



K - 2nd Grades Summer Book List

***How to Make a Shark Smile: How a Positive Mindset Spreads Happiness* by Shaun Achor (E ANIMALS ACHOR 2020)**
Ripple the dolphin just moved to a new aquarium and is excited to make some friends! But as she swims around, she notices the water is still and quiet. Everyone's too afraid of a mean shark named Snark! Ripple is determined to show her new friends that they shouldn't be afraid—it's all about mindset. They can choose to be happy!

***Lobstah Gahden* by Alli Brydon (E ANIMALS BRYDON 2021)**

Walt is a proud lobstah whose greatest dream is winning the annual Swell Gahdens contest. But year after year that honor always goes to his chowdah-head neighbor Milton. One day, when heaps of gahbage show up in their yahds, the rival lobstahs must join forces to save their beloved gahdens from the trash floating down from above.

***Joy* by Corrinne Averiss (E ME AVERISS 2018)**

Fern's Nanna has not been herself of late. And when Mum remarks that all the joy seems to have gone out of her life, Fern decides to fetch the joy back. With her catching-kit at the ready, she goes to the park and finds joy in all sorts of unusual places. Whooooohh! But Fern soon realises that joy doesn't fit in a bag, or a box or a tin! How will she manage to bring some back to Nanna?

***Ada Twist, Scientist* by Andrea Beaty (E STEM BEATY)**

Ada has always been endlessly curious. Even when her fact-finding missions and elaborate scientific experiments don't go as planned, Ada learns the value of thinking her way through problems and continuing to stay curious.

***Samson: The Piranha Who Went To Dinner* by Tadgh Bentley (E ANIMALS BENTLEY)**

When not one but THREE new restaurants come to his corner of the sea, Samson can't wait to try them all. There's only one problem: With their big teeth and scary smiles, piranhas aren't really welcome anywhere, let alone in fancy restaurants. Can Samson make his dream come true—and still be himself?

***Jabari Jumps* by Gaia Cornwall (E ME CORNWALL)**

Jabari is definitely ready to jump off the diving board. "Looks easy," says Jabari, watching the other kids take their turns. But when his dad squeezes his hand, Jabari squeezes back. He needs to figure out what kind of special jump to do anyway, and he should probably do some stretches before climbing up onto the diving board

***Hooray for Fish* by Lucy Cousins (E ANIMALS COUSINS)**

Swim along with Little Fish and meet his many fishy friends in this splashy, splashy riot of color and rhyme under the sea. This eye-popping read-aloud is sure to have buoyant little ones shouting, "Hooray for fish!"

***Miss Smith Under the Ocean* by Michael Garland (E STORIES GARLAND)**

On a class trip to an aquarium, Miss Smith teaches a lesson about keeping the oceans clean by reading excerpts from stories in her magical book, featuring such characters as Captain Nemo and Robinson Crusoe.

***Three Little Fish And The Big Bad Shark* by Ken Geist (E TALES FOLK THREE LITTLE PIGS)**

"Little fish, little fish, let me come in." "Not by the skin of my finny fin fin!" "Then I'll munch, and I'll crunch, and I'll smash your house in!"

***Supertato* by Sue Hendra (E IMAGINE HENDRA 2020)**

Meet Supertato! He's always there for you when the chips are down. He's the superhero with eyes everywhere—and he's about to meet his arch nemesis.

***Are You the Pirate Captain?* by Gareth Jones (E IMAGINE JONES)**

First Mate Hugh has the whole crew and the pirate ship ready, but they can't set sail until they find a captain! Come on this swashbuckling adventure as Hugh and his scurvy seadogs try to find the perfect pirate for the job.

***Julián is a Mermaid* by Jessica Love (E ME LOVE)**

In an exuberant picture book, a glimpse of costumed mermaids leaves one boy flooded with wonder and ready to dazzle the world.

***Fluffy McWhiskers Cuteness Explosion* by Stephen Martin (E ANIMALS MARTIN 2021)**

Meet Fluffy—an adorable kitten. So adorable, in fact, that anyone who sees her will spontaneously explode into balls of sparkles and fireworks. KABOOM! Poof. Poor Fluffy doesn't want anyone to get hurt, but everything she tries, even a bad haircut, just makes her cuter! So Fluffy runs away someplace no one can find her.

***Sharky McShark* by Alison Murray (E ANIMALS MURRAY 2021)**

Sharky McShark is the meanest, most fearsome creature in the ocean. When she's around, the clownfish clear out, the flatfish flee, and even the rocks get out of her way. As the biggest bully in the sea, Sharky doesn't *think* she needs friends.

***The Mysterious Sea Bunny* by Peter Raymundo (E STEM RAYMUNDO 2021)**

Shh, we are about to observe the one-inch-long sea bunny as it journeys sloooooowly across the ocean floor! Along the way, we'll learn some interesting facts: how it crawls upside-down using slime, how it breathes through its... um... fluffy-looking backside, and why predators would be in for an unsavory surprise if they ever got ahold of it.

***Our Table* by Peter Reynolds (E ME REYNOLDS 2021)**

Violet longs for the time when her family was connected: before life, distractions, and technology pulled them all away from each other. They used to gather at the table, with food and love, to make memories, share their lives, and revel in time spent together. Can Violet remind her family of the warmth of time spent together, and gather around the table once more?

***How to Catch a Mermaid* by Adam Wallace (E IMAGINE WALLACE 2018)**

How do you catch a mermaid? You must be very clever. With mirrors, crowns, and pearls galore, this quest can't last forever!

***Lyric McKerrigan, Secret Librarian* by Jacob Weinstein Sager Weinstein (E STORIES WEINSTEIN)**

When an evil genius has a diabolical plan to destroy every book on the planet, who has the tome-toting page power to thwart his dastardly scheme? Lyric McKerrigan, Secret Librarian! She's got the gadgets. She's got the disguises. And she's always got the right book at the right time.

***Millions of Maxes* by Meg Wolitzer (E ME WOLITZER 2021)**

Max's parents call him The One and Only Max. And so, he is in for a big surprise at the playground one day, when he hears "Max, time to go home!" and two *other* kids come running. He's not the one and only after all! How many Maxes are in the world?! *Millions* of Maxes?

***Dive! A Book of Deep Sea Creatures* by Melvin Berger (EASY READER BERGER LEVEL 1)**

Bright photos capture an array of unique and unusual underwater creatures in this informative tale with questions and answers and fun-filled facts.

***Bugs at the Beach* by David Carter (EASY READER CARTER LEVEL 2)**

Bitsy Bee and Busy Bug take a trip to the beach to build sand castles, swim, and more!

***Clark the Shark Gets a Pet* by Bruce Hale (EASY READER HALE LEVEL 1)**

In this funny rhyming story, Clark the Shark is excited about his new pet, Lulu the dogfish. He can't wait to teach Lulu tricks and feed her lots of treats. But Clark discovers there's more to having a pet than he thought!

***Survivors: The Night the Titanic Sank* by Caryn Jenner (EASY READER JENNER LEVEL 3)**

Will Tate and his family set sail for America. But they are on board the Titanic, the "unsinkable" ship, which is heading for disaster!

***The Journey of a Humpback Whale* by Caryn Jenner (EASY READER JENNER LEVEL 3)**

Follows a humpback whale as he swims from the Caribbean Sea to the far north of the Atlantic Ocean.

***Pinkalicious and the Pirates* by Victoria Kann (EASY READER KANN LEVEL 2)**

Pinkalicious and Peter go to the hidden cove to meet their friend Aqua, but the mini-mermaid is nowhere in sight. Instead, they see pirates...ARGHH!

***Whale vs. Giant Squid* by Jerry Pallotta (ER PAPERBACK PALLOTTA 2012)**

What would happen if a whale and a giant squid met each other? What if they had a fight? Who do you think would win? This nonfiction reader compares and contrasts two fearsome sea creatures.

***Ty's Travels: Beach Day!* by Kelly Starling Lyons (ER PAPERBACK LYONS 2021)**

Ty turns an ordinary day in the sandbox into a fun beach day. He wiggles his toes in the sand, finds seashells, builds a castle, and splashes in the ocean. Splish, splash! When his neighbor's beach ball flies into his backyard, Ty learns that a beach day is even better with a friend.

***The Bad Guys in Cut to the Chase* by Aaron Blabey (J GRAPHIC NOVEL BLABEY 2021)**

A MYSTERIOUS DOORWAY! (Sure, it's in the grossest restaurant in the world, but that doesn't make it any less mysterious. OK?) Behold! What lies beyond?! An evil centipede? An alternate universe? A few decent explanations? VRRRING! NING! NING! NING!

***Bird & Squirrel On the Run* by James Burks (J GRAPHIC NOVEL BURKS)**

Squirrel is afraid of his own shadow. Bird doesn't have a care in the world. And Cat wants to eat Bird and Squirrel. Of course, he'll have to catch them first, and that's not going to be easy.

***Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea* by Ben Clanton (J GRAPHIC NOVEL CLANTON)**

Narwhal is a happy-go-lucky narwhal. Jelly is a no-nonsense jellyfish. The two might not have a lot in common, but they do they love waffles, parties and adventures. Join Narwhal and Jelly as they discover the whole wide ocean together.

***Baloney and Friends* by Greg Pizzoli (J GRAPHIC NOVEL PIZZOLI 2020)**

Meet Baloney! He's the star of this book, along with his best buddies: empathetic Peanut the horse, sensible Bizz the bumblebee, and grumpy Krabbit—he'd rather not be here, but what can you do?

***I Survived: the Japanese Tsunami 2011* by Lauren Tarshis (J SERIES I SURVIVED)**

First, a massive earthquake rocks the quiet coastal village, nearly toppling his uncle's house. Then the ocean waters rise and Ben and his family are swept away-and pulled apart-by a terrible tsunami. Now Ben is alone, stranded in a strange country a million miles from home. Can he fight hard enough to survive one of the most epic disasters of all time?

***Little Dolphin Rescue* by Rachel Delahaye (J SERIES LITTLE 2019)**

While attending a swimming lesson with her friends, Callie is magically whisked away to the Indian Ocean! There she finds a young dolphin in trouble, and she knows she has to help. But she's scared of the deep water, and who knows what other animals or sea life might be out there! Can Callie face her fears and save her new friend?

***Mindy Kim and the Yummy Seaweed Business* by Lyla Lee (J SERIES MINDY 2020)**

On her first day of school, Mindy's school snack of dried seaweed isn't exactly popular at the lunch table. Luckily, her new friend, Sally, makes the snacks seem totally delicious to Mindy's new classmates, so they decide to start the Yummy Seaweed Business to try and raise money for a puppy!

***Eva at the Beach* by Rebecca Elliott (J SERIES OWL 2021)**

Eva is visiting the beach with her best friend Lucy! They can't wait to build sandcastles and make seashell necklaces. But Eva is secretly afraid to go swimming because of the big fish -- like sharks! -- that live in the sea. After Eva spots her classmate Sue in the water, the sea doesn't seem so scary. Will Eva face her fears?

***Dory Fantasmagory* by Abby Hanlon (J FICTION HANLON 2014)**

As the youngest in her family, Dory really wants attention, and more than anything she wants her brother and sister to play with her. But she's too much of a baby for them, so she's left to her own devices—including her wild imagination and untiring energy.

***Under Water; Under Earth* by Aleksandra Mizielinska (J 551 MIZ 2015)**

Dive below the surface and find out what happens under earth and under sea—from early submarines and deep-sea life to burrowing animals and man-made tunnels.

***Little Kids First Big Book of the Ocean* by Catherine Hughes (J 551.4 HUG 2013)**

An adorable animal reference that includes the sea's high-interest animals, such as dolphins, sharks, sea otters, and penguins, and introduces kids to some of its lesser-known creatures.

***How Deep is the Ocean?* by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld (J 551.46 ZOE 2016)**

Put on your scuba gear and explore the ocean, from its shallowest waters to its deepest, most mysterious parts. As you dive deeper, you'll discover glowing animals, strange creatures that don't need sunlight to survive, and even the largest hunter in the world.

***Deep Dive : a LEGO Adventure in the Real World* by Penelope Arlon (J 591.77 ARL 2016)**

Join the LEGO minifigures on a journey to the bottom of the sea. See cool sea creatures and find out the latest big ocean facts. You'll find great LEGO building ideas, too!