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SUMMER READING LIST

KINDERGARTEN

Books About Me
• I Like Me! by Nancy L. Carlson
• I Like to Be Little by Charlotte Zolotow
• The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle
• Owen by Kevin Henkes
• My Five Senses by Aliki
• When I Get Bigger by Mercer Mayer

Predictable Books
(Stories with a pattern using rhyme or rhythm.)
• Curious George by H. A. Rey
• Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet and Allan Ahlberg
• The Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone
• Gregory the Terrible Eater by Mitchell Sharmat
• Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
• Millions of Cats by Wanda Gág
• What’s in Fox’s Sack? by Paul Galdone

Color and Counting Books
• Each Orange Had Eight Slices: A Counting Book by

Caldecott Winners and Honor Books
• Color Zoo by Lois Ehlert
• Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans
• More, More, More Said the Baby by Vera B. Williams

Mother Goose and Nursery Rhymes
• James Marshall’s Mother Goose by James Marshall
• My Very First Mother Goose by Iona Opie and Rosemary Wells
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FIRST GRADE
Classics to Read to a First Grader
- Leo the Late Bloomer by Robert Kraus
- The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton
- Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
- When Will I Read? by Miriam Cohen

Caldecott Awards and Honor Books
- Alphabet City by Stephen Johnson
- Ashanti to Zulu: African Traditions by Margaret Musgrove
- The Hello, Goodbye Window by Norton Juster and

Fun Books to Share
- And I Mean It, Stanley by Crosby Bonsall
- Arthur series by Marc Brown
- A Bad Case of the Stripes by David Shannon
- Berenstain Bear series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Clifford series by Norman Bridwell

Alphabet Books
- Animalia by Graeme Base
- The Icky Bug Alphabet Book by Jerry Pallotta
- Z Was Zapped by Chris Van Allsburg
- How Much Is a Million? by David M. Schwartz
- One Potato: A Counting Book of Potato Prints by Diana
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SECOND GRADE

Caldecott Awards and Honor Books
• The Funny Little Woman by Arlene Mosel
• Many Moons by James Thurber
• The Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall
• The Story of Jumping Mouse by John Steptoe
• Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig
• When I Was Young in the Mountains by Cynthia Rylant

School Stories
• Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman
• Arthur’s Prize Reader by Lillian Hoban
• The Day Jimmy’s Boa Ate the Wash by Trinka Hakes Noble
• Fish Face by Patricia Reilly Giff
• Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
• Lilly’s Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes
• Miss Nelson Is Missing by Harry Allard
• Polk Street Gang series by Patricia Reilly Giff

Books About Friends
• A Bargain for Frances by Russell Hoban
• The Beast in Ms. Rooney’s Room by Patricia Reilly Giff
• Fox on the Job by James Marshall
• Frog and Toad Together by Arnold Lobel
• Horrible Harry and the Green Slime by Suzy Kline
• Pinky and Rex by James Howe
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THIRD GRADE

Great Series Books
• Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish
• American Girl series
• Arthur series by Marc Brown
• Berenstain Bears series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
• Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner
• Encyclopedia Brown by Donald J. Sobol
• Eyewitness Science Explorers
• Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant

Award Winners
• The Cat Who Went to Heaven by Elizabeth Jane Coatsworth
• Doctor De Soto by William Steig
• How Much Is a Million? by David M. Schwartz
• Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg
• Mercy Watson to the Rescue by Kate DiCamillo

Historical Fiction
• Ben and Me by Robert Lawson
• Changes for Addy by Connie Rose Porter (and other American Girl books)
• If You Grew Up with George Washington by Ruth Belov Gross
• Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express by Margaret K. Wettermrer
• Kibitzers and Fools: Tales My Zayda Told Me by Simms Taback

School Stories
• Kirsten Learns a Lesson: A School Story by Janet Beeler Shaw
• Ramona Quimby Age 8 by Beverly Cleary
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FOURTH GRADE

Fantasy and Science Fiction
• Aliens Ate My Homework by Bruce Coville
• The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C. S. Lewis

Series Books
• The Babysitter’s Club by Ann M. Martin
• Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner
• Cam Jansen by David A. Adler
• Goosebumps by R. L. Stine

School Stories
• 4B Goes Wild by Jamie Gilson
• Harriet, the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh
• My Teacher Fried My Brains by Bruce Coville
• Ramona and Her Father by Beverley Cleary
• Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar

Mystery and Adventure Stories
• The Castle in the Attic by Elizabeth Winthrop (Challenging independent read)
• Culpepper’s Cannon by Gary Paulsen
• Encyclopedia Brown Gets His Man by Donald J. Sobol
• Julian, Secret Agent by Ann Cameron

Sports Stories
• Baseball Fever by Johanna Hurwitz
• Benjy the Football Hero by Jean Van Leeuwen
• Bobby Baseball by Robert Kimmel Smith
• Dog on Third Base by Constance Hiser
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FIFTH GRADE

• From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E. L. Konigsberg
• Granny Torrelli Makes Soup by Sharon Creech
• Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
• Holes by Louis Sachar

Mystery and Adventure
• Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O’Dell
• The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi (Challenging independent read)

Newbery Medal and Honor Books
• Afternoon of the Elves by Janet Taylor Lisle
• Catherine, Called Birdy by Karen Cushman
• Dragon’s Gate by Laurence Yep (Challenging independent read)
• The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm by Nancy Farmer
• Homesick, My Own Story by Jean Fritz
• Missing May by Cynthia Rylant

Historical Fiction
• Black Stallion by Walter Farley (Challenging independent read)
• Bull Run by Paul Fleischman
• Code Talker: A Novel About the Navajo Marines of World War Two by Joseph Bruchac
• Sarah Bishop by Scott O’Dell