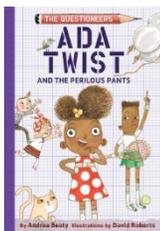
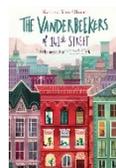


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Summer is an opportunity for students of all ages to enjoy reading in a relaxed and leisurely setting. Summer reading is also a vital way that students keep their skills sharp for the upcoming school year. Maret recommends that students spend at least 20 minutes reading each day during the summer. Students should select books and other reading material that interest and challenge them, and families should consider ways that they can read together or make discussing books a part of their lives over the summer months. We recognize that there is a range of readers at each grade level. If books on this list do not match your child's reading ability, you may choose to read them aloud with your child. Starred\* titles are available for checkout online from Maret as e-books or audiobooks through OverDrive. You can find more information here: [goo.gl/MBvbuV](http://goo.gl/MBvbuV) (password: frogs).



**\*Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants by Andrea Beaty:** Ada must rely on her curious mind, her brave spirit, and her best pals Rosie Revere and Iggy Peck to solve a mystery in her own backyard.



**\*The Vanderbeekers of 141<sup>st</sup> Street by Karina Yan Glaser:** Told that they will have to move out of their Harlem brownstone just after Christmas, the five Vanderbeeker children, ages four to twelve, decide to change their reclusive landlord's mind.



**\*Bayou Magic by Jewel Parker Rhodes:** Visiting her grandmother in the Louisiana bayou, ten-year-old Maddy begins to realize that she may be the only sibling to carry on the gift of her family's magical legacy.



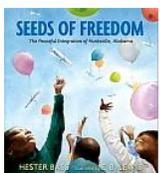
**In the Shadow of the Sun by Anne Sibley O'Brien:** Mia and Simon set off on a harrowing journey to save their father and escape North Korea.



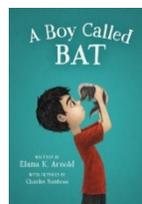
**\*A Properly Unhaunted Place by William Alexander:** In a world full of ghosts, Rosa and Jasper live in the only unhaunted town--but must spring to action when they realize the ghosts are lying in wait to take the town back.



**\*Real Friends by Shannon Hale:** The graphic memoir of Shannon Hale in which she reflects on her childhood friendships.



**Seeds of Freedom: The Peaceful Integration of Huntsville, Alabama by Hester Bass:** For the citizens of Huntsville, creativity, courage, and cooperation were key to integrating their city and schools during the Civil Rights movement.



**\*A Boy Called Bat by Elana K. Arnold:** When his veterinarian mom brings home a stray baby skunk that needs rehabilitation before it can be placed in a wild animal shelter, Bat, who has autism, resolves to prove that he is up to the challenge of caring for the skunk permanently.

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**Good Dog by Dan Geimenhart:** Brodie breaks the rules of heaven. He returns to Earth as a spirit, determined to find his boy and to save him.



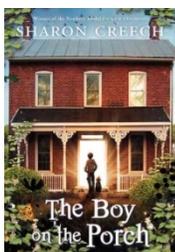
**\*The Great Shelby Holmes series by Elizabeth Eulberg:** Shelby Holmes, the best detective in her Harlem neighborhood, and her easy-going friend from downstairs, John Watson, become partners in solving crimes.



**The Secret Tree by Natalie Standiford:** Minty discovers a secret tree with a hollow trunk that holds the secrets of everyone in the neighborhood.



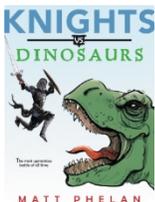
**The Key to Extraordinary by Natalie Lloyd:** The women in Emma's family all have a destiny that they see in a dream, but when hers comes, it shows her only a key, and she must find out why.



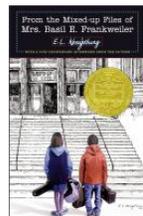
**\*The Boy on the Porch by Sharon Creech:** One day John and Martha, a young couple, find a boy asleep on their porch. The boy is unable to speak and explain who he is, so they choose to care for the boy and embrace his exuberant spirit and talents.



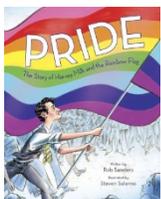
**\*Stef Soto, Taco Queen by Jennifer Torres:** Stef Soto is hoping to break free from her overprotective parents and the embarrassing reputation of their taco truck, but she learns that family, friendship, and the taco truck are important and wonderful parts of her life.



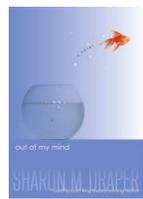
**\*Knights vs. Dinosaurs by Matt Phelan:** With the realm at peace and few dragons about, the Knights of the Round Table are bored, so Merlin sends them to face the most terrible lizards of all—dinosaurs.



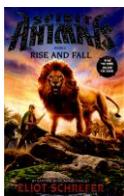
**From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg:** Claudia and Jamie decide to run away and hide out at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, where they try to solve a mystery.



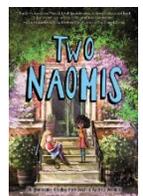
**Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag by Rob Sanders:** Traces the history of the Gay Pride Flag, from its beginnings with social activist Harvey Milk and designer Gilbert Baker to its spanning of the globe and its role in today's world.



**\*Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper:** Considered by many to be mentally handicapped, a brilliant, impatient girl with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.



**\*Spirit Animals series (various authors):** As a dark force engulfs the land, the fate of Erdas has fallen on the shoulders of four young strangers who each have a rare bond with their spirit beasts.

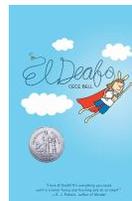


**\*Two Naomis by Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich:** The story of two girls, both named Naomi, whose divorced parents begin to date.

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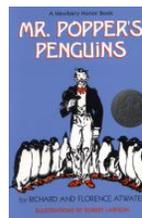
**\*Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin by Liesl Shurtliff:** The story of Rumpelstiltskin's childhood—why his name is so important, how he spins straw into gold, and more.



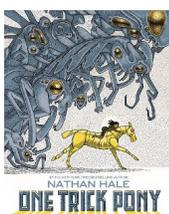
**\*El Deafo by Cece Bell:** A graphic-novel memoir by author/illustrator Cece Bell, who grew up hearing impaired.



**\*Survivor Diaries series by Terry Lynn Johnson:** A high-stakes adventure series perfect for fans of the I Survived series and Hatchet.



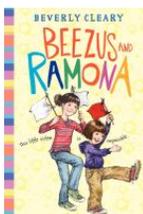
**\*Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater:** Mr. Popper starts out with one penguin in his house, but before he knows it, there are twelve.



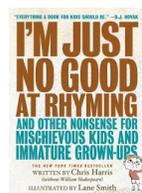
**\*One Trick Pony by Nathan Hale:** In a future where alien beings consume technology as a few humans try to preserve it, Strata, her brother, and a friend are separated from their caravan and must fight their way back.



**Hilo series by Judd Winick:** When a mysterious boy falls from the sky, friends D.J. and Gina must discover the secrets of his identity and help him save the world.



**\*Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary:** Four-year-old Ramona has an imagination that makes her a menace to everyone around her, particularly her older sister, Beezus.



**\*I'm just no good at Rhyming by Chris Harris:** An illustrated collection of comically irreverent rhyming poems for readers of all ages.



**\*The Great Googlini by Sara Cassidy:** A young boy copes with his uncle's cancer diagnosis by seeking answers from the Great Googlini, an information scientist who emerges from his computer.



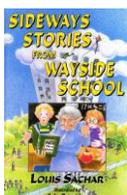
**\*Until I Find Julian by Patricia Reilly Giff:** Mateo's big brother Julian works in the U.S. When the family doesn't hear from Julian, Mateo crosses the border to find him.



**Last Kids on Earth by Max Brallier:** After a monster apocalypse hits town, average thirteen-year-old Jack Sullivan builds a team of friends to help slay the eerily intelligent monster known as Blarg.



**\*Dragons in a Bag by Zetta Elliot:** In Brooklyn, nine-year-old Jax joins Ma, a curmudgeonly witch, on a quest to deliver three baby dragons to a magical world, and along the way discovers his true calling.



**\*Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar:** Humorous episodes from the classroom on the 13th floor of Wayside School, which was accidentally built sideways.



**\*Breadcrumbs by Anne Ursu:** Hazel is alone in an enchanted wood, trying to save her best friend Jack's life after an accident with a magical mirror and a run-in with a villainous queen.