

Insects Are My Life by: McDonald Megan
No one at home or school understands Amanda Frankenstein's devotion to insects until she meets, "Maggie."

Ant and Honey Bee: What a Pair by: McDonald, Megan
When Ant and Honey Bee try to come up with original outfits for a costume party, they almost experience disaster.

Beetle McGrady Eats Bugs by: McDonald, Megan
From the author of the Judy Moody books comes an inspiring tale of a gutsy, unflappable girl who fears nothing except for eating an ant.

Bean Thirteen by: McElligott, Matthew
Two bugs, Ralph and Flora, try to divide thirteen beans so that the unlucky thirteenth bean disappears, but they soon discover that the math is not so easy.

The Best Bug Parade by: Murphy, Stuart J.
Bugs compare their sizes to each other, big, bigger and biggest, as they prepare for a parade.

Bow-Wow Bugs a Bug by: Newgarden, Mark
A bold new doggy who, in the pursuit of a pesky bug, goes where no doggy has gone before. With a spring in his step and his tail only occasionally between his legs, Bow-Wow faces down (almost) every foe in his path.

Hurry and the Monarch by: O Flatharta, Antoine
Hurry the tortoise befriends a monarch butterfly when she stops in his garden in Wichita Falls, Texas, during her migration from Canada to Mexico. Included are facts about monarch butterflies.

When the Fly Flew in by: Peters, Lisa
A young child puts off cleaning the bedroom because all the family's pets are asleep there, but the arrival of a fly wakes everyone up and they help to clean the room.

One Hundred Hungry Ants by: Pinczes, Elinor J.
One hundred hungry ants head toward a picnic to get yummys for their tummies, but stop to change their line formation, showing different divisions of 100, causing them to lose both time and food in the end.]
Picturebook.



The Bugliest Bug
by: Shields, Carol Diggery
All of insect land is abuzz with news of a big contest--which bug is the buggiest of all? Lively verse mixes fun, fancy, and fascinating fact with artwork that virtually flies off the pages.

Thelonus Monster's Sky-High Fly Pie by: Sierra, Judy
Thelonus concocts sticky goo to catch countless delicious flies for a tasty pie.

The Very Greedy Bee by: Smallman, Steve
A greedy bee overindulges in nectar and ends up too heavy to fly and very in need of help.

The Ugly Caterpillar by: Sommer, Carl
Speckles the spider and Crumbs the cricket think a caterpillar is too ugly to be their friend, but Annie the ant insists that something beautiful might be inside.

The Little Country Town by: Southwell, Jandelyn
When the sun sets on a quiet county town, the nighttime sounds and scents begin.

Snail, Where Are You? by: Ungerer, Tomi
This flap book, explores the various places where that a snail-shaped spiral can appear.

Dot & Jabber and the Big Bug Mystery
by: Walsh, Ellen Stoll
Dot and Jabber, mouse detectives, try to solve the mystery of the disappearing insects.

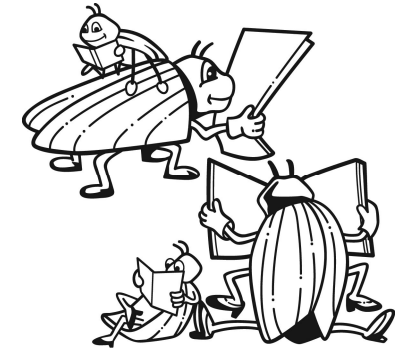
Zinnia's Flower Garden by: Wellington, Monica
Readers join Zinnia in waiting and watching her garden grow.



Summer Reading 2008

Catch the Reading Bug at Your Library

Bug Picture Books



Blue Burt and Wiggles by: Anderson, Derek
With the use of a fine set of art supplies, a bluebird and worm unsuccessfully attempt to make summer last a little longer.

Bug Safari by: Barner, Bob
One hot summer day a young explorer decides to follow some ants on a safari.

Ace Lacewing, Bug Detective by: Biedrzycki, David
Ace Lacewing, Bug Detective, sets out on the trail of kidnappers who took Queenie Bee and the Royal Jelly, aided by his friends.

The Three Grasshoppers by: Bosca, Francesca
The talent grasshoppers take a hiatus from their music to busily prepare for winter. Their friendships sour as they compete to gather the most food. Soon all of their hard work is in peril of being undone! Can the three friends work together again to save their food?

Buzzy the Bumblebee by: Brennan-Nelson, Denise
A young bee's confidence is shattered when he reads that bees were not meant to fly.

Bob and Otto by: Bruel, Robert
Two best friends, a worm and caterpillar, part ways. When they reunite, the caterpillar has transformed into a butterfly. Thinking he missed his chance to fly, Otto the worm is glum until his best friend, Bob, assures Otto that his hard work underground allowed for Bob's transformation.

Anna's Table by: Bunting, Eve
Anna, young naturalist, explains the different treasures she had collected.

Butterfly House by: Bunting, Eve
The narrator saves a caterpillar from a blue jay and with her grandfather's help sets up a habitat to raise it. The last page offers instructions for the reader to do the same.

Crickwing by: Cannon, Jannell
A lonely cockroach named Crickwing has a creative idea that saves the day for the leaf-cutting ants when their fierce forest enemies attack them.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by: Carle, Eric
A hungry caterpillar eats and eats and eats and soon becomes a butterfly.

The Very Lonely Firefly by: Carle, Eric
A lonely firefly mistakes several lights for fireflies until he eventually finds those like him.

Bugs in Space : A Pop-Up Journey by: Carter, David
(and other David Carter Pop-up Bug books.)

Martina the Beautiful Cockroach by: Deedy, Carmen
A beautiful cockroach tests all of her suits to find the perfect match.

Clara Caterpillar by: Edwards, Pamela Duncan
By camouflaging herself, Clara Caterpillar, who becomes a cream-colored butterfly, courageously saves Catisha the crimson-colored butterfly from a hungry crow.



Waiting for Wings by: Ehlert, Lois
Follow the life cycle of four common larvae to their transformations into full-grown butterflies. Ehlert's dazzling illustrations highlight the text, which also includes butterfly and flower facts, identification tips, and more.

Bye-Bye Big Bad Bullybug by: Emberley, Ed
Die-cut pages reveal the scary and mean parts of a bullybug, but just as it is about to attack some "itty-bitty baby bugs," the bullybug is chased away until it learns to behave.

The Very Lazy Ladybug by: Finn, Isobel
Bold, eye-catching colors highlight this story of the lazy ladybug who never learned how to fly. To get from place to place, she hitches a ride on passing animals. This story finds her looking for a place to sleep.



Beetle Bop by: Fleming, Denise
Illustrations and rhyming text reveal the great variety of beetles and their swirling, humming, crashing activities.

In the Tall, Tall Grass by: Fleming, Denise
Come explore the amazing and beautiful bugs living the tall, tall grass.

Manuelo the Playing Mantis by: Freeman, Don
A praying mantis who longs to make music gets help from a spider named Debby Webster.

Big Bug Surprise by: Gran, Julia
Prunella knows so much about insects that people get bored listening to her talk, but when her classroom fills up with bees during show-and-tell, Prunella saves the day. Includes facts about insects.

Wings of Change by: Hill, Franklin
This story follows a contented little caterpillar who is about to become a butterfly. It touches readers on many levels, helping to create a positive attitude towards change, which is inevitable for everyone.

The Empress and the Silkworm by: Hong, Lily Toy
A fictionalized account of the Empress of China's discovery, around 2700 B.C., that the cocoons of the worms in her mulberry trees were made of fine, shiny, silken thread which could be made into beautiful cloth.

Butterfly, Butterfly by: Horacek, Petr
In this inventive peep-through-the-holes picture book from an award-winning children's book creator, Lucy searches for a butterfly in her garden.

The Spider and the Fly by: Howitt, Mary
In this visually appealing book, a spider tries to catch a fly.

Gotcha by: Jorgensen Gail
Bertha Bear's Birthday party is interrupted by a pesky fly. She disturbs a number of animals on the way to trying to catch the pesky fly.

Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock by: Kimmel, Eric
When Anansi finds a strange moss-covered rock in the forest, he decides to use it to trick the other animals.

Miss Spider's Wedding by: Kirk, David
Miss Spider's big heart knows Mr. Right.

Miss Spider's Tea Party by: Kirk, David
It's hard for the insects to attend enjoy Miss Spider's hospitality in fear of being eaten. One brave and wet moth breaks down the barrier and discovers Miss Spider is nice.

The Furry Caterpillar by: Law, Felicia
Three friends in the magical forest argue over Bamboo's furry pillow, which in fact turns out to be a caterpillar on its way to becoming a lovely butterfly.

Inch by Inch by: Lionni, Leo
A clever inchworm uses his ability to measure to save himself from becoming a meal.

Dream Weaver by: London, Jonathan
Take an up-close look from a spider's perspective.



Fireflies, Fireflies Light My Way by: London, Jonathan
Based on an old Mesoquakie lullaby, text features fireflies, beavers, turtles, and other animals that show how the natural world is interconnected.

Velma Gratch and the Way Cool Butterfly by: Madison, Alan
Velma starts first grade in the shadow of her older sisters, and while her newfound interest in butterflies helps her stand out, it also leads to an interesting complication.