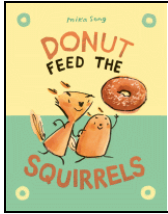


Going into 1st Grade

Summer Reading Suggestions 2023

	<p><u>Cat Dog Dog: The Story of a Blended Family</u> by Nelly Buschet</p> <p><i>Cat and Dog live with their human in a suburban house with a big backyard. Sure, they fight like.... well, cats and dogs, but they're used to one another. Dog-- a different dog-- lives a happy only child life in the city with his dad. He has the bed to himself, he never has to share his toys, and that's the way he likes it. So what happens when they all move in together? Well, it's chaotic. There's not enough room on the bed, for starters. But as the seasons pass, the three animals become a trio and learn to (mostly) love one another. Just as they're settling into a cozy life as a threesome, along comes..... a baby!</i></p>
	<p><u>The Serious Goose</u> by Jimmy Kimmel</p> <p><i>Meet a very Serious Goose in late-night host Jimmy Kimmel's first fun and funny picture book! There is nothing silly about this goose. You CANNOT make her laugh, so DON'T EVEN TRY! Written, illustrated, and lettered by Jimmy Kimmel, this picture book challenges young readers to bring the silly out of a very Serious Goose. Inspired by Jimmy's nickname for his kids, The Serious Goose reminds us to be silly in a serious way. This delightful read-aloud is guaranteed to create lots of giggles every time!</i></p>
	<p><u>Snail & Worm Again</u> by Tina Kugler</p> <p><i>In this silly sequel to Snail and Worm, the dynamic duo are back for more fun and giggles in three new comic shorts brimming with quirky humor and unflappable friendship. At turns clever and sweet, these laugh-out-loud stories are perfect for readers coming out of their own shells and making the transition between picture books and chapter books.</i></p>
	<p><u>The World is Waiting for You</u> by Barbara Kerley</p> <p><i>"What do you want to be when you grow up?" is a question kids get asked over and over. This book shows kids a pathway from their current interests and talents to a future career or interest. Jumping in puddles can inspire scuba diving. Dirty hands can lead to dinosaur bones! Backyard star-gazing inspires future astronauts. Perfectly selected photos make the connections compelling and the future real for kids.</i></p>
	<p><u>Megavan</u> by Mark Therrien</p> <p><i>I'm a do-it-all'er—any job, any task, any request—I'm up for it! I'm not just a minivan, I'm a MEGAVAN! The Megavan tells the endearing story of a young family sharing life experiences and building their family foundation. All their adventures are told through the eyes of someone who is there for it all: their trusty minivan! This author is a Sand Creek parent!</i></p>
	<p><u>Baby Monkey, Private Eye</u> by Brian Selznick</p> <p><i>Who is Baby Monkey? He is a baby. He is a monkey. He has a job. He is Baby Monkey, Private Eye! Lost jewels? Missing pizza? Stolen spaceship? Baby Monkey can help...if he can put on his pants! Baby Monkey's adventures come to life in an exciting blend of picture book, beginning reader, and graphic novel. With pithy text and over 120 black and white drawings accented with red, it is ideal for sharing aloud and for emerging readers. Hooray for Baby Monkey!</i></p>



Donut feed the Squirrels by Mika Song (graphic novel)

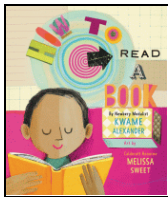
Norma and Belly would really really really really really like a donut. With a burned breakfast and a cranky donut seller at the local food truck, they may be stuck with only nuts to eat . . . unless they can steal the biggest, most delicious donut of their tiny lives!

Mika Song gives readers something to laugh at as these squirrels try their hardest to get some donuts while just about everything goes wrong. A fun "donut caper" graphic novel that focuses on madcap action, problem-solving, and the power of working together.



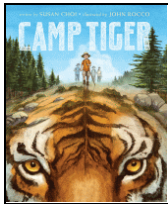
School's First Day of School By Adam Rex; illustrated by Christian Robinson

On the first day of classes, the school building is nervous for the children and teachers to arrive. It worries about being liked by the children and if they'll be kind to him. When the school overhears children saying they hate school, and sees a young girl who doesn't want to come inside, he begins to think no one will like him. But soon his walls are filled with joyful sounds, and things begin to look up.



How to Read a Book by Kwame Alexander; Illustrated by Melissa Sweet

A stunning picture book from Newbery Medalist Kwame Alexander and Caldecott Honoree Melissa Sweet! This New York Times bestselling duo has teamed up for the first time to bring you How to Read a Book, a poetic and beautiful journey about the experience of reading. Find a tree—a black tupelo or dawn redwood will do—and plant yourself. With these words, an adventure begins. Kwame Alexander's evocative poetry and Melissa Sweet's lush artwork come together to take readers on a sensory journey between the pages of a book.



Camp Tiger by Susan Choi and John Rocco

Every year, a boy and his family go camping at Mountain Pond. Usually, they see things like an eagle fishing for his dinner, a salamander with red spots on its back, and chipmunks that come to steal food while the family sits by the campfire. But this year is different. This year, the boy is going into first grade, and his mother is encouraging him to do things on his own, just like his older brother. And the most different thing of all . . . this year, a tiger comes to the woods. With lyrical prose and dazzling art, Pulitzer Prize finalist Susan Choi and Caldecott-honor artist John Rocco have created a moving and joyful ode to growing up.