

The BFG

by Roald Dahl

Sophie is snatched from her bedroom by a BFG (Big Friendly Giant) whose work it is to blow happy dreams to children. Together they devise a plan to save the world from nine other giants who steal and eat children.

The Book With No Pictures

by B.J. Novak

In this book with no pictures, the reader has to say every silly word, no matter what.

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Old School

by Jeff Kinney

Life was better in the old days. Or was it? That's the question Greg Heffley is asking as his town voluntarily unplugs and goes electronics-free. But modern life has its conveniences, and Greg isn't cut out for an old-fashioned world. With tension building inside and outside the Heffley home, will Greg find a way to survive? Or is going "old school" just too hard for a kid like Greg?

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul

by Jeff Kinney

The Heffley family road trip starts off full of promise, then quickly takes several wrong turns--with everything from a fender bender to crazed seagulls--but even the worst road trip can turn into an adventure, and this is one the Heffleys will not soon forget.

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

by J.K. Rowling

Year 1 – Harry's miserable life with his nasty relatives changes drastically when he attends Hogwarts and discovers that his destiny is to battle He-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named!

Holes

by Louis Sachar

Living under a family curse brought about by his "No-Good-Dirty-Rotten-Pig-Stealing-Great-Great-Grandfather," Stanley Yelnats is wrongly convicted of a crime and sent to Camp Green Lake where his punishment is to dig holes. What will he dig up?

Mr. Wuffles

by David Wiesner

Mr. Wuffles ignores all his cat toys but one, which turns out to be a spaceship piloted by small green aliens. When Mr. Wuffles plays rough with the little ship, the aliens must venture into the cat's territory to make emergency repairs.

The Lorax

by Dr. Seuss

The Once-ler describes the results of the local pollution problem.

Out of My Mind

by Sharon Draper

Fifth-grader Melody has cerebral palsy, a condition that affects her body but not her mind. Although she is unable to walk or talk, she can read, think, and feel. A brilliant person is trapped inside her body, determined to make her mark in the world in spite of her physical limitations.

Tales from a Not-So-Fabulous-Life

by Rene Russell

Fourteen-year-old Nikki Maxwell writes and sketches in her diary about her struggle to be popular at her exclusive new private school, and about giving up on being part of the elite group, before figuring out a way to simply be herself.

One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish Blue Fish

by Dr. Seuss

A story-poem about the activities of such unusual creatures as the Nook, Wump, Yink, Yop, Gack, and the Zeds.

The Lightning Thief

by Rick Riordan

Twelve-year-old Percy Jackson learns he is a demigod, the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea. His mother sends him to a summer camp for demigods where he and his new friends set out on a quest to prevent a war between the gods.

My Teacher is an Alien

by Bruce Coville

After Susan sees Mr. Smith the substitute teacher peel off his face, she knows he's an alien and only Peter believes her; together they work to save the class from Mr. Smith's horrible plans.

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane

by Kate DiCamillo

Edward Tulane, a cold-hearted and proud toy rabbit, loves only himself until he is separated from the little girl who adores him and travels across the country, acquiring new owners and listening to their hopes, dreams, and histories.

The Wishing Spell

by Chris Colfer

Through the mysterious powers of a cherished book of stories, twins Alex and Conner leave their world behind and find themselves in a foreign land full of wonder and magic where they come face-to-face with the fairy tale characters they grew up reading about,

Timetable of Events

November 2016 – April 2017

- READ! READ!! READ!!!
- Visit your local public or school library between November 2017 and April 2017 to borrow the books on the list.
- Each child must read or listen to a minimum of three books from the list of 15 finalists in order to vote in April.

April 2017

- Voting will take place in public and school libraries throughout New York State.
- Ballots will be available at school and public libraries, and can be printed from the 3 Apples Book Award website.
- Only children in grades 3-6 (ages 8-12) who have read or listened to at least 3 of the nominated titles are eligible to vote.
- Each eligible child has one vote, cast at either their school or public library.
- Librarians will tally the votes from their library and submit them online by April 30th.

May 2017

- The award winner will be announced on the website by May 10th.

June – August 2017

- Libraries will promote the award during their summer reading programs and encourage teens to read in preparation for nominations in September.

The 3 Apples Book Award has been developed to encourage the joy of reading for pleasure, and to give the children of New York State the opportunity to participate in honoring their favorite books.

It is co-sponsored by the Youth Services and School Library Media Sections of the New York Library Association, which together represent the public and school libraries of the state.

Each year children in grades 3-6 (ages 8-12) nominate their favorite book, creating a statewide ballot of fifteen of the most popular titles. After reading at least three of the finalist books, the children vote to select one as their favorite. That book and its author are honored with the presentation of the 3 Apples Book Award, and celebrations take place across the state in school and public libraries.

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3 Apples Book Award Finalists for the Children's Choice Award



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