Reading List for Elementary School





N.E.R.D.S. by Michael Buckley

While running a spy network from their elementary school, five unpopular misfits combine their talents and use cutting-edge gadgetry to fight evil around the world.



The Sisiters Grimm Series: The Fairy-Tale Detectives by Michael Buckley

Orphans Sabrina and Daphne Grimm are sent to live with an eccentric grandmother who they have always believed to be dead.



Kel Gilligan's Daredevil Stunt Show by Michael Buckley

This book invites the reader to join the adoring fans who watch a preschooler perform such daring stunts as eating broccoli, dressing himself, and going to bed without checking for monsters.



The School for Good and Evil Series by Soman Chainani

Best friends Sophie and Agatha discover their true identities when they enter The School for Good and Evil, a school where ordinary boys and girls are trained to be fairy tale heroes and villains. The plot contains violence.



The School for Good and Evil: The Camelot Years Series by Soman Chainani

Join Sophie, Agatha, Tedros, and others as they begin a new era in the Endless Woods, where Evers and Nevers alike must move beyond the bounds of school and into the biggest, boldest adventures of their lives. The plot contains violence.



Awkward by Svetlana Chmakova

After shunning Jaime, the school nerd, on her first day at a new middle school, Penelope Torres tries to blend in with her new friends in the art club, until the art club goes to war with the science club, of which Jaime is a member.



summerlost

Brave by Svetlana Chmakova

Jensen's daydreaming gets put to the test by some hard realities when the stresses of middle school get totally out of control.

Summerlost by Ally Condie

Following the sudden deaths of her father and autistic younger brother, Cedar Lee spends the summer working at a Shakespearean theater festival, making a new friend and coming to terms with her grief.

The Darkdeep by Ally Condie and Brendan Reichs

When a bullying incident sends twelve year-old Nico Holland over the edge of a cliff into the icy waters of Still Cove, where no one ever goes, friends Tyler and Ella—and even "cool kid" Opal—rush to his rescue . . . only to discover an island hidden in the swirling mists below. Told from Nico's and Opal's alternating points of view, this is perfect for fans of *Stranger Things*.



John Adams Speaks for Freedom by Deborah Hopkinson

John Adams didn't enjoy traveling; he much preferred to stay home with his wife and children. But John Adams also had a dream: He wanted to see the thirteen colonies free from English rule and to see a new country called the United States.



A Bandit's Tale by Deborah Hopkinson

In 1887, Italian eleven-year-old Rocco arrives in New York City, where he is forced to live in squalor and beg for money as a street musician. He finds the city's cruelty to children and animals intolerable and sets out to change things.



DIVE! World War II Stories of Sailors & Submarines in the Pacific by Deborah Hopkinson

This book shares the story of America's little known war-within-a-war, the "silent service" of America's frontline warriors in U.S. submarine warfare during World War II.



The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, The Blue Death, and a Boy Called Eel by Deborah Hopkinson

Eel, an orphan, and his best friend Florrie must help Dr. John Snow prove that cholera is spread through water and not poisonous air when an epidemic sweeps across their London neighborhood in 1854.



Who Was Charles Darwin? by Deborah Hopkinson

This book is an introduction to the life and accomplishments of the nineteenth-century British naturalist Charles Darwin.



A Letter to My Teacher by Deborah Hopkinson

A letter from someone who was once an exasperating second-grader reveals her experiences with a teacher who brought out the best in her.



Ordinary, Extraordinary Jane Austen by Deborah Hopkinson

Jane also loved to read. She devoured everything in her father's massive library and before long, she began creating her own stories. In her time, the most popular books were grand adventures and romances, but Jane wanted to go her own way...and went on to invent an entirely new kind of novel.



Titanic: Voices from the Disaster by Deborah Hopkinson

This book draws on stories from survivors and archival photographs to describe the history of the "Titanic."



The Amulet Series by Kazu Kibuishi

After moving to their ancestral home, Emily and Navin's mother is kidnapped by a tentacled creature in the basement that leads the children on a deadly chase into the magical world below their home.



Copper by Kazu Kibuishi

Copper is curious, Fred is fearful. Together, boy and dog are off on a series of adventures through marvelous worlds, powered by Copper's limitless enthusiasm and imagination.



The Harry Potter series, special edition illustrated by Kazu Kibuishi

Kazu Kibuishi illustrated this beautiful special edition set of J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series.



Behind Enemy Lines by Jennifer A. Nielsen

Dak, Sera, and Riq involve themselves in one of the most bizarre spy missions in history, and the outcome of World War II hangs in the balance. Book #6 of the Infinity Ring Series.



A Night Divided by Jennifer A. Nielsen

When her family is abruptly divided by the rise of the Berlin Wall, twelve-year-old Gerta harbors forbidden thoughts about freedom and reuniting with her loved ones before a coded message from her father inspires a daring plan.



Resistance by Jennifer A. Nielsen

Chaya Lindner is a teenager living in Nazi-occupied Poland. Simply being Jewish places her in danger of being killed or sent to the camps. After her little sister is taken away, her younger brother disappears, and her parents all but give up hope, Chaya is determined to make a difference.



Elliot and the Goblin War by Jennifer A. Nielsen

On Halloween night, unsuspecting Elliot saves a real Brownie named Patches from two real Goblins. His good deed gets him crowned King of the Brownies, and the mysteries of the Underworld begin to unfold.



Horizon: Deadzone by Jennifer A. Nielsen

The plane-crash survivors cross a deadly desert and confront their greatest challenge yet, a threat that comes from within their midst. Book #2 of the Horizon series.



The Monster Princess by D.J. MacHale

Unhappy with her life in a dark cave, Lala longs to live like the princesses far, far above, but after venturing into their world, she finds contentment at home.



Curse of the Boggin by D.J. MacHale (paperback version is titles Surrender the Key)

When supernatural phenomenon start following Marcus O'Mara around, he discovers a key that leads to The Library, a place where all the stories of the living and dead are kept that will help him and his friends solve a terrifying mystery



Pendragon: The Merchant of Death by D.J. MacHale

Bobby Pendragon is a seemingly normal fourteen-year-old boy. However, there is something very special about Bobby. He is going to save the world. The plot contains profanity and graphic violence.



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Who Were the Tuskegee Airmen? by Sherri L. Smith

This book is an introduction to the men and accomplishments of the Tuskegee Airmen.



The Toymaker's Apprentice by Sherri L. Smith

Journeyman toymaker Stefan Drosselmeyer is recruited by his mysterious cousin, Christian, to find a mythical nut that will save Boldavia's princess and his own kidnapped father from a fanatical Mouse Queen and her seven-headed Mouse Prince.