BEST BOOKS FOR SUMMER READING: GRADE 5

THIS WAS OUR PACT
BY RYAN ANDREWS
GRAPHIC NOVEL; FANTASY
GRADES 4-6
Join Ben and Nathanial on a magical adventure to find out what happens to the lanterns they drop into the river every year at the equinox festival. There’s a talking bear, magical potions, a castle in the sky, and more. Fans of movies like Spirited Away will find the same sense of adventure here.

BEST BABYSITTERS EVER
BY CAROLINE CALA
REALISTIC FICTION
GRADES 5-6
Malia convinces her friends Dot and Bree to start a babysitting club to raise money for their joint birthday party. The fact that none of them really likes kids isn’t that big of a deal, right? If you want a funny read and like the Babysitter’s Club graphic novels, check this out.

THROWBACK
BY PETER LERANGIS
ADVENTURE
GRADES 4-6
Corey can travel back in time. And not only that—he can change the past. When he tries to go back to 9/11/2001 to save his Grandma, something goes wrong and he’s stuck in 1917 with no way to get home. Fans of adventure and history will love this.

SEA SIRENS
BY AMY CHU
GRAPHIC NOVEL
GRADE 5
Trot and her one-eyed cat, Cap’n Bill, love to go surfing but after a huge wave pulls them under, they find themselves recuperating in the underwater palace of the Sea Sirens. Trot asks them to help her get back home but they are too busy preparing to go into battle with their enemies, the Sea Serpents.

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PIE IN THE SKY
BY REMY LAI
REALISTIC FICTION
GRADE 5
This is the story of an eleven-year-old immigrant boy named Jingwen and his hilarious little brother. To cope with loneliness and the loss of his father, he secretly starts baking his father’s special cakes every day after school. Will he and his annoying little brother be able to bake them all before his Mom finds out?

ROLL WITH IT
BY JAMIE SUMNER
REALISTIC FICTION
GRADE 5
Independent-minded twelve-year-old Ellie loves baking and wants to become a famous chef. But when her mother uproots their lives and moves them to a small town, Ellie wonders how the kids at her new school will react to her wheelchair.

WOLF HOLLOW
BY LAUREN WOLK
HISTORICAL FICTION
GRADES 5-6
When twelve-year-old Annabelle starts being secretly bullied by new girl Betty, she resolves to handle the situation on her own rather than involving adults. One adult does involve himself though—Toby, a mysterious wanderer who Annabelle has grown has trust.

Ms. Lindsay loves this book!

THE TRUTH AS TOLD BY MASON BUTTLE
BY LESLIE CONNOR
MYSTERY
Grade 5
Seventh-grader Mason Buttle is the only person who knows what really happened to his best friend Benny, and Lieutenant Laird is determined to drag the story out of him. Unfortunately, storytelling doesn’t come easy for Mason, who is working to overcome his dyslexia and is distracted by building a fort with his new friend Calvin.

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