

Incoming Fifth Grade Summer Reading List

Pioneer Middle School 2018

***The Capture* by Kathryn Lasky**

Reading Level = 4.8, Guided Reading = T

When Soren is pushed from his family's nest, he is rescued by agents from a school for orphaned owls. He finds out that there is more to the school than meets the eye.

***Catwings* by Ursula LeGuin**

Reading Level = 4.5, Guided Reading = N

Four young cats with wings leave the city slums in search of a safe place to live, finally meeting two children with kind hands.

***Lea Leads the Way* by Lisa Yee**

Reading Level = 4.0, Guided Reading = R

Lea Clark is off for a rainforest adventure! While on a hike in the jungle, Lea and her brother make a discovery deep in the Amazon rainforest, and they are faced with a big decision. Lea can't help but wonder...did she make the right choice?

***The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies**

Reading Level = 3.4

Evan Treski is people-smart. His younger sister, Jessie, on the other hand, is math-smart, but not especially good at understanding people. When their lemonade war begins, there really is no telling who will win—and if their fight will ever end.

***The Magic Finger* by Roald Dahl**

Reading Level = 3.5, Guided Reading = N

The Gregg family loves hunting, but their eight-year-old neighbor can't stand it. After countless pleas for them to stop are ignored, she has no other choice—she has to put her magic finger on them.

***Magic Tree House Research Guide: Rain Forests* by Will & Mary Pope Osborne**

Reading Level = 2.9, Guided Reading = M (non-fiction selection)

Includes information on rain forests around the world; fun facts about rain-forest bugs, birds, plants, and animals; maps and photographs; and much more!

***Ribsy* by Beverly Cleary**

Reading Level = 4.1, Guided Reading = O

A wonderful week spent as the mascot for a second grade class is just one of the adventures Henry Huggins' dog Ribsy experiences during the month he is separated from his home.

***The Talking Earth* by Jean Craighead George**

Reading Level = 5.5, Guided Reading = U

Billie Wind ventures out alone into the Florida Everglades to test the legends of their Indian ancestors and learn the importance of listening to the earth's vital messages.

***There's an Owl in the Shower* by Jean Craighead George**

Reading Level = 5.5, Guided Reading = Q

Because protecting spotted owls has cost Borden's father his job as a logger, Borden intends to kill any spotted owl he sees until he and his father find themselves taking care of a young owlet.

***Who Was Walt Disney?* by Whitney Stewart**

Reading Level = 4.0, Guided Reading = Q (non-fiction selection)

This biography reveals the man behind the magic of the Disney company.