Lower Elementary Book List 2019 - 2020

We hope that your student is excited about participating in the Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl this year.

The Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl is new to Gould Elementary students. We have participated in a district-wide Quiz Bowl in past school years and the overall experience is the same. We will read all of the assigned titles and then be prepared to answer questions about them as fast as we can!

It’s really important that our students read every one of these books carefully. We will actually read these titles multiple times in order to become experts on them.

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READY,

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READ!
**Before She Was Harriet** by Lesa Cline-Ransome

**Love** by Matt De la Pena

**Alfie: (The Turtle That Disappeared)** by Thyra Heder

**Sleep Well Siba and Saba** by Nansubuga Isdahl

**Drawn Together** by Minh Le

**The Book of Mistakes** by Corinna Luyken

**Over and Under the Pond** by Kate Messner

**When a Wolf is Hungry** by Christine Naumann-Vilemin

**A Different Pond** by Bao Phi

**Xo, OX: A Love Story** by Adam Rex

**Bear and Wolf** by Daniel Salmieri

**Don’t Forget Dexter** by Lindsay Ward

**The World is Not a Rectangle: A Portrait of Architect Zaha Hadid** by Jeanette Winter

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**For more information about the Georgia Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl visit**

[www.dekalbschoolsga.org/hrrb/](http://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/hrrb/)

**Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut** by Derrick Barnes

**When’s My Birthday** by Julie Fogliano

**Her Right Foot** by Dave Eggers

**We Don’t Eat Our Classmates** by Ryan T. Higgins

**The Day You Begin** by Jacqueline Woodson

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**TIME FOR GATORS TO SHINE!**

On the day of the Reading Bowl, the team will travel to a location to meet up with other elementary school teams from Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools. All of these teams will compete to see which schools can quickly and correctly answer the most questions about these assigned books.

Feel free to try to find copies of these books so that you can practice at home. This competition will be a great chance for our Gould Gators to really show what they’ve got!