

Judy Moody

McDonald, Megan

Third grader Judy Moody is in a first-day-of-school bad mood until she gets an assignment to create a collage all about herself and begins creating her masterpiece, the Me collage. (530L)

A Crazy Mixed-up Spanglish Day

Montes, Marisa

Maritza Gabriela Morales Mercado struggles to deal with the third grade bully, to control her temper, and to remember to speak Spanish at home and English at school. (420L)

Down Girl and Sit: Smarter than Squirrels

Nolan, Lucy A.

The adventures of a rambunctious dog that thinks her name is Down Girl and her next door neighbor, Sit, as they try to keep the would safe from dangerous squirrels, the paper boy, and a frightening creature named Here Kitty, Kitty. (380L)

Junie B., First Grader: Cheater Pants

Park, Barbara

Junie B. Jones knows all the answers about cheating, but what about copying someone else's homework? Is sharing the same as cheating? (340L)

The Littles

Peterson, John Lawrence

The Littles, a family of six-inch high people who live in the walls of an old house, begin to worry when the new residents bring a cat. (460L)

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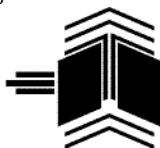
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Good Books For

2ND GRADE

EARLY READERS: These books are shelved by the author's last name.

The Golly Sisters Ride Again

Byars, Betsy Cromer

The Golly Sisters, May-May and Rose, share adventures as they take their traveling show through the West. (380L)

The Josefina Story Quilt

Coerr, Eleanor

While traveling west with her family in 1850, a young girl makes a patchwork quilt chronicling the experiences of the journey and reserves a special patch for her pet hen Josefina. (420L)

Bony-Legs

Cole, Joanna

Baba Yaga, a terrible witch, vows to eat a little girl for supper, but the little girl escapes with the help of a mirror and comb given to her by the witch's cat and dog. (370L)

Annabel the Actress Starring in Gorilla My Dreams

Conford, Elen

Disappointed that her first acting part is to be a gorilla at a birthday party, Annabel is determined to really get into the role. (390L)

Arthur's Loose Tooth

Hoban, Lillian

Arthur the chimp is a little worried about losing his tooth until his sister and their babysitter show him the real meaning of bravery. (420L)

From Slave to Soldier: Based on a True Civil War Story

Hopkins, Deborah

A boy who hates being a slave joins the Union Army to fight for freedom and proves himself brave and capable of handling a mule team when the need arises.

Thank You, Amelia Bedelia

Parish, Peggy

Amelia, the wacky housekeeper, prepares for an important visitor with humorous results. (410L)

Nate the Great and the Snowy Trail

Sharmat, Majorie Weiman

Rosamond's birthday gift for Nate disappears from her sled, and the boy detective and pancake-lover decides to unravel the mystery. (480L)

Danger at the Breaker

Welch, Catherine A.

An eight-year-old coal miner's son in 1885 leaves school to work at the mines, where he learns about the danger of a coal mine on his first day on the job. (430L)

Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express

Wetterer, Margaret K,

The true story of a young girl, Kate Shelley, who in 1881 Iowa was able to save the lives of two men when a railroad bridge was washed out, plus the lives of 200 others speeding toward the broken bridge on an express train. (490L)

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Gloria's Way

Cameron, Ann

Gloria shares special times with her mother and father and with her friends Julian, Huey and Latisha. (430L)

Nibble, Nibble, Jenny Archer

Conford, ElleIn

Jenny Archer is excited about making a television commercial for a new snack food until she finds out that the food she liked so much was meant for gerbils. (450L)

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain

Dagleish, Alice

A young boy sent on an errand over Hemlock Mountain is not so sure he likes going alone, because there may be bears on the mountain, but with the help of the big iron pot he borrows, he completes his errand. (490L)

Spotlight on Cody

Duffy, Betsy

Cody Michaels is bound for stardom in the third grade talent show, just as soon as he figures out what his talent is. (380L)

Aliens for Breakfast

Etra, Jonathan

It's been ten years since Richard Bickerstaff sat down to breakfast and an alien climbed out of his cereal bowl! Join Richard and Aric, a tiny, wisecracking creature from the planet Ganoob, as they battle to save the world from evil aliens. (420L)

Owen Foote, Soccer Star

Greene, Stephanie

When Eight-year-old Owen and his best friend Joseph join a neighborhood soccer league, they not only face a test of their game skills, but also of their friendship. (380L)

Horrible Harry and the Ant Invasion

Kline, Suzy

Horrible Harry of classroom 2B cuts back on his mischievous pranks after falling for Song Lee. (440L)

Molly Gets Mad

Kline, Suzy

Molly is jealous of Florence's superior ice skating ability but makes an interesting discovery about teamwork when she joins the hockey team. (430L)

Gorgonzola Zombies in the Park

Levy, Elizabeth

Sam and Robert make up a story about a Gorgonzola Zombie to scare their cousin Mabel, but strange and scary events convince all three that there really is a zombie haunting Central Park. (450L)