Nightlights
by Lorena Alvarez
Illustrated by the author
Nobrow, 2016.
Sandy captures her dreams in vibrant, magical drawings, but when her dreams interrupt school lessons, she must remember not to let her talent get the best of her. The illustrations from this Colombian artist are charming, whimsical and gorgeous.

Odd Duck
by Cecil Castellucci
Illustrated by Sara Varon
First Second, 2013.
A straight-laced duck and her odd ball neighbor overcome their differences to become friends in this colorful tale celebrating the things that make us different and the unexpected similarities that bring us together.

Phoebe and her Unicorn
by Dana Simpson
Illustrated by the author
Andrews McMeel, 2014.
An unsentimental buddy story about a bright and awkward girl and her best friend, the unicorn Marigold Heavenly Nostrils. First book in the series.

Real Friends
by Shannon Hale
Illustrated by LeUyen Pham
First Second, 2017.
A memoir about Hale’s time in middle school and making friends, being part of a group, and bullying.

Red’s Planet
by Eddie Pittman
Illustrated by the author
Independent and strong-willed Red longs to get away from her crowded foster home—but she gets more than she bargained for on this interplanetary adventure! First book in the series.

Rutabaga: The Adventure Chef
by Eric Colossal
Illustrated by the author
Rutabaga is hungry for adventure and just plain hungry in this graphic novel that illustrates how finding new ingredients and new food cultures can be just as exciting as slaying a dragon.

Science Comics: Bats: Learning to Fly
by Falynn Koch
Illustrated by the author
First Second, 2017.
As his broken wing heals, a little brown bat meets and learns about other bats around the world. They learn to accept their differences and to coexist with humans. Part of the Science Comics series.

Sidekicks
by Dan Santat
Illustrated by the author
Captain Amazing is looking for a new sidekick...and his pets want in on the action!

Sisters
by Raina Telgemeier
Illustrated by the author
Graphix, 2014.
Road Trip! In this companion to Smile, Raina is traveling with her family in a minivan from California to Colorado.

Star Scouts
by Mike Lawrence
Illustrated by the author
First Second, 2017.
Unbeknownst to her father, Avani Patel signs up for a week long intergalactic sleep-away camp that promises to have far more adventure than the boring human camp she was supposed to attend.

The Time Museum
by Matthew Loux
Illustrated by the author
First Second, 2017.
A crew of time traveling interns contend with perils ranging from the Cretaceous period to the very distant future.

Where’s Halmoni?
by Julie Kim
Illustrated by the author
Two children search for their missing grandmother and fall into a fantastic adventure—meeting goblins, a greedy tiger, a clever rabbit, and a wily fox—and discover more about their heritage in this tale inspired by Korean folklore.
**Graphic Novels Reading List**

**Grades 3–5**

**5 Worlds, Vol 1: The Sand Warrior**
by Mark Siegel, et al.
Adventure and action abound in this thrilling tale of three heroes on a quest to save their worlds. *First book in the series.*

**Akissi: Feline Invasion**
by Marguerite Abouet
Illustrated by Mathieu Sapin
Follow the irrepressible and lovable Akissi as she gets into trouble and has adventures throughout her small town in West Africa.

**Anne of Green Gables: A Graphic Novel**
adapted by Mariah Marsden
Illustrated by Brenna Thummler
Montgomery’s plucky orphan meets a new generation of readers in a richly-hued, faithful retelling of the beloved classic.

**Bee and PuppyCat**
by Natasha Allegri and Garrett Jackson
Illustrated by Natasha Allegri and Garrett Jackson
A collection of eight short stories by various popular authors about everyone’s favorite subject: recess!

**Belinda the Unbeatable**
by Lee Nordling
Illustrated by Scott Roberts and Flavio B. Silva
When self-assured Belinda befriends shy Barbara at school, a gym game of musical chairs transforms into a magical, colorful competition in this wordless graphic fantasy.

**The Big Bad Fox**
by Benjamin Renner
Illustrated by the author
A bumbling fox finds himself having to care for three little chicks who think he is their mother.

**Cleopatra in Space Volume 1: Target Practice**
by MikeMahack
Illustrated by the author
The young Egyptian princess is transported far into the future, where she must prepare to save the Nile Galaxy...but she still has to take algebra, too. *First book in the series.*

**Comics Squad: Recess!**
edited by Jennifer L. Holm, Matthew Holm and Jarrett J. Krosoczka
A collection of eight short stories by various popular authors about everyone’s favorite subject: recess!

**Cosmic Commandos**
by Christopher Eliopoulos
Illustrated by the author
When a cereal box toy surprise brings their favorite video game to real (and dangerous) life, twin brothers Jeremy and Justin must learn how to work together if they are going to save the world.

**The Dam Keeper**
by Robert Kondo and Dice Tsutsui
Illustrated by the authors
After the death of his father, Pig becomes the keeper of the Dam, his town’s only protection against the deadly fog.

**Dream Jumper, Book One: Nightmare Escape**
edited by Greg Grunberg
Illustrated by the author
Nate didn’t want to move to a new home, but when he discovers a tape recorder and note addressed to him under the floorboards, he is challenged to join with local girl Tabitha to uncover the mystery concerning a boy who disappeared long ago.

**Dream Jumper, Book One: Mass Construction**
edited by Chris Duffy
When Pablo gets separated from the class on a field trip to the Empire State Building, new friend Alicia helps him find his way around the subway system. *Also available in Spanish as Perdidos en N.Y.C: una aventura en el metro (2015).*

**Dog Man**
by Dav Pilkey
Illustrated by the author
One police dog, one justice-loving cop, one life-changing surgery! Hilarious. *First book in the series.*

**El Deafo**
by Cece Bell
Illustrated by the author
An autobiography about growing up deaf in a hearing world and the superpowers it takes to fit in and make and keep a good friend.

**Fairy Tale Comics:**
*Classic Tales Told by Extraordinary Cartoonists*
edited by Abby Howard
A fun reference guide that brings together science, art, math, design, and safety.

**Hidden: A Child’s Story of the Holocaust**
by Loïc Dauvillier
Illustrated by the author
A grandmother shares her family’s story of surviving the Holocaust as a boy so that she can be a newsie and live and work at the Bugle.

**Lost in NYC: A Subway Adventure**
by Nadja Spiegelman
Illustrated by Sergio García Sánchez
When Pablo gets separated from the class on a field trip to the Empire State Building, new friend Alicia helps him find his way around the subway system. *Also available in Spanish as Perdidos en N.Y.C: una aventura en el metro (2015).*

**Lowriders in Space**
by Cathy Camper
Illustrated by Raul Gonzalez
Three friends try to turn a junker into the best car in the universe in this first of the series and includes a glossary of Spanish and science terms.

**Making Scents**
by Arthur Yorinks
Illustrated by Branden Lamb and Shelli Paroline
Raised with the skills of a bloodhound, including a super sense of smell, Mickey must adjust to non-sniffing life with an aunt and uncle who don’t like dogs (or kids) after losing his parents.

**Mighty Jack**
by Ben Hatke
Illustrated by the author
Jack trades his mother’s ear keys for a packet of seeds; once planted, they grow a magical and dangerous garden leading to another world.

**Newsprint**
by Ru Xu
Illustrated by the author
In this steampunk-inspired 1920’s-era world, Blue, an orphan, has disguised herself as a boy so that she can be a newsie and live and work at the Bugle.