

SRC 2010: Reading Rocks!

Week Seven - Booklist

Theme: **Risky Reads!**

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Books for Preschool - Kindergarten

Bailey, Linda. Stanley's Wild Ride

Tired of staying in the yard all the time, Stanley finds a secret way out and heads out for a night on the town where he takes the ride of his life on a skateboard!

Cuyler, Margery. That's Good! That's Bad!

A little boy has a series of adventures and misadventures with a bunch of wild animals both good and bad.

Frazer, Marla. Roller Coaster

Take a ride on a roller coaster as it zips and zooms and dips and dives – Marla Frazer takes you on the ride of your life!

Isaacs, Anne. Pancakes for Supper

In the backwoods of New England, a young girl cleverly fends off the threats of wild animals by trading her clothes for her safety.

Oppel, Kenneth. Peg and the Yeti

Peg, a girl who has spent her entire life at sea, has decided she wants to climb Mount Everest and gets some help from a Yeti.

Watt, Melanie. Scaredy Squirrel

Scaredy Squirrel never leaves his nut tree. It's way too dangerous out there. One day Scaredy finds himself in the unknown and at risk of facing killer bees, tarantulas and green Martians! Will Scaredy make it back to the nut tree alive?

Books for Primary School - Ages 6-9

Applegate, Katherine. Never Race a runaway pumpkin (and others in the Roscoe Riley Rules series)

If Roscoe guesses the weight of a giant pumpkin, he'll be a winner! But a little black cat keeps trying to cross his path! Will the bad-luck kitty ruin Roscoe's chance to win?

Brown, Jeff. Flat Stanley

Stanley is a boy like no other! After being flattened by a bulletin board, Stanley has to find new ways of doing things...being flat does have its advantages!

Sachar, Louis. Marvin Redpost: superfast and out of control

Many have tried to master the slippery slopes of Suicide Hill on their bikes. If Marvin makes it, he'll be a hero. If not, his friends and family may catch the biggest wipeout in history!

Van Allsburg, Chris. Jumanji

Left on their own for an afternoon, two kids find more excitement than they bargained for in a mysterious and mystical jungle adventure board game.

Wishinsky, Frieda. Lost in the snow (and others in the Canadian Flyer Adventures series)

When their magic sled sends them to New France in 1665, Emily and Matt are invited to a party at the Seigneur's manor. Read the whole series!

Books for Intermediate Grades - Ages 10-12

Doyle, Roddy. Wilderness

A gripping story of survival unfolds as Johnny and Tom take on impossible risks to save their mother's life while on a winter adventure holiday in Finland.

Korman, Gordon. Island series

Follow the adventures of six shipwrecked kids who were in real danger of dying in this gripping adventure series. Check out the Dive series as well!

Parkinson, Curtis. Storm Blast

The initial fun of sailing in the Caribbean turns to terror when during a sudden storm, Regan, Matt, and Carol are stranded in a dinghy with no food and little water. Storm-Blast is a white-knuckle tale full of adventure.

Paulsen, Gary

How Angel Peterson got his name: and other outrageous tales about extreme sports

Author Gary Paulsen relates tales from his youth in a small town in northwestern Minnesota in the late 1940's and early 1950s, such as skiing behind a souped-up car and imitating daredevil Evel Knievel.

Petersen, P.J. Wild River

Twelve-year-old Ryan discovers a heroic side of himself when a kayak trip with his older brother goes horribly wrong.

Salisbury, Graham. Night of the howling dogs

While camping on the Big Island of Hawaii, the boys from Scout Troop # 77 experience two devastating earthquakes in the middle of the night, followed by a tsunami. This gripping story of survival is based on a true story.

Withers, Pam. Take it to the X-treme series

Jake Evans and Peter Montpetit are only 15 years old, but already they've survived whitewater rapids, an avalanche, perilous mountain climbs,

getting lost in the woods and marooned on an isolated Pacific island, and a run-in with the police. Read about their adventures in the Take it to the X-treme series!

Informational Books

Bledsoe, Lucy Jane. How to survive in Antarctica

If you should find yourself in danger of falling into a crevasse, you should stretch out your body to avoid dropping farther. This is just one of Lucy Jane Bledsoe's survival tips she shares in this true account of her experiences while on exploration in Antarctica.

Butts, Ed. SOS, stories of Survival: true tales of disaster, tragedy and courage.

True stories of survivors of earthquakes, floods, tsunamis, fire and floods!

Iggulden, Conn. The dangerous book for boys

This book is jam packed with things to do including go-cart building, tree house construction and paper airplane folding. Check out the Daring Book for Girls by the same author.

Skreslet, Laurie. To the top of Everest

A former Red Cedar Nominee, this book is the thrilling true story of how Laurie Skreslet became the first Canadian to climb Mount Everest. Along with his team, Laurie was faced with hidden crevasses, blinding snowstorms, horrible altitude sickness and deadly avalanches.

Zweig, Eric. Crazy Canucks: the uphill battle of Canada's downhill ski team

Learn about the trials and triumphs of the Canadian men's alpine ski team of the 1970s and early 1980s in this behind-the-scenes look at a team that dared to take risks other skiers were too afraid of.