



Books for Second Grade SRC 2011

Picture Books (P)

Codell, Esme Raji. Fairly Fairy Tales.

Everyone loves to play "question" games: Would you eat spaghetti made with gummy worms? Would you wear your clothes backwards all day? Sometimes the answer is "yes" and sometimes it's "no"--but the fun is in the asking.

Fleming, Candace. Clever Jack Takes the Cake.

What would you do if you were invited to the princess's tenth birthday party but didn't have money for a gift? Well, clever Jack decides to bake the princess a cake. Now he just has to get it to the castle in one piece. What could *possibly* go wrong?

Malaspina, Ann. Yasmin's Hammer. **(J-Picture)**

In the noisy streets of Dhaka, Bangladesh, another busy morning is beginning as Yasmin rides to work in her father's rattling rickshaw. Yasmin longs to go to school so she can learn to read, but her family needs the money she and her sister earn at the brickyard to help keep the rice bag full and the roof repaired. If she could read, she could be anything she wants to be when she grows up. One night Yasmin has an idea—a secret plan that will bring her one step closer to making her dream a reality.

Raina. The Sandwich Swap.

Lily and Salma are best friends. They play together and stick together through thick and thin. But who would have ever thought that ordinary peanut butter or plain old hummus could come between them? Lily and Salma don't quite understand each other's tastes, but does that mean they can't be friends? They understand far better than a lot of grown ups that these things hardly matter and that friendship is the most important thing of all.

Townsend, Michael. Monkey and Elephant's Worst Fight Ever.

Monkey thought Elephant was his best friend. He was even bringing him some surprise cupcakes—and found a party going on that he wasn't invited to! Elephant thought Monkey was his best friend. He was even planning a surprise wrestling party for him—but then Monkey put all his favorite toys in the freezer! Happily, Monkey and Elephant realize their fight was based on a misunderstanding. But if only they had talked sooner, innocent teddies wouldn't need defrosting.

Chapter Books (J)

Bruel, Nick. Bad Kitty vs. Uncle Murray: the Uproar at the Front Door.

Kitty's owners are taking a week off and leaving Kitty and Puppy at home. So who's going to watch them? Good ol' Uncle Murray, star of the Fun Facts feature of previous Kitty books—the guy you thought knew everything about cats. Think again! It isn't long before Uncle Murray is driven to near madness by shenanigans of epic proportions.

Craddock, Erik. Stone Rabbit: BC Mambo. **(J Graphic Novel)**

Stone Rabbit is a bored little bunny who lives a humdrum existence in the sleepy town of Happy Glades. But all that changes when he discovers a time portal of doom—right under his bathroom rug! Suddenly, Stone Rabbit finds himself on a Jurassic journey in a prehistoric world, facing off against vicious velociraptors, terrifying T. rexes, and a nefarious Neanderthal bent on world conquest. Will our hero be able to save the past and return to the present—or will he become extinct?

Giarrusso, Chris. G-Man: Learning to Fly. (J Graphic Novel)

When Mikey G unlocks the powers of his family's magic blanket, he is transformed into G-Man, the newest kid superhero on the block! G-Man joins his superhero friends Billy Demon, Tan Man, Suntrooper, and the Spark on their very first superhero adventure. But what are they to do when their enemy is Kid Thunder, son of the city's greatest champion, Captain Thunderman? And will G-Man's big brother, Great Man, prove to be friend or foe?

Han, Jenny. Clara Lee and the Apple Pie Dream.

Clara Lee likes her best friends, her grandpa, kimchi, candy necklaces, and the idea of winning the Little Miss Apple Pie contest. Clara Lee doesn't like her mom's fish soup, bad dreams, speaking in public, or when her little sister is being annoying. One day, after a bad dream, Clara Lee is thrilled to have a whole day of luck. But then, bad luck starts to follow. When will Clara Lee's luck change again? Will it change in time for the Little Miss Apple Pie contest?

McMullan, Kate. School! Adventures at the Harvey N. Trouble Elementary School.

Come spend a crazy week with Ron Faster and his friends from the Harvey N. Trouble Elementary School.

Sternberg, Julie. Like Pickle Juice on a Cookie.

When Eleanor's beloved babysitter, Bibi, has to move away to take care of her ailing father, Eleanor must try to bear the summer without Bibi and prepare for the upcoming school year. Her new, less-than-perfect babysitter just isn't up to snuff, and she doesn't take care of things like Bibi used to. But as the school year looms, it's time for new beginnings. Eleanor soon realizes that she will always have Bibi, no matter how far away she is.

Chapter Book Series (J)

Brown, Jeff. Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures.

Ever since Stanley was flattened by a bulletin board, there are places he can get to that no one else can.

Larry, H. I. Zac Power: Poison Island.

Separated from his parents and older brother, twelve-year-old Zac, a secret agent of the Government Investigation Bureau, must rely on his own skills to obtain the formula for Dr. Drastic's secret Solution X.

Roy, Ron. Capital Mysteries.

Meet KC and Marshall—and help them solve exciting mysteries in Washington, D.C.! #1 Who Cloned the President?: When KC notices the President acting different on TV, she thinks he's been cloned! #2 Kidnapped at the Capital: At the Cherry Blossom Festival, KC's mom and the president are kidnapped! #3 The Skeleton in the Smithsonian: Sneaky Mr. Fisher swears he is the heir to the famous Smithsonian museum. KC and Marshall think they can prove it's not true.

Nonfiction

Gibson, Amy. Around the World on Eighty Legs (More or Less).

Get ready to go on an exciting animal journey around the globe. Explore habitats ranging from the Arctic to the Savanna, and learn fun and humorous information about the animals that live there. **(590 Gi)**

Icanberry, Mark. Extraordinary Projects from Ordinary Objects.

A collection of 31 back-to-basics projects which emphasizes both creativity and reuse. **(790 Ic)**

McCully, Emily Arnold. The Secret Cave: Discovering Lascaux.

In 1940, in the South of France, four boys decide to explore a deep hole in the ground, hoping for buried treasure. They discovered a cave with a treasure of another kind, 17,000 year old animal images painted on the caves. **(914.4 Ma)**

Winter, Jeanette. Biblioburro: A True Story from Columbia.

Luis loves to read, but soon his house in Colombia is so full of books there's barely room for the family. What to do? Then he comes up with the perfect solution--a traveling library! He buys two donkeys--Alfa and Beto--and travels with them throughout the land, bringing books and reading to the children in faraway villages. **(easy 020.92 Wi)**