

**San Diego Unified School District**  
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*Recommended List for Grades K to 6*

These titles have been recommended by San Diego Unified School District book reviewers. Questions may be directed to Deborah Ford at (858) 496-8442.

TITLE	AUTHOR	DEWEY	INTEREST LEVEL	PUBLISHER	ISBN	C.	ANNOTATION
17 Things I'm Not Allowed to do Anymore	Offill, Jenny	E	K-3	Schwartz & Wade Books	978-0-375-83596-4	2006	A young girl lists seventeen things she is not allowed to do, including not being able use the stapler after attaching a pillow case to her brother's head.
19 Girls and Me	Pattison, Darcy	E	K-3	Philomel Books	978-0-399-24336-3	2006	John Hercules is worried about being the only boy in his kindergarten class, but after the first week he stops worrying.
Alphabet Explosion!: Search and Count From Alien to Zebra	Nickle, John	428.1	K-3	Schwartz & Wade Books	978-0-375-93598-5	2006	An alphabet book filled with sights such as a lemur folding laundry and a poodle smoking a pipe, which asks readers to count the number of objects, actions, and colors on each page that start with the same letter.
An Apple for Harriet Tubman	Turner, Glennette Tilley	306.3	K-3	Albert Whitman	978-0-8075-0395-9	2006	After living on a plantation and picking apples without being able to eat them, Harriet Tubman achieves her dream of having her own apple trees.
Angel Experiment, The	Patterson, James	FIC	5-8	Little, Brown	978-0-316-15556-4	2006	After the mutant Erasers abduct the youngest member of their group, the "birdkids," who are the result of genetic experimentation, take off in pursuit and find themselves <u>struggling</u> to understand their own origins and purpose.
Baby Bear's Books	Yolen, Jane	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-205290-4	2006	Baby Bear begs for books at all times of the day--when he wakes, at snack time, naptime, during dinner, and bedtime. And then, of course, he begs to have them read all over <u>again</u> .
Bad Bear Detectives: an Irving & Muktuk Story	Pinkwater, Daniel Manus	E	K-3	Houghton Mifflin	978-0-618-43125-0	2006	Irving and Muktuk, polar bears at the zoo in Bayone, New Jersey, are the natural suspects when someone steals a shipment of imported muffins, but they decide to prove that they are not bad bears by finding the real thief.
Ballet of the Elephants	Schubert, Leda	796.8	K-3	Roaring Brook Press	978-1-59643-075-4	2006	Tells the story of how circus owner John Ringling North, choreographer George Balanchine, and composer Igor Stravinsky teamed up to create the "Circus Polka," a ballet for fifty elephants and fifty dancers, and describes the opening night performance in 1942.

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Bea & Mr. Jones	Schwartz, Amy	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-205811-1	2006	Tired of kindergarten, Bea Jones trades "jobs" with her father, who works in an office. A re-release of a classic., but in a larger format.
Beach	Elisha Cooper	E	K-3	Orchard Books	978-0-439-68785-0	2006	Women, men, boys, and girls spend a day at the beach enjoying a variety of activities on the sand and in the water.
Beautiful Girl, A	Schwartz, Amy	E	K-3	Roaring Brook Press	978-1-59643-165-2	2006	On her way to the market, Jenna encounters an elephant, a robin, a fly, and a goldfish who discover some of the things that make little girls different from each of them.
Benny & Beautiful Baby Delilah	Van Leeuwen, Jean	E	K-3	Dial Books for Young Readers	978-0-8037-2891-2	2006	Benny is not pleased when his new baby sister, Delilah, arrives at his house.
Bessie Smith and the Night Riders	Stauffacher, Sue	E	3-6	Putnams	978-0-399-24237-3	2006	African-American blues singer Bessie Smith single-handedly scares off Ku Klux Klan members who are trying to disrupt her show one hot July night in Concord, North Carolina.
Black? White! Day? Night!: a Book of Opposites	Seeger, Laura Vaccaro	428.1	K-3	Roaring Brook Press	978-1-59643-185-0	2006	A series of colorful die-cut pages that introduces a number of things that are opposites including black and white, big and little, and day and night.
Butterfly Eyes and Other Secrets of the Meadow	Sidman, Joyce	811	K-3	Houghton Mifflin	978-0-618-56313-5	2006	Poem and factual information about meadow flora and fauna are presented alternately.
Can I Bring my Pterodactyl to School, Ms. Johnson?	Grambling, Lois G.	E	K-3	Charlesbridge	978-1-58089-044-1	2006	A child offers many creative reasons for why it would be a good idea to bring a pterodactyl to school.
Casey back at bat	Gutman, Dan	E	K-3	HarperCollins	978-0-06-056026-3	2006	Presents a humorous sequel to Ernest Lawrence Thayer's classic "Casey at the Bat" with colorful illustrations and rhyming text.
Cat Who Wouldn't Come Inside: Based on a True Story, The	Buhler, Cynthia von	E	K-3	Houghton Mifflin	978-0-618-56314-2	2006	In this cumulative story, a patient girl uses a growing number of enticements to gain the trust of a stray cat.
Cat with the yellow star: coming of age in Terezin, The	Rubin, Susan Goldman	940.53	3-6	Holiday House	978-0-8234-1831-2	2006	Contains the author's first-hand account of her childhood experiences in the Terezin concentration camp during World War II.

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Chowder	Brown, Peter	E	K-3	Little, Brown	978-0-316-01180-8	2006	Chowder the bulldog has never fit in with the other neighborhood canines, but he sees a chance to make friends with the animals at the local petting zoo.
Cookies: Bite-Size Life Lessons	Rosenthal, Amy Krouse	179	K-3	HarperCollins	978-0-06-058081-0	2006	Defines words such as cooperate, patient, proud, modest, respect, compassionate, and others with sentences about cookies.
Corby Flood	Stewart, Paul	FIC	3-6	D. Fickling Books	978-0-385-75091-2	2006	While traveling with her family aboard the S.S. "Euphonia," eight-year-old Corby Flood accidentally attracts the murderous attentions of five men, clad in bowler hats, called the Brotherhood of the Clowns, as she investigates the <u>mysterious singing coming from the ship's hold.</u>
Counting on Grace	Winthrop, Elizabeth	FIC	3-6	Wendy Lamb Books	978-0-385-74644-1	2006	Twelve-year-old Grace Forcier and her friend Arthur, taken out of school and put to work in a Vermont textile mill in 1910, are championed by their teacher who urges them to write the National Child Labor Committee, an action only Grace seems to realize will have serious repercussions.
Cow Who Clucked, The	Fleming, Denise	E	K-3	H. Holt	978-0-8050-7265-5	2006	When a cow loses her moo, she searches to see if another animal in the barn has it.
Cowgirl Aunt of Harriet Bean, The	McCall Smith, Alexander	FIC	3-6	Bloomsbury Children's Books	978-1-58234-977-0	2006	When she joins Aunt Japonica and Aunt Thessalonika on a trip to America, nine-year-old Harriet meets yet another relative--Aunt Formica, a cowgirl who is having trouble with some clever and mysterious cattle rustlers.
Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa -School Days	Silverman, Erica	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-205378-9	2007	When Kate starts school, Cocoa suffers separation pangs: he follows her school bus; he feels frustrated when she turns her attention to homework; and he is jealous of her new school friend.
Crossing Bok Chitto: a Choctaw Tale of Friendship and Freedom	Tingle, Tim	FIC	3-6	Cinco Puntos Press	978-0-938317-77-7	2006	In the 1800s, a Choctaw girl becomes friends with a slave boy from a plantation across the great river, and when she learns that his family is in trouble, she helps them cross to freedom.

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Dear Mr. Rosenwald	Weatherford, Carole Boston	E	K-3	Scholastic Press	978-0-439-49522-6	2006	Young Ovella rejoices as her community comes together to raise money and build a much-needed school in the 1920s, with matching funds from the president of Sears, Roebuck, and Company and support from Professor James of the Normal School.
Did a Dinosaur Drink This Water?	Wells, Robert E.	551.48	3-6	Whitman	978-0-8075-8839-0	2006	Explains the water cycle, discusses how water can be used to produce energy, and gives conservation tips.
Dizzy	Winter, Jonah	788.9	K-3	A.A. Levine	978-0-439-50737-0	2006	Simple text and illustrations introduce the life of jazz musician Dizzy Gillespie.
Dogboy	Russell, Christopher	FIC	5-8	Greenwillow Books	978-0-06-084117-1	2006	In 1346, twelve-year-old Brind, an orphaned kennel boy raised with hunting dogs at an English manor, accompanies his master, along with half of the manor's prized mastiffs, to France, where he must fend for himself when both his master and the dogs are lost at the decisive battle of Crecy.
Dog for Life, A	Matthews, L.S.	FIC	5-8	Delacorte Press	978-0-385-90381-3	2006	John, finds that his dog, Mouse, is scheduled to go to the pound and decides to run away and find his uncle, who may be able to help him.
Drita, my Homegirl	Lombard, Jenny	FIC	5-8	G. P. Putnam's Sons	978-0-399-24380-6	2006	When ten-year-old Drita and her family, refugees from Kosovo, move to New York, Drita is teased about not speaking English well, but after a popular student named Maxine is forced to learn about Kosovo as a punishment for teasing Drita, the two girls soon bond.
Drowned Maiden's Hair: a Melodrama, A	Schlitz, Laura Amy	FIC	5-8	Candlewick Press	978-0-7636-2930-4	2006	In the early twentieth century, young orphan Maud Flynn hopes to finally be loved when she is adopted by the elderly Hawthorne sisters, but she is instead roped into the family's crooked seance business.
Eats, Shoots & Leaves: Why, Commas Really Do Make a Difference!	Truss, Lynne	428.2	3-6	Putnam's	978-0-399-24491-9	2006	Humorous comparative illustrations show that the meaning of a sentence can depend upon the placement of a comma.
Eggs	Spinelli, Jerry	FIC	3-6	Little, Brown	978-0-316-16646-1	2007	Mourning the loss of his mother, nine-year-old David forms an unlikely friendship with independent, quirky thirteen-year-old Primrose, as the two help each other deal with what is missing in their lives.

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Endymion Spring	Skelton, Matthew	FIC	5-8	Delacorte Press	978-0-385-90397-4	2006	Having reluctantly accompanied his academic mother and pesky younger sister to Oxford, twelve-year-old Blake Winters is at loose ends until he stumbles across an ancient and magical book, secretly brought to England in 1453 by Gutenberg's mute apprentice to save it from evil forces, and which now draws Blake into a dangerous and life-threatening quest.
Epossumondas Saves the Day	Salley, Coleen	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-205701-5	2006	In this variation on the folktale, Sody Salyraytus, each of Epossumondas's birthday guests disappears until it is finally up to him to rescue them all and bring home the "sody" for his birthday biscuits.
Evangeline Mudd and the Great Mink Escapade	Elliott, David	FIC	3-6	Candlewick Press	978-0-7636-2295-4	2006	Keeping a promise to her friends in the Pals United for Furry Friends organization, ten-year-old Evangeline returns to Mudd Manor to try to rescue a group of minks before they are turned into ballet costumes.
Fairest	Levine, Gail Carson	FIC	5-8	HarperCollins	978-0-06-073408-4	2006	In the Kingdom of Ayortha, Aza, an unattractive woman with a magical voice, learns to balance her appearance with her talent, meanwhile, her singing attracts both Prince Ijori, who cannot resist it, and Queen Ivi, who plots to use it to benefit herself.
Fergus Crane	Stewart, Paul	FIC	3-6	David Fickling Books	978-0-385-75089-9	2006	Nine-year-old Fergus Crane's life is filled with classes on the school ship Betty Jeanne, interesting neighbors, and helping with his mother's work until a mysterious box flies into his window and leads him toward adventure.
Fletcher and the Falling Leaves	Rawlinson, Julia	E	K-3	Greenwillow Books	978-0-06-113401-2	2006	When his favorite tree begins to lose its leaves, Fletcher worries that it is sick, but instead a magical sight is in store for him.
Framed	Cottrell Boyce, Frank	FIC	3-6	HarperCollins	978-0-06-073403-9	2006	Dylan and his sisters have some ideas about how to make Snowdonia Oasis Auto Marvel into a more profitable business, but it is not until some strange men arrive in their small town of Manod, Wales with valuable paintings, and their father disappears, that they consider turning to crime.
Hanukkah at Valley Forge	Krensky, Stephen	E	K-3	Dutton Children's Books	978-0-525-47738-9	2006	During the Revolutionary War, a Jewish soldier from Poland lights the menorah on the first night of Hanukkah and tells General George Washington the story of the Maccabees and the miracle that Hanukkah celebrates.

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Hardworking Puppies	Reiser, Lynn	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-205404-5	2006	One by one, ten energetic puppies find important jobs as dogs who help people in different ways, including by pulling sleds and saving swimmers.
Harriet Bean and the League of Cheats	McCall Smith, Alexander	FIC	3-6	Bloomsbury Children's Books	978-1-58234-976-3	2006	Harriet helps her detective aunts, Thessalonika and Japonica, investigate cheating at the racetrack by disguising herself as a jockey.
Here Be Monsters!: an Adventure Involving Magic, Trolls, and Other Creatures	Snow, Alan	FIC	5-8	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	978-0-689-87047-7	2006	While gathering food to bring to his grandfather, young Arthur becomes trapped in the city of Ratbridge, where he and some new friends try to stop a plot to shrink the monsters of Arthur's home, the Underworld, for a nefarious purpose.
Houndsley and Catina	Howe, James	E	K-3	Candlewick Press	978-0-7636-2404-0	2006	Houndsley and Catina run into trouble when they decide to prove that they are the best at cooking and writing, respectively.
How do You Count a Dozen Ducklings?	Ch'ae, In-son	E	K-3	Whitman	978-0-8075-1718-5	2006	Faced with keeping track of twelve ducklings, Mama Duck finds different ways to group them so that they are easier to count.
How to Be	Brown, Lisa	E	K-3	HarperCollins	978-0-06-054636-6	2006	When two children pretend to be various animals, they discover how to be themselves.
How to Be a Good Dog	Page, Gail	E	K-3	Bloomsbury Children's Books	978-1-58234-683-0	2006	Bobo, banished to the doghouse by Mrs. Birdhead for bad behavior, gets a little help from Cat who gives Bobo some lessons in how to be a good dog.
How to Save Your Tail: if You Are a Rat Nabbed by Cats Who Really Like Stories About Magic Spoons, Wolves With Snout-Warts, Big Hairy Chimney Trolls-- and Cookies Too	Hanson, Mary Elizabeth	FIC	3-6	Schwartz & Wade Books	978-0-375-93755-2	2006	Bob the rat is captured by two of the queen's cats and survives by sharing fresh-baked cookies and stories of his ancestors, whose escapades are similar to those of fairy-tale heroes.
Invention of Hugo Cabret: a Novel in Words and Pictures	Selznick, Brian	FIC	3-6	Scholastic	978-0-439-81378-5	2007	When twelve-year-old Hugo, an orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931, meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.

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Ivy + Bean	Barrows, Annie	E	K-3	Chronicle Books	978-0-8118-4903-6	2006	When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, the new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected.
Ivy + Bean and the Ghost That Had to Go	Barrows, Annie	E	K-3	Chronicle Books	978-0-8118-4910-4	2006	Second-graders Ivy and Bean set out to expel the ghost who is living in the girls' bathroom at their school.
Jazz	Myers, Walter Dean	811	3-6	Holiday House	978-0-8234-1545-8	2006	A collection of illustrated poems that celebrate the roots and various styles of jazz music, such as ragtime, bebop, and swing.
Judy Moody: Around the World in 8 1/2 Days	McDonald, Megan	FIC	3-6	Candlewick Press	978-0-7636-2832-1	2006	Judy Moody's new friendship with Amy Namey causes problems with her old friends and the school project they are working on together.
Keeper of Soles	Bateman, Teresa	E	K-3	Holiday House	978-0-8234-1734-6	2006	A shoemaker repeatedly outwits a black-robed figure who knocks on the shoemaker's door and demands his soul.
Larklight, or, The Revenge of the White Spiders!, or, To Saturn's Rings and Back!	Reeve, Philip	FIC	5-8	Bloomsbury Children's Books	978-1-59990-020-9	2006	In an alternate Victorian England, young Arthur and his sister Myrtle, residents of Larklight, a floating house in one of Her Majesty's outer space territories, uncover a spidery plot to destroy the solar system.
Legend of Hong Kil Dong, the Robin Hood of Korea, The	O'Brien, Anne Sibley	741.5	3-6	Charlesbridge	978-1-58089-302-2	2006	A graphic novel retelling of the seventeenth-century Korean story of Hong Kil Dong, a boy who, denied his birthright because his mother is a commoner, trains himself to be strong and wise and sets out to right the injustices shown to peasants before claiming his rightful role as a leader.
Little Lost Bat	Markle, Sandra	599.4	K-3	Charlesbridge	978-1-57091-656-4	2006	Chronicles the early life of an orphaned Mexican free-tailed bat, from its birth to its adoption by a new mother.
Looking for a Moose	Root, Phyllis	E	K-3	Candlewick Press	978-0-7636-2005-9	2006	Four children set off into the woods to find a moose.
Louds Move in, The	Crimi, Carolyn	E	K-3	Marshall Cavendish Children	978-0-7614-5221-8	2006	When the Loud family moves into the neighborhood alongside Mr. Pitterpatter, Miss Shushermush, and Miss Meekerton, things begin to change.

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Lucy Rose: Busy Like You Can't Believe	Kelly, Katy	FIC	3-6	Delacorte Press	978-0-385-90338-7	2006	Now in fourth grade, palindrome-enthusiast Lucy Rose learns about the perils of eavesdropping while also confiding in her diary her worries that her recently divorced mother is beginning to date.
Lugalbanda: the Boy Who Got Caught Up in a War	Henderson, Kathy	398.2	3-6	Candlewick Press	978-0-7636-2782-9	2006	Presents a retelling of the ancient Sumerian tale about the youngest of eight brothers, Lugalbanda, who is caught up in an ill-advised war and uses his wits and courage and eventually becomes king.
Man Who Named the Clouds, The	Hannah, Julie	551.5	3-6	A. Whitman	978-0-8075-4974-2	2006	Presents a brief biography of Luke Howard, the French meteorologist who studied and named the different types of clouds, and includes a sample weather journal.
Marco? Polo!	Scieszka, Jon	FIC	3-6	Viking	978-0-670-06104-4	2006	Joe, Sam, and Fred travel to thirteenth-century China, where they disguise themselves as astrologers and meet Marco Polo.
Martin Bridge: Blazing Ahead!	Kerrin, Jessica Scott	E	K-3	Kids Can Press	978-1-55337-961-4	2006	Presents two short stories for early readers about the misadventures of Martin Bridge.
Mercy Watson Fights Crime	DiCamillo, Kate	E	K-3	Candlewick Press	978-0-7636-2590-0	2006	Mercy the pig's love of buttered toast leads to the capture of a small thief who would rather be a cowboy.
Merry unChristmas	Reiss, Mike	E	K-3	HarperCollins	978-0-06-059126-7	2006	Noelle happily celebrates the only day in Christmas City that is not Christmas, by undecorating the tree, greeting the postman, and going to school.
Million Dots, A	Clements, Andrew	513.2	K-3	Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers	978-0-689-85824-6	2006	Illustrations and fun facts demonstrate what one million dots look like.
Mr. Pusskins: a Love Story	Lloyd, Sam	E	K-3	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	978-1-41692-517-0	2006	Grumpy Mr. Pusskins hates doing ordinary cat things such as playing with his owner Emily but a night out on the streets in search of adventure makes him reconsider the advantages of a loving home.
Mrs. Claus Takes a Vacation	Alsenas, Linas	E	K-3	Scholastic Press	978-0-439-77978-4	2006	Tired of all the snow at the North Pole, Mrs. Claus takes a world tour before Christmas one year.

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Much Ado About Grubstake	Ferris, Jean	FIC	5-8	Harcourt	978-0-15-205706-0	2006	When two city folks arrive in the depressed mining town of Grubstake, Colorado in 1888, sixteen-year-old orphaned Arley tries to discover why they want to buy the supposedly worthless mines in the area.
My Childhood Under Fire: a Sarajevo Diary	Halilbegovich, Nadja	949.723	5-8	Kids Can Press	978-1-55337-797-9	2006	The true story of twelve-year-old Nadja Halilbegovich as she relates how she and her family survived the constant bombings, attacks, and lack of basic supplies during the siege of Sarajevo in the late 1990s.
My name is Sally Little Song	Woods, Brenda	FIC	3-6	G.P. Putnam's Sons	978-0-399-24312-7	2006	When their owner plans to sell one of them in 1802, twelve-year-old Sally and her family run away from their Georgia plantation to look for both freedom from slavery and a home in Florida with the Seminole Indians.
Mysterious Benedict Society, The	Stewart, Trenton Lee	FIC	3-6	Little, Brown	978-0-316-05777-6	2007	After passing a series of mind-bending tests, four children are selected for a secret mission that requires them to go undercover at the Learning Institute for the Very Enlightened, where the only rule is that there are no rules.
Night before Christmas, The	Moore, Clement Clarke	811	K-3	Marshall Cavendish Children	978-0-7614-5298-0	2006	Presents the well-known poem about an important Christmas visitor.
Not a Box	Portis, Antoinette	E	K-3	HarperCollins	978-0-06-112322-1	2006	To an imaginative little bunny, a box is not always just a box.
Now & Ben: the Modern Inventions of Benjamin Franklin	Barretta, Gene	609	K-3	H. Holt	978-0-8050-7917-3	2006	Looks at some of the many things invented by Benjamin Franklin that are still in use in the twenty-first century.
Oh No, Not Ghosts!	Michelson, Richard	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-205186-0	2006	An older brother "reassures" his younger sister about all the creatures that she imagines lurking in the dark bedroom, but his words only scare her more.
On Christmas Eve	Martin, Ann M.	FIC	3-6	Scholastic Press	978-0-439-74588-8	2006	Eight-year-old Tess is convinced that if she believes and stays aware of the magic around her, she will meet Santa Claus on Christmas Eve of 1958, when she will thank him for his gifts and ask him to use his magic to cure her best friend's father of cancer.

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On the Wings of Heroes	Peck, Richard	FIC	5-8	Dial Books	978-0-8037-3081-6	2007	A boy in Illinois remembers the homefront years of World War II, especially his two heroes--his brother in the Air Force and his father, who fought in the previous war.
Once I Ate a Pie	MacLachlan, Patricia	811	K-3	Joanna Cotler Books	978-0-06-073531-9	2006	A collection of fourteen poetic examples of a dog's life from the perspective of the animals.
Once Upon a Banana	Armstrong, Jennifer	E	K-3	Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers	978-0-689-84251-1	2006	Everyday signs serve as captions for this pictorial tale of what happens after a man tosses a banana peel into the garbage can and misses.
One Smart Cookie	Nez, John A.	E	K-3	A. Whitman & Co.	978-0-8075-6099-0	2006	When Cookie, a dog who can read and write, goes to school, he not only inspires the children there, he also helps avert disaster.
Oops	Geisert, Arthur	E	K-3	Houghton Mifflin	978-0-618-60904-8	2006	Depicts, in wordless illustrations, how a little spilled milk led to the destruction of the pig family's house.
Out of Patience	Meehl, Brian	FIC	3-6	Delacorte Press	978-0-385-90320-2	2006	Twelve-year-old Jake Waters cannot wait to escape the small town of Patience, Kansas, until the arrival of a cursed toilet plunger causes him to reevaluate his feelings toward his family and its history.
Particular Cow, A	Fox, Mem	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-200250-3	2006	A particular cow has some particularly unusual adventures on a particular Saturday morning.
Peter Pan in Scarlet	McCaughrean, Geraldine	FIC	3-6	Margaret K. McElderry Books	978-1-41691-808-0	2006	Wendy and the Lost Boys begin having nightmares and realize they must return to Neverland to figure out the cause of them, and when they get there, they embark on an adventure with Peter Pan to find a buried treasure on Neverpeak.
Physik	Sage, Angie	FIC	3-6	Katherine Tegen Books	978-0-06-057737-7	2006	Pulled through a glass that brings him back in time, Septimus Heap becomes the apprentice of an alchemist.
Pirates Don't Change Diapers	Long, Melinda	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-205353-6	2006	Braid Beard and his pirate crew return to retrieve the treasure they buried in Jeremy Jacob's backyard, but first they must help calm his baby sister, Bonney Anne, whom they awoke from her nap.
Raisin and Grape	Amico, Tom	E	K-3	Dial Books for Young Readers	978-0-8037-3091-5	2006	A young grape and his grandfather, a wrinkly raisin, enjoy spending time together telling jokes and going to the park.

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Regarding the Bathrooms: a Privy to the Past	Klise, Kate	FIC	5-8	Harcourt	978-0-15-205164-8	2006	In this novel told through letters, newspaper articles, and police reports, a middle school principal's bathroom renovation project leads to the discovery of stolen Roman antiquities.
River Secrets	Hale, Shannon	FIC	5-8	Bloomsbury	978-1-58234-901-5	2006	Young Razo travels from Bayern to Tira at war's end as part of a diplomatic corps, but mysterious events in the Tiran capital fuel simmering suspicions and anger, and Razo must spy out who is responsible before it is too late and he becomes trapped in an enemy land.
Roar of a Snore	Arnold, Marsha Diane	E	K-3	Dial Books for Young Readers	978-0-8037-2936-0	2006	Disturbed by a deafening snore, Jack wakes up the family and animals one by one in search of the noisy culprit.
Roxie and the Hooligans	Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds	FIC	3-6	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	978-1-41690-243-0	2006	Roxie Warbler, the niece of a famous explorer, follows Uncle Dangerfoot's advice on how to survive any crisis when she becomes stranded on an island with a gang of school bullies and a pair of murderous bank robbers.
Rules	Lord, Cynthia	FIC	3-6	Scholastic Press	978-0-439-44382-1	2006	Frustrated at life with an autistic brother, twelve-year-old Catherine longs for a normal existence but her world is further complicated by a friendship with an young paraplegic.
Runaway	Van Draanen, Wendelin	FIC	5-8	Knopf	978-0-375-83522-3	2006	After running away from her fifth foster home, Holly, a twelve-year-old orphan, travels across the country, keeping a journal of her experiences and struggle to survive.
Santa Knows	Smith, Cynthia Leitich	E	K-3	Dutton Children's Books	978-0-525-47757-0	2006	Armed with the facts, young Alfie sets out to prove to the world that Santa Claus does not exist, but no one pays attention, especially his sister Noelle, whose only request of the man in red is a nicer big brother.
Satch & Me: a Baseball Card Adventure	Gutman, Dan	FIC	5-8	HarperCollins	978-0-06-059492-3	2006	With his ability to travel through time using vintage baseball cards, Joe takes Flip with him to find out whether Satchel Paige really was the fastest pitcher ever.

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School's Out-- Forever	Patterson, James	FIC	5-8	Little, Brown	978-0-316-15559-5	2006	After a short stay with an FBI agent who gives them a chance to attend school and live a normal life, the six genetically-altered, winged youths head toward Florida and Max's ultimate destiny--to save the world, whether she wants to or not.
Secret Science Project That Almost Ate the School, The	Sierra, Judy	E	K-3	Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers	978-1-41691-175-3	2006	A girl sends off for "Professor Swami's Super Slime" to use as her science fair project and then has to cope with the funny disaster that follows.
Secret-keeper, The	Coombs, Kate	FIC	K-3	Atheneum Books for Young Readers	978-0-689-83963-4	2006	The people of Maldinga bring their secrets to Kalli who keeps them all safe until they become too much for her to bear.
Shivers in the Fridge, The	Manushkin, Fran	E	K-3	Dutton Children's Books	978-0-525-46943-8	2006	One-by-one, the members of the Shivers family disappear from the inside of their chilly refrigerator home.
Shoo, Fly Guy!	Arnold, Tedd	E	K-3	Scholastic	978-0-439-63905-7	2006	A pet fly searches for his favorite brown, oozy, lumpy, smelly food.
Sloppy Copy Slipup, The	DiSalvo, DyAnne	FIC	3-6	Holiday House	978-0-8234-1947-0	2006	Fourth-grader Brian Higman worries about how his teacher Miss Fromme--nicknamed The General--will react when he fails to hand in a writing assignment, but he ends up being able to tell his story, after all.
Snow is My Favorite and My Best	Child, Lauren	E	K-3	Dial Books for Young Readers	978-0-8037-3174-5	2006	Charlie and his little sister, Lola, play in the snow and consider what it would be like if it snowed everyday.
Something About Hensley's	Polacco, Patricia	E	K-3	Philomel Books	978-0-399-24538-1	2006	Hensley's, a neighborhood general store, always seems to have what Molly, Kate, and their mother need.
Spirit Walker	Paver, Michelle	FIC	5-8	Katherine Tegen Books	978-0-06-072828-1	2006	When a deadly illness begins to afflict the clans, twelve-year-old Torak, with help from Renn and Wolf, embarks on a journey to find a cure.
Squampkin Patch: a Nasselrogt Adventure, The	Petty, J. T.	FIC	5-8	Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers	978-1-41690-274-4	2006	After escaping from the Urchin House Orphanage, eleven-year-old Milton Nasselrogt and Chloe, his eight-year-old sister, settle into the empty house of a candymaker where they encounter a very sinister pumpkin patch.

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Story of Salt, The	Kurlansky, Mark	553.6	3-6	G.P. Putnam's Sons	978-0-399-23998-4	2006	Illustrations, sidebars, and maps tell the story of the history of salt, how it shaped ancient civilizations, and its influence on the world today.
Tenth City, The	Carman, Patrick	FIC	3-6	Orchard Books	978-0-439-70095-5	2006	Alexa reveals the origin of the Land of Elyon while defending it against the evil Abaddon and his sinister forces, with not only the last Jocasta, but also the nature of the land itself, at stake.
That Girl Lucy Moon	Timberlake, Amy	FIC	3-6	Hyperion Books for Children	978-0-7868-5298-7	2006	Lucy Moon fights injustice whenever she gets the chance, and when her classmates are arrested for sledding on Wiggins Hill, she takes the opportunity to speak her mind against the charges.
Tunjur! Tunjur! Tunjur!: a Palestinian Folktale	MacDonald, Margaret Read	398	K-3	Marshall Cavendish Children	978-0-7614-5225-6	2006	A childless woman's prayers are answered by the arrival of a talking pot, but the new mother knows that Little Pot must learn right from wrong just like any child.
Wall and the Wing, The	Ruby, Laura	FIC	5-8	Eos	978-0-06-075256-9	2006	In a future New York where most people can fly and cats are a rarity, a nondescript resident of Hope House for the Homeless and Hopeless discovers that although she is shunned as a "leadfoot," she has the surprising ability to become invisible.
Water Street	Giff, Patricia Reilly	FIC	3-6	Wendy Lamb Books	978-0-385-73068-6	2006	In the shadow of the construction of the Brooklyn Bridge, eighth-graders and new neighbors Bird Mallon and Thomas Neary make some decisions about what they want to do with their lives.
Weird Stuff	Tulloch, Richard	FIC	5-8	Walker	978-0-8027-8058-4	2006	Soccer player Brian Hobble borrows a pink Easyflow pen at school and suddenly finds himself possessed with writing romantic, flowery love stories, and he is about to return the pen when he discovers Cassandra Wyman is interested in his work.
What Stinks?	Singer, Marilyn	152.1	5-8	Darby Creek Pub.	978-1-58196-035-8	2006	Illustrated text and photographs describe a number of smelly plants and animals including skunks and camels, the rafflesia blossom, ginkgo trees, and animal feces and urine.

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When Santa Fell to Earth	Funke, Cornelia Caroline	FIC	3-6	Scholastic	978-0-439-78204-3	2006	When he and his caravan come crashing down to earth during a thunderstorm two weeks before Christmas, Santa is befriended by two children, Charlotte and Ben, who try to help him save the holiday from the tricks and moneymaking schemes of Gerold Geronimus Goblynch and to take off in time for his annual rounds.
Who is Melvin Bubble?	Bruel, Nick	E	K-3	Roaring Brook Press	978-1-59643-116-4	2006	An introduction to six-year-old Melvin Bubble as presented by his family, friends, and others.
Wild Girl, The	Wormell, Christopher	E	K-3	Eerdmans Books for Young Readers	978-0-8028-5311-0	2006	A little girl who lives alone in the wilderness with only a small brown dog for company, is frightened when a bear tries to enter her cave, but she soon sees the bear for what it really is--a mom looking for her baby.
Willy & Max: a Holocaust Story	Littlesugar, Amy	FIC	3-6	Philomel Books	978-0-399-23483-5	2006	In Belgium during World War II, Willy becomes friends with Max and his Jewish family, and although they become separated, they remain related by a bond of friendship and a special painting.
Winter is the Warmest Season	Stringer, Lauren	E	K-3	Harcourt	978-0-15-204967-6	2006	A child describes pleasant ways to stay warm during the winter, from sipping hot chocolate and eating grilled cheese sandwiches to wearing wooly sweaters and sitting near a glowing fireplace.
World's Greatest Elephant, The	Helfer, Ralph	791.3	K-3	Philomel Books	978-0-399-24190-1	2006	The true story of the lives and travels of the circus elephant Modoc who traveled widely and experienced dangerous adventures with his owner and trainer Bram Gunterstein.
Yellow Star	Roy, Jennifer Rozines	FIC	5-8	Marshall Cavendish	978-0-7614-5277-5	2006	From 1939, when Sylvia is four and a half years old, to 1945 when she has just turned ten, a Jewish girl and her family struggle to survive in Poland's Lodz ghetto during the Nazi occupation.