

Pick TWO “just right for you” books from one of the lists below that you will read this summer. If you’re a growing reader, you may want to look at your previous grade level’s book options. If you tend to read at an advanced level, you may want to read the grade level ABOVE’s books listed below:

K-1 level

Your Job Is Easy

It’s a Spoon Not a Shovel

1st grade - Green and Blue level books

I’ll Wait, Mr. Panda - 2 Green

If You’re Angry And You Know It! - 2 Green

Little Critter: I Just Forgot - 1 Blue

Pass It On - 1Blue

Stick & Stone - 1Blue

No David! David Goes To School - 1Blue

Friendshape - 2Blue

It’s Okay to Make Mistakes - 2Blue

2nd grade - Red level books

When Sophie Gets Angry- Really, Really Angry - 1Red

Penny & Her Marble - 1 Red

Hey Little Ant - 1 Red

Sheila Rae, The Brave - 1 Red

The Crayon Box That Talked- 1 Red

Where The Wild Things Are - 1 Red

You Get What You Get - 2 Red

Do Unto Otters - 2 Red

Interrupting Chicken - 2 Red

Clean Your Room, Harvey Moon - 2 Red

The Recess Queen - 2 Red

3rd grade - White Level Books

The Invisible Boy - White
My Mouth is a Volcano - White
Each Kindness - White
Superfudge - White
Judy B Jones and a Little Monkey Business - White
The Magic School Bus Blows Its Top - White

4th grade - Black Level Books

Geronimo Stilton: I am Not a Supermouse! - 4th/Black
One & Only Ivan - Black - 4th/Black
Mr. Popper's Penguins - 4th/Black
Nancy Drew & The Hidden Staircase - 4th/Black
The BFG - 4th/5th/Black/Orange

5th grade - Orange Level Books

The BFG - 4th/5th/Black/Orange
Out of My Mind - 5th
Bridge to Terabithia - 5th
If The World Were A Village - 5th/Orange

6th grade - Purple Level Books

The Three Questions, John Muth - 6th/Purple
Pay It Forward - 6th/Purple
Fish in A Tree - 6th/Purple (highly recommend!)
The Giver - 6th/Purple
Backlash - 6th/7th/Purple/1Bronze (awesome book to read with your kiddo and discuss internet usage/bullying/texting)
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone - 6th/Purple (I would only pick this book if you genuinely have never read it & haven't seen the movie a dozen times!)
Ugly - Robert Hoge (for those who enjoyed the book Wonder)

7th grade - Bronze Level Books

The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe - 7th Bronze
Where The Red Fern Grows - 7th Bronze (for the hunting fans)
Heat, Mike Lupica - 7th/8th Bronze (great for sports fans!)
A Walk To Remember - Nicholas Sparks (a great romantic novel with all the feels!)

Freak the Mighty - 7th/Bronze

Backlash - 6th/7th/Purple/1Bronze (awesome book to read with your kiddo and discuss internet usage/bullying/texting)

Uglies - Scott Westerfield - 7th/Bronze (thoughtful sci-fi about the “price” of beauty)

8th grade - Bronze Level books

The Bad Beginning - Lemony Snicket (great for vocabulary building and hiLARious!)

Night - Elie Weisel - 8th Bronze (great to read along with your kiddo and discuss Holocaust/WWII)

I Am Malala - 8th Bronze (so inspirational and powerful)

Heat, Mike Lupica - 7th/8th Bronze (great for sports fans!)

The Curious Incident Of The Dog In The Night Time - Mark Haddon - 8th grade (This is a mystery where the main character is on the autism spectrum. So cool!)

The Girls’ Ghost Hunting Guide - Stacey Graham (grab a blanket, a flashlight, a few friends, and prepare to be SPOOKED by this nonfiction!)

Thunder on the Tundra: Football Above The Arctic Circle - Lew Freedman (nonfiction for sports fans)

9th/10th grade - Silver Level Books

Pride and Prejudice and Zombies - Jane Austen/Seth Grahame-Smith - (perfect for your cynical, sarcastic kiddo who has “already read everything.” Bonus points if you read the original version first!)

The Sword of Shannara - Terry Brooks (great for the adventure + fantasy reader!)

The Call of the Wild - Jack London (for outdoors/nature lovers)

The Girls’ Ghost Hunting Guide - Stacey Graham (grab a blanket, a flashlight, a few friends, and prepare to be SPOOKED!)

A Short History of Nearly Everything: For Young Readers - Bill Bryson (great for the kiddo who “knows everything” or loves random facts! nonfiction)

How To Survive a Robot Uprising: Tips on Defending Yourself Against the Coming Rebellion - Daniel Wilson (a humorous nonfiction read for tech fans)

The Disappearing Spoon - Sam Kean (Scientific mysteries and facts galore! Nonfiction)