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Living in space
by Kathryn Clay
Examines how astronauts eat, sleep, work, and even exercise in a weightless world. Find more great non-fiction titles in the Smithsonian Little Explorer series.

If you decide to go to the moon
by Faith McNulty
You are invited a trip to the moon--from reminders of what one should pack on a trip to the moon, to the exciting countdown and lift-off.

Rotten pumpkin : A Rotten tale in 15 voices
by David M. Schwartz
After a jack-o-lantern's night in the spotlight, it gets discarded in the garden, where different animals, bugs, fungi, worms, slime molds, and microbes feed off of it and break it down into the soil, where its nutrients help a pumpkin seed grow.

Mac undercover
by Mac Barnett
When Mac receives a call from the Queen of England asking him to find the Coronation Spoon, Mac embarks on his first adventure as a secret agent.

The No.1 Car Spotter
by Atinuke
A boy uses his special talent for identifying cars and for thinking up good ideas to help his family and neighbors in his village in Nigeria.

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Favorites for 2nd Grade

Fly Guy vs. the fly swatter
by Tedd Arnold
Fly Guy goes with Buzz and his class on a field trip --- to a fly swatter factory!

Iris and Walter : True friends
by Elissa Haden Guest
Walter shows Iris how to make friends with his horse Rain, and in turn, Iris helps Walter deal with a problem at school.

Otto’s orange day
by Jay Lynch
After a genie fulfills Otto's wish by turning the whole world orange, Otto realizes that his favorite color is not the best color for everything.

Rescue on the Outer Banks
by Candice F. Ransom
In 1886 Sam Deal and his horse, Ginger, help an African American lifesaving crew rescue shipwreck victims off the coast of North Carolina. Learn more history in the On My Own History series.

Dodsworth in New York
by Tim Egan
When Dodsworth sets out for an around-the-world adventure he does not expect a crazy duck to stow away in his suitcase.
Chapter books to read myself

**Monkey me and the golden monkey**  
by Timothy Roland  
Eating a banana that was zapped by lasers during a class field trip to the science museum, Clyde, an energetic student who cannot sit still, transforms into a monkey and relies on his twin sister, Claudia, to stay out of trouble.

**The princess in black**  
by Shannon Hale  
Stopping monsters is no job for a prim and perfect princess in pink. So when trouble calls, Princess Magnolia transforms into her alter ego and confronts the monster as...The Princess in Black.

**The Bad Guys**  
by Aaron Blabey  
The Bad Guys, Mr. Wolf, Mr. Shark, Mr. Snake, and Mr. Piranha, want to be heroes, and they decide that the way to do it is free the 200 dogs in the city dog pound—but their plan soon goes awry.

**Don’t mess with the ninja puppy!**  
by Nancy E. Krulik  
Sparky’s magic bone transports him to Tokyo, Japan, where he meets a new friend, an Akita named Nanami. But Nanami isn’t just any Akita. She’s the queen of the Ninja Dogs. Magic Bone series.

**Ricky Ricotta’s mighty robot vs. the unpleasant penguins from Pluto**  
by Dav Pilkey  
President Penguin from Pluto is mad because earth people have declared that Pluto isn’t a planet anymore. Can Ricky and his Mighty Robot save the day once again?

**Lost!**  
by Terry Lynn Johnson  
Exploring the Costa Rican jungle to search for a mythical statue, Carter and Anna are chased off the path by howler monkeys and must figure out how to survive and reach safety when they realize they have become lost. Survivor Diaries series.

**Bunjitsu Bunny’s best move**  
by John Himmelman  
As Isabel, the best bunjitsu artist in her class, continues to practice her skills, she also grows in her understanding of how to use her strongest weapon—her mind.

**I barfed on Mrs. Kenly**  
by Jessica Harper  
Cleo’s string of embarrassments turn suddenly worse when a bout of carsickness results in an accident involving a family friend’s fur coat. Uh-oh Cleo series.

**Little Horse**  
by Betsy Cromer Byars  
Little Horse falls into the stream and is swept away into a dangerous adventure and a new life.

**Jasmine Toguchi, mochi queen**  
by Debbi Michiko Florence  
Eager to do something her big sister has not done first, Jasmine decides to pound mochi with the men and boys when her family gets together for New Year’s.

**Grin and bear it**  
by Leo Landry  
Will stage fright prevent a very funny bear from becoming a stand-up comedian?

**Bramble and Maggie: horse meets girl**  
by Jessie Haas  
Maggie hopes to have a pony of her own when she meets Bramble, a horse who in longs for a new owner who will provide lots of attention, love and the best care possible.

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