



# 2017 Summer Reading Recommendations for Rising Second Graders

## Award Winners

*Sam & Dave Dig a Hole* by Mac Bennett  
*Daniel Finds a Poem* by Micha Archer  
*I Want My Hat Back* by Jon Klassen  
*What Do You Do with An Idea?* by Kobi Yamada  
*Waiting* by Kevin Henkes  
*Last Stop on Market Street* by Matt de la Pena  
*Goin' Somewhere Special* by Patricia McKissack

## Beginner Readers

*Bones* by David Adler  
*Nate the Great* series by Marjorie Sharmat  
*Ling and Ting* series by Grace Lin  
*Young Cam Jansen* series by David Adler  
*Chicken Squad* series by Doreen Cronin  
*Heidi Heckelbeck* series by Wanda Coven

## Poetry

*Hip Hop Speaks to Children* edited by Nikki Giovanni  
*We Get Together: A Curious Selection of Affectionate Verse* by Calef Brown  
*Ashley Bryan's ABC of African American Poetry* by Ashley Bryan  
*Poetry* by Ashley Bryan  
*Forgive Me, I Meant to Do It* by Gail Carson Levine

## Humor

*Walter the Farting Dog: Trouble at the Yard Sale* by William Kotzwinkle  
*Frankenstein* by Ludworst Bemonster  
*Mercy Watson* series by Kate DiCamillo  
*Fox* series by James Marshall  
*Children Make Terrible Pets* by Peter Brown  
*Big Nate* series by Lincoln Peirce  
*Babymouse* series by Jennifer Holms

## Animal Fiction

*Moo Who* by Margie Palatini  
*If You Give a Moose a Muffin* by Laura Numeroff  
*Bunny* series by Rosemary Wells  
*Bad Kitty* by Michele Jaffe  
*Library Lion* by Michelle Knudsen  
*Say Hello to Zorro* by Carter Goodrich  
*Duck Duck Goose* by Tad Hills



**Realistic and Historical Fiction**

*The Most Magnificent Thing* by Ashley Spies  
*100<sup>th</sup> Day Worries* by Margery Cuyler  
*Something Special for Me* by Vera Williams  
*Dim Sum for Everyone!* By Grace Lin  
*Ellen's Broom* by Kelly Starling Lyons  
*Apples to Oregon* by Deborah Hopkinson

**Folktales, Fairy Tales, Nursery Rhymes, and Songs**

*The Real Story of Stone Soup* By Ying Compestine  
*Cinder Edna* by Ellen Jackson  
*Tell the Truth, B.B. Wolf* by Judy Sierra  
*You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Fairy Tales to Read Together* by Mary Ann Hoberman  
*Anansi and the Magic Stick* by Eric Kimmel

**Non-Fiction/Information Books**

*Living Color* by Steve Jenkins  
*If You Decide to Go to the Moon* by Faith McNulty  
*Wumbers* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal  
*Pop: The Invention of Bubble Gum* by Meghan McCarthy  
*Gone Wild: An Endangered Animal Alphabet* by David McLimans

**Biography**

*Big George: How a Shy Boy Becomes President Washington* by Anne Rockwell  
*Long Shot: Never Too Small to Dream Big* by Chris Paul  
*Henry's Freedom Box* by Ellen Levine



**Reading Log.** Record the books that you read (or you listen to) this summer.  
Return completed log to your school librarian and receive a school summer reading gift.

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_


