Soddy-Daisy Community Library 2020 Summer Reading Recommendations

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The Soddy-Daisy Community Library is proud to present our 2020 Summer Reading Recommendations. These books were chosen by a panel of librarians, educators and book industry professionals, and represent a diverse cross-section of interests. There's something here for every reader.

During this challenging time, we hope these recommendations will support your child's education, improve their reading skills and provide plenty of relaxation and fun.

Happy Reading!

** Volunteer State Book Award Nominee 2020-21

Classics

The Mitten
by Jan Brett
How many animals can fit inside Nikki's mitten?
M / 600L

Miss Rumphius
by Barbara Cooney
Alice makes the world a more beautiful place.
M / 680L

Millions of Cats
by Wanda Gag
An old couple goes looking for a cat and finds millions.
K / 580L

The Lorax
by Dr. Seuss
The Lorax fights to save his precious trees and environment.
P / 560L

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble
by William Steig
Sylvester is transformed into a rock by a magic pebble.
M / AD780L

Picture Books

Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party
by Kimberly Dean
Unusual toppings and friendship make Pete's pizza party perfect.
L / 520L

The Empty Pot
by Demi
A school boy becomes emperor through honesty.
M / 630L

The Rabbit Listened*
by Cori Doerrfeld
When something terrible happens, all the animals try to help Taylor.
K / 450L

Buddy & Earl series
by Maureen Fergus
A dog and a hedgehog have imaginative adventures together.
L - N / 520L - 610L

The Digger and the Flower
by Joseph Kuefler
Digger finds something growing that will change him and his town forever.
L / 480L

Drawn Together**
by Min Le
A boy and grandfather bond over art and storytelling.
H / 310L

Rooster Wore Skinny Jeans**
by Jessie Miller
Rooster discovers that it's great to be yourself.
O / 660L

Facts vs Opinions vs Robots
by Michael Rex
Robots help understand the difference between facts and opinions.
M / 530L

We Don't Eat Our Classmates**
by Dan Santat
Penelope Rex can't help eating her classmates.
L / 500L

Bob Not Bob!
by Liz Garton Scanion
A stuffy nose brings Bob the Dog instead of Mom!
L / 500L

Llama Destroys the World
by Jonathan Stutzman
Llama makes three hilarious mistakes and dooms the universe!
L / 500L

Because**
by Mo Willems
A young girl takes center stage through discovery, persistence, and magic.
U / 820L

The Day You Begin**
by Jacqueline Woodson
Find bravery in yourself and you won't be an outsider anymore.

Non-Fiction

The Lucky Litter
by Jennifer Keats Curtis
Wolf cubs are rescued from a wildfire.
P / 610L

The Oldest Student
by Rita Lorraine Hubbard
A woman born into slavery learns to read at age 116.
U / 830L

Flying Frogs and Walking Fish
by Steve Jenkins
Explains the surprising ways that animals move.
W / 900L

The Only Woman in the Photo
by Kathleen Krull
Frances Perkins & her new deal for America.
X / 950L

What if You Had Animal Feet? (series)
by Sandra Markle
Imagine you had surprising animal adaptations!
M / 950L

Margaret and the Moon
by Dean Robbins
Margaret Hamilton's math saves the first lunar landing.
O / 630L

The Brain is Kind of a Big Deal
by Nick Seluk
The science behind the brain explained in a fun new way.
M / 580L

Beginning Readers

What is Inside THIS Box?
by Drew Daywalt
Monkey and Cake cannot agree what's inside the box.
H / 330L

Pete the Cat and the Cool Caterpillar
by James Dean
Pete finds a new best friend, but caterpillar goes missing. What happened!
H / 470L

We Need More Nuts
by Jonathan Fenske
Small squirrels need more nuts in this silly counting book.
G / 230L

Dixie Wins the Race
by Grace Gilman
Emma runs in a big relay race, and Dixie comes along to cheer her on.
H / 280L

Fancy Nancy: Chez Nancy
by Nancy Parent
A bossy friend and a new playhouse help Nancy learn about friendship.
H / 470L

Hiccups for Elephant
by James Preller
None of the other animals can sleep because Elephant has the hiccups.
I / 390L

Race Day (Nat. Geo.)
by Gail Tuchman
A driver gets ready for the race and heads to the finish line!
H / 350L

I Lost My Tooth
by Mo Willems
A funny, furry adventure, jokes, quizzes, nutty facts, and lots of Squirrels.
J / 420L

Other great Beginning Reader series include:

Amelia Bedelia
Elephant & Piggie
Frog and Toad
LEGO
National Geographic (non-fiction)

Chapter Books

Mount Rushmore Calamity (Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures #1)
by Jeff Brown
Stanley's family vacation turns into a wild west adventure.
Q / 700L

Rise of the Balloon Goons (Notebooks of Doom #1)
by Troy Cummings
A top secret notebook helps Alexander deal with all sorts of monsters.
N / 490L

Trouble at Trident Academy (Mermaid Tales #1)
by Debbie Dadey
Mergirl, Shelly is nervous about facing all the troublemakers at Trident Academy.
P / 640L

Piper Morgan to the Rescue (Piper Morgan #3)
by Stephanie Faris
Piper meets the dog of her dreams, but someone else wants to take Taffy home too.
N / 640L

Winter of the Ice Wizard (Magic Tree House Merlin Missions #4)
by Mary Pope Osborne
Jack and Annie journey to a kingdom of ice and snow to find a missing magician.
N / 530L

Rise of the Earth Dragon
by Tracie West
Four kids learn to train their dragons and uncover their special powers.
P / 510L

All Paws on Deck
by Jessica Young
Haggis, the Great Dane, and Tank, the Scottie, set sail on a pirate adventure.
M / 480L

Looniverse Stranger Things
by David Lubar
Ed finds an unusual coin and strange things start happening all around him.
O / 610L

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