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## 50% off high quality, new books for children

Modesto, CA – Treat your children or grandchildren to the joy of owning their own books – at **50% off suggested retail prices!** The Friends of the Modesto Library will hold its 50% off Scholastic Community Book Sale Thursday, May 28 through Saturday, May 30, with a special members-only pre-sale on the evening of Wednesday, May 27.

"The Community Book Sale brings children, families, teachers, and the community together within the library to celebrate reading and learning," said Stella Beratlis, president of the Friends of the Modesto Library.

The members-only pre-sale will be held Wednesday, May 27 from 6 to 8 p.m., with memberships available at the door. (Memberships are \$5 for students, \$15 for an individual and \$25 for a family membership.) The community sale will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday & Saturday in the Modesto Library Downstairs Auditorium, 1500 I Street.

This is a great opportunity to help children maintain their reading skills over the summer with high quality, new books, including award-winning titles, children's classics, and bestsellers from over 100 publishers in addition to *Scholastic*. Funds raised will support library and literacy programs.

Free parking is available on surrounding streets and in the parking lot behind the library. For more information, please call 996-1531.

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