

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. <u>Scribbles, Sorrows, and Russet Leather Boots: The Life of Louisa May Alcott</u> 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

