

# Suggested Summer Reading Titles for Rising 2nd graders



Pick three or four (or more!) titles that look interesting, curl up in your favorite summer reading spot, and settle into a great new-to-you book. Stick to authors and series you love, try something totally different, or head to your local library or bookstore and find your own great summer read. Happy summer reading!

## **PICTURE BOOK AUTHORS TO CHECK OUT**

Agee, John	Isadora, Rachel	Rex, Adam
Barnett, Mac	Jeffers, Oliver	Rubin, Adam
Barnes, Derek	John, Jory	Santat, Dan
Beatty, Andrea	Khan, Hena	Shea, Bob
Cooper, Floyd	Klassen, Jon	Sima, Jessie
Daywalt, Drew	Martinez-Neal, Juana	Sorell, Traci
De La Pena, Matt	Mora, Oge	Van Dusen, Chris
DiPucchio, Kelly	Morales, Yuyi	Woodson, Jacqueline
Grimes, Nikki	Ohi, Debbie Ridpath	Zhang, Kat
Higgins, Ryan	Pinkney, Jerry	

## **EARLY CHAPTER BOOKS SERIES**

Barkley, Callie- Critter Club  
Beaty, Andrea- The Questioners  
Bowles, David- 13th street  
Brown, Monica- Lola Levine  
Charman, Katrina- The Last Fire Hawk  
Cummings, Troy- Notebook of Doom; Binder of Doom  
Eliopoulos, Nick- Minecraft Woodsword Chronicles  
Florence, Debbi Michiko- Jasmine Toguchi  
Gutman, Dan- My Weird School  
Johannes, Shelley- Beatrice Zinker, Upside Down Thinker  
Kelly, David A.- Most Valuable Players  
Look, Lenore- Alvin Ho  
Lord, Cynthia- Shelter Pet Squad  
Lyons, Kelly Starling- Jada Jones  
Mass, Wendy- Space Taxi  
Miedoso, Andres- Desmond Cole, Ghost Patrol  
Vernon, Ursula- Dragonbreath  
Watson, Tom- Stick Dog, Stick Cat  
Wood, Ben- Real Pigeons Fight Crime

## **GRAPHIC NOVEL SERIES**

Applegate, Katherine- Doggo and Pupper  
Benton, Jim- Catwad  
Boothby, Ian- Sparks!

Clanton, Ben- Narwhal and Jelly  
Green, John Patrick- InvestiGators  
Griffiths, Andy- 13-Story Treehouse  
Holm, Jennifer- Squish, Super Amoeba  
Miller, Kayla- Click  
Montijo, Rhode- Gum Girl  
Quinn, Jordan- Dragon kingdom of Wrenly  
Sell, Chad- Cardboard Kingdom  
Scheidt, Dave- Mayor Good Boy  
Smith, Brian "Smitty"- Pea, Bee, and Jay  
Steinke, Aron Nels- Mr. Wolf's class  
Various Authors- Sports Illustrated Kids Graphic Novels

### **NON-FICTION**

Alexander, Elaine M.- Anglerfish: the seadevil of the deep  
Chin, Jason- The universe in you: a microscopic journey, Grand Canyon, Your place in the universe  
Goebel, Jenny- Adelita: a sea turtle's journey  
Helberg, Berit- Sniffer & Tinni: a true tale of amazing animal friendship  
Keller, Joy- Fungus is among us!  
Kraft, Betsy Harvey- The fantastic Ferris Wheel: the story of inventor George Ferris  
Levinson, Cynthia- The people's painter: how Ben Shahn fought for justice with art  
McAnulty, Stacy- Mars!: Earthlings welcome  
Slade, Suzanne- Swish!:The Slam-dunking, Alley-ooping, High-flying Harlem Globetrotters  
Stewart, David- You wouldn't want to sail on the Titanic!  
Todd, Traci N.- Nina: a story of Nina Simone  
Fishman, Seth- A Hundred Billion Trillion Stars  
Williams, Alicia D.- Jump at the Sun: the true life tale of unstoppable storycatcher Zora Neale Hurston  
Various Authors- She Persisted biography series

### **FAMILY READ-ALOUDS**

Applegate, Katherine- Odder, The One and Only Ivan, Wishtree  
Dicamillo, Kate- Because of Winn-Dixie, The Tale of Despereaux  
Elliott, Zetta- Dragons in a Bag (series)  
Gaiman, Neil- Fortunately, the Milk  
Ibbotson, Eva- The Abominables  
Ryan, Pam Munoz- Esperanza rising  
Selfors, Suzanne- The Sasquatch Escape (Imaginary Veterinary series)

### **OTHER SOURCES FOR GREAT BOOKS**

A Mighty Girl- <https://www.amightygirl.com/books>  
Brightly- <https://www.readbrightly.com/>  
Caldecott Winners and Honor Books- [https://abqlibrary.org/ld.php?content\\_id=629750](https://abqlibrary.org/ld.php?content_id=629750)  
Common Sense Media- <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/book-lists>  
Reading Middle Grade- <https://readingmiddlegrade.com/>  
Bbgbb bookstore-<https://www.bbgbbbooks.com/>; their staff is very knowledgeable too  
Your local library- librarians have read everything and **love** to give suggestions!