



Summer Reading Picks 2018



Grades K - 2

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Chattanooga Public Library is proud to present its 2018 List of recommended Summer Reading Picks. Chosen by local expert librarians, these titles are great reads and are highly regarded in the book community, receiving many awards, excellent reviews and popular appeal. We hope that the 2018 List will help your family pick the best book for your child, grades K-12. All of the books on the List are available at your local library. Your local librarian can suggest additional titles.

Reading in the summer helps build on the skills obtained during the school year so that learning continues into the next grade year. We need the support and encouragement of families to ensure that all of our children become excellent readers.

Happy Reading!

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CLASSICS

Very Hungry Caterpillar

by Eric Carle
A caterpillar eats his way through a week.
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Whistle for Willie

by Ezra Jack Keats
To call his dog, Peter learns to whistle.
L | E Kea

Amelia Bedelia

by Peggy Parish
In hilarious fashion, a maid confuses the meaning of her duties.
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Where the Wild Things Are

by Maurice Sendak
Max journeys to a land of Wild Things.
J | E Sen

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day

by Judith Viorst
A boy tries to cope with a bad day.
M | E Vio

I Had Trouble in Getting to Solla Sollew

by Seuss
Sometimes it is hard to get to your destination.
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NONFICTION

Freight Trains

by Nikki Clapper
Photos & facts about trains.
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I, Fly: The Buzz about Flies and How Awesome They Are

by Bridget Heos
Fun information about flies.
L | J 595.774 Heo

Finding Winnie

by Lindsay Mattick
A veterinarian rescues a baby bear who later becomes the inspiration for Winnie-the-Pooh.
M | E Mat

Queen of the Diamond

by Emily McCully
Story about the first woman to play in the Major Leagues.
L | JB Mur

Radiant Child

by Javaka Steptoe
Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat's early life is revealed in story & pictures.
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Maya Angelou

by Lisbeth Kaiser
Easy-to-read text introduces one of America's most admired authors.
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PICTURE BOOKS

There Might Be Lobsters

by Carolyn Crimi
At the beach, a small dog faces her fears.
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Last Stop on Market Street

by Matt de la Peña
A boy and his grandmother ride a bus across town.
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Drum Dream Girl

by Margarita Engle
A young Cuban dreams of becoming the first female drummer in her country.
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How to Find a Fox

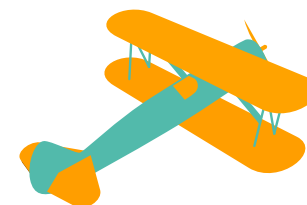
by Nilah Magruder
A girl tries to find a fox to take his picture.
I | E Mag

Bear Ate Your Sandwich

by Julia Sarcone-Roach
Did the bear really eat a girl's sandwich?
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They All Saw a Cat

by Brendan Wenzel
Colorful illustrations show many different ways a cat can be seen.
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FOLK & FAIRY TALES

Empty Pot

by Demi
Ping tries to grow a flower for the Chinese Emperor.

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Who Pushed Humpty Dumpty?

by David Levinthal
Officer Binky tries to solve favorite nursery rhyme mysteries.

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Three Billy Goats Gruff

by Jerry Pinkney
Three goats cross a bridge guarded by a troll.

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Beauty and the Beast

by Cynthia Rylant
Lovely illustrated version of a classic fairy tale.

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Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion

by Alex Smith
On the African Plains, Little Red Riding Hood meets the Big Bad Lion.

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CHAPTER BOOKS

Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea

by Ben Clanton
A narwhal & a jellyfish discover they have things in common.

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Heidi Heckelbeck in Disguise

by Wanda Coven
Heidi, a friendly witch, chooses her Halloween costume.

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Mercy Watson to the Rescue

by Kate DiCamillo
A happy pig rescues her human family.

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Ling and Ting: Not Exactly the Same

by Grace Lin
Identical twin sisters can have differences.

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Frog and Toad Are Friends

by Arnold Lobel
Two amphibian friends have wonderful adventures together.

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Henry and Mudge: the First Book of Their Adventures

by Cynthia Rylant
A boy finds love & friendship with a dog named Mudge.

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POEMS & RIDDLES

Hi, Koo!

by Jon Muth
In haiku, a panda celebrates the seasons.

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Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site

by Sherri Rinker
Machines get ready for bed.

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Wheels on the Tuk Tuk

by Kabir Sehgal
Wheels on the tuk tuk go round & round all over the city in India.

H | **J** 782.42 Seh

Mirror Mirror: A Book of Reversible Verse

by Marilyn Singer
Fairy Tale poems can magically change their meaning. It is all in how you look.

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Digger, Dozer, Dumper

by Hope Vestergaard
Poems about some hardworking vehicles.

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I Spy Treasure Hunt

by Walter Wick
Find hidden treasures to solve this pirate challenge.

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BEGINNING READERS

Get a Hit, Mo!

by David Adler
Mo Jackson learns about perseverance in baseball & never gives up.

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Biscuit

by Alyssa Capucilli
An adorable dog doesn't want to go to sleep.

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Pete the Cat: Pete's Big Lunch

by James Dean
Pete makes a giant sandwich for lunch.

J | **E** Dea

We Are Growing!

by Laurie Keller
A humorous look at growing blades of grass.

H | **E** Kel

I Really Like Slop!

by Mo Willems
Gerald is not impressed with Piggie's cooking.

G | **E** Wil

Guided reading levels as determined by the Fountas & Pinnell Text Level Gradient used by Hamilton County Schools.
Kindergarten: **A B C D** | 1st: **E F G H I J** | 2nd: **K L M** | 3rd: **N O P** | 4th: **Q R S** | 5th: **T U V** | 6th: **W X Y** | 7-8th: **Z** | 9th+: **Z+**

