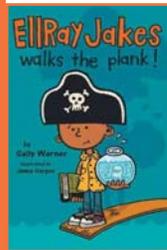


Great Reads for Grade 4



ElRay Jakes Walks the Plank!* by Sally Warner. INT WARNER.

When ElRay Jakes brings the class pet home, his sister accidentally kills it. His classmates are not happy with him, and one resorts to bullying, but ElRay tries to protect his sister.



The Buddy Files: The Case of the Library Monster* by Dori Hillestad Butler. INT BUTLER.

Buddy is working as a therapy dog, reading with kids in the school library. While listening to a ghost story, he hears strange noises. A rustling is coming from the shelves and something smells strange. What could it be?



Earwig and the Witch by Diana Wynne Jones. INT JONES.

Earwig likes the orphanage and is unhappy when a strange couple adopts her. What follows is a battle of wills as the witch Bella Yaga orders around Earwig, who is determined to learn magic for herself.



Kakapo Rescue: Saving the World's Strangest Parrot by Sy Montgomery and Nic Bishop. 598.71 M788.

Kakapo parrots live on a remote island off the coast of New Zealand. Only 91 of these large, flightless birds remain from the millions that once lived there.



Dragonbreath: Revenge of the Horned Bunnies* by Ursula Vernon. SF VERNON.

Danny is off to summer camp with his best friend and his annoying cousin Spencer. When Spencer discovers a jackalope and an evil plot to capture it, Danny must save the day.



Every Thing On It: Poems and Drawings by Shel Silverstein. 811.54 S587E.

This original collection includes more than 130 new poems and drawings. These poems are silly and fun, like the cover poem which shows what happens when you order a hot dog with everything on it.



Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Practicing the Piano: (But She Does Love Being in Recitals)* by Peggy Gifford. INT GIFFORD.
Moxy prepares for her piano recital... by working on her costume, make-up and voice exercises. Too bad there is no time left to actually practice!



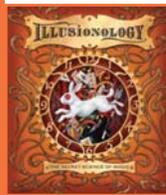
The Mighty Mars Rovers: The Incredible Adventures of Spirit & Opportunity by Elizabeth Rusch. 523.43 R952.
Rusch explores the role of the Mars Rovers and the fascinating information that was gathered using these crafts.



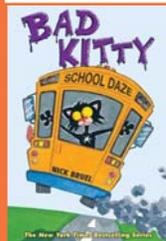
Little Dog Lost by Marion Dane Bauer. FIC BAUER.
A young boy desperately wants a dog. An old man is desperately lonely. A young dog is lost. Will each find happiness?



Amelia and Eleanor Go For A Ride by Pam Muñoz Ryan. INT RYAN.
At a dinner party, Amelia Earhart and First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt decided to take a flight over Washington D.C. to see it lit up at night.



Illusionology: The Secret Science of Magic by Albert D. Schafer. 793.8 S296.
This is the history and science of magic as written by magician Albert Schafer who supposedly vanished in 1915. Step-by-step directions and props help readers try simple tricks.



Bad Kitty School Daze* by Nick Bruel. INT BRUEL.
Kitty's bad behavior finally tops the patience of her owners. Off Bad Kitty goes to obedience school. Will Bad Kitty finally be good?



Penelope Crumb Never Forgets* by Shawn Stout. INT STOUT.
Independent and spirited fourth grader Penelope Crumb has big dreams (and a big nose). Both become a catalyst for trying to reconnect with her estranged grandfather.

***Part of a series.**

Reading Tips

Reading together as a family is still important for children who can read independently. Encourage them to read to younger siblings or share in reading something as a family that appeals to all ages, like the Harry Potter series.

For reluctant readers, look for fast-paced stories of adventure or mystery, which will keep your child interested in finding out what happens next.

