Library Collections for Kids and Teens
Below is a brief description of the type of materials found in our Library and the recommended reading level/interest level of each collection.

**Board Books**
Spine Label: BB (Board Books) + Author’s Last Name
Recommended for infants – about age 2
The content ranges from basic concepts to simple stories. Board books are made out of hard cardboard, a durable choice for those who could easily rip pages out of books.

**Picture Books**
Spine Label: E (Everybody books) + First two letters of Author’s Last Name
Recommended for age 2 – about 3rd grade
Picture books are typically about 30 pages long with illustrations that are integral to the story. These are often meant to be read aloud while the listener pores over the pictures, although older kids like to read them themselves.

**Easy Readers**
Spine Label: JER (Juvenile Easy Readers) + Author’s Last Name
Recommended for those in Kindergarten through about 3rd grade
These books have limited controlled vocabulary and scattered illustrations. This collection has been developed for kids who are just starting to combine letters into words, words into sentences, and sentences into paragraphs. For young readers ready for more advanced reading, this collection also includes beginning chapter books. Such books are characterized by having slightly larger print, more pictures and shorter chapters than books for older readers.

**Juvenile Fiction**
Spine Label: J (Juvenile fiction) + Author’s Last Name
Recommended for 3rd grade to 5th or 6th grade.
This is a collection of novels for children, often called chapter books. Note: The main difference between juvenile fiction and teen fiction is subject matter, not necessarily reading difficulty.

**Juvenile Non-Fiction**
Spine Label: J (Juvenile) + Dewey Decimal number + Author’s Last Name
Recommended for Preschool to 5th or 6th grade
There is something for everyone in non-fiction! Be sure to flip through these books to gauge difficulty, and let your child pick out informational subjects that sound interesting. This collection includes fairy tales, folklore & poetry and books selected especially for school reports.

**Juvenile Magazines**
Recommended for 1st to 5th or 6th grade
No Spine Labels
Subjects include nature, science, literature, sports, and more.

**Audiobooks** for Kids and Teens
Spine Labels: JBOCD (Juvenile Book On CD) + Author’s Last Name, JCDBK (Juvenile CD with Book) + Author’s Last Name, YABOCD (Young Adult Book On CD) + Author’s Last Name, Audiobooks are great for kids to listen to in addition to music. Read by professional actors and actresses, these titles spark imagination and improve literary comprehension. Many kids listen to them while doing chores or traveling. The CD with read along books are also
good for those beginning readers learning new words as they see and hear them at the same time.

**Teen Fiction**

Spine Label: YA (Young Adult) + Author’s Last Name

Recommended for 6th grade to 12th grade +

The main difference between juvenile fiction and teen fiction is subject matter, not necessarily reading difficulty. Teen and young adult issues such as romance, violence and social issues are addressed in many of these titles.

**Teen Nonfiction**

Spine Label: YA (Young Adult) + Dewey Decimal number + Author’s Last Name

Recommended for 6th grade to 12th grade +

This collection includes many topics of personal interest to teens as well as subjects for school reports and research projects.