

## Contemporary Fiction

*Tia Lola (series)*..... Alvarez  
*The Strange Case of Origami Yoda (series)*..... Angleberger  
*Humphrey (series)*..... Birney  
*Kinda Like Brothers*..... Booth  
*Because of Mr. Terupt*..... Buyea  
*Room One: A Mystery or Two*..... Clements  
*Hate That Cat: A Novel*..... Creech  
*The Lemonade War (series)*..... Davies  
*Salsa Stories*..... Delacre  
*The Magician's Elephant*..... DiCamillo  
*The Spiderwick Chronicles (series)*..... DiTerlizzi  
*Brendan Buckley's Universe and Everything in It*..... Frazier  
*Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key*..... Gantos  
*The Homework Machine*..... Gutman  
*When Mules Flew on Magnolia Street*..... Johnson  
*Diary of a Wimpy Kid (series)*..... Kinney  
*Inside Out and Back Again*..... Lai  
*Dumpling Days*..... Lin  
*Alvin Ho (series)*..... Look  
*Ruby Lu (series)*..... Look  
*Rain Reign*..... Martin  
*11 Birthdays*..... Mass  
*Shiloh*..... Naylor  
*Wonder*..... Palacio  
*Big Nate (series)*..... Peirce  
*Becoming Naomi Leon*..... Ryan  
*39 Clues (series)*..... Scholastic (many authors)  
*A Series of Unfortunate Events (series)*..... Snicket  
*4th Grade Rats*..... Spinelli  
*No Girls Allowed (Dogs Okay)*..... Trueit  
*The Blossoming Universe of Violet Diamond*..... Woods  
*Peace, Locomotion*..... Woodson

## Historical Fiction

*History Mysteries (series)*..... American Girl  
*Sophia's War: A Tale of the Revolution*..... Avi  
*Jefferson's Sons*..... Bradley  
*Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*..... Coerr  
*Elijah of Buxton*..... Curtis  
*The Mighty Miss Malone*..... Curtis  
*Unstoppable Octobia May*..... Flake  
*Bo at Ballard Creek*..... Hill  
*The Great Trouble*..... Hopkinson

*Number the Stars*..... Lowry  
*Scraps of Time (series)*..... McKissack  
*Keeping Score*..... Park  
*Sugar*..... Rhodes  
*Riding Freedom*..... Ryan  
*Dear America (series) [includes My Name is America  
 and Royal Diaries series]*..... Scholastic (many authors)  
*I Survived (series)*..... Tarshis  
*The Land*..... Taylor  
*Song of the Trees*..... Taylor  
*One Crazy Summer*..... Williams-Garcia  
*Crow*..... Wright  
*Breaking Stalin's Nose*..... Yelchin

## Fantasy/Science Fiction

*Secrets of Droon (series)*..... Abbott  
*Jinx (series)*..... Blackwood  
*Dragon Castle*..... Bruchac  
*The Sisters Grimm (series)*..... Buckley  
*Hiccup Horrendous Haddock III (series)*..... Cowell  
*Half Magic*..... Eager  
*The Dream Stealer*..... Fleischman  
*Boom!*..... Haddon  
*Zita the Spacegirl (series)*..... Hatke  
*Warrior (series)*..... Hunter  
*A Wrinkle in Time*..... L'Engle  
*Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*..... Lin  
*Dragon Slayers' Academy (series)*..... McMullan  
*The Magic Thief (series)*..... Prineas  
*The True Meaning of Smekday*..... Rex  
*Harry Potter (series)*..... Rowling  
*The Night Fairy*..... Schlitz  
*The Books of Elsewhere (series)*..... West  
*City of Fire/City of Ice*..... Yep

## Biography

*Freedom Riders: John Lewis and Jim Zwerg  
 on the Front Lines*..... Bausum  
*The Journey That Saved Curious George:  
 The True Wartime Escape of Margret and H. A. Rey*..... Borden  
*Side by Side/Lado a Lado: The Story of Dolores Huerta  
 and César Chávez/La Historia de Dolores Huerta  
 y César Chávez*..... Brown  
*Barnum's Bones: How Barnum Brown Discovered the  
 Most Famous Dinosaur in the World*..... Fern

*Jimi: Sounds Like a Rainbow: A Story of the  
 Young Jimi Hendrix*..... Golio  
*Temple Grandin: How the Girl who Loved Cows  
 Embraced Autism and Changed the World*..... Montgomery  
*Nurse, Soldier, Spy: The Story of Sarah Edmonds,  
 Civil War Hero*..... Moss  
*The Cat with the Yellow Star: Coming of Age in  
 Terezin*..... Rubin and Weissberger  
*The Pilot and the Little Prince: The Life of  
 Antoine de Saint Exupery*..... Sis  
*Balloons Over Broadway: The True Story of the  
 Puppeteer of Macy's Parade*..... Sweet  
*Roberto Clemente: Pride of the Pittsburgh Pirates*..... Winter  
*Shining Star: The Anna May Wong Story*..... Yee

## Folktales, Fairy Tales & Legends

*The Nightingale*..... Andersen  
*Tales Our Abuelitas Told: A Hispanic Folktale  
 Collection*..... Campoy and Ada  
*Glass Slipper, Gold Sandal: A Worldwide Cinderella*..... Fleischman  
*Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales,  
 and True Tales*..... Hamilton  
*The Wise Fool: Fables from the Islamic World*..... Husain  
*The Magical Monkey King: Mischief in Heaven*..... Jiang  
*Just So Stories*..... Kipling  
*The Blue Fairy Book (series)*..... Lang  
*Nelson Mandela's Favorite African Folktales*..... Mandela  
*Pegasus*..... Mayer  
*Genies, Meanies, and Magic Rings: Three Tales from  
 the Arabian Nights*..... Mitchell  
*Red Butterfly*..... Noyes  
*More Bones: Scary Stories from Around the World*..... Olson  
*The Beautiful Stories of Life: Six Greek Myths, Retold*..... Rylant  
*Can You Guess My Name?: Traditional Tales  
 Around the World*..... Sierra



## Informational Books

*Millions, Billions, & Trillions: Understanding Big Numbers* ..... Adler  
*Bugged: How Insects Changed History* ..... Albee  
*Shimmer & Splash: The Sparkling World of Sea Life* ..... Arnosky  
*Buried Beneath Us: Discovering the Ancient Cities of the Americas* ..... Aveni  
*Buried Sunlight: How Fossil Fuels Have Changed the Earth* ..... Bang  
*Dinosaurs in Your Backyard* ..... Brewster  
*Citizen Scientists: Be a Part of Scientific Discovery from Your Own Backyard* ..... Burns  
*Haunted Histories: Creepy Castles, Dark Dungeons, and Powerful Palaces* ..... Everett  
*Locomotive* ..... Floca  
*The Wolves Are Back* ..... George  
*Galaxies, Galaxies!* ..... Gibbons  
*The Reasons for Seasons* ..... Gibbons  
*Bones: Skeletons and How They Work* ..... Jenkins  
*The Case of the Vanishing Honeybees: A Scientific Mystery* ..... Markle  
*Remember: The Journey to School Integration* ..... Morrison  
*Polar Bears* ..... Newman  
*How to Clean a Hippopotamus* ..... Page  
*Volcano Rising* ..... Rusch  
*Discovering Black America* ..... Tarrant-Reid  
*Separate Is Never Equal* ..... Tonatiuh  
*Insect Detective* ..... Voake

## Poetry

*Sol a Sol: Original and Selected Bilingual Poems* ..... Carlson  
*Outside Your Window* ..... Davies  
*In the Wild* ..... Elliot  
*Poetrees* ..... Florian  
*Hip Hop Speaks to Children: A Celebration of Poetry with a Beat* ..... Giovanni  
*The Great Migration: Journey to the North* ..... Greenfield  
*Collected Poems for Children (Ted Hughes)* ..... Hughes  
*My Chinatown* ..... Mak  
*Love to Langston* ..... Medina  
*Tap Dancing on the Roof: Sijo (Poems)* ..... Park  
*The 20th Century Children's Poetry Treasury* ..... Prelutsky  
*Carl Sandburg (Poetry for Young People)* ..... Sandburg  
*Dark Emperor and Other Poems of the Night* ..... Sidman  
*A Visit to William Blake's Inn* ..... Willard

## Boston Public Library 2015 Summer Reading

### Every Hero Has a Story

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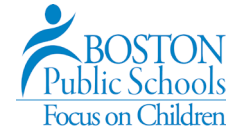
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# 2015 Summer Book List Grades 3-5

### 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,

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