

Tree-mendous Book Ideas

Fiction and Nonfiction for Grades K – 5



Animals

Grades K - 2

- They Call Me Woolly: What Animal Names Can Tell Us by Keith DuQuette
- Dinosaurs? The biggest, baddest, strangest, fastest by Howard Zimmerman
- Stronger than Steel by Bridget Heos
- About Birds by Catherine Sill

Dolphins by Penelope Arlon

Grades 3 - 5

 On the Trail of Incredible Dinosaurs by William Lindsay

Animal School: What Class Are You? by Michelle Lord

- 125 True Stories of Amazing Animals by National Geographic Kids
- TIME for Kids Book of Why: Awesome Animal Kingdom by Editors of TIME for Kids Magazine
- Ultimate Bugopedia: The Most Complete Bug Reference Ever by Darlyne Murawski



Crafts and Hobbies

Grades K - 2

- What Can You Do With a Paper Bag? by Metropolitan Museum of Art
- Creative Crafts for Kids: Over 100 Projects for Two to Ten Year Olds by Gill Dickinson
- Ed Emberley's Great Thumbprint Drawing Book by Ed Emberley
- Easy-to-Make Pop-Ups by Joan Irvine
- The Jumbo Book of Outdoor Art by Irene Luxbacher

- The Klutz Book of Paper Airplanes by Doug Stillinger
- Ed Emberley's Drawing Book of Animals by Ed Emberley
- The Kid's Guide to Service Projects by Barbara A. Lewis
- Craft Camp: Over 40 Fun Projects for Kids by Lark Crafts
- Coin Collecting for Kids by Steve Otfinoski

Science and Nature

Grades K - 2

- The Sky is Full of Stars by Franklyn Branley
- A Place for Fish by Melissa Stewart
- The Stunning Science of Everything: Science with the Squishy Bits Left In by Nick Arnold
- Nature in a Nutshell for Kids by Jean Potter
- What is the World Made Of? All About Solids, Liquids, and Gases by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld

- Nature's Fury by Carole G. Vogel
- The Top of the World: Climbing Mount Everest by Steve Jenkins
- The Everything Kids' Science Experiments Book by Tom Robinson
- How Come?: Every Kid's Science Questions Explained by Kathy Wollard
- The Kids' Guide to Exploring Nature by Brooklyn Botanic Garden Educators

History

Grades K - 2

- By the Dawn's Early Light: The Story of the Star-Spangled Banner by Steven Kroll
- Call Me Ahnighito by Pam Conrad
- Rosa's Bus: The Ride to Civil Rights by Jo Kittinger
- Shhh! We're Writing the Constitution by Jean Fritz
- I Am Amelia Earhart by Brad Meltzer

- Disaster! Catastrophes That Shook the World by Richard Bonson and Richard Platt
- Encounter by Jane Yolen
- Rutherford B., Who Was He? Poems About Our Presidents by Marilyn Singer
- Founding Mothers: Remembering the Ladies by Cokie Roberts
- I Survived the Battle of Gettysburg, 1863 by Lauren Tarshis

Sports

Grades K - 2

- She Loved Baseball: The Effa Manley Story by Audrey Vernick
- Skiing Has its Ups and Downs by Scott Nickel
- Salt in His Shoes: Michael Jordan in Pursuit of a Dream by Deloris Jordan and Roslyn M. Jordan
- The Magic Hockey Stick by Peter Maloney
- I've Got the No-Skateboard Blues by Anita Yasuda

- No Easy Way: The Story of Ted Williams and the Last .400 Season by Fred Bowen
- Saving the Team by Alex Morgan
- Incredible Stories of Courage in Sports by Brad Herzog
- Catch that Pass by Matt Christopher
- Stealing Home: The Story of Jackie Robinson by Barry Denenberg

Transportation

Grades K - 2

- Freight Train by Donald Crews
- Locomotive by Brian Floca
- Hovercraft by Sarah Tieck
- Planes, Trains, and Automobiles by Chris Oxlade
- How Cars Work by Nick Arnold

- Flight by Von Hardesty
- My First Bicycle Book by Susan Akass
- Old Ironsides by David Weitzman
- Titanic Sinks by Barry Denenberg
- Bikes, Trains, and Other Land Machines by Ian Graham



Health

Grades K - 2

- My First Human Body Book by Patricia J. Wynne
- Good Enough to Eat: A Kid's Guide to Food and Nutrition by Lizzy Rockwell
- Is a Worry Worrying You? by Ferida Wolff
- The ABCs of Yoga for Kids by Teresa Power
- The Monster Health Book: A Guide to Eating Healthy, Being Active & Feeling Great for Monsters & Kids by Edward Miller

- What to Do When You Worry Too Much: A Kid's Guide to Overcoming Anxiety by Dawn Huebner
- ChopChop: The Kids' Guide to Cooking Real Food with Your Family by Sally Sampson
- Sports Nutrition for Teen Athletes: Eat Right to Take Your Game to the Next Level by Dana Meachen Rau
- Food & You (American Girl) by Dr. Lynda Madison
- Eyewitness Book: Medicine by Steve Parker

Graphic Novels

Grades K - 2

- Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom by Eric Wight
- Airplane Adventure by Cari Meister
- A Day at the Fire Station by Lori Mortensen
- Otto's Orange Day by Jay Lynch
- You Can't Take a Balloon into the Museum of Fine Arts by Jacqueline Preiss Weitzman

- The Storm in the Barn by Matt Phelan
- Giants Beware! (The Chronicles of Claudette) by Jorge Aguirre
- Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute by Jarrett Krosoczka
- Explorer: The Mystery Boxes by Kazu Kibuishi
- Secret Coders by Gene Luen Yang & Mike Holmes

Fantasy

Grades K - 2

- Stellaluna by Janell Cannon
- Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs by Judi Barrett
- The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams
- Charlotte's Web by E.B. White

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

- Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt
- The BFG by Roald Dahl
- The Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson
- Savvy by Ingrid Law
- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl



Realistic Fiction

Grades K - 2

- Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
- Owl Moon by Jane Yolen
- Thunder Cake by Patricia Polacco
- Saturdays and Teacakes by Lester L. Laminack
- Mr. Peabody's Apples by Madonna

- Wonder by R.J. Palacio
- The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate
- Holes by Louis Sachar
- Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
- Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary

Poetry

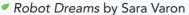
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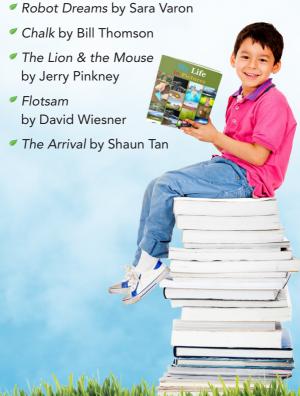
- Brothers & Sisters: Family Poems by Eloise Greenfield
- Foot in the Mouth: Poems to Speak, Sing, and Shout by Paul Janeczko
- Honey, I Love by Eloise Greenfield
- The New Kid on the Block by Jack Prelutsky
- Sports! Sports! Sports! A Poetry Collection by Lee Bennett Hopkins

- If I Were in Charge of the World and Other Worries by Judith Viorst
- If You're Not Here, Please Raise Your Hand: Poems About School by Kalli Dakos
- Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein
- Casey at the Bat by Ernest L. Thayer
- Lives: Poems About Famous Americans by Lee Bennett Hopkins

Wordless Picture Books

Grades K - 5





Folktales

Grades K - 2

- Whiskers, Tails, and Wings: Animal Folktales from Mexico by Judy Goldman
- Tales Told in Tents: Stories from Central Asia by Sally Pomme
- Why the Sky is Far Away: A Nigerian Folktale by Mary-Joan Gerson
- Stone Soup by Marcia Brown
- The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka

- The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales by Virginia Hamilton
- Best-Loved Folktales of the World by Joanna Cole
- Nelson Mandela's Favorite African Folktales by Nelson Mandela
- The Ogress and the Snake and Other Stories from Somalia by Elizabeth Laird
- The Day it Snowed Tortillas by Joe Hayes

Fairy Tales

Grades K - 2

- Prince Cinders by Babette Cole
- Princess Tales: Once Upon a Time in Rhyme with Seek-and-Find Pictures by Grace Maccarone
- The Field Guide by Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi
- The Random House Book of Fairy Tales by Amy Ehrlick
- Honestly, Red Riding Hood Was Rotten!: The Story of Little Red Riding Hood as Told by the Wolf by Trisha Speed Shaskan

- The Serpent Slayer and Other Stories of Strong Women by Katrin Tchana
- Hans Andersen's Fairy Tales translated by L.W. Kingsland
- Igraine the Brave by Cornelia Funke
- The Classic Fairy Tales by Maria Tatar
- Chinese Fairy Tales by Frederick H. Martens

Fables

Grades K - 2

- City Mouse Country Mouse: And Two More Mouse Tales from Aesop by John Wallner
- Lon Po Po: A Red Riding Hood Story from China by Ed Young
- Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears: A West African Tale by Verna Aardema

The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka

Frederick by Leo Lionni

- Aesop's Fables by Aesop
- Fables by Arnold Lobel
- Aesop's Fables by Jerry Pinkney
- Chinese Fables: The Dragon Slayer and Other Timeless Tales of Wisdom by Shiho S. Nunes
- Founders' Fables by Laurie Cockerell



Legends

Grades K - 2

- Johnny Appleseed by Steven Kellogg
- Paul Bunyan by Steven Kellogg
- How the Stars Fell into the Sky: A Navajo Legend by Jerrie Oughton
- Iktomi and the Coyote: A Plains Indian Story by Paul Goble
- Thirteen Moons on Turtle's Back by Joseph Bruchac

- The Arabian Nights Retold by Brian Alderson
- The Adventures of Sir Lancelot the Great by Gerald Morris
- Native American Tales and Legends by Allan A. MacFarlan
- King Arthur: Tales from the Round Table by Andrew Lang
- Favorite North American Indian Legends by Philip Smith

Myths

Grades K - 2

- Max and Ruby in Pandora's Box by Rosemary Wells
- The Gods and Goddesses of Olympus by Aliki
- The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Skene Catling
- Classic Starts: Roman Myths by Diane Namm
- The Golden Flower: A Taino Myth from Puerto Rico by Nina Jaffe

- The Beautiful Stories of Life: Six Greek Myths, Retold by Cynthia Rylant
- Black Ships Before Troy: The Story of the Iliad by Rosemary Sutcliffe
- The Wanderings of Odysseus: The Story of the Odyssey by Rosemary Sutcliffe
- D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths by Ingri Parin d'Aulaire and Edgar Parin d'Aulaire
- D'Aulaires' Book of Norse Myths by Ingri Parin d'Aulaire and Edgar Parin d'Aulaire

Biography

Grades K - 2

- Skit-Scat Raggedy Cat: Ella Fitzgerald by Eileen L. Ordover
- Abe Lincoln: The Boy Who Loved Books by Kay Winters
- The Little Plant Doctor: A Story About George Washington Carver by Jean Marzollo
- Ella Fitzgerald: The Tale of a Vocal Virtuosa by Andrea Pinkney
- Dreamers from the Village: The Story of Marc Chagall by Michelle Markel

- Snowflake Bentley by Jacqueline Martin
- Starry Messenger: Galileo Galilei by Peter Sis
- To Dare Mighty Things by Doreen Rappaport
- Abe Lincoln Crosses a Creek: A Tall, Thin Tale by Deborah Hopkinson
- Who Was Albert Einstein? by Jess Brallier

Historical Fiction

Grades K - 2

- The Wall by Eve Bunting
- All the Way to America: The Story of a Big Italian Family and a Little Shovel by Dan Yaccarrino
- Queen of the Falls by Chris Van Allsburg
- I Will Come Back for You: A Family in Hiding During World War II by Marisabina Russo
- Back of the Bus by Aaron Reynolds

- Old Yeller by Fred Gipson
- Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia Maclachlan
- Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis
- Storyteller by Patricia Reilly Giff
- The Star Maker by Laurence Yep



Math

Grades K - 2

- 100th Day Worries by Margery Cuyler
- Marvelous Math: A Book of Poems by Lee Bennett Hopkins
- Millions, Billions, and Trillions: Understanding Big Numbers by David Adler
- The Boy Who Loved Math: The Improbable Life of Paul Erdos by Deborah Heiligman
- Math Fables: Lessons That Count by Greg Tang

- That's a Possibility: A Book About What Might Happen by Bruce Goldstone
- The Everything Kids' Math Puzzles Book: Brain Teasers, Games and Activities for Hours of Fun by Meg Clemens
- Multiplying Menace: The Revenge of Rumpelstiltskin by Pam Calvert
- Sir Cumference and the First Round Table by Cindy Neuschwander
- If You Were a Fraction by Trisha Speed Shaskan

Humor

Grades K - 2

- Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish
- The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt
- Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! by Mo Willems
- Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type by Doreen Cronin
- Interrupting Chicken by David Ezra Stein

- The Random House Book of Humor for Children selected by Pamela Pollack
- The Terrible Two by Mac Barnett
- The Timmy Failure Series by Stephan Pastis
- The Creature from my Closet series by Obert Skye
- Frindle by Andrew Clements