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Suggested Summer Reading 2009  
for Scotia-Glenville School District Elementary Students

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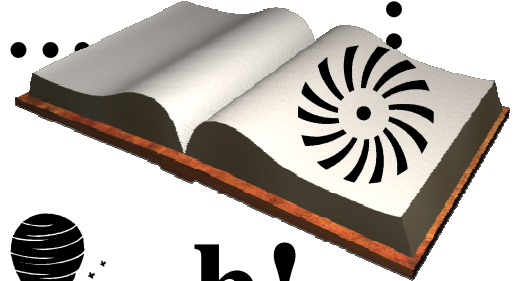


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Look for these great books in your school library media center, the public library, or local bookstores. Sign up for the summer reading programs at the Schenectady County Public Library, including the Scotia and Glenville branches (388-4500; [www.scpl.org](http://www.scpl.org)).

Your Scotia-Glenville Library Media Specialists:  
Ms. Byrne, Ms. Farquhar, Mrs. Rosenberry,  
Ms. Ryan, and Mrs. Tunison

Parents and caregivers, if your child reads during the summer, he or she will maintain the progress made in reading during the school year. Researchers Anne McGill-Franzen and Richard Allington of the University of Florida recommend that your child read at least six books during the summer. The New York State Regents also expects your child to read at least 25 books during an academic year. Use this list for books to help your child achieve this goal.

## ARE WE THERE YET? FUN BOOKS FOR FAMILY CAR RIDES

**The Bill Martin Jr. Big Book of Poetry** by Eric Carle, Bill Martin, Jr. and Michael Sampson  
It's rhyme time. This collection of poems selected by Bill Martin, Jr. and illustrated by many award winning illustrators will bring rhythm to vacation travels.

**One Million Things: A Visual Encyclopedia** by Peter Chrisp

This collection of interesting facts and awesome photographs will intrigue everyone in your family. A fun book for long car trips!



## DAZZLING PICTURE BOOKS



### **A Isn't For Fox: An Isn't Alphabet** by Wendy Ulmer

Search the pictures in this interesting alphabet book and discover what the alphabet isn't.

### **Big Words for Little People** by Jamie Lee Curtis

What can a word do? Explore the power of words, both big and little.

### **House in the Night** by Susan Swanson

This year's Caldecott winner combines superb illustrations with a rhyming text that will become a classic bedtime story.

### **Jack's House** by Karen Magnuson Beil

Bang! Bang! This fun story will appeal to anyone who loves construction equipment.

### **Ladybug Girl** by David Soman and Jacky Davis

Lulu's too little to do anything. But when she becomes *Ladybug Girl!* Lulu and her canine sidekick, Bingo, will make their own big fun: build stone forts, lift boulders, and leap over shark-infested puddles in a single bound.

### **Princess Peepers** by Pam Calvert

Princess Peepers runs into trouble when she chooses not to wear her glasses.

### **Three Horrid Little Pigs** by Liz Pinchon

In a twist on the traditional story, the wolf helps the pigs change their ways.

### **Very Hungry Caterpillar Popup Book** by Eric Carle

Our favorite caterpillar pops off the page in this creative version of a classic favorite.

### **Wave** by Suzy Lee and **Trainstop** by Barbara Lehman

Ride the waves of the ocean or take a train ride to an exciting place. Write a story to go with the beautiful illustrations in these wordless picture books!

### **When Royals Wore Ruffles: A Funny and Fashionable Alphabet!** by Chesley McLaren

Calling all fashion lovers! Travel through time and the alphabet as you read about all kinds of totally outrageous (and real) fashion trends. What's *your* style?



## FABULOUS FICTION SANDWICHED BETWEEN CHAPTERS



### **Bones and the Math Test Mystery** by David A. Adler

Jeffrey Bones' math test is missing and he's not sure he wants to solve the mystery!

### **Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw** by Jeff Kinney

Practice the art of being wimpy with this hilarious character, Greg Heffley, in book three.



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**Kenny and the Dragon** by Tony DiTerlizzi

Kenny Rabbit makes friends with a dragon but everyone else in his town wants the creature to go away.

**The Magic Thief** by Sarah Prineas

Conn must help the wizard, Nevery, find out what is happening to the city of Wellmet's magic.

**Magic Tree House #40: Eve of the Emperor Penguin** by Mary Pope Osborne

Cool off this summer with Jack and Annie as they visit Antarctica.

**Magic Tree House #41: Moonlight on the Magic** by Mary Pope Osborne

Jack and Annie travel in time to visit 18<sup>th</sup> century Austria.

**The Mysterious Benedict Society and the Perilous Journey** by Trenton Lee Stewart

Reynie, Kate, Sticky, and Constance go on a global scavenger hunt. Will they save Mr. Benedict?

**Runaway Dolls** by Anne Martin

Annabelle and Tiffany run away with a newly arrived doll that they think is Annabelle's long lost baby sister (third book in The Doll Series).

**Savvy** by Ingrid Law

Turning thirteen is supposed to be fun - but not when that's the day your *savvy* - a possibly terrifying magical power - is turned on. But silencing enemies, making friends, and saving the world might just follow for the kids in the Beaumont family.

**Scat** by Carl Hiaasen

Strange events are happening in the swamps. A biology teacher disappears. A fire breaks out in the Everglades. Whodunit?

**The 39 Clues Book One: The Maze of Bones** by Rick Riordan

**The 39 Clues Book Two: One False Note** by Gordon Korman

**The 39 Clues Book Three: The Sword Thief** by Peter Lerangis

Do you like suspense? Hunt for the 39 clues around the world to unlock Amy and Dan Cahill's eerie family fortune. Also unlock clues online and with trading cards in real life!



## NOTEWORTHY NONFICTION



**Birds** by Kevin Henkes

Sit by your bird feeder during the summer and identify our feathered friends who twitter and tweet.

**Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman** by Marc Tyler Nobleman

The story of how two teenagers, who loved comics and superheroes, created the most famous superhero of all time.

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**How Many Ways Can You Catch a Fly?** by Steve Jenkins and Robin Page

Swat! Before you swat the pesky fly with your favorite fly swatter, consider how many ways there are to catch a fly and the different ways animals face this challenge.

**Listen to the Wind** by Greg Mortenson

An adaptation for youth of the adult story **Three Cups of Tea** details Greg Mortenson's mission to promote peace through education by building more than sixty schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

**Magic Tree House Research Guide #19: Leonardo da Vinci: A Nonfiction Companion to Monday with a Mad Genius**

Jack and Annie introduce us to one of the greatest artists and inventors of all time.

**Magic Tree House Research Guide #20: Ghosts: A Nonfiction Companion to A Good Night for Ghosts**

Check the bookstores in July 2009 for this latest research guide. Explore the stories behind the famous ghost stories.

**No Girls Allowed: Tales of Daring Women Dressed as Men for Love, Freedom and Adventure** by Susan Hughes

History meets graphic novel and the end result is a page-turning look at real women who defied the odds and ruled countries, escaped slavery, practiced medicine, and joined the Union Army.

**2<sup>nd</sup> International Cookbook for Kids** by Matthew Locricchio

Calling all young chefs! Make a creative, delicious meal with these favorite recipes from sixteen countries!

**Start to Knit** by Alison Dupernex

Knit one, pearl two! Get creative with this book that teaches beginner knitters the basics of a new hobby.

**Those Amazing Musical Instruments** by Genevieve Helsby

What makes the unique sounds of a band or orchestra? Use this interactive CD-ROM and book to learn these musical sounds.

**United Tweets of America** by Hudson Talbott

The state birds in the United Tweets Pageant share information about their home state.

**Credits**

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