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Suggested Reading Lists for Students Entering Kindergarten



Author	Title	Lexile	Reading Level	Reading Counts Points	Summary
Nic Bishop	Red-Eyed Tree Frog	350	2.8	1	The red-eyed tree frog looks for food in the rainforest
Harry Bliss	**Bailey	220	1.1	1	A dog who surprises and charms his fellow human classmates
Peter H. Reynolds	The Word Collector	490	2.4	N/A	Jerome discovers the magic of words all around him
Crockett Johnson	Harold and the Purple Crayon	490	2.4	2	A young boy with his big purple crayon and even bigger imagination.
Sam McBratney	Guess How Much I Love You	690	3.7	1	Little Nutbrown demonstrates how much he loves his father
Laura Numeroff	**If You Take a Mouse to School	190	2.3	1	The mischief a mouse could get into if taken to school
Audrey Penn	The Kissing Hand	520	3.3	1	A mother teaches a secret way for her love to be carried
Eric Litwin	**Pete the Cat	240-600	1.1		Join the friendly cat on many visits while singing his song
Karma Wilson	**Bear's New Friend	370	1.7	1	A lovable bear hears a noise in the woods and leads all the forest creatures on a search
Alison McGhee & Harry Bliss	Countdown to Kindergarten	380	1.5	1	10 days and counting until the first day of kindergarten...
Henry Cole	Try a Little Kindness	490	1.1	N/A	Each page features a different way to be a good person using hysterical cartoon animal characters
Tedd Arnold	**Fly Guy	170-470	1 – 2.1	1	Adventures of the entertaining Fly Guy and his friends
Arnold Lobel	**Frog and Toad	300-450	2.0 – 2.3	2	The adventures and experiences of two best friends
Jonathan London	**The Froggy Books	100-330	2.3 – 2.7	1 – 2	The exciting and fun learning adventures of Froggy and friends
Mo Willems	We are in a Book! **Elephant & Piggie series	200	1	1	Elephant and Piggie are so excited to be in a book, they don't want the fun to end!
Drew Daywalt	**The Day the Crayons Quit	730	3.5	1	Duncan wants to color, but his crayons want a break. He doesn't want the crayons to quit, so Duncan comes up with a creative idea.
Mercer Mayer	**Little Critter	140-600	1.1-2.7	1	The many adventures and life lessons that Little Critter experiences
Max Amato	Perfect	320	1.1	N/A	In this light-hearted and funny book, a fussy eraser tries to keep the pages clean by erasing the scribbles of a mischievous pencil
Ian Falconer	**Olivia	270	1.9	1	Olivia can do many things...how will she do in her newest ventures?
David Shannon	**Alice the Fairy	510	2.1	1	The fanciful tale of a little girl who makes magic with her wand and wings

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Daniel Postgate	The Snaggle Grollop	490	1.6	1	When a boy is denied a traditional pet, he makes one up! Now, what will his parents do?
Tracy Ludwig	The Invisible Boy	680	3.2	1	A boy has no friends at school until a new student arrives
John Rocco	Blackout		1.1	1	A city loses power and a boy and his family enjoy being not so busy for once
Esphyr Slobodkina	Caps For Sale	480	2.9	2	A peddler tries to get his stolen caps back from monkeys
Doreen Cronin	**Diary of a Spider	510	2.3	1	A spin of a hilarious tale of an eight-legged charmer
Mo Willems	**Knuffle Bunny	120-690	1.0-4.3	1	Adventures of a little girl and her beloved stuffed animal
Jane O'Connor	**Fancy Nancy	270-540	1.1-2.4	1-2	Meet Nancy, who believes that more is always better when it comes to being fancy
Tedd Arnold	**Fly Guy	170-470	1.3-2.3	1	Eye-catching fun with Fly Guy and his many friends
Judith Viorst & Ray Cruz	Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day	970	3.9	2	One day when everything goes wrong for him, Alexander is consoled by the thought that other people have bad days.
Cynthia Rylant	**Henry and Mudge	240-560	2.1-3.2	1	A boy finds companionship and love with a big dog
Ashley Spires	The Most Magnificent Thing	380	1.3	1	A little girl has an idea for the most magnificent invention ever. With the help of her pet dog, she measures, hammers, adjusts, and fastens, and yet... it still won't work!
David Shannon	**David Goes to School		2.9	1	David's high-energy antics fill each school day with trouble
Laura Numeroff	Beatrice Doesn't Want To	140	1.2	11	Will Beatrice stay grumpy or will something change her mind
Nick Seluk	The Sun is Kind of a Big Deal	560	N/A	N/A	As the center of attention, the sun never stops working to keep thing on Earth running smoothly
Rose Blue	Ron's Big Mission	440	2.5	1	An inspiring tale of a young boy and his courageous mission
Anne Mazer	The Salamander Room	660	3.9	1	A young boy brings home a pet and transforms his room
Judy Schachner	**Skippyjon Jones	610-760	2.4-4.4	1-2	An extra-ordinary kitten with a little imagination has a lot of fun
Munro Leaf	The Story of Ferdinand	710	4.1	2	A gentle bull would rather sit and smell flowers than fight
Mary Ann Hoberman	**You Read to Me, I'll Read to You	330	2.1	2	A celebration of the joys of reading together
Megan McDonald	**Stink series	510-640	2.7-3.4	4-5	Interesting and humorous escapades of adventurous Stink
Corinne Demas & Noah Z. Jones	Here Comes Trouble	450	1.5	1	Toby, the dog, has to share his home with one of the snobbiest cats he knows
John Peterson	**The Littles	180-500	2.1-4.1	1-3	A "Little" family living in a "Big" house full of adventures and excitement

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Author	Title	Lexile	Reading Level	Reading Counts Points	Summary
Devin Scillian	Memoirs of a Hamster	600	2.4	1	A hamster is happy in his cage until a cat tempts him to explore the world outside.
Peggy Parish	**Amelia Bedelia	110-340	1.5-2.5	2	The laugh out loud antics of the beloved and charming housekeeper
Dav Pilkey	**Dog Man	390	3.3	4	A new hero who digs into deception, claws after crooks & rolls over robbers
David A. Adler	**Cam Jansen	210-590	2.1-3.5	2-4	The many adventures of Cam Jansen and friends
Judi & Ron Barrett	Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs	730	3.2	2	The weather that falls from the sky in this neighborhood is breakfast, lunch and dinner.
Craig Hatkoff	Owen and Mzee	920	4.7	3	The inspiring story of a great friendship
Jeff Brown	**Flat Stanley	350-640	1.2-4.4	1-3	A young boy wakes up only ½ inch thick and becomes quite resourceful
Geronimo Stilton	**The Mysterious Cheese Thief	490	2.6	4	Clever mice entertain with memorable experiences
Cynthia Rylant	**Henry and Mudge	240-560	2.1-3.2	1	A boy finds companionship with a big dog
John Peterson	**The Littles	170-730	2.1-3.9	1-3	A "Little" family living in a "Big" house full of adventures
Barbara Park	**Junie B. Jones	250-420	1.8-2.6	3-8	Junie B. Jones with her never-ending adventures and clever resolutions
Rebecca Elliott	**Owl Diaries	350-470	2.2-2.5	2-3	This owl-dorable series will appeal to girls who love stories about animals & friendship
Marjorie S. Sharmat	**Nate the Great		2.1-2.9	2-3	Our favorite detective is on the case solving mysteries
Betty G. Birney	**World According to Humphrey	630-700	3.5-4.3	8-10	Humphrey, a hamster experiences life in a classroom full of children
E. B. White	Stuart Little	920	3.9	5	A sensitive mouse that was born to a family of humans
Maurice Sendak	Where the Wild Things Are	740	4.4	1	A young boy's imagination transports him away from problems where anything can happen
Craig Hatkoff	Winter's Tail	930	6.6	1	A rescued dolphin who lost its tail is given a second chance
Dick King-Smith	I Love Guinea Pigs	930	4.4	2	According to the author, guinea pigs are lovable creatures to have as pets. Learn all about these hardy, happy animals in this brief text.
Annie Barrows & Sophie Blackall	**Ivy and Bean	440-580	2.5-3.2	4-6	Ivy and Bean feel they are too different to become friends until circumstances change their minds
Sara Pennypacker	**Clementine	600-790	2.4-5.2	5-6	Clementine must make everyone realize she is only trying to help when she seems to have a solution for everything
Brian Floca	Moonshot	990	7.4	2	Follow the adventures as Apollo 11 launches 3 astronauts into space

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Author	Title	Lexile	Reading Level	Reading Counts Points	Summary
Kevin Henkes	The Year of Billy Miller	620	3.5	7	Billy is worried about school until his teacher and parents help him
Beth Ain	Starring Jules	770-910	2.4-5.7	5-6	Trials and tribulations of a third grade girl
Ron Roy	**A to Z Mysteries (series)	380-650	2.3-4.2	3-5	Alphabet mysteries with the A to Z gang
Mary Pope Osborne	**Magic Tree House	230-590	2.1-3.5	3-5	World of adventures with so many day-dream titles
Bick Bruel	**Bad Kitty...	280-720	1.4-4.4	1-4	Fun with the hysterical and naughty Kitty
E. B. White	Charlotte's Web	680	4.9	6	Heartfelt and classic story of a girl who befriends a pig and spider
Jacqueline Davies	The Lemonade War	630	3.7	7	Siblings spend the summer vacation trying to out-earn each other by selling lemonade
Jeff Kinney	**Diary of a Wimpy Kid	910-1060	4.8-5.6	6-8	Greg Heffley and his gang are up to their shenanigans
Donald Sobol	**Encyclopedia Brown...	560-880	2.5-4.9	4-6	On the case with Detective Brown solving mysteries with clues
Judy Blume	Freckle Juice	370	3.6	3	A secret recipe is put to the test and unexpected things happen
Judy Blume	**Fudge	450-600	4.2-4.9	4-10	The trials and tribulations of Peter and his little brother, Fudge
Peter Raymundo	Third Grade Mermaid	590	3.3	5	Cora can't be on the swim team if she doesn't pass her spelling test, but she is distracted by a mermaid
Roald Dahl	James and the Giant Peach	870	6.7	8	James drops magic crystals by a peach tree and the adventure begins
Megan McDonald	**Judy Moody...	390-600	3.2-3.4	4-5	The mercurial Judy Moody will delight anyone who has ever been in a bad mood or had a bad day
Flora Ahn	**Two's a Crowd (Pug Pals)	630		N/A	Sunny's new little sister, Rosy, is getting her paws into everything
Beverly Cleary	**Ramona Quimby...	630-860	3.5-5.4	2-6	The touching and funny stories of the world and life of Ramona, her family and friends
Megan McDonald	**Stink...	480-640	2.5-3.7	4	Judy Moody's little brother gives us out-of-this-world adventures
Richard Wallace	Sports Camp	730	4.5	7	How can the smallest kid at camp compete against the bigger kids?
Kate DiCamillo	Flora and Ulysses	520	3.1	9	A hilarious story of an unlikely friendship
Aaron Blabey	**The Bad Guys	250	1.6	2	These bad guys want to be heroes & prove it by doing good deeds
Karen Lynn Williams	Four Feet, Two Sandals	620	3.5	1	Lina and Feroza are young girls from Afghanistan who live in a refugee camp in Peshawar. Their friendship begins when they decide to share a pair of shoes

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Author	Title	Lexile	Reading Level	Reading Counts Points	Summary
Raina Telgemeier Ann Martin	**The Babysitter's Club	Various ranges			Classic graphic novels newly adapted by #1 New York Times bestseller
Lincoln Peirce	**Big Nate	330-500	2.1-2.7	5	Big Nate is destined for greatness
Steve Jenkins	Down, Down, Down	1040	8.3	2	A top-to-bottom look at the ocean
Lynne Reid Banks	**Indian in the Cupboard	780	5.9	9	A magical cupboard brings a toy figurine to life
Sarah Weeks	Save Me a Seat	780	4.7	9	As Ravi navigates through school, he learns life in America is very different
Mike Lupica	**Game Changers	870	5.6	13	A too-small boy finds himself as the starting quarterback
Amy Ignatow	**The Popularity Papers	500-660	2.5-4.4	5	When they do research on how to become popular, fifth-graders Lydia Goldblatt and Julie Graham-Chang learn that their friends are the coolest people they know
Beverly Cleary	**Henry Huggins	670	4.2	5	Henry feels nothing interesting ever happens to him until he meets a stray dog
Gary Paulsen	**Lawn Boy Returns	920	6.4	6	A 12 year boy and his big summer business is full of surprises
Raina Telgemeier	Sisters	290	2.7	4	Humorous chronicles of a family trip cross-country
Michael Fry	Bully Bait **The Odd Squad series	500	2.7	6	Twelve-year-old Nick finds himself forced to become part of the Safety Patrol when his principal decides that he and two other student are suffering from peer allergies
Gordon Korman	**Swindle	710	4.4	10	A boy gathers a group to help him recover a stolen baseball card
Kate DiCamillo	The Tale of Despereaux	670	4.8	9	A young mouse must battle to save the princess he loves
Natalie Babbitt	Tuck Everlasting	770	5.9	6	Doomed to, or blessed with eternal life after drinking from a magical spring
Michael Northrup	Plunked	640	3.7	11	After Jack gets hit in the head with a pitch, he secretly struggles with a fear of getting back in the batter's box
Cynthia Lord	Because of the Rabbit	660	3.8	8	On the last night of summer, Emma and her game warden father, are supposed to rescue a wild rabbit
Various Authors	**Dear America series	various ranges			A series of historical fiction novels written in diary format of young womens' lives during important events/periods in American history
Brian Selznick	Wonderstruck	830	5.4	7	Stunning artwork brings a boy and the grandmother he never knew had together
Lauren Tarshis	**I Survived series	590-740	2.4-4.5	4-5	A realistic historical fiction series with character plots and cause and effect
Rachel Renee Russell	**Dork Diaries series	660-890	3.8-5.5	7-9	Chronicles of a school year through journal entries and sketches
Gordon Korman	Slacker	710	4.4	11	Thirteen-year-old Cameron Boxer wants to do nothing more than play video games, but his parents have something else in mind.

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Raina Telgemeier	Smile	410	4.3	5	Raina struggles with self-esteem as she deals with braces
Gordon Korman	Restart	730	4.5	14	A boy hanging out with the wrong friends gets a new start after a memory-loss inducing accident
Alex Shearer	Canned	630	3.5	12	Fergal Bamfield and his new friend play detective and find themselves in dangerous territory when they find alarming items in some of the unlabeled cans they've collected.
Patrick Carman	Floors	870	5.6	12	Leo embarks on a journey throughout a hotel's many hidden rooms
Sue Corbett	Free Baseball	800	4.8	10	Felix enters a world that offers him an opportunity to shine as a baseball player
Keith Calabrese	A Drop of Hope	810	5.3	14	Classmates develop an unexpected friendship after discovering a hidden magical well
Louis Sachaar	**Holes	660	5.2	12	A boy must build character as he digs holes
Carl Hiaasen	**Hoot	760	5.8	15	A boy tries saving owls and their home at a construction site
Jen Bryant	Kaleidoscope Eyes	950	7.4	10	A mystery surrounding a pirate treasure that may be buried in a girl's hometown
Bobbie Pyron	Lucky Strike	770	4.7	11	On Nate's eleventh birthday, Nate is struck by lightning, resulting in what seems to be a sudden change in his luck for the better
Karen Hesse	The Music of Dolphins	560	4.1	4	A young girl is rescued after being raised by a family of dolphins
Kevin Henkes	Protecting Marie	810	5.1	9	After having to give away her dog, Fanny is afraid to become attached to the new family pet
Patrician MacLachan	**Caleb's Story	290	3.1	5	Caleb takes over his family's journal-writing in time for the appearance of a mysterious stranger
Mike Lupica	**Heat	940	5.5	14	Michael has a lot more on his mind than his next pitch after his father dies suddenly
Kate DiCamillo	The Tiger Rising	520	5.4	7	Rob is amazed to find a real tiger living in a cage behind the motel he lives in.
Wendy Mass	11 Birthdays	650	3.7	12	Lifelong friends always celebrate their birthday on the same day, until this year.
Lauren St. John	The White Giraffe	940	5.7	10	Martine is sent to Africa to live with her grandmother on a wildlife game reserve and feels a connection with a white giraffe.
Scott O'Dell	Island of the Blue Dolphins	1000	5.5	12	A young Indian girl learns the art of survival when she is stranded on a Pacific island
Gill Lewis	One White Dolphin	620	3.5	14	Kara is teased when she wants to save a reef until a supporter moves to town
Matthew J. Kirby	Icefall	670	4.2	18	The second daughter of a king is trapped in a fortress while waiting for her father to win a war
Angie Sage	**Septimus Heap (Magyk, Flyte, Physik...)	640-1030	4.8-8.5	17-26	Fantasy-fiction of uncovering long-hidden secrets that lead to wonderful discoveries
Jim Benton	**Dear Dumb Diary series	860-1000	5.5-7.4	3-6	The adventures of Jamie and her family and friends throughout the school years

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REQUIRED Reading * Students will be required to take a Reading Counts test on:					
Lois Lowry	The Giver	760	5.9	9	Given his lifetime assignment at the Ceremony of Twelve, Jonas becomes the receiver of memories shared by only one other in his community
Mike Lupica	**Summer Ball	910	7.2	17	Danny must prove himself against bigger players and a difficult coach at Basketball Camp
James Patterson	**Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life	700	4.3	9	Rafe has a lot of adventures when he turns sixth grade into a game
Joan Bauer	Close to Famous	540	3.2	11	Twelve-year old Foster relocates and overcomes a reading disability with the help of a movie star
Cynthia Lord	Handful of Stars	690	4.3	9	When she befriends a migrant worker, Lily learns to try new things. Her new friend learns to stop worrying about what people think
Sharon Draper	Out of My Mind	700	4.3	14	Melody Brooks, who has cerebral palsy, struggles with the idea that people define her by her disability rather than by her merits
Gary Paulsen	Hatchet	1020	6.3	10	After a plane crash, a thirteen-year old spends 44 days in the wilderness learning how to survive
Michael Northrup	Plunked	640	3.7	11	After getting hit in the head by a pitch, Jack struggles with his "fear of the ball"
Tui T. Sutherland	**Wings of Fire series	610-800	3.4-5.3	5-17	A series based on the adventures of Logan, a seventh grader, and mythological creatures
Cynthia Lord	Rules	780	4.5	9	Catherine's life is filled with rules but she wishes for freedom to be herself when a friendship begins
James Patterson	**I Funny	610	3.4	7	Jamie turns to humor to get through each day
Rebecca Stead	When You Reach Me	750	4.6	11	When Miranda starts receiving mysterious notes, she realizes they come from the future
Jerry Spinelli	Stargirl	590	6.1	11	Friends learn how to deal with a new student that makes cards and delivers gifts to strangers
Rick Riordan	**The Lightning Thief	740	4.7	19	A modern-day Greek mythology tale of Percy, who discovers he is Poseidon's son and is sent on a quest
Carl Hiaasen	**Flush	830	5.8	15	A funny Florida adventure of a boy whose father has been jailed for sinking a boat that dumps sewage into the ocean
Jeff Smith	**The Bone series	330-560	2.4-5.1	3-7	Tales and adventures of villagers living in the land of dragons at Big Johnson Bone
Gordon Korman	**Ungifted	730	4.5	14	Donovan is accidentally transferred to a middle school for gifted students and finds his niche
Kristen Gudsruk	Making Friends	340	3.2	5	Sometimes making a friend is a lot easier than keeping one

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REQUIRED Reading * Students will be required to take a Reading Counts test on:					
Wilson Rawls	Where the Red Fern Grows	700	6.4	18	Young Billy, having purchased 2 dogs for fifty dollars, is determined to create the valley's best hunting team
Brian Selznick	The Invention of Hugo Cabret	820	5.2	7	Hugo must solve a mystery involving a robot in Paris during the early 1900s
James Preller	Bystander	600	4.4	11	Eric moves to Long Island and gets involved in the wrong crowd and learns about bullying
Madeleine L'Engle	A Wrinkle in Time	740	5.8	12	A midnight visitor escorts friends across the barriers of space and time to another world
Wendy Mass	13 Gifts	720	4.4	21	Twelve-year old Tara is caught stealing and sent to live with a cousin when an elderly woman assigns her a task
Michael Morpugo	War Horse	1090	7.9	10	The story of a farm horse that is sold to the army and trained to haul heavy loads and attack the enemy
Lucy Christopher	Flyaway	580	4.3	17	Thirteen-year old meets a bone marrow transplant patient while visiting her father in the hospital
J. K. Rowling	**Harry Potter	830-1030	5.3-9.2	5-59	Harry is sent to the School of Hogwarts and the adventurous fantasy begins...
Sherri L. Smith	Flygirl	680	4.2	18	A light-skinned African American girl passes herself off as white to be allowed to be a pilot
Siobhan Dowd	The London Eye Mystery	640	3.7	14	Ted suffers from a neurological disorder that causes him to think differently than others
Lynda Mullaly Hunt	Fish in a Tree	550	3.2	13	Ally is too ashamed to admit she can't read, so she acts out. A new teacher helps her build confidence and learn that dyslexia is nothing to be ashamed of.
Cornelia Funke	**Inkheart	780	4.9	29	When her father reads a books, the characters come to life and live in his world
Rick Riordan	**The Red Pyramid	650	3.7	28	Siblings must battle Egyptian Gods to save their father
Ramin Ganeshram	Stir It Up	800	5.3	7	A young girl skips school to be on her own cooking television show and must deal with the consequences
Edward Bloor	Tangerine	680	5.4	20	Nearly blind Paul fights for his right to play soccer
Eoin Colfer	**Artemis Fowl	600	6.2	14	When wealthy 12-year old genius Artemis decides he wants something, he gets it, even copying a fairy tale that brings on magic and danger
Tui T. Sutherland	**The Menagerie	710	4.4	15	Logan discovers a place where his friends work is a place for mythological creatures
Pam Munoz Ryan	Esperanza Rising	750	5.5	11	Esperanza's world changes when she and her mom are forced to leave their home and work in a labor camp
Roland Smith	Zach's Lie	580	5.6	13	A family without their father, must move to a new town and pretend to be someone they are not

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REQUIRED Reading * Students will be required to take a Reading Counts test on:					
John Knowles	A Separate Peace	1110	8.9	14	The story of a life changing incident of two students attending boarding school during the early years of World War II
Holly Goldberg Sloan	Counting by 7s	770	4.7	16	After losing her adoptive parents in a car accident, Willow slowly forges new social relationships and creates a surrogate family for herself while awaiting news of a more permanent solution.
Lois Lowry	**The Giver	760	5.9	9	Jonas is given his life assignment at the Ceremony of Twelve
Jennifer Nielsen	A Night Divided	810	5.3	18	Gerta's family has been separated for four years by the wall that divides Berlin
Markus Zusak	The Book Thief	730	4.0	26	To gain access to more books, an orphaned girls resorts to book stealing
John Boyne	The Boy in the Striped Pajamas	1080	12	8.3	An unlikely friendship between two boys during the Holocaust
Jordan Sonnenblick	Curveball	800	5.3	13	An injured baseball player turns to photography to take the place of his favorite sport
Veronica Roth	**Divergent	700	5.3	25	The futuristic story of a girl who finds herself in danger when she doesn't fit into society
Marina Budhas	Tell Us We're Home	780	4.7	17	Three immigrant girls must learn to fit into their new home
Rudyard Kipling	Captains Courageous	1020	5.9	13	A millionaire's son learns a lesson when he is saved from drowning and is made to share in hard work
Elizabeth Eulberg	Take a Bow	660	4.8	15	After being accepted at a Performing Arts school, friends must assess their goals
M. H. Herlong	The Great Wide Sea	660	3.8	17	A father takes his 3 sons sailing after the loss of their mother
Priscilla Cummings	Red Kayak	800	4.8	13	A joke is carried out by friends and Brady is left to face his own conscience and the consequences
Alexander Kwame	Booked	660	5.8	7	Nick learns the power of words as he wrestles with problems
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