

Entering Grade 3

MCPL Suggested Reading



Easy Juvenile Fiction

- Bauer, Marion Dane. **Secret of the Painted House.**
Emily finds a girl inside the unused, locked playhouse.
- Castañeda, Omar. **Abuela's Weave.**
Esperanza and her grandmother prepare for market.
- DeGross, Monalisa. **Donavan's Word Jar.**
Donavan has a collection like no one else's.
- DiCamillo, Kate. **Louise, the Adventures of a Chicken.**
A not-so-chicken chicken sets off to see the world.
- Kelly, Katy.* **Lucy Rose, Here's the Thing About Me.**
Lucy didn't want to move, but now she loves D.C.
- Kerrin, Jessica Scott.* **Martin Bridge, Ready for Takeoff!** He means well but sometimes Martin's plans go awry.
- LeGuin, Ursula. **Catwings.**
Jane Tabby couldn't explain why her kittens had wings.
- Moss, Marissa. **Amelia's Notebook.**
Amelia's letters, notes and drawings fill these pages.
- Pattison, Darcy. **The Journey of Oliver K. Woodman.**
Letters and postcards of Oliver's travels from South Carolina to California.
- Smith, Lane. **Madam President.**
What would your day be like if you were president?
- Williams, Vera B. **Amber was Brave, Essie Was Smart.**
Two sisters take care of each other during tough times.

Fiction

- Carris, Joan. **Welcome to the Bed & Biscuit.**
Three animal friends help run a pet boarding house.
- Gardner, Sally.* **The Countess's Calamity.**
Mr. and Mrs. Mouse invite the dolls into their home.
- Harper, Charise Mericle.* **Just Grace.**
Why is Grace's neighbor getting postcards from her cat?
- +King-Smith, Dick.* **The Golden Goose.**
Farmer Skint's luck changes when a new gosling is born.
- Krosoczka, Jarrett J. **Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute** (Graphic Novel)
What does the lunch lady do when she's not serving lunch? She serves justice!

- McAllister, Angela. **Digory the Dragon Slayer.**
Digory is mistaken for a fierce dragon hunter.
- Osborne, Mary Pope.* **The One-Eyed Giant.**
Adventures with Greek gods and monsters.
- Stilton, Geronimo.* **The Race Across America.**
More fabumouse adventure with Geronimo and friends.

Nonfiction

- J 325.73 Maestro.* **Coming to America: The Story of Immigration.** The diversity of the U.S. is explored from early times to today.
- J 371.24 Aillaud. **Recess at 20 Below.**
Join a classroom of Alaskan children for fun in the snow.
- J 523.18 DeCristofano. **Big Bang! The Tongue-Tickling Tale of a Speck that Became Spectacular.**
How could a tiny speck turn into the whole universe?
- J 591.75 Bishop. **Backyard Detective: Critters Up Close.** What lives in your yard or in the park? Look and find out!
- J 641 Solheim. **It's Disgusting—and We Ate It!**
Facts about the foods we eat
- +J 641.5 Katzen.* **Honest Pretzels.**
Cooking fun, from apple pockets to zucchini circles.
- J 808.02 Leedy. **Look at My Book: How Kids Can Write and Illustrate Terrific Books.**
Create your own books, from ideas to illustrations.
- J 811 Florian. **Omnibeasts: Animal poems and paintings.** Short poems that evoke the animals accompany paintings.
- J 975.3 Zschock. **Journey Around Washington, D.C. from A to Z.** So many things to see and do in our capital.
- J B Farnsworth. **The Boy Who Invented TV.**
A Utah farm boy fascinated by all things mechanical invents television and other devices.

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