

Books for Boys

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Picture Books:

- Buehner, Caralyn. Superdog: the Heart of a Hero. HarperCollins, 2003.
Donaldson, Julia. The Gruffalo. Dial, 1999.
McMullan, Kate. I Stink! Joanna Cotler, 2002.
Monsell, Mary Elise. Underwear! Albert Whitman, 1988.
Pilkey, Dav. Kat Kong. Harcourt, 1993.
Pilkey, Dav. Dogzilla. Harcourt, 1993.
Pilkey, Dav. Dog Breath: The Horrible Trouble With Hally Tosis. Blue Sky Press, 1994.
Scieszka, Jon. The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales. Viking, 1993.
Scieszka, Jon. The True Story of the Three Little Pigs. Viking Kestral, 1989.
Shannon, David. No, David! Scholastic, 1998.
Slangerup, Erik John. Dirt Boy. Sagebrush, 2003.
Wiesner, David. Sector 7. Houghton Mifflin, 1999.
Wiesner, David. The Three Pigs. Clarion, 2001.
Wiesner, David. Tuesday. Clarion, 1991.

Difficulty: Lower

- Abbott, Tony. "The Secrets of Droon" (Series)
David, Lawrence. "Horace Splattly: The Cupcaked Crusader" (Series)
Gould, Robert, and Kathleen Duey. "Time Soldiers" (Series)
Kraft, Erik P. "Lenny and Mel" (Series)
Pilkey, Dav. "Captain Underpants" (Series)
Clements, Andrew. A Week in the Woods. Simon & Schuster, 2002.

Difficulty: Moderate

- Coville, Bruce. "Bruce Coville's Alien Adventures" (Series)
Elliott, David. The Transmogrification of Roscoe Wizzle. Candlewick Press, 2001.
John Fleischman. Phineas Gage: A Gruesome But True Story About Brain Science. Houghton Mifflin, 2002.
Gantos, Jack. "Joey Pigza" (Series)
Hale, Bruce. "From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye" (Series)
Korman, Gordon. The Chicken Doesn't Skate. Scholastic, 1996.
Korman, Gordon. "Everest" (Series)
Korman, Gordon. No More Dead Dogs. Hyperion, 2002.
Myers, Walter Dean. Patrol: an American Soldier in Vietnam. HarperCollins, 2002.
Roberts, Ken. The Thumb in the Box. Douglas & McIntyre, 2001.
Rodda, Emily. "Deltora Quest" (Series) *Fantasy*
Scieszka, Jon. "The Time Warp Trio" (Series)
Smallcomb, Pam. The Last Burp of Mac McGerp. Bloomsbury USA, 2003.
Spinelli, Jerry. Loser. Joanna Cotler, 2002.
Tod Strasser, "Help! I'm Trapped" (Series)
Talbot, Hudson. Safari Journal: The Adventures in Africa of Carey Monroe. Harcourt, 2003.
Van Draanen, Wendelin. Swear to Howdy. Knopf, 2003.
Vande Velde, Vivian. Wizard at Work. Magic Carpet Books, 2003.

Difficulty: Higher

Avi. Crispin: Cross of Lead. 2002.

Avi. Nothing But the Truth: A Documentary Novel. Orchard Books, 1991.

Colfer, Eoin. "Artemis Fowl" (Series)

Downer, Ann. Hatching Magic. Aladdin, 2003.

Drake, Emily. "The Magickers" (Series)

DuPrau, Jeanne. The City of Ember.

Hiaasen, Carl. Hoot. Knopf, 2002.

Horowitz, Anthony. "Alex Rider Adventures" (Series)

Korman, Gordon. Son of the Mob. Hyperion, 2002.

Lynch, Chris. Gold Dust. HarperCollins, 2000.

Myers, Walter Dean. Monster. 1999.

Paulsen, Gary. The Car. Harcourt Brace & Company, 1994.

Paulsen, Gary. The Rifle. Harcourt Brace & Company, 1995.

Philbrick, Rodman. The Last Book in the Universe. Blue Sky Press, 2000.

Philbrick, Rodman. The Young Man and the Sea. Blue Sky Press, 2004.

Pullman, Philip. "His Dark Materials" (Series)

Ritter, John H. The Boy Who Saved Baseball. Philomel, 2003.

Rowling, J.K. "Harry Potter" (Series)

Sachar, Louis. Holes. Farrar, Straus, Giroux, 1998.

Shan, Darren. "Cirque Du Freak: The Saga of Darren Shan" (Series)

Silverstein, Ken. The Radioactive Boy Scout: The True Story of a Boy and His Backyard Nuclear Reactor. Random House, 2004.

Snicket, Lemony. "A Series of Unfortunate Events" (Series)

Spinelli, Jerry. Maniac Magee. Little, Brown, 1990.

Strickland, Brad. The Whistle, The Grave, and the Ghost. Dial, 2003.

Stroud, Jonathan. "The Bartimaeus Trilogy" (Series)

Zindel, Paul. Loch. HarperCollins, 1994.

Difficulty: Advanced

Bryson, Bill. A Walk in the Woods: Rediscovering America on the Appalachian Trail. Broadway Books, 1998.

Farmer, Nancy. The House of the Scorpion. Atheneum, 2002.

Krakauer, Jon. Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mt. Everest Disaster. Villard, 1997.

Piven, Joshua, and David Borgenicht. The Worst-Case Scenario Survival Handbook. Chronicle Books, 1999.

Ripken, Cal, Jr., and Mike Bryan. The Only Way I Know. Viking, 1997.

This Book Really Sucks!: the Science Behind Gravity, Flight, Leeches, Black Holes, Tornadoes, Our Friend the Vacuum Cleaner, and Most Everything Else That Sucks, by the Editors of Planet Dexter, 1999.

Tolkien, J.R.R. "The Lord of the Rings" (Series)

Tolkien, J.R.R. The Hobbit. Ballantine, 1999.

Books About Boys and Reading:

Gurian, Michael. Boys and Girls Learn Differently!: A Guide for Teachers and Parents. Jossey-Basse, 2001.

Krashen, Stephen. The Power of Reading: Insights from the Research. (2nd ed.) Libraries Unlimited, 2004.

Newkirk, Thomas. Misreading Masculinity: Boys, Literacy, and Popular Culture. Heinemann, 2002.

Pennac, Daniel. Better Than Life. Stenhouse, 1999.

Sullivan, Michael. Connecting Boys With Books: What Libraries Can Do. ALA Editions, 2003.