

**Springfield Public Schools
Recommended Reading Literature List
2017-2018
Grade 5**



**Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School
James Caldwell Elementary School
Springfield, New Jersey**

Biography

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| Avi | <i>The Man Who Was Poe</i> | Petry, Ann | <i>Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad</i> |
| Bridges, Ruby | <i>Through My Eyes: The Autobiography of Ruby Bridges</i> | Pinkney, Andrea D. | <i>Let it Shine: Stories of Black Women Freedom Fighters</i> |
| Cleary, Beverly | <i>A Firl from Yamhill</i> | Rol, Ruud van der | <i>Anne Frank: Beyond the Diary</i> |
| Cornerstones of Freedom | <i>African-Americans in the Old West</i> | Spinelli, Jerry | <i>Knots in My Yo-Yo String: The Autobiography of a Kid</i> |
| Cornerstones of Freedom | <i>The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln</i> | Sterling, D. | <i>Freedom Train: The Story of Harriet Tubman</i> |
| Cornerstones of Freedom | <i>First Ladies</i> | Woodruff, Elvira | <i>George Washington's Socks</i> |
| Cousins, Margaret | <i>Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia</i> | | |
| Cox, Clinton | <i>Mark Twain</i> | | |
| Dahl, Roald | <i>Boy: Tales of Childhood</i> | | |
| Denenberg, Barry | <i>Stealing Home: The Story of Jackie Robinson</i> | | |
| Equiano, Olaudah | <i>The Kidnapped Prince</i> | | |
| Filipovic, Zlata | <i>Zlata's Diary</i> | | |
| Farris, Christine King | <i>My Brother Martin: A Sister Remembers Growing Up with the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.</i> | | |
| Freedman, Russell | <i>Confucius: The Golden Rule</i> | | |
| Freedman, Russell | <i>Indian Chiefs</i> | | |
| Freedman, Russell | <i>Eleanor Roosevelt, A Life of Discovery</i> | | |
| Freedman, Russell | <i>Franklin Delano Roosevelt</i> | | |
| Freedman, Russell | <i>Lincoln: A Photobiography</i> | | |
| Fritz, Jean | <i>The Double Life of Pocahontas</i> | | |
| Giblin, James | <i>Charles A. Lindbergh: A Human Hero</i> | | |
| Goodall, Jane | <i>My Life with the Chimpanzees</i> | | |
| Greenfield, Eloise | <i>Childtimes</i> | | |
| Haskins, James | <i>Champion: The Story of Muhammad Ali</i> | | |
| Hurwitz Johanna | <i>Anne Frank: Life in Hiding</i> | | |
| Lalicki, Tom | <i>Spellbinder: The Life of Harry Houdini</i> | | |
| Parks, Rosa | <i>Rosa Parks: My Story</i> | | |

Historical Fiction

Anderson, Laurie H. *Fever 1793*

Applegate, Stan *The Devil's Highway*

Avi *Night Journey*

Avi *The Fighting Ground*

Avi *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*

Baylis-White, Mary *Sheltering Rebecca*

Beatty, Patricia *Charley Skedaddle*

Cohen, Barbara *Thank you, Jackie Robinson*

Curtis, Christopher Paul *Bud, Not Buddy*

Curtis, Christopher Paul *The Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963*

Cushman, Karen *Catherine, Called Birdy*

De Angeli, Marguerite *The Door in the Wall*

Dorris, Michael *Guests*

Dorris, Michael *Morning Girl*

Fritz, Jean *Brady*

Gutman, Dan *Jackie and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure*

Hamilton, Virginia *House of Dies Drear*

Hesse, Karen *A Light in the Storm*

Hesse, Karen *Out of the Dust*

Latham, Jean L. *Carry on, Mr. Bowditch*

Levitin, Sonia *Journey to America*

Lord, Bette *In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson*

Lowry, Lois *Autumn Street*

McKissack, Patricia *A Picture of Freedom*

McSwigan, Marie *Snow Treasure*

Myers, Anna *The Keeping Room*

Paterson, Katherine *Lyddie*

Paterson, Katherine *Jip His Story*

Historical Fiction

Paulsen, Gary *Nightjohn*

Paulsen, Gary *Soldier's Heart*

Pearsall, Shellehy *Trouble Don't Last*

Pinkey, Andrea Davis *Silent Thunder: A Civil War Story*

Polacco, Patricia *Pink and Say*

Reeder, Carolyn *Shades of Gray*

Reiss, Johanna *The Upstairs Room*

Reit, Seymour *Behind Rebel Lines*

Rinaldi, Ann *Numbering All the Bones*

Scieszka, Jon *Me Oh Maya!*

Speare, Elizabeth George *Sign of the Beaver*

Speare, Elizabeth George *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*

Stolz, Mary *A Ballad of the Civil War*

Taylor, Mildred D. *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*

Taylor, Mildred D. *The Well*

Walsh, Jill Paton *Grace*

Watkins, Yoko Kawashima *So Far from the Bamboo Grove*

Wilder, Laura Ingalls *Little House on the Praire (and series)*

Willaims, Laura E. *Behind the Bedroom Wall*

Wisler, G. Clifton *Mr. Lincoln's Drummer*

Wisler, G. Clifton *Red Cap*

Yolen, Jane *The Devil's Arithmetic*

Various Authors *Dear America Series*

Various Authors *My Name is America Series*

Various Authors *Royal Diary Series*

Realistic Fiction

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| Armstrong, William | <i>Souder</i> |
| Bloor, Edward | <i>Tangerine</i> |
| Blos, Joan | <i>A Gathering of Days</i> |
| Blume, Judy | <i>Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret.</i> |
| Byars, Betsy | <i>The Pinballs</i> |
| Cleary, Beverly | <i>Dear Mr. Henshaw</i> |
| Cleary, Beverly | <i>Strider</i> |
| Clements, Andrews | <i>Frindle</i> |
| Conrad, Pam | <i>My Daniel</i> |
| Creech, Sharon | <i>Absolutely Normal Chaos</i> |
| Creech, Sharon | <i>Ruby Holler</i> |
| Creech, Sharon | <i>Chasing Redbird</i> |
| Creech, Sahron | <i>Granny Torrelli Makes Soup</i> |
| Danziger, Paula | <i>Earth to Matthew</i> |
| Danziger, Paula | <i>Everyone Else's Parents Said Yes</i> |
| Danziger, Paula | <i>Make Like a Tree and Leave</i> |
| Danziger, Paula | <i>P.S. Longer Letter Later</i> |
| Danziger, Paula | <i>United Tates of America</i> |
| DeClements, Barthe | <i>Nothing's Fair in the Fifth Grade</i> |
| Estes, Eleanor | <i>Ginger Pye</i> |
| Fitzhugh, Louise | <i>Nobody's Family Is Going to Change</i> |
| George, Jean Craighead | <i>Julie of the Wolves</i> |
| George, Jean Craighead | <i>My Side of the Mountain</i> |
| George, Jean Craighead | <i>The Missing Gator of Gumbo Limbo</i> |
| Giff, Patricia Reilly | <i>Rat Teeth</i> |
| Greene, Bette | <i>Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon Maybe</i> |
| Greenfield, Eloise | <i>Sister</i> |
| Hesse, Karen | <i>The Music of the Dolphins</i> |

Realistic Fiction

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| Ho, Mingfong | <i>The Clay Marble</i> |
| Horvath, Polly | <i>Everything on a Waffle</i> |
| Konigsburg, E.L. | <i>About the B'nai Bagels</i> |
| Konigsburg, E.L. | <i>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i> |
| MacLachlan, Patricia | <i>Baby</i> |
| MacLachlan, Patricia | <i>The Facts and Fictions of Minna Pratt</i> |
| Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds | <i>Outrageously Alice</i> |
| Paterson, Katherine | <i>A Bridge to Terabithia</i> |
| Paterson, Katherine | <i>Jacob Have I Loved</i> |
| Paterson, Katherine | <i>The Great Gilly Hopkins</i> |
| Paulsen, Gary | <i>Dancing Carl</i> |
| Paulsen, Gary | <i>Hatchet</i> |
| Paulsen, Gary | <i>The Voyage of the Frog</i> |
| Peck, Richard | <i>A Long Way from Chicago</i> |
| Rawls, Wilson | <i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i> |
| Ritter, John H. | <i>Choosing Up Sides</i> |
| Ryan, Pam Munoz | <i>Esperanza Rising</i> |
| Salata, Estelle | <i>Blue Ice</i> |
| Spinelli, Jerry | <i>Crash</i> |
| Spinelli, Jerry | <i>Do the Funky Pickle</i> |
| Spinelli, Jerry | <i>Maniac Magee</i> |
| Taylor, Mildred | <i>Let the Circle Be Unbroken</i> |
| Taylor, Mildred | <i>Song of the Trees</i> |
| Uchida Yoshiko | <i>Jar of Dreams</i> |
| Uchida Yoshiko | <i>Journey Home</i> |
| Uchida Yoshiko | <i>The Best Bad Thing</i> |
| Wallace, Bill | <i>The Biggest Klutz in the Fifth Grade</i> |
| Winthrop, Elizabeth | <i>The Castle in the Attic</i> |

Fantasy and Science Fiction

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| Alexander, Lloyd | <i>The Book of Three</i> |
| Avi | <i>Bright Shadow</i> |
| Avi | <i>Something Upstairs: A Tale of Ghosts</i> |
| Babbitt, Natalie | <i>The Search for Delicious</i> |
| Babbitt, Natalie | <i>Tuck Everlasting</i> |
| Carson Levine, Gail | <i>Ella Enchanted</i> |
| Christopher, John | <i>Beyond the Burning Lands</i> |
| Clearly, Beverly | <i>The Mouse and the Motorcycle</i> |
| Cooper, Susan | <i>The Boggart</i> |
| Creech, Sharon | <i>Pleasing the Ghost</i> |
| Dahl, Roald | <i>The BFG</i> |
| DuBois, William | <i>The Twenty-One Balloons</i> |
| Field, Rachel | <i>Hitty: Her First Hundred Years</i> |
| Fleishman, Sid | <i>The 13th Floor: A Ghost Story</i> |
| Fleishman, Sid | <i>The Midnight Horse</i> |
| Gaiman, Neil | <i>Coraline</i> |
| Hahn, Mary Downing | <i>Wait Till Helen Comes</i> |
| Hobbs, Valerie | <i>Carolina Crow Girl</i> |
| Hobbler, D. & T. | <i>The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn</i> |
| Jacques, Brian | <i>Redwall</i> |
| Juster, Norton | <i>The Phantom Tollbooth</i> |
| Key, Alexander | <i>The Forgotten Door</i> |
| Konigsburg, E.L. | <i>The View from Saturday</i> |
| Langton, Jane | <i>The Fledgling</i> |
| Lawson, Robert | <i>Mr. Revere and I</i> |
| L'Engle, Madeleine | <i>A Wind in the Door</i> |
| Lewis, C.S. | <i>The Chronicles of Narnia (series)</i> |

Fantasy and Science Fiction

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| McKissack, Patricia | <i>The Dark Thirty: Southern Tales of the Supernatural</i> |
| O'Brien, Robert C. | <i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i> |
| Peck, Richard | <i>The Dreadful Future of Blossom</i> |
| Rodgers, Mary | <i>Freaky Friday</i> |
| Rowling, J.K. | <i>The Harry Potter Series</i> |
| Seider, Tor | <i>A Rat's Tale</i> |
| Seldon, George | <i>A Cricket in Times Square</i> |
| Snicket, Lemony | <i>Series of Unfortunate Events</i> |

Traditional Literature: Folktales, Fables, Myths & Legends

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| Datlow, E. & Windling T. | <i>A Wolf at the Door: And Other Retold Fairy Tales</i> |
| Goodman, R. | <i>Myths</i> |
| Hamilton, Virginia | <i>The Girl Who Spun Gold</i> |
| Hamilton, Virginia | <i>People Could Fly, American Black Folktales</i> |
| Literacy 2000 | <i>Beowulf</i> |
| MacDonald, M.R. | <i>Earth Care: World Folktales to Talk About</i> |
| San Souci, Robert D. | <i>Cut From the Same Cloth: American Women of Myth, Legend, and Tell Tale</i> |
| Sandburg, Carl | <i>The Huckabuck Family and How They Raised Popcorn in Nebraska and Quit and Came Back</i> |
| Yolen, Jane | <i>Merlin and the Dragons</i> |

Poetry

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| Creech, Sharon | <i>Love That Dog</i> |
| Fleishman, Paul | <i>Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices</i> |
| Florian, Douglas | <i>Mammalabilia</i> |
| Grimes, Nikki | <i>Under the Christmas Tree</i> |
| Hopkins, Lee Bennett | <i>My America: A Poetry Atlas of the United States</i> |
| Hughes, Langston | <i>The Dream Keeper and Other Poems</i> |
| Longfellow, Henry W. | <i>Paul Revere's Ride</i> |
| Myers, Walter Dean | <i>Blues Journey</i> |
| Myers, Walter Dean | <i>Harlem</i> |
| Prelutsky, Jack | <i>The Random House Book of Poetry for Children</i> |
| Silverstein, Shel | <i>Falling Up</i> |
| Silverstein, Shel | <i>Where the Sidewalk Ends</i> |
| Woodson, Jacqueline | <i>Locomotion</i> |

Information Books

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| Arnosky, Jim | <i>Field Trips: Bug Hunting, Animal Tracking Bird-Watching, Shore Walking</i> |
| Arnosky, Jim | <i>Secrets of a Wildlife Watcher</i> |
| Bial, Raymond | <i>Tenement: Immigrant Life on the Lower East Side</i> |
| Chang, Ina | <i>A Separate Battle: Women and the Civil War</i> |
| Christelow, Eileen | <i>What do Author's Do?</i> |
| Cornerstones of Freedom | <i>The Gettysburg Address</i> |
| Curlee, Lynn | <i>Seven Wonders of the Ancient World</i> |
| Fritz, Jean | <i>Around the World in a Hundred Years</i> |
| Jones, Charlotte Foltz | <i>Mistakes That Worked</i> |

Classics

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| Alcott, Louisa May | <i>Little Women</i> |
| Baum L. Frank | <i>The Wizard of Oz</i> |
| Burnett, Frances H. | <i>The Secret Garden</i> |
| Farley, Walter | <i>The Black Stallion</i> |
| Gibson, Fred | <i>Old Yeller</i> |
| Kipling, Rudyard | <i>The Jungle Book</i> |
| Lindgren, Astrid | <i>Pippi Longstocking</i> |
| London, Jack | <i>Call of the Wild</i> |
| Montgomery, L.M. | <i>Anne of Green Gables</i> |
| Pyle, Howard | <i>The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood</i> |
| Tolkien, J.R.R. | <i>The Hobbit and The Lord of the Ring Series</i> |
| Twain, Mark | <i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i> |
| Verne, Jules | <i>Journey to the Center of the Earth</i> |
| Verne, Jules | <i>Around the World in Eighty Days</i> |
| Wells, H.G. | <i>The War of the Worlds</i> |

Picture Books

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| Gerstein, Mordicai | <i>The Man Who Walked Between the Towers</i> |
| Heide, Florence P. | <i>Sami and the Time of Troubles</i> |
| Polacco, Patricia | <i>Pink and Say</i> |
| Weisner, David | <i>Tuesday</i> |
| Williams, Sherley Ann | <i>Working Cotton</i> |
| Yolen, Jane | <i>Letting Swift River Go</i> |

Short Story

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| Dahl, Roald | <i>Roald Dahl Treasury</i> |
| Kipling, Rudyard | <i>Just So Stories</i> |
| Martin, Ann Matthews | <i>Friends: Stories About New Friends, Old Friends, And Unexpectedly True Friends</i> |
| Packer, Tina | <i>Tales From Shakespeare</i> |
| Soto, Gary | <i>Local News: Stories</i> |