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Kids K-5 Summer Reading 2018 Booklist

These books were selected by librarians at Brooklyn Public Library, New York Public Library, Queens Library, and the NYC Department of Education School Library System.

GRADES K & 1

Fiction

Grandma's Records

By Eric Velasquez

Eric and his Grandma explore music together.

(J-E VELASQUEZ)

Let's Have a Parade

By Erica Silverman; Jess Golden (Illus.)

Rat-a-tat-tat! Sis-boom-ba! No rain is going to keep Lana and her family from enjoying their parade!

(J-E SILVERMAN)

Mr. Putter and Tabby Toot the Horn

By Cynthia Rylant; Arthur Howard (Illus.)

Mr. Putter wants to join a band but doesn't know how to play any instruments—yet!

(J-E RYLANT)

Mole Music

By David McPhail

Mole hears someone playing the violin and realizes what's been missing from his life.

(J-E McPHAIL) DB

Music Time

By Gwendolyn Hooks; Shirley Ng-Benitez (Illus.)

Henry finds a way to practice drumming and hang out with his friends at the same time.

(J-E HOOKS)

Pig Has A Plan

By Ethan Long

Pig is trying to take a nap, but his friends are making SO. MUCH. NOISE.

(J-E LONG)

Punk Farm

By Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Five farm animals with a passion for punk!

(J-E KROSOCZKA) EBK

Uptown

By Bryan Collier

Experience the vibrant sights and sounds, tastes and scents of Harlem, New York on one hot summer's day.

(J-E COLLIER) BR

Nonfiction (Grades K & 1)

Dem Bones

By Bob Barner

The bones of the body set to music.

(J 611.71 D) EBK

Music Everywhere

By Maya Ajmera

Celebrate various musical stylings from around the world.

(J 781.17 A)

Grades K-1 Series

Sofia Martinez By Jacqueline Jules; Kim Smith (Illus.)

Pedro By Fran Manushkin; Tammie Lyon (Illus.)

The Giggle Gang By Jan Thomas

Mo (Don't Throw It To.../ Get A Hit...) By David A. Adler; Sam Ricks (Illus.)

Bruce By Ryan T. Higgins

GRADES 2 & 3

Fiction

The Bad Guys

By Aaron Blabey

It's nonstop laughs when these bad guys try to be good guys!

(J FIC BLABEY)

Belinda the Unbeatable

By Lee Nordling; Scott Roberts (Illus.)

Join Belinda as she speeds through a magical game of musical chairs.

(J FIC NORDLING)

Louie Lets Loose: Unicorn in New York

By Rachel Hamilton; Oscar Armelles (Illus.)

Can a plucky unicorn get his big break in the Big Apple?

(J-FIC HAMILTON)

Lola Levine and the Ballet Scheme

By Monica Brown; Angela Dominguez (Illus.)

Can a soccer player and a ballerina find a way to get along?

(J FIC BROWN) EBK, DB

The Major Eights: Battle of the Bands

By Melody Reed; Emilie Pepin (Illus.)

Four friends love rocking out in the basement, but are they ready to compete in front of an audience?

(J FIC REED)

Narwhal: Unicorn of the Seas

By Ben Clanton

Undersea BFFs share their love of books, parties and waffles!

(J FIC CLANTON)

Nate the Great and the Musical Note

By Marjorie Weinman Sharmat; Marc Simont (Illus.)

Solve the mystery of a strange musical riddle.

(J-E SHARMAT) EBK

Salsa: Un Poema Para Cocinar / A Cooking Poem

By Jorge Argueta. Duncan Tonatiuh (Illus.)

Dance and sing with a new yummy salsa recipe.

(SPA J-E ARGUETA)

Nonfiction (Grades 2 & 3)

Celia Cruz: Queen of Salsa

By Veronica Chambers; Julie Maren (Illus.)

The inspirational life story of one of music's biggest stars.

(J B CRUZ C) AUD

Weird Sea Creatures (National Geographic Readers)

By Laura Marsh

Check out the strangest animals from the ocean deep.

(J 591.77 M)

Grades 2 & 3 Series

Dory Fantasmagory By Abby Hanlon

Dog Man By Dav Pilkey

You Should Meet... By Various Authors

Chicken Squad By Doreen Cronin

King & Kayla By Dori Hillestad Butler; Nancy Meyers (Illus.)

GRADES 4 & 5

Fiction

Anne of Green Gables (Graphic Novel)

By Mariah Mardsen; Brenna Thummler (Illus.)

In this gorgeous graphic adaptation, flame-haired Anne takes Green Gables by storm.

(J FIC MARSDEN)

Bud Not Buddy

By Christopher Paul Curtis

In 1936, orphaned Bud hits the road to find a jazz band that holds the secret of his own roots.

(J FIC CURTIS) E AUD, EBK, BR, DB

Castle Hangnail

By Ursula Vernon
12-year-old Molly shows up to fill the role of Castle Hangnail’s new wicked witch.
(J FIC VERNON) E AUD, EBK, DB

Graveyard Shakes

By Laura Terry
Two sisters at boarding school must team up to battle a haunted graveyard.
(J FIC TERRY)

Hiding out at the Pancake Palace

By Nan Marino
After a young popstar bombs on TV, he finds new hope in the woods of New Jersey.
(J FIC MARINO)

The Lightning Queen

By Laura Resau
In rural Mexico, Teo and Esma begin a magical friendship and fight to make their dreams come true.
(J FIC RESAU)

Nnewts #1: Escape from the Lizzarks

By Doug TenNapel
Herk the Nnewt must flee the vicious Lizzarks after his village is destroyed.
(J FIC TENNAPEL)

Short

By Holly Goldberg Sloan
The shortest kid in the class has the biggest dreams in the school play.
(J FIC SLOAN) AUD

Nonfiction (Grades 4 & 5)

Weird But True Gross: 300 Slimy, Sticky, and Smelly Facts

By National Geographic Kids
Get ready to be shocked by these odd yet true facts.
(J 031.02 W)

What is Rock and Roll?

By Jim O'Connor; Gregory Copeland (Illus.)
Rock out to the story of one of music’s most enduring genres.
(J 781.66 O)

Grades 4 & 5 Series

- Science Comics** By Various Authors
- Secret Coders** By Gene Luen Yang
- CatStronauts** By Drew Brockington
- Mr. Lemoncello** By Chris Grabenstein
- Jasmine Toguchi** By Debbi Michiko Florence; Elizabet Vuković (Illus.)

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- EBK eBook*
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- LP Large Print
- TB Talking Book*

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