

## Summer Reading Club 2007 Booklist - Car Bugs

### Picture books (for all ages)

Brian Floca

Racecar Alphabet

An exciting day at the races highlights the letters of the alphabet as a variety of automobiles burn fuel speeding through the curves of the track.

Tony Mitton

Cool Cars

An all-round introduction for young children to cars - how they work, different types of cars and the kinds of jobs that cars have. Great rhyming text that chugs along!

Maxwell Newhouse

Let's Go for a Ride [non-fiction]

People have always been crazy about cars. Beautiful illustrations show us the early days of cars and how they have changed our world.

Virginia Walters

Are We There Yet Daddy?

A young boy and his daddy take a long car trip to Grandma's house. Follow the map to see how far they have to go.

### Beginner Readers (easy reads for ages 5-8 or grades K - 2)

Matt Curtis

Elliot Drives Away

Fed up with eating his vegetables, cleaning his room, and being teased by his big brother, Elliot jumps into his toy car and drives away.

P. D. Eastman

Go, Dog. Go!

Green dog, yellow dogs, big dogs and little dogs. All kinds of dogs going places, some of them in cars.

Cathy Fishman

Car Wash Kid

A boy and his father have fun washing the car together.

## Short Chapter Books (for ages 8 - 10 or grades 2 - 4)

J.C. Greenberg

Andrew Lost #5: Underwater

Andrew his cousin Judy, and Thudd the robot accidentally set off in Uncle Al's latest invention, a Volkswagen Beetle converted for deep sea exploration, and try to prevent the evil Soggy Bob from taking a rare ocean creature.

Lucy Nolan

On the Road

A dog who thinks her name is Down Girl goes on a car ride to the beach, goes camping in the woods, and reluctantly pays a visit to the vet with her master, Rruff.

Rhea Perlman

Otto Undercover #1: Born to Drive

Otto Pillip receives a note from his long-lost parents inviting him to join the secret family business after thwarting bad guys to win the Yazoo 200 race with the help of his trusty racecar and his eccentric Aunts FiFi and FooFoo. Includes words spelled backwards, anagrams, and palindromes.

## Longer books and novels (for ages 11 -13 or grades 5 - 7)

Lee J. Ames

Draw 50 Cars, Trucks, and Motorcycles [non-fiction]

Provides step-by-step instructions on how to draw a variety of cars, trucks, and motorcycles, including a Ford Thunderbird, cement trucks, and minibikes.

Ian Fleming

Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Two children persuade their inventor father to purchase and restore an old car which turns out to have magical powers.

Polly Horvath

The Happy Yellow Car

During the Depression, Gunther Grunt buys a new car with the money his wife has been saving to send their bright twelve-year-old daughter to college, beginning a chain of events that teaches the Grunts the value of their family.

Tom Lichtenheld

Everything I Know About Cars : a Collection of Made-up Facts, Educated Guesses, and Silly Pictures About Cars, Trucks, and other Zoomy Things  
[non-fiction]

Stop! What's your car IQ? What kind of soup are souped-up cars made from?

a. chicken noodle b. pea soup c. no actual soup is used. Read this hilarious book for answers.

Jill Smolinski

60 Super Simple Travel Games [non-fiction]

Provides step-by-step instructions for playing each game while traveling by car, train, or plane or while staying in a hotel; accompanying icons indicate the best place for playing each.

Eric Walters

Road Trip

A basketball tournament in the Midwest is where the Mississauga Magic team is headed to play against some high-profile teams. The coach expects the best but the team must learn to believe in itself.