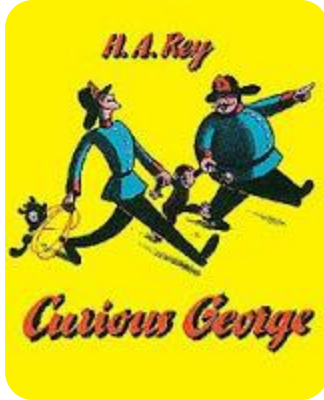


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KINDERGARTEN-GRADE 4 PICTURE BOOKS

[The Adventures of Taxi Dog](#)- Debra Barracca

[Bad Kitty Books](#)- Nick Bruel

[The Berenstain Bears](#)- Stan and Jan Berenstain

[Clifford Books](#)-Norman Bridwell

[Corduroy Books](#)- Don Freeman

[Curious George Books](#)- H.A. Ray

[Honestly, Red Riding Hood Was Rotten! The Story of Little Red Riding Hood as Told by the Wolf-](#)
Trisha Speed Shashkan

[I Spy Books](#)- Jean Marzollo

[Knuffle Bunny](#)- Mo Willems

[No, David!](#)- David Shannon

[Olivia and the Fairy Princesses](#)- Ian Falconer

[Richard Scarry's What Do People Do All Day?](#)

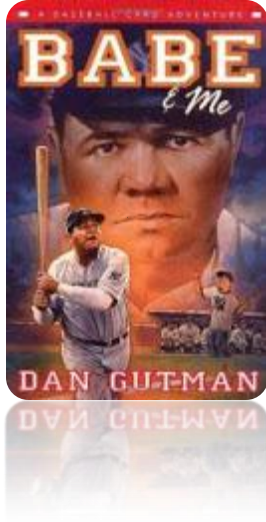
[Dr. Seuss Books](#)

[The Polar Express](#)- Chris Van Allsburg

[The Three Ninja Pigs](#)- Corey Rosen Schwartz

[Where the Wild Things Are](#)- Maurice Sendak

[Where's Waldo Books](#)- Martin Handford



CHAPTER BOOKS and BEYOND

[Arthur](#)- Marc Brown

[The Big Field](#)- by Mike Lupica

[Big Nate Series](#)- Lincoln Peirce

[Boxcar Children Series](#)- Gertrude Chandler

[Amber Brown Series](#)- Paula Danziger

[The Baseball Card Adventures](#)- Dan Gutman

[Brian's Winter](#)- Gary Paulsen

[Bunnicula Series](#)- James Howe

[Cam Jansen Series](#)- David Adler

[Captain Underpants Collection](#)- Dav Pilky

[The Chet Gecko Mysteries](#)- Bruce Hale

[Mr. Chickee's Funny Money](#)- Christopher Paul Curtis

[The Cricket in Times Square](#)- George Selden

[Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series](#)- Jeff Kinney

[Encyclopedia Brown Series](#)- Donald J. Sobol

[Fantastic Mr. Fox](#)- Roald Dahl

[Flat Stanley Collection](#)- Jeff Brown

[Freckle Juice](#)- Judy Blume

[Frindle](#)- Andrew Clements

[Frog and Toad Series](#)- Arnold Lobel

[Goosebumps Series](#)- R.L. Stine

[Granny Torrelli Makes Soup](#)- Sharon Creech

[James and the Giant Peach](#)- Roald Dahl

[Judy Moody Series](#)- Megan McDonald

[Junie B. Jones Books](#)- Barbara Park

[The Kids of the Polk Street School Series](#)- Patricia Reilly Giff

[Lawn Boy](#)- Gary Paulsen

[Lunch Money](#)- Andrew Clements

[The Magic School Bus Series](#)- Joanna Cole

[Magic Tree House Series](#)- Mary Pope Osborne

[Matt Christopher's Sports Series](#)

[The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane](#)- Kate DiCamillo

[My Teacher is an Alien](#)- Bruce Coville

[The Ralph Mouse Collection](#)- Beverly Cleary

[Ribsy](#)- Beverly Cleary

[Shiloh](#)- Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

[Sideways Stories from Wayside School](#)- Louis Sachar

[Skinny-Bones](#)- Barbara Park

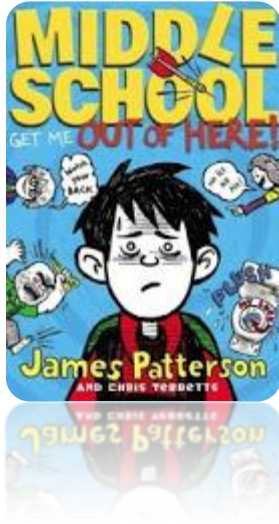
[Stuart Little](#)- E.B. White

[Superfudge](#)- Judy Blume

[The Twits](#)- Roald Dahl

[My Weird School Daze Series](#)- Dan Gutman

[Wonder](#)- R.J. Palacio



GRADES 5-8

[The Absolutely Amazing Adventures of Auggie Spinoza](#)- Steven Stickler

[The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian](#)- Sherman Alexie

[After Eli](#)- Rebecca Rupp

[Al Capone Does My Shirts](#)- Gennifer Choldenko

[Al Capone Shines My Shoes](#)- Gennifer Choldenko

[Artemis Fowl Series](#)- Eon Colfer

[Bad Island](#) (*Graphic Novel*) - Doug Tennapel

[The Batboy](#)- Mike Lupica

[The Black Stone Prophecy](#)- Alex Baj

[Bud, Not Buddy](#)- Christopher Paul Curtis

[Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Extra Credit](#) -Tom Greenwald

[Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading](#) -Tom Greenwald

[Chomp](#)- Carl Hiaasen

[Comeback Kids Series](#)- Mike Lupica

[Crispin: The Cross of Lead](#)- Avi

[Crossing the Wire](#)- Will Hobbs

[The Cruisers](#) (*3 books*)- Walter Dean Myers

[Crush: The Theory, Practice and Destructive Properties of Love](#) - Gary Paulson

[Daniel X Series](#)- James Patterson

[The Dawn Patrol](#)- Don Winslow

[Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series](#) -Jeff Kinney

[Dork Diaries Books](#)- Rachel Renee Russell

[The Encyclopedia of Me](#)- Karen Rivers

[Flipped](#)- Wendelin Van Draanen

[The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own Making](#)- Catherynne M. Valente

[The Girl Who Fell Beneath Fairyland and Led the Revels There](#)- Catherynne M. Valente

[The Graveyard Book](#)- Neil Gaiman

[Grey Griffins Series](#)- Derek Benz and J.S. Lewis

[Holes](#)- Louis Sachar

[Hoops](#)- Walter Dean Myers

[Hoot](#)- Carl Hiaasen

[I Funny: A Middle School Story](#)- James Paterson

[Island of Thieves](#)- Josh Lacey

[Joey Pigza Books](#)- Jack Gantos

[Journal of a Schoolyard Bully: Notes on Nooglies, Wet Willies, and Wedgies](#) -Farley Katz

[The Kill Order](#)- James Dashner

[Liar and Spy](#)- Rebecca Stead

[Lula Bell on Geekdom, Freakdom and the Challenges of Bad Hair](#)- C.C. Payne

[Maniac Magee](#)- Jerry Spinelli

[Maximum Ride Series](#)- James Patterson

[The Maze Runner Books](#)- James Dashner

[Middle School: Get Me Out of Here!](#)- James Patterson

[Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life](#)- James Patterson

[My Life as a Stuntboy](#)- Janet Tashjian

[The Mysterious Edge of the Heroic World](#)- E.L. Konigsburg

[NERDS Books](#)- Michael Buckley

[Peak](#)- Roland Smith

[Percy Jackson Series](#)- Rick Riordan

[Sean Yeager and the DNA Thief](#)- David Jarrett

[See You at Harry's](#)- Jo Knowles

[A Series of Unfortunate Events Series](#)- Lemony Snicket

[Stickman Odyssey, Book 1: An Epic Doodle](#)- Christopher Ford

[The Templeton Twins Have an Idea](#)- Ellis Weiner

[The Watsons Go to Birmingham](#)--1963- Christopher Paul Curtis

[The Wish List](#)- Eon Colfer

[Witch and Wizard Series](#)- James Patterson



GRADES 9-12

[11/22/63](#)- Stephen King

[Blank Confession](#)- Pete Hautman

[Bluford High Series](#)- (*various authors*)

[The Book Thief](#)- Marcus Zusak

[Box Out](#)- John Coy

[Breathing Underwater](#)- Alex Finn

[Chasing Lincoln's Killer](#)- James L. Swanson

[Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul](#)- Jack Canfield

[The Chocolate War](#)- Robert Cormier

[Cirque du Freak Series](#)- Darren Shan

[City of Glass Series](#)- Cassandra Clare

[The Coldest Winter Ever](#)- Sister Souljah

[Dairy Queen](#)- Catherine Gilbert Murdock

[Dope Sick](#)- Walter Dean Myers

[The Duff](#) (*Designated Ugly Fat Friend*)- Kody Keplinger

[Fat Kid Rules the World](#)- K.L. Going

[The Fault in Our Stars](#)- John Green

[Feed](#)- M.T. Anderson

[The First Part Last](#)- Angela Johnson

[The Giver](#)- Lois Lowry

[Glimpse](#)- Carol Lynch Williams

[Gone Series](#)- Michael Grant

[Gossip Girl Series](#)-Cecily von Ziegesar

[Guinness Book of World Records](#)- any year, any book

[Hunger Games Trilogy](#)- Suzanne Collins

[I'd Tell you I Love you, But Then I'd Have to Kill You](#)- Ally Carter

[Just Listen](#)- Sarah Dessen

[King Dork](#)- Frank Portman

[The Kite Runner](#)- Khaled Hosseini

[Life of Pi](#)- Yann Martel

[Looking for Alaska](#)- John Green

[Monster](#)- Walter Dean Myers

[My Sister's Keeper](#)- Jodi Picoult

[One Hundred Young Americans](#)- Michael Franzini

[Paper Towns](#)- John Green

[Payback Time](#)-Carl Deuker

[The Perks of Being a Wallflower](#)- Stephen Chbosky

[Push](#)- Sapphire

[Rikers High](#)- Paul Volponi

[Ripley's Believe it or Not](#)- any year, any issue

[Rooftop](#)- Paul Volponi

[Scars](#)- Cheryl Rainfield

[Seventeen Ultimate Guide to Style: How to Find Your Perfect Look](#)- Ann Shoket

[Shiver Trilogy](#)- Maggie Stiefvater

[Someone Like You](#)- Sarah Dessen

[Star Wars Character Encyclopedia](#)- DK Publishing

[Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes](#)- Chris Crutcher

[Stuck in Neutral](#)- Terry Trueman

[Ten Things We Did \(and Probably Shouldn't Have\)](#)- Sarah Mylnokski

[The Top Ten of Everything](#)- Caroline Ash

[The Truth About Forever](#)- Sarah Dessen

[Twilight Series](#)- Stephenie Meyer

[Uglies Trilogy](#)- Scott Westerfeld

[Vampire Academy Series](#)- Richelle Mead

[What I Saw and How I Lied](#)- Judy Blundell

[Zombie High Yearbook '64](#)- Jeff Busch