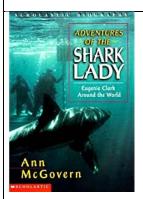
Ms. McGlynn's 5th grade Summer Reading List 2020



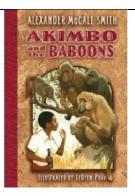
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Monica Kulling

Join Tom Sawyer's wild adventures along the banks of the Mississippi River in this exciting addition to the Step into Classics line. Tom and his best friend, Huck Finn, share exciting make-believe escapades as treasure hunters, swashbuckling pirates, and soldiers in battle. They also unwittingly become real-life witnesses to a terrible crime!



<u>Adventures of the Shark Lady: Eugenie Clark Around the World</u> by Ann McGovern

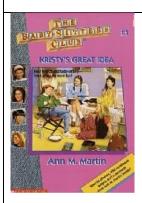
This amazing marine biologist has many adventures while diving with the great White Shark, being attacked by a giant crab, riding a giant whale shark, meeting monsters of the deep and being trapped 2,000 feet below the sea in a tiny submersible craft on the ocean floor.



Akimbo and the Baboons by Alexander McCall Smith (*series)

Akimbo is excited to have his cousin, Kosi, visit him on the game reserve where he lives. When a visiting scientist invites the boys to join her when she studies a pack of baboons, they can't wait to assist her in the bush. The baboons they find are fun to observe, but when a black leopard threatens the pack—and the scientist—Akimbo and Kosi are reminded that danger is ever present in the African bush.

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Baby-Sitter's Club Series: Kristy's Great Idea by Ann M. Martin (*series)

Kristy Thomas organizes her friends into a baby-sitters club. All of the areas of concern to pre-teen girls (wearing the "in" clothes, keeping friendships stable, coping with family stresses, and trying to grow up) are here, tied to the experience of baby-sitting.

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Blue Bay Mystery by Gertrude Chandler Warner (*series)

Henry, Jessie, Violet and Benny live with their grandfather and are taking a vacation in the South Seas on an uninhabited island. But is the island really uninhabited? The boxcar children soon suspect that someone else is there too-someone who may not want them around.

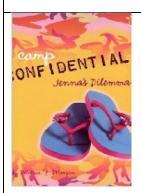
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The Boys Start the War by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor (*series)

It's not the Hatfields vs. the McCoys, but a feud nonetheless when the four Harfield brothers square off against their new neighbors, the Malloy sisters.

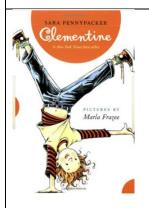
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Camp Confidential: Jenna's Dilemma by Melissa J. Morgan (*series)

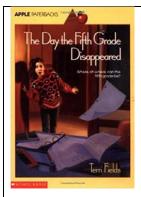
Summer camp means lots of things: new friends, roommates, bug bites, bathroom duty...But it's also a chance to be on your own and to reinvent yourself. A shy girl can become the belle of the ball, and a jock might find new competition.

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Clementine by Sara Pennypacker

Clementine is having not so good of a week. On Monday she's sent to the principal's office for cutting off Margaret's hair. Tuesday, Margaret's mother is mad at her. Wednesday, she's sent to the principal....again. Thursday, Margaret stops speaking to her. Friday starts with yucky eggs and gets worse. And by Saturday, even her mother is mad at her. Okay, fine. Clementine is having a *DISASTROUS* week.



The Day the 5th Grade Disappeared by Terri Fields

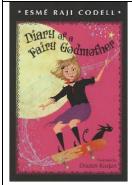
When the 5th grade class disappears and then reappears before she can show anyone, Julia begins to think that something supernatural has taken over the school.



Dear Dumb Diary by Jim Benton (*series)

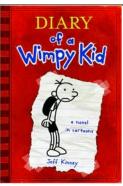
This is a series of books about life in Middle School. Jamie Kelly promises everything in her diary is true -- well, true as it needs to be, anyway. You will laugh as you read Jamie's diary entries about her life, especially the ones about the pretty, popular Angeline who, in Jamie's opinion, is a complete goon.

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Diary of a Fairy Godmother by Esme Raji Codell

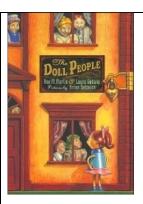
Hunky Dory's mother always told her, "You'll be the wickedest witch wherever the four winds blow." And why not? She's at the top of her class in charm school. She can make flowers wilt like wet spaghetti. She can also turn any prince into a frog - but she always changes him back. That's when she knows she has a problem. Hunky Dory's interest in "wishcraft" over witchcraft gets her kicked out of charm school. Now she's determined to follow her heart and become a fairy godmother. But how to go about doing it?



Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney (*series)

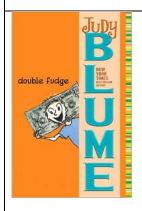
Kinney does a masterful job of making the mundane life of boys on the brink of adolescence hilarious. Greg is a conflicted soul: he wants to do the right thing, but the constant quest for status and girls seems to undermine his every effort. His attempts to prove his worthiness in the popularity race (he estimates he's currently ranked 52nd or 53rd) are constantly foiled by well-meaning parents, a younger and older brother, and nerdy friends.

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The Doll People by Ann M. Martin

Annabelle Doll is 8 years old--and has been for over 100 years. Nothing much has changed in the dollhouse during that time, except for the fact that 45 years ago, Annabelle's Auntie Sarah disappeared from the dollhouse without a trace.



Double Fudge by Judy Blume (*series)

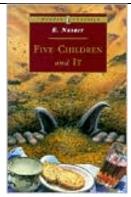
Fans of *Superfudge* and *Fudge-a-Mania* will welcome the return of seventh-grader Peter Hatcher and his five-year-old brother, Fudge, who in this comical caper meet distant cousins from Hawaii.

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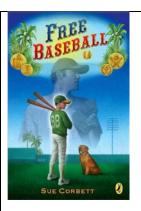
Dragon Slippers by Jessica Day George

After Creel's aunt totes her out to the local dragon in desperation, with the hope that the local prince will rescue her and marry her, Creel refuses the prince and finds friendship with the dragons, who set her on a journey to the center of the kingdom with a pretty pair of what only seem to be ordinary slippers But soon enough those mysterious slippers begin to wreak havoc, and it's up to Creel to save the kingdom from disaster and defend the dragons from certain doom.



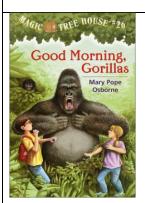
Five Children and It by Edith Nesbit

The last thing Cyril, Anthea, Robert, Jane, and their baby brother expect to find while digging in the sand is a Psammead—an ancient Sand-fairy! Having a Sand-fairy for a pet means having one wish granted each day. But the five-some doesn't realize all of the trouble that wishes can cause.



Free Baseball by Sue Corbett

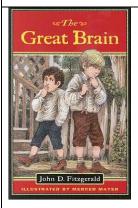
Felix knows his dad was a famous baseball player in Cuba—and that his father risked everything to send Felix to America. But his mom won't reveal anything else. When a team with Cuban players comes into town, Felix wonders if they knew his dad, and sneaks into their locker room to ask. That's when the players mistake him for their new batboy. To uncover his father's story, Felix runs away from home to become the team's batboy. His bittersweet adventure glows with the friendship of a miraculous dog, the warmth of a mother's love, and the magic of baseball.



Good Morning, Gorillas (Magic Tree House #26): by Mary Pope Osborne (*series)

The Magic Tree House whisks Jack and Annie off to the mountains of Africa. There they run into a huge mountain gorilla! At first they don't know whether they should shake hands or turn tail. But the ominous-looking creature turns out to be surprisingly gentle. Not only that, the gorilla may be able to help them learn their next bit of magic, which Morgan has challenged them to do.

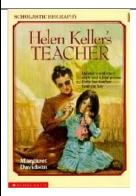
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The Great Brain by John D. Fitzgerald (*series)

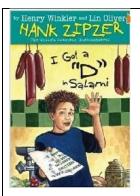
The best con man in the Midwest is only ten years old. Tom, a.k.a., the Great Brain, is a silver-tongued genius with a knack for turning a profit. When the Jenkins boys get lost in Skeleton Cave, the Great Brain saves the day. Whether it's saving the kids at school, or helping out Peg-leg Andy, or Basil, the new kid at school, the Great Brain always manages to come out on top—and line his pockets in the process.

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Helen Keller's Teacher by Margaret Davidson

The true story of the dedicated woman, Anne Sullivan Macy, who became Helen Keller's teacher and lifelong friend.



I got a "D" in Salami by Henry Winkler, Lin Oliver (*series)

After getting three Ds on his report card, a panicked Hank and his friends go to his mom's deli. His report card winds up in the meat grinder and Hank watches as his Ds are ground into a big salami--and this particular salami is being made for a very important client. How will Hank get out of this one?

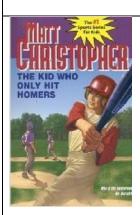
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Jackie & Me by Dan Gutman (*series)

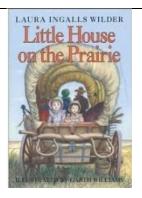
Joe Stoshack can travel through time with the help of his baseball cards. To write a report he goes back to meet one of the greatest baseball players ever, Jackie Robinson. This trip for a short time changes the color of his skin - and forever changes his view of history and his definition of courage.

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The Kid Who Only Hit Homers by Matt Christopher

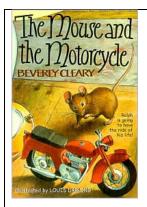
When a mysterious man promises to make him a great player, Sylvester accepts and begins a phenomenal home-run streak.



<u>Little House On the Prairie</u> by Laura Ingalls Wilder (*series)

Long, long ago, a little girl named Laura Ingalls headed west toward the prairie with her Pa, her Ma, her sisters, Mary and Carrie, and their good old bulldog, Jack. They traveled far each day in their covered wagon, driving through tall grass until they found just the right spot for their new home. With the help of their kind neighbor, Mr. Edwards, Pa built a snug little house for the family in the middle of the wide-open prairie.

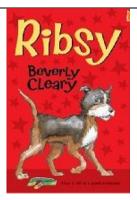
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The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary (*series)

Ralph the mouse revs up a dream come true--his very own motorcycle. Living in a knothole in a hotel room, young Ralph has seen plenty of families come and go, some more generous with their crumbs than others. But when young Keith and his parents check in to the hotel, Ralph gets his first chance to check out.

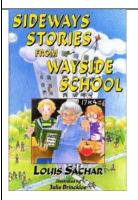
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Ribsy by Beverly Cleary (*series)

Henry Huggins's dog, Ribsy, is hopelessly lost in a huge shopping mall parking lot. It's raining hard, the pavement is slick, horns are honking, and drivers are shouting. When Ribsy thinks he has found the Huggins' new station wagon at last, he jumps in the open tailgate window and falls asleep, exhausted. When he wakes up, he finds himself in the wrong car.

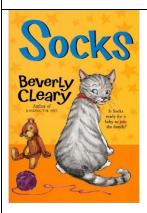
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Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar (*series)

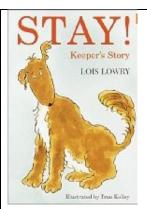
The Wayside School was supposed to be one story high, with 30 classrooms side by side; instead, it was built sideways, with 30 one-classroom stories. As befits such a strange school, these tales are a bit strange too.

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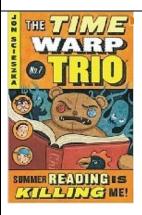
Socks by Beverly Cleary

After a rough start, and a brief internment in a mail box, Socks the cat has landed on his feet. He belongs to the Brickers-a young couple who dote on him. Then a baby arrives in the household and Socks discovers that the people he'd trained so well no longer consider him the center of their universe.



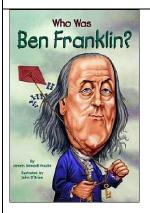
Stay Keeper's Story by Lois Lowry

This is the story of a dog who tells his own tale. As a pup he is separated from his mother and siblings. Through it all, Keeper can't forget his long lost little sister. If only they could be together again, life would be perfect. But an old enemy is watching and waiting to make his move.



Summer Reading Is Killing Me by Jon Scieszka

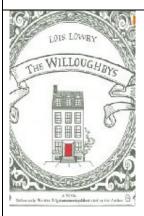
Joe, Fred, and Sam have no idea why they've been transported to a playground. All they know is that there's a 250-pound chicken and it's headed straight for them. While Joe's racking his brains for the magic words to stop a charging chicken, he suddenly has a flash of what's going to happen next. It's exactly like the book he just read. Turns out Fred put their summer reading list inside The Book (the magic one, that is)-and now they're destined to spend their summer living stories that were only meant to be read.



Who Was Ben Franklin by Dennis Fradin (*series)

This is an often funny, always engaging introduction to one of America's most fascinating founding fathers. Franklin is affectionately and respectfully depicted as a man of insatiable intellectual curiosity with a tireless creative and inventive mind who played indispensable roles in the War for Independence and the establishment of the U.S. government.

* This book is part of a series. Any other book from this series would be a great choice as well. However, please do not read <u>Who is Malala Yousafzai</u>, <u>Who was King Tut</u>, or <u>Who Was Nelson Mandela</u>, as they are part of our reading curriculum.



The Willoughbys by Lois Lowry

Tim, Jane, and the twins, Barnaby A and Barnaby B, are four rather ordinary children. They just happen to have extraordinarily horrible parents. And that requires some extraordinary scheming including trying to rid themselves of their terrible parents. This is a humorous book.