



Parents & Guardians

Our summer reading program is based upon these four goals:

- (1) Maintain learning gains from school year,
- (2) Develop stronger reading skills,
- (3) Expose children to quality literature, and
- (4) Encourage a love of books.

Ideas to support your child's summer reading:

- Set aside time each day for reading
- Read together as a family
- Allow your child to choose the book
- Plan regular visits to the library
- Listen to audiobooks in the car
- Participate in the summer programs at the local library

How to Rock the Read Aloud

- Read with expression. Try creating different voices for different characters.
- Encourage your child to ask questions about the characters, pictures, and words.
- Talk about the story with your child. Did he or she like it? Why?
- Your child may want you to read the same story over and over again. After several retellings, ask your child to tell *you* the story.
- Model Making Connections: Strong readers aren't passive—their minds are constantly making connections between what they read and the world around them. As you read, pause to connect the book to other books you have read together, to your memories, or to places or events you both know.

Entering Second Grade



This summer, spend some time exploring the world around you through the books we have compiled! In this brochure you will discover great new books by award-winning authors.

Did you know that you can use the library's lobby/curbside pick-up to borrow books? Or, that many books are available in eAudio or eBook format, too. Not sure how this works? Just ask your librarian.

Our town librarians are book experts.

They have *thousands* of amazing books that they want to share with you!

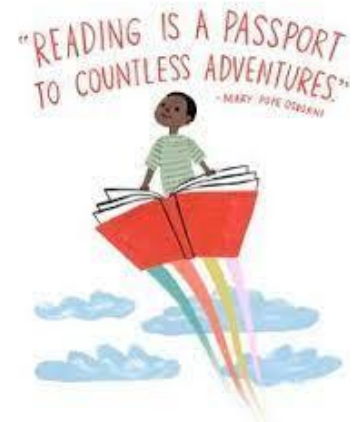
Whatever you're interested in, there's a book for you. Adventure awaits!

Ayer Public Library

(978-772-8250)
26 E. Main Street, Ayer, MA
www.ayerlibrary.org

Hazen Memorial Library (978-425-2620)

3 Keady Way, Shirley, MA
www.shirleylibrary.org



Grade 2 Suggested Titles

Title	Author	Type
A Flicker of Hope: A story of Migration	Cynthia Harmony	NonFiction
A Hundred Billion Trillion Stars	Seth Fishman	NonFiction
After the Fall (How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again)	Dan Santat	Fiction
All the Animals Where I Live	Phillip Stead	Fiction
Alma and How She Got Her Name	Juana Martinez-Neal	Fiction
Amah Faraway	Margaret Chiu Greanias	Fiction
Becoming a Good Creature	Sy Montgomery	NonFiction
Big	Vashti Harrison	Fiction
Big Feelings	Alexandra Penfold	Fiction
Cape	Kevin Johnson	Fiction
Climb On!	Baptiste Paul	Fiction
Dory Fantasmagory: The Real True Friend	Abby Hanlon	Fiction
Evergreen	Matthew Cordell	Parent ReadAloud
Except Antarctica	Todd Sturgell	Fiction
Fox Has a Problem	Corey Tabor	Fiction
Fungi Grow	Maria Gianferrari	NonFiction
Gigi and Ojiji	Melissa Iwai	Fiction
Giraffe Problems	Jory John	Fiction
Hey, Water!	Antionette Portis	Fiction
Interrupting Chicken and the Elephant of Surprise	David Ezra Stein	Fiction
Ivy and Bean (series)	Annie Barrows	Fiction
Just Ask!: Be Different, Be Brave, Be You	Sonia Sotomayor	Parent ReadAloud
Last Flight	Kristan Mae Giang	NonFiction
Let Me Fix You a Plate: A Tale of Two Kitchens	Elizabeth Lilly	Fiction
Little Leaders: Bold Women in Black History	Vashti Harrison	NonFiction
Mae Among the Stars	Roda Ahmed	NonFiction
Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea (A Narwhal and Jelly Book #1)	Ben Clanton	Fiction
Not So Different: What You Really Want to Ask About Having a Disability	Shane Burcaw	NonFiction
Once Upon a Book	Grace Lin & Kate Messner	Fiction
One Wish: Fatima al-Fihri and the World's Oldest University	M.O. Yuksel	NonFiction
Outside In	Deborah Underwood	Parent ReadAloud
Show the World	Angela Dalton	Fiction
Superpower Field Guides (Beavers, Ostriches,series)	Rachel Poliquin	NonFiction
The Bad Guys Book	Aaron Blabey	Fiction
The Bee Tree	Patricia Polacco	Parent ReadAloud
The Book that Almost Rhymed	Omar Abed	Fiction
The Disgusting Critter (Series)	Elise Gravel	Fiction
The Invisible Boy	Trudy Ludwig	Parent ReadAloud
The Oldest Student: How Mary Walker Learned to Read	Rita Hubbard	NonFiction
The Only Way to Make Bread	Cristina Quintero	Fiction
The Truth About Dragons	Julie Leung	Fiction
We Are Water Protectors	Carole Linstrom	Fiction
When Lola Visits	Michelle Sterling	Fiction
Yoshi and the Ocean: A Sea Turtles Incredible Journey Home	Lindsay Moore	NonFiction
Your Name is a Song	Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow	NonFiction
Your Place in the Universe	Jason Chin	NonFiction