

Best New Children's Books of 2019



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Picture Books

Amato, Max *PERFECT*

Unp. Scholastic Press 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-545-82931-1

Andros, Camille *CHARLOTTE THE SCIENTIST FINDS A CURE*

Illus. by Brianne Farley unp. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-544-81376-2

Annable, Graham *PETER & ERNESTO: The Lost Sloths*

112p. First Second 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-62672-572-0

Barclay, Eric *SHEEP DOG AND SHEEP SHEEP*

unp. HarperCollins 2019 \$17.95 ISBN 978-0-06-267738-9

Barnett, Mac *CIRCLE*

Illus. by Jon Klassen unp. Candlewick Press 2019 \$15.99 ISBN 978-0-7636-9608-5

Black, Michael Ian *I'M WORRIED*

Illus. by Debbie Ridpath Ohi unp. Simon & Schuster 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-1586-7

Cleary, Brian P. *CRUNCH AND CRACK, OINK AND WHACK!: An Onomatopoeia Story*

Illus. by Pablo Pino unp. Millbrook Press 2019 \$26.65 (PLB) ISBN 978-1-4677-8799-4

Eggers, Dave *TOMORROW MOST LIKELY*

Illus. by Lane Smith unp. Chronicle Books 2019 \$ ISBN 978-1-452172781

Ferry, Beth **TEN RULES OF THE BIRTHDAY WISH**

Illus. by Tom Lichtenheld unp. G. P. Putnam's Sons 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5247-4154-9

Goodrich, Carter **NOBODY HUGS A CACTUS**

Unp. Simon & Schuster 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-0090-0

Hall, Michael **MONKEY TIME**

Unp. Greenwillow Books (HarperCollins) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-06-238302-0

Henkes, Kevin **A PARADE OF ELEPHANTS**

Unp. Greenwillow Press (HarperCollins) 2018 \$18.99 ISBN 978-0-06-266827-1

Howes, Katey **BE A MAKER**

Illus. by Elizabet Vuković unp. Carolrhoda Books 2019 \$17.99 (PLB) ISBN 978-1-5124-9802-8

Khan, Hena **UNDER MY HIJAB**

Illus. by Aaliya Jaleel unp. Lee & Low Books 2019 \$17.95 ISBN 978-1-62014-792-4

Kooser, Ted **MR. POSEY'S NEW GLASSES**

Illus. by Daniel Duncan unp. Candlewick Press 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-7636-9609-2

Larsen, Andrew **ME, TOMA AND THE CONCRETE GARDEN**

Illus. by Anne Villeneuve unp. Kids Can Press 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-77138-917-4

Lyons, Kelly Starling **GOING DOWN HOME WITH DADDY**

Illus. by Daniel Minter unp. Peachtree 2019 \$16.95 ISBN 978-1-56145-938-4

Marino, Gianna **JUST LIKE MY BROTHER**

Unp. Viking (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-425-29060-6

McDaniel, Breanna J. **HANDS UP!**

Illus. by Shane W. Evans unp. Dial Books (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-525-55231-4

Narh, Samuel **MAISIE'S SCRAPBOOK**

Illus. by Jo Loring-Fisher unp. Latana Pub. 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-911373-57-5

Papp, Lisa **MADLINE FINN AND THE SHELTER DOG**
Unp. Peachtree 2019 \$17.95 ISBN 978-1-68263-075-4

Reynolds, Shauna LaVoy **POETREE**
Illus. by Shahrzad Maydani unp. Dial Books (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-399-53912-1

Savage, Stephen **SIGN OFF**
Unp. Beach Lane Books (Simon & Schuster) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-1210-1

Soman, David **HOW TO TWO**
Unp. Dial Books (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-525-42784-1

Sullivan, Rosana **MOMMY SAYANG**
Unp. Disney Press 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-368-01590-5

Sylvester, Kevin **GARGANTUA (JR!) DEFENDER OF EARTH**
Unp. Groundwood Books (House of Anansi Press) 2019 \$18.95 ISBN 978-1-77306-182-5

Take, Rose Ann & Nancy Bo Flood **FIRST LAUGH WELCOME BABY!**
Illus. by Jonathan Nelson unp. Charlesbridge 2018 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-58089-794-5

Uegaki, Chieri **OJIICCHAN'S GIFT**
Illus. by Genevieve Simms unp. Kids Can Press 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-77138-963-1

Underwood, Deborah **THE PANDA PROBLEM**
Illus. by Hannah Marks unp. Dial Books (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-735-22850-4

Wood, Susan **SANDY FEET! WHOSE FEET?**
Illus. by Steliyana Doneva unp. Sleeping Bear Press 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-58536-409-1

Beginning Readers

Barnett, Mac **HI, JACK!**
Illus. by Greg Pizzoli unp. Viking (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$9.99 ISBN 978-0-593-11379-0

Barnett, Mac ***JACK BLASTS OFF!***

Illus. by Greg Pizzoli unp. Viking (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$9.99 ISBN 978-0-593-11385-1

Daywalt, Drew ***WHAT IS INSIDE THIS BOX?***

Illus. by Olivier Tallec unp. Orchard Books (Scholastic Press) 2019 \$9.99 ISBN 978-1-338-14386-7

Daywalt, Drew ***THIS IS MY FORT!***

Illus. by Olivier Tallec unp. Orchard Books (Scholastic Press) 2019 \$9.99 ISBN 978-1-338-14390-4

Dean, James ***PETE THE KITTY AND THE CASE OF THE HICCUPS***

32p. HarperCollins 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-286827-5

Gutman, Dan ***RAPPY AND HIS FAVORITE THINGS***

Illus. by Tim Bowers 32p. HarperCollins 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-225272-2

Milgrim, David ***LOOK OUT! A STORM!***

Unp. Simon & Schuster 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1534441972; \$4.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-5344-4196-5

Milgrim, David ***POOF! A BOT!***

Unp. Simon Spotlight (Simon & Schuster) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-1103-6; \$4.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-5344-1102-9

Ruzzier, Sergio ***THE QUIET BOAT RIDE*** (Fox + Chick, Bk 2)

46p. Chronicle Books 2019 \$14.99 ISBN 978-1-4521-5289-9

Willems, Mo & Dan Santat ***HAROLD & HOG PRETEND FOR REAL***

Illus. by Dan Santat & Mo Willems 55p. Hyperion (Disney) 2019 \$9.99 ISBN 978-1-36802716-8

Beginning Reader Nonfiction

I Can Read “History” series:

Houran, Lori Haskins ***THOMAS EDISON LIGHTS THE WAY***

Illus. by Gustavo Mazali 32p. HarperCollins 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-243288-9; \$4.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-0-06-243287-2

Keenan, Sheila ***BEN FRANKLIN THINKS BIG***

Illus. by Gustavo Mazali 32p. HarperCollins 2018 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-243264-3

Nonfiction Picture Books

Alexander, Kwame ***THE UNDEFEATED***

Illus. by Kadir Nelson unpag. Versify (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-328-78096-6

Desmond, Jenni ***THE ELEPHANT***

unpag. Enchanted Lion Books 2018 \$18.95 ISBN 978-1-59270-264-0

Fern, Tracey ***WILD HORSE ANNIE: Friend of the Mustangs***

Illus. by Steven Salerno unpag. Farrar Straus Giroux (Macmillan) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-374-30306-8

Head, Georgia ***BOOM! BELLOW! BLEAT!: Animal Poems for Two or More Voices***

Illus. by Aaron DeWitt 32p. Wordsong (Highlights) 2019 \$17.95 ISBN 978-1-62091-520-2

Huber, Raymond ***GECKO***

Illus. by Brian Lovelock 28p. Candlewick Press 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-7636-9885-0

Jenkins, Steve & Robin Page ***THE FROG BOOK***

33p. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-544-38760-7

Jenkins, Steve & Robin Page ***LOOK AGAIN: Secrets of Animal Camouflage***

Unpag. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-328-85094-2

Peterson, Chris ***POPCORN COUNTRY: The Story of America's Favorite Snack***

Photos by David R. Lundquist unpag. Boyds Mill Press (Highlights) 2019 \$17.95 ISBN 978-1-62979-892-9

Portis, Antoinette ***HEY, WATER!***

Unpag. Neal Porter Books (Holiday House) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-8234-4155-6

Sayre, April Pulley ***LIKE A LIZARD***

Illus. by Stephanie Laberis unpag. Boyds Mills Press (Highlights) 2019 \$17.95 ISBN 978-1-62979-211-8

Early Chapter Books

Ahn, Flora ***TWO'S A CROWD*** (Pug Pals series, Bk 1)
121p. Scholastic Press 2018 \$9.99 ISBN 978-1-338-11845-2

Ahn, Flora ***YAY FOR VACAY!*** (Pug Pals series, Bk 2)
121p. Scholastic Press 2019 \$9.99 ISBN 978-1-338-11847-6; \$7.95 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-338-53131-2

Angleberger, Tom ***DIDI DODO, FUTURE SPY: Recipe for Disaster!***
Illus. By Jared Chapman 97p. Amulet Books (ABRAMS) 2019 \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-4197-3370-3

Beaty, Andrea ***ROSIE REVERE AND THE RAUCOUS RIVETERS***
Illus. by David Roberts 133p. Amulet Books (ABRAMS) 2019 \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-4197-3360-4
(The Questioners series, Bk 1)

Blakemore, Megan Frazer ***FRANKIE SPARKS AND THE CLASS PET***
Illus. by Nadja Sarell 122p. Aladdin (Simon & Schuster) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-3044-0

Faruqi, Saadia ***MEET YASMIN!***
Illus. by Hatem Aly 89p. Picture Window Books (Capstone) 2019 \$5.95 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-68436-022-2

Faruqi, Saadia ***YASMIN IN CHARGE***
Illus. by Hatem Aly 91p. Picture Window Books (Capstone) 2019 \$5.95 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-5158-4272-9

Medina, Juana ***JUANA AND LUCAS: BIG PROBLEMAS***
88p. Candlewick Press 2019 \$14.99 ISBN 978-1-5362-0131-4

Tsang, Katie & Kevin ***SAM WU IS NOT AFRAID OF GHOSTS***
Illus. by Nathan Reed 217p. Sterling Children's Books 2018 \$12.95 ISBN 978-1-4549-3255-0

Tsang, Katie & Kevin ***SAM WU IS NOT AFRAID OF SHARKS***
Illus. by Nathan Reed 205p. Sterling Children's Books 2019 \$12.95 ISBN 978-1-4549-3256-7

Tsang, Katie & Kevin ***SAM WU IS NOT AFRAID OF THE DARK***
Illus. by Nathan Reed 205p. Sterling Children's Books 2019 \$12.95 ISBN 978-1-4549-3371-7

Fiction for Grades 2-5 (or so)

Bajaj, Varsha ***COUNT ME IN***

192p. Nancy Paulsen Books (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0525517245

Barnett, Mac ***MAC UNDERCOVER***

Illus. by Mike Lowery 150p. Orchard Books (Scholastic) 2018 \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-338-14359-1

Barnett, Mac ***THE IMPOSSIBLE CRIME***

Illus. by Mike Lowery 150p. Orchard Books (Scholastic) 2019 \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-338-14368-3

Barnett, Mac ***TOP SECRET SMACKDOWN***

Illus. by Mike Lowery 150p. Orchard Books (Scholastic) 2019 \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-338-14371-3

Bledsoe, Lucy Jane ***RUNNING WILD***

194p. Holiday House 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-8234-4363-5

Clements, Andrew ***THE FRIENDSHIP WAR***

208p. Random House 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-399557590

Cline-Ransome, Lesa ***FINDING LANGSTON***

112p. Holiday House 2018 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-823439607

DiCamillo, Kate ***LOUISIANA'S WAY HOME***

227p. Candlewick Press 2018 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-7636-9463-0

Draper, Sharon M. ***BLENDED***

310p. Simon & Schuster 2018 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-442495005

Gemeinhart, Dan ***THE REMARKABLE JOURNEY OF COYOTE SUNRISE***

341p. Henry Holt & Co. (Macmillan Pub. Group) 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-250-19670-5 6

John, Antony ***MASCOT***

327p. HarperCollins 2018 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-283562-8

Kinney, Jeff ***DIARY OF AN AWESOME FRIENDLY KID: Rowley Jefferson's Journal***
217p. Amulet Books (ABRAMS) 2019 \$13.99 ISBN 978-1-4197-4027-5

Lord, Cynthia ***BECAUSE OF THE RABBIT***
183p. Scholastic Press 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-545-91424-6

MacLachlan, Patricia ***DREAM WITHIN A DREAM***
119p. Simon & Schuster 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-2959-8

Miller, Kayla ***CLICK***
191p. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt 2019 \$24.99 ISBN 978-1-328-70735-2; \$12.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-328-91112-4

Miller, Kayla ***CAMP***
213p. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt 2019 \$24.99 ISBN 978-1-328-53081-3; \$12.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-328-53082-0

Northrop, Michael ***DEAR JUSTICE LEAGUE***
Illus. by Gustavo Duarte 176p. DC Zoom 2019 \$9.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-40128413-8

Older, Daniel José ***DACTYL HILL SQUAD***
240p. Arthur A. Levine Books (Scholastic) 2018 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-338-26881-2

Seidler, Tor ***OH, RATS!***
Illus. by Gabriel Evans 308p. Atheneum (Simon & Schuster) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-2684-9

Steinke, Aron Nels ***MR. WOLF'S CLASS: Mystery Club***
153p. Graphix (Scholastic) 2019 \$18.99 ISBN 978-1-338-04774-5; \$9.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-338-04773-8

Steinke, Aron Nels ***MR. WOLF'S CLASS: Lucky Stars***
171p. Graphix (Scholastic) 2019 \$24.99 ISBN 978-1-338-04789-9; \$9.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-338-04783-7

Sumner, Jamie ***ROLL WITH IT***
246p. Atheneum (Simon & Schuster) 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-5344-4255-9

Venkatraman, Padma ***THE BRIDGE HOME***
191p. Nancy Paulsen Books (Penguin Random House) 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-1-5247-3811-2

Weeks, Sarah ***SOOF: A Novel*** (sequel to *So B. It*)
191p. Scholastic Press 2018 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-545-84665-3

Woodson, Jacqueline ***HARBOR ME***
192p. Nancy Paulsen Books (Penguin Random House) 2018 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-399252525

Nonfiction for Grades 2-5 (or so)

Bailey, Linda ***MARY, WHO WROTE FRANKENSTEIN***
Illus. by Júlia Sardà unpub. Tundra Books (Penguin Random House) 2018 \$17.99 ISBN 978-1-77049-559-3

Nelson, Vaunda Micheaux ***LET 'ER BUCK!: George Fletcher, the People's Champion***
Illus. by Gordon C. James unpub. Carolrhoda (Lerner) 2019 \$18.99 ISBN 978-1-5124-9808-0

Paul, Miranda, ed. ***THANKU: Poems of Gratitude***
Illus. by Marlena Myles unpub. Millbrook Press 2019 \$19.99 (PLB) ISBN 978-1-5415-2363-0

Rosenstock, Barb ***YOGI: The Life, Loves And Language Of Baseball Legend Yogi Berra***
Illus. by Terry Widener unpub. Calkins Creek (Highlights) 2019 \$17.95 ISBN 978-1-62979-824-0

New Titles in Popular Series

Picture Books

Dean, Kimberly & James ***PETE THE CAT AND THE PERFECT PIZZA PARTY***
Unpub. HarperCollins 2019 \$17.99 ISBN 978-0-06-240437-4

Litwin, Eric ***PETE THE CAT SAVES CHRISTMAS***
Unpub. HarperCollins 2019 \$9.99 ISBN 978-0-06-294516-7

Beginning Readers

George, Kallie ***DUCK, DUCK, DINOSAUR: Spring Smiles***
Illus. by Oriol Vidal 32p. HarperCollins 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-235322-1

Hale, Bruce ***CLARK THE SHARK, TOO MANY TREATS***
Illus. by Guy Francis 32p. HarperCollins 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-227917-0

Hoff, Syd ***DANNY AND THE DINOSAUR MIND THEIR MANNERS***
Illus. by Charles Grosvenor 32p. HarperCollins 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-241057-3

Lehrhaupt, Adam ***CHICKEN IN CHARGE***
Illus. by Shahar Kober 32p. HarperCollins 2019 \$16.99 ISBN 978-0-06-236425-8

Early Chapter Books

Blabey, Aaron ***THE BAD GUYS IN DO-YOU-THINK-HE-SAURUS?*** (The Bad Guys, Bk 7)
157p. Scholastic Press 2018 \$6.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-338-18961-2

Blabey, Aaron ***THE BAD GUYS IN SUPERBAD*** (The Bad Guys, Bk 8)
144p. Scholastic Press 2018 \$5.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-338-18963-6

Blabey, Aaron ***THE BAD GUYS IN THE BIG BAD WOLF*** (The Bad Guys, Bk 9)
140p. Scholastic Press 2019 \$5.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-338-30581-4

Blabey, Aaron ***THE BAD GUYS IN THE BADDEST DAY EVER*** (The Bad Guys, Bk 10)
176p. Scholastic Press 2019 \$5.99 (pbk) ISBN 978-1-338-30584-5

Hale, Shannon & Dean Hale ***THE PRINCESS IN BLACK AND THE SCIENCE FAIR SCARE***
Illus. by LeUyen Pham 90p. Candlewick Press 2018 \$14.99 ISBN 978-0-7636-8827-1
(pub 9/25/18, #6 in series)

Hale, Shannon & Dean ***THE PRINCESS IN BLACK AND THE BATHTIME BATTLE (#7)***
Illus. by LeUyen Pham 90p. Candlewick Press 2019 \$14.99 ISBN 978-1-5362-0221-2

Fiction for Grades 2 – 5 or so:

Krosoczka, Jarrett J. ***REVENGE OF THE SIS*** (Star Wars, Jedi Academy, #7)
Illus. by Amy Ignatow 175p. Scholastic Press \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-338-29538-2

Pilkey, Dav ***DOG MAN: Brawl of the Wild*** (Dog Man Series, Bk 6)
224p. Graphix (Scholastic) 2018 \$9.99 ISBN 978-1-338-23657-6

Pilkey, Dav ***DOG MAN: For Whom the Ball Rolls*** (Dog Man Series, Bk 7)
236p. Graphix (Scholastic) 2019 \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-338-23659-0

Pilkey, Dav ***DOG MAN: Fetch-22*** (Dog Man Series, Bk 8)
240p. Graphix (Scholastic) 2019 \$12.99 ISBN 978-1-338-32321-4

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(pbk) – paperback edition

(PLB) – public library binding edition



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