

SLCUSD IMC - Literature Circle Titles

| Title/Author | Genre / Subject | Summary | F & P | Lexile | AR Lvl | Resources | Grade | IMC Stock |
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| Adventures of Taxi Dog / Barracca | Poetry, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | A stray dog in New York City is adopted by a taxi driver, with whom he thereafter rides and shares adventures each day. | E | NP | 3.0 | | 1-2 | 17 |
| All About Sam / Lowry | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | The adventures of Sam, Anastasia Krupnik's younger brother, from newborn through toddler. | O | 670 | 4.0 | | 4-6 | 19 |
| Alabama Moon / Key | Orphans, wilderness survival, bullies | After the death of his father, ten-year-old Moon Blake is removed from the Alabama forest where he was raised and sent to a boy's home, where, for the first time, he has contact with the outside world and learns about friendship, love, and humanity | V | 720 | 4.1 | RT & TG | 5-8 | 10 |
| Amazing Grace / Hoffman | Realistic Contemporary Fiction | Although classmates say that she cannot play Peter Pan in the school play because she is black and a girl, Grace discovers that she can do anything she sets her mind to do. | J | 680 | 3.5 | BLM | 2-3 | 7 |
| Amber on the Mountain / Johnston | Realistic Fiction | With the help of a girl from the city, a country girl learns how to read and write. | P | 480 | 3.0 | | 3-4 | 20 |
| Are You My Mother? / Seuss | Birds | A little bird asks animals, planes, and boats, "Are you my mother?" until he finds his own mother. | I | BR | 1.6 | | K-3 | 13 |
| Babe / King-Smith | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | A piglet destined for eventual butchering arrives at the farmyard, is adopted by an old sheep dog, and discovers a special secret to success. | R | 1040 | 5.6 | TG | 5-6 | 18 |
| Balto and the Great Race / Kimmel | Sled Dogs, Balto, Alaska | Recounts how the sled dog Balto saved Nome, Alaska, in 1925 from a diphtheria epidemic by delivering medicine through a raging snowstorm. | P | 870 | 6.3 | | 2-4 | 10 |
| Barn Dance / Martin | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | Unable to sleep on the night of a full moon, a young boy follows the sound of music across the fields and finds an unusual barn dance in progress. | L | NP | 3.4 | TG | 1-3 | 20 |
| Beauty / Wallace | Animal, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | Unhappy about his parents splitting up and moving with his mother to Grandpa's farm, 11 year-old Luke finds comfort in riding and caring for a horse named Beauty. | V | 660 | 4.0 | | 4-5 | 13 |
| Best School Year Ever / Robinson | Humor | The six horrible Herdmans, the worst kids in the history of the world, cause mayhem throughout the year. | P | 1020 | 5.4 | | 5-6 | 18 |
| Cat in the Hat / Seuss | Stories in Rhyme, Cats | Two children sitting at home on a rainy day are visited by the Cat in the Hat who shows them some tricks and games. | J | 260 | 1.6 | | K - 3 | 24 |
| Cat in the Hat Comes Back / Seuss | Stories in Rhyme, Cats | Further mischief of the cat in the hat, who upsets the household again. | K | 320 | 2.1 | | 1-3 | 6 |
| Chato's Kitchen / Soto | Animal Fantasy, Humor | To get to the "ratoncitos". Little mice who have moved into the barrio, to come to his house, Chato the cat prepares all kinds of good food. | P | 740 | 3.6 | | 1-3 | 6 |
| Chester's Way / Henkes | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | Chester and Wilson share the same exact way of doing things, until Lilly moves into the neighborhood and shows them that new ways can be just as good. | M | 570 | 3.4 | | 1-3 | 15 |
| Chrysanthemum / Henkes | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | Chrysanthemum loves her name, until she starts going to school and the other children make fun of it. | L | 460 | 3.3 | BLM | K-3 | 6 |

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| Clementine / Pennypacker | Friendship, Family life, Schools, | While sorting through difficulties in her friendship with her neighbor Margaret, eight-year-old Clementine gains several unique hairstyles while also helping her father in his efforts to banish pigeons from the front of their apartment building. | Q | 790 | 4.5 | RT CYRM Book | 3-5 | 9 |
| Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs / Barrett | Food | Life is delicious in the town of Chewandswallow where it rains soup and juice, snows mashed potatoes, and blows storms of hamburgers--until the weather takes a turn for the worse. | M | 730 | 4.3 | TG | K-3 | 8 |
| Cow Who Wouldn't come Down, The / Johnson | Animal, Humor, | Miss Rosemary tries everything to coax her flying cow Gertrude down from the sky. | M | 580 | 3.6 | | K-3 | 8 |
| Crash / Spinelli | Friendship, Family life, Bullying | Seventh-grader John "Crash" Coogan has always been comfortable with his tough, aggressive behavior, until his relationship with an unusual Quaker boy and his grandfather's stroke make him consider the meaning of friendship and the importance of family. | V | 560 | 3.6 | | 5-9 | 6 |
| Curious George / Rey | Monkeys | While sorting through difficulties in her friendship with her neighbor Margaret, eight-year-old Clementine gains several unique hairstyles while also helping her father in his efforts to banish pigeons from the front of their apartment building. | K | 580 | 2.6 | | K-3 | 7 |
| Dabble Duck / Ellis | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | A lonesome pet duck finally solves her own problem by befriending a bedraggled dog. | K | 530 | NA | | 1-2 | 16 |
| Dark is Rising / Cooper | Science Fiction, Fantasy | On his 11th birthday Will Stanton discovers that he is the last of the Old Ones, destined to seek the six magical Signs that will enable the Old Ones to triumph over the evil forces of the Dark. | X | 920 | 6.2 | TG | 5-6 | 11 |
| Day that Henry Cleaned His Room / Wilson | Fantasy, Humor | When Henry cleans his room, he attracts the attention of reporters, scientists, the army, and something long and green and scaly that lives under Henry's bed. | ? | 560 | NA | | 1-3 | 11 |
| Desdemona - Twelve Going on Desperate / Keller | Realistic Fiction, Humor | Calamity stalks a seventh grader in the form of social disasters, and throughout it all, to her embarrassment, she keeps running into the most attractive boy in school. | NR | 840 | 5.0 | | 6 | 20 |
| Different Dragons / Little | Realistic Contemporary Fiction | While visiting his Aunt Rose on the farm, Ben receives a big Labrador retriever as an unexpected birthday present. How can Ben tell her he is afraid of his new dog? | O | 530 | 3.7 | | 4-6 | 22 |
| Dollhouse Murders / Wright | Mystery | A dollhouse filled with a ghostly light and dolls that move lead Amy and her developmentally disabled sister to unravel the mystery surrounding grisly murders that took place years ago. | S | 670 | 4.3 | | 5-6 | 14 |
| Don't Fidget a Feather / Silverman | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | Their contest to decide who is the champion of champions almost has disastrous consequences for Gander and Duck. | J | 450 | 2.3 | | 1-2 | 15 |
| Dr. Seuss's ABC / Seuss | Alphabet | An alphabet book filled with funny creatures. | P | NP | 2.1 | | K-3 | 8 |
| Ella Enchanted / Levine | Fantasy | In this novel based on the story of Cinderella, Ella struggles against the childhood curse that forces her to obey any order given to her. | U | 670 | 4.6 | TG | 6 | 12 |

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| Fantastic Mr. Fox / Dahl | Foxes, Farmers | Three farmers, each one meaner than the other, try all-out warfare to get rid of the fox and his family. | P | 600 | 4.1 | TG | 3-6 | 13 |
| Firetalking / Polacco | Autobiography, Author | The author describes how she began writing and the technique that defines her style. | M | 770 | 4.3 | | 3-4 | 21 |
| Flip-Flop Girl / Patterson | Realistic Contemporary Fiction | Uprooted following the death of their father, 9-year-old Vinnie and her 5-year-old brother, Mason, cope in different ways. | NR | 720 | 4.6 | TG | 4-6 | 15 |
| Frida Maria / Lattimore | Multi-Cultural, Tales Cultural | Because she does not sew, cook, or dance like a "proper senorita," Frida cannot please her mother until she saves the day at the fiesta with her special talent. | M | 620 | 3.3 | TG | 3-4 | 20 |
| Friends / Heine | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | The adventures of Charlie Rooster, Johnny Mouse, and fat Percy the pig on the farm. | K | AD 670 | 3.2 | | 1-3 | 19 |
| Fudge-a-Mania / Blume | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | Pete describes the family vacation in Maine with the Tubmans, highlighted by the antics of his younger brother Fudge. | Q | 490 | 3.3 | TG RT | 4-5 | 16 |
| Gathering of days: New England girl's journal, 1830-32, A / Blos | Newbery award, New Hampshire, Journals, Historical fiction | The journal of a 14-year-old girl, kept the last year she lived on the family farm, records daily events in her small New Hampshire town, her father's remarriage, and the death of her best friend. | U | 960 | 6.7 | | 5-7 | 6 |
| Giving Tree, The / Silverstein | Trees, Love, Generosity | A young boy grows to manhood and old age experiencing the love and generosity of a tree which gives to him without thought of return. | J | 530 | 2.6 | | 1-5 | 11 |
| Go, dog, go / Eastman | Dogs | Some dogs drive cars, others have parties in treetops. | E | BR | 1.4 | | K-2 | 7 |
| Green eggs and ham / Seuss | Stories in Rhyme | In verse, Sam-I-am tells of the virtues of green eggs and ham. | J | 30 | 2.2 | | K-3 | 14 |
| Good Night, Good Knight / Thomas | Humor, Fantasy | A Good knight helps three little dragons who are having trouble getting to sleep. | K | 50 | 2.1 | TG RT | K-3 | 7 |
| Harry's Mad / King-Smith | Animal, Humor, Mystery, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | Harry's legacy from his great-uncle, a talking parrot, proves to be a much more exciting gift than he ever imagined. | Q | 840 | 4.8 | | 5-6 | 16 |
| Hazel Rye / Cleaver | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | An 11-year-old girl, with no appreciation for land and growing things, finds her values beginning to change when she agrees to let an impoverished family live in a small house she owns, in exchange for working in the surrounding orange grove. | NR | NA | NA | | 5-6 | 16 |
| Hello, My Name is Scrambled Eggs / Gilson | Humor, Multi-Cultural | When his folks host a Vietnamese family that has come to settle in their town, Harvey tries to Americanize twelve-year-old Tuan. | R | 730 | 4.0 | | 4-5 | 12 |

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| High-Wire Henry / Calhoun | Animal, Fantasy | Although Henry the cat learns tightrope walking only to impress the humans in his family, his skill comes in handy when their puppy gets stranded on a high ledge. | N | 450 | NA | | 2-4 | 16 |
| Hog-Eye / Meddaugh | Animal, Fantasy, Reading, Humor | A young pig uses her ability to read to outwit a wolf that intends to eat her | L | 540 | 3.1 | TG | K-3 | 9 |
| Hoot / Hiaasen | Newbery medal, burrowing owl, environmental protection, Florida | Roy, who is new to his small Florida community, becomes involved in another boy's attempt to save a colony of burrowing owls from a proposed construction site. | W | 760 | 5.2 | | 5-7 | 6 |
| Horace and Morris but mostly Dolores / Howe | Animal, Humor, Realistic Fiction, Friendship | Three mice friends learn that the best clubs include everyone. | N | AD 410 | 2.6 | TG | K-3 | 8 |
| Horton Hears a Who / Seuss | Animals, Stories in Rhyme | Horton the elephant goes to great trouble to protect some very small creatures who make their home on a speck of dust. | ? | 490 | 3.8 | | K-3 | 6 |
| Hot and Cold Summer / Hurwitz | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | Two inseparable 10-year-old boys discover there is room in their friendship for another person and it really doesn't matter that she's a girl. | ? | 640 | 4.2 | | 4-6 | 14 |
| Hot-Air Henry / Calhoun | Animal, Fantasy | A sassy Siamese cat stows away on a hot-air balloon and ends up taking a fur-raising flight across the mountains. | O | AD 530 | 3.6 | TG | 2-4 | 22 |
| How My Parent's Learned to Eat / Friedman | Humor, Multi-Cultural | An American sailor courts a Japanese girl and each tries, in secret, to learn the other's way of eating. | M | 450 | 2.9 | TG | 2-4 | 18 |
| Imogene's Antlers / Small | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | One Thursday Imogene wakes up with a pair of antlers growing out of her head and causes a sensation wherever she goes. | L | AD 640 | 2.6 | TG | 1-3 | 11 |
| Jeremiah Learns to Read / Bogart | Realistic Contemporary Fiction, Literacy | Elderly Jeremiah decides that it is finally time to learn to read. | K | AD 420 | 3.1 | | 3-5 | 21 |
| Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher / Coville | Fantasy, Mystery | Small for his age but artistically talented, 12-year-old Jeremy Thatcher unknowingly buys a dragon's egg. | NR | 710 | 4.9 | TG | 5-6 | 7 |
| Jim Ugly / Fleischman | Animal, Fantasy, Humor, Mystery | The adventures of 12-year-old Jake and Jim Ugly, his father's part-mongrel, part-wolf dog, as they travel through the Old West trying to find out what really happened to Jake's actor father. | O | 710 | 4.3 | | 5-6 | 16 |
| Julius, the Baby of the World / Henkes | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | Lilly is convinced that the arrival of her new baby brother is the worst thing that has happened in their house, until Cousin Garland comes to visit. | K | 460 | 3.0 | TG RT | 1-3 | 19 |
| Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business / Park | Babies, brothers and sisters, Kindergarten, School | Through a misunderstanding, Junie B. thinks that her new baby brother is really a baby monkey, and her report of this news creates excitement and trouble in her kindergarten class. | M | 410 | 3.3 | TG | 1-4 | 7 |

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| Junie B. Jones and that Meanie Jim's Birthday / Park | Kindergarten, School, Behaviors, Grandfathers | Junie B. is very upset when a boy in her class plans to invite everyone except her to his birthday party, but her grandfather helps her deal with the situation. | M | 370 | 2.1 | TG | 1-4 | 8 |
| Junie B. Jones and the Stupid Smelly Bus / Park | Kindergarten, School, School Buses | In her own words, a young girl describes her feelings about starting kindergarten and what she does when she decides not to ride the bus home. | M | 380 | 3.3 | TG | 1-4 | 10 |
| Legend of the Lady Slipper | Folklore - Ojibwe Indians | In this retelling of an Ojibwe tale, a girl's act of bravery to save her family leads to the appearance in the world of the delicate and tender flower called the lady's slipper. | M | AD 610 | 4.6 | | 3-4 | 21 |
| Lemonade war, The / Davies | Siblings, Money making projects, lemonade, Arithmetice | Evan and his younger sister, Jesse, react very differently to the news that they will be in the same class for fourth grade and as the end of summer approaches, they battle it out through lemonade stands, each trying to be the first to earn 100 dollars. Includes mathematical calculations and tips for running a successful lemonade stand. | ? | 630 | 4.1 | | 4-6 | 6 |
| Letter from Phoenix Farm | Autobiography - Author | An autobiographical account by author Jane Yolen about how her daily life and writing process are interwoven. | O | NA | 4.0 | | 3-5 | 22 |
| Lightening Thief, The / Riordan | Gods and Goddesses, Greek Mythology, Camp, School | Percy, expelled from six schools for being unable to control his temper, learns the truth from his mother that his father is the Greek god Poseidon, and is sent to Camp Half Blood where he is befriended by a satyr and the demigod daughter of Athena who join him in a journey to the Underworld to retrieve Zeus's lightning bolt and prevent a catastrophic war. | S | 740 | 4.7 | TG | 4-6 | 15 |
| Lorax, The / Seuss | Pollution, Stories in Rhyme | The Once-ler describes the results of the local pollution problem | ? | 560 | 3.5 | | | 9 |
| Magic Tree House: Dinosaurs Before Dark / Osborne | Time Travel, Dinosaurs, Magic, Tree House | Eight year old Jack and his sister Annie find a magic tree house that whisks them back to the time of the dinosaurs . | M | 240 | 2.6 | TG | K-3 | 20 |
| Magic Tree House: Dolphins at Daybreak /Osborne | Time Travel, Dolphins, Magic, Tree House | The magic tree house takes Jack and Annie on an ocean adventure to solve and ancient riddle. | M | 350 | 2.2 | TG | K-3 | 6 |
| Magic Tree House: Eve of the Emperor Penguin / Osborne | Time travel, Magic, Tree house, Penguins, Antarctica | Jack and Annie continue to try helping Merlin the magician by searching for the secrets of happiness, and their magic tree house takes them to Antarctica, a wasteland where the penguins may know what to do. | M | 530 | 3.7 | | 1-3 | 6 |
| Magic Tree House: Lions At Lunchtime / Osborne | Time Travel, Lions, Magic, Tree House | The magic tree house takes Jack and Annie to Africa, where they meet wild animals, a very hungry warrior and where they solve a riddle. | M | 370 | 3.0 | TG | K-3 | 7 |
| Magic Tree House: Night of the Ninjas / Osborne | Time Travel, Ninjas, Magic, Tree House | The magic tree house takes Jack and Annie back in time to Feudal Japan to learn the ways of the Ninja. | M | 280 | 2.7 | TG | K-3 | 8 |
| Magic Tree House: Pirates Past Noon / | Pirates, Time Travel, Magic, | The magic tree house whisks Jack and Annie back to the days of deserted islands, secret maps, hidden gold, and nasty pirates. | M | 290 | 2.2 | TG | K-3 | 6 |

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| Osborne | Tree House | | | | | | | |
| Magic Tree House: Polar Bears Past Bedtime / Osborne | Time Travel, Polar Bears, Magic, Tree House, Arctic | Their Magic Tree House takes Jack and Annie to the Arctic, where a polar bear leads them on to very thin ice. | M | 440 | 2.2 | TG | K-3 | 7 |
| Martha Speaks / Meddaugh | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | Problems arise when Martha, the family dog, learns to speak after eating alphabet soup. | K | 420 | 3.1 | TG | 2-4 | 20 |
| Martin's Mice / King-Smith | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | A farm cat who doesn't want to catch mice keeps a family of them as pets in the barn; but then he is given away to a townswoman and acquires a new perspective. | P | 770 | 4.5 | | 5-6 | 17 |
| Math Curse / Scieszka | Humor, Mathematics, School Stories | When the teacher tells her class that they can think of almost everything as a math problem, one student acquires a math anxiety which becomes a real curse. | P | 560 | 3.7 | BLM | K-3 | 8 |
| Midwife's apprentice, The / Cushman | Newbery award, Middle Ages, Midwives, Historical fiction | In medieval England, a nameless, homeless girl is taken in by a sharp-tempered midwife, and in spite of obstacles and hardship, eventually gains the three things she most wants: a full belly, a contented heart, and a place in this world. | X | 1240 | 6.0 | | 5-7 | 10 |
| Miss Daisy is Crazy / Gutman | School stories, humor, teachers | Miss Daisy's unusual teaching methods surprise the second grade students, especially reluctant learner A.J. | L | 700 | 5.0 | TG | 3-6 | 6 |
| Mr. Popper's Penguins / Atwater | Humorous Stories | Mr. Popper trains his band of penguins to star in a vaudeville tour. | Q | 910 | 5.6 | TG | 4-5 | 21 |
| Music of Dolphins / Hesse | Fantasy | Raised by a marine family of dolphins, a feral girl, reintroduced into human society, tells this thought-provoking tale. | V | 560 | 3.4 | | 4-6 | 10 |
| My Writing Day / Adler | Autobiography - Author | This fiction and non-fiction author describes his life and his creative process. | O | NA | 4.4 | | 3-5 | 21 |
| Napping House / Wood | Fantasy, Humor | In this cumulative tale, a wakeful flea atop a number of sleeping creatures causes a commotion, with just one bite. | I | NP | 2.8 | | 1-3 | 21 |
| Never Spit on Your Shoes / Cazet | Fantasy, Humor | First grader Arnie tells his mother about his tiring first day at school, while the illustrations reveal the mayhem he is leaving out of his account. | J | 280 | 2.0 | | 1-2 | 9 |
| Night of the Twisters / Ruckman | Realistic Contemporary Fiction | A fictional account of the night freakish and devastating tornados hit Grand Island, Nebraska, as experienced by a 12-year-old, his family and friends. | U | 790 | 4.7 | | 4-5 | 15 |
| Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade / DeClements | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | A 5th grade class, repelled by the overweight new student who has serious home problems, finally learns to accept her. | R | 600 | 3.7 | | 5-6 | 19 |
| Not-just-anybody Family / Byars | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | With a younger brother in the hospital, a grandfather in jail, and their mother traveling with a rodeo, Maggie and Vern try to settle family problems. | O | 690 | 4.6 | | 4-5 | 16 |

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| Number the Stars / Lowry | Historical Fiction - WWII, Denmark | In 1943, during the German occupation of Denmark, 10-year-old Annemarie learns how to be brave and courageous when she helps shelter her Jewish friend from the Nazis. | U | 670 | 4.5 | TG | 5-6 | 11 |
| Oh, the Places You'll Go / Seuss | Success, Stories in Rhyme | Advice in rhyme for proceeding in life; weathering fear, loneliness, and confusion; and being in charge of your actions. | P | 600 AD | 3.2 | TG | K-6 | 12 |
| Ollie Forgot / Arnold | Historical Fiction, Humor | Ollie's rather unreliable memory, which loses whatever he has in mind whenever he hears something new, causes him all kinds of trouble on the way to the market. | ? | 620 | NA | RT TG | 3-4 | 9 |
| On My Honor / Baur | Realistic Contemporary Fiction | A 12-year-old boy must learn to live with fear and grief when his swimming partner drowns. | S | 750 | 4.7 | TG | 5-6 | 11 |
| On the Bus with Joanna Cole / Cole | Autobiography - Author | Illustrated biography of the "Magic School Bus" creator. | ? | NC 1050 | 5.8 | | 4-6 | 22 |
| Once There was a Bullfrog / Walton | Animal Fiction | A bullfrog in the Old West loses his hop in this lively tale where each page must be turned to complete the previous image. | ? | NA | 1.7 | | 2-3 | 7 |
| Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great / Blume | Self Acceptance, Friendship | A summer in Tarrytown, N.Y., is a lot of fun for ten-year-old Sheila even though her friends make her face up to some self-truths she doesn't want to admit. | R | 590 | 4.2 | TG | 4-6 | 6 |
| Out of the Dust / Hesse | Historical Fiction - Depression era, Oklahoma | In a series of poems, 15-year-old Billie Jo relates the hardships of living on her family's wheat farm in Oklahoma during the dust bowl years of the Depression. | X | NP | 5.3 | | 5-6 | 11 |
| Patchwork Quilt / Floumoy | Humor, Tales Cultural | Using scraps cut from the family's old clothing, Tanya helps her grandmother make a beautiful quilt that tells the story of her family's life. | M | AD 520 | 3.7 | | 3-4 | 17 |
| Racing the Sun / Pitts | Realistic, Tales Cultural | For 12-year-old Brandon, being different was painful... until he learned that being Indian was being proud. | ? | 720 | 4.4 | TG RT | 5-6 | 23 |
| Rechenka's Eggs / Polacco | Animal, Fantasy, Tales Cultural | An injured goose rescued by Babushka lays 13 marvelously colored eggs, then leaves behind one final miracle in egg form before returning to her own kind. | N | AD 780 | 4.0 | | 1-3 | 21 |
| Round Trip / Jonas | Fantasy | Through B & W illustrations the reader takes a trip to the city, where he turns the books around and returns to the country. | K | 330 | 1.9 | | 1-3 | 14 |
| School Story, The / Clements | Authorship, Publishers and Publishing, Schools | After twelve-year-old Natalie writes a wonderful novel, her friend Zoe helps her devise a scheme to get it accepted at the publishing house where Natalie's mother works as an editor. | R | 760 | 5.2 | CYRM Handbook | 4-6 | 8 |
| Signmaker's Assistant / Arnold | Fantasy, Humor | A young signmaker's apprentice dreams of having his own shop but creates havoc when he is left in charge by himself. | L | AD 550 | NA | | 2-4 | 17 |
| Sneetches and Other Stories, The / Seuss | Fantasy, Stories in Rhyme, | Presents four humorous verse fantasies: "The Sneetches," "The Zax," "The Many Daves," and "What was I scared of?" | ? | NP | 3.5 | TG | 1-3 | 6 |
| Space Case / Marshall | Fantasy, Humor | When the thing from outer space visits earth, it is taken first for a trick-or-treater and then for a robot. | J | 430 | 2.8 | | 1-3 | 16 |

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| Stellaluna / Cannon | Animal, Fantasy, Science | After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is united with her mother. | N | 550 | 3.5 | TG | 2-3 | 15 |
| Strider / Cleary | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | In a series of diary entries, Leigh tells how he comes to terms with his parents' divorce and joins the track team at school. | R | 840 | 4.8 | | 4-6 | 18 |
| Superfudge / Blume | Brothers, Family Life, Humor | Peter describes the highs and lows of life with his younger brother, Fudge. | Q | 560 | 4.2 | | 4-6 | 6 |
| Tale of Despereaux, The / DiCamillo | Newbery Aware, Mice, Princesses, Fairy Tales | The adventures of Despereaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin. | U | 670 | 4.7 | TG | 4-6 | 6 |
| Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing / Blume | Brothers, Family Life, Humor | Peter finds his demanding two-year-old brother an ever increasing problem. | Q | 470 | 3.3 | TG | 4-6 | 6 |
| Ten Apples Up On Top / LeSieg | Counting, Animals, Stories in Rhyme | A lion, a dog, and a tiger balance apples on their heads | J | NA | NA | TG | K-3 | 6 |
| Thank You, Mr. Falker / Polacco | Autobiographical Incident, Literacy | After recognizing Trisha's incredible artistic ability and her problem with reading, Mr. Falker takes the time to lead her to the magic of reading. | M | AD 650 | 4.1 | BLM | 2-4 | 24 |
| Three-Legged Cat, The / Mahy | Animal, Fantasy, Humor | A tale of the strangest case of mistaken identity and the most unlikely allies, when a three-legged cat, a short-sighted widow, and a drifter make each others dreams come true. | ? | 650 | NA | | K-3 | 8 |
| Tommy at the Grocery Store / Grossman | Animal, Fantasy, Humor, Poetry | Tommy, the pig, is mistaken for items in a grocery store until his mother comes to the rescue. | K | 520 | NA | | 1-2 | 16 |
| Tornado /Byars | Dogs, Tornados | As they wait out a tornado in their storm cellar, a family listens to their farmhand tell stories about the dog that was blown into his life by another tornado when he was a boy. | O | 500 | 3.2 | | 3-5 | 6 |
| Trading Game / Slote | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | During a summer of baseball and baseball card trading, 11-year-old Andy makes discoveries about his father, his grandfather, who played professional baseball, and himself. | S | 520 | 3.3 | RT | 4-6 | 18 |
| True Story of the Three Little Pigs The /Scieszka | Fairy Tale, Humor, Fiction | The wolf gives his own outlandish version of what happened when he tangled with the three little pigs. | Q | AD 570 | 3.0 | | K-3 | 6 |
| True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle / Avi | Historical Fiction - 1832 Trans-Atlantic Voyage | As the lone "young lady" on a transatlantic voyage in 1832, Charlotte learns that the captain is murderous and the crew rebellious. | V | 740 | 5.3 | TG | 5-6 | 10 |
| Tuck Everlasting / Babbitt | Fantasy | Mysterious story of the Tuck family; how they drink from a magical spring and suffer the pangs of eternal youth. | V | 770 | 5.0 | TG | 5-6 | 12 |
| Two Bad Ants / Van Allsburg | Animal, Fantasy, Humor and Historical Fiction | When two bad ants desert from their colony, they experience a dangerous adventure that convinces them to return to their former safety. | P | 780 | 4.7 | TG RT | 2-3 | 15 |
| Ugly Vegetables, The / Lin | Multicultural Fiction, Gardening | A little girl thinks her mother's garden is the ugliest in the neighborhood until she discovers that flowers might look and smell pretty byt Chinese vegetable soup smells best of all. | L | 390 | 3.1 | BLM RT | K-3 | 9 |

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| Underneath, The / Appelt | Newbery award, Survival, Dogs, Cats, Bayous | An old hound that has been chained up at his hateful owner's run-down shack, and two kittens born underneath the house, endure separation, danger, and many other tribulations before they finally end up reunited and free. | ? | 830 | 5.2 | | 5-8 | 6 |
| Upstairs Room / Reiss | Historical Fiction - WWII, Holland | Story of a Jewish girl, hunted by the Nazis, who takes refuge with a Gentile family in wartime Holland. | NR | 380 | 2.9 | TG | 4-6 | 10 |
| Velma Gratch and the Way Cool Butterfly / Madison | Butterfly, School stories, sisters | First grade does not go very well for Velma, whose older sisters were practically perfect students, until her class takes a trip to a butterfly conservatory and a monarch butterfly demands to be her friend. | ? | 750 AD | 4.1 | TG RT | K-3 | 12 |
| War With Grandpa / Smith | Humor, Realistic Contemporary Fiction | Upset that he has to give up the room he loves to his grandfather, Pete decides to declare war in an attempt to get it back. | S | 640 | 3.9 | | 3-5 | 14 |
| What happened to Patrick's Dinosaurs / Carrick | Fantasy | Fascinated with dinosaurs, Patrick invents an imaginary explanation of why they became extinct. | P | 370 | 2.7 | | 1-3 | 18 |
| Willie and Max: A Holocaust Story (PBOR) / Littlesugar | Jews, Holocaust, Friendship, Painting, Historical Fiction | In Belgium during World War II, Willy becomes friends with Max and his Jewish family, and although they become separated, they remain related by a bond of friendship and a special painting. | ? | 610 AD | 3.3 | TG RT | 4-6 | 10 |
| Whipping Boy / Fleischman | Historical Fiction- Middle Ages | A bratty prince and his whipping boy have many adventures when they inadvertently trade places after becoming involved with dangerous outlaws. | R | 570 | 3.9 | | 4-6 | 11 |
| Yertle the Turtle and Other Stories / Seuss | Stories in Rhyme | Contains three modern fables in verse: "Yertle the turtle," "Gertrude McFuzz," and "The big brag." | ? | 520 | NA | | K-3 | 7 |
| Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze / Lewis | Historical Fiction - China 1920's | A young boy leaves the Chinese countryside to live and work in a large city, where he has many adventures while growing into manhood. | NR | 890 | 6.4 | | 5-6 | 11 |