[***http://www.greatschools.org/cgi-bin/showarticle/624***](http://www.greatschools.org/cgi-bin/showarticle/624)

Great Website that offers book suggestions for all grade levels

**Beginning 2nd grade Suggestions-**

***Ivy + Bean: No News is Good News*** by [Annie Barrows](http://www.anniebarrows.com/)

*Ivy and Bean try to make money editing a newspaper about Pancake Court but neighbors are unhappy reading about themselves.*

***No Room for Dessert*** by [Hallie Durand](http://authors.simonandschuster.com/Hallie-Durand/46783748)

*Eight-year-old Donahue “Dessert” Schneider is feeling completely ignored and unloved at home, but she is certain that will change when her invention wins the Thomas Edison Contest at school.*

***Clara Lee and the Apple Pie Dreams*** by [Jenny Han](http://www.dearjennyhan.com/)

*Korean American fourth-grader Clara Lee longs to be Little Miss Apple Pie, and when her luck seems suddenly to change for the better, she overcomes her fear of public speaking and enters the competition.*

***Andy Shane: Hero at Last!*** by [Jennifer Jacobson](http://jenniferjacobson.com/)

*Andy wants two things very much, to win the contest for the best decorated bicycle in the “Home Sweet Home parade” and to be a hero, but his best friend Dolores stands in the way of at least one goal.*

***Toys Come Home: Being the Early Experiences of an Intelligent Stingray, a Brave Buffalo, and a Brand New Someone Called Plastic*** by [Emily Jenkins](http://www.emilyjenkins.com/)

*When a little girl gets a plush stingray for her birthday, it befriends her other toys as they experience the world of real people.*

***Horrible Harry*** series by [Suzy Kline](http://www.suzykline.com/)

Teacher turned author Suzy Kline uses her years in the classroom as the basis for her ***Horrible Harry*** series. Song Lee is an actual student that she adored. Other characters including Horrible Harry (who isn’t that bad of a kid) are compilations of kids she taught. As an author who visits schools, [Suzy talks about story seeds](http://www.pragmaticmom.com/2012/11/suzy-kline-inspires-kids-writing/), a word or a two that she jots down in an ever present notebook that become the basis of her books. Pencil stub, yellow scarf, purple hanger, June Box are all actual story seeds that are now books in her popular Horrible Harry series which is now published in several languages. See if you can discover each of her story seeds as you read her books.

***Gooney Bird on the Map*** series by [Lois Lowry](http://www.loislowry.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=67&Itemid=196)

*When her second-grade classmates are envious of the three students who are going away on winter vacation, the creative and ingenious Gooney Bird Greene thinks of a geography activity to cheer them all up.*

***Wolf Pie*** by Brenda Seabrooke

*When Wilfong the wolf fails to blow down the house of the Pygg brothers, he stays outside their door all winter learning their games and listening to their jokes and stories, but although he claims to be reformed, the pigs are reluctant to offer friendship.*

***Like Pickle Juice on a Cookie*** by [Julie Sternberg](http://www.juliesternberg.com/)

*When Eleanor’s babysitter moves away to care for her sick father, Eleanor spends the summer adjusting to a new babysitter while mourning the loss of her old one.*

***Daisy Dawson at the Beach*** by Steve Voake

*Spending the whole summer at the beach, Daisy, who can communicate with animals, and her new friends, a dancing crab and two baby rabbits, join forces to help a dolphin in distress.*

**Chapter Books for 1st-3rd grade**

[Henry Huggins](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0688213855/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0688213855&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=JQ2VY5HSWIKDVZWF) by Beaverly Cleary

[Humphrey Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0142403520/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0142403520&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=RYY5HDJPLHN3ZZW5) by Betty G. Birney

[Boxcar Children](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0807508527/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0807508527&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=BWC4IZNWIRCYYNYT) by G. Warner

[Ramona the Pest](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0380709546/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0380709546&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=HRUZXLX4TESHWU6S) by BeverlyCleary

[Ready Freddy](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0439555965/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0439555965&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=AESR7WYYBQ6MCH2U) by Abby Klein

[Magic Tree House Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0375813659/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0375813659&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=YXQDK3AP2NTG3NEN) by Mary Pope Osborne\*

[Magic School Bus Chapter Book Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/043962374X/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=043962374X&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=SDEHLV6O3KJW6HL7) by Anne Capec\*

[Capital Mysteries](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0307265102/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0307265102&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=ZLCKNBDKKWJAVLEI) by Ron Roy\*

[A to Z Mysteries](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0679881689/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0679881689&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=TC6NRG2JRTZBUCGL) by Ron Roy\*

[Encyclopedia Brown](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0142408883/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0142408883&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=BGF2OVCPCJMEOBJ3) by Donald J. Sobol\*

[Who Was Biographies](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0448479362/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0448479362&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=HOA4JTFAFMU7LYXK) (lots of people by various authors)\*

[An Interactive History Adventure](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1429639105/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=1429639105&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=BBHCSNZEXYARC6JU) (choose your own history adventure)\*

[Ballpark Mystery Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0375867031/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0375867031&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=INTYH5TOYDP2XRCV) by David A. Kelly

[Nancy Clancy: Super Sleuth Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0062084194/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0062084194&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=OUHNFHZU636YVIXW) by Jane O'Connor

[Amelia Bedilia](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0062094963/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0062094963&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=LMLXKNTSDLV4CPB6) by Herman Parish

[Frog and Toad Are Friends](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0064440206/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0064440206&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=KOERQFOQWKSKJTGL) by Arnold Lobel\*

[Christian Heroes Books](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1576582086/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=1576582086&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=757ZSCORKPQK3RUZ) by Janet Benge\*

[AIO Imagination Station Books](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1589976959/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=1589976959&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=NW2Q4EPUVIP5IKKY) Series\* [faith based]

[A Jigsaw Jones Mystery](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0590691252/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0590691252&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=PJXNY7FGRKYMWTBY) by James Preller

[Geronimo Stilton Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0439559634/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0439559634&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=FLSRVJU3WBKXZLZJ)

[Hank the Cowdog Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1591881013/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=1591881013&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=3GPO53PW6DUCGXGS) by John R. Erickson

[Soccer Cats Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0316135747/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0316135747&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=3SGYQB4XSDB2VGKT) by Matt Christopher

[The Baby Sitters Club](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0545174759/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0545174759&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=G5X24OZH2H45L27F) by Ann M. Martin

[Flat Stanley](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0061429902/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0061429902&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=AG7XQCL2GLL7TMQB) by Jeff Brown

[The Hardy Boys Secret Files Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1416991646/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=1416991646&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=ONR5RYGLYAXU2CBK) by Franklin W. Dixon

[Nancy Drew and the Clue Crew](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/141691255X/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=141691255X&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=JBX7IOKTMUA7SBA6) by Carolyn Keene

[The Puppy Place Series](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0439793793/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0439793793&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=5D55CGIJIDPVXC7S) by Ellen Miles\*

[My Weird School](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0062288911/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0062288911&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=7LPYB3BK662NHQWV) by Dan Gutman

[The Mystery on the Freedom Trail](http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0635016400/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=0635016400&linkCode=as2&tag=123hom4me-20&linkId=7DESYT4O3SQH4CRD) (and other in the series) by Carole Marsh\*