Sam Visits the School Library

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Sam is excited to visit the library today. He will return the book he checked out last week and pick out a new book from his elementary school library. He and his classmates have the opportunity to research their own topics on the library computers. They get to choose the book they want to read at home and learn that some books are about facts (nonfiction) and some books tell stories that aren’t true (fiction). Some of the students like graphic novels and others read e-books or listen to audiobooks.

Sam Visits the Library is the sixth book in the Off to School series by Cloverleaf Books. This beginning chapter book goes through the steps for using the library for students who are experiencing school for the first time or who will be coming back after vacation. Jess Golden’s illustrations depict happy, smiling children eager to find the new worlds that await within the pages of a book. She subtly shows people of differing ethnicities and physical limitations. Miss Hill the teacher is in a wheelchair, suggesting that all people are welcome in the library.