Grade 5 – Recommended Realistic Fiction Book List

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| **Title** | **Author** | **Genre** | **Reading Level** |
| Mitch and Amy | Beverly Cleary | Realistic Fiction | O |
| Getting’ Through Thursday | Melrose Cooper | Realistic Fiction | O  |
| The Gold-Threaded Dress | Carolyn Marsden | Realistic Fiction | O |
| Trouble Magnet | Graham Salisbury | Realistic Fiction | O |
| Felita | Nicholasa Mohr | Realistic Fiction | P |
| The Kid Coach | Fred Bowen | Realistic Fiction | P |
| The Lotus Seed | Sherry Garland | Realistic Fiction | P |
| Yang the Third and Her Impossible Family | Lensey Namioka | Realistic Fiction | P |
| On the Line | Fred Bowen | Realistic Fiction | Q |
| Last Summer with Maizon | Jacqueline Woodson | Realistic Fiction | Q |
| Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing | Judy Blume | Realistic Fiction | Q |
| The Year of the Dog | Grace Lin | Realistic Fiction | Q |
| Winners Take All | Fred Bowen | Realistic Fiction | Q |
| Clarice Bean Spells Trouble | Lauren Child | Realistic Fiction | R |
| Hound Dog True | Linda Urban | Realistic Fiction | R |
| Lunch Money | Andrew Clements | Realistic Fiction | R |
| Rules | Cynthia Lord | Realistic Fiction | R |
| Soccer Team Upset | Fred Bowen | Realistic Fiction | R |
| Guilty! The Complicated Life of Claudia Cristina Cortez | Diana G. Gallagher | Realistic Fiction | S |
| Dance Trap: The Complicated Life of Claudia Cristina Cortez | Diana G. Gallagher | Realistic Fiction | S |
| Horse Power | Ann Walsh | Realistic Fiction | S |
| Junebug | Alice Mead | Realistic Fiction | S |
| Junonia | Kevin Henkes | Realistic Fiction | S |
| On My Honor | Marion Dane Bauer | Realistic Fiction | S |
| Whatever! The Complicated Life of Claudia Cristina Cortez | Diana G. Gallagher | Realistic Fiction | S |
| Love that Dog | Sharon Creech | Realistic Fiction | T |
| Notes From A Liar and Her Dog | Gennifer Choldenko | Realistic Fiction | T |
| Sounder | William H. Armstrong | Realistic Fiction | T |
| Throwing Shadows | E.L. Konigsburg | Realistic Fiction | T |
| Uncharted Waters | Leslie Bulion | Realistic Fiction | T |
| A Crooked Kind of Perfect | Linda Urban | Realistic Fiction | U |
| Love, Ruby Lavender | Deborah Wiles | Realistic Fiction | U |
| Pictures of Hollis Woods | Patricia Reilly Giff | Realistic Fiction | U |
| Red Dog | Bill Wallace | Realistic Fiction | U |
| Stand Tall | Joan Bauer | Realistic Fiction | U |
| The Great Wheel | Robert Lawson | Realistic Fiction | U |
| Ways to Live Forever | Sally Nicholls | Realistic Fiction | U |
| Absolutley Normal Chaos | Sharon Creech | Realistic Fiction | V |
| Becoming Naomi Leon |  | Realistic Fiction | V |
| Flat Broke: The Theory, Practice and Destructive Properties of Greed | Gary Paulsen | Realistic Fiction | V |
| Money Hungry | Sharon G. Flake | Realistic Fiction | V |
| **Title** | **Author** | **Genre** | **Reading Level** |
| Shadow | Michael Morpurgo | Realistic Fiction | V |
| The Dark Stairs | Betsy Byars | Realistic Fiction | V |
| My Brother’s Hero | Adrian Fogelin | Realistic Fiction | W |
| Sister Spider Knows All | Adrian Fogelin | Realistic Fiction | W |
| Sparrow Road | Shelia O’Connor | Realistic Fiction | W |
| The Higher Power of Lucky | Susan Patron | Realistic Fiction | W |
| Truth and Salsa | Linda Lowery | Realistic Fiction | W |
| Words in the Dust | Trent Reedy | Realistic Fiction | W |
| Dicey’s Song | Cynthia Voigt | Realistic Fiction | X |
| Iqbal | Francesco D’Adamo | Realistic Fiction | X |
| The Young Landlords | Walter Dean Myers | Realistic Fiction | X |
| Travel Team | Mike Lupica | Realistic Fiction | X |
| After Tupac and D Foster | Jacqueline Woodson  | Realistic Fiction | Y |
| Alida’s Song | Gary Paulsen | Realistic Fiction | Y |
| Fast Sam, Cool Clyde, and Stuff | Walter Dean Myers | Realistic Fiction | Y |
| Philip Hall Likes Me, I Reckon Maybe | Bette Greene | Realistic Fiction | Y |
| Rough Waters | S.L. Rottman | Realistic Fiction | Y |
| See You at Harry’s | Jo Knowles | Realistic Fiction | Y |
| …And Now Miguel | Joseph Krumgold | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| Deenie | Judy Bloom | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| Downriver | Will Hobbs | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| If a Tree Falls at Lunch Period | Gennifer Choldenko | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| Little Women (Signet Classic) | Louisa May Alcott | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| Miracle’s Boys | Jacqueline Woodson | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| The Breadwinner | Deborah Ellis  | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| The Planet of Junior Brown | Virginia Hamilton | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| The Wave | Todd Strasser | Realistic Fiction | Z |
| Toning the Sweep | Angela Johnson | Realistic Fiction | Z |