

Books Mentioned at the Second Grade Transition Breakfast April 19, 2010

Nonfiction

595.4 B



Bishop, Nic, 1955-. Nic Bishop spiders. New York : Scholastic Nonfiction, c2007. Photographs and text provide basic information about various kinds of spiders.

781.65 C



Christensen, Bonnie. Django. 1st ed. New York : Flash Point/Roaring Brook Press, 2009. An illustrated, rhythmic account of the life of legendary jazz guitarist Django Reinhardt.

811 F



Florian, Douglas. Poetrees. 1st ed. New York : Beach Lane Books, c2010. A collection of poetry and colorful drawings by American artist Douglas Florian in which he explores the world of trees in a humorous and whimsical manner.

915.81 W



Winter, Jeanette. Nasreen's secret school : a true story from Afghanistan. 1st ed. New York : Beach Lane Books, c2009. Nasreen stops speaking and tries to isolate herself after the Taliban take her parents, but with the help of a good friend and a secret school, Nasreen slowly begins to break out of her shell.

974.7 T



Talbott, Hudson. River of dreams : the story of the Hudson River. New York : Putnam, c2009. Provides an illustrated account of the history of the Hudson River, discussing its strategic, economic, and cultural importance, and including facts, time lines, and maps.

B FANWORTH



Krull, Kathleen. The boy who invented TV : the story of Philo Farnsworth. 1st ed. New York : Alfred A. Knopf, c2009. Presents a picture-book biography of Philo Farnsworth, who created the world's first television image in 1928.

B REY



Borden, Louise. The journey that saved Curious George : the true wartime escape of Margret and H.A. Rey. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 2005. Tells how the creators of "Curious George" narrowly escaped capture by the Nazis while fleeing Paris on their bicycles during World War II.

B TOULOUSE-LAUTREC

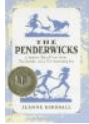
Burleigh, Robert. Toulouse-Lautrec : the Moulin Rouge and



the city of light. New York : Harry N. Abrams, 2005. Presents information on the life and times of French artist, Henri de Toulouse-Latrec, and includes depictions of some of his best-known paintings, drawings, and posters, to show how his art reflected the places and characters of nineteenth century Paris. Includes photographs.

Fiction

F BIRDSALL



Birdsall, Jeanne. The Penderwicks : a summer tale of four sisters, two rabbits, and a very interesting boy. 1st ed. New York : Knopf, c2005.

While vacationing with their widowed father in the Berkshire Mountains, four lovable sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy, much to the dismay of his snobbish mother.

F DICAMILLO



DiCamillo, Kate. The magician's elephant. 1st ed. Somerville, Mass : Candlewick Press, 2009.

When ten-year-old orphan Peter Augustus Duchene encounters a fortune teller in the marketplace one day who tells him that his sister, who is presumed dead, is in fact alive, he embarks on a remarkable series of adventures in an attempt to find her. Other wonderful read aloud titles by DiCamillo include The Remarkable Journey of Edward Tulane, Because of Winn Dixie, and Tales of Despereaux.

F DITERLIZZI



DiTerlizzi, Tony. Kenny & the dragon. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2008. Kenny Rabbit tries to save his friend, the dragon, after he is labeled a community nuisance by the simple people of Roundbrook village, who arrange for the creature to be fought by St. George.

F EAGER



Eager, Edward. Half magic. San Diego : Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, 1982, c1954.

Four children looking forward to an ordinary summer enjoy a series of fantastic adventures by double-wishing on an ancient coin.

F LAFERVERS



La Fevers, R. L (Robin L.). Flight of the phoenix. Boston : Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2009.

Ten-year-old Nate is sent to live with a family cousin, the world's last beastologist, after his parents are declared lost at sea, but danger mounts when he is brought on an expedition to the Arabian desert, gets lost, and must protect a newly hatched phoenix egg and rescue his guardian.

F L'ENGLE



L'Engle, Madeleine. A wrinkle in time. [New York] : Ariel Books, [1962].

Three extra-terrestrial beings take Meg and her friends to another world.

F RYLANT



Rylant, Cynthia. Gooseberry Park. 1st ed. San Diego :
Harcourt Brace, c1995.

When a storm separates Stumpy the squirrel from her newborn babies, her animal friends come to the rescue.

F SELDEN



Selden, George, 1929-. The cricket in Times Square. New York, : Ariel Books, [1960].

The adventures of a country cricket who unintentionally arrives in New York and is befriended by Tucker Mouse and Harry Cat.

F WALTER



Walter, Mildred Pitts. Justin and the best biscuits in the world. 1st ed. New York : Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, c1986.

Suffering in a family full of females, ten-year-old Justin feels that cleaning and keeping house are women's work until he spends time on his beloved grandfather's ranch.