FIFTH GRADE RECOMMENDED READING LIST
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FICTION

Arden, Katherine. Small Spaces. After eleven-year-old Ollie’s school bus mysteriously breaks down on a field trip, she and two classmates must use all of their wits to survive the night while being hunted in a dark forest.

Baptiste, Tracey. The Jumbies (series). Four misfits are intertwined when a bully’s continued on back
FICTION CONT.

Solomons, David. *Doctor Who: Secret in Vault 13*. The Doctor and her friends Yaz, Ryan, and Graham travel to the coldest spot in the universe, the Galactic Seed Vault, in search of the vault rumored to hold a great treasure and a terrible weapon.

Stevens, Robin. *Murder Is Bad Manners* (series). In a 1930s English boarding school, crime-solving friends Hazel Wong and Daisy Wells struggle to find a mystery to investigate until Hazel discovers a teacher’s dead body.

NONFICTION


GRAPHIC NOVELS

Melvin, Leland. *Chasing Space* (B MELVIN).


Pinkney, Andrea Davis. *Martin Rising: Requiem for a King* (811 PIN).

Rhatigan, Joe. *Inventions That Could Have Changed the World* (609 RHA).


We Rise, We Resist, We Raise Voices (305.8 WE).

Chanani, Nidhi. *Pashmina*. Indian-American teen Priyanka attempts to reconnect with her mother’s homeland through a magical pashmina shawl.

Mercado, Yehudi. *Sci-Fu*. Hip-hop, sci-fi, and kung fu all hit the turntables when a young mix-master scratches the perfect beat and accidentally summons a UFO.

Montclare, Brandon. *Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur* (series). Lunella Lafayette is an inhuman preteen genius who wants to change the world, but she also has to deal with a red-scaled beast teleported from the prehistoric past!

Nicholas, Jamar. *Leon: Protector of the Playground*. Leon is a super hero with a pedigree—his mom is one of the best heroes in town. Does he have what it takes to protect his school?

Thummler, Breanna. *Sheets*. When Marjorie, a practical teen in charge of her family’s laundry business, encounters Wendell, a ghost seeking purpose in the forbidden human world, the pair must find a solution to Wendell’s chaos-inducing hauntings.

Xu, Ru. *Newsprints* (series). With her city at war, orphan Blue disguises herself as a newsboy for the only local paper that tells the truth, but a new friend gives her the courage to start seeking the freedom to be herself.