

### Nightlights

by Lorena Alvarez  
Illustrated by the author  
Nobrow, 2016.

ISBN: 9781910620137.  
Sandy captures her dreams in vibrant, magical drawings, but when her dreams interrupt school lessons, she must remember not to let her talent get the best of her. The illustrations from this Colombian artist are charming, whimsical and gorgeous.

### Odd Duck

by Cecil Castellucci  
Illustrated by Sara Varon  
First Second, 2013.

ISBN: 9781596435575.  
A straight-laced duck and her odd ball neighbor overcome their differences to become friends in this colorful tale celebrating the things that make us different and the unexpected similarities that bring us together.

**Phoebe and her Unicorn**  
by Dana Simpson  
Illustrated by the author

Andrews McMeel, 2014.  
ISBN: 9781449446208.  
An unsentimental buddy story about a bright and awkward girl and her best friend, the unicorn Marigold Heavenly Nostrils. *First book in the series.*

### Real Friends

by Shannon Hale  
Illustrated by LeUyen Pham  
First Second, 2017.

ISBN: 9781626724167.  
A memoir about Hale's time in middle school and making friends, being part of a group, and bullying.

### Red's Planet

by Eddie Pittman  
Illustrated by the author  
Amulet Books, 2016.

ISBN: 9781419719073.  
Independent and strong-willed Red longs to get away from her crowded foster home—but she gets more than she bargained for on this interplanetary adventure! *First book in the series.*

### Rutabaga: The Adventure Chef

by Eric Colossal  
Illustrated by the author  
Amulet Books, 2015.

ISBN: 9781419713804.  
Rutabaga is hungry for adventure and just plain hungry in this graphic novel that illustrates how finding new ingredients and new food cultures can be just as exciting as slaying a dragon.

### Science Comics: Bats: Learning to Fly

by Falynn Koch  
Illustrated by the author  
First Second, 2017.

ISBN: 9781626724099.  
As his broken wing heals, a little brown bat meets and learns about other bats around the world. They learn to accept their differences and to coexist with humans. *Part of the Science Comics series.*

### Sidekicks

by Dan Santat  
Illustrated by the author  
Arthur A. Levine Books, 2011.

ISBN: 9780439298193.  
Captain Amazing is looking for a new sidekick...and his pets want in on the action!

### Sisters

by Raina Telgemeier  
Illustrated by the author  
Graphix, 2014.

ISBN: 97805455440599.  
Road Trip! In this companion to *Smile*, Raina is traveling with her family in a minivan from California to Colorado.

### Star Scouts

by Mike Lawrence  
Illustrated by the author  
First Second, 2017.

ISBN: 9781626722804.  
Unbeknownst to her father, Avani Patel signs up for a week long intergalactic sleep-away camp that promises to have far more adventure than the boring human camp she was supposed to attend.

### The Time Museum

by Matthew Loux  
Illustrated by the author  
First Second, 2017.

ISBN: 9781596438491.  
A crew of time traveling interns contend with perils ranging from the Cretaceous period to the very distant future.

### Where's Halmoni?

by Julie Kim  
Illustrated by the author  
Little Bigfoot, 2017.

ISBN: 9781632170774.  
Two children search for their missing grandmother and fall into a fantastic adventure—meeting goblins, a greedy tiger, a clever rabbit, and a wily fox—and discover more about their heritage in this tale inspired by Korean folklore.

# GRAPHIC NOVELS

## Reading List



GRADES 3-5

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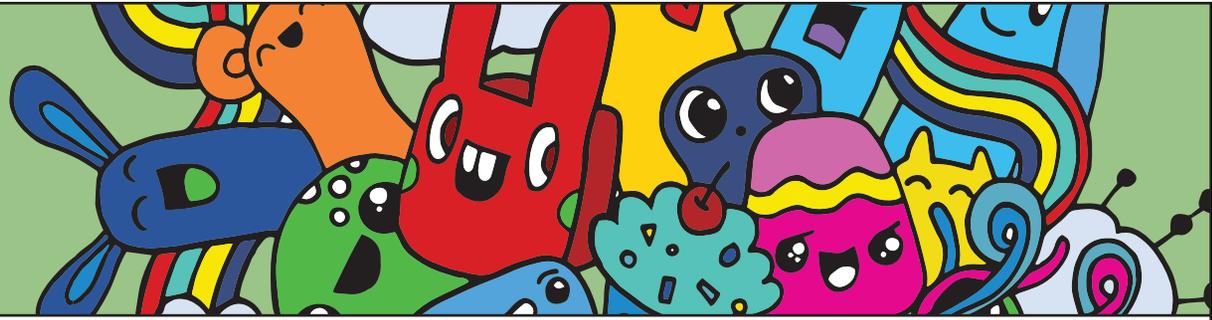
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**5 Worlds, Vol 1:  
The Sand Warrior**  
by Mark Siegel, et al.

Random House, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781101935866.  
Adventure and action abound in this thrilling tale of three heroes on a quest to save their worlds. *First book in the series.*

**Akissi: Feline Invasion**  
by Marguerite Abouet  
Illustrated by Mathieu Sapin

Flying Eye Books, 2013.  
ISBN: 9781909263017.  
Follow the irrepressible and lovable Akissi as she gets into trouble and has adventures throughout her small town in West Africa.

**Anne of Green Gables:  
A Graphic Novel**  
adapted by Mariah Marsden  
Illustrated by Brenna Thummler

Andrews McMeel, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781449479602.  
Montgomery's plucky orphan meets a new generation of readers in a richly-hued, faithful retelling of the beloved classic.

**Bee and PuppyCat**  
by Natasha Allegri and  
Garrett Jackson  
Illustrated by Natasha Allegri

KaBOOM!, paper, 2015.  
ISBN: 9781608864874.  
Bee can't seem to find and keep a job. She and her mysterious roommate PuppyCat take a variety of magical jobs, based on the animated YouTube series.

**Belinda the Unbeatable**  
by Lee Nordling  
Illustrated by Scott Roberts  
and Flavio B. Silva

Graphic Universe, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781512413311.  
When self-assured Belinda befriends shy Barbara at school, a gym game of musical chairs transforms into a magical, colorful competition in this wordless graphic fantasy.

**The Big Bad Fox**  
by Benjamin Renner  
Illustrated by the author

First Second, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781626723313.  
A bumbling fox finds himself having to care for three little chicks who think he is their mother.

**Cleopatra in Space  
Volume 1: Target Practice**  
Illustrated by Mike Maihack

Graphix, 2014.  
ISBN: 9780545528436.  
The young Egyptian princess is transported far into the future, where she must prepare to save the Nile Galaxy...but she still has to take algebra, too. *First book in the series.*

**Comics Squad: Recess!**  
edited by Jennifer L. Holm,  
Matthew Holm and  
Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Random House, 2014.  
ISBN: 9780385370042.  
A collection of eight short stories by various popular authors about everyone's favorite subject: recess!

**Cosmic Commandos**  
by Christopher Eliopoulos  
Illustrated by the author

Dial Books for Young Readers, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781101994481.  
When a cereal box toy surprise brings their favorite video game to real (and dangerous) life, twin brothers Jeremy and Justin must learn how to work together if they are going to save the world.

**The Dam Keeper**  
by Robert Kondo and  
Dice Tsutsumi  
Illustrated by the authors

First Second, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781626724266.  
After the death of his father, Pig becomes the keeper of the Dam, his town's only protection against the deadly fog.

**Dinosaur Empire! Journey  
Through the Mesozoic Era**  
by Abby Howard  
Illustrated by the author

Amulet Books, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781419723063.  
Ronnie needs help with her dinosaur homework. Her teacher has the perfect but perilous solution: travel back in time! First stop, the Triassic Period.

**Dream Jumper, Book One:  
Nightmare Escape**  
by Greg Grunberg and  
Lucas Turnbloom

Graphix, 2016.  
ISBN: 9780545826044.  
Ben is a dream jumper. He is also the only one who can awaken his friends and save them from the endless nightmares of the evil dream-monster. *First book in the series.*

**Dog Man**  
by Dav Pilkey  
Illustrated by the author

Graphix, 2016.  
ISBN: 9780545581608.  
One police dog, one justice-loving cop, one life-changing surgery! Hilarious. *First book in the series.*

**El Deafo**  
by Cece Bell  
Illustrated by the author

Amulet, 2014.  
ISBN: 9781419710209.  
An autobiography about growing up deaf in a hearing world and the superpowers it takes to fit in and make and keep a good friend.

**Fairy Tale Comics:  
Classic Tales Told  
by Extraordinary  
Cartoonists**  
edited by Chris Duffy

First Second, 2013.  
ISBN: 9781596438231.  
Eighteen different cartoonists put their own spin on classic fairy tales from around the world. *Part of a series.*

**Hidden: A Child's Story  
of the Holocaust**  
by Loïc Dauvillier  
Illustrated by Marc Lizano

First Second, 2014.  
ISBN: 9781596438736.  
A grandmother shares her story of growing up a Jewish child in Nazi-occupied Paris in 1942 to a grandchild in this award-winning book.

**Hilo: The Boy Who  
Crashed to Earth**  
by Judd Winick  
Illustrated by the author

Random House, 2015.  
ISBN: 9780385386173.  
Despite being the only normal kind in a family of

overachievers, D.J. finds himself in the position of needing to save the world after he befriends a boy who fell from the sky. *First book in the series.*

**Howtoons: Tools of  
Mass Construction**  
by Saul Griffith, Nick  
Dragotta, and Joost Bonsen  
Illustrated by Nick Dragotta

Image Comics, 2014.  
ISBN: 9781632151018.  
Learn how to construct a marshmallow shooter, a kite, or design clothes, from maker siblings Celine and Tucker in this fun reference guide that brings together science, art, math, design, and safety.

**The Lost Boy**  
by Greg Ruth  
Illustrated by the author

Graphix, 2013. ISBN: 9780439823326.  
Nate didn't want to move to a new home, but when he discovers a tape recorder and note addressed to him under the floorboards, he is challenged to join with local girl Tabitha to uncover the mystery concerning a boy who disappeared long ago.

**Lost in NYC: A Subway  
Adventure**  
by Nadja Spiegelman  
Illustrated by Sergio  
García Sánchez

TOON Graphics, 2015.  
ISBN: 9781935179818.  
When Pablo gets separated from the class on a field trip to the Empire State Building, new friend Alicia helps him find his way around the subway system. *Also available in Spanish as Perdidos en NYC: una aventura en el metro (2015).*

**Lowriders in Space**  
by Cathy Camper  
Illustrated by Raul Gonzalez

Chronicle Books, 2014.  
ISBN: 9781452128696.  
Three friends try to turn a junker into the best car in the universe in this first of the series and includes a glossary of Spanish and science terms.

**Making Scents**  
by Arthur Yorinks  
Illustrated by Branden Lamb  
and Shelli Paroline

First Second, 2017.  
ISBN: 9781596434523.  
Raised with the skills of a bloodhound, including a super sense of smell, Mickey must adjust to non-sniffing life with an aunt and uncle who don't like dogs (or kids) after losing his parents.

**Mighty Jack**  
by Ben Hatke  
Illustrated by the author

First Second, 2016.  
ISBN: 9781626722644.  
Jack trades his mother's car keys for a packet of seeds; once planted, they grow a magical and dangerous garden leading to another world.

**Newsprints**  
by Ru Xu  
Illustrated by the author

Graphix, 2017.  
ISBN: 9780545803120.  
In this steampunk-inspired 1920's-era world, Blue, an orphan, has disguised herself as a boy so that she can be a newsie and live and work at the Bugle.

