

# *Title I Book List*

*Laugh with a good book. The focus of the Book List this month is humor.*

## Title

## Grades Pre-K - 2

## Author

### **Dinosaurs Don't, Dinosaurs Do**

Hilarious dinosaurs introduce good manners and how to make friends.

**Steve Bjorkman**

### **My Dad Thinks He's Funny**

Features a long-suffering boy's eye-rolling observations of his father's bombastic and often corny sense of humor, which is comprised of groan-out-loud puns and wisecracking rejoinders.

**Katrina Germein**

### **A Giraffe Did One**

Walking, running, skipping, or jumping. Sometime, somewhere, someone around the world is doing this. What can it be? Young readers are sure to giggle and smirk as they try to guess just "exactly" what it is that the animals in this story are doing. And the ending just may surprise them.

**Jerry Pallotta**

### **Who's On First?**

Abbott and Costello's classic comedy routine, reissued for children, features a bear and a rabbit trying to determine the baseball player covering each base.

**Abbott and Costello**

### **Twelve Terrible Things**

Grownups who wax nostalgic about their youth are given a visual tour through twelve terrible experiences of childhood, including bedtime monsters and "atomic wedgies."

**Marty Kelley**

### **Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road**

Mo Willems's chicken confesses his motives to a police officer; David Shannon's chicken can drive a car; Marla Frazee's chicken is looking for a more luxurious coop; and Harry Bliss's chicken encounters aliens. And this is just the beginning. One thing is for sure--you won't cross this book without a good laugh!

**Jon Agee**

### **Knock, Knock!**

The knock-knock joke: a kid classic. So many funny punchlines. It was just screaming for its own book. To do this classic joke justice, we decided to gather fourteen of the best-known and most talented children's book artists to illustrate their favorite punchlines. The results are wacky, zany, and absolutely hilarious.

**Saxton Freymann**

### **It's a Dog's Life: How Man's Best Friend Sees, Hears and Smells the World**

A whimsically illustrated guide to the inner life of dogs shares lighthearted insights into dog evolution and behavior while profiling common breeds and explaining what a dog experiences while looking at a sunset and smelling the ground.

**Susan Goodman**

## Title

## Grades 3-5

## Author

### **The Beatles Were Fab (and They Were Funny)**

Presents a lively, whimsically illustrated tribute to the Fab Four's offbeat humor that traces the rise of Beatlemania and the influence of their humor on their musical achievements.

**Kathleen Krull & Paul Brewer**

### **Bad Kitty Meets the Baby**

Bad kitty is not pleased when a baby joins her family. Includes fun facts and tips for training a cat to perform tricks.

**Nick Bruel**

### **Superfudge**

Peter describes the highs and lows of life with his younger brother, Fudge.

**Judy Blume**

### **Aaaa!:**

Aaaa! That's the sound heard often from the Fox siblings as only sister Paige discovers Quincy the iguana has eaten her homework, older brother Peter applies permanent marker on his face drawing a fake goatee, and younger brother and expert video gamer Jason loses to Paige.

**Bill Amend**

*Reviews from: Cambridge Public Library and CPL Minuteman online web site and Parent's Guide to the Best Books for Children*

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#### **Look... Look Again!**

A pizza, a moon, and a balloon will never look the same! For twenty five years, John O'Brien has contributed quirky and one-of-a-kind cartoons to the pages of the *New Yorker*. Now readers are invited into O'Brien's lopsided universe with a hilarious collection of cartoons created especially for this volume.

**John O'Brien**

#### **Sports Jokes to Tickle Your Funny Bone**

Includes jokes, limericks, knock-knock jokes, tongue twisters, and fun facts about baseball, basketball, football, hockey, golf, and more, and describes how to write your own jokes.

**Stew Thornley**

#### **Ounce, Dice, Trice**

A collection of old and new words, including those to be said in singing moods, words for times of day, and rude names for nitwits. Defines such words as gongoozler, tantony, and cosse.

**Alastair Reid**

#### **Amelia Rules!**

After her parents' divorce, Amelia and her mother move a new town where Amelia and her new friends pretend to be superheroes in an attempt to stop the neighborhood bullies.

**Jimmy Gownley**

### Title

### Grades 6-8

### Author

#### **Jedi Academy**

This incredible, original story captures all of the humor, awkwardness, fun, and frustrations of middle school--all told through one boy's comics, journal entries, letters, doodles, and newspaper clippings. The setting? A galaxy far, far away...

**Jeffrey Brown**

#### **Dumbheart: A Get Fuzzy Collection**

Bucky B. Katt is leading the charge of the Highlands Kittyscouts. Bolstered by his roommates Rob Wilco (decked out in a borrowed hotel bathrobe and a Burger King crown) and Satchel Pooch (protected by a colander helmet), the trio from *Get Fuzzy* are ready to entertain their readers with another collection of their antics. Bucky's crazy schemes and snarky attitude play off the good hearted Satchel and the exasperated Rob to endless comic results.

**Darby Conley**

#### **Math, Science and Unix Underpants**

Jason Fox's perpetual obsession with being the ultimate science and math nerd is an ongoing story line in *FoxTrot* and one of its most popular themes. In this first ever *FoxTrot* themed book, the best math, science, and other geek-worthy cartoons are collected for all of FoxTrot's many fans.

**Bill Amend**

#### **I Funny: A Middle School Story**

Resolving to become the world's greatest stand-up comedian despite less-than-funny challenges in his life, wheelchair-bound middle school student Jamie Grimm endures bullying from his mean-spirited cousin and hopes he will be fairly judged when he enters a local comedy contest.

**James Patterson & Chris Grabenstein**

#### **One-Handed Catch**

After losing his hand in an accident in his father's butcher shop in 1946, sixth-grader Norman uses hard work and humor to learn to live with his disability and to succeed at baseball, art, and other activities.

**Mary Jane Auch**

#### **How to Survive a Robot Uprising:**

##### **Tips on Defending Yourself Against the Coming Rebellion**

An inspired and hilarious look at how humans can defeat the inevitable robot rebellion--as revealed by a robotics expert.

**Daniel H. Wilson**

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