

Suggested reading books Grades 3 – 5

12 Incredible Facts about the First Moon Landing by Angie Smibert

12 Things to Know about Space Exploration by Rebecca Felix

A Bear Named Trouble by Marion Dane Bauer

A Day at Work With an Astronomer by David Lee

A Different Pond by Bao Phi

A Dragon's Guide to the Care and Feeding of Humans by Laurence Yep and Joanna Ryder

A Drop of Water: A Book of Science and Wonder by Walter Wick

A Faraway Island by Annika Thor

A History of US by Joy Hakim

A Kid's Book of Experiments with Stars by Robert Gardner

A Light in the Attic by Shel Silverstein

A Little Love by Virginia Hamilton

A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck

A to Z Mysteries: The Absent Author (series) by Ron Roy

A Whole New Ballgame by Phil Bildner

A Wish in the Dark by Christina Soontornvat

Ada Lace, Take Me to Your Leader by Emily Calandrelli

Adventure by Steve Kortenkamp

Against All Odds: Artist Dean Mitchell's Story by Betty R. James

Aida by Price Leontyne

Alexander and the Terrible Horrible No Good Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll

Alien Encounter by Charise Mericle Harper

Alien Escape by Geronimo Stilton

Aliens and UFOs: Myth or Reality by Lori Hile

Aliens by Greg Roza

Aliens by Jamie Kallio

Aliens in the Sky by Christopher Pike

Aliens on Vacation by Clete Barrett Smith

All's Faire in Middle School by Victoria Jamieson

Allie, First at Last by Angela Cervantes

Always Room for One by Sorche Nic Leodhas

Amazing But True Stories by Phyllis Hollander

Amazing Hispanic American History by George Ochoa

Amazing Universe: Take A Trip to Strange Planets and

Amelia's Notebook by Marissa Moss

And Tango Makes Three by Justin Richardson

Animals in the House: A History of Pets and People by Sheila Keenan

Apollo 13 Mission to the Moon by Virginia Loh-Hagan

AQUIFERious by Margaret Ross Tolbert

Artificial Satellites by Jenny Fretland VanVoorst

Ask Dr. K. Fisher about Dinosaurs by Claire Llewellyn

Astronaut, Aquanaut by Jennifer Swanson

Astronauts by Mary Elizabeth Salzmann

Astronomer by R.J. Bailey

Astronomers by Ruth Owen

Attack of the Fluffy Bunnies by Andrea Beaty

Back to the Elevator by Pol McShane

Backyard Astronomy Experiments by Alix Wood

Barbed Wire Baseball by Marissa Moss

Battle Bunny by Jon Scieszka and Mac Barnett

Battling Boy by Paul Pope

Be an Astronomer by Nicole Shea

Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

Becoming Muhammad Ali by James Patterson & Kwame Alexander

Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary

Better Nate Than Ever by Tim Federle

Beware! Space Junk! by Geronimo Stilton

Billions of Bats by Scott Nickel

Black and White by David Macaulay

Black Beauty by Anna Sewell

Black Brother, Black Brother by Jewell Parker Rhodes

Black Holes: A Space Discovery Guide by James Roland

Blackbird Fly by Erin Entrada Kelly

The Blackbird Girls by Anne Blankman

Bless This Mouse by Lois Lowry

Bluffton: My Summers with Buster by Matt Phelan

Bo at Ballard Creek by Kirkpatrick Hill

Bones and the Dinosaur Mystery by David A. Adler

Brave Wolf and the Thunderbird by Joseph Medicine Crow

Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson

Bronze and Sunflower by Cao Wenxuan.

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

Building Reusable Rockets by Gregory Vogt

Cakes in Space by Philip Reeve

Call It Courage by Armstrong Sperry

Calling the Doves/El Encanto De Las Palomas by Juan Felipe Herrera

Cam Jansen: The Mystery of the Stolen Diamonds (series) by David A. Adler

Captain Underpants and the Invasion of the Incredibly Naughty Cafeteria Ladies from Outer Space by Dav Pilkey

Castle Hangnail by Ursula Vernon

Catherine's War by Julia Billet

Chanticleer and the Fox by Barbara Cooney & Geoffrey Chaucer

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

Charlotte's Web by E. B. White

Charro: The Mexican Cowboy by George Ancona

Chasing Redbird by Sharon Creech

Chasing Vermeer by Blue Balliett

Chomp by Carl Hiaasen

Clambake: A Wampanoag Tradition by Russell Peters

Clayton Byrd Goes Underground by Rita Williams-Garcia

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs by Judi Barrett

Cool Astronomy: 50 Fantastic Facts for Kids of All Ages by Malcolm Croft

Cosmic Catastrophes: Seven Ways to Destroy a Planet Like Earth by David A. Aguilar

Could We Live on Other Planets? by Michael Portman

Could We Survive on Other Planets? by Alix Wood

Crazy Cars by Matt Doeden

Crickwing by Janell Cannon

Criss Cross by Lynne Rae Perkins

Crossing Jordan by Adrian Fogelin

Dare to Dream! by Carl Sommer

Dark Side of the Moon by Jeramey Kraatz

Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary

Dear Whiskers by Ann Whitehead Nagda

Destination Space by Christoph Englert

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney

Discovering Mars by Melvin Berger

Discovery in the Cave by Mark Dubowski

Dodger Dreams: The Courage of Jackie Robinson by Brandon Terrell

Doll Bones by Holly Black

Dorko the Magnificent by Andrea Beaty

Double Fudge by Judy Blume

Dragon Rider by Cornelia Funke

Drummer Hoff by Barbara Emberley

Echo Mountain by Lauren Wolk

Edgar Allan's Official Crime Investigation Notebook by Mary Amato

Efrén Divided by Ernesto Cisneros

Eidi by Bodil Bredsdorff

Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis

Encyclopedia Brown: Boy Detective (series) by Donald J. Sobol

Endurance: My Year in Space and How I Got There by Scott Kelly

Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein

Esperanza Rising by Pam Muñoz Ryan

Everything Space by Helaine Becker

Exoplanets by Seymour Simon

Exploration Adventure by Allison Lassieur

Exploring Constellations by Sara L. Latta

Exploring Meteor Showers by Brigid Gallagher

Extreme Pets! by Jane Harrington

Fablehaven (Series) by Brandon Mull

Fables by Arnold Lobel

Falling Up by Shel Silverstein

Family Pictures by Carmen Lomas Garza

Famous Hispanic Americans by Janet Morey

Faraway Stars by Philip Steele

Finding Earthlike Planets by Liz Kruesi

First Day in Grapes by Perez L. King

Flush by Carl Hiaasen

Fly Guy and the Alienzz by Tedd Arnold

Fortune's Magic Farm by Suzanne Selfors

Framed! by James Ponti

Freckle Juice by Judy Blume

Frindle by Andrew Clements

Frogs by Nic Bishop

From the Desk of Zoe Washington by Janae Marks

From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E. L. Konigsburg

Full Cicada Moon by Marilyn Hilton

Full of Beans by Jennifer L. Holm

Garvey's Choice by Nikki Grimes

Ghost Hunters by Michael Martin

Ghost Knight by Cornelia Funke

Go for Liftoff! How to Train Like an Astronaut by Dave Williams

Gone Fishing: A Novel in Verse by Tamera Wissinger

Goosebumps series by R. L. Stein

Grandfather's Journey by Allen Say

Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins

Guardians of Ga'Hoole series by Kathryn Lasky

Guinea Dog by Patrick Jennings

Half-Minute Horrors by Susan Rich

Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling

Harvesting Hope: The Story of Cesar Chavez by Kathleen Krull

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

Hello, Universe by Kelly Erin Entrada

Henry and Mudge and the Tumbling Trip by Cynthia Rylant

Heroes for My Son by Brad Meltzer

Hidden Women: The African-American Mathematicians of NASA Who Helped America Win the Space Race by Rebecca Rissman

Holes by Louis Sachar

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

Horses by Seymour Simon

Houston, We've Had A Problem: The Story of the Apollo 13 Disaster by Rebecca Rissman

How Tia Lola Came to Stay by Julia Alvarez

How to Be an Elephant by Katherine Roy

How to Catch a Bogle by Catherine Jinks

How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell

How to Make A Planet: A Step-by-step Guide to Building the Earth by Scott Forbes

How to Sell Your Family to the Aliens by Paul Noth

How to Train Your Dragon by Cressida Cowell

Hurricanes: Earth's Mightiest Storms by Patricia Lauber

I Am Not a Number by Jenny Kay Dupuis and Kathy Kacer

I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark by Debbie Levy

I Have Heard of a Land by Carol Joyce Thomas

Ice Magic by Matt Christopher

Ice Man by Marijo Moore

Ice Planet Adventure by Geronimo Stilton

Impact! Asteroids and the Science of Saving the World by Elizabeth Rusch

In Space by Louise Spilsbury

In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson by Bette Bao Lord

Inside Out & Back Again by Thanhha Lai

International Space Station by Kirsten W. Larson

International Space Station: An Interactive Space

Invasion of the Gym Class Zombies by Scott Nickel

Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell

Ivan Rodriguez by Tony DeMarco

Jabberwocky and Other Poems by Lewis Carroll

James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl

Janice VanCleave's Wild, Wacky, and Weird Astronomy Experiments by Janice Pratt
VanCleave

Jason and Elihu by Shelley Frazer Mickle

Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg

Just Being Audrey by Margaret Cardillo

Kickoff by Donna King

Kizzy Ann Stamps by Jeri Watts

King and the Dragonflies by Kacen Callender

Knights of the Kitchen Table by Jon Scieszka

Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream for Me by Daniel Beaty

Legend of Caribou Boy by John Blondin

Letters from Cuba by Ruth Behar

Life As a Scientist and Engineer in Space by Ruth Owen

Life on Mars by Jennifer Brown

Life Under Ice Mary M. Cerullo

Lincoln's Grave Robbers by Steve Sheinkin

Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

Lizards by Nic Bishop

Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds

Looking Beyond: by Steve Parker

Lost in Spooky Forest by Sean O'Reilly

Lost in the Sun by Lisa Graff

Lupe Wong Won't Dance by Donna Barba Higuera

Magic Windows by Carmen Lomas Garza

Malala: Activist for Girls' Education by Raphaele Frier

Mallory McDonald series by Laurie Friedman

Man Called Raven by Richard Van Camp

Mañanaland. By Pam Muñoz Ryan

Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

Margot and Mateo Save the World by Darcy Miller

Maritcha by Tonya Bolden

Mars Evacuees by Sophia McDougall

Mars Exploration Rovers: An Interactive Space Exploration

Matilda by Roald Dahl

Maxi's Secrets: Or What You Can Learn From A Dog by Lynn Plourde

Meet Danitra Brown by Nikki Grimes

Michelle by Deborah Hopkinson

Mighty Mission Machines: From Rockets to Rovers by David Williams

Millicent Min, Girl Genius by Lisa Yee

Mirandy and Brother Wind by Patricia McKissack

Missing May by Cynthia Rylant

Monster on the Hill by Rob Harrell

Move! by Steve Jenkins

My Brother is a Superhero by David Solomons

My Diary from Here to There by Amada Irma Pérez

My Dog May Be a Genius by Jack Prelutsky

My Father's Dragon (series) by Ruth Stiles Gannett

My Name is Maria Isabel by Alma Flor Ada

My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George

My Uncle's Wedding by Eric Ross and Tracy K Greene

Nancy Drew: The Secret of the Old Clock (series) by Carolyn Keene

Nathan Abercrombie series by David Lubar

Nathaniel Talking by Eloise Greenfield

Neon Aliens Ate My Homework and Other Poems by Nick Cannon

NERDS : National Espionage Rescue and Defense Society by Michael Buckley

New Horizons: A Robot Explores Pluto and the Kuiper Belt by James Bow

Night of the Living Worms by Dave Coverly

Night on the Neighborhood Street by Eloise Greenfield

No Talking by Andrew Clements

Nomad by William Alexander

Norby, the Mixed-up Robot by Janet Asimov

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

Observatory Director by Nelson Yomtov

Older Than Dirt: A Wild But True History of the Earth by Don Brown and Michael Perfit

Once Upon an Eid: Stories of Hope and Joy by 15 Muslim Voices. Ed. by S. K. Ali and Aisha Saeed

Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse

P. S. Be Eleven by Rita Williams-Garcia

Pancho Rabbit and the Coyote: A Migrant's Tale by Duncan Tonatiuh

Piecing Me Together by Renee Watson

Pirateology by Dugald A. Steer

Pluto: A Space Discovery Guide by James Roland

Prairie Lotus by Linda Sue Park

President of the Whole Fifth Grade by Sherri Winston

Princess Academy by Shannon Hale

Princess Cora and the Crocodile by Laura Amy Schlitz

Pugs of the Frozen North by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre

Punished by David Lubar

Quest for the Tree Kangaroo by Sy Montgomery

Race to the Moon by Steven Parker

Rainbow Jordan by Alice Childress

Ramona the Pest (series) by Beverly Cleary Morrow

Real-Life Vampires by Megan Kopp

Record-breaking Earth & Space Facts by Jon Richards

Red's Planet by Eddie Pittman

Return of the Buffaloes by Paul Goble

Return to Animal Land by Pol McShane

Return to Sender by Julia Alvarez

Riddle-iculous Math by Joan Holub

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor

Romare Bearden: Collage of Memories by Jan Greenberg

Rooftoppers by Katherine Rundell

Rosetta Probe: A Robot's Mission to Catch a Comet by Robert Snedden

Rotten School #4: Lose, Team, Lose! by R.L. Stine

Rovers by Jenny Fretland VanVoorst

Roxie and the Hooligans by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Rules by Cynthia Lord

Ruth Bader Ginsburg: The Case of R.B.G. vs. Inequality by Jonah Winter

Safe at Home by Sharon Robinson

Sahara Special by Esme Raji Codell

Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief (series) by Wendelin Van Draanen

Santiago's Road Home by Alexandra Diaz

Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan

Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan

Scat by Carl Hiaasen

Sea Otter Heroes: The Predator That Saved an Ecosystem by Patricia Newman

Search for the Shadowman by Joan Lowery Nixon

Serafina's Promise: A Novel in Verse by Ann E. Burg

Sharuko: El Arqueólogo Peruano/Peruvian Archaeologist Julio C. Tello by Monica Brow

Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds

Shoeless Joe and Me by Dan Gutman

Show Me a Sign by Ann Clare LeZotte

Sing Down the Rain by Judi Moreillon

Skates of Uncle Richard by Carol Fenner

Slam Dunk by Donna King

Snow Treasure by Marie McSwigan

So You Want to Be an Inventor? by Judith St. George

Soccer Duel by Matthew Christopher

Soldier Dog by Sam Angus

Something on My Mind by Nikki Grimes

Sophie Simon Solves Them All by Lisa Graff

Soul Looks Back in Wonder by Phyllis Fogelman

Stanley and the Magic Lamp by Jeff Brown

Steamboat School by Deborah Hopkinson

Storm in the Night by Mary Stolz

Stuart Little by E.B. White

Sugar by Jewell Parker Rhodes

Summer Reading Is Killing Me! by Jon Scieszka

Super-Sized Slugger by Cal Ripken Jr.

Swindle by Gordon Korman

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume

Ted & Me by Dan Gutman

Teddy Mars: Almost a World Record Breaker by Molly Burnham

Thank You, Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco

The 39 Clues (series) by Rick Riordan

The Absent Author by Ron Roy

The Adventures of Beanboy by Lisa Harkrader

The Adventures of Captain Underpants (Series) by Dav Pilkey

The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

The Bad Beginning by Lemony Snicket

The Bat Boy and His Violin by Gavin Curtis

The Bat Scientists by Mary Kay Carson

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain by Alice Dalgliesh

The Beast of Blackslope by Tracy Barrett

The BFG by Roald Dahl

The Big Snow by Berta & Elmer Hader

The Biggest Bear by Lynd Ward

The Birchbark House by Louise Erdrich

The Black Stallion by Walter Farley

The Book That Ate My Brother by Michael Dahl

The Borrowers by Mary Norton

The Bossy Gallito by Lucia Gonzalez

The Boxcar Children (series) by Gertrude Chandler Warner

The Button that Should Never Ever, Ever Be Pushed by Pol McShane

The Care and Feeding of a Pet Black Hole by Michelle Cuevas

The Challenger Explosion: Core Events of a Space Tragedy by John Micklos

The Chronicles of Narnia (Series) by C.S. Lewis

The Comeback Challenge by Matt Christopher

The Contest by Gordon Korman

The Dreamer by Pam Munoz Ryan

The Earth Dragon Awakes by Laurence Yep

The Egg Tree by Katherine Milhous

The Familiars by Adam Epstein & Andrew Jacobson

The Fantastic Secret of Owen Jester by Barbara O'Connor

The Fast and the Furriest by Andy Behrens

The First Moon Landing by Patricia Hutchinson

The Fisherman and his wife by Eric Blair

The Galactic Goal by Geronimon Stilton

The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill

The Giver by Lois Lowry

The Great American Dust Bowl by Don Brown

The Great Brain by John D. Fitzgerald

The Great Migration: An American Story by Jacob Lawrence

The Hardy Boys: The Tower Treasure (series) by Franklin W. Dixon

The Hero Two Doors Down by Sharon Robinson

The Homework Machine by Dan Gutman

The Hubble Space Telescope by Allan Morey

The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks

The International Space Station by Allan Morey

The International Space Station by Arnold Ringstad

The Invisible Planet by Geronimon Stilton

The Keeping Quilt by Patricia Polacco

The Kid Who Only Hit Homers by Matt Christopher

The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies

The Lightning Thief (Series) by Rick Riorda

The Lion and the Mouse by Jerry Pinkney

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis

The Magic Elevator by Pol McShane

The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl

The Magician's Nephew by C.S. Lewis

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo

The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary

The National Air and Space Museum by Megan Cooley Peterson

The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

The Only Black Girls in Town by Brandy Colbert

The Princess and the Warrior by Duncan Tonatiuh

The Road to Memphis by Mildred Taylor

The Science Behind Wonders of the Sky: Auroras, Moonbows, and St. Elmo's Fire by Allan Morey

The Secret Keepers by Trenton Lee Stewart.

The Shadows by Jaqueline West

The Singing Man by Medearis and Angela Shelf

The Sky is Full of Stars by Franklyn Branley and Felicia Bond

The Solar System by Nate Ball

The Star People; A Lakota Story by S.D. Nelson

The Story of King Arthur and His Knights by Howard Pyle

The Story of Mu-lan by Jean Fischer

The Storyteller by Evan Turk

The Strange New Feeling by Julius Lester

The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo

The Three Musketeers by Alexandre Dumas

The Tilting House by Tom Llewellyn

The Top of the World by Steve Jenkins

The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez by Adrianna Cuevas

The Trouble with Chickens by Doreen Cronin

The Trouble With Wishes by Diane Stanley

The Trumpet of the Swan by E. B. White

The Underneath by Kathi Appelt

The Vanishing Coin by Kate Egan with Mike Lane

The War within These Walls by Aline Sax

The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

The Witches by Roald Dahl

The Young Man and the Sea by Rodman Philbrick

Third Grade Pet by Judy Cox

This Land is My Land by George Littlechild

Three Keys (A Front Desk Novel) by Kelly Yan

Through My Eyes by Ruby Bridges

Treasury of Egyptian Mythology by Donna Jo Napoli

Tuesdays at the Castle by Jessica Day George

Turtle in Paradise by Jennifer L. Holm

Under the Royal Palms: a Childhood in Cuba by Alma Flor Ada

Under the Sunday Tree by Eloise Greenfield

Virgie Goes to School with Us Boys by Elizabeth Howard

Volcano Wakes Up! by Steve Jenkins

Vroom: Motoring into the Wild World of Racing by Tim Miller

Waiting for Normal by Leslie Connor

Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech

We Are the Ship by Kadir Nelson

We Dream of Space by Erin Entrada Kelly

What Are You So Grumpy About? by Tom Lichtenheld

What Stars Are Made Of by Sarah Allen

When Mischief Came to Town by Katrina Nannestad

When Stars Are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson & Omar Mohamed

When the Rain Sings by National Museum of the American Indian

When the Sea Turned to Silver by Grace Lin

When You Trap a Tiger by Tae Keller

Where the Flame Trees Bloom by Alma FlorAda

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

Where the Sidewalk Ends by Shel Silverstein

Whittington by Alan Armstrong

Who Has Seen the Wind? by Christina G. Rossetti

Willy Maykit in Space by Greg Trine

Wishtree by Katherine Applegate

Words with Wings by Nikki Grimes

Yetsa's Sweater by Sylvia Olsen

Your Place in the Universe by Jason Chin

Zlatch the Goat by Isaac Bashevis Singer