

## Suggested Summer Pleasure Reading Books for Rising Grade 4 2023

### Advice on Choosing "Just Right" Books

Reading books at your child's comfort level will support their developing reading skills. When books are too difficult, children get in the habit of skipping over words and don't get practice with word attack skills.

Try the "THREE FINGER RULE" when your child chooses a book he/she wants to read:

1. Turn to a page in the middle of the book.
2. Have your child read aloud.
3. At each word that she/he cannot decode easily and/or doesn't understand, put up a finger.
4. If at the end of the page, you have three fingers or more up, the book is too difficult for independent reading.

You can still get the book and read it aloud to your child, since they will benefit from listening. We encourage you to continue to read aloud to your child. They are not too old!!!!

If your child prefers graphic novels, PLEASE make sure they rotate with tradition books. Take Turns!

### Awesome books for Fourth Graders!

#### **Fiction:**

Accidental Trouble Magnet  
Any Day With You  
Becoming Muhammed Ali: A Novel  
Black Brother, Black Brother  
Eva Evergreen, Semi-Magical Witch  
Isaiah Dunn Is My Hero  
Pepper Page Saves The Universe!  
Pie In the Sky  
Prairie Lotus  
Restart  
Shaking Up The House  
Skunk and Badger  
Stella Diaz Dreams Big  
The Best of Iggy  
The Fourteenth Goldfish  
The Last Bear  
The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl  
The One and Only Bob  
The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez  
The War That Saved My Life  
The Year I Flew Away  
The Watsons Go To Birmingham  
Truman The Dog  
When You Trap a Tiger  
Wings of Fire Book Series

Zanib Mian  
Mae Respicio  
James Patterson  
Jewell Parker Rhodes  
Julia Abe  
Kelly J. Baptist  
Landry Q. Walker  
Remy Lai  
Linda Sue Park  
Gordon Korman  
Yamile Saed Mendez  
Amy Timberlake  
Angela Dominguez  
Annie Barrows  
Jennifer L Holm  
Hannah Gold  
Stacy McAnulty  
Katherine Applegate  
Adriana Cuevas  
Kimberley Bradley Brubaker  
Marie Arnold  
Christopher Paul Curtis  
Debbie Michiko Florence  
Tae Keller  
Barry Deutsch

#### **Graphic Novels:**

Allergic  
Bear

Megan Wagner Lloyd  
Ben Queen

## Graphic Novels, cont'd

Catherine's War	Julia Billet
Click	Kayla Miller
El Deafo	Cece Bell
Measuring Up	Lily Lamotte
Stargazing	Jen Wang
Super Detectives: Simon and Chester Book #1	Cale Atkinson
Twins	Varian Johnson

## Nonfiction:

The How and Wow of the Human Body: From Your Tongue to Your Toes and All the Guts in Between	Mindy Thomas and Guy Raz
A Sporting Chance: How Ludwig Guttman Created the Paralympic Games	Lori Alexander
We Got Game! 35 Female Athletes Who Changed the World	Aileen Weintraub
The Floating Field: How A Group of Thai Boys Built Their Own Soccer Field	Scott Riley

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Suggested titles for rising Grade 4:

How to (Almost) Ruin Your Summer	Taryn Souders (available on Sora)
Skateboard Sibby	Clare O'Connor (Sora)
The Year I Flew Away	Marie Arnold (Sora)
Major Impossible (Nathan Hale Bk. 9)	Nathan Hale

**And you can never go wrong with books by these authors!**

Applegate, Katherine	Hiaasen, Carl
Avi	Jacques, Brian
Babbitt, Natalie.	Korman, Gordon
Balliett, Blue	Lowry, Lois
Byars, Betsy	Lupica, Mike
Byng, Georgia	O'Connor, Barbara
Clements, Andrew	Riordan, Rick
Coville, Bruce	Ryan, Pam Munoz
Dahl, Roald	Sachar, Louis
Danziger, Paula	Sage, Angie
Davies, Jacqueline	Snicket, Lemony
DiCamillo, Kate	Stewart, Trenton
Funke, Cornelia	Tarshis, Lauren (I Survived Series)
Gantos, Jack	Telgemeier, Raina
George, Jean Craighead	Watson, Renee