

# Kwame Alexander's Recommended Reading List for Summer 2017



Newbery Medalist, poet, educator, and *New York Times* bestselling author Kwame Alexander is the 2017 National Summer Reading Champion for the Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP). “Books open up doors of possibility and potential and purpose—and allow children to imagine a better world for themselves and for us,” he says.

Here are Kwame Alexander's Recommended Reads for Summer 2017:

***Are We There Yet?*** by Dan Santat (ages 4–8)

***I Like Myself!*** (board book) by Karen Beaumont, illustrated by David Catrow (ages 4–8)

***The Sun Is So Quiet*** by Nikki Giovanni, illustrated by Ashley Bryan (ages 4–8)

***Love that Dog*** by Sharon Creech (ages 8–12)

***M.C. Higgins, the Great*** by Virginia Hamilton (ages 8–12)

***Flying Lessons & Other Stories*** edited by Ellen Oh (ages 8–12)

***Women in Science: 50 Fearless Pioneers Who Changed the World*** by Rachel Ignotofsky (ages 12 up)

***The Game of Love and Death*** by Martha Brockenbrough (ages 12 up)

***Overtaken*** by Lamar Giles (ages 12 up)

***Courage to Soar: A Body in Motion, A Life in Balance*** by Simone Biles, with Michelle Burford (ages 12 up)

Look for all these books—and more—at your local library this summer!

