2017-2018 Georgia Children's Book (Gr. 4 - 8) Top 20 List

There are 25 books listed below. These books are divided into three categories so that there are 20 books each for Gr. 4-5 and Gr. 6-8 (15 shared titles for both grade ranges, and 5 books unique to each grade range).

Grade level categories are recommendations and may assist with Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl purposes. However, youth are welcome to read across ALL lists for voting.

Grades 4 - 8



Brown, Don. (2015). *Drowned City: Hurricane Katrina and New Orleans*. New York, NY: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. Lexile = GN920L



Connor, Leslie. (2016). *All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook*. New York, NY: Katherine Tegen Books/Harper Collins. Lexile = 540L



Dinerstein, Eric. (2016). *What Elephants Know*. Los Angeles, CA: Disney-Hyperion. Lexile = 790L



Gephart, Donna. (2016). *Lily and Dunkin*. New York, NY: Delacorte. Lexile = 680L



Gratz, Alan. (2016). *Projekt 1065*. New York, NY: Scholastic. Lexile = 780L



Griffin, Paul. (2016). When Friendship Followed Me Home. New York, NY: Dial.

Lexile = 590L



Harrington, Karen. (2016). *Mayday*. New York, NY: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Lexile = 590L



Holt, K.A. (2015). *House Arrest*. San Francisco, CA: Chronicle. Lexile = 610L



Lawson, Jessica. (2016). *Waiting for Augusta*. New York, NY: Simon and Schuster Books for Young Children.

Lexile = 830L



Pearsall, Shelley. (2016). *The Seventh Most Important Thing*. New York, NY: Yearling.

Lexile = 760L



Peck, Richard. (2016). *The Best Man*. New York, NY: Dial. Lexile = 540L



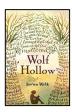
Pennypacker, Sara. (2016). *Pax*. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray. Lexile = 760L



Reynolds, Jason. (2016). *As Brave As You*. New York, NY: Atheneum/Caitlyn Dlouhy Books. Lexile = 750L



Sales, Leila. (2016). *Once Was a Time*. San Francisco, CA: Chronicle. Lexile = 760L



Wolk, Lauren. (2016). *Wolf Hollow*. New York, NY: Dutton Lexile = 800L

Grades 4 - 5



Anderson, John David. (2016). *Ms. Bixby's Last Day*. New York, NY: Walden Pond Press.

Lexile = 800L



Bahkin, Nora Raleigh. (2016). *Nine, Ten: A September 11 Story*. New York, NY: Atheneum.

Lexile = 730L



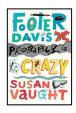
Brown, Peter. (2016). *The Wild Robot*. New York, NY: Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

Lexile = 740L



Jung, Mike. (2016). *Unidentified Suburban Object*. New York, NY: Arthur A. Levine.

Lexile = 830L



Vaught, Susan. (2015). Footer Davis Probably is Crazy. New York, NY: Simon and Schuster.

Lexile = 800L

Grades 6 - 8



Alexander, Kwame. (2016). *Booked*. New York, NY: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Lexile = 660L



Legrand, Claire. (2016). *Some Kind of Happiness*. New York, NY: Simon and Schuster.

Lexile = 580L



Ryan, Pam Muñoz. (2015). *Echo*. New York, NY: Scholastic. Lexile = 680L



Schmidt, Gary D. (2015). *Orbiting Jupiter*. New York, NY: Clarion. Lexile = 740L



Sepetys, Ruta. (2016). Salt to the Sea. New York, NY: Philomel.

Lexile = HL560L