Expanding
(Increasing in difficulty)

*Highly recommended

*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day -- Judith Viorst
Boundless Grace -- Mary Hoffman
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs -- Judi Barrett
Clues in the Woods -- Peggy Parish
*Dinosaurs before Dark (and others of the Magic Tree House series) -- Mary Pope Osborne
*Elmer and the Dragon -- Ruth Stiles Gannett
*Freckle Juice -- Judy Blume
The Gardener -- Sarah Stewart
The Holly Joliday -- Megan McDonald
Ivy + Bean (and others of the Ivy + Bean series) -- Annie Barrows
*Junie B. Jones and the Stupid Smelly Bus (and others of the Junie B. Jones series) -- Barbara Park
Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express -- Margaret Wetterer
*The Littles (and others of the Littles series) -- John Lawrence Peterson
Miss Rumphius -- Barbara Cooney
*The One in the Middle is the Green Kangaroo -- Judy Blume
The Paperboy -- Dav Pilkey
Snaggle Doodles (and others of the Kids of the Polk Street School series) -- Patricia Reilly Giff
*Stink: The Incredible Shrinking Kid (and others of the Stink Moody series) -- Megan McDonald
Vampires Don't Wear Polka Dots (and others of the Adventures of the Bailey School Kids series) -- Debbie Dadey

26 Fairmont Avenue -- Tomie DePaola
*The Absent Author (and others of the A to Z Mysteries series) -- Ron Roy
Andy and Tamika -- David Adler
Chicken Sunday -- Patricia Polacco
*The Enormous Crocodile -- Roald Dahl
The Gadget War -- Betsy Duffy
Goldie (and others of the Puppy Place series) -- Ellen Miles
*Gooney Bird Green -- Lois Lowry
The Grapes of Math: Mind-Stretching Math Riddles -- Greg Tang
Hey, Al -- Arthur Yorinks
*Invisible Stanley (and others of the Stanley Lambchop Adventure (Flat Stanley) series) -- Jeff Brown
The Magic Finger -- Roald Dahl
*The Pain and the Great One -- Judy Blume
The Paperboy -- Dav Pilkey
Smelly Socks -- Robert Munsch
Trolls on Vacation -- Alan MacDonald
Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears: A West African Tale -- Verna Aardema
*Young Martin's Promise -- Walter Dean Myers

Back to School Mallory (and others of the Mallory series) -- Laurie B. Friedman
Beezus and Ramona (and others of the Ramona Quimby series) -- Beverly Cleary
The Dinosaur Alphabet Book -- Jerry Pallotta
Hairy, Scary, Ordinary: What is an Adjective? -- Brian Cleary
*The Hidden Stairs and the Magic Carpet (and others of the Secrets of Droon series) -- Tony Abbott
*The Mouse and the Motorcycle (and others of the Ralph S. Mouse series) -- Beverly Cleary
The Mystery Bookstore (and others of the Boxcar Children Mysteries series) -- Gertrude Chandler Warner
Pippi Longstocking (and others of the Pippi Longstocking series) -- Astrid Lindgren
Rats! -- Jane Cutler
Utterly Me, Clarice Bean -- Lauren Child

*97 Ways to Train a Dragon (and others of the Dragon Slayers’ Academy series) -- Kate McMullan

100 Days and 99 Nights: A Novel -- Alan Madison
2095 (and others of the Time Warp Trio series) -- Jon Scieszka
The Battle for the Castle -- Elizabeth Winthrop
The Best School Year Ever -- Barbara Robinson
Calvin Coconut: Trouble Magnet -- Graham Salisbury
Confetti Girl -- Diana Lopez
The Diamond Champs -- Matt Christopher
Encyclopedia Brown Boy Detective (and others of the Encyclopedia Brown series) -- Donald J. Sobel
The Hundred Dresses -- Eleanor Estes
Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World -- Mildred Pitts Walter
Sam Samurai (and others of the Time Warp Trio series) -- Jon Scieszka
The School Mouse -- Dick King-Smith
Snot Stew -- Bill Wallace,
Stone Fox -- John Reynolds Gardiner
Thank you, Jackie Robinson -- Barbara Cohen
Who Stole the Wizard of Oz? -- Avi