

Fourth Grade Summer Reading Suggestions

The books on this list are not required, simply suggestions from Mrs. Griffin. Be careful! You may encounter many mysterious, hilarious, sinister, unusual, fascinating, and even frightening things.

Suggested Authors:

Baglio, Ben
Blume, Judy
Christopher, Matt
Clements, Andrew
Dahl, Roald

Howe, James
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
Sachar, Louis
Scieszka, Jon
Silverstein, Shel

Fiction:

Amato, Mary. The Word Eater

Lerner Chanse, a new student at Cleveland Park Middle School, finds a worm that magically makes things disappear, and she hopes it will help her fit in, or get revenge, at her hated school.

Atwater, Richard. Mr. Popper's Penguins

The unexpected delivery of a large crate containing an Antarctic penguin changes the life and fortunes of Mr. Popper, a house painter obsessed by dreams of the Polar regions.

Avi. The Mayor of Central Park

Oscar Westerwit, a squirrel who loves baseball, fights back when a gangster rat, Big Daddy Duds, moves into Central Park

Byers, Betsy. My Dog, My Hero

A panel of 3 judges has to decide which dog out of 8 finalists deserves to win the title of "My Hero."

Carlson, Natalie. The Family Under the Bridge

An old tramp, adopted by three fatherless children when their mother hides them under a bridge on the Seine, finds a home for mother and children and a job for himself.

Child, Lauren. Utterly Me, Clarice Bean

Clarice and her best friend Betty Moody collaborate on a school project, but when Betty is absent, Clarice is paired with Karl, the worst boy in the class.

Creech, Sharon. Ruby Holler

Thirteen-year-old fraternal twins Dallas and Florida have grown up in a terrible orphanage but their lives change forever when an eccentric but sweet older couple invites them each on an adventure, beginning in an almost magical place called Ruby Holler.

Crisp, Marty. White Star: A Dog on the Titanic

Sam tries to save Star as the Titanic is sinking. It is a story about an unbreakable bond between a boy and a dog on one terrifying night.

DiTerlizzi, Tony. Spiderwick Chronicles (Series)

After unhappily moving to a dilapidated old house, Mallory, Jared, and Simon find a field guide to fairies and try to discover why some weird things have been happening.

Estes, Eleanor. Ginger Pye

The disappearance of a new puppy named Ginger and the appearance of a mysterious man in a mustard yellow hat bring excitement into the lives of the Pye children.

Greenburg, J.C. Andrew Lost (Series)

After being shrunk by a shrinking machine, Alexander, his cousin Judy, have many adventures.

Henry, Margarite. King of the Wind

Follows the adventures of the Arabian stallion brought to England to become one of the founding sires of the Thoroughbred breed and the mute Arab stable boy who tended him with loyalty and devotion all his life.

Hiasson, Carl. Hoot

Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site.

Howe, James. Bunnicula (Series)

Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.

Kehret, Peg. Escaping the Giant Wave

When an earthquake creates a tsunami while thirteen-year-old Kyle is babysitting his sister during a family vacation at a Pacific Coast resort, he tries to save himself, his sister, and a boy who has bullied him for years

King-Smith, Dick. Lady Lollipop

A quick-witted swineherd and a pig named Lollipop are royally rewarded after they reform a spoiled princess.

Martin, Ann. The Doll People

A family of porcelain dolls that has lived in the same house for one hundred years is taken aback when a new family of plastic dolls arrives and doesn't follow The Doll Code of Honor.

McDonald, Betty. Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle

Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle lives in an upside-down house, smells like cookies, and know everything about children.

McDonald, Megan. Judy Moody (Series)

Judy Moody is in a first day of school bad mood until she gets an assignment to create a collage all about herself and begins creating her masterpiece, the Me collage.

Reiche, Dietlof. Freddy in Peril: Book Two In the Golden Hamster Saga.

When the evil professor Fleischkophf attempts to kidnap Freddy in order to dissect his brain and discover why he can read and write, Freddy needs the help of his humorous and talented friends to outsmart the villain.

Sobol, Donald. Encyclopedia Brown. (series)

Mystery/ Detective Stories

Stilton, Geronimo. Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye

When Geronimo's sister, Thea, discovers an old, mysterious map showing a secret treasure hidden on a faraway island, the gang of the "Rodent's gazette" is dragged into a treasure hunt.

Wardlaw, Lee. 101 Ways to Bug Your Parents

Sneeze wants to go to the Young Inventor's Conference, but his parents put him in summer school.

Winthrop, Elizabeth. Castle in the Attic

William receives a toy castle complete with a knight who casts spells.

Yolen, Jane. Wizard's Map

While visiting Scotland, three children find an ancient map and the vile wizard who created it.

Van Draanen, Wendelin. Secret Identity: Shredderman

Fifth-grader Nolan Byrd, tired of being called names by the class bully, has a new secret identity.

Wallace, Bill. No Dogs Allowed

After her beloved horse Dandy dies, Kristine is convinced she never wants another pet