

Grade 2: Labs Recommended Story Time and Research Book List

The recommended book list is designed to use in Labs for story time or research to enhance student understanding of module content or habits of characters. Teachers may choose to use these or similar books.

Module 1:

Title	Author (Last Name, First Name)	Description	Text Type	Lexile
<i>Crow Boy</i>	Yashima, Taro	Reinforce and develop empathy, inclusion, and kindness with this story of young Chibi who is looked down upon by his classmates for six years. When the class experiences the patience and insight of their sixth grade teacher, who brings out the best in Chibi, they learn the gifts this quiet boy has to offer.	Literary	AD760
<i>I'm New Here</i>	O'Brien, Anne Sibley	When from across the world, join a class in the United States, they may feel confused and alone. This read aloud text acknowledges these feelings newcomers may experience and offers hope for a new beginnings.	Literary	
<i>It's Back To School We Go!: First Day Stories from Around The World</i>	Jackson, Ellen	The first day of school is full of emotion, even for children all over the world! Read about eleven children who experience this day differently, and learn about several different school-day facts.	Informational	
<i>Listen To The Wind : The Story Of Dr. Greg And Three Cups Of Tea</i>	Mortenson, Greg	Based on the true story of Dr. Greg as told in the book, Three Cups of Tea, this picture book captures the story of how the children of Korphe in Pakistan and the entire community worked with Dr. Greg to build a school. Along with beautiful illustrations, students will enjoy the photographs of the children, community members, and Dr. Greg.	Informational	AD740
<i>My School In The Rain Forest: How Children Attend School Around The World</i>	Ruurs, Margriet	Children around the world go to schools that look different and function differently! Well-organized, this book features twelve very different schools from around the world, and includes photographs of children who attend these schools.	Informational	NC960
<i>Nasreen's Secret School: A True Story from Afghanistan</i>	Winter, Jeannette	Forbidden to attend school by the Taliban in Afghanistan, Nasreen's grandmother finds a secret school where her granddaughter's mind and heart are filled with learning.	Informational	AD630

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<i>Razia's Ray of Hope: One Girl's Dream of an Education</i>	Suneby, Liz	What could bring hope to a young Afghan girl's future? The hope of an education. Experience Razia's deep desire to go to school as she watches a school for girls being built and girls from surrounding villages register.	Literary	680
<i>Recess at 20 Below</i>	Aillaud, Cindy	In Alaska, recess is cold, but fun! Learn about how students dress for recess when it is 20 degrees below zero and the creative ways they play outside in the cold.	Informational	AD900
<i>Say Hello</i>	Isadora, Rachel	Hola! Shalom! Ciao! The words may be different, but the greeting and friendliness of saying hello is universal. Introduce students to the word hello in French, Spanish, Japanese, and more!	Literary	AD570
<i>School Days Around the World</i>	Chambers, Catherine	What is school like in Venezuela? Kenya? China? Turkey? Catch a glimpse of what school is like for children around the world.	Informational	
<i>School Days around the World</i>	Ruurs, Margriet	Told by seven children from around the world, this DK reader features routines and vocabulary specific to each child's school. This non-fiction book includes features such as text boxes and a glossary to enhance students' interactions with the information in the text.	Informational	AD680
<i>Separate Is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family's Fight for Desegregation</i>	Tonatiuh, Duncan	Forced to attend a school only for Mexicans, Sylvia Mendez's family takes on the segregated school system in Southern California and paves the way for children of other backgrounds to attend desegregated schools.	Literary	AD870
<i>The Girl Who Buried Her Dreams in a Can</i>	Trent, Tererai	Follow a young Rhodesian girl's dream to go to school and learning from her brother, to attending a school and earning a degree in America. She gives back to her community by inspiring other young Rhodesians to dream big and pursue their dreams.	Literary	NC770
<i>This Is My Home, This Is My School</i>	Bean, Jonathan	What's it like when your school is your home, too? Explore how home and school run seamlessly together from morning to night in a homeschooled student's world.	Informational	
<i>This Is the Way We Go to School: A Book About Children Around the World</i>	Baer, Edith	Told in poetry form accompanied by whimsical illustrations, readers explore the various and interesting ways children from all over the world get to school each day.	Informational	360