

Caterpillar “Read to Me” Summer Reading List

Amelia Bedelia, I Can Read Books (By Parish, Peggy / Siebel, Fritz) *Any Amelia Bedelia Book is acceptable.*

Amelia Bedelia Amelia Bedelia, the housekeeper with a literal mind, merrily upsets the household when she "dresses" the chicken and "trims" the steak with ribbons and lace.

Bravo, Amelia Bedelia! Amelia Bedelia can't play a musical instrument, but she plays a big part in the school concert. No one can beat her when it comes to making a drum roll, especially when she is inside the drum! She is just as happy with flattening a bee as with a B flat, and her favorite wind instrument is an electric fan.

Nate the Great Series (By Marjorie Weinman Sharmat) *Any Nate the Great Book is acceptable.*

Nate the Great Neighborhood detective Nate investigates the disappearance of his friend Annie's favorite painting.

Nate the Great and the Monster Mess Nate the Great must solve a case for his most important client yet--his mother--when the recipes for her famous Monster Cookies disappear. With his dog, Sludge, Nate gets to work.

The Dragonling Series (By Jackie French Koller) *Any book in the series is acceptable.*

The Dragonling Darek can't wait for his first Dragon Quest. Then he can be just like his older brother, Clep, the hero who brought down a Great Blue, the largest and fiercest dragon of all. Darek goes to admire the kill - and finds a dragonling peeking out of the giant dragon's pouch. Scared but curious, he feeds the hungry baby and makes an unlikely friend. To save the dragonling he must venture into the fearsome Valley of the Dragons!

A Dragon in the Family Ever since Darek saved Zantor the dragonling, they've been inseparable. Darek is the only family Zantor has ever known. But now Darek is bringing Zantor home from the Valley of the Dragons. The villagers are up in arms! Darek and his brother Clep are called traitors. Their best friends are turning against them. Even Darek's father has been threatened for allowing the dragon in the village. How can Darek prove that dragons are good when the village has turned against them all?

Knights of the Kitchen Table (The Time Warp Trio) by Jon Scieszka *Any book in the series is fine.*

When Joe receives a magic book for his birthday, he and friends Fred and Sam are transported to a time when evil knights, fire-breathing dragons, and vile-smelling giants roamed the lands.

Ramona and Her Mother by Beverly Cleary

This story hits the high and low points of a working mother's life as seen from Ramona's seven-and-a-half-year-old viewpoint. Inevitably domestic tensions, not without their amusing side, occasionally arise. Mr. and Mrs. Quimby sometimes forget who is to do what, as when the Crock-Pot is not plugged in and dinner remains uncooked. Beezus acquires a ludicrous teased hairdo at the student body shop while Ramona gets a becoming pixie haircut. Ramona, who feels unloved, takes to twitching her nose like a rabbit in a cozy picture book until her teacher becomes concerned that something is making her nervous.

OUR STRANGE NEW LAND: Elizabeth's Diary Jamestown, Virginia, 1609 by Patricia Hermes

Elizabeth Barker is only nine years old when she and her parents leave Plymouth, England. They set sail with nine shiploads of other people, headed for a small colony in America --- Jamestown, Virginia. They have high hopes for a wonderful life in this brand new country, where they can own their own land and build their own house. Elizabeth misses her twin brother Caleb, who had to stay in England because of his weak lungs, so she keeps a journal for him, to tell him what their first months are like in this strange, beautiful country.

The Bravest Blacksmith by Owens, Tom

In 1781, thirteen-year-old Owen Scott warns rebel officer Jack Jouett that the British are headed towards Charlottesville, Virginia, where colonial leaders are meeting.

The Magic Tree House Series by Osborne, Mary Pope *Any book in the series is acceptable.*

With its strong characters, imaginative plots, and just the right dose of history and science, this series is perfect for young readers.

JUNIE B. JONES by Park, Barbara – Junie B. Jones is a young girl who relates the stories of her life starting from her first day in kindergarten. The stories are humorous and written from Junie's perspective. Each book tells about Junie's different adventures. Any book in the series is acceptable