

**PARADISE CANYON SUMMER READING LIST
FOR INCOMING FOURTH GRADERS**

GENERAL FICTION:

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| Avi | Poppy (SERIES) | Kelly, Erin Entrada | Hello Universe |
| Banks, Lynne Reid | Indian in the Cupboard | King-Smith, Dick | Babe: The Gallant Pig |
| Barrows, Annie | The Magic Half (SERIES) | (and others) | |
| Birney, Betty | The World According to | Lin, Grace | Dumpling Days (and others) |
| Humphrey (SERIES) | | Martin, Ann | The Doll People (SERIES) |
| DiCamillo, Kate | Raymie | Naylor, Phyllis R. | Shiloh (SERIES) |
| Davies, Jacqueline | The Lemonade War (SERIES) | Norton, Mary | The Borrowers (SERIES) |
| Estes, Eleanor | Ginger Pye, Pinky Pye, | O'Connor, Barbara | How to Steal a Dog |
| The Moffats | | Palacio, R.J. | Wonder |
| Funke, Cornelia | Thief Lord | Sachar, Louis | Holes |
| Hobbs, Valerie | Sheep | Snicket, Lemony | Series of Unfortunate |
| Kadohata, Cynthia | The Thing About Luck | Events (SERIES) | |

FANTASY FICTION:

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| Barnhill, Kelly | The Girl Who Drank the Moon | Moon (SERIES) | |
| Colfer, Chris | Land of Stories (SERIES) | Kessler, Liz | Tail of Emily Windsnap (SERIES) |
| Coville, Bruce | Jeremy Thatcher (SERIES) | Mass, Wendy | Twice Upon a Time (SERIES) |
| DiTerlizzi, Tony | Spiderwick Chronicles (SERIES) | O'Brien, Robert | Mrs. Frisby and the Rats |
| Funke, Cornelia | Dragon Rider, Inkheart (SERIES) | of NIMH | |
| George, Jessica Day | Tuesday at the Castle (SERIES) | Riordan, Rick | Percy Jackson (SERIES), The |
| Hunter, Erin | The Warriors (SERIES) | Heroes of Olympus (SERIES), The Trials of Apollo | (SERIES) |
| LeGuin, Ursula | Catwings (SERIES) | Sutherland, Tui | Wings of Fire (SERIES) |
| Levine, Gail Carson | Ella Enchanted | | |
| Lin, Grace | Where the Mountain Meets the | | |

THE CLASSICS: *If you'd like to introduce the classics to your incoming fourth grader, try any one of the **Great Illustrated Classics (greatillustratedclassics.com)**. These are abridged editions to the originals. (Most of the original "classics" have an AR level of 9.0 and higher, making it difficult for the average fourth grader to get through. Great Illustrated Classics, on the other hand, are easy to read and understand.) Titles include: The Call of The Wild, The Count of Monte Cristo, Great Expectations, Gulliver's Travels, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Little Women, and dozens of other titles.*

COMEDY/HUMOR:

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| Barry, Dave | Peter and the Starcatchers | Coville, Bruce | My Teacher is an Alien (SERIES) |
| (SERIES), The Worst Class Trip Ever (SERIES) | | Dahl, Roald | any |
| Blume, Judy | Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing | Evans, Douglas | The Elevator Family |
| and others | | Fitzhugh, Louise | Harriet the Spy (SERIES) |
| Child, Lauren | Clarice Bean (SERIES) | MacDonald, Betty | Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle (SERIES) |
| Cleary, Beverly | Ramona (SERIES), Henry Higgins | Rex, Adam | The True Meaning of Smekday |
| (SERIES), and The Mouse and the Motorcycle | | (SERIES) | |
| Clements, Andrew | Frindle, Lunch Money, No | Seidler, Tor | Mean Margaret |
| Talking (and others) | | | |

SPORTS FICTION:

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| Bowen, Fred | any | Gutman, Dan | any |
| Christopher, Matt | any | Scieszka, Jon | Guys Read: The Sports Pages |
| Green, Tim | any | | |

SCIENCE FICTION:

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| Applegate, K.A. | Animorphs (SERIES) | Paulsen, Gary | The Time Hacker |
| Chase, Max | Star Fighters (SERIES) | Pearson, Ridley | Kingdom Keepers (SERIES) |
| Mass, Wendy | Pie in the Sky | Scieszka, Jon | Guys Read: Other Worlds |
| Messner, Kate | Ranger in Time (SERIES) | Stead, Rebecca | When You Reach Me |
| Paton Walsh, Jill | The Green Book | | |

ADVENTURE:

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| Clements, Andrew | A Week in the Woods | Morpurgo, Michael | Kensuke's Kingdom |
| Fields, Terri | Missing the Mountains | Myers, Edward | Climb or Die |
| Kehret, Peg | Earthquake Terror | | |

HISTORICAL FICTION:

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| Bradley, Kimberly B. | The War That Saved My Life | MacLachlan, Patricia | Sarah Plain and Tall (SERIES) |
| Curtis, Christopher P. | Bud, Not Buddy (and others) | Nielsen, Jennifer | A Night Divided |
| Ferrari, Michael | Born to Fly | Various authors | I Survived (SERIES) |
| Giff, Patricia Reilly | Gingersnap | Williams-Garcia, Rita | any |
| Holm, Jennifer | Turtle in Paradise | | |

MYSTERY/CREEPY:

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| Bellairs, John | Adventures of Lewis Barnault (SERIES) | Greenburg, Dan | Dripping Fang (SERIES) |
| Bosch, Pseudonymous | Secret Series (SERIES), Bad Luck (SERIES) | Hale, Bret | Chet Gecko Mystery (SERIES) |
| Dixon, Franklin | The Hardy Boys (SERIES) | Keene, Carolyn | Nancy Drew (SERIES) |
| Grabenstein, Chris | Mr. Lemoncello's Library (SERIES) | Konigsburg, E.L. | From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler |
| | | Scieszka, Jon | Guys Read: Terrifying Tales, Guys Read: Thriller |

FOR THE RELUCTANT READER: If you have a reluctant reader, remember the goal is to encourage a love of books. Try allowing your child to read anything he or she finds interesting including COMIC BOOKS, JOKE BOOKS and GRAPHIC NOVELS. Don't worry about "challenging" him or her with "classic" books or ones that have a high AR level; that will come with time and maturity. For now, these titles may help spark his or her interest.

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| Brallier, Max | The Last Kids on Earth (SERIES) | Telgemeier, Raina | Smile, The Baby-Sitters Club (SERIES) |
| Brown, Jeffery | Jedi Academy (SERIES) | Vernon, Ursula | Dragonbreath (SERIES), Hamster Princess (SERIES) |
| DiCamillo, Kate | Flora and Ulysses | Viorst, Judith | Lulu and the Brontosaurus (SERIES) |
| McNicoll, Sylvia | Dog on Trial | | |
| Pilkey, Dav | Captain Underpants (SERIES) | | |
| Stilton, Geronimo | Geronimo Stilton (SERIES) | | |