



## 2020 2X2 Annotated Reading List

*The 2X2 Committee's charge is to produce a list of 20 recommended books for children, age two to grade two.*

Amato, Max. ***Perfect***. Scholastic Press. ISBN 978-0-545-82931-1. \$16.99.

Oh... perfection! When everything seems to be “just right” in your life and you get to feel that pleasure. Joy! But, what if what is perfect for you, is the opposite of what is perfect for someone else? Can you still find a way to make things work?

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Dyckman, Ame. ***Dandy***. Illustrated by Charles Santoso. Little, Brown and Company. ISBN 978-0-316-36295-5. \$17.99.

It's Daddy versus Dandelion in this heartwarming story. Daddy is itching to cut down a pesky dandelion in his yard, but his daughter has declared the flower to be her best friend! What will Daddy do?

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Franklin, Ashley. ***Not Quite Snow White***. Illustrated by Ebony Glenn. Harper, An imprint of Harper Collins Publishers. ISBN 978-0-06-279860-2. \$17.99.

Tamieka loves to sing and dance and perform. The role of Snow White seems like a dream, but it is shattered by the comments of others until her parents come to the rescue with their very loving support.

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Gravett, Emily. ***Cyril and Pat***. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-1-5344-3950-4. \$17.99.

A squirrel and a rat cannot be friends, “You are not the same,” others say. At first Cyril and Pat listen to them, but then they discover their friendship is more important than their differences.

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Harney, Jenn. ***Underwear***. Disney – Hyperion. ISBN 978-136802793-9. \$12.99. Join Papa Bear as he tries to wrangle Baby Bear into correctly wearing a pair of underwear. But, Baby Bear isn't going to be brief with those underwear as he puts on an underwear fashion show.

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Hendra, Sue. ***Cake***. Illustrated by Paul Linnett. Aladdin. ISBN 978-1-5344-2550-7. \$17.99.

Cake is invited to his first party and is super excited. He suddenly has an uncomfortable feeling that he is the center of attention...and has to run out of there!

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McKinlay, Meg. ***Duck!*** Illustrated by Nathaniel Eckstrom. Candlewick Press. ISBN 978-1-5362-0422-3. \$15.99.

When duck runs around the farm yelling “DUCK!” to all the animals they only point out that they are not ducks. He finally is able to use another word in order to warn them to move so they would know that a tornado was on its way; “RUN!”

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Mora, Oge. ***Saturday***. Little, Brown and Company. ISBN 978-0-316-43127-9. \$18.99.

A young girl and her mother wait all week long to enjoy their Saturday activities together. One Saturday, they begin their day together, and nothing goes according to plan. The day seems like a disaster, until they realize that what they love about Saturdays is the time they spend together.

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Morris, Richard T. ***Bear Came Along***. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham. Little, Brown and Company. ISBN 978-0-316-46447-5. \$17.00.

Bear falls in a river and as he is swept downstream he is joined by other woodland creatures. What they all discover on this wild ride is that their diverse personalities balance one another, and they are all in it together!

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Newson, Karl. ***I Am a Tiger***. Illustrated by Ross Collins. Scholastic Press. ISBN 978-1-338-34989-4. \$17.99.

Mouse thinks BIG! He believes he is a tiger and convinces the other animals with his fast talking. But when an actual tiger comes along, will everyone’s point of view change?

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Norman, Kim. ***Give Me Back My Bones!*** Illustrated by Bob Kolar. Candlewick Press. ISBN 978-0-7636-8841-7. \$16.00.

A stormy night at sea has made a mess as you will see. Dig in for buried treasure as the animals of the sea put back together one long ago buried skeleton. Try and see if you can find the clues to reveal his identity before the story ends.

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Page, Robin. ***Seeds Move***. Beach Lane Books. ISBN 978-1-5344-0915-6. \$17.99.

We don’t usually think about the fact that seeds need to move around to find soil, water, and sunlight...yet they do. Seeds drift, sink, scatter, squirt, and much more in this story.

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Quintero, Isabel. ***My Papi Has a Motorcycle***. Illustrated by Zeke Pena. Kokila, An Imprint of Penguin Random House. ISBN 978-0-525-55341-0. \$17.99.

Who's up for an adventure? Daisy Ramona can't wait for her papi to get home and take her along as he zooms through the neighborhood on his motorcycle. This is her opportunity to say hello to other members of her community and enjoy her neighborhood for what it is, even as it changes.

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Reidy, Jean. **Truman**. Illustrated Lucy Ruth Cummins. Atheneum Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-1-5344-1664-2. \$17.99.

Truman the tortoise lives in a tall city apartment building with Sarah, who is his whole world. One day, Sarah feeds him extra green beans and leaves on the bus wearing a big backpack. Truman tries to wait for her return, but finally decides he will attempt the impossible to find her.

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Rissi, Anica Mrose. **Watch Out for Wolf!** Illustrated Charles Santoso. Disney – Hyperion. ISBN 978-148478556-0. \$17.99.

These 5 little pigs are watching out for wolf as they go about their tasks. But the reason may not be the one you think. This book has a fun twist that just may surprise you.

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Robinson, Christian. **Another**. Atheneum Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-1-5344-2167-7. \$17.99.

A portal opens in a young girl's bedroom, taking her on a journey to discover a parallel universe. She meets another version of herself and her cat, along with many other children.

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Starling, Robert. **Fergal and the Bad Temper**. Imprint. ISBN 978-1-250-19862-4. \$17.99. Fergal the Dragon gets extremely angry when told to do things he doesn't want to do, resulting in him blowing fire at his dinner, getting steamed at a soccer game and burning bear's pastries. When his friends reject him, his mom suggests counting to 10 to cool down before getting hot-headed...and it works!

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Underwood, Deborah. **Ogilvy**. Illustrated by T. L. McBeth. Godwin Books. ISBN 978-1-250-15176-6. \$17.99.

Ogilvy is the new bunny in town, and the other bunnies aren't sure if Ogilvy's outfit is a dress or a sweater. They tell Ogilvy that bunnies wearing dresses play ball and knit socks, while bunnies in sweaters make art and climb rocks. Ogilvy wants to do all of those things, but the other bunnies want them to choose. Ogilvy finds a way to do the things they love and to change the minds of the other bunnies.

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Underwood, Deborah. ***The Panda Problem***. Illustrated by Hannah Marks. Dial Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-0-735-22850-4. \$17.99.

Every story has a problem and this one is no different. Is Panda part of the problem or the solution? Read this book and decide!

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Wong, Liz. ***The Goose Egg***. Alfred A. Knopf. ISBN 978-0-553-51157-4. \$17.99.

Henrietta's life is full of peace, quiet and serenity... that is, until she ends up bumping into a Goose Egg, that hatches. Now, Henrietta's mornings are filled with chaos, noise and the unexpected life that comes with raising a child, even when it's not your own.

This tender story of love and family will melt your heart.

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