

# Graphic Novel Recommended Reading

## Fiction

**Boothby, Ian. *Sparks (Series)*. (J FIC GN Boothby); Ebook**

Sparks is a hero and man's best friend, but nobody suspects he's two cats!

**Brockington, Drew. *Catstronauts (Series)*. (J FIC GN Brockington); Ebook**

A world populated entirely by cats, brimming with jokes, charm, science, and enough big boxes and tuna sandwiches for everyone!

**Chanani, Nidhi. *Pashmina*. (J FIC GN Chanani); Ebook**

For Pri, her mother's homeland can only exist in her imagination. That is, until she finds a mysterious pashmina tucked away in a forgotten suitcase.

***Comics Squad (Series)*. (J FIC GN Comics); Ebook**

A bust-your-gut-laughing comic anthology with original contributions from the most beloved and bestselling names in graphic novels.

**Craft, Jerry. *The New Kid*. (J FIC GN Craft); Audiobook, Ebook**

An artistic middle school student who makes friends and builds confidence in himself as he navigates race and class issues at a prestigious private school. Winner of the Newbery Medal, Coretta Scott King Author Award, and Kirkus Prize for Young Readers' Literature.

**Goerz, Gillian. *Shirley & Jamila Save Their Summer*. (J FIC GN Goerz); Ebook**

Introduces Jamila and Shirley, two unlikely friends who save each other's summers while solving their neighborhood's biggest mysteries.

**Green, John Patrick. *Kitten Construction Company (Series)*. (J FIC GN Green); Ebook**

In a world where humans call the shots, can the Kitten Construction Company prove their worth . . . without giving up the very things that make them kittens?

**Hale, Nathan. *Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales (Series)*. (J FIC GN Hale); Ebook**

The historic Nathan Hale regales his executioners with tales from history to stall his hanging.

**Hale, Shannon. *Rapunzel's Revenge (Series)*. (J 398.2 Rapunzel United States H); Ebook**

In this Old West retelling, Rapunzel uses her hair as a lasso and to take on outlaws. A swashbuckling and hilarious twist on the classic story as you've never seen it before.

**Jamieson, Victoria. *Roller Girl*. (J FIC GN Jamieson); Ebook**

A girl discovers roller derby right as she and her best friend are growing apart. An inspiring coming-of-age story about friendship, perseverance, and girl power! Newbery Honor Award Winner and New York Times bestseller.

**Kibuishi, Kazu. *Amulet (Series)*. (J FIC GN Kibuishi); Ebook**

A young girl named Emily Hayes has inherited a mysterious amulet from her great-grandfather, Silas Charnon. When her mother Karen is abducted, Emily and her brother Navin, enter the world of Alledia to save her.

**Knetzger, Laura. *'Bug Boys' (Series)*. (J FIC GN Knetzger); Ebook**

Follows two bug friends, Stag-B and Rhino-B, as they explore their world and share adventures.

**Knisley, Lucy. *Stepping Stones*. (J FIC GN Knisley); Ebook**

A young girl leaves the city, moves into a blended family, and tries to figure out where she belongs.

**LaMotte, Lily. *Measuring Up*. (J FIC GN LaMotte); Ebook**

Can Cici find a winning recipe to reunite with Amá, a way to fit in with her new friends, and find herself too? A feel-good, coming-of-age story which pays homage to the love between a granddaughter and her grandmother.

**Libenson, Terri. *Emmie & Friends (Series)*. (J FIC GN Libenson); Audiobook, Ebook**

A highly relatable middle grade drama, capturing family, friendships, crushes, stereotypes, grades, self-discovery—with candor, fast pacing, and authentic characters.

**Maihack, Mike. *Cleopatra in Space (Series)*. (J FIC GN Maihack); Ebook**

Cleopatra — yes, THAT Cleopatra — who's transported to the future and learns it's up to her to save the galaxy!

**McCranie, Stephen. *Mal and Chad (Series)*. (J FIC GN McCranie)**

Mal is a super kid genius and Chad is a talking dog, but no one knows it. What's it like to be so extraordinary and yet so invisible? In the tradition of Calvin and Hobbes, this graphic novel is laugh-inducing, clever, and full of heart.

**Miller, Kayla. *Click! (Series)*. (J FIC GN Miller); Ebook**

A delightful quiet exploration of friends, fitting in, and finding one's own way.

**Pico, Thom. *Aster and the Accidental Magic*. (J FIC GN Pico); Ebook**

A fun, action-packed fantasy adventure about a girl, her dog, and magic gone wrong!

**Riess, Natalie. *Dungeon Critters*. (J FIC GN Riess); Ebook**

Quests! Plots! Evil Plants! Magic and mayhem! Join the Dungeon Critters a tight-knit squad of animal companions on a wild adventure!

**Santat, Dan. *Sidekicks*. (J FIC GN Santat)**

When Captain Amazing feels he is getting too old to be a reliable superhero, he tries to hire a new sidekick, but his pets have different ideas.

**Sell, Chad. *The Cardboard Kingdom (Series)*. (J FIC GN Sell); Ebook**

Welcome to a neighborhood of kids who transform ordinary boxes into colorful costumes, and their ordinary block into a cardboard kingdom.

**Siegel, Mark. *5 Worlds (Series)*. (J FIC GN Siegel); Ebook**

The Five Worlds are on the brink of extinction unless five ancient and mysterious beacons are lit. When war erupts, three unlikely heroes will discover there's more to themselves—and to their worlds—than meets the eye.

**Simpson, Dana. *Phoebe and Her Unicorn (Series)*. (J FIC GN Simpson); Ebook**

Can a precocious little girl and a self-absorbed mythical forest creature find common ground? Indeed they can, and that's how they become the best of friends.

**Smith, Jeff. *Bone (Series)*. (J FIC GN Smith)**

After being run out of Boneville, the three Bone cousins - Fone Bone, Phoney Bone and Smiley Bone - are separated and lost. Little do they know, there're dark forces conspiring against them, and their adventures are only just beginning.

**Spires, Ashley. *A Binky Adventure (Series)*. (J FIC GN Spires)**

Readers will delight in watching where this lovable and quirky cat's imagination takes him.

**Tetri, Emily. *Tiger vs. Nightmare*. (J FIC GN Tetri)**

Unlikely best friends can be an unbeatable team, even against the scariest monsters. A Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor book, Kirkus Reviews Best Picture Book of the Year, and a School Library Journal Best Graphic Novel.

**Thompson, Craig. *Space Dumplings*. (J FIC GN Thompson)**

A space adventure filled with quirky aliens and awesome spaceships, a brave heroine is on a mission to save her dad.

**Varon, Sara. *New Shoes*. (J FIC GN Varon)**

A heartwarming graphic novel about a donkey on a quest to make the perfect pair of shoes.

**Venable, Colleen AF. *Katie the Catsitter*. (J FIC GN Venable); Ebook**

Katie wants to earn money so she can go to summer camp, but when she starts cat sitting for a neighbor, she starts to suspect that the neighbor is much more than meets the eye.

## Non - Fiction

**Bell, CeCe. *El Deafo*. (J FIC GN Bell); Ebook**

The author recounts her experiences with hearing loss at a young age, including using a bulky hearing aid, learning how to lip read, and determining her "superpower."

**Brown, Don. *Rocket to the Moon! (Big Ideas That Changed the World Series)*. (J 629.454 B); Ebook**

Instead of examining one person's life, focuses on the moon landing itself, showing the events leading up to it and how it changed the world.

**Depanafieu, Jean-baptist. *History of the World in Comics*. (J 576.83 D)**

Scientific accuracy and humor combine to tell the entire history of Earth. Never has natural history been so fun!

**Flood, Joe. *Sharks: Nature's Perfect Hunter (Science Comics Series)*. (J 597.31 F)**

In-depth introduction to sharks examines their undersea terrain, cunning adaptability, and staggering variety.

***Fable Comics*. (J 398.24 D)**

From classics like "The Tortoise and the Hare" to obscure gems like "The Boy Who Drew Cats," Fable Comics has something for every reader. Twenty-eight fables from different cultures and traditions are wonderfully adapted and illustrated in comic format by twenty-six different cartoonists.

***Fairy Tale Comics*. (J FIC GN Fairy)**

From favorites like "Goldilocks" to obscure gems like "The Boy Who Drew Cats," Fairy Tale Comics has something to offer every reader. Seventeen fairy tales are wonderfully adapted and illustrated in comic format by seventeen different cartoonists.

**Koch, Falynn. *Bake Like a Pro! (Maker Comics)*. (J 641.815 K)**

Learn the science behind baking, while following simple recipes, and you'll be able to bake a pizza and frost a cake just like a pro.

**Levy, Debbie. *Becoming RBG: Ruth Bader Ginsburg's Journey to Justice*. (JB Ginsburg L)**

A biographical graphic novel about celebrated Supreme Court justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

**Midthun, Joseph.**

***The Skeletal & Muscular System*. (J 611.7 W) (Building Blocks of Science Series)**

What happens when you break a bone? Why do your muscles get big with exercise? Find the answer to these questions and more in a guided tour of The Skeletal and Muscular Systems.

**O'Connor, George. *Zeus, King of the Gods*. (J 292.2113 Zeus O) (The Olympians Series); Ebook**

Introduces readers to the ruler of the Olympian Pantheon, telling his story from his boyhood to his ascendance to supreme power.

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