

## Let's Read First Grade Books!



**Bottner, Barbara** *Bootsie Barker Bites* Bootsie Barker is a bully that bites. Whenever Bootsie Barker goes to her friend's house with her mother all she wants to do is play mean games where she is a carnivorous dinosaur. This causes the other young girl a lot of stress until she figures out how to call Bootsie's bluff! **JP BOT**



**Child, Lauren** *Utterly Me, Clarice Bean (series)* As Clarice's class prepares their utterly important book projects, mysterious things begin to happen. First there is a flood in the boys bathroom, then the winner's cup goes missing, and to top it all off, her best friend has completely vanished. In fact, things are beginning to resemble the events in her favorite book series about Ruby Redfort, a child secret agent. It's hard for Clarice to concentrate on book projects with so much going on around her. **J CHILD**



**Cronin, Doreen** *Click Clack Moo* When Farmer Brown first hears the click-dack sounds coming from the barn, he tries digging out the wax buildup in his ears because cows can't type! But these cows can, and they nail their demands on the barn wall. Farmer Brown will not give in to their demands, so they go on strike and withhold their milk. It's not long before the hens feel the chill in the barn and join the strike. **JP CRO**



**DiCamillo, Kate** *Mercy Watson (series)* Mercy Watson loves Mr. and Mrs. Watson, and she loves cuddling up with them in their bed. But this time, cuddling leads to crashing – Mr. and Mrs. Watson's bed is crashing through the floor! But Mercy is able to escape the fall to the first floor. Will she find help in time for the Watsons? **J DIC**



**Diouf, Sylviane** *Bintou's Braids* Bintou is a young girl in a small west African village who wants to have beautiful braids instead of four little tufts of hair. All of the ladies and the older girls have beautiful long braids with seashells and gold coins. Bintou's mother explains to her that she is too young to have these braids, but Bintou wants beautiful braids so that birds can nest there. **JP DIO**



**Eaton, Jason Carter** *How to Train a Train* Have you ever wanted your own pet train? Well, here is the best guide on how to pick, find and train your very own pet train. Once you find your pet train, you can take it anywhere. Don't forget your train may take some time to adjust to its new life, so a warm bath or a good bedtime story will help it along. Once it is settled, you can begin to teach it a few tricks - like sit and roll over. If you are looking for a guide on how to train a train - this book is it! **JP EAT**



**Floca, Brian** *Lightship* A lightship was a floating lighthouse that was used in the United States from the 1820s to 1983. Lightships did not sail, but made it so others could sail safely. Life on a lightship was hard due to cramped quarters, long tours of duty, and rough weather. **JP FLO**



**Gibbons, Gail** *The Moon Book* This book contains facts about the moon, including eclipses and its different phases, and mankind's adventures on the moon— complete with descriptions and illustrations. **j 523.3 GIB**



**Hesse, Karen** *Come On Rain* A young girl eagerly awaits a rainstorm to bring relief from the oppressive summer heat. Through exquisite language and acute observation, Newbery medalist Karen Hesse recreates the glorious experience of a quenching rainstorm on a sweltering summer day **JP HES**



**Harper, Jessica** *Just Grace (series)* Just Grace is a wonderful book. Grace is in the same league with Clementine, Ruby Lu, Judy Moody and their literary big sister Ramona Quimby. She is a kid who thinks deeply about how to help others around her, and ends up getting things just a bit wrong in a very funny way. **J HAR**



**Johnson, R. Kikuo** *The Shark King* Nanaue is the progeny of a human woman and the shark king who can change into a human or other creature at will. His son inherits some of those magical powers and has a fin that emerges out of his back along with a superb swimming ability. Like many children in myth, Nanaue grows up much faster than most children and seems to have almost superhero powers. **J GRAPHIC NOVELS JOHNSON**



**Logue, Mary** *Sleep Like a Tiger* This is a wonderful story about settling down for sleep. The narrative is soothing and the illustrations are muted, perfect for bedtime reading. A young girl who is not tired is gently encouraged through the steps of preparing for bed. Along the way, they discuss the sleeping habits of animals, from bats to bears. Like the strong tiger, this young girl does fall fast asleep. **JP CALDECOTT LOG**



**Lum, Kate** *What! cried Granny* Patrick is spending his first ever night away from home at Granny's. All is well until Granny decides it's time for bed, and Patrick suddenly realizes that he doesn't have any of the things he has at home for bedtime. No blanket, no bed, no teddy, no pillow. As any awesome grandmother would, Granny springs to action to make sure that Patrick has everything he needs. **JP LUM**



**Lyon, George Ella** *All the Water in the World* is a wonderful book about where water comes from, where water goes, and why we should take care of it. This delightfully illustrated book gives readers a glimpse at the water cycle and how vital water is to people, animals, and the environment. **j 551.48 LYO**



**Rosenthal, Amy Krouse** *Chopsticks* Chopsticks are great friends, they do everything together...until, snap! they are forced to take a break. Can chopsticks do anything apart? Through courage and exploration, they learn that being independent and enjoying things on their own actually makes them a stronger pair **JP ROS**



**Steptoe, John** *Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters* This is the African version of Cinderella. All the women of the land are invited to the king's palace so he can choose his worthy bride. Both Mufaro's daughters are beautiful, but only one is beautiful both inside and out. **JP STE**



**Winter, Jonah** *Frida* This is a story of a little girl who uses her pain to create something beautiful that helps her throughout the hardships in her life. She ends up growing up into the great painter Frida Khalo. **J B KAHLO**