



2026 S.T.E.A.M. Book Recommendations

Ages 14–18 • Young Adult

Most of the books listed here can be found at your local school or public library. You can also purchase any of these books at your favorite bookstore or order online.

Happy book hunting from the S.T.E.A.M. Race to Space Reading Challenge!

Title	Author	Category
<i>A Better World Is Possible Global Youth Confront the Climate Crisis</i>	Meera Subramanian, Danica Novgorodoff	SCIENCE
<i>A Quantum Life: My Unlikely Journey from the Street to the Stars (Adapted for Young Adults)</i>	Hakeem Oluseyi, Joshua Horwitz	MATH
<i>A Wrinkle in Time / Una arruga en el tiempo</i>	Madeleine L'Engle	SCIENCE, MATH
<i>Alice's Adventures in Wonderland and Through the Looking-Glass, and What Alice Found There / Alicia en el país de las maravillas</i>	Lewis Carroll	MATH
<i>Become an App Inventor</i>	Karen Lang and Selim Tezel	TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
<i>Binti / Binti: Hogar and Binti: La mascarada nocturna</i>	Nnedi Okorafor	MATH
<i>Biology's Beginnings: Discovering Life's Story, Volume 1</i>	Joy Hakim	SCIENCE
<i>David Blackwell and the Deadliest Duel</i>	Robert Black	MATH
<i>The Birth of Genetics: Discovering Life's Story, Volume 3</i>	Joy Hakim	SCIENCE
<i>Folding Tech: Using Origami and Nature to Revolutionize Technology</i>	Karen Latchana Kenney	MATH, TECHNOLOGY
<i>Genius: The Game</i>	Leopoldo Gout	MATH
<i>Gold Fame Citrus</i>	Claire Vaye Watkins	SCIENCE
<i>Grasping Mysteries: Girls Who Loved Math</i>	Jeannine Atkins	MATH
<i>Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race / Talentos ocultos o Figuras ocultas</i>	Margot Lee Shetterly	MATH



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<i>How to Survive the End of the World</i>	Katy Doughty	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY
<i>Imposter</i>	Catin Levin	MATH, TECHNOLOGY
<i>It's a Numberful World: How Math Is Hiding Everywhere</i>	Eddie Woo	MATH
<i>Meanwhile / Mientras tanto</i>	Jason Shiga	MATH
<i>Memory of Water</i>	Emmi Itaranta	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ART
<i>Money Out Loud: All the Financial Stuff No One Taught Us</i>	Berna Anat	MATH
<i>Mother Nature Is Trying to Kill You: A Lively Tour Through the Dark Side of the Natural World</i>	Dan Riskin, Ph.D.	SCIENCE
<i>Much Ado about Numbers: Shakespeare's Mathematical Life and Times</i>	Rob Eastaway	MATH, ART
<i>My Mechanical Romance</i>	Alexene Farol Follmuth	ENGINEERING, MATH
<i>Nearly Gone</i>	Elle Cosimano	MATH
<i>Not a Drop to Drink</i>	Mindy McGinnis	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY
<i>Phenomenal Moments: Revealing the Hidden Science Around Us</i>	Felice Frankel	TECHNOLOGY, ART
<i>Power On! / ¡Conectados!</i>	Jean J. Ryoo and Jane Margolis Spanish edition translated by Mariana Llanos	TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATH
<i>Project Hail Mary / Proyecto Hail Mary</i>	Andy Weir	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY
<i>Reasons We Break</i>	Jesmeen Kaur Deo	MATH
<i>Share Better and Stress Less: A Guide to Thinking Ecologically About Social Media</i>	Whitney Phillips and Ryan Milner	TECHNOLOGY
<i>Slay</i>	Brittney Morris	MATH



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<i>Solving for the Unknown</i>	Loan Le	TECHNOLOGY
<i>Tasting Light: Ten Science Fiction Stories to Rewire Your Perceptions</i>	Anthologists Wade Roush and AR Capetta	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY
<i>The Cat in Numberland</i>	Ivar Ekeland	MATH
<i>The Curie Society</i>	Heather Einhorn, Adam Staffaroni and Janet Harvey	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
<i>The Curie Society: Eris Eternal, Volume 2</i>	Heather Einhorn, Adam Staffaroni and Anne Toole	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
<i>The Curie Society: Game of Code, Volume 3</i>	Heather Einhorn, Adam Staffaroni and Barbara Perez Marquez	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
<i>The Enigma Girls: How Ten Teenagers Broke Ciphers, Kept Secrets, and Helped Win World War II</i>	Candace Fleming	MATH, ENGINEERING
<i>The Evolution of an Idea: Discovering Life's Story, Volume 2</i>	Joy Hakim	SCIENCE
<i>The Number Devil: A Mathematical Adventure / El diablo de los números</i>	Hans Magnus Enzenberger	MATH
<i>Quake Chasers: 15 Women Rocking Earthquake Science</i>	Lori Polydoros	
<i>The Quantum Weirdness of the Almost-Kiss</i>	Amy Noelle Parks	MATH
<i>The Secret Astronomers: A Novel in Notes</i>	Jessica Walker	MATH, SCIENCE
<i>The Sticky Note Manifesto of Aisha Agarwal</i>	Ambika Vohra	MATH
<i>The Unknowns</i>	Benedict Carey	MATH
<i>The Water Wars / Las guerras del agua</i>	Cameron Stracher	SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING
<i>The Woman All Spies Fear: Code Breaker Elizebeth Smith Friedman and Her Hidden Life</i>	Amy Butler Greenfield	MATH
<i>This Golden State</i>	Marit Weisenberg	MATH



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<i>Trajectory</i>	Cambria Gordon	MATH
<i>What Is Relativity?: An Intuitive Introduction to Einstein's Ideas, and Why They Matter</i>	Jeffrey Bennett	MATH
<i>Wild Dreamers</i>	Margarita Engle	SCIENCE
<i>You Had Me at Hello World</i>	Rona Wang	TECHNOLOGY