



eadng can be one of the many fun activities children fill their summer time with.

Research has shown it is also much more! Children who participate in public library summer reading programs not only avoid the “summer slide” in learning, but also score higher on reading achievement tests than those who do not participate.

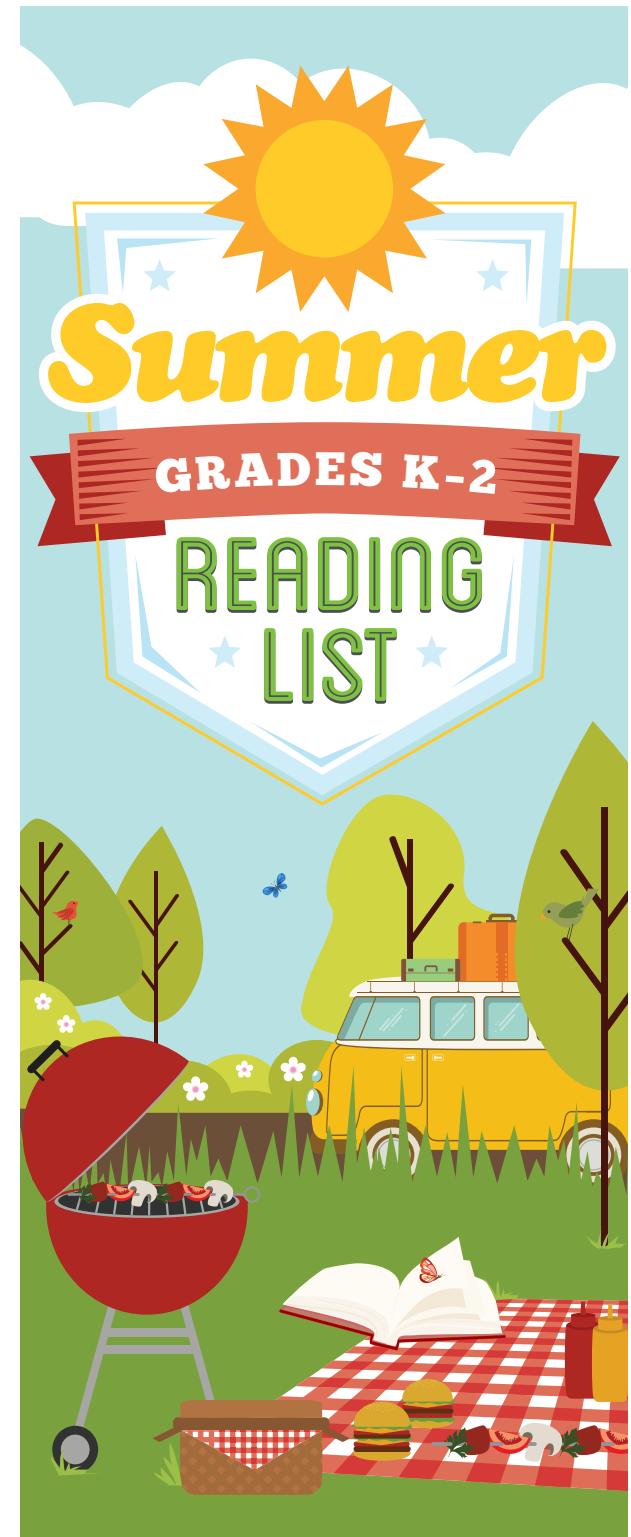
The books on this list come highly recommended by kid readers from all over the country and may also be available in ebook, audio book, braille, and large print formats. This summer, encourage your child to participate in the summer programs happening at your library.



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# Summer Reading List

**Big Red Lollipop**  
by Rukhsana Khan,  
illustrated by Sophie Blackall

Viking, 2010,  
ISBN: 9780670062874.  
What is a big sister to do  
when she has to take her little  
sister along to the very first  
birthday party she has been  
invited to in the United States?

**The Book with No Pictures**  
by B.J. Novak  
Dial, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780803741713.

Discover how much fun a  
picture book with no pictures  
can be in this absurd, hilarious  
book.

**Eye to Eye: How Animals See the World**  
by Steve Jenkins

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780547959078.  
An in-depth look at many  
different animals' eyes and  
their fascinating uses.

**Flashlight**  
by Lizi Boyd  
Chronicle Books, 2014,  
ISBN: 9781452118949.  
When he uses his flashlight, a  
boy discovers many things in  
the night.

**Goodnight Already!**  
by Jory John,  
illustrated by Benji Davies  
HarperCollins, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780062286208.  
What happens when you

really want to sleep but your  
best friend doesn't?

**Hi, Koo! A Year of Seasons**

by Jon J. Muth

Scholastic, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780545166683.

Koo the panda is back and  
discovering each season  
through poetry.

**How Big Were Dinosaurs?**  
by Lita Judge

Roaring Brook Press, 2013,  
ISBN: 9781596437197.

In a series of funny, engaging  
portraits, all sizes of dinosaurs  
come into focus around real-life  
objects in the modern world.

**I Don't Want to Be a Frog**  
by Dev Petty,  
illustrated by Mike Boldt

Random House, 2015,  
ISBN: 9780385378666.

A frog imagines what it would  
be like to be a rabbit, a cat,  
and other animals in this silly  
story.

**I Got the Rhythm**

by Connie Schofield-Morrison,  
illustrated by Frank Morrison

Bloomsbury, 2014,  
ISBN: 9781619631786.

A neighborhood walk becomes  
so much more as a little girl  
explores the music and sound  
of everyday urban life.

**Journey**

by Aaron Becker

Candlewick Press, 2013

ISBN: 9780763660536.

Get caught up in an adventure  
with a girl whose imagination  
and red marker take her to  
amazing places.

**Last Stop on Market Street**

by Matt de la Peña,  
illustrated by Christian Robinson

Putnam, 2015,

ISBN: 9780399257742.

C.J. and his grandma take an  
eye-opening bus ride across  
town. Where do they go every  
Sunday?

**Mr. Tiger Goes Wild**

by Peter Brown

Little, Brown; 2013

ISBN: 9780316200639.

Mr. Tiger is tired of being so  
proper. What happens when  
he decides to . . . go a little  
wild?

**My New Friend Is So Fun!**

by Mo Willems

Disney-Hyperion, 2014,  
ISBN: 9781423179580.

Will a new friend break  
apart Piggie and Gerald's  
friendship?

**Niño Wrestles the World**

by Yuyi Morales

Roaring Brook Press, 2013  
ISBN: 9781596436046.

Niño is the *lucha libre*

champion of the world . . .  
until his sisters wake up from  
their naps!

**Old Mikamba Had a Farm**

by Rachel Isadora

Nancy Paulsen Books, 2013

ISBN: 9780399257407.

On Old Mikamba's "farm,"  
we meet (and hear!) many  
different African animals.

**Pirates Love Underpants**

by Claire Freedman,  
illustrated by Ben Cort

Simon & Schuster/Aladdin,  
2013, ISBN: 9781442485129.

Laugh along to rhyming text  
about pirates on the search  
for the Pants of Gold.

**Power Down, Little Robot**

by Anna Staniszewski,  
illustrated by Tim Zeltner

Henry Holt, 2015,

ISBN: 9781627791250.

This little robot has no plans  
to go to bed!

**The Princess in Black**

by Shannon Hale  
and Dean Hale,  
illustrated by LeUyen Pham

Candlewick Press, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780763665104.

Princess Magnolia trades her  
frilly dresses for a mask and  
cape to ward off monsters.  
*First in a series.*

**Rain!**

by Linda Ashman, illustrated  
by Christian Robinson

Houghton Mifflin, 2013

ISBN: 9780547733951.

When a rainstorm arrives,  
a young boy and an old  
man have two very different  
reactions.

**Sam and Dave Dig a Hole**

by Mac Barnett,  
illustrated by Jon Klassen

Candlewick Press, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780763662295.

Sam and Dave do not find  
what they expect when they  
dig a hole, but they still end  
up having a pretty good day.

**Shark vs. Train**

by Chris Barton, illustrated  
by Tom Lichtenheld

Little, Brown; 2010

ISBN: 9780316007627.

Two boys with two toys have  
a series of contests to see  
which toy is better.

**Ten Rules of Being**

a Superhero  
by Deb Pilutti

Henry Holt, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780805097597.

Anyone can be a superhero  
as long as they follow these  
ten important rules!

**Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great**

by Bob Shea

Disney-Hyperion, 2013

ISBN: 9781423159520.

Goat's life was A-OK until that  
oh-so-perfect unicorn came  
along—but do these two  
horned opponents have more  
in common than he thinks?

**Weasels**

by Elys Dolan

Candlewick Press, 2014,  
ISBN: 9780763671006.

You might think weasels  
spend their days romping in  
the woods. What's the worst  
they do? Steal the occasional  
egg from a chicken coop?  
No! They are secretly plotting  
world conquest!

**Wolfie the Bunny**

by Ame Dyckman, illustrated  
by Zachariah OHora

Little, Brown; 2015;  
ISBN: 9780316226141.

A funny book about a bunny  
family that adopts a wolf pup  
they find.



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