



Top 20 Suggested Books: 4th Grade

Applegate, Katherine. **Willodeen**. J Fic Applegate

Using her magical gift, Willodeen is on a mission to find the cause of the slowly disappearing hummingbirds and to protect the unloved screechers from local hunters.

Bruchac, Joseph. **Rez Dogs**. J Fic Bruchac

When the COVID-19 pandemic hits the United States, Malian, a young Wabanaki girl, is quarantined with her grandparents on the reservation, where she befriends a local dog and learns about her ancestors.

Burke, Cliff. **An Occasionally Happy Family**. J Fic Burke

Theo Ripley's family vacation goes off the rails when he has to deal with camping problems and his father's new girlfriend.

Crimi, Carolyn. **Secondhand Dogs**. J Fic Crimi

The peaceful life of Gus and his pack of adopted dogs is upended when a new member tries to take over their home and the attention of their loving owner, Miss Lottie.

DiCamillo, Kate. **The Beatryce Prophecy**. J Fic DiCamillo

Discovered in the monastery of the Order of the Chronicles of Sorrowing, Beatryce learns that she is part of a dangerous prophecy that may lead to the downfall of the king.

Eulberg, Elizabeth. **The Great Shelby Holmes**. –series. J M Eulberg

Young sleuth Shelby Holmes and her new friend/partner John Watson are on the case when a prized show dog is missing.

Freeman, Martha. **Noah McNichol and the Backstage Ghost**. J Fic Freeman

Sixth grader Noah McNichol believes that the volunteer director for his school play is really a ghost.

Fry, Michael. **Ghosted**. J Fic Fry

Larry helps his newly deceased friend Grimm reach the afterlife when he is stuck in the world of the living.

Gutman, Dan. **Houdini and Me**. J Fic Gutman

Famous magician Harry Houdini contacts eleven-year-old Harry Mancini from beyond the grave to ask for help.

Henderson, Leah. **The Magic In Changing Your Stars.** J Fic Henderson
Aspiring actor Ailey magically transports to 1930s Harlem where he meets his grandfather and legendary tap dancer Bill “Bojangles” Robinson.

Holt, Kimberly Willis. **Dear Hank Williams.** J Fic Holt
In 1948 Louisiana, eleven-year-old Tate writes letters to her favorite country singer, Hank Williams, sharing her dreams of becoming a singer and revealing that her mother is in prison.

Humphrey, Anna. **Quack.** J Fic Humphrey
After a duck helps ten-year-old Shady Cook, who has selective mutism, he and his best friend bring the emotional support duck to school to help more underdogs.

Jones, Joy. **Jayla Jumps In.** J Fic Jones
After learning that her mother was a Double Dutch champion, eleven-year-old Jayla forms a team hoping to stand out in her big, quirky family.

Korman, Gordon. **War Stories.** J Fic Korman
A video gamer goes to France to celebrate his great grandfather’s heroism and learns the harsh truths about World War II.

Mahoney, Kristin. **Elfie Unperfect.** J Fic Mahoney
Friendless overachiever Elfie’s first day at a new private school becomes disastrous when she is suspended and sent back to her old elementary school.

Panitch, Amanda. **The Trouble With Good Ideas.** J Fic Panitch
After creating a golem to look after her elderly great-grandpa Zaide, Leah soon learns that controlling the creature is not as easy as creating it.

Rylant, Cynthia. **Rosetown.** J Fic Rylant
In 1972, Flora Smallwood copes with her parents’ separation with help from her friends, a new pet, and the familiar routines of life in Rosetown, Indiana.

Savage, Melissa. **Nessie Quest.** J Fic Savage
Twelve-year-old Ru spends her summer in Scotland looking for the mysterious Loch Ness Monster.

Swender, Jennifer. **Stuck.** J Fic Swender
Austin, who keeps to himself and struggles with reading, decides to come out of his comfort zone and join his new school’s Safety Squad.

White, Jen. **A Thousand Minutes to Sunlight.** J Fic White
Cora finds her anxiety levels heightened when her long lost alcoholic uncle comes to live with her and her family.