



2nd Grade Suggested 2026 Summer Reading

Dear Parents,

The best way to pick a book for summer reading is to:

- Open a book to the middle
- Read 2-3 pages
- Monitor how many words your child doesn't know (2-3 would be just right)
- Ask your child what they read to check for comprehension

Series/Authors

Encyclopedia Brown by Donald J. Sobol

A-Z Mystery by Ron Roy

I Survived by Lauren Tarshis

The Littles by John Peterson

The Boxcar Children by Gertrude
Chandler Warner

Horrible Harry by Suzy Kline

Magic Treehouse Research Guides

The Adventures of Wishbone

Who Was...? Biography series

Popular with young boys:

The Last Firehawk Series by Katrina
Charman

Dragon Masters by Tracy West

Ralph S. Mouse by Beverly Cleary

Patricia Polacco

Cynthia Rylant

Judy Blume

Books

Louis Braille: The Boy Who Invented
Books For The Blind by Margaret
Davidson

The Secret School by Avi

Sarah Plain and Tall by Patricia
MacLachlan

26 Fairmount Street by Tomie
Depaola

Charlotte's Web by E.B. White

Pearl Harbor is Burning by Kathleen
Kudlinski

Who Has Seen the Wind? by
Christina Rossetti

Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens

A Medieval Feast by Alike
Brandenburg

The Story of Ruby Bridges by
Robert Coles

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

Moonshot: The Flight of Apollo 11 by
Brian Floca

What Happens to a Hamburger by
Paul Showers

The Digestive System by Christie
Taylor-Butler or Rebecca L. Johnson
or Kristin Petrie

Muscles by Seymour Simon

Bones by Seymour Simon

Uncle and Me by Uma
Krishnaswami