



CAMPING

EASY READERS

Berenstain, Stan. [The Bear Scouts](#).

When the Bear Scouts go camping, Papa Bear goes along because he is sure he knows more than the guide book. **(BER)**

Berenstain, Stan. [The Berenstain Bears and the Ghost of the Forest](#).

Papa Bear's attempt to scare a band of young campers by telling them about ghosts in the woods comes to an unexpected conclusion with a double ghost lesson.

(BER)

Harvey, Alex. [Olivia Goes Camping](#).

Olivia is super excited to have her best friend come along on her family camping trip. However Francine is not a huge fan of the Great Outdoors and is less than excited about the mud, the bugs, and the idea of sleeping in a tent. It's up to Olivia to help Francine get in touch with her inner nature lover. **(REA)**

Hoban, Lillian. [Arthurs Camp-Out](#).

Bored with spring vacation, Arthur decides to go alone on an overnight field trip in the woods behind his house. **(HOB)**

Howe, James. [Pinky and Rex and the Double-Dad Weekend](#).

Pinky and Rex share a weekend with their fathers camping indoors due to rain.

(HOW)

Jones, Christianne C. [Camping Trip](#).

Mike is always clumsy and inept when he goes camping with his friends, but one night his problems come in handy. **(REA)**

Eastman, Peter. [Fred and Ted Go Camping](#).

Even though they do things very differently, friends Fred and Ted enjoy going camping together in the woods. **(EAS)**



Mayer, Mercer. [Just Me and My Dad.](#)

Father and son go camping, but who is really taking care of whom? **(MAY)**

Hall, Kirsten. [I'm Not Scared.](#)

Two boys who are not afraid of heights, bees, snakes, or the dark need some reassurance when they hear noises while camping at night. **(MY)**

Parish, Peggy. [Amelia Bedalia Goes Camping.](#)

As always, Amelia Bedalia follows exactly the instructions given to her on a camping trip, including pitching a tent and rowing boats. **(PAR)**

Ruelle, Karen Gray. [The Monster in Harry's Backyard.](#)

Harry is excited about using the tent he got for his birthday to camp in the backyard until he is alone in the dark. **(J RUE)**

Rylant, Cynthia. [Poppleton in Spring.](#)

Poppleton the pig does some spring cleaning, tries to buy a bicycle, and stays up all night in a tent in his backyard. **(J RYL)**

Sadler, Marilyn. [P.J. Funnybunny Camps Out.](#)

Although P.J. and his friends refuse to let Donna and Honey Bunny go camping with them because "camping is not for girls," the girls follow and get proof that camping is hard work even for boys. **(J STE)**

Spohn, Kate. [Turtle and Snake Go Camping.](#)

When Turtle and Snake go camping, they find the perfect spot for their tent, only to be scared off by a strange sound in the dark. **(J VIK)**

Meister, Cari. [Tiny Goes Camping.](#)

Tiny and his owner are having fun camping until they discover that Tiny doesn't fit in their tent. **(J VIK)**



FICTION

Barnhold, Lauren. [Hailey Twitch and the Campground Itch.](#)

Hailey Twitch wants to have fun, fun, FUN! Hailey has a secret. She has a friend named Maybelle that no one else can see. Hello, long weekend! Hailey is going camping with her best friend and her magical sprite. They will get to eat delicious ooey-goey marshmallows. It will be the best weekend ever! Only one thing can ruin their fun: Maybelle's out of control magic. Can Hailey stop Maybelle from giving them itch, itch, itchy poison ivy? Ages 7 and Up. **(J BAR)**

Brezenoff, Steven. [The Thing in the Woods.](#) When Jason and his dad have car trouble in the desert, they decide to camp overnight. Before they go to sleep, Jason's dad tells him a creepy story, just for fun. When Jason wakes up, his dad is missing and it seems as though the ghost story is coming true. Ages 12 and Up. **(J STO)**

Clements, Andrew. [A Week in the Woods.](#)

The fifth grade's annual camping trip in the woods tests Mark's survival skills and his ability to relate to a teacher who seems out to get him. Ages 9 and Up. **(J CLE)**

Conford, Ellen. [Annabel the Actress, Starring in Camping It Up.](#)

Annabel is dead set on becoming a famous actress. When the camp play calls for auditions, she is only too happy to try out for the big part. Ages 7 and Up. **(J CON)**

Collins, Ross. [Medusa Jones.](#)

In ancient Greece, Medusa Jones, a gorgon, and her friends, a minotaur and a centaur, are mocked and sneered at by the other Acropolis Academy children whose parents are kings and gods, but when they go on a school camping trip together, the "freaks" become true heroes. Ages 8 and Up. **(J COL)**

DeRubertis, Barbara. [Maxwell Moose's Mountain Monster.](#)

Maxwell Moose scares his friends with his spooky stories when they are camping out. Ages 5 and Up. **(J DER)**



Evangelista, Beth. [Gifted.](#)

Arrogant, mentally gifted George Clark has dreaded the eighth-grade class camping trip and its inevitable bullying, but a hurricane and a friend's loyalty make him realize what is important in life. Ages 10 and Up. (J EVA)

Gilson, Jamie. [4B Goes Wild.](#)

Fourth graders on a three-day camping trip with their teachers experience frights and delights. Ages 8 and Up. (J GIL)

Look, Lenore. [Alvin Ho: Allergic to Camping, Hiking, and other Natural Disasters.](#)

When Alvin's father takes him camping to instill a love of nature, like that of their home-town hero Henry David Thoreau, Alvin makes a new friend and learns that he can be brave despite his fear of everything. Ages 6 and Up. (J LOO)

Maddox, Jake. [Wild Hike.](#)

Nick has always loved camping, but this trip is the worst. He's with his cousins, Andy and Devin, but they aren't outdoors guys - they're jocks. They don't listen to Nick's warnings about campfires and bears, and they make fun of everything he does. When Devin finds himself in real, wild danger, can Nick save him in time? Ages 9 and Up. (J STO)

May, Eleanor. [Who Needs It?](#)

When best friends Gus and Mickey go camping, Gus wants to put his survival skills to the test while Mickey brings everything from pizza to a television set. Ages 4 and Up. (J MAY)

Petersen, P.J. [I Hate Camping.](#)

Dan thinks he is going to have a terrible time when he is forced to go camping with his mother's boyfriend Mike and Mike's brainy son Raymond, but the two boys form a surprising friendship. Ages 7 and Up. (J PET)

Salisbury, Graham. [Night of the Howling Dogs.](#)

In 1975, eleven Boy Scouts, their leaders, and some new friends camping at Halape, Hawaii, find their survival skills put to the test when a massive earthquake strikes, followed by a tsunami. Ages 8 and Up. (J SAL)



Van Draanen, Wendelin. [Sammy Keyes and the Wild Things.](#)

While on her first hiking and camping trip, thirteen-year-old Sammy tries to solve a mystery involving endangered condors while avoiding scorpions, ticks, and embarrassment. Ages 9 and Up. **(J VAN)**

NON-FICTION

Armentrout, David. [Camping.](#)

Discusses the popularity and different kinds of camping and covers such aspects as supplies, equipment, setting up, cooking, and safety factors. **(J796.54 ARM)**

Arnosky, Jim. [Crinkleroot's Guide to walking in Wild Places.](#)

Crinkleroot the forest dweller provides tips for walking in wild places and avoiding such hazards as ticks, poisonous plants, and wild animals. **(J796.51 ARN)**

Brunelle, Lynn. [Camp Out! The Ultimate Kid's Guide, from Backyard to Backwoods.](#)

174 activities, games, skills, projects, recipes, songs, experiments, crafts, and more to make, learn, play, and do outdoors. **(J796.54 BRU)**

DiPucchio, Kelly S. [Sipping Spiders through a Straw.](#)

Classic sing-along songs have been altered for optimal gross-out effect making them perfect for singing around the campfire. Ages 7 and Up. **(J782.42 DIP)**

Encarnacion, Elizabeth. [The Girl's Guide to Campfire Activities.](#)

Great for sleepovers, learning how to safely build a wood fire and how to make awesome s'mores, also learn how to tell chilling ghost stories and how to host a campfire slumber party! **(J796.545 ENC)**

Flynn, Mike. [The Ultimate Survival Guide.](#)

A guide to the skills that are needed to survive in the wilderness, covering such topics as finding food and water, building a shelter, judging distances, making a fire, and calling for help, with advice on putting together a survival kit beforehand. **(J796.5 FLY)**

Warren, Jean. [Huff and Puff Go to Camp.](#)

Two cloud characters go off to Camp Milky Way where they eat around the camp fire, learn to swim, and sleep in tents. Ages 4 and Up. **(J372.6 WAR)**



White, Linda. [**Sleeping in a Sack: Camping Activities for Kids.**](#)

An introduction to camping, including the types of gear needed, safety tips, activities, games, songs, and recipes. **(J796.545 WHI)**

Long, Denise. [**Survivor Kid: A Practical Guide to Wilderness Survival.**](#)

Presents a guide to wilderness survival in both common and unusual situations, including how to build a shelter, find water and food, deal with dangerous animals, and navigate in the wild. **(J796.54 LON)**

Loy, Jessica. [**Follow the Trail: A Young Person's Guide to the Great Outdoors.**](#)

A beginner's guide to camping and hiking, including what gear to bring, how to keep safe, and how to have fun. **(J796.54 LOY)**

McManners, Hugh. [**The Outdoor Adventure Handbook.**](#)

This activity book contains outdoor projects with step-by-step photographs and clear instructions to guide children. The book also teaches simple outdoor skills, such as using a map, tying knots, and cooking a simple campfire meal. Ages 8 and Up. **(J796.54 MCM)**

Smith, Lucy. [**Improve Your Survival Skills.**](#)

This book is for any young camping enthusiast, or anyone you hope to introduce to the wonders of the outdoors. **(J796.5 SMI)**

Thoennes Keller, Kristin. [**Camping.**](#)

Describes the equipment, skills, safety issues, and environmental concerns of camping. **(J796.54 KEL)**

Winner, Cherie. [**Kids Gone Campin' .The Young Camper's Guide to Having More Fun Outdoors.**](#)

Any camping outing can be a fun and exciting way to experience and explore the outdoors and learn about nature. This book discusses where to go, what gear is needed, what food is a must, how to leave-no-trace at the campsite, and much more. Ages 9 and Up. **(J796.54 WIN)**



PAPERBACK SERIES

Badger, Meredith. [Camp Chaos.](#)

While on a school camping trip, Sophie hopes that her best friend from her former class, Megan, and her best friend in her current class, Alice, will start liking one another. When one of their classmates goes missing during the seventh-grade camping trip, Orville and Agatha set out find him. Ages 7 and Up. **(JPB GO GIRL)**

Burns, Laura J. [The Case of the Trail Mix-Up.](#)

When one of their classmates goes missing during the seventh-grade camping trip, Orville and Agatha set out find him. Ages 8 and Up. **(JPB WRIGHT&WONG #3)**

Dadey, Debbie. [Werewolves Don't Go to Summer Camp.](#)

The Bailey Elementary School third graders are greeted at camp by Mr. Jenkins, a growling barefoot creature who eats raw hamburgers and avoids lights. Ages 7 and Up. **(JPB BAILEY SCHOOL V. 2)**

Denton, P.J. [Camping Out.](#)

When Emily decides to host the next sleepover and have a campout, Taylor is afraid to tell the others that she is afraid of bugs. Ages 7 and Up. **(JPB SLEEPOVER SQUAD)**

Ellis, Carol. [The Case of Camp Crooked Lake.](#)

Strange things are happening at Camp Crooked Lake! When our snacks disappeared, we didn't think much about it. But when we found snakes in our beds, we were on the case! Now Ashley and I need to figure out what's really going on -- before summer is ruined for everyone! Ages 7 and Up. **(JPB THE NEW ADVENTURES OF MARY-KATE & ASLHEY)**

Gelsey, James. [Scooby- Doo! And the Zombie's Treasure.](#)

Scooby and the gang are going camping, but no ghost stories will be told around this campfire! A treasure-stealing zombie is haunting the campsite. Ages 7 and Up. **(JPB SCOOPY-DOO AND THE ZOMBIE'S TREASURE)**

Kimpton, Diana. [Princess Ellie's Camping Trip.](#)

When Princess Ellie decides to go camping in the woods with Kate, she winds up with a scary moonlight mystery to solve. Ages 6 and Up. **(J PB PONY-CRAZED PRINCESS)**



Klein, Abby. [Camping Catastrophe!](#)

First-grader Freddy, who is afraid of the dark, is apprehensive about going on a wilderness camping trip. Ages 4 and Up. **(JPB READY FREDDY)**

Krulik, Nancy E. [Into the Woods.](#)

The sixth and seventh graders at Joyce Kilmer Middle School are spending a week at Camp Einstein, a science camp in the woods. Jenny can't wait! Ages 8 and Up. **(JPB HOW I SURVIVED MIDDLE SCHOOL)**

Kurtz, Jane. [Lanie.](#)

Ten-year-old Lanie loves science and nature, but she has a problem: she's an "outside" girl with an "inside" family. She longs to get out and go camping, but they all want to stay home. When her favorite aunt comes to stay, Lanie discovers that the wonders of nature are everywhere-even in her own backyard. Ages 8 and Up. **(JPB AMERICAN GIRL)**

Loehr, Mallory. [Wind Spell.](#)

While on a family camping trip, Sam, Polly, and Joe receive three feathers that lead them on a magical flying adventure. Ages 8 and Up. **(JPB MAGIC ELEMENTS QUARTET)**

Preller, James. [The Case of the Marshmallow Monster.](#)

Jigsaw is excited about a camping trip with his friends, no school, no detective work. But a full moon and a campfire story about a lake creature get Jigsaw back to business. Danika is sure a Marshmallow Monster is haunting the lake. Jigsaw and Mila scope out the area and wait to find out the real story of the Marshmallow Monster! Ages 7 and Up. **(JPB A JIGSAW JONES MYSTERY V.11)**

Warner, Gertrude Chandler. [The Canoe Trip Mystery.](#)

While canoeing and backpacking near Timberwolf Lake, the Aldens receive strange warnings to stay away from the area and stumble upon clues to a missing cache of stolen coins. Ages 6 and Up. **(JPB BOXCAR CHILDREN)**



PICTURE BOOKS

Berenstain, Stan. [The Berenstain Bears Go to Camp.](#)

The Berenstain cubs enjoy day camp, although they are dubious about the end-of-season pow-wow and sleep-out at the top of Skull Rock. **(BER)**

Brown, Marc Tolon. [Arthur Goes to Camp.](#)

Arthur is not looking forward to Camp Meadowcroak, and when mysterious things start happening there, he decides to run away. **(BRO)**

Carrick, Carol. [Sleep Out.](#)

When Christopher and his parents arrive at their cottage in the woods, he decides to camp out at night by himself so he can use his new sleeping bag, canteen, and flashlight. **(CAR)**

Christelow, Eileen. [Jerome Camps Out.](#)

Jerome the alligator is looking forward to the Swamp School camping trip, until he and his friend learn that Buster, the class bully, will be there, too. **(CHR)**

Gliori, Debi. [Mr. Bears Vacation.](#)

When Mr. Bear's relaxing camping trip with his family turns into a scary nightmare, he decides they need a vacation from their vacation. **(GLI)**

Hafner, Marilyn. [Molly and Emmett's Camping Adventure.](#)

When Molly and her cat Emmett find an old tent in the basement, they set up camp in the backyard, but the weather changes their plans. Includes activity ideas for backyard camping. **(HAF)**

Henkes, Kevin. [Bailey Goes Camping.](#)

Bailey is too young to go camping with the Bunny Scouts, but his parents take him on a special camping trip--in the house. **(HEN)**

Hundal, Nancy. [Camping.](#)

On their first camping trip a family comes to appreciate the magic of life in the wild. **(HUN)**

Lakin, Patricia. [Camping Day!](#)

Four crocodile friends have many adventures during a camp-out. **(LAK)**



Singer, Marilyn. [Quiet Night.](#)

One frog, two owls, three geese are joined by increasingly larger numbers of different animals that keep ten campers from falling asleep in their tent. **(SIN)**

Ruurs, Margriet. [When We Go Camping.](#)

A boy and a girl spend a wondrous day exploring the outdoors while camping. **(RUU)**

Wargin, Kathy-Jo. [Scare a Bear.](#)

In rhyming text, the reader is asked how to scare a bear if one wanders into camp, or wants to go for a boat ride, or stays for supper. **(WAR)**

Wolff, Ashley. [Stella & Roy Go Camping.](#)

During their camping trip, Roy continually tries to find evidence of bears in the animal tracks around them, only to be contradicted by his sister Stella, but then one night a bear really does appear. **(WOL)**

Yaccarino, Dan. [Oswald's Camping Trip.](#)

Join Oswald and the gang as they head out for a camping trip. **(YAC)**