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Suggestions for kids in grades 2—4

Ivy + Bean and the Ghost that Had to Go / Annie Barrows
Second-graders Ivy and Bean set out to expel the ghost who is living in the girls’ bathroom at their school.

Utterly Me, Clarice Bean / Lauren Child
When someone steals the winner’s trophy for the school book project, Clarice emulates her favorite book heroine, Ruby Redfort the detective.

Ramona the Pest / Beverly Cleary
Ramona meets lots of interesting people in kindergarten class, like Davy whom she keeps trying to kiss and Susan whose springy curls seem to ask to be pulled.

Annabel the Actress Starring in “Gorilla My Dreams” / Ellen Conford
Though disappointed that her first acting part is to be a gorilla at a birthday party, Annabel is determined to get into the role.

Get Ready for Second Grade, Amber Brown / Paula Danziger
Amber is nervous about starting second grade, but despite being in the same class as mean Hannah, things turn out just fine.

Moxy Maxwell Does Not Love Stuart Little / Peggy Gifford
With summer coming to an end, about-to-be-fourth-grader Moxy Maxwell does a hundred different things to avoid reading her assigned summer reading book.

Just Grace / Charise Mericle Harper
Misnamed by her teacher, seven-year-old Just Grace prides herself on being empathetic, but when she tries to help a neighbor feel better, her good intentions backfire.

Lucy Rose, Here’s the Thing about Me / Katy Kelly
Eight-year-old Lucy Rose keeps a diary of her first year in Washington, D.C., where she spends time with her grandparents, makes new friends, and longs to convince her teacher to let her take care of the class pet during a holiday.
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