

## KERBY'S QUICK LIST OF CHILDREN'S AUTHORS

This list gives an overview of current children's literature—authors and illustrators respected by reviewers and loved by children. I've not listed many Newbery and Caldecott winners since I've given you those lists. When I highlight authors in class, you may expect to see them on a test.

Your task is to get a book by each author as a way to help you find the authors **YOU** like. When you do not like a particular book, skim it and go on to something else. Do not write an annotation for this book. When you find an author you really enjoy, read more of his/her books.

In addition to the Quick List, you must also select books from the **current year's master lists of the:** (1) **ALA/ALSC Notable Lists** (these include books, recordings, videos, and software); (2) ALA/ALSC current year's Newbery honor and Caldecott honor books, **the Pura Belpré, Coretta Scott King, Sibert, and Geisel Award** books; (3) newest list of Outstanding Science Trade Books; (4) newest list of Outstanding Books in the Field of Social Studies; (5) IBBY Honour List 2010 at <http://www.ibby.org>; (6) USBBY list at [http://www.usbby.org/2010\\_USBBY-OIB\\_Bookmark.pdf](http://www.usbby.org/2010_USBBY-OIB_Bookmark.pdf), and (7) the Maryland Black-Eyed Susan Award books and/or Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Award books—either titles that have won the award or titles that are on the current lists. Select titles that you will enjoy.

You should also use the sources listed in the syllabus to select good books. Read books for diverse learners related to: ethnicity, race, gender, language, socioeconomic status, disability, geographical area, religious background, and exceptionalities in learning. These types of books should also appear on your bibliography.

### EASY FICTION

Tedd Arnold	Amy Hest	Robert Sabuda
Molly Bang	Keiko Kasza	Jon Scieszka
Henry Cole	Helen Lester	David Shannon
Brian Collier	Betsy Lewin	Lane Smith
Doreen Cronin	Ted Lewin	Mark Teague
Tomie DePaola	Leo Lionni	Mèlanie Watt
Lulu Delacre	Pat Mora	Karma Wilson
Ursula Dubosarsky	Kadir Nelson	Mo Willems
Lois Ehlert	The Pinkneys	Jeanette Winter
Ian Falconer	Patricia Polacco	
Kevin Henkes	Cynthia Rylant	

### INTERMEDIATE FICTION

Mary Amato	Margaret Peterson Haddix	Gary Paulsen
Katherine Applegate	Mary Downing Hahn	Rodman Philbrick
Avi	Carl Hiassen	Dav Pilkey
Mary Blount Christian	Jennifer Holm	Rick Riordan
Andrew Clements	Jeff Kinney	J.K. Rowling
Priscilla Cummings	Gordon Korman	Pam Muñoz Ryan
Jeanne DuPrau	Grace Lin	Louis Sachar
John Erickson	Lois Lowry	Jill Santopolo
Cornelia Funke	Ann Martin	Kashmira Sheth
Jack Gantos	Megan McDonald	Jeff Smith
Patricia Reilly Giff	Barbara O'Connor	Mildred Taylor
Lisa Graff	Barbara Park	Lisa Yee
Dan Gutman	Katherine Paterson	39 Clues books

### NONFICTION

Caroline Arnold	Dennis Fradin	Sy Montgomery
Jim Arnosky	Russell Freedman	Jim Murphy
Susan Bartoletti	Jean Fritz	Dorothy Hinshaw Patent
Nic Bishop	Gail Gibbons	Jack Prelutsky
Louise Borden	James Haskins	Doreen Rapport
Ashley Bryan	Mary Ann Hoberman	Joanne Ryder
Robert Burleigh	Steve Jenkins	April Pulley Sayre
Sneed Collard	Mona Kerby	Robert San Souci
Lynn Curlee	Kathleen Krull	Seymour Simon
Leo & Diane Dillon	Sandra Markle	Tanya Lee Stone
Paul Fleischman	Patricia McKissack	Pamela Turner