



Books a 2nd Grader Can Fall in Love With!



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These suggested books represent a wide variety of genres, themes, and reading levels that may be right for a soon-to-be 2nd grader. Ask your friendly librarian for more age-appropriate suggestions!

Little Elliot, Big Fun by Mike Curato
A big amusement park brings more fear than fun until a mouse friend helps Little Elliot find the rides that are just right for him. **Read the whole series!**

My Awesome Summer by P. Mantis
by Paul Meisel
Vibrant illustrations add whimsy to this five-month diary in the life of a praying mantis as it eats (its siblings!), hides from predators and learns to fly.

Beastly Verse Various authors
Text and art are interwoven to bring to life sixteen animal-related poems in this award-winning anthology.

Get a Hit, Mo! by David A. Adler
Mo is used to striking out but when the bases are loaded, he may just finally hit a homerun. **Read the whole series!**

If You Take Away the Otter
by Susannah Buhrman-Deever
When the sea otters disappear, why does their kelp forest habitat disappear, too?

The New Girl ... and Me
by Jacqui Robbins
Shakeeta is the new girl and she feels out of place. It's not so much what you say that makes a difference, it's that you say it at all.

Mercy Watson Goes For a Ride
by Kate DiCamillo
Mr. and Mrs. Watson's porcine wonder, Mercy, loves nothing more than a ride in the car. It takes a fair amount of nudging and bribing to get the portly pig out of the driver's seat! **Read the whole series!**

Widget by Lyn Rossiter McFarland
Widget, a homeless dog, wanders into a delightful house filled with food and warm beds. The only problem is that the food and beds belong to six hostile cats.

Ivy & Bean by Annie Barrows
This award-winning book is about making a new friend, learning about differences and sharing an adventure.

Read the whole series!

Teammates by Peter Golenbock
When Jackie Robinson became the first African-American to play baseball in the major league, racial discrimination and segregation were rampant.

Diary of a Wombat by Jackie French
This humorous diary takes the wombat's point of view as he describes his daily life. In particular, he explains how he trains his neighboring humans to give him the food he likes.

Young Cam Jansen and the Lost Tooth by David Adler
Cam's friend has lost a tooth in art class and to her dismay the tooth disappears. Will Cam be able to use her photographic memory to help solve this mystery? **Read the whole series!**

Mae Among the Stars

by Roda Ahmed

Little Mae's curiosity, intelligence, and determination, matched with her parents' encouraging words, paved the way for her incredible success at NASA as the first African American woman to travel in space.

A Cool Drink of Water

by Barbara Kerley

Lyrical text and thought-provoking photographs of children and their families around the world reveal their relationships to our most basic need: water. The book also includes some simple conservation tips.

Reptiles by Simon Holland

This book is packed with fun, interesting facts that kids will love. The colorful, eye-catching photos on each page feature these scaly creatures up-close and personal in their natural habitats.. **Eye Wonder series: Big Cats, Birds, Bugs, Explorer, Mammals, Ocean, Rain Forest, Rivers and Lakes, Space**

Hank's Big Day: The Story of a Bug

by Evan Kuhlman

Pill bug Hank and his human pal Amelia spend a marvelous day exploring the outdoors in a sweet story of friendship and imagination.

Where Are You Going, Baby Lincoln?

by Kate DiCamillo

To get away from her older sister, Eugenia, Baby Lincoln packs her suitcase for an adventure, discovering that there's no place like home. **Read the whole Deckawoo Drive series!**

Knights vs. Dinosaurs by Matt Phelan
Renowned for their courage, their chivalry, and their ability to fight mythical creatures, the Knights of the Round Table must face their most dangerous opponents yet—**DINOSAURS!**

Honeybee: The Busy Life of Apis

Mellifera by Candace Fleming

The life cycle of a worker honeybee, including the many roles she plays within her colony, unfold alongside detailed, close-up illustrations.

The Oldest Student: How Mary Walker Learned to Read

by Rita Lorraine Hubbard

Imagine learning to read at the age of 116! Discover the true story of Mary Walker, the nation's oldest student who did just that!

Your Place in the Universe

by Jason Chin

Exploration of scale, size, and distance from an eight-year-old child to the widest reaches of the observable universe.

Rise of the Earth Dragon

by Tracy West

8-year old Drake is snatched up by King Roland's soldier and taken to the castle to be trained as a Dragon Master. Does Drake have what it takes to be a Dragon Master? **Read the whole series!**

Julieta and the Diamond Enigma

by Luisana Duarte

When a priceless diamond is stolen, Julieta and her art-handler dad find themselves trapped in the middle of a mystery—with her dad as a prime suspect!

Don't forget about these other

favorite series and authors: Dan Gutman ♦ Mo Willems ♦ *Henry and Mudge* ♦ *Fly Guy* series ♦ *The Magic Tree House* series ♦ *The Owl Diaries* series