



## BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR 3rd-4th GRADE

- BEETLE & THE HOLLOWBONES**  
by Aliza Layne; illus. Aliza Layne  
(Simon & Schuster Books For Young Readers)
- GIRL ON A MOTORCYCLE**  
by Amy Novesky; illus. Julie Morstad  
(Penguin Young Readers)
- HONEYBEE: THE BUSY LIFE OF APIS MELLIFERA**  
by Candace Fleming; illus. Eric Rohmann  
(Holiday House)
- PAPER BOAT, THE: A REFUGEE STORY**  
by Thao Lam; illus. Thao Lam  
(Owlkids Books)
- SKUNK AND BADGER**  
by Amy Timberlake; illus. Jon Klassen  
(Algonquin Books)
- WAYS TO MAKE SUNSHINE**  
by Renée Watson; illus. Nina Mata  
(Bloomsbury Children's Books)

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## BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR 5th-6th GRADE

- ALL THIRTEEN: THE INCREDIBLE CAVE RESCUE OF THE THAI BOYS' SOCCER TEAM**  
by Christina Soontornvat (Candlewick Press)
- EFREN DIVIDED**  
by Ernesto Cisneros  
(HarperCollins Children's Books)
- FIGHTING WORDS**  
by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley  
(Penguin Young Readers)
- LORETTA LITTLE LOOKS BACK: THREE VOICES GO TELL IT**  
by Andrea Davis, Pinkney; illus. Brian Pinkney  
(Little, Brown Books for Young Readers)
- ONCE UPON AN EID: STORIES OF HOPE AND JOY**  
by 15 Muslim Voices; eds. S.K. Ali and Aisha Saeed  
(Abrams Books for Young Readers)
- TWINS**  
by Varian Johnson; illus. Shannon Wright  
(Scholastic)

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# AGES 8-12

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## BEST BOOK OF FACTS

- 50 ADVENTURES IN THE 50 STATES**  
by Kate Siber; illus. Lydia Hill  
(Quarto Group)
- BRAVE. BLACK. FIRST.**  
by Cheryl Hudson; illus. Erin K. Robinson  
(Random House Children's Books)
- HOP TO IT: POEMS TO GET YOU MOVING**  
by Sylvia Vardell and Janet Wong; illus. Franzi Paetzold  
(Pomelo Books)
- I ATE SUNSHINE FOR BREAKFAST**  
by Michael Holland; illus. Phillip Giordano  
(Nobrow (US) Inc. / Flying Eye Books)
- KATE THE CHEMIST: THE BIG BOOK OF EXPERIMENTS**  
by Kate Biberdorf  
(Penguin Young Readers)
- A SEARCH FOR THE NORTHERN LIGHTS**  
by Elizabeth Rusch and Izzi Rusch; illus. Cedar Lee  
(West Margin Presses)

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## BEST GRAPHIC NOVEL

- BIG NATE: THE GERBIL ATE MY HOMEWORK**  
by Lincoln Peirce  
(Andrews McMeel Universal)
- CLASS ACT**  
written and illustrated by by Jerry Craft  
(HarperCollins Children's Books)
- INVESTIGATORS**  
by John Patrick Green  
(Macmillan Children's Publishing Group)
- MAX MEOW BOOK 1: CAT CRUSADER**  
by John Gallagher  
(Random House Books for Young Readers)
- PHOEBE: CAMPING WITH UNICORNS**  
by Dana Simpson  
(Andrews McMeel Universal)
- WHEN STARS ARE SCATTERED**  
by Victoria Jamieson & Omar Mohamed; illus. Victoria Jamieson & Iman Geddy (Penguin Young Readers)

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## FAVORITE AUTHOR

- JACQUELINE WOODSON**  
author of Before the Ever After (Penguin Young Readers)
- DAV PILKEY**  
author of Cat Kid Comic Club (Scholastic)
- JEFF KINNEY**  
author of Diary of a Wimpy Kid #15: The Deep End (Abrams BYR)
- TRUDI TRUEIT**  
author of Explorer Academy: The Star Dunes (NatGeo Kids)
- JASON REYNOLDS**  
author of Look Both Ways (Simon & Schuster BYR)
- CHRIS GRABENSTEIN**  
author of The Smartest Kid in the Universe (Random House BYR)
- RICK RIORDAN**  
author of The Tower of Nero (Disney Publishing Group)

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