

Fifth Grade Suggested Authors
For Summer Reading:

Natalie Babbitt	Henry Winkler
Eoin Colfer	P. B. Kerr
Paula Danziger	Kate DiCamillo
Cynthia DeFelice	Eve Bunting
Laura Dower	Cornelia Funke
Patricia Reilly Giff	Lois Lowry
DJ McHale	Jerry Spinelli
Phyllis Reynold Naylor	Lemony Snicket
Christopher Paolini	J. K. Rowling
Louis Sachar	George Selden

Note: You may choose to read books from the authors listed above and/or from the list of books provided.

Hottest New Reads for 2007

WHITTINGTON

by Alan Armstrong

BL 4.9

Whittington, a feline descendant of Dick Whittington's famous cat of English folklore, appears at a rundown barnyard plagued by rats and restores harmony while telling his ancestor's story.

A BEAR NAMED TROUBLE

by Marion Dane Bauer

BL 5.0

In Anchorage, Alaska, two lonely youngsters make a connection. One is a brown bear injured just after his mother sends him out on his own and the other a human whose father is a new keeper at the Alaska Zoo.

THE MIRACULOUS JOURNEY OF EDWARD TULANE

by Kate DiCamillo

BL 4.4

Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him. He travels across the country, acquiring new owners and listening to their hopes, dreams, and histories.

A HOUSE OF TAILORS

by Patricia Reilly Giff

BL 4.9

When thirteen-year-old Dina emigrates from Germany to America in 1871, her wish is to return home soon. But as the months pass and she survives a multitude of hardships living with her uncle, she thinks of Brooklyn as her home.

THE ANYBODIES

by N. E. Bode

BL 4.6

After learning that she is not the biological daughter of boring Mr. and Mrs. Drudger, Fern embarks on magical adventures with her real father and finally finds "a place that feels like home." Book #1

CODE ORANGE

by Caroline B. Cooney

BL 6.2

While conducting research for a school paper on smallpox, Mitty finds an envelope containing 100-year-old smallpox scabs and fears that he has infected himself and could infect all of New York City.

UNDER THE SAME SKY

by Cynthia DeFelice

BL 4.8

While trying to earn money for a motor bike, fourteen-year-old Joe Pederson becomes involved with the Mexicans who work on his family's farm and develops a better relationship with his father.

PRINCESS ACADEMY

by Shannon Hale

BL 6.0

While attending a strict academy for potential princesses with the other girls from her mountain village, fourteen-year-old Miri discovers unexpected talents and connections to her homeland.

HEAT**by Mike Lupica****BL 5.3**

Pitching prodigy Michael Arroyo is on the run from social services after being banned from playing Little League baseball because rival coaches doubt he is only twelve years old, and he has no parents to offer them proof.

DRUMS, GIRLS AND DANGEROUS PIE**by Jordan Sonnenblick****BL 5.9**

The life of eighth-grader Steven Alper, already complicated by his friendship with two girls and a prodigious talent for drumming, is turned upside down when his five-year-old brother Jeffrey is diagnosed with leukemia.

LISTENING FOR LIONS**by Gloria Whelan****BL 5.7**

Left an orphan after the flu epidemic in British East Africa in 1919, thirteen-year-old Rachel is tricked into assuming a deceased neighbor's identity to travel to England, when her dream is to return to Africa and rebuild her parents' mission hospital.

THE RAVENMASTER'S SECRET**by Elvira Woodruff****BL 5.2**

The eleven-year-old son of the Ravenmaster at the Tower of London befriends a Jacobite rebel being held prisoner there.