



The official book list of the Scripps National Spelling Bee

2022-2023 Book Selections

One Bee Reading Level

First Grade:

1. [*Ducks Overboard! A True Story of Plastic in Our Oceans* by Markus Motum](#)
2. [*Crescent Moons and Pointed Minarets: A Muslim Book of Shapes* by Hena Khan](#)
3. [*It Fell from the Sky* by The Fan Brothers](#)

Second Grade:

1. [*Lailah's Lunchbox: A Ramadan Story* by Reem Faruqi](#)
2. [*Geraldine Pu and Her Cat Hat, Too!* by Maggie P. Chang](#)
3. [*The Book No One Wants to Read* by Beth Bacon](#)

Third Grade:

1. [*Song for Jimi: The Story of Guitar Legend Jimi Hendrix* by Charles R. Smith, Jr.](#)
2. [*Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales, and True Tales* by Virginia Hamilton](#)
3. [*Judy Moody: Book Quiz Whiz* by Megan McDonald](#)

Two Bee Reading Level

Fourth Grade:

1. [*Inkling* by Kenneth Oppel](#)
2. [*The Story of the Blue Planet* by Andri Snaer Magnason](#)
3. [*Africa, Amazing Africa: Country by Country* by Atinuke](#)

Fifth Grade:

1. [*Welcome to Dweeb Club*](#) by Betsy Uhrig
2. [*Ancestor Approved: Intertribal Stories for Kids*](#) by Cynthia L. Smith
3. [*Once Upon a Camel*](#) by Kathi Appelt

Sixth Grade:

1. [*Root Magic*](#) by Eden Royce
2. [*Fast Pitch*](#) by Nic Stone
3. [*Rez Dogs*](#) by Joseph Bruchac

Three Bee Reading Level

Seventh Grade:

1. [*The Wonderling*](#) by Mira Bartók
2. [*Dragon Hoops*](#) by Gene Luen Yang
3. [*Ahmed Aziz's Epic Year*](#) by Nina Hamza

Eighth Grade:

1. [*Scribbles, Sorrows, and Russet Leather Boots: The Life of Louisa May Alcott*](#) by Liz Rosenberg
2. [*A Snake Falls to Earth*](#) by Darcie Little Badger
3. [*The Murderer's Ape*](#) by Jakob Wegelius
4. [*Red, White, and Whole*](#) by Rajani LaRocca
5. [*Vespertine*](#) by Margaret Rogerson
6. [*Fireborne*](#) by Rosaria Munda