

# Boston Public Schools and Boston Public Library 2015 Summer Book List Kindergarten-Grade 2

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The summer months are a wonderful time for you to help your children develop a love for books and reading—and the staff of the Boston Public Schools and Boston Public Library look forward to helping you plan a reading program for your children to last the whole summer.

This Summer Book List will help you assure that your children are reading high quality literature. All the books on the list are available at your neighborhood library. Your local librarian can suggest additional titles.

The Boston Public Schools is working hard to help every student achieve at high levels, and literacy is a top priority in every school. We need your support in ensuring that your children meet these expectations. Your example and encouragement will go a long way toward helping us reach the goal of every student becoming an excellent reader.

Happy reading!

Sincerely,

John P. McDonough  
Interim Superintendent  
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President  
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## **Boston Public Library 2015 Summer Reading** *Every Hero Has a Story*

Boston Public Library's 2015 summer program features books and activities about all kinds of heroes – local, global, environmental, historical, animal, and even children. For more information, contact or visit any BPL location.

<b>PICTURE BOOKS</b>	
<i>The Serpent Came to Gloucester</i>	Anderson
<i>Extra Yarn</i>	Barnett
<i>My Teacher Is a Monster</i>	Brown
<i>The Great Kapok Tree</i>	Cherry
<i>The Day the Crayons Quit</i>	Daywalt
<i>A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever</i>	Frazee
<i>The Man Who Walked Between the Towers</i>	Gerstein
<i>Dog Magic</i>	Golembe
<i>Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse</i>	Henkes
<i>Henry's Freedom Box: A True Story from the Underground Railroad</i>	Levine
<i>Otis</i>	Long, L.
<i>How I Became a Pirate</i>	Long, M.
<i>The Ballot Box Battle</i>	McCully
<i>I'm Brave!</i>	McMullan
<i>Moses Goes to a Concert</i>	Millman
<i>My Rows and Piles of Coins</i>	Mollet
<i>Zin! Zin! Zin! A Violin</i>	Moss
<i>Officer Buckle and Gloria</i>	Rathmann
<i>Grandfather's Journey</i>	Say
<i>The Lorax</i>	Seuss
<i>How I Learned Geography</i>	Shulevitz
<i>Wild About Books</i>	Sierra
<i>Saving Sweetness</i>	Stanley
<i>Sebastian and the Balloon</i>	Stead
<i>Doctor De Soto</i>	Steig
<i>Interrupting Chicken</i>	Stein
<i>Zachary's Ball</i>	Tavares
<i>Mailing May</i>	Tunnell
<i>Ira Sleeps Over</i>	Waber
<i>That Is NOT a Good Idea!</i>	Willems
<i>Show Way</i>	Woodson
<i>Owl Moon</i>	Yolen
<b>BEGINNING TO READ BOOKS</b>	
<i>Fly Guy (series)</i>	Arnold
<i>Pete the Cat (series)</i>	Dean
<i>Bink &amp; Gollie (series)</i>	DiCamillo
<i>Mia (series)</i>	Farley
<i>Flat Stanley (Easy Reader series)</i>	Haskins
<i>Penny (series)</i>	Henkes
<i>Pinkalicious (series)</i>	Kann
<i>Ling and Ting (series)</i>	Lin

<i>Katie Woo, Where Are You? (series)</i>	Manushkin
<i>Brownie and Pearl (series)</i>	Rylant
<i>Ten Eggs in a Nest</i>	Sadler
<i>Jon Scieszka's Trucktown (series)</i>	Scieszka
<i>Elephant and Piggie (series)</i>	Willems
<b>CHAPTER BOOKS</b>	
<i>Ivy and Bean (series)</i>	Barrows
<i>Tumtum and Nutmeg (series)</i>	Bearn
<i>Violet Mackerel (series)</i>	Branford
<i>Flat Stanley (series)</i>	Brown
<i>Chicken Squad</i>	Cronin
<i>Leroy Ninker Saddles Up</i>	DiCamillo
<i>Nikki and Deja (series)</i>	English
<i>Princess Posey (series)</i>	Greene
<i>Just Grace (series)</i>	Harper
<i>Ballpark Mysteries (series)</i>	Kelly
<i>Alvin Ho (series)</i>	Look
<i>Stink (series)</i>	McDonald
<i>Lulu and the Duck in the Park (and sequel)</i>	McKay
<i>Nancy Clancy (series)</i>	O'Connor
<i>Clementine (series)</i>	Pennypacker
<i>A to Z Mysteries (series)</i>	Roy
<i>No-Dogs-Allowed Rule</i>	Sheth
<i>Geronimo Stilton / Thea Stilton (series)</i>	Stilton
<i>Lulu and the Brontosaurus (and sequel)</i>	Viorst
<i>Daisy Dawson (series)</i>	Voake
<i>Ellray Jakes (series)</i>	Warner
<b>POEMS, RIDDLES &amp; SONGS</b>	
<i>In the Wild</i>	Elliot
<i>Poetrees</i>	Florian
<i>Dear Hot Dog</i>	Gerstein
<i>Simms Taback's Great Big Book of Spacey, Snakey, Buggy Riddles</i>	Hall
<i>My People</i>	Hughes
<i>Kids' Funniest Knock-knocks</i>	Keller
<i>De Colores and Other Latin American Folk Songs for Children</i>	Orozco
<i>Good Sports: Rhymes About Running, Jumping, Throwing and More</i>	Prelutsky
<i>Dark Emperor &amp; Other Poems of the Night</i>	Sidman
<i>Ubiquitous: Celebrating Nature's Survivors</i>	Sidman
<i>Mirror, Mirror: A Book of Reversible Verse</i>	Singer
<i>Here's a Little Poem: A Very First Book of Poetry</i>	Yolen

<b>NURSERY RHYMES</b>	
<i>Pio Peep! Traditional Spanish Nursery Rhymes</i>	Ada
<i>Skip Across the Ocean: Nursery Rhymes from Around the World</i>	Benjamin
<i>The Neighborhood Mother Goose</i>	Crews
<i>Songs in the Shade of the Flamboyant Tree: French Creole Lullabies and Nursery Rhymes</i>	Grosleziat, comp.
<i>You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Mother Goose Tales to Read Together</i>	Hoberman
<i>Red, Green, Blue: A First Book of Colors</i>	Jay
<i>Pocketful of Posies: A Treasury of Nursery Rhymes</i>	Mavor
<i>Here Comes Mother Goose</i>	Opie
<i>Three Little Kittens</i>	Pinkney
<i>Truckery Rhymes</i>	Scieszka
<i>The Cazuela That the Farm Maiden Stirred</i>	Vamos
<b>FOLK TALES &amp; FAIRY TALES</b>	
<i>Cinder a Chicken Cinderella</i>	Brett
<i>Jack and the Beanstalk</i>	Crews
<i>The Magic Gourd</i>	Diakite
<i>The Boy Who Cried Wolf</i>	Hennessey
<i>Brother Eagle, Sister Sky</i>	Jeffers
<i>Tunjur! Tunjur! Tunjur!: A Palestinian Folktale</i>	MacDonald
<i>Little Rooster's Diamond Button</i>	MacDonald
<i>Arrow to the Sun: A Pueblo Indian Tale</i>	McDermott
<i>Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs</i>	Willems
<i>Rapunzel</i>	Zelinsky
<b>INFORMATIONAL BOOKS</b>	
<i>About Space</i>	Carson
<i>Coral Reefs</i>	Chin
<i>I Fall Down</i>	Cobb
<i>Underground</i>	Evans
<i>From Seed to Plant</i>	Gibbons
<i>Ice Cream: The Full Scoop</i>	Gibbons
<i>Tornadoes</i>	Gibbons
<i>Barack Obama: Son of Promise, Child of Hope</i>	Grimes
<i>Abe Lincoln Crosses a Creek: A Tall, Thin Tale</i>	Hokinson
<i>Did Dinosaurs Eat Pizza?: Mysteries Science Hasn't Solved</i>	Hort
<i>The Beetle Book</i>	Jenkins
<i>Can We Save the Tiger?</i>	Jenkins
<i>How to Clean a Hippopotamus</i>	Jenkins
<i>Bird Talk</i>	Judge
<i>Seeing Symmetry</i>	Leedy

<i>Let's Talk About Race</i>	Lester
<i>Astronaut Handbook</i>	McCarthy
<i>Eight Days Gone</i>	McReynolds
<i>Seed, Soil, Sun: Earth's Recipe for Food</i>	Peterson
<i>An Island Grows</i>	Schaefer
<i>Swirl by Swirl: Spirals in Nature</i>	Sidman
<i>Penguins</i>	Simon
<i>Diego Rivera: His World and Ours</i>	Tonatiuh
<i>Insect Detective</i>	Voake
<i>Delores Huerta: A Hero to Migrant Workers</i>	Warren
<i>Biblioburro: A True Story from Columbia</i>	Winter

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