

The Holland Hall  
Primary School Library  
Summer Reading List

*2023*



# 2023 Notable Children's Books- Selected by the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association

## ***Younger Readers***

*Also-* E. B. Goodale

*Bathe the Cat-* Alice B. McGinty

*Berry Song-* Michaela Goade

*The Coquíes Still Sing: A Story of Home, Hope, and Rebuilding-* Karina Nicole González

*Endlessly Ever After: Pick Your Path to Countless Fairy Tale Endings-* Laurel Snyder

*Every Dog in the Neighborhood-* Philip C. Stead

*Everything in Its Place: A Story of Books and Belonging-* Pauline David-Sax

*Farmhouse-* Sophie Blackall

*Finding Fire-* Logan S. Kline

*Fire Chief Fran-* Linda Ashman

*Fish and Wave-* Sergio Ruzzier

*The Flamingo-* Guojing

*Gigi and Ojiji-* Melissa Iwai

*H Is for Harlem-* Dinah Johnson



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*Hello, Puddle!*- Anita Sanchez

*A History of Me*- Adrea Theodore

*Honeybee Rescue: A Backyard Drama*- Loree Griffin Burns

*Hot Dog*- Doug Salati

*How to Say Hello to a Worm: A First Guide to the Outside*- Kari Percival

*I Did It!*- Michael Emberley.

*João by a Thread*- Roger Mello

*John's Turn*- Mac Barnett

*Kitty*- Rebecca Jordan-Glum.

*Knight Owl*- Christopher Denise

*A Land of Books: Dreams of Young Mexihcah Word Painters*- Duncan Tonatiuh

*Listen: How Evelyn Glennie, a Deaf Girl, Changed Percussion*- Shannon Stocker

*Lizzy and the Cloud*- Terry Fan and Eric Fan

*Luli and the Language of Tea*- Andrea Wang



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*Magic: Once Upon a Faraway Land-* Mirelle Ortega

*Me and the Boss: A Story about Mending and Love-* Michelle Edwards

*The Notebook Keeper: A Story of Kindness from the Border-* Stephen Briseño

*Out of a Jar-* Deborah Marcero

*Owl and Penguin-* Vikram Madan

*Powwow Day-* Traci Sorell

*A Seed Grows-* Antoinette Portis

*Still Dreaming / Seguimos soñando-* Claudia Guadalupe Martínez

*Sweet Justice: Georgia Gilmore and the Montgomery Bus Boycott-* Mara Rockliff

*The Talk-* Alicia D. Williams

*The Three Billy Goats Gruff-* Mac Barnett

*Too Early.* By Nora Ericson. Illus- Elly MacKay

*The Tower of Life: How Yaffa Eliach Rebuilt Her Town in Stories and Photographs-* Chana Stiefel

*A Walk through the Rain Forest.* By Martin Jenkins. Illus- Vicky White

*Where Wonder Grows.* By Xelena González. Illus- Adriana M. Garcia



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*The World Belonged to Us-* Jacqueline Woodson

*Yellow Dog Blues-* Alice Faye Duncan

*Yes We Will: Asian Americans Who Shaped This Country-* Kelly Yang

*Yoshi and the Ocean: A Sea Turtle's Incredible Journey Home-* Lindsay Moore



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## ***Middle Readers***

*Aviva vs. the Dybbuk*- Mari Lowe.

*Black Bird, Blue Road*- Sofiya Pasternack

*Choosing Brave: How Mamie Till-Mobley and Emmett Till Sparked the Civil Rights Movement*-  
Angela Joy

*Concrete: From the Ground Up*- Larissa Theule.

*Different: A Story of the Spanish Civil War*- Mónica Montañés

*Dragonfly Eyes*- Cao Wenxuan. Tr. by Helen Wang

*Freewater*- Amina Luqman-Dawson

*Frizzy*- Claribel A. Ortega

*Jennifer Chan Is Not Alone*- Tae Keller

*Just a Girl: A True Story of World War II*- Lia Levi

*The Last Mapmaker*- Christina Soontornvat

*Little Monarchs*- Jonathan Case

*Love in the Library*- Maggie Tokuda-Hall





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*Maizy Chen's Last Chance*- Lisa Ye

*Odder*- Katherine Applegate

*The Ogress and the Orphans*- Kelly Barnhill

*On the Move: Home Is Where You Find It*- Michael Rosen

*Out of the Shadows: How Lotte Reiniger Made the First Animated Fairytale Movie*- Fiona Robinson

*Phenomenal AOC: The Roots and Rise of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez*- Anika Aldamuy Denise

*A River's Gifts: The Mighty Elwha River Reborn*- Patricia Newman

*A Rover's Story*- Jasmine Warga

*The Secret Battle of Evan Pao*- Wendy Wan-Long Shang

*Seeking Freedom: The Untold Story of Fortress Monroe and the Ending of Slavery in America*- Selene Castrovilla

*Seen and Unseen: What Dorothea Lange, Toyo Miyatake, and Ansel Adams's Photographs Reveal about the Japanese American Incarceration*- Elizabeth Partridge

*Smaller Sister*- Maggie Edkins Willis



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*Srta. Quinces-* Kat Fajardo

*Swim Team-* Johnnie Christmas

*Those Kids from Fawn Creek-* Erin Entrada Kelly

*Tumble-* Celia C. Pérez

*The Universe in You-* Jason Chin

*Violet and Jobie in the Wild-* Lynne Rae Perkins





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## ***All Ages***

*Blue: A History of the Color as Deep as the Sea and as Wide as the Sky-* Nana Ekua Brew-Hammond

*Isla to Island-* Alexis Castellanos

*Killer Underwear Invasion! How to Spot Fake News, Disinformation & Conspiracy Theories-* Elise Gravel

*Marshmallow Clouds: Two Poets at Play among Figures of Speech-* Ted Kooser and Connie Wanek

*The Real Dada Mother Goose: A Treasury of Complete Nonsense-* Jon Scieszka

*Standing in the Need of Prayer: A Modern Retelling of the Classic Spiritual-* Carole Boston Weatherford



## Preschool Books- 2023

*Actual Size-* Steve Jenkins

*Black? White! Day? Night! A Book of Opposites-* Laura Vaccaro Seeger

*Bones, Bones, Dinosaur Bones-* Byron Barton

*The Day the Babies Crawled Away-* Peggy Rathmann

*Duck and Goose-* Tad Hills

*City Dog, Country Frog-* Mo Willems

*Clever Jack Takes the Cake-* Candace Fleming

*Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus-* Mo Willems

*Each Peach Pear Plum-* Allan Ahlberg

*Every Friday-* Dan Yaccarino

*Fables-* Arnold Lobel

*Fish Eyes: A Book You Can Count On-* Lois Ehlert

*Gone Wild: An Endangered Alphabet-* David McLimans

*A Good Day-* Kevin Henkes

*Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site-* Sherri Duskey Rinker

*How to Heal a Broken Wing-* Bob Graham

*I Ain't Gonna Paint No More!-* Karen Beaumont

*I Want to Be an Astronaut-* Byron Barton

*Little Bear's Little Boat-* Eve Bunting

*Little Mouse Gets Ready-* Jeff Smith

*LMNO Peas-* Keith Baker



## Preschool Books- 2023

*Lucky Song-* Vera B. Williams

*Max's Breakfast-* Rosemary Wells

*A Penguin Story-* Antoinette Portis

*Posy-* Linda Newberry

*So Sleepy Story-* Uri Shulevitz

*Stella, Star of the Sea-* Marie-Louise Gay

*Thank You Bear-* Greg Foley

*That New Animal-* Emily Jenkins

*The Quiet Book-* Deborah Underwood

*The Sleepy Little Alphabet: A Bedtime Story for Alphabet Town-* Judy Sierra

*The Stray Dog-* Marc Simont

*The Very Busy Spider-* Eric Carle

*Tippy-Toe Chick, Go!-* George Shannon

*Toot and Puddle-* Holly Hobbie

*Turtle Splash! Countdown at the Pond-* Cathryn Falwell

*Seven Blind Mice-* Ed Young

*Trucks Trucks Trucks-* Peter Sis

*Where's Walrus-* Stephen Savage

*Yucky Worms-* Vivian French

*Z Was Zapped: A Play in 26 Acts-* Chris Van Allsburg



# Picture Books

***Ages 5 to 8*** (these books may also be enjoyed by older students and parents as well)

*All the World-* Elizabeth Garton Scanlon

*A Bike Like Sergios-* Maribeth Boelts

*A Bit More Bert-* Allan Ahlberg

*A Chair for My Mother-* Vera B. Williams

*A Couple of Boys Have the Best Week Ever -* Marla Frazee

*Dear Mrs. LaRue : Letters from Obedience School-* Mark Teague

*Fabulous Frogs-* Martin Jenkins

*Grandpa Green -* Lane Smith

*Henry Hikes to Fitchburg-* D.B. Johnson

*Interrupting Chicken-* David Ezra Stein

*King Bidgood's in the Bathtub-* Audrey Wood

*Knuffle Bunny Too : A Case of Mistaken Identity-* Mo Willems

*Maple-* Lori Nichols

*Me....Jane -* Patrick McDonnell

*Night Noises-* Mem Fox

*Orangutan Tongs : Poems to Tangle Your Tongue-* Jon Agee

*Owen-* Kevin Henkes

*Pool-* JiHyeon Lee

*Sector 7 -* David Weisner

*Scaredy Squirrel-* Melanie Watt

*Strega Nona: An Old Tale-* Tomie DePaola





## Picture Books

### ***Ages 8-10***

*Ada's Ideas : The Story of Ada Lovelace , the World's First Computer Programmer-* Fiona Robinson

*Battle Bunny-* Jon Scieszka

*The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind-* William Kamkwamba

*Castle-* David Macaulay

*Dave the Potter : Artist , Poet , Slave-* Laban Carrick Hill

*The Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins : An Illuminating History of Mr. Waterhouse Hawkins, Artist and Lecturer-* Barbara Kerley

*A Dog Like Sam-* Edward van de Vendel

*The Garden of Abdul Gasazi-* Chris Van Allsburg

*Golem-* David Wisniewski

*Henry's Freedom Box : A True Story from the Underground Railroad-* Ellen Levine

*How I Learned Geography -* Uri Shulevitz

*Junkyard Wonders-* Patricia Polacco

*Lady Liberty : A Biography-* Doreen Rappaport

*Matchbox Diary-* Paul Fleischman

*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters : An African Tale-* John Steptoe

*Pale Male : Citizen Hawk of New York City-* Janet Schulman

*Queen of the Falls-* Chris Van Allsburg

*The Spider and the Fly-* Mary Howitt

*The Stinky Cheese Man-* Jon Scieszka





# Chapter Books

## ***Ages 5-8 (and above)***

*A Handful of Beans : Six Fairy Tales-* Jeanne Steig

*Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Stuart Little-* Peggy Gifford

*Ruby Lu , Brave and True-* Lenore Look

*Runaway Radish -* Jesse Haas

*Toys Go Out-* Emily Jenkins

## ***Ages 8-10***

*Abel's Island -* William Steig

*Alvin Ho : Allergic to Camping , Hiking , and Other Natural Disasters-* Lenore Look

*Bunnicula: A Rabbit Tale of Mystery-* James Howe

*Clementine-* Sara Pennypacker

*The Doll People-* Ann M. Martin

*Fergus Crane-* Paul Stewart

*Lady Lollipop-* Dick King-Smith

*Martin Bridge, Ready for Take-Off!-* Jessica Scott Kerrin

*Odd and the Frost Giants-* Neil Gaiman

*Our White House : Looking In , Looking Out-* National Children's Book and Literacy Alliance

*Piper Reed, Navy Brat-* Kimberly Willis Holt

*Poppy-* Avi

*Ralph S. Mouse-* Beverly Cleary

*Shredderman: Secret Identity-* Wendelin Van Draanen



# Leveled Reading

The following titles have been designated with a reading level. I have included a page that shows how the letter level can be equal to a color dot level with which many of our students are familiar. It also shows how students can look up leveled books on our primary school online catalog. The books I have included can be found at the public library. If you have any questions, please contact me at [mchristian@hollandhall.org](mailto:mchristian@hollandhall.org).

## **Levels A-G:**

*Do You Want to Be My Friend?*- Eric Carle (A)

*Eating Apples*- Gail Saunders-Smith (A)

*What I See*- Holly Keller (A)

*Bear in a Square*- Stella Blackstone (B)

*On Market Street*- Anita Lobel (B)

*Rick is Sick*- David McPhail (B)

*Bathtime for Biscuit*- Alyssa Satin Capucilli (C)

*Flying*- Donald Crews (C)

*Click Clack, Quackity-Quack: An Alphabet Adventure*- Doreen Cronin (D)

*Can You Cuddle Like a Koala?*- John Butler (E)

*Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed*- Eileen Christelow (E)

*What Mommies Do Best/What Daddies Do Best*- Laura Numeroff (E)

*America Is...*- Louise Borden (Level F)*Mouse Count*- Ellen Stoll Walsh (F)

*A Splendid Friend, Indeed*- Suzanne Bloom (F)

*Barnyard Banter*- Denise Fleming (G)

*If You Give a Pig a Party*- Laura Numeroff (G)

*Sheep on a Ship*- Nancy Shaw (G)



# Leveled Reading

## ***Levels H-L***

*Backyard Bug Battle: A Buzz Beaker Brainstorm-* Scott Nickel (H)

*Beagles-* Jody Sullivan Rake (H)

*Benny and Penny in the Big No-No! -* Geoffrey Hayes (H)

*Big Red Barn-* Margaret Wise Brown (H)

*Danny and the Dinosaur Go to Camp-* Syd Hoff (H)

*Busy Buzzing Bumblebees and Other Tongue Twisters-* Alvin Schwartz (I)

*The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore-* William Joyce (I)

*Who's Afraid of the Dark? -* Crosby Bonsall (I)

*The Great Snake Escape-* Molly Coxe (J)

*Long and Short: An Animal Opposites Book-* Lisa Bullard (J)

*Young Cam Jansen and the Double Beach Mystery-* David A. Adler (J)

*Fly Guy vs. the Flyswatter!-* Tedd Arnold (K)

*Mercy Watson Fights Crime -* Kate DiCamillo (K)

*Minnie and Moo Go to the Moon-* Denys Cazet (K)

*Poison Dart Frog-* Anita Ganeri (K)

*Cam Jansen and the Chocolate Fudge Mystery-* David A. Adler (L)

*The Dragon of Doom-* Bruce Coville (L)

*The Gingerbread Boy-* Paul Galdone (L)

*Miss Lazar is Bizarre!-* Dan Gutman (L)

*Why Do Rabbits Hop?-* Joan Holub (L)



# Leveled Reading

## ***Levels M-Q***

*Buster's Dino Dilemma*- Stephen Krensky (M)

*The Catcher's Mask*- Matt Christopher (M)

*Freckle Juice*- Judy Blume (M)

*Zombies Don't Play Soccer*- Debbie Dadey (M)

*Amazing Tricks with Everyday Stuff*- Steve Charney (N)

*The Trouble with Cats*- Martha Freeman (N)

*The Trouble with Chickens: A J.J. Tully Mystery*- Doreen Cronin (N)

*Weslandia*- Paul Fleischman (N)

*Leonardo's Horse*- Jean Fritz (O)

*Mallory on the Move*- Laurie B. Friedman (O)

*Ramona Quimby, Age 8*- Beverly Cleary (O)

*Trading Places with Tank Talbott* - Dori H. Butler (O)

*Da Wild, Da Crazy, Da Vinci*- Jon Scieszka (P)

*Fantastic Mr. Fox*- Roald Dahl (P)

*Trojan Horse: The World's Greatest Adventure* - David Clement-Davies (P)

*The Ugly Princess and the Wise Fool* - Margaret Gray (P)

*Animals Nobody Loves*- Seymour Simon (Q)

*Annie Glover Is Not a Tree Lover* - Darleen Bailey Beard (Q)

*The Field Guide*- Toni DiTerlizzi (Q)

*Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*- Judy Blume (Q)





# Leveled Reading

## ***Levels R-W***

*The Great Googolestein Museum Mystery-* Jean Van Leeuwen (R)

*The Indian in the Cupboard-* Lynne Reid Banks (R)

*Nasty Stinky Sneakers-* Eve Bunting (R)

*The Whipping Boy-* Sid Fleischman (R)

*The Borrowers-* Mary Norton (S)

*Matilda-* Roald Dahl (S)

*Melonhead-* Katy Kelly (S)

*The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy-* Jeanne Birdsall (S)

*Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, Deputy U.S. Marshall-* Vaunda M. Nelson (T)

*Phineas L. Macguire- Erupts! The First Experiment-* Frances O'Roark Dowell (T)

*The Strange Case of Origami Yoda -* Tom Angleberger (T)

*The Book of Three-* Lloyd Alexander (U)

*The Get Rich Quick Club-* Dan Gutman (U)

*Weasel -* Cynthia DeFelice (U)

*The Dark Stairs: A Herculeah Jones Mystery-* Betsy Cromer Byars (V)

*Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone-* J.K. Rowling (V)

*Tuck Everlasting -* Natalie Babbitt (V)

*The Phantom Tollbooth -* Norton Juster (W)

*A Wrinkle in Time-* Madeleine L'Engle (W)





# Reading Level Letter to Color Dot Conversion:

A and B= *White Dot* (with small black dot in the center)

C and D= *Green Dot* (with small black dot in the center)

D and E= *Red Dot* (with small black dot in the center)

F and G= *Lime Green Dot* (or sometimes a neon green)

H and I= *Red Dot*

J and K= *Yellow Dot*

K and L= *Dark Blue Dot*

L and M= *Light Orange Dot*

M, N. and O= *Dark Green Dot*

P and Q= *Lava Orange*

R and S= *Light Blue*

T, U, and V= *Pink*

W, X, and Y= *Basic Green*



# Popular series

-age reflects interest level

**According to Humphrey** by Betty G. Birney (Age 7-11)

**Amelia Bedelia (I Can Read Books Level 2)** by Peggy Parish, Herman Parish (Age 4-9)

**Ballpark Mysteries** by David A. Kelly (Age 6-9)

**Big Nate** by Lincoln Peirce (Ages 8-12)

**Clementine** by Sara Pennypacker (Age 7-10)

**Fancy Nancy (I Can Read Books Level 1)** by Jane O'Connor (Age 4-8)

**Flat Stanley's Worldwide Adventures** by Sara Pennypacker, Jeff Brown, Josh Greenhut (Age 6-10)

**Fudge** by Judy Blume (Age 7-12)

**Genius Files** by Dan Gutman (Age 8-12)

**Ivy & Bean** by Annie Barrows (Age 6-10)

**Little House** by Laura Ingalls Wilder, Roger Lea MacBride (Ages 8-12)

**Marty McGuire** by Kate Messner (Age 6-9)

**Moongobble and Me** by Bruce Coville (Age 5-10)

**Mr. Putter & Tabby** by Cynthia Rylant (Age 5-9)

**Notebook of Doom** by Troy Cummings (Ages 6-8)

**Penderwicks** by Jeanne Birdsall (Age 8-12)

**Pete the Cat (original series)** by Eric Litwin (Age 3-8)

**Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot** by Dav Pilkey (Age 6-11)

**Spiderwick Chronicles** by Holly Black, Tony DiTerlizzi (Age 7 and up)

**Thea Stilton** by Thea Stilton (Ages 7-10)

**Zack Files** by Dan Greenburg (Age 6-11)

\*for more ideas go to <http://www.kidsbookseries.com>



## ***Caldecott Winners (since 2013)***

*Hot Dog-* Doug Salati (2023)

*Watercress-* Andrea Wang (2022)

*We Are Water Protectors-* Carole Lindstrom (2021)

*The Undefeated-* Kwame Alexander (2020)

*Hello Lighthouse-* Sophie Blackall (2019)

*Wolf in the Snow-* Matthew Cordell (2018)

*Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat-* Javaka Steptoe (2017)

*Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear-* Lindsay Mattick (2016)

*The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend-* Dan Santat (2015)

*Locomotive-* Brian Floca (2014)

*This is Not My Hat-* Jon Klassen (2013)

## ***Newbery Winners (since 2013)***

some of these are more appropriate for older Middle School students

*Freewater-* Amina Luqman-Dawson (2023)

*The Last Cuentista-* Donna Barba Higuera (2022)

*When You Trap a Tiger-* Tae Keller (2021)

*New Kid-* Jerry Craft (2020)

*Merci Suárez Changes Gears-* Meg Medina (2019)

*Hello, Universe-* Erin Entrada Kelly (2018)

*The Girl Who Drank the Moon-* Kelly Barnhill (2017)

*Last Stop on Market Street-* Matt de la Peña (2016)

*The Crossover-* Kwame Alexander (2015)

*Flora & Ulysses: The Illuminated Adventures-* Kate DiCamillo (2014)

*The One and Only Ivan-* Katherine Applegate (2013)



# Sequoyah Award Nominees 2024

This award is decided by Oklahoma students from grades 3-5. Students have to read three or more books from this year's list to vote for one of this year's nominees. Each year is a different list of books and students have to read 3 or more from that list to participate. Since the award is for 3rd through 5th grade, some titles will be more appropriate for the older grades while some will appeal more to the younger grades. It is a good idea to read the summary of the book, if available on the book or at the library, to see which book is appropriate for the reader.

***Anybody Here Seen Frenchie?*** by Leslie Connor

***Concrete: From the Ground Up*** by Larissa Thuele & Steve Light

***Cookies and Milk*** by Shawn Amos

***A Duet for Home*** by Karina Yan Glaser

***Falling Short*** by Ernesto Cisneros

***Going Places: Victor Hugo Green and His Glorious Book*** by Tanya Bolden

***High Score*** by Destiny Howell

***The Last Mapmaker*** by Christina Soontornvat

***Lifeling*** by Kirsty Applebaum

***Not Starring Zadie Louise*** by Joy McCullough

***The Ogress and the Orphans*** by Kelly Barnhill

***Seed*** by Caryl Lewis

***The Pear Affair*** by Judith Eagle

***Trex*** by Christyne Morrell

***We are Wolves*** by Katrina Nannestad



# Holland Hall ebooks

## **Ebooks:**

- Overdrive/Sora (app)
- HH ebooks can be found on the [PS Library website](#)
- Includes ebooks for PS, MS, and US (search under “juvenile” in the search box or select the appropriate level under “levels”)
- Will require Student ID number





# Ebook suggestions (available through Holland Hall's Overdrive/Sora app)

## **Picture books:**

*Alma and How She Got Her Name*- Juana Martinez-Neal

*They All Saw a Cat*- Brendan Wenzel

*Interrupting Chicken*- David Ezra Stein

*Niko Draws a Feeling*- Bob Raczka

*Nothing Rhymes with Orange*- Adam Rex

*Don't Touch This Book*- Bill Cotter

*Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast*- Josh Funk

*Dino Sports* series- Lisa Wheeler

## **Step Up books:**

*Smell My Foot!*- Cece Bell

*Penny and Her Doll*- Kevin Henkes

*The Adventures of Otto* series- David Milgrim

## **Chapter books:**

*Mrs. Noodlekugel*- Daniel Pinkwater

*The Bad Guys* series- Aaron Blabey

*Owl Diaries* series- Rebecca Elliott

*Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot* series- Dav Pilkey

*My Weird School* series- Dan Gutman

*Judy Moody* series- Megan McDonald

*Stink* series- Megan McDonald

*Capital Mysteries* series- Ron Roy



Many of these books can be found using a website known as **The Database of Award-Winning Literature** (<http://www.dawcl.com/>). The user can search the database by suggested age of reader, genre, format (chapter book, picture book, etc.), date of copyright, and many other criteria. Once the search criteria is entered, there will be a list of books (if the criteria fits anything in the database) that usually includes a brief summary of the story. This can be a useful tool in searching for books, in a variety of formats, that have been designated worthy of recognition in children's literature.

These books should be available through the Tulsa City-County Library System (<http://www.tulsalibrary.org/>). The library system will have multiple copies of most titles on this list. If there is a title that is not at a nearby library, there is a way to "request" the book be sent to a library more conveniently located. At the library homepage, select "search the catalog", find the desired book in the catalog and click the "request" button. The following page will ask for a library card number and designated pickup library site. This is much easier than driving all over the county in search of a book.

Have a great summer and read, read, read,

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