

NOVEL APPROACH – Grade Two

| # | Title | Author | Grade | Special | Codes | Summary |
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| 10 | Ghost of Popcorn Hill | Wright, Betty Ren | 1-2 | RL3.5;IL2-6 | | Martin and Peter acquire a mischievous new dog and two lonely ghosts. |
| 22 | Story of Laura Ingalls Wilder, Pioneer Girl | Stine, Megan | 2 | RL3.5;IL2-6 | | Biography of the author who wrote the "Little House" books and others about her childhood in the late 1800s as a pioneer. |
| 12 | Drinking Gourd | Monjo, F. N. | 2 | RL2; IL 2-3 | | Sent home alone for misbehaving in church, Tommy discovers that his house is a station on the Underground Railroad. |
| 12 | Cabin Faced West | Fritz, Jean | 2 | RL4; IL 3-5 | TG | Ten-year old Ann is unhappy on the frontier until George Washington visits and she learns to appreciate the importance of her role in settling the wilderness of western Pennsylvania. |
| 24 | Ramona Quimby Age 8 | Cleary, Beverly | 2 | RL4; IL 2-5 | * + & TG | With her father returning to college and her mother working full time, Ramona muddles through the hard times at school and home and proves to be big enough for her family to depend on. |
| 4 | Biggest Bear | Ward, Lyn | 2 | RL4; IL K-3 | | Johnny goes hunting for a bearskin to hang on the barn and returns with a small bundle of trouble. |
| 13 | Borrowers | Norton, Mary | 2 | RL5; IL 3-6 | + TG | Miniature people who live in an old country house by borrowing things from the humans are forced to emigrate from their home under the clock. |
| 16 | Enormous Egg | Butterworth, Oliver | 2 | RL5; IL 3-6 | TG | Problems develop when Nate's hen lays an egg that hatches into a dinosaur. |
| 26 | Help! I'm a Prisoner in the Library | Clifford, Eth | 2 | RL4; IL 2-6 | | Two girls spend an adventurous night trapped inside the public library during a terrible blizzard. |
| 10 | Sing Elvis Sing - The Weebie Zone #2 | Spinner, Stephanie | 2 | RL2; IL 1-4 | + & | While visiting his aunt in Atlanta, Garth and his pet gerbil plan an unusual event which restores her dog, Elvis, to his former frisky self. |
| 12 | Omega Station | Slote, Alfred | 2 | RL3; IL 3-6 | + | Jack Jameson and his robot twin, Danny One, must save the universe from a mad scientist. |
| 10 | Matthew Jackson Meets the Wall | Giff, Patricia Reilly | 2 | RL3.5; IL2-6 | | Matthew's family move from New York to Ohio is difficult enough as they leave behind good friends and |

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| | | | | | | memories, but the disappearance of their cat and a neighbor boy so tough he's called the "Wall" add to Matthew's anxieties. |
| 10 | Junie B. Jones and that Meanie Jim's Birthday | Park, Barbara | 2 | RL2; IL 1-3 | + | Junie B. is very upset when a boy in her class plans to invite everyone except her to his birthday party, but her grandfather helps her deal with the situation. |
| 12 | Wild, Wild Wolves | Milton, Joyce | 2 | RL2; IL 1-4 | | Introduces the natural history of wolves, examining their social structure, hunting tactics, growth, and development, and explores myths and legends about them. |
| 23 | Ramona and Her Father | Cleary, Beverly | 2 | RL4; IL 3-6 | * + & TG | The family routine is upset during Ramona's year in second grade when her father unexpectedly loses his job. |
| 12 | Mouse and the Motorcycle | Cleary, Beverly | 2 | RL3; IL 2-5 | + TG | A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling. |
| 12 | Henry Huggins | Cleary, Beverly | 2 | RL4; IL 2-5 | + TG | The misadventures of a young boy whose mischievous spirit gets him into one predicament after another. |
| 10 | Jenny Archer, Author | Conford, Ellen | 2 | RL3; IL 2-6 | + | How can Jenny Archer write her life story - when she hasn't had a life yet? |
| 14 | Dollhouse Caper | O'Connell, Jean | 2 | RL3; IL 3-6 | | Worried that the growing Human children will soon discard them, the Dollhouse family try to think of a way to save themselves and their home. |
| 14 | Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon | Danziger, Paula | 2 | RL3; IL 2-6 | + | Her third grade year is a sad time for Amber, because her best friend Justin is getting ready to move to a distant state. |
| 12 | Julian's Glorious Summer | Cameron, Ann | 2 | RL2; IL 2 | + TG | When his best friend, Gloria, receives a new bike, seven-year-old Julian spends the summer avoiding her because of his fear of bikes. |
| 12 | Charlotte's Web | White, E. B. | 2 | RL5; IL 2-6 | * TG | Wilbur the pig is desolate when he discovers he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner, until his spider friend Charlotte comes up with a plan to save him. |
| 13 | Helen Keller | Davidson, Margaret | 2 | RL3; IL 3-6 | | A brief biography of Helen Keller who was both blind and deaf, yet inspired many with her spirit and achievements. |
| 10 | Jenius the Amazing Guinea Pig | King-Smith, Dick | 2 | RL3; IL 2-4 | | Eight-year-old Judy tries to convince her parents and classmates that her brilliant guinea pig can do all the tricks which she says it can. |
| 12 | Marvin Redpost: | Sachar, Louis | 2 | RL3; IL2-4 | + | Marvin is pleased when his teacher |

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| | Alone in His Teacher's House | | | | | asks him to take care of her dog while she's away, but he soon finds that there's more pressure involved than he likes. |
| 8 | Hungry, Hungry Sharks | Cole, Joanna | 2 | RL2; IL 1-4 | | A simple discussion of the kinds of sharks and their behavior. |
| 14 | Helen Keller's Teacher | Davidson, Margaret | 2 | RL3; IL 3-6 | & TG | A brief biography of Helen Keller's teacher describing her childhood and life with her famous pupil. |
| 17 | Skinnybones | Park, Barbara | 2 | RL4.3;IL2-6 | + & | Alex brags that he's the best pitcher in the world and now he has to deal with the consequences. |
| 10 | Statue of Liberty | Penner, Lucille Recht | 2 | RL2; IL K-3 | | Previously published: 1996. Relates the construction of the Statue of Liberty and its importance as a symbol of freedom. |
| 11 | Pirates: a Nonfiction Companion to Pirates Past Noon | Osborne, Will and Mary Pope | 2 | RL5.5;IL 3-6 | | Research the world of pirates and find out the facts behind the fiction. |
| 12 | Dolphins and Sharks: a Nonfiction Companion to Dophins at Daybreak | Osborne, Mary Pope and Boyce, Natalie Pope | 2 | RL5.7;IL 3-6 | | Discusses dolphins and sharks, their ocean habitats, and general information about oceans and oceanography. |
| 11 | Amazing Arctic Animals | Glassman, Jackie | 2 | RL2.9;IL 3-6 | | Describes the physical characteristics, adaptations, & behavior of various animals that live in the arctic such as polar bear, arctic fox, and arctic hare. |
| 12 | Berenstain Bear Scouts Save that Backscratcher | Berenstain, Stan and Jan | 2 | RL2; IL 2-6 | + | Mayor Horace J. Honeyopot wants to cut down the oldest and most famous tree in Bear Country. The Berenstain Bear Scouts must save the tree which is the best backscratcher in town. |
| 5 | City Green | DiSalvo-Ryan, DyAnne | 2 | RL3;IL K-3 | | Marcy and Miss Rosa start a campaign to clean up an empty lot and turn it into a community garden. |
| 10 | Volcano! | Hopping, Lorraine Jean | 2 | RL3; IL 3-6 | | Covers how volcanoes are created and talks about some volcanoes that have erupted. |
| 14 | Almost Starring Skinnybones | Park, Barbara | 2 | RL4.8;IL3-6 | & | Sequel to: Skinnybones. Irrepressible, twelve-year-old Alex is convinced that he will be a star and impress his schoolmates when, as the winner of a cat food essay contest, he is asked to make a commercial for national television. |
| 12 | Pyramids and Mummies | Simon, Seymour | 2 | RL3; IL 3-6 | | Provides an easy-to-read overview of Egyptian pyramids and the burial practices associated with them, and introduces the pyramids of other |

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| 9 | Wiley and the Hairy Man | Bang, Molly | 2 | RL2; IL K-3 | | With his mother's help, Wiley outwits the hairy creature that dominates the swamp near his home by the Tombigbee River. |
| 9 | Hundred Dresses | Estes, Eleanor | 2 | RL4; IL 3-6 | * | In winning a medal she is no longer there to receive, a tight-lipped little Polish girl teaches her classmates a lesson. |
| | Little House in the Big Woods | Wilder, Laura Ingalls | 2 | RL3; IL 1-5 | + TG | A year in the life of two young girls growing up on the Wisconsin frontier, as they help their mother with the daily chores, enjoy their father's stories and singing, and share special occasions when they get together with relatives or neighbors. |
| 12 | Incredible Sharks | Simon, Seymour | 2 | RL2 ; IL K-3 | | A photo-illustrated look at different kinds of sharks, their physical characteristics, their keen senses, and their diets. |