

Soddy-Daisy
Community Library
2024 Summer Reading
Recommendations

K - 2

The Soddy-Daisy Community Library is proud to present our 2024 Funky Summer of Reading Recommendations. These books were chosen by a panel of librarians, educators and book industry professionals, and represent a diverse cross-section of interests. There's something here for every reader.

We hope these recommendations will support your child's education, improve their reading skills and provide plenty of relaxation and fun.

Following the description of each book are reading level guides. The letter represents the Fontas & Pinnel levels and the numbers represent the Lexile reading level.

Happy Reading!

Classics

Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears

by Verna Aardema
A simple chain of events can lead to big misunderstandings!
N / 770L

One Fine Day

by Nonny Hogrogian
A resourceful fox must outsmart a series of animals to recover his stolen tail.
J / 390L

Where the Sidewalk Ends

by Shel Silverstein
Whimsical poems that spark wonder in children and adults alike.
NP

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble

by William Steig
A young donkey discovers a magic pebble turning him to a rock and all he wants is to be reunited with his family.
S / AD780L

Picture Books

John's Turn

by Mac Barnett
A boy finds the courage to show others his talent for dancing.
M / 450L

Wild for Winnie

by Laura Marx Fitzgerald
A new student with sensory processing challenges becomes a welcome part of the class.
K / 380L

I Don't Care

by Julie Fogliano
Best friends think about the little things that don't matter and the big things that do matter.
M / AD490L

Remember

by Joy Harjo
Cherish the present moment while honoring the past.
P / AD480L

Big

by Vashti Harrison
It's hard to be big and joyful in a world that values small
M / AD520L

Something's Wrong: A Bear, A Hare, and Some Underwear

by Jory John
Bear can't shake the feeling that something's not right.
N / AD530L

The Blur

by Min Le
A child with superhero like abilities has her parents racing to keep up.
N / AD290L

Yellow Butterfly

by Oleksandr Shatokhin
Young girl finds hope in yellow butterflies in the midst of war.
O / AD660L

Every Dog in the Neighborhood

by Phillip C. Stead
Louie meets every dog in the neighborhood.
M / AD500L

Gibberish

by Young Vo
It's hard to make friends when you don't understand what they're saying.
M / AD480L

Unflappable

by Matthew Ward
Three flightless friends
can't fly - yet!
K / 380L

You're Finally Here!

by Melanie Wyatt
A bunny impatiently
welcomes you!
M / AD500L

I Am Mister Rogers

by Brad Meltzer
The story of the man who
created a show just for
children encouraging
kindness and goodness.
P / 670L

Zap! Clap! Boom! The Story of a Thunderstorm

by Laura Purdie Salas
Great introduction to
weather and the forces that
work to make a storm.
L / 560L

A Home Can Be

by Stephanie Seidler
Journey around the world to
explore different types of
homes and habitats.
M / 560L

Meow! The Truth About Cats

by Annette Whipple
From whiskers to paws and
everything in between,
discover the truth about our
furry companions.
S / 780L

Beginning Readers

Words are Magic!

by Zaila Avant-garde
Fun, energetic book about
words.
G / BR200L

Arfy Has a Ball

by Troy Cummings
Arfy wants to play, but which
ball should he choose?
F / 180L

The Cool Bean Makes a Splash

by Jory John
The beans are playing at the
pool and Cool Bean tries to
find the courage to go on the
super slide.
M / 490L

Frog and Toad are Friends

by Arnold Lobel
Frog and toad are always
there for each other - just as
best friends should be.
K / 400L

All are Welcome: Give What You Can

by Alexandra Penfold
The kids are working
together to give back to their
community.
H / 240L

The Fix-Its: Nail Needs Help

by Sarah Lynne Reul
Nail gets stuck, and his
friend hammer is ready to
help.
M / 400L

Splat the Cat Takes the Cake

by Rob Scotton
Splat enters a baking contest
to win a new television.
I / AD500L

Sir Ladybug

by Corey R. Tabor
Sir Ladybug goes on a quest
with his friends to save a
caterpillar from being eaten!
M / 480L

Non-Fiction

Before We Eat: From Farm to Table

by Pat Brisson
What happens before food
gets to our tables?
L / AD610L

What's Inside a Flower?

by Rachel Ignotofsky
Beautiful, engaging book
clearly answers any
questions a child (or adult)
could have about flowers.
P / AD710L

Snails Are Just My Speed

by Kevin McClosky
A winning combination of
facts and gross-out fun!
M / AD490L

Other great Beginning Reader series include:
The Adventures of Otto series
The Life of Ty series
Pee, Bee, and Jay series

Chapter Books

Iggy series

by Anne Barrows

Iggy's not a bad kid, he just gets into a lot of mischief!

S / 550-670L

Tater Tales series

by Ben Clanton

Two potato siblings face off in a series of epic challenges in this fun series.

N / AD420L

Press Start series

by Thomas Flintham

Super Rabbit Boy is a video game character living in a never-boring video game.

O / 450-540L

The Adventures of Sophie Mouse series

by Poppy Green

Charming series about Sophie Mouse and her forest friends.

N,O / 430-600L

Good Dog series

by Cam Higgins

A loveable puppy is an expert at finding adventure on his farm.

L / 640-680L

Dragon Games

by Maddy Mara

Classmates are transported to a magical land of dragons.

N / 530-5900L

A to Z Mysteries series

by Ron Roy

There's a mystery for every letter of the alphabet.

N / 510-600L

Secret Explorers series

by Various Authors

A band of brainiac kids take readers on fact-filled adventures. Perfect for fans of The Magic Tree House.

O / 580-650L

Other great Chapter Book series include:

Dory Fantasmagory series

Diary of a Pug series

Never Girls series

Get ready for the
SDCL Funky
Summer of Reading!
When you read this summer, you can
earn - and paint - this groovy
T-Shirt!



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