

NONFICTION

365: How to Count a Year E529.3 MIR

A playful and insightful look at concepts of numbers, time, and astronomy, using the calendar year as a starting point.

Blue E535.6 BRE

Where did blue come from? Discover the fascinating history of a single color through thousands of years and across the continents.

Stalactite and Stalagmite E551 BEC

Two tiny cave nubs share their experiences over millions of years as they grow into a stalactite and a stalagmite, "one tiny drip at a time."

A Gift of Dust E551.37 BRO

Follow a dust speck through time and across the planet to learn how a tiny mote of dust can have a huge impact on life on earth.

Dinosaurs from Head to Tail E567.9 ROD

Guess the dinosaur from just its teeth, tail, or claws, then turn the page and learn facts about the prehistoric species that gets revealed.

A Journey Under the Sea E577.78 FOS

Spectacular underwater photographs introduce the Great African Seaforest, home to whales, octopi, and other amazing creatures.

The Truth About Hippos E599.635 EAT

Can hippos swim? How big are their teeth? Find the truth in this book that mixes fascinating animal facts with fun illustrations.

Sky Boys: How They Built the Empire State Building E720.483 HOP

A ten-year-old boy and his father watch as the world's tallest building is constructed, from ground level all the way up to the 102nd story.

Ed Emberley's Great Thumbprint Drawing Book E741.2 EMB

Learn to draw silly spiders, fun fish, and all kinds of people, using just a pencil and your own thumbprint.

Alberto Salas Plays Paka Pajacon la Papa EB SALAS

Potatoes can change the world! Discover how in this illustrated biography of Alberto Sala, the Peruvian scientist and potato hunter.

MORE NONFICTION SERIES TO KNOW ABOUT:

Amazing Animals	Wild animal species
By the Numbers	Charts and statistics
David Elliot Poems	Nature/science poetry
Disgusting Critters	Fun creepy crawly facts
Gail Gibbons Books	Illustrated science facts
I'm Trying to Like...	Spiders, garbage, and more
Little People, Big Dreams	Illustrated short biographies
Our Universe	Astronomy facts and fun
Over and Under	Exploring habitats
Who Would Win?	Animal battles and facts

Ask a librarian or use the catalog to find nonfiction series titles.

GRADES 2 & 3

JUST RIGHT CHAPTER BOOKS

Stella and Marigold 1st J Barrows

Stella helps her younger sister Marigold learn about the world. Sometimes that leads to trouble, but mostly it's just plain fun.

The Bad Guys 1st J Blabey

Mr. Wolf, Mr. Snake, and the other Bad Guys decide that they want to be heroes for a change. But it's not as easy as it looks.

Bulldozer's Big Rescue 1st J Broach

A brother and sister meet their new neighbor who wants to play and be friends. He also happens to be a bulldozer.

The Story of Us 1st J Castillo

When Hedgehog's special friend disappears in a storm, she sets out to rescue him, making many kind animals along the way.

Cornbread and Poppy 1st J Cordell

Cornbread is a planner and a worker, while Poppy really loves to play! But these two mice are fast friends and share fun adventures.

Chicken Squad 1st J Cronin

No job is too big or small for these short, yellow, and fuzzy detectives who solve mysteries in their barnyard.

Leroy Ninker Saddles Up 1st J DiCamillo

Leroy's got everything a cowboy needs, except a horse. Until he meets Maybelline. First in the "Tales from Decakawoo Drive" series.

My Father's Dragon 1st J Gannett

Elmer Elevator travels to Wild Island to rescue a baby dragon. Can he outsmart the animals who are keeping it a prisoner?

The Princess in Black 1st J Hale

Princess Magnolia wears a dress and drinks tea, but when trouble comes, she turns into the Princess in Black, monster fighter!

Juana and Lucas 1st J Medina

Juana lives in Colombia and loves almost everything, including her family and her dog Lucas. But she hates learning English!

MORE 'JUST RIGHT' SERIES TO KNOW ABOUT:

Eerie Elementary	J Chabert
Mermaid Tales	J Dadey
Adventures of Sophie Mouse	J Green
Press Start	J Flintham
Diary of a Pug	J May
Magic Tree House	J Osborne
Kingdom of Wrenly	J Quinn
Time Warp Trio	J Scieszca
Geronimo Stilton	J Stilton
Dragon Masters	J West

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CHILDREN'S FICTION

Wishtree   **1st** J Applegate



An oak tree narrates this thoughtful story about how people in a peaceful neighborhood must figure out how to deal with hatred.

Year of the Book  **1st** J Cheng

A young Chinese-American girl navigates relationships with family, friends, and her fourth-grade classroom.

The Mouse & the Motorcycle   **1st** J Cleary

A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy and discovers the joys and perils of motorcycling.

The Puppets of Spelhorst   **1st** J DiCamillo

Five puppets live peacefully in a shop window, until an old sea captain takes them home, and their adventures begin.

Maybe Maybe Marisol Rainey **1st** J Kelly

Marisol, who gives names to everything from furniture to bicycles, decides to face her biggest fear: climbing a tree.

Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things **1st** J Look

Alvin Ho loves superheroes, but he's afraid of almost everything else, from girls and scary movies to show-and-tell.

Clementine  **1st** J Pennypacker


Third-grader Clementine has a kind heart and lots of clever ideas, most of which get her into some kind of trouble.

Knights vs. Dinosaurs  **1st** J Phelan

Four knights (and one squire) time-travel to prehistoric times where they must battle dinosaurs: not an easy thing to do.

Ways to Make Sunshine   **1st** J Watson

Though she faces fourth-grade challenges and changes to her family, Ryan always tries to find humor and fun in her days.

Stuart Little   J White

Stuart is an extraordinary mouse. Born to a human family, he leaves his New York City home to rescue his best friend, a bird.

MORE FICTION SERIES TO KNOW ABOUT:

<i>Unicorn Rescue Society</i>	J Gidwitz
<i>The Kids in Mrs. Z's Class</i>	J Kids
<i>Real Pigeons</i>	J McDonald
<i>Ranger in Time</i>	J Messner
<i>Time Twisters</i>	J Sheinkin
<i>Encyclopedia Brown</i>	J Sobol
<i>Legends of Lotus Island</i>	J Soontornvat
<i>Dragon Breath</i>	J Vernon
<i>Ellray Jakes</i>	J Warner
<i>Stick Dog</i>	J Watson

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GRAPHIC NOVELS

Peter & Ernesto: A Tale of Two Sloths **1st** J GN Annable

Two sloths live in a tree. Peter is happy to stay there forever. But what will he do if Ernesto leaves their home in search of adventure?

Noodleheads See the Future **S** J GN Arnold

The not-too-bright Noodleheads try to predict the future and get almost everything wrong, as usual. But in the end, they get cake!

Cabin Head and Tree Head **1st** J GN Campbell

One friend has a cabin on his head; one has a tree on his head. They have fun together and meet more friends with things on their heads.

Fashion Kitty **1st** J GN Fashion

After a stack of fashion magazines falls on Kiki Kitty's head, she turns into Fashion Kitty, a hero who helps other kitties dress better.

Guinea Pig: Hamster and Cheese **1st** J GN Guinea

Sasspants, a guinea pig, reluctantly agrees to act as a private investigator. Her first case: find the pet shop sandwich thief.

Gnome and Rat **1st** J GN Gnome

Gnome celebrates Hat Day, stretches out his hat, and then loses his hat. His friend Rat helps Gnome through each of his hat problems.

Kitten Construction Company **1st** J GN Kitten

The mayor of Mewburg wants a new mansion. Can Marmalade the kitten and her crew handle the job. Or are they just too cute?

Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea **1st** J GN Narwhal

Narwhal and his best friend Jelly are very different, but they both have great imaginations. Also: they both love waffles.

Pizza and Taco: Who's the Best **1st** J GN Pizza

Pizza and Taco are "best-besties," until the day they decide to have a contest to determine which of them is *really* the best.

Baloney and Friends **1st** J GN Pizzoli

Baloney the pig does silly magic tricks, jumps in the pool, and (when he's sad) gets cheered up by his best friend, Peanut the horse.

MORE GRAPHIC NOVEL SERIES TO KNOW ABOUT:

<i>Babymouse</i>	JGN Baby
<i>Beak & Ally</i>	JGN Beak
<i>Bird & Squirrel</i>	JGN Burks
<i>Duck & Moose</i>	JGN Duck
<i>Johnny Boo</i>	JGN Johnny
<i>Lunch Lady</i>	JGN Lunch
<i>Haylee and Comet</i>	JGN Marcero
<i>Pea, Bee, & Jay</i>	JGN Pea
<i>Pumpkin & Beetle</i>	JGN Pumpkin
<i>Toon Books</i>	JGN Toon

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