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## Children's Choices for 2007

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### GRADES K-2

- THE ADVENTURES OF THE DISH AND THE SPOON.** Mini Grey. Knopf.  
**ALIENS ARE COMING!** Meghan McCarthy. Knopf.  
**AMAZING DOLPHINS!** Sarah L. Thomson. HarperCollins.  
**AMAZING SNAKES!** Sarah L. Thomson. HarperCollins.  
**BAD BOYS GET COOKIE!** Margie Palatini. Henry Cole, III. HarperCollins.  
**BEAR DREAMS.** Elisha Cooper. Greenwillow.  
**\*BURGER BOY.** Alan Durant. Mei Matsuoka, III. Clarion.  
**CHARLIE AND LOLA: BUT EXCUSE ME THAT IS MY BOOK.** Lauren Child. Dial.  
**THE COW WHO CLUCKED.** Denise Fleming. Henry Holt.  
**DUCK AND GOOSE.** Tad Hills. Random House.  
**FANCY NANCY.** Jane O'Connor. Robin Preiss Glasser, III. HarperCollins.  
**FAST FOOD.** Joost Elffers & Saxton Freyman. Arthur A. Levine.  
**THE GINGERBREAD COWBOY.** Janet Squires. Holly Berry, III. HarperCollins.  
**GOOD BOY, FERGUS!** David Shannon. Blue Sky Press.  
**HI! FLY GUY.** Tedd Arnold. Scholastic.  
**THE HIDDEN FEAST.** Martha Hamilton. August House.  
**HIPPO GOES BANANAS!** Marjorie Dennis Murray. Kevin O'Malley, III. Cavendish.  
**HOW TO BE A GOOD DOG.** Gail Page. Bloomsbury.  
**\*IF I HAD A DRAGON.** Amanda Ellery. Tom Ellery, III. Simon & Schuster.  
**I'M DIRTY!** Kate McMullan. Jim McMullan, III. HarperCollins.  
**JOHN DEER BIG BUILDING SITE.** DK Publishing.  
**LITTLE QUACK'S NEW FRIEND.** Lauren Thompson. Derek Anderson, III. Simon & Schuster.  
**THE MIXED-UP ROOSTER.** Pamela Duncan Edwards. Megan Lloyd, III. HarperCollins.  
**MOOSE TRACKS!** Karma Wilson. Jack E. Davis, III. Margaret K. McElderry.  
**\*MRS. CLAUS TAKES A VACATION.** Linas Alsenas. Scholastic.  
**OINK?** Margie Palatini. Henry Cole, III. Simon & Schuster.  
**ONCE I ATE A PIE.** Patricia MacLachlan & Emily MacLachlan Charest. Katy Schneider, III. HarperCollins.  
**PUPPIES, PUPPIES EVERYWHERE!** Cat Urbigkit. Boyds Mills Press.  
**SALLY AND THE SOME-THING.** George O'Connor. Roaring Brook.  
**SCAREDY SQUIRREL.** Mélanie Watt. Kids Can Press.  
**THE SECRET SCIENCE PROJECT THAT ALMOST ATE THE SCHOOL.** Judy Sierra. Stephen Gammell, III. Simon & Schuster.  
**WHAT DO TEACHERS DO (AFTER YOU LEAVE SCHOOL)?** Anne Bowen. Barry Gott, III. Lerner.  
**WHERE'S MY SOCK?** Joyce Dunbar. Sanja Rescek, III. Chicken House.

### GRADES 3-4

- 3-D ABC.** Bob Raczka. Lerner.  
**AKIMBO AND THE CROCODILE MAN.** Alexander McCall Smith. LeUyen Pham, III. Bloomsbury.  
**ANNIE THE RIVER OTTER.** Frances Keiser. Hugh Keiser, III. Sagaponack.  
**ATOMIC ACE AND THE ROBOT RAMPAGE.** Jeff Weigel. Albert Whitman.  
**BLIZZARD OF THE BLUE MOON.** Mary Pope Osborne. Random House.  
**DEAR MAX.** Sally Grindley. Tony Ross, III. Margaret K. McElderry.  
**DOG DEN MYSTERY.** Darrel & Sally Odgers. Janine Dawson, III. Kane/Miller.  
**DROOLING AND DANGEROUS.** Mary Amato. Ethan Long, III. Holiday House.  
**THE ENCHANTED DOLLS' HOUSE.** Robyn Johnson. Handprint.  
**EXTREME ANIMALS.** Nicola Davies. Neal Layton, III. Candlewick.  
**FOOD CREATIONS.** Jacqueline A. Ball. Bearport.  
**FRIENDS.** Patti Kelley Criswell. Stacy Peterson, III. American Girl.  
**HORSES.** Seymour Simon. HarperCollins.  
**HOW THE MOON REGAINED HER SHAPE.** Janet Ruth Heller. Ben Hodson, III. Sylvan Dell.  
**\*THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL.** Louise Borden. Adam Gustavson, III. Margaret K. McElderry.

**LETTERS FROM A DESPERATE DOG.** Eileen Christelow. Clarion.  
**LITTLE LOST BAT.** Sandra Markle. Alan Marks, III. Charlesbridge.  
**LOOK WHAT WHISKERS CAN DO.** D.M. Souza. Lerner.  
**\*THE MAGIC BASEBALL CAP.** David A. Ham & Janice B. Sibley. Blair Bostick, III. CRM.  
**THE NAVAJO YEAR, WALK THROUGH MANY SEASONS.** Nancy Bo Flood. Billy Whitethorne, III. Salina Bookshelf.  
**NOT AFRAID OF DOGS.** Susanna Pitzer. Larry Day, III. Walker.  
**PIGS.** Duncan Searl. Bearport.  
**PIRATE BOB.** Kathryn Lasky. David Clark, III. Charlesbridge.  
**PIRATEOLOGY.** Captain William Lubber. Dugald Steer, Ed. Anne Yvonne Gilbert, Helen Ward, & Ian Andrew, III. Candlewick.  
**PLEASE WRITE IN THIS BOOK.** Mary Amato. Eric Brace, III. Holiday House.  
**THE QUEST TO DIGEST.** Mary K. Corcoran. Jef Czekaj, III. Charlesbridge.  
**ROTTEN SCHOOL #4: LOSE, TEAM, LOSE.** R.L. Stine. Trip Park, III. HarperCollins.  
**SLED DOGS.** Lori Haskins. Bearport.  
**SLIPPERY, SLIMY BABY FROGS.** Sandra Markle. Walker.  
**\*SPORTING EVENTS.** Gabriel Kaufman. Bearport.  
**THERE IS A FLOWER AT THE TIP OF MY NOSE SMELLING ME.** Alice Walker. Stefano Vitale, III. HarperCollins.  
**WHAT ATHLETES ARE MADE OF.** Hanoch Pivin. Atheneum.  
**WHY DO DOGS HAVE WET NOSES?** Stanley Coren. Kids Can Press.

### GRADES 5-6

**\*BABYMOUSE: BEACH BABE.** Jennifer L. Holm. Matthew Holm, III. Random House.  
**\*BONE #3: EYES OF THE STORM.** Jeff Smith. Grahix. Random House.  
**BUNNICULA MEETS EDGAR ALLAN CROW.** James Howe. Atheneum.  
**\*CINDERELLA (AS IF YOU DIDN'T ALREADY KNOW THE STORY).** Barbara Ensor. Schwartz & Wade.  
**COUNTING ON GRACE.** Elizabeth Winthrop. Random House.  
**CROSSING THE WIRE.** Will Hobbs. HarperCollins.  
**DOGBOY.** Christopher Russell. Greenwillow.  
**THE EARTH DRAGON AWAKES.** Laurence Yep. HarperCollins.  
**HANNAH WEST IN THE BELLTOWN TOWERS.** Linda Johns. Puffin.  
**HEAT.** Mike Lupica. Philomel.  
**HERCULES.** Paul D. Storrie. Steve Kurth, III. Lerner.  
**THE HOMEWORK MACHINE.** Dan Gutman. Simon & Schuster.  
**THE HOUSE WHERE NOBODY LIVED.** Brad Strickland. Dial.  
**KIDNAPPED #1.** Gordon Korman. Scholastic.  
**KIDNAPPED #2.** Gordon Korman. Scholastic.  
**KIDNAPPED #3.** Gordon Korman. Scholastic.  
**THE LEGEND BEGINS.** Isobelle Carmody. Random House.  
**THE LEGEND OF THUNDERFOOT.** Bill Wallace. Simon & Schuster.  
**LISTEN!** Stephanie S. Tolan. HarperCollins.  
**THE MONSTROUS MEMOIRS OF A MIGHTY MCFEARLESS.** Ahmet Zappa. Random House.  
**PROBABLY THE WORLD'S BEST STORY ABOUT A DOG AND THE GIRL WHO LOVED ME.** D. James Smith. Atheneum.  
**THE RETURN OF SKELETON MAN.** Joseph Bruchac. Sally Wern Comport, III. HarperCollins.  
**SAND DOLLAR SUMMER.** Kimberly K. Jones. Margaret K. McElderry.  
**THE SECRET COUNTRY.** Jane Johnson. Adam Stower, III. Simon & Schuster.  
**SMALL STEPS.** Louis Sachar. Random House.  
**SNAKE.** Jeff Stone. Random House.  
**TO DANCE.** Siena Cherson Siegel. Mark Siegel, III. Atheneum.  
**TRAPPED IN ICE!** Martin Sandler. Scholastic.  
**TRAVELS OF THELONIOUS.** Susan Schade. Jon Buller, III. Simon & Schuster.  
**VANISHING ACT.** John Feinstein. Knopf.  
**WEEDFLOWER.** Cynthia Kadohata. Atheneum.  
**WHITE STAR.** Marty Crisp. Scholastic.  
**WILD LIVES.** Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld. Knopf.

### \*Books that received the highest votes

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