

Peck, Richard	<i>Year Down Yonder</i>
Perkins, Lynne R.	<i>All Alone in the Universe</i>
Pratchett, Terry	<i>The Amazing Maurice and His Educated Rodents; Wintersmith</i>
Pullman, Philip	<i>The Golden Compass</i>
Reisman, Michael	<i>Simon Bloom, the Gravity Keeper</i>
Resau, Laura	<i>What the Moon Saw</i>
Rex, Adam	<i>True Meaning of Smekday</i>
Ryan, Pam M.	<i>Esperanza Rising</i>
Sanderson, B.	<i>Alcatraz versus the Evil Librarians</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Loser, Stargirl</i>
Stewart, Trenton	<i>Mysterious Benedict Society</i>
Stroud, Jonathan	<i>The Amulet of Samarkand</i>
Sutcliff, Rosemary	<i>The Sword and the Circle</i>
Taylor, Mildred	<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i>
Urban, Linda	<i>A Crooked Kind of Perfect</i>
Van Draanen, W.	<i>Flipped</i>
Voigt, Cynthia	<i>Homecoming</i>
Woods, Brenda	<i>The Red Rose Box</i>
Wynne-Jones, D.	<i>Howl's Moving Castle</i>
Yee, Lisa	<i>Millicent Min, Girl Genius; Stanford Wong Flunks Big-time</i>

Recommended Reading – Books Beyond Fifth Grade Cliff Valley School

These books are selected for students who are reading above the fifth grade level. While avid readers may have the reading skills to take on literature written for older readers, there are plenty of challenging reads more appropriate for 10-12 year olds. Please remember that a child's reading level may be beyond his or her emotional development, and that by introducing ever-harder books or books written for teens or adults, we risk overwhelming a youngster with material he or she is not yet ready to read. This list is a good place to find exciting literature that will stimulate and interest the proficient fifth grade reader.

Avi	<i>Perloo the Bold; Iron Thunder: The Battle Between the Monitor and the Merrimac</i>
Bell, Hilari	<i>Goblin Wood</i>
Blackwood, Gary	<i>The Shakespeare Stealer</i>
Broach, Elise	<i>Masterpiece</i>
Clements, Andrew	<i>Things Not Seen</i>
Colfer, Eoin	<i>Artemis Fowl</i>
Cooper, Susan	<i>The Dark is Rising</i>
Cushman, Karen	<i>Catherine Called Birdy; Midwife's Apprentice; The Loud Silence of Francine Green</i>
Etchmenendy, Nancy	<i>The Power of Un</i>
Farmer, Nancy	<i>The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm; Sea of Trolls</i>
Fine, Anne	<i>Up on Cloud Nine</i>
Fleischman, John	<i>Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story about Brain Science</i>
Fox, Paula	<i>One—Eyed Cat</i>
Funke, Cornelia	<i>Inkheart</i>
Gaiman, Neil	<i>Coraline</i>
George, Jean C.	<i>Julie of the Wolves</i>
Giff, Patricia R.	<i>Pictures of Hollis Woods</i>
Greene, Bette	<i>Summer of My German Soldier</i>
Hale, Shannon	<i>Princess Academy</i>
Hamilton, Virginia	<i>M.C. Higgins, the Great</i>
Haddix, Margaret	<i>Double Identity</i>
Hannigan, K.	<i>Ida B.</i>
Henkes, Kevin	<i>Olive's Ocean</i>
Hesse, Karen	<i>Letters from Rifka</i>
Hiaasen, Carl	<i>Hoot</i>
Kadohata, Cynthia	<i>Kira-Kira</i>
Levitin, Sonia	<i>Room in the Heart</i>
Lowry, Lois	<i>Gathering Blue</i>
Lowry, Lois	<i>The Giver</i>
Murphy, Jim	<i>Boys' War: Confederate and Union Soldiers Talk About the Civil War</i>
Oppel, Kenneth	<i>Airborn; Skybreaker</i>
Paulsen, Gary	<i>Hatchet</i>