



# 2019-20 Reading Academy

Dive into reading with our reading academy series at South Central Service Cooperative Conference Center! Select one of the reading lists, enjoy reading through the books and submit an online review (2–3 sentences) for each book you read. Then convene on Dec. 13, 2019 (Word Analysis) and/or June 10, 2020 (Increasing Reading Motivation) for a full day of networking, best practices, book discussions and literacy resources.

## Benefits to Participants:

- Read and discuss many new books
- Earn 25 continuing education credits by completing a reading list and attending the workshop
- Network with fellow colleagues – share ideas and book discussions
- Learn about literary and literacy resources
- Enjoy a fun-packed day of activities

To receive appropriate credit hours and certificate of completion, participants are required to fulfill the requirements on their selected reading list and provide their reaction to the book and how it could be used in the library or classroom setting or incorporated into an activity. All reading reviews must be submitted no later than one week before the workshop date. To view reading lists and submit your reviews, visit [www.mnscsc.org/reading](http://www.mnscsc.org/reading)

**When:** Dec. 13, 2019 and/or June 10, 2020, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Where:** South Central Service Cooperative Conference Center, 2075 Lookout Drive, North Mankato, MN 56003

**Cost:** \$150/person

**Registration:** [www.mnscsc.org](http://www.mnscsc.org), click on “Events & Registration.”

**Questions?** Contact Mary Hillmann at [mhillmann@mnscsc.org](mailto:mhillmann@mnscsc.org)

*Reading lists come from the International Literacy Association Children, Teacher and Young Adult Choices. Please see the attached pages for reading list options.*

# Early Readers (Pre-K–2nd Grade) Book List

Read 30 of the following books or Reader's Choice and comment online about each book.

1. **8: An Animal Alphabet.** Elisha Cooper. Orchard/Scholastic.
2. **A Fine Dessert: Four Centuries, Four Families, One Delicious Treat.** Emily Jenkins. Ill. Sophie Blackall. Schwartz & Wade.
3. **A Nest Is Noisy.** Dianna Hutts Aston. Ill. Sylvia Long. Chronicle.
4. **Bubble Trouble.** Tom Percival. Bloomsbury USA Childrens.
5. **Charlie Plays Ball.** Ree Drummond. Ill. Diane deGroat. HarperCollins.
6. **Clark the Shark: Afraid of the Dark.** Bruce Hale. Ill. Guy Francis. HarperCollins.
7. **Flutter & Hum: Animal Poems/Aleteo y Zumbido: Poemas de Animales.** Julie Paschkis. Henry Holt.
8. **Fright Club. Ethan Long.** Bloomsbury USA Childrens.
9. **Get Out of My Bath! Nosy Crow.** Ill. Britta Teckentrup. Candlewick.
10. **How Do Dinosaurs Stay Safe?** Jane Yolen. Ill. Mark Teague. Blue Sky/Scholastic.
11. **I Am Henry Finch.** Alexis Deacon. Ill. Viviane Schwarz. Candlewick.
12. **If You Ever Want to Bring an Alligator to School, Don't!** Elise Parsley. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.
13. **I Really Like Slop!** Mo Willems. Disney-Hyperion.
14. **I Will Take a Nap!** Mo Willems. Disney-Hyperion.
15. **Janine.** Maryann Cocca-Leffler. Albert Whitman.
16. **Last Stop on Market Street.** Matt De La Peña. Ill. Christian Robinson. G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers.
17. **The Little Shop of Monsters.** R.L. Stine. Ill. Marc Brown. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.
18. **Marvelous Cornelius: Hurricane Katrina and the Spirit of New Orleans.** Phil Bildner. Ill. John Parra. Chronicle.
19. **Max the Brave.** Ed Vere. Sourcebooks Jabberwocky.
20. **Monkey and Duck Quack Up!** Jennifer Hamburg. Ill. Edwin Fotheringham. Scholastic.
21. **Monster Needs a Party.** Paul Czajak. Ill. Wendy Grieb. Mighty Media Kids.
22. **Mother Bruce.** Ryan T. Higgins. Disney-Hyperion.
23. **Must. Push. Buttons!** Jason Good. Ill. Jarrett Krosoczka. Bloomsbury USA Childrens.
24. **The Nuts: Sing and Dance in Your Polka-Dot Pants.** Eric Litwin. Ill. Scott Magoon. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.
25. **Pete the Cat and the Bedtime Blues.** James Dean and Kimberly Dean. Ill. James Dean. HarperCollins.
26. **Please, Mr. Panda.** Steve Antony. Scholastic.
27. **Ragweed's Farm Dog Handbook.** Anne Vittur Kennedy. Candlewick.
28. **Raindrops Roll.** April Pulley Sayre. Beach Lane.
29. **Rappy the Raptor.** Dan Gutman. Ill. Tim Bowers. HarperCollins.
30. **The Runaway Tortilla.** Eric A. Kimmel. Ill. Erik Brooks. Graphic Arts.
31. **Sick Simon.** Dan Krall. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers.
32. **The Sky Is Falling!** Mark Teague. Orchard/Scholastic.
33. **Stick and Stone.** Beth Ferry. Ill. Tom Lichtenheld. HMH Books for Young Readers.
34. **Ten Pigs: An Epic Bath Adventure.** Derek Anderson. Orchard/Scholastic.
35. **There's a Lion in My Cornflakes.** Michelle Robinson. Ill. Jim Field. Bloomsbury USA Childrens.
36. **To the Sea.** Cale Atkinson. Disney-Hyperion.
37. **Up In the Garden and Down in the Dirt.** Kate Messner. Ill. Christopher Silas Neal. Chronicle.
38. **Welcome to the Neighborhood.** Shawn Sheehy. Candlewick.

## Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to five of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2015.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

# Young Readers (Grades 3-4) Book List

Read 12 of the following books or Reader's Choice and comment online about each book.

1. ***Ancient Earth Journal: The Early Cretaceous: Notes, Drawings, and Observations From Prehistory.*** Juan Carlos Alonso and Gregory S. Paul. Quarto/Walter Foster Jr.
2. ***Animal Beauty.*** Kristin Roskifte. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers.
3. ***Animal Mouths.*** Mary Holland. Arbordale.
4. ***The Baby-Sitters Club: Kristy's Great Idea.*** Ann M. Martin. Ill. Raina Telgemeier. GRAPHIX/Scholastic.
5. ***Billy's Booger: A Memoir (Sorta).*** William Joyce. Atheneum Books for Young Readers.
6. ***The Boy Who Fell Off the Mayflower, or John Howland's Good Fortune.*** P.J. Lynch. Candlewick.
7. ***The Case for Loving.*** Selina Alko. Ill. Sean Qualls. Arthur A. Levine/Scholastic.
8. ***Claude in the Spotlight.*** Alex T. Smith. Peachtree.
9. ***The Crown Affair.*** Jeanie Franz Ransom. Ill. Stephen Axelsen. Charlesbridge.
10. ***Curious Critters: Marine.*** David FitzSimmons. Wild Iris.
11. ***Escape From the Lizzarks (Nnews).*** Doug TenNapel. GRAPHIX/Scholastic.
12. ***The Fantastic Ferris Wheel: The Story of Inventor George Ferris.*** Betsy Harvey Kraft. Ill. Steven Salerno. Henry Holt.
13. ***Firefly Hollow.*** Alison McGhee. Ill. Christopher Denise. Atheneum Books for Young Readers.
14. ***Fort.*** Cynthia DeFelice. Farrar Straus Giroux.
15. ***Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras.*** Duncan Tonatiuh. Harry N. Abrams.
16. ***Honey.*** Sarah Weeks. Scholastic.
17. ***I (Don't) Like Snakes.*** Nicola Davies. Ill. Luciano Lozano. Candlewick.
18. ***I'm Trying to Love Spiders.*** Bethany Barton. Viking Books for Young Readers.
19. ***I Wish You More.*** Amy Krouse Rosenthal. Ill. Tom Lichtenheld. Chronicle.
20. ***Lailah's Lunchbox: A Ramadan Story.*** Reem Faruqi. Ill. Lea Lyon. Tilbury House.
21. ***LEGO Awesome Ideas.*** Daniel Lipkowitz. DK Children.
22. ***Little Red Riding Hood: An Interactive Fairy Tale Adventure.*** Eric Braun. Ill. Mariano Epelbaum. Capstone.
23. ***The Lunch Witch.*** Deb Lucke. Papercutz.
24. ***Max Goes to Mars.*** Jeffrey Bennett. Ill. Alan Okamoto. Big Kid Science.
25. ***Meet the Dullards.*** Sara Pennypacker. Ill. Daniel Salmieri. Balzer + Bray.
26. ***Monkey and Elephant and a Secret Birthday Surprise.*** Carole Lexa Schaefer. Ill. Galia Bernstein. Candlewick.
27. ***Papa's Backpack.*** James Christopher Carroll. Sleeping Bear.
28. ***Painting for Peace in Ferguson.*** Carol Swartout Klein. Amphorae/Treehouse.
29. ***The Secret Galaxy.*** Fran Hodgkins. Ill. Mike Taylor. Tilbury House.
30. ***Slappy's Tales of Horror.*** R.L. Stine. Ill. Dave Roman and Various. GRAPHIX/Scholastic.
31. ***The Spider Ring.*** Andrew Harwell. Scholastic.
32. ***Star Wars Jedi Academy: The Phantom Bully.*** Jeffrey Brown. Scholastic.
33. ***Stella by Starlight.*** Sharon M. Draper. Atheneum Books for Young Readers.
34. ***Sunny Side Up.*** Jennifer L. Holm. Ill. Matthew Holm. GRAPHIX/Scholastic.
35. ***Swan: The Life and Dance of Anna Pavlova.*** Laurel Snyder. Ill. Julie Morstad. Chronicle.
36. ***Tucky Jo and Little Heart.*** Patricia Polacco. Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman.
37. ***W Is for Webster: Noah Webster and His American Dictionary.*** Tracey Fern. Ill. Boris Kulikov. Farrar Straus Giroux.
38. ***Wangari Maathai: The Woman Who Planted Millions of Trees.*** Franck Prévot. Ill. Aurélia Fronty. Charlesbridge.

## Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to three of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2015.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

# Middle Readers (Grades 5-6) Book List

Read 10 of the following books or Reader's Choice and write a comment online about each book.

1. **100 Things to Make You Happy.** Lisa M. Gerry. National Geographic Children's Books.
2. **A Night Divided.** Jennifer A. Nielsen. Scholastic.
3. **Baba Yaga's Assistant.** Marika McCoola. Ill. Emily Carroll. Candlewick.
4. **Backlash.** Sarah Darer Littman. Scholastic.
5. **Blackbird Fly.** Erin Entrada Kelly. Ill. Betsy Peterschmidt. Greenwillow.
6. **Bodie: The Town That Belongs to Ghosts.** Kevin Blake. Bearport.
7. **The Copper Gauntlet.** Holly Black and Cassandra Clare. Scholastic.
8. **Creepy Libraries.** Troy Taylor. Bearport.
9. **Echo.** Pam Muñoz Ryan. Scholastic.
10. **The Elementia Chronicles: Quest for Justice.** Sean Fay Wolfe. HarperCollins.
11. **The Enchanted Files: Diary of a Mad Brownie.** Bruce Coville. Random House Books for Young Readers.
12. **Faceless.** Alyssa Sheinmel. Scholastic.
13. **Flunked (Fairy Tale Reform School).** Jen Calonita. Sourcebooks Jabberwocky.
14. **Haunted Hollywood.** Dinah Williams. Bearport.
15. **Hilo Book 1: The Boy Who Crashed to Earth.** Judd Winick. Random House Books for Young Readers.
16. **House Arrest.** K.A. Holt. Chronicle.
17. **How to Speak Cat: A Guide to Decoding Cat Language.** Aline Alexander Newman and Gary Weitzman. National Geographic Children's Books.
18. **National Geographic Kids Almanac 2016.** National Geographic Children's Books.
19. **National Geographic Kids Brain Games.** Jennifer Swanson. National Geographic Children's Books.
20. **Percy Jackson's Greek Heroes.** Rick Riordan. Ill. John Rocco. Disney-Hyperion.
21. **Roanoke Island: The Town That Vanished.** Kevin Blake. Bearport.
22. **Roller Girl.** Victoria Jamieson. Dial.
23. **Sanjay and Craig #1: Fight the Future With Flavor.** Eric Esquivel. Ills. Ryan Jampole, Sam Spina, and James Kaminski. Papercutz.
24. **Saved by the Bell.** Joelle Sellner. Ill. Chynna Clugston-Flores and Tim Fish. IDW.
25. **The Secrets to Ruling School (Without Even Trying).** Neil Swaab. Harry N. Abrams.
26. **SENSEational Illusions.** DK Children.
27. **Strange but True!** DK Children.
28. **Super Shark Encyclopedia.** DK Children.
29. **The Tale of Rescue.** Michael J. Rosen. Ill. Stan Fellows. Candlewick.
30. **The Terrible Two.** Mac Barentt and Jory John. Ill. Kevin Cornell. Harry N. Abrams.
31. **Tom Gates: Everything's Amazing (Sort Of).** Liz Pichon. Candlewick.
32. **Untwine.** Edwidge Danticat. Scholastic.
33. **Voyagers: Project Alpha.** D.J. MacHale. Random House Books for Young Readers.
34. **What's Up In...The Amazon Rainforest.** Ginjer L. Clarke. Grosset & Dunlap.
35. **The Worst Class Trip Ever.** Dave Barry. Disney-Hyperion.

## Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to three of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2015.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

## Advanced Readers (Grades 6–8)

Read 6 of the following books or Reader's Choice and write a comment online about each book.

1. ***A Night Divided***. Jennifer A. Nielsen. Scholastic. ***The Boys in the Boat***. Daniel James Brown. Viking Books for Young Readers.
2. ***The Boys Who Challenged Hitler: Knud Pedersen and the Churchill Club***. Phillip Hoose. Farrar Straus Giroux.
3. ***The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind***. William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer. Ill. Elizabeth Zunon. Puffin.
4. ***Echo***. Pam Muñoz Ryan. Scholastic.
5. ***Fish in a Tree***. Lynda Mullaly Hunt. Nancy Paulsen.
6. ***Full Cicada Moon***. Marilyn Hilton. Penguin Young Readers/Dial Books for Young Readers.
7. ***Last in a Long Line of Rebels***. Lisa Lewis Tyre. Penguin Young Readers/Nancy Paulsen.
8. ***The Seventh Most Important Thing***. Shelley Pearsall. Knopf Books for Young Readers.
9. ***The War That Saved My Life***. Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Penguin Young Readers/Dial Books for Young Readers.

### Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to two of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2015.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

# Young Adult Book List

Read 6 of the following books or Reader's Choice and write a comment online about each book.

1. **All the Bright Places.** Jennifer Niven. Knopf Books for Young Readers.
2. **The Amazing Book Is Not on Fire: The World of Dan and Phil.** Dan Howell and Phil Lester. Random House Books for Young Readers.
3. **Apple and Rain.** Sarah Crossan. Bloomsbury USA Childrens.
4. **Backlash.** Sarah Darer Littman. Scholastic.
5. **Believarexic.** J.J. Johnson. Peachtree.
6. **Code of Honor.** Alan Gratz. Scholastic.
7. **The Dead Girls of Hysteria Hall.** Katie Alender. Scholastic.
8. **The Dead House.** Dawn Kurtagich. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.
9. **The Detour.** S.A. Bodeen. Feiwel & Friends.
10. **Drowned City: Hurricane Katrina and New Orleans.** Don Brown. HMH Books for Young Readers.
11. **Everything, Everything.** Nicola Yoon. Delacorte.
12. **Fairest: The Lunar Chronicles: Levana's Story.** Marissa Meyer. Square Fish.
13. **The Game of Love and Death.** Martha Brockenbrough. Arthur A. Levine.
14. **House Arrest.** K.A. Holt. Chronicle.
15. **Hunter.** Mercedes Lackey. Disney-Hyperion.
16. **I Am Princess X.** Cherie Priest. Ill. Kali Ciesemier. Arthur A. Levine.
17. **Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War.** Steve Sheinkin. Roaring Brook.
18. **Nimona.** Noelle Stevenson. HarperTeen.
19. **Orbiting Jupiter.** Gary D. Schmidt. Clarion.
20. **P.S. I Still Love You.** Jenny Han. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers.
21. **Read Between the Lines.** Jo Knowles. Candlewick.
22. **Red Queen.** Victoria Aveyard. HarperTeen.
23. **The Remedy.** Suzanne Young. Simon Pulse.
24. **Roller Girl.** Victoria Jamieson. Dial.
25. **The Rose Society.** Marie Lu. G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers.
26. **Saint Anything.** Sarah Dessen. Viking Books for Young Readers.
27. **Six of Crows.** Leigh Bardugo. Henry Holt.
28. **srsly Hamlet.** William Shakespeare and Courtney Carbone. Random House Books for Young Readers.
29. **Until Friday Night.** Abbi Glines. Simon Pulse.
30. **When.** Victoria Laurie. Disney-Hyperion.

## Reader's Choice:

You may substitute one of the titles with your choice. The choice must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2015.
- A non-fiction topic that is of interest to you and/or others.



# Professional Development Book List

*Don't work with K–12 students or in literacy? There's still reading for you! Choose two of the following books and submit a 2–3 paragraph reflection on each selection.*

1. **Mindset: The New Psychology of Success** By Carol S. Dweck (2006).
2. **The Smartest Kids in the World** By Amanda Ripley (2013).
3. **How Children Succeed: Grit, Curiosity, and the Hidden Power of Character** by Paul Tough (2013).
4. **Teach Like a Champion** By Doug Lemov (2010).
5. **Outliers: The Story of Success** By Malcolm Gladwell (2011).
6. **Visible Learning for Teachers** By John Hattie (2012).
7. **Focus: Elevating the Essentials to Radically Improve Student Learning (The Leadership & Learning Center)** By Mike Schmoker (2011).
8. **Pathways to the Common Core: Accelerating Achievement** By Lucy Calkins, Mary Ehrenworth and Christopher Lehman (2012).
9. **Effective Supervision Supporting the Art and Science of Teaching** By Robert Marzano, Tony Frontier, and David Livingston (2011).

## **Reader's Choice:**

You may substitute up to one of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2012.
- It addresses professional learning that is of interest to you and/or others