Imagine Your Story

Suggested Books and Authors for 5th Graders

**JUVENILE FICTION**

Anderson, Sophie  
*The House with Chicken Legs*  
Baba Yaga guards the gate between the worlds of the living and dead.

Armstrong, Kelley  
*A Royal Guide to Monster Slaying*  
A princess would rather hunt monsters than sit on a throne.

August, John  
*Arlo Finch in the Valley of Fire*  
Arlo learns how to harness magic.

Cummings, Pat  
*Trace*  
For Trace Carter, the past isn’t always past.

Day, Christine  
*I Can Make this Promise*  
Edie discovers the truth about her past.

Dinerstein, Eric  
*What Elephants Know*  
An orphaned boy finds his destiny as an elephant driver.

Durrant, S. E.  
*Running on Empty*  
A son cares for his parents, who have learning disabilities.

Födi, Lee Edward  
*The Secret of Zoonie*  
A portal fantasy with a door to nowhere.

Helget, Nicole Lea  
*The End of the Wild*  
A mining company threatens Fern’s way of life.

Henkes, Kevin  
*Sweeping Up the Heart*  
Spring break changes Amelia Albright’s life forever.

Lupica, Mike  
*Home Team books*  
Star athletes face challenges on and off the field.

Meconis, Dylan  
*Queen of the Sea*  
An orphan’s and a queen’s fates intertwine. (Graphic Novel)

Meriano, Anna  
*A Sprinkle of Spirits*  
(Love Sugar Magic, book 2)  
The Logrono family prepares for the arrival of the Magi on Dia de los Reyes.

Perl, Erica S.  
*All Three Stooges*  
When tragedy strikes, will these friends ever laugh again?

Sepahban, Lois  
*Paper Wishes*  
A girl and her family are relocated to a WWII Japanese internment camp.

Wells, Marcia  
*Eddie Red Undercover books*  
A 6th grader with a photographic memory is the NYPD’s secret weapon.

Williams, Alicia D.  
*Genesis Begins Again*  
A girl must overcome internalized racism and learn to love herself.

Woods, Brenda  
*The Blossoming Universe of Violet Diamond*  
A girl meets the African American side of her family.

**NON FICTION**

Beccia  
*Monstrous: The Lore, Gore, and Science Behind Your Favorite Monsters*  
J 001.944

Get  
*Get Coding: Learn HTML, CSS, & JavaScript & Build a Website, App & Game*  
J 005.1 Get

Chambers  
*Resist: 35 Profiles of Ordinary People Who Rose Up Against Tyranny and Injustice*  
J 303.48

Flower Talk: How Plants Use Color to Communicate  
J 579.178 Levine

Flower Talk: How Plants Use Color to Communicate  
J 595.78 Hirsch

Flower Talk: How Plants Use Color to Communicate  
J 599.67 Anthony

The Elephant Whisperer: My Life with the Herd in the African Wild (Young Readers’ Edition)  
J 629.454 Brown

Rocket to the Moon!: Big Ideas that Changed the World #1 (Graphic Novel)  
J 709.22 Herbert

You Can Fly: The Tuskegee Airmen  
J B Silva

We Are Artists: Women Who Made Their Mark on the World  
J 811.6 Weatherford

My Corner of the Ring: A Memoir from a Champ  
J B Wallace

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