



Summer Reading Program - Lowell Students Read



Dear Parents, Guardians, and Caretakers:

As partners in the education of our youth, I invite you to help your children extend their reading skills this summer. Please assist your children by taking them to the Pollard Library and by making sure they have books they can read or books you can read to them!

Did you know?

- One of the most effective ways to improve reading skills is to read regularly and often
- Students and adults who read for the joy of it are the best readers
- Families who read together provide the strongest model for future reading
- Research has shown that children who participate in summer reading programs reap the benefits of greater academic achievement

You can also access many free books online that can be read or will be read aloud to your child.

Websites to access free books:

- <http://www.storylineonline.net/>
- <http://www.openebooks.net/>
- <http://www.uniteforliteracy.com/?redirect=true>
- <http://www.scholastic.com/parents/play/> (Ages 3-7) or
- <http://www.scholastic.com/kids/stacks/> (Ages 8-12)

To show us how much your child liked one or more of the summer reading books, please have your child complete a project(s) from the list that is attached. You can also create your own project that you think up yourself!

- Bring your completed book project back on the first day of school
- Return the signed author and title form (attached)



Scholastic is also offering a summer reading challenge. Your child may enter the number of minutes they read each day using their login and password at <http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2017>. Schools across the city, state, and country will be competing to see who reads the most. The top Lowell Schools will have schoolwide celebrations sponsored by the Lowell Police Superior Officer's Association & Lowell Police Patrolmen's Association.

For each project a student returns, his/her name will be entered into a drawing to represent their school at the October School Committee Meeting.

In partnership with the Lowell Spinners and their support for Summer Reading, each student will receive a ticket to a game on **September 5th**, **Lowell Public Schools Elementary School Summer Reading Night**. Using the reading logs, the student that reads the most will throw out the first pitch, the class that reads the most will hold the flag on the field, and the school that reads the most will parade on the field before the game.



We look forward to sharing your creative responses about what you read this summer!

Thank you.

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

Summer Reading 2017

Students Entering Grade K-4



SUMMER READING PROJECT

Lowell Public Schools



Please show us how much you liked one or more of your summer reading books by making a project from the list below and/or by completing the attached response sheets. You can also create your own project that you think up yourself! Bring your completed book project back on the first day of school. You will be recognized at your school and your project will be displayed.

KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE ONE



- Describe the character _____ using key details from the text.
- Draw or paint a picture of your favorite book character and write about it.
- Draw or paint a picture about your favorite part of a book.

FIRST GRADE TO SECOND GRADE



- Describe what kind of character _____ is using key details from the text.
- Create a colorful new cover for one of your books, showing some event from the book or something you learned from it.
- Draw and write about the beginning, middle, and end of a book.

SECOND GRADE TO THIRD GRADE



- Describe how characters in the text respond to major events and challenges.
- Create a book poster using pictures you cut from magazines. Include pictures of the setting, important story words, and characters. Paste your pictures creatively on poster board.
- Write a poem about a book.
- Make an interesting facts poster about a nonfiction book.

THIRD GRADE TO FOURTH GRADE



- Describe the characters in the text and explain how their actions relate to the events in the text.
- Write a letter to a friend telling why he/she should read your book.
- Write a list of five questions you would ask the main character of a book.
- Write a song or rap about your favorite book.
- Pretend you are a teacher. Make a quiz for the book you are reading.

Student Username and Log-In Information:

iReady	Scholastic Summer Reading
Username:	Username:
Password:	Password:

LPS Summer Reading Log

Student Name: _____

Please write the titles and author of the books you read this summer or were read to you, on the lines below. **Please attach additional sheets with author and title information if you run out of room.**

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Return this form with your project(s) on the first day of school. We will be using your summer reading as part of our literacy instruction during the first week of school.

For each project you return, your name will be entered into a drawing to represent our school at the October School Committee Meeting.



HAPPY SUMMER READING!!!



ALL GRADES project option

Title of book _____

Sketch and write about a character, something you learned or a summary of the story.

SUMMER READING 2017

Lowell Public Schools and Pollard Memorial Library

We encourage our elementary school students to read for enjoyment this summer. Our hope is that children will engage in self-selected reading that captures their interests, enhances their imagination, and generates their enthusiasm for reading.

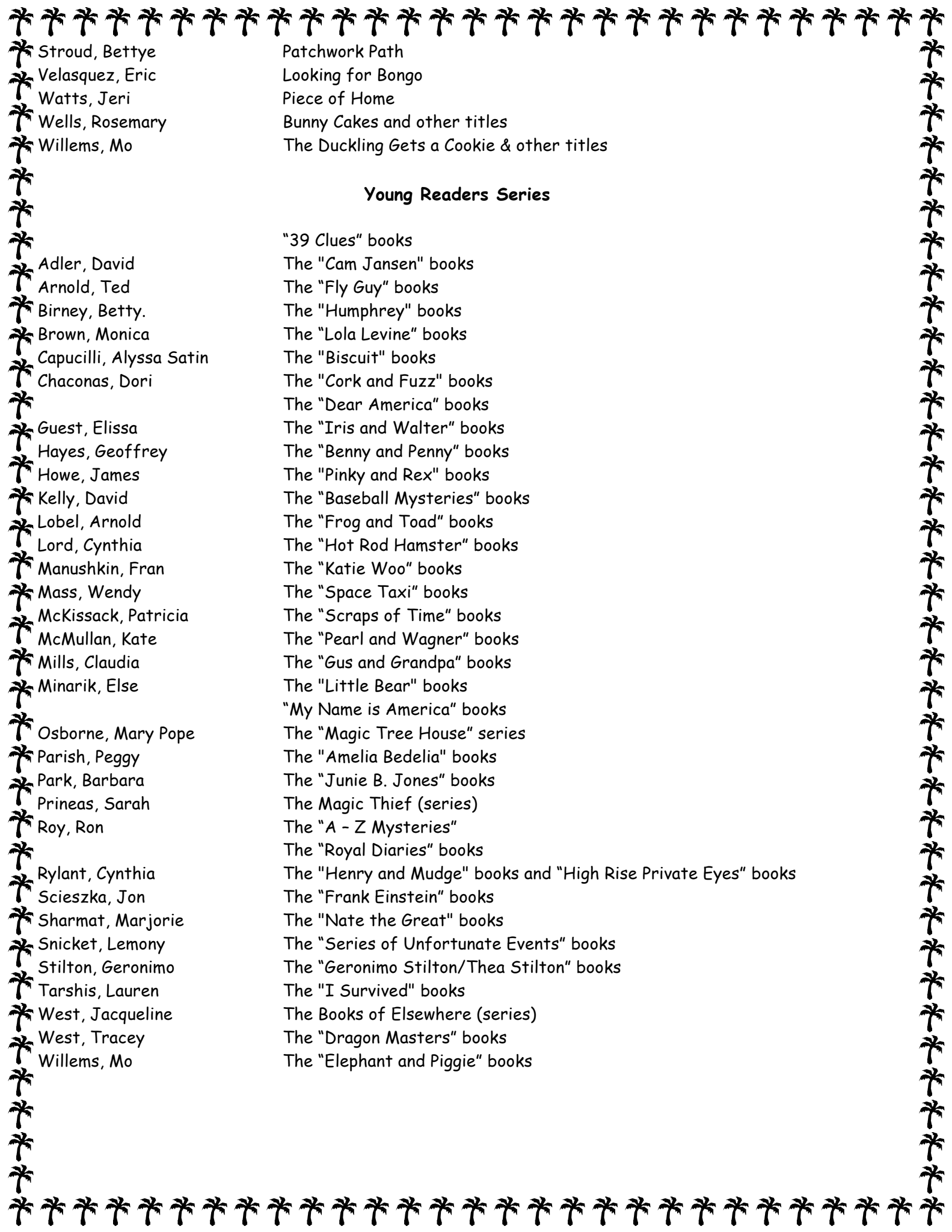
While we have made specific suggestions, we encourage children to add to their own list of favorites and explore additional titles by favorite authors.

List compiled by Lowell Public Schools and Pollard Memorial Library.

Recommended Books for Children in Kindergarten through Grade 4

Alsdurf, Phyllis	It's Milking Time
Armstrong, Jennifer	Once Upon a Banana
Arnold, Katya	Elephants Can Paint Too
Bachelet, Gilles	My Cat, the Silliest Cat in the World
Bailey, Linda	Toads on Toast
Barnett, Mac	Count the Monkeys
Beaty, Andrea	Ada Twist Scientist
Bell, CeCe	Rabbit and Robot: the Sleepover
Bemelmans, Ludwig	Madeline & other titles
Bently, Peter	King Jack and the Dragon
Bingham, Kelly	Z is for Moose
Brosbol, Vera	Leave Me Alone
Brown, Margaret Wise	Goodnight Moon & other titles
Brown, Monica	Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match and Marisol McDonald and the Clash Bash
Brown, Peter	Children Make Terrible Pets
Bunting, Eve	I Like the Way You Are and other titles
Burton, Virginia Lee	The Little House ; Mike Mulligan and his Steam Shovel & other titles
Carle, Eric	The Grouchy Ladybug & other titles
Chwast, Seymour	Get Dressed
Costanza, Stephen	Vivaldi and the Invisible Orchestra
Crews, Donald	Ten Black Dots & other titles
Crews, Nina	Neighborhood Mother Goose
Cunnane, Kelly	Chirchir is Singing
Davies, Nicola	Dolphin Baby
Daywalt, Drew	The Day the Crayons Quit, The Day the Crayons Came Home
De La Pena, Matt	Last Stop on Market Street
DePaola, Tomie	Fin M'Coul and other titles
Diggs, Taye	Mixed Me
Dunrea, Olivier	Gossie and Gertie and other titles
Ehlert, Lois	Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf & other titles
Elya, Susan Middleton	Bebe Goes Shopping
Falconer, Ian	"Olivia" books
Floca, Brian	Locomotive
Fox, Mem	Koala Lou and other titles
Frost, Helen	Step Gently Out
Garton, Sam	The "Otter" books

Gravett, Emily	Orange Pear Apple Bear
Guy, Ginger Foglesong	Siesta!
Henkes, Kevin	Penny and Her Marble & other titles
Hoberman, Mary Ann	You Read to Me, I'll Read to You
Hoff, Syd	Stanley & other titles
Isadora, Rachel	Old Mikamba Had a Farm
Jeffers, Oliver	This Moose Belongs to Me
Jenkins, Steve	What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?
Jordan, Deloris	Dream Big
Kaster, Pam	Molly the Pony
Keats, Ezra Jack	A Letter to Amy & other titles
Kerley, Barbara	The World is Waiting for You
Khan, Rukhsana	Big Red Lollipop
Klassen, Jon.	This is Not My Hat
Lehrhaupt, Adam	Warning: Do Not Open This Book!
Light, Steve	Trains Go
Lin, Grace	Ling and Ting titles
Lionni, Leo	Swimmy & other titles
Little, Jean	Emma's Yucky Brother
Look, Lenore	Henry's First Moon Birthday
Lord, Cynthia	The "Hot Rod Hamster" books
McCloskey, Robert	Blueberries for Sal; Time of Wonder and other titles
McKissack, Patricia C.	Goin' Someplace Special
McMullan, Kate	I Stink! and other titles
McPhail, David	Sisters & other titles
Medina, Meg	Mango, Abuela, and Me
Medina, Meg	Tia Isa Wants a Car
Munsch, Robert	Stephanie's Ponytail & other titles
Polacco, Patricia	The Bee Tree & other titles
Raschka, Chris	A Ball for Daisy
Reich, Susanna	Minette's Feast
Rey, H.A.& Margret	Curious George & other titles
Ringgold, Faith	Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky
Rohmann, Eric	My Friend Rabbit
Ryan, Pam Munoz	Mice and Beans
Salas, Laura Purdie	A Leaf Can Be
Savage, Stephen	Where's Walrus?
Savage, Stephen	Where's Walrus and Penguin?
Sayre, April Pulley	Eat Like a Bear and other titles
Schwartz, David	Rotten Pumpkin
Scieszka, Jon.	Battle Bunny
Seeger, Laura Vaccaro	Green and other titles
Seuss, Dr	The Cat in the Hat & other titles
Shannon, David	Duck on a Bike
Silverstein, Shel	A Light in the Attic & other titles
Sis, Peter	Komodo! & other titles
Small, David	Imogene's Antlers
Stein, David Ezra	Interrupting Chicken
Step toe, John	Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters & other titles



Stroud, Bettye	Patchwork Path
Velasquez, Eric	Looking for Bongo
Watts, Jeri	Piece of Home
Wells, Rosemary	Bunny Cakes and other titles
Willems, Mo	The Duckling Gets a Cookie & other titles

Young Readers Series

	"39 Clues" books
Adler, David	The "Cam Jansen" books
Arnold, Ted	The "Fly Guy" books
Birney, Betty.	The "Humphrey" books
Brown, Monica	The "Lola Levine" books
Capucilli, Alyssa Satin	The "Biscuit" books
Chaconas, Dori	The "Cork and Fuzz" books
	The "Dear America" books
Guest, Elissa	The "Iris and Walter" books
Hayes, Geoffrey	The "Benny and Penny" books
Howe, James	The "Pinky and Rex" books
Kelly, David	The "Baseball Mysteries" books
Lobel, Arnold	The "Frog and Toad" books
Lord, Cynthia	The "Hot Rod Hamster" books
Manushkin, Fran	The "Katie Woo" books
Mass, Wendy	The "Space Taxi" books
McKissack, Patricia	The "Scraps of Time" books
McMullan, Kate	The "Pearl and Wagner" books
Mills, Claudia	The "Gus and Grandpa" books
Minarik, Else	The "Little Bear" books
	"My Name is America" books
Osborne, Mary Pope	The "Magic Tree House" series
Parish, Peggy	The "Amelia Bedelia" books
Park, Barbara	The "Junie B. Jones" books
Prineas, Sarah	The Magic Thief (series)
Roy, Ron	The "A - Z Mysteries"
	The "Royal Diaries" books
Rylant, Cynthia	The "Henry and Mudge" books and "High Rise Private Eyes" books
Scieszka, Jon	The "Frank Einstein" books
Sharmat, Marjorie	The "Nate the Great" books
Snicket, Lemony	The "Series of Unfortunate Events" books
Stilton, Geronimo	The "Geronimo Stilton/Thea Stilton" books
Tarshis, Lauren	The "I Survived" books
West, Jacqueline	The Books of Elsewhere (series)
West, Tracey	The "Dragon Masters" books
Willems, Mo	The "Elephant and Piggie" books

Younger Readers

Adoff, Arnold	Street Music & other of his poetry books
Aliki	Digging up Dinosaurs
Alvarez, Julia	How Tia Lola Came to Visit/Stay
Atinuke	Good Luck, Anna Hibiscus
Backer, Miles	Travels with Charlie
Barretta, Gene	Timeless Thomas
Barrows, Annie	"Ivy and Bean" books
Berne, Jennifer	Manfish
Bishop, Nic	Nic Bishop Spiders
Blume, Judy	Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing
Bober, Natalie	Papa is a Poet
Byrd, Robert	Electric Ben
Cherry, Lynne	A River Ran Wild
Cleary, Beverly	Ramona the Pest & other titles
Clements, Andrew	The Jacket
Cole, Joanna	The "Magic School Bus" books
Coren, Stanley	Why Do Dogs Have Wet Noses?
Cronin, Doreen	The "Chicken Squad" and "A.J. Tully" books
Cusick, Dawn	Get the Scoop on Animal Poop
Dahl, Roald	Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator & other titles
Davies, Jacqueline	The Lemonade War
Davies, Nicola	Surprising Sharks
DiCamillo, Kate	Leroy Ninker Saddles Up & other titles
DiTerlizzi, Toni	The Spiderwick Chronicles
English, Karen	The "Carver Chronicles"
English, Karen	Nikki and Deja books
Eszterhas, Suzi	Sea Otters
	*Eyewitness Books
Florian, Douglas	Comets, Stars, the Moon and Mars & other of his poetry books
Gibbons, Gail	Ladybugs
Giovanni, Nikki	Rosa
Hale, Shannon	The "Princess in Black" books
Hanlon, Abby	The "Dory Fantasmagory" books
Harness, Cheryl	Mary Walker Wears the Pants
Hartland, Jessie	How the Dinosaur Got to the Museum
Hartland, Jessie	How the Meteorite Got to the Museum
Harvey, Jeanne Walker	Astro, the Stellar Sea Lion
Hatkoff, Isabella	Owen and Mzee
Hatkoff, Julianna	Leo, the Snow Leopard
Ho, Mingfong	Brother Rabbit: a Cambodian Tale
Hopkins, H. Joseph	Tree Lady
Hopkins, Lee Bennett	Dinosaur Poems & other poetry books
Huey, Lois Miner	Ick! Yuck! Eew!
Jamieson, Victoria	The Great Pet Escape
Janeczko, Paul B.	A Poke in the I & other of his poetry books
Jaramillo, Nelly Palacio	Grandmother's Nursery Rhymes
Jenkins, Steve	The Beetle Book



Katz, Alan	Take Me Out of the Bathtub & other of his poetry books
Laidlaw, Rob	No Shelter Here
LaReaul, Kara	The Infamous Ratsos
Leedy, Loreen	Measuring Penny
Levine, Sara	Bone by Bone
Lewis, J. Patrick	World Rat Day & other of his poetry books
Lin, Grace	Year of the Dog & other titles
Look, Lenore	Ruby Lu, Brave and True and Alvin Ho, Allergic to Girls & other titles
Macy, Sue	Miss Mary Reporting
Marcus, Leonard	Randolph Caldecott
Markle, Sandra	"Outside/Inside" books**
Markle, Sandra	The Search for Olinguito
Markle, Sandra	Waiting for Ice
Martin, Ann M.	The "Doll People" books
McCully, Emily	The Bobbin Girl
McCully, Emily Arnold	The Secret Cave
McDonald, Megan	Stink and Judy Moody books
McKay, Hilary	LuLu and the Dog from the Sea & other titles
Medina, Juana	Juana and Lucas
Montgomery, Sy	Kakapo Rescue
Nelson, Kadir	Nelson Mandela
Nelson, Kadir	We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball
Newquist, H.P.	Here There Be Monsters
Pennypacker, Sara	"Clementine" and "Waylon" books
Pinkney, Andrea	Hand in Hand
Prelutsky, Jack	My Dog May Be a Genius & other of his poetry books
Rappaport, Doreen	Helen's Big World
	*Rescuing the Animals series
Rosenstock, Barb	Thomas Jefferson Builds a Library
Sachar, Louis	Fuzzy Mud and other titles
Seiple, Samantha	Byrd and Igloo
Sendak, Maurice	Where the Wild Things Are & other titles
Shaughnessy, Dan	Legend of the Curse of the Bambino
Singer, Marilyn	Mirror Mirror
Stanley, Diane	Ada Lovelace: Poet of Science
Stone, Tanya Lee	Who Says Women Can't Be Doctors?
Turner, Pamela	Dolphins of Shark Bay
Warner, Sally	EllRay Jakes books
Wise, Bill	Silent Star
Yep, Laurence	The "Dragon's Guide" books

Eyewitness Books Series

****Outside/Inside Titles by Sandra Markle:**

Alligators

Birds

Rats

Giant Squid

Killer Bees

Mummies

Woolly Mammoths

****Rescuing Animals From Disaster**

Aronin Saving Animals from Volcanoes

Markovics Saving Animals After Floods

Person Saving Animals from Hurricanes

Person Saving Animals from Oil Spills