

# GRPS Recommended Book List

## Second-Third Grade

### **Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing**

By James Weldon Johnson

### **Stellaluna**

By [Janell Cannon](#)

### **Mimi's Tutu**

By [Tynia Thomassie](#)

Illustrated by [Jan Spivey Gilchrist](#)

### **Erandi's Braids**

By [Antonio Hernandez Madrigal](#)

Illustrated by [Tomie dePaola](#)

### **Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat**

Written and illustrated by Javaka Steptoe

### **Freedom in Congo Square**

By Carole Boston Weatherford

Illustrated by R. Gregory Christie

### **Thunder Boy Jr.**

By Sherman Alexie

Illustrated by Yuyi Morales

### **Rainbow Stew**

Written and illustrated by Catheryn Falwell

### **The Story I'll Tell**

By Nancy Tupper Ling and Jessica Lanan

### **One Green Apple**

By [Eve Bunting](#)

Illustrated by [Ted Lewin](#)

### **My Name Is Sangoel**

By [Karen Lynn Williams](#), [Khadra Mohammed](#), and [Catherine Stock](#)

### **If I Ran for President**

By [Catherine Stier](#)

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### **Amazing Grace ([Grace](#))**

By [Mary Hoffman](#)

Illustrated by [Caroline Binch](#)

### **The Selfish Giant**

By [Oscar Wilde](#)

Illustrated by [S. Saelig Gallagher](#)

### **Charlotte's Web**

By [E.B. White](#)

Illustrated by [Garth Williams](#) and [Rosemary Wells](#)

### **Diego**

Translated by [Jonah Winter](#) and [Amy Prince](#)

Illustrated by [Jeanette Winter](#)

### **Mr. Popper's Penguins**

By [Richard Atwater](#) and [Florence Atwater](#)

Illustrated by [Robert Lawson](#)

### **Woman Who Outshone the Sun / La mujer que brillaba aún más que el sol (English/Spanish bilingual)**

By [Alejandro Cruz Martinez](#)

### **The Story of Ruby Bridges**

By [Robert Coles](#)

Illustrated by [George Ford](#)

### **My Very Own Room/Mi propio cuartito**

By [Amada Irma Pérez](#) and [Maya Christina González](#)

### **The Great Kapok Tree**

By [Lynne Cherry](#)

### **Black and White**

By [David Macaulay](#)

### **The Hundred Dresses**

By [Eleanor Estes](#)

Illustrated by [Louis Slobodkin](#)

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### **It Looked Like Spilt Milk**

By [Charles G. Shaw](#)

### **Frog and Toad Are Friends ([Frog and Toad #1](#))**

By [Arnold Lobel](#)

### **All the World a Poem**

By Gilles Tibo

### **Book of Mistakes**

By Corinna Luyken

### **Boys Dancing: From School Gym to Theater Stage**

By George Ancona

### **The Capital Catch (Ballpark Mysteries)**

By David A. Kelly

### **Colette's Lost Pet**

By Isabelle Arsenault

### **Counting Sheep**

By Jacqueline Kelly

### **Float Like a Butterfly**

By Ntozake Shange

### **Flowers for Sarajevo**

By John McCutcheon

### **The Great Antonio**

By Elise Gravel

### **Independence Cake**

By Deborah Hopkinson

### **Jasmine Toguchi: Mochi Queen**

By Debbi Michiko Florence

### **John Ronald's Dragons: The Story of J.R.R. Tolkien**

By Caroline McAlister

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**Lighter than Air: Sophie Blanchard, the First Woman Pilot**

By Matthew Clark Smith

**One Is Not a Pair: A Spotting Book**

By Britta Teckenbrup

**Pedal Power: How One Community Became the Bicycle Capital of the World**

By Allan Drummond

**7 Ate 9: The Untold Story**

By Tara Lazar

**Sprout Street Neighbors: A New Arrival**

By Anna Alter

**Story Worlds Nature**

By Thomas Hegbrook

**Who Wants to Be a Princess?**

By Bridget Heos

**The Whale**

By Ethan Murrwo and Vita Murrwo

**Under the Same Sun**

By Sharon Robinson

Illustrated by AG Ford

**If Kids Ran the World**

Written and illustrated by Diane Dillon and Leo Dillon

**The Tiny Seed**

Written and illustrated by Eric Carle

**So You Want to Be President?**

By Judith St. George

Illustrated by David Small

**The Man Who Walked Between the Towers**

Written and illustrated by Mordicai Gerstein

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### **Coming on Home Soon**

By Jacqueline Woodson  
Illustrated by E. B. Lewis

### **Owl Moon**

By Jane Yolen  
Illustrated by John Schoenherr

### **Frog and Toad All Year**

By Arnold Lobel

### **Danitra Brown Leaves Town**

By Nikki Grimes

### **Ramona Quimby, Age 8**

By Beverly Cleary

### **Only Passing Through**

Written and illustrated by Anne Rockwell

### **Leo the Late Bloomer**

By Robert Kraus

### **Harlem**

By Walter Dean Myers

### **Wings**

By Christopher Myers

### **Circle Unbroken**

By Margo Raven

### **The People Could Fly: The Picture Book**

By Virginia Hamilton  
Illustrated by Diane Dillon and Leo Dillon

### **Who's In Rabbit's House: A Masai Tale**

By Verna Aardema  
Illustrated by Diane Dillon

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**Iktomi Loses His Eyes: A Plains Indian Story**

By Paul Goble

**If You Give a Cat a Cupcake**

By Laura Joffe Numeroff

**Henry's Freedom Box**

By Ellen Levin

**Gone Crazy in Alabama**

By Rita Williams-Garcia

**Junebug**

By Alice Mead

**How Tia Lola Came to (Visit) Stay**

By Julia Alvarez

Illustrated by Tatsuhiro Kiuchi

**In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson**

By Bette Bao Lord

Illustrated by Marc Simont

Authoritative information about the hymn text Lift Every Voice and Sing, with lyrics, audio recordings, PDF files, printable scores, MIDI files, piano resources, and products for worship planners. Author: James Weldon Johnson (1900) Tune: LIFT EVERY VOICE Published in 39 hymnals. Printable scores: PDF, MusicXML Audio files: MIDI, Recording. FlexScore. Lift Every Voice and Sing. Piano/Organ. Lift Every Voice and Sing.