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**Suggested Books and Authors for 5th Graders**

## JUVENILE FICTION

Calonita, Jen
***Flunked***
A cobbler's daughter is sent to Fairy Tale Reform School, where all the teachers are former fairy tale villains.

Dinerstein, Eric
***What Elephants Know***
An orphaned boy discovers his fate as a great elephant driver.

Gibbs, Stuart
***The Last Musketeer***
Greg is transported back to 1615 Paris and is helped by three boys who will later become The Three Musketeers.

Greenwald, Tom
***Katie Friedman Gives Up Texting! (And Lives to Tell About It)***
Can Katie convince her friends to give up their phones for a week?

Grisham, John
***Theodore Boone, Kid Lawyer***
A teen with an interest in the justice system obtains valuable information about a high profile murder.

Kuhlman, Evan
***Brother from a Box***
Matt has mixed feelings about his new robot brother, but he doesn't want Norman to be stolen either.

Liss, David
***Randoms***
A twelve-year-old is chosen to be part of a group applying for membership in the Confederation of United Planets.

Lupica, Mike
***Fantasy League***
Charlie's skill at fantasy football gets the attention of the local media and the owner of a professional football team.

Messner, Kate
***Capture the Flag***
Stranded in a DC airport during a snowstorm, three 7th graders pursue suspects in the theft of the original Star Spangled Banner.

Preus, Margi
***Heart of a Samurai: Based on the True Story of Manjiro Nakahama***
Manjiro is rescued after being shipwrecked and becomes the first Japanese person to enter the United States.

Thomas, Shelley Moore
***The Seven Tales of Trinket***
Trinket searches for the stories she needs to become a bard.

Thomson, Jamie
***Dark Lord, the Early Years***
An evil dark lord tries to recover his power and dignity after being transported into the body of a 13 year old boy.

Wells, Marcia
***Eddie Red Undercover (Mystery on Museum Mile)***
Eddie becomes a secret weapon in solving the case.

Wood, Maryrose
***The Mysterious Howling***
A young governess. Children who were raised as wolves. Many unanswered questions.

Woods, Brenda
***The Blossoming Universe of Violet Diamond***
A biracial girl meets the African-American side of her family.

## NON FICTION

J 363.738 Newman
***Plastic Ahoy!: Investigating the Great Pacific Garbage Patch***

J 550 Simon
***Seymour Simon's Extreme Earth Records***

J 551 Tomecek
***Dirtmeister's Nitty Gritty Planet Earth: All About Rocks, Minerals, Fossils, Earthquakes, Volcanoes, and Even Dirt!***

J 551.46 Gurevich
***Diving with Sharks! And More True Stories of Extreme Adventures!***

J 577.789 Wicks
***Coral Reefs: Cities of the Ocean***

J 629.133 White
***Cleared for Takeoff: The Ultimate Book of Flight***

J 709 Sayre
***Cave Paintings to Picasso: the Inside Scoop on 50 Art Masterpieces***

J 910.9 Ross
***Into the Unknown: How Great Explorers Found Their Way by Land, Sea, and Air***

J 920.72 Drimmer
***The Book of Heroines: Tales of History's Gutsiest Gals***

J 931 O'Connor
***The Emperor's Silent Army: Terracotta Warriors of Ancient China***

J 932 Hoobler
***Where Are the Great Pyramids?***

J B Grandin
***Temple Grandin: How the Girl Who Loved Cows Embraced Autism and Changed the World***

J B Lekuton
***Facing the Lion: Growing Up Maasai on the African Savanna***

J B Siegel
***To Dance: A Memoir***
(Graphic novel)

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