

Children's Literature Update 2013

Useful Websites

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[ALA/ALSC Book Awards](#)

www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia

The website listing the youth book awards given by the American Library Association.

[Graphic novels for younger tweens](#)

noflyingnotights.com/?cat=11

Not sure which graphic novels are appropriate for children? Check out this website, which used to be called "Sidekicks."

[Reading Is a Super Power](#)

abdopub.s3.amazonaws.com/RISP_Brochure.pdf

ABDO Publishing's handout on how to use comics and graphic novels for the Common Core Curriculum.

[Rick Riordan](#)

www.rickriordan.com/home.aspx

Website for the popular author of several tween adventure series, including "Percy Jackson and the Olympians" series, "The Kane Chronicles" series, and "The Heroes of Olympus" series.

[Jeff Kinney](#)

www.wimpykid.com

"Diary of a Wimpy Kid" is one of the most popular humorous fiction series out now, which feature lots of drawings. This is the official website.

[Book Adventure](#)

www.bookadventure.com/book_finder.aspx

A free interactive site you can use to find other books on the same grade level that fit a popular subject, when doing readers' advisory with children.

[ACL BayViews Read-Alikes](#)

www.bayviews.org/readalikes.html

Maintained by the Association of Children's Librarians of Northern California, their website has a Read-Alikes section that features new lists every month.

[Publishers' Weekly Bestseller's Lists](#)

www.publishersweekly.com/pw/nielsen/index.html

Check out the bestsellers to be sure you have the popular books that our patrons are buying.

[Multnomah County, Oregon Kids' Site](#)

<https://multcolib.org/talk-it-book-groups-kids>
Lots of great booklists, by grade, by interest, and more.

[Kidsreads](#)

www.kidsreads.com/
This long-running site offers book reviews, trivia, and many other resources on children's books.

[Guys Read](#)

www.guysread.com/
Maintained by author Jon Scieszka, this site has lists of great books that appeal to boys.

[Children's Series Books](#)

www.mymcpl.org/books-movies-music/juvenile-series
Maintained by the MidContinent Public Library, MO, you can search for a book title, author, series title, or subject, and find the listing for a book series. Many children want to read a series in order, and this site will list the series in the order it was published.

[I.N.K.](#) – Interesting Nonfiction for Kids

www.inkrethink.blogspot.com/
A blog on fun nonfiction books for kids, including books related to the Common Core.

[Great Kid Books](#)

greatkidbooks.blogspot.com/
A blog by a school librarian, for parents on great books and apps for kids.

[Horn Book](#)

www.hbook.com/
Horn Book magazine's online site has interviews, reviews, and much more.

[School Library Journal](#)

www.slj.com/
Website of the popular magazine for children's librarians, with features regularly updated.

[Children's Book a Day Almanac](#)

childrensbookalmanac.com/
Blog maintained by long-time children's book reviewer Anita Silvey, covering both new children's books as well as classics and old favorites.

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