

Be a Reading Star

2018 Edition

Reading stars aren't born, they're made! Have your youngster pick books to read from our list below. Then, he can use the log on page 2 to write the author and title. When he completes the log, he's officially a reading star!



Cat Diaries: Secret Writings of the MEOW Society

(Betsy Byers, Betsy Duffey, and Laurie Myers)



Once a year, the cats of the world get together for a meeting of the MEOW Society. They share their life stories through diary entries included in this book. You'll read about a cat that lives in a library, a pirate cat, and even an Egyptian cat. (For dog lovers, try *Dog Diaries* from the same authors.)

Why Pi? (Johnny Ball)

Where did numbers come from? Find out everything you ever wanted to know in this ultimate history-of-numbers book. Learn how the ancient Greeks used numbers, how numbers are used to make maps, and more.

Save Me a Seat (Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan)

It's the first week of school, and things aren't going as planned for Ravi and Joe. Ravi just moved to America from India and is having trouble adjusting, while Joe has never left his hometown but feels like an outsider. Each chapter tells a day's story from both boys' perspectives.

Serafina's Promise (Ann E. Burg)

In this free-verse story, a young Haitian girl named Serafina dreams of becoming a doctor to help her people. When disaster strikes Haiti, her family must start over—but Serafina's determination and family support keep her going toward her dreams.

Kid Artists: True Tales of Childhood from Creative Legends (David Stabler)

Before Leonardo da Vinci, Frida Kahlo, and Charles Schulz were famous artists, they had one thing in common: They were kids! Read mini biographies of artists to see where they found inspiration and how they got started in the art world. Part of the Kid Legends series.



Rutabaga the Adventure Chef (Eric Colossal)

Rutabaga will search high and low to find the perfect ingredients. This fast-paced graphic novel follows Rutabaga and his sidekick—a magic cooking pot—as they fight dragons, invent new ways to make food, and meet unique characters. The first book in the Rutabaga series.

The Case of the Vanishing Little Brown Bats: A Scientific Mystery

(Sandra Markle)

When scientists discovered that big groups of brown bats were dying, they raced to find out why and to help. In this nonfiction book, readers will learn why the brown bats are important and how scientists are working to save them.



Finding the Music: En pos de la música (Jennifer Torres)

Reyna accidentally damages her grandfather's *vihuela*, the small guitar that hangs in her family's restaurant. As she searches for someone to fix it, she learns all about her *abuelito* (grandpa), a great mariachi musician and beloved community member. This story is told in English and Spanish.

The Way Things Work Now (David Macaulay)


Budding engineers can satisfy their curiosity with this illustrated reference book. It explains the ins and outs of everything from simple machines to modern inventions like touch screens and WiFi. Includes a glossary of technical terms.

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