Gecko</i> mystery series |
| Hale, Shannon | <i>Princess Academy</i> and others (<i>Goose Girl</i>) and <i>Book of a Thousand Days</i> |
| Hodges, Margaret | <i>Merlin and the Making of the King</i> |
| Howe, James | <i>Bunnicula</i> series and others |
| Hunter, Erin | <i>The Warriors, The Seekers</i> and <i>The Warriors: The New Prophecy</i> series |
| Ibbotson, Eva | <i>Dial-a-Ghost</i> and <i>Which Witch?</i> and others |
| Jacques, Brian | <i>The Redwall</i> series |
| Jonell, Lynne | <i>Emmy and the Incredible Shrinking Rat</i> |
| Kessler, Liz | <i>Emily Windsnap</i> sequence |
| Kerr, P. B. | Children of the Lamp series |
| Levine, Gail | <i>Ella Enchanted</i> |
| MacHale, D. J. | Pendragon series (new title 5/09) |
| Martin, Ann M | <i>The Doll People</i> and The Meanest Doll in the World |
| McCaughrean, Geraldine | <i>Peter Pan in Scarlet</i> |
| Oppel, Kenneth. | <i>Skybreaker</i> - sequel to <i>Airborn</i> |
| Paolini, Christopher | <i>Eragon</i> and <i>Eldest</i> |
| Pierce, Tamora | <i>The Will of the Empress</i> and other books by the author |
| Riodian, Rick | <i>Percy Jackson and the Olympians</i> series |
| Rylant, Cynthia | <i>The Van Gogh Cafe</i> |
| Sachar, Louis | <i>Sideway Stories from Wayside School</i> and others |
| Sage, Angie | <i>Magyk</i> and other titles in the Septimus Heap series |
| Snicket, Lemony | <i>Series of Unfortunate Events</i> series |
| Stanley, Diane | <i>Bella at Midnight</i> |
| Stewart, Trenton Lee | <i>The Mysterious Benedict Society</i> and sequel |
| Stone, Jeff | <i>Crane</i> - Five Ancestors series |

Stroud, Jonathan

The Bartimaeus Trilogy

Wrede, Patricia

Dealing With Dragons (The Enchanted Forest Chronicles)



Graphic Books

Fiction

Colfer, Eoin

Artemis Fowl: The Graphic Novel

Friesen, Ray

Lookit! A Cheese Related Mishap and Other Stories: Comedy and Mayhem series

Gaiman, Neil

Coraline

Horowitz, Anthony

Alex Rider series

Smith, Jeff

Bone series

Strum, James

Satchel Paige: Striking Out Jim Crow

Spiegelman, Art

Little Lit: Folklore and Fairy Tale Funnies and sequel

Varon, Sara

Robot Dreams

Nonfiction

Blacklock Dyan

The Roman Army

Pellowski, Michael

The Art of Making Comics

Roche, Art

The Art of Cartooning and Comic Strips: Create Your Own Comic Strips from Start to Finish



NONFICTION

Aguilar, David A.



11 Planets: A New View of the Solar System

Arnold, Caroline

Giant Sea Reptiles of the Dinosaur Age

Ball, Johnny



Go Figure!: A Totally Cool Book about Numbers

Bishop, Nic

Nic Bishop Frogs and *Nic Bishop Spiders*

Burns, Loree Griffin

Tracking Trash : Flotsam, Jetsam, and the Science of Ocean Motion

George, Jean Craighead

The Wolves Are Back

Goldstone, Bruce



Great Estimations - Estimate a number of objects in a group including jelly beans, cherries, and pennies.

Hawass, Zahi

Curse of the Pharaohs: My Adventures with Mummies

Jackson, Donna M.

ER Vets: Life in an Animal Emergency Room –

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| Janeczko, Paul B. | <i>Top Secret: A Handbook of Codes, Ciphers, and Secret Writing</i> |
| Latimer, Jonathan | <i>Peterson's Field Guide for Young Naturalists</i> (Wildflowers, Butterflies, Backyard Birds, Birds of Prey, Shorebirds) |
| Lauber, Patricia | <i>Who Came First? New Clues to Prehistoric Americans</i> |
| Laurie, David | <i>Down-to-Earth Guide to Global Warming</i> |
| Markle, Sandra | <i>Outside and Inside Mummies</i> and others |
| Macaulay, David | <i>Mosque, Building Big</i> and others |
| Moffett, Mark W. | <i>Face to Face with Frogs</i> |
| Nelson, Kadir | <i>We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball</i> |
| Schanzer, Rosalyn | <i>George vs. George: The American Revolution</i> |
| Scieszka, Jon | <i>Guys Write for Guys Read</i> |
| Sloan, Christopher | <i>How Dinosaurs Took Flight: The Fossils, The Science, What We Think We Know, and Mysteries Yet Unsolved..</i> |
| Tanaka, Shelley | <i>New Dinos: The Latest Finds! The Coolest Dinosaur Discoveries!</i> |
| Tang, Greg | <i>The Best of Times and Math Appeal</i> and others |
| Thimmesh, Catherine | <i>Team Moon: How 400,000 People Landed Apollo 11 On The Moon</i> |



BIOGRAPHY

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| Borden, Louise | <i>The Journey that Saved Curious George: The True Wartime Escape of Margaret and H. A. Rey</i> |
| Fleischman, Sid | <i>Escape!: the Story of the Great Houdini</i> |
| Goodall, Jane | <i>The Chimpanzees I Love: Saving Their World and Ours</i> |
| Grimes, Nikki | <i>Talkin' About Bessie: The Story of Aviator Elizabeth Coleman</i> |
| Jurmain, Suzanne T. | <i>George Did It</i> - This lively picture book puts a human face on one of America's most important historical figures. |
| Lutes, Jason | <i>Houdini: The Handcuff King</i> |
| McCully, Emily Arnold | <i>Marvelous Mattie: How Margaret E. Knight Became an Inventor.</i> |
| OGrady, Scott | <i>Basher 5-2</i> |

Johnson, Dolores

Onward: A Photobiography of African-American Polar Explorer Matthew Henson.

Schwager, Tina,

The Gutsy Girls: Young Women Who Dare

Winter, Jonah

Roberto Clemente: Pride of the Pittsburgh Pirates



POETRY

Poetry for Young People series (includes, Carl Sandburg, Edgar Allen Poe, Emily Dickinson, Lewis Carroll, Robert Frost, Robert Louis Stevenson, Walt Whitman, William Shakespeare)

Kennedy, X. J.

Exploding Gravy: Poems to make you Laugh

Myers, Walter Dean

Jazz

Sidman, Joyce

This is Just to Say: Poems of Apology and Forgiveness

Testa, Maria

Becoming Joe DiMaggio

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