Gr. 4-5 students are growing in independence and seek out reading materials across a wide variety of genres, styles, and formats. Favourite authors and series might emerge, but encourage your young reader to try something new. Remember, BIS has no required summer reading; students should be encouraged to read simply for fun and entertainment!

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Fun Reads
For the student who learns more and more English every day

After Happily Ever After series by Tony Bradman (F BRA)
Araminta Spookie series by Angie Sage (F SAG)
Andrew Clements’ short novels like Frindle (F CLE, ONLINE)
Dragonbreath series by Ursula Vernon (F VER)
Ghosthunters series by Cornelia Funke (F FUN)
Goth Girl series by Chris Riddell (F RID)
Imaginary Veterinary series by Suzanne Selfors (F SEL)
Otis Dooda series by Ellen Potter (F POT)
Rainbow Street Shelter series by Wendy Orr (F ORR)
Schooling Around series by Andy Griffiths (F GRI)
Books by Jon Scieszka like The Stinky Cheese Man (E SCI)
Sports Illustrated Kids graphic novels (741.5 SPO)
Trash Mountain by Jane Yolen (F YOL, ONLINE)
The Whipping Boy by Sid Fleischman (F FLE)
Wide-Awake Princess series by E. D. Baker (F BAK)
Challenging Reads
Best for independent and fluent English readers

**Alone on a Wide, Wide Sea** by Michael Morpurgo (ONLINE) Recommended by Ms. Harrison

**Beatrice Zinker, Upside Down Thinker** by Shelley Johannes (F JOH, ONLINE)

**Bridge to Terabithia** by Katherine Paterson (F PAT, GERMAN-PRI F PAT) Recommended by Ms. Moore

**Fish in a Tree** by Lynda Mullaly Hunt (F HUN) Recommended by Ms. Moore

The **Harry Potter** series by J. K. Rowling (F ROW, ONLINE, +6 other languages) Recommended by a BIS student

**Interactive History Adventures** series (F INT)

The **Land of Stories** series by Chris Colfer (F COL)

**Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle** by Betty MacDonald (F MAC, ONLINE)

**Number the Stars** by Lois Lowry (F LOW, ONLINE) Recommended by Ms. Moore

The original **Oz** series by L. Frank Baum (F BAU)

**Pax** by Sara Pennypacker (F PEN) Recommended by Ms. Moore

The **Seven Wonders** series by Peter Lerangis (F LER)

**Shel Silverstein’s** poetry, including *Where the Sidewalk Ends* (811 PRE)

**Song for a Whale** by Lynne Kelly (ONLINE) Recommended by Ms. Maurer

**Wed Wabbit** by Lissa Evans (F EVA, ONLINE)

**Wonder** by R. J. Palacio (F PAL, +2 other languages) Recommended by Ms. Widder

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