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Don't Bargain With The Tooth Fairy! by Deborah Zemke
(*I'm Going To Read* series)

There are certain rules every smart kid should follow. Such as, don't climb telephone poles, flagpoles or tadpoles. Never wear anyone else's underwear. Never try to hide your elephant under your bed. Check out the 44 ridiculous rules in this silly book!

NONFICTION

J 577.789 GIB

Coral Reefs by Gail Gibbons

Come and learn about the amazing world of coral reefs, which first existed 400 million years ago. Gail Gibbons' wonderfully detailed illustrations will help you understand this world underwater!

J 743.6 LIP

I Love to Draw Horses! by Jennifer Lipsey

Do you like to draw? This great book helps you draw all kinds of horses, including an Arabian, a Shetland pony, a rodeo horse and a unicorn!

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Welcome to China by Caryn Jenner (*DK Reader Series*)

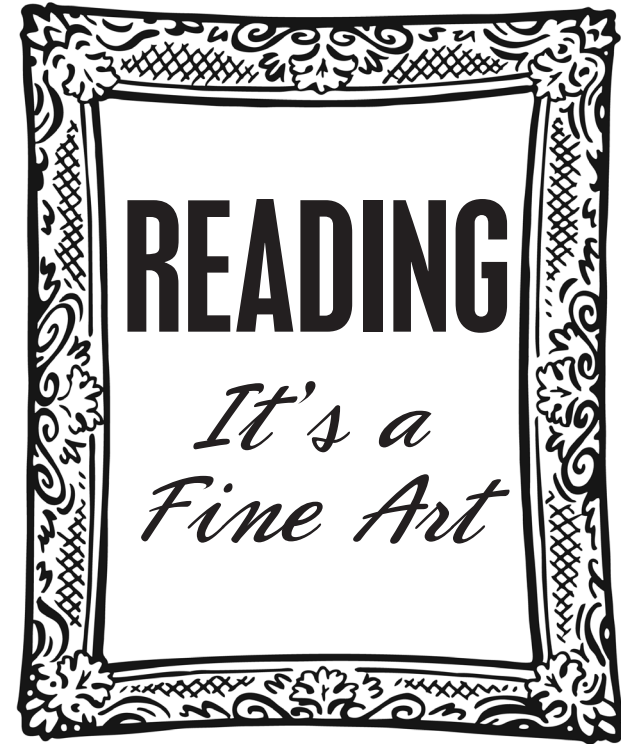
Did you know that more people live in China than any other country? Or that China has the biggest dam in the world? Check out the beautiful photos and learn about China, which also hosted the 2008 Summer Olympics!

Note to Students:

To encourage more students to make reading a part of their summer vacation, the Middletown Public Schools and Russell Library have coordinated efforts by publishing this brochure.

On behalf of our schools, my colleagues, and the Russell Library, I wish you a reading enriched summer vacation.

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for Curriculum & Instruction



Grade 2-3

FICTION

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Ivy & Bean Take Care Of the Babysitter by Annie Barrows (series)

Ivy and Bean return in their latest adventure, where Bean's sister babysits for the afternoon. The girls decide to hide and end up locked in the attic. How will they get out? Read this funny tale and find out.

j BRU

Bad Kitty Gets A Bath by Nick Bruel

Bad Kitty needs a bath. Bad Kitty absolutely hates baths. Find out what happens in this funny and silly story about Bad Kitty!

j COW

Snake and Lizard by Joy Cowley

Snake and Lizard are very different creatures that live in the desert. Although they argue often, they become good friends. Read this funny tale of their friendship in the desert!

j DIC

Mercy Watson Thinks Like a Pig by Kate DiCamillo (series)

Here comes trouble! When Mercy the pig gobbles up the neighbor's pansies, Miss Eugenia Lincoln calls Animal Control. Will the officer be able to think like a pig and locate the missing Mercy Watson?

j ENG

Nikki & Deja by Karen English (series)

Nikki and Deja are best friends and do everything together. They play at recess, jump double dutch, and sit on Nikki's front porch. When a new girl moves down the street, everything changes. Will Nikki and Deja remain friends? Be sure to read both books in this brand new series!

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Underpants On My Head by Jessica Harper

When Cleo and her family go on a summer camping trip in the mountains, they get caught in a freak snowstorm...in August!

j HOL

Bed, Bats & Beyond by Joan Holub

When Fink the bat has trouble falling asleep, his family tells him bedtime stories. Will the tales of a scary Swamp Owl, Captain Batty the Pirate and a bat princess help Fink fall asleep? Read this funny story to find out!

j JAC

Andy Shane Is Not in Love by Jennifer Richard Jacobson (series)

When new student Lark Alice Bell starts school, Andy befriends her. His best friend Dolores Starbuckle starts to wonder, is Andy Shane in love? Read along and find out! Try reading other books in this fun series.

j JEN

Toy Dance Party: Being The Further Adventures of A Bossyboots Stingray, A Courageous Buffalo & A Hopeful Round Someone Called Plastic by Emily Jenkins (series)

Lumpy, Stingray and Plastic are back. In their latest set of adventures, the three best friends encounter a shark, get stuck in a blizzard, and save the toy mouse from the vacuum. Make sure you read the first book in this series, **Toys Go Out!**

j KLI

Horrible Harry and the Dead Letters by Suzy Kline (series)

Harry's teacher, Miss Mackle, gives the students in Room 3 B rainbow bookmarks. She surprises the class with an old mailbox from the Post Office. When some of the bookmarks turn up missing, Harry has to solve the mystery!

j LOW

The Chocolate Tree: A Mayan Folktale by Linda Lowery and Richard Keep (*On My Own Folklore* series)

Almost 1000 years ago, chocolate was found in the Mexican rainforest. When the Mayan god Kukulcan decides to share the cocoa tree with his people, his brother Night Jaguar becomes very angry. He thinks the cocoa tree belongs only to the gods. Will the Mayans get to keep the chocolate tree after all?

j NAY

Eating Enchiladas by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor (*Simply Sarah* series)

Sarah Simpson, the "Idea Girl," returns! Sarah is trying to come up with a special country for her school report. A sleepover at a neighbor's house gives Sarah just the right idea.

j NOL

Bad to the Bone by Lucy Nolan (*Down Girl and Sit* series)

Down Girl is a dog that wants her master Ruff to understand that dogs only need 2 things: food and attention. Is that asking too much? Down Girl and her dog friend Sit try their best to train their Masters in this very funny story. Be sure to read the other books in this series!

j OSB

Moonlight on the Magic Flute by Mary Pope Osborne (*Magic Tree House Series # 41*)

In this latest *Magic Tree House* book, Jack and Annie are off on another Merlin Mission. They travel back in time to 1762 Austria, where they search for a young musician named Mozart.

EASY READERS

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Fake Out! Animals That Play Tricks by Ginjer L. Clarke (*All Aboard Science* series)

Did you know that the porcupine fish can gulp water and quickly turn into a prickly ball? Or that the horned frog looks like a leaf in the forest, and then swallows scorpions crawling nearby? Read about the tricks that animals often play on other creatures! Check out **Gross Out! Animals That Do Disgusting Things**, another book in this science series.

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Keesha's Bright Idea by Eleanor May (*Social Studies Connects* series)

Keesha loves to come up with new ideas, while big brother Eddie ends up doing all the work! Can Eddie get ready for Battle of the Bands and help Keesha save energy, all at the same time?

E ROT

Derek Jeter: A Yankee Hero by B.A. Roth (*All Aboard Reading* series)

Did you know that when he was young, Derek dreamed of becoming a Yankee? Check out this book to learn about this baseball superstar!

E SCO

Star Wars, the Clone Wars. Yoda in Action! by Heather Scott (DK Readers series).

Jedi Master Yoda and the clone troopers battle droids and villains in this latest clone wars adventure. Other books in this series include **I Want to be a Jedi, Star Wars, Star Pilot and The Story of Darth Vader.**

E YEE

A Brand-New Day with Mouse and Mole by Wong Herbert Yee

Mole is having a bad day! He discovers all of his clothes have holes! Mouse takes Mole shopping, and first stop is a fried worm lunch. Read this fun chapter book about Mouse and Mole, the very best of friends.