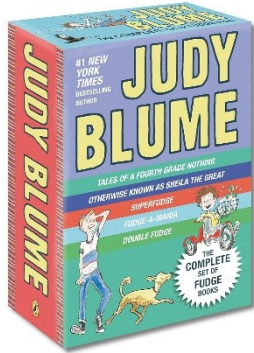


*note – graphic novels, comic books, or books like Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Dork Diaries, etc. are like desert. Do not eat desert for dinner and expect to grow.

5th Grade Recommended Books

Baird Middle School – Mr. Mertens



Judy Blume

Fudge Series

Get ready to laugh out loud as Peter Hatcher survives the chaos, comedy, and constant surprises of life with his outrageous little brother, Fudge, in Judy Blume's timeless hilarious



Jerry Spinelli

Assorted Titles - Loser, Crash, Stargirl, Winger



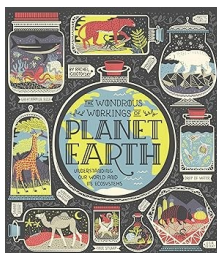
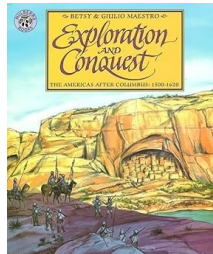
Lauren Tarshis

I Survived Series

Dive into history's most intense moments through the eyes of brave kids who lived to tell

Betsy Maestro
Exploration and Conquest

This nonfiction text covers the years 1500 - 1620



Rachel Ignotofsky

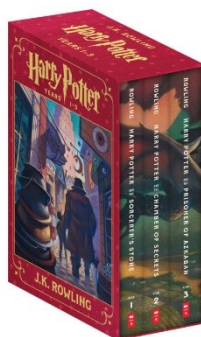
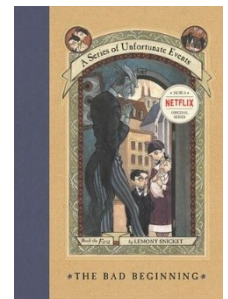
The Wondrous Workings of Planet Earth

This nonfiction text covers our world and its

Lemony Snicket

A Series of Unfortunate Events

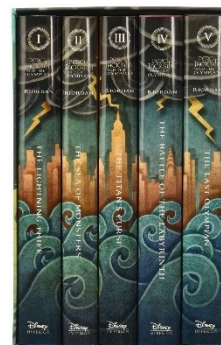
Dive into the darkly hilarious and delightfully tragic tale of the Baudelaire orphans as they outwit villains, unravel mysteries, and endure one unfortunate event after another



J.K. Rowling

Harry Potter Series

Books 1-3 are the best of the series for 5th grade. Discover a hidden world of magic, friendship, and destiny as an ordinary boy becomes a legendary wizard in the spellbinding Harry Potter



Rick Riordan

Percy Jackson Series

Join Percy Jackson, a modern-day demigod, as he battles monsters, uncovers ancient secrets, and races to save the world in this epic, myth-filled adventure series!

As Seen On TV

Wonder, The Tale of Despereaux, Charlotte's Web, Holes, Bridge to Terabithia, Because of Winn-Dixie, The One and Only Ivan, The BFG, Matilda, (all Roald Dahl is recommended), Coraline, How to Train Your Dragon, The invention of Hugo Cabret, The Boxcar Children, The City of Ember. The Chronicles of Narnia. Goosebumps. The Jungle Book.