



Need help finding a good book?

Reading list for students in grades K-6

Summer is an excellent time to curl up with a good book. Students have the perfect opportunity to explore literature just for the fun of it. Often, parents and students ask for suggestions for book titles, appropriate for specific grade levels. These reading lists are offered to address this need. Please remember that this is just a starting point. Many other book lists are available on the Internet and there are knowledgeable people for reader's advisory at the public library and at most bookstores. Do not hesitate to use these other resources in your quest to find the perfect book to engage a child.

Good Fit Books

The goal of reading is to have the *child* select a book that is a "Good Fit". When selecting the book, have the child consider the following criteria:

- I choose a book.
- Why do I want to read it?
- Does it interest me?
- Do I understand what I'm reading?
- Do I know most of the words?

¿Necesitan ayuda para encontrar un buen libro?

El verano es un tiempo excelente para disfrutar de un buen libro. Los alumnos tienen la oportunidad perfecta de explorar literatura simplemente por diversión. Con frecuencia, padres y alumnos piden sugerencias sobre títulos de libros, apropiados para niveles o grados específicos. Se ofrecen estas listas de lectura para los que las necesiten. Por favor, recuerden que esto sólo es un punto de partida. Hay muchas otras listas disponibles en el Internet y hay personas muy informadas para asesorar en la biblioteca pública y en la mayoría de las librerías. No duden en usar estos otros recursos en su camino para encontrar el libro perfecto para entretener a sus hijos.

Libros Bien Apropriados

La meta de la lectura es hacer que el *joven* seleccione un libro que es "Bien Apropriado." Cuando seleccionen un libro, hagan que sus hijos consideren los siguientes criterios:

- Yo elijo el libro.
- ¿Por qué quiero leerlo?
- ¿Me interesa?
- ¿Entiendo lo que estoy leyendo?
- ¿Sé/reconozco la mayoría de las palabras?

Adams Elementary School
Cesar Chavez Charter School
Cleveland Elementary School
Franklin Elementary School

Harding Elementary School
McKinley Elementary School
Monroe Elementary School
Open Alternative School

Peabody Charter School
Roosevelt Elementary School
Santa Barbara Charter School
Santa Barbara Community Academy
Washington Elementary School

Goleta Valley Junior High School
La Colina Junior High School
La Cumbre Junior High School
Santa Barbara Junior High School

Dos Pueblos High School
La Cuesta Continuation High School
San Marcos High School
Santa Barbara High School

Kindergarten and First Grade Reading List

Picture Books (to read aloud to your child.)

Author	Title
Arnold, Tedd	<i>Hi! Fly Guy</i>
Bloom, Becky	<i>Wolf!</i>
Brett, Jan	<i>Annie and the Wild Animals</i>
Brown, Marcia	<i>Stone Soup</i>
Brown, Marc	<i>Arthur's Eyes</i>
Carle, Eric	<i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i>
Ehlert, Lois	<i>Waiting for Wings</i>
Ehlert, Lois	<i>Oodles of Animals</i>
Falconer, Ian	<i>Olivia</i>
Feiffer, Jules	<i>Bark, George</i>
Foley, Greg	<i>Don't Worry Bear</i>
Freeman, Don	<i>Corduroy</i>
George, Lindsay	<i>Inside Mouse, Outside Mouse</i>
Hills, Tad	<i>Duck & Goose</i>
Kirk, David	<i>Miss Spider</i>
Lester, Helen	<i>Tacky the Penguin</i>
Martin, Bill	<i>Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</i>
McLeod, Bob	<i>Superhero ABC</i>
Munsch, Robert	<i>The Paper Bag Princess</i>
O'Connor, Jane	<i>Fancy Nancy series</i>
Pfister, Marcus	<i>The Rainbow Fish</i>
Portis, Antoinette	<i>Not a Box</i>
Rey, H.A.	<i>Curious George</i>
Scieszka, Jon	<i>Cowboy & Octopus</i>
Sendak, Maurice	<i>Where the Wild Things Are</i>
Seuss, Dr.	<i>One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish</i>
Stadler, John	<i>Hooray for Snail!</i>
Thomas, Shelley	<i>Good Night, Good Knight</i>
Willems, Mo	<i>Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!</i>
Willems, Mo	<i>Knuffle Bunny</i>

Easy Readers (books your child may be able to read with assistance.)

Author	Title
Capucilli, Alyssa	<i>Biscuit series</i>
Eastman, P.D.	<i>Are You My Mother?</i>
Eastman, P.D.	<i>Go Dog, Go!</i>
Marshall, James	<i>Fox series</i>
McClintock, Marshall	<i>A Fly Went By</i>
McMullan, Kate	<i>Fluffy series</i>
Meister, Cari	<i>Tiny series</i>
Minarik, Else	<i>Little Bear series</i>
Silverman, Erica	<i>Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa series</i>
Yolen, Jane	<i>Commander Toad series</i>

Second and Third Grade Reading List

Picture Books (to read aloud to your child.)

Author	Title
Barracca, Debra	<i>The Adventures of Taxi Dog</i>
Barrett, Judy	<i>Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs</i>
Bowen, Anne	<i>What Do Teachers Do (After You Leave School)?</i>
Buehner, Caralyn	<i>Dex: The Heart of a Hero</i>
Buller, Laura	<i>Star Wars Star Pilot</i>
Bunting, Eve	<i>The Wednesday Surprise</i>
Byars, Betsy	<i>My Brother Ant</i>
Child, Lauren	<i>Clarice Bean, Guess Who's Babysitting</i>
Cooney, Barbara	<i>Miss Rumphius</i>
Cronin, Doreen	<i>Diary of a Fly</i>
Di Pucchio, Kelly	<i>Grace for President</i>
Gantos, Jack	<i>Rotten Ralph</i>
Gravett, Emily	<i>Wolves</i>
Hatkoff, Isabella	<i>Owen & Mzee: The Story of a Remarkable Friendship</i>
Hicks, Barbara	<i>Jitterbug Jam</i>
Howe, James	<i>Horace and Morris but Mostly Dolores</i>
Jenkins, Steve	<i>Actual Size</i>
Lester, Helen	<i>Hooway for Wodney Wat</i>
Long, Melinda	<i>How I Became a Pirate</i>
Lovell, Patty	<i>Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon</i>
Meddaugh, Susan	<i>Martha Speaks</i>
Offill, Jenny	<i>17 things I'm Not Allowed to do Anymore</i>
Pilkey, Dav	<i>Kat Kong</i>
Pilkey, Dav	<i>The Dumb Bunnies</i>
Schachner, Judith	<i>Skippyjon Jones</i>
Scieszka, Jon	<i>The Stinky Cheese Man and other Fairly Stupid Fairy Tales</i>
Scieszka, Jon	<i>Baloney (Henry P.)</i>
Shannon, David	<i>A Bad Case of Stripes</i>
Soto, Gary	<i>Chato's Kitchen</i>
Steig, William	<i>The Amazing Bone</i>
Teague, Mark	<i>Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters From Obedience School</i>
Ziefert, Harriet	<i>A New Coat for Anna</i>

Beginning Chapter Book Series (short, easy to read chapter books with lots of pictures, appropriate for emergent readers. Approximately 30-60 pages.)

Author	Title
Barrows, Annie	<i>Ivy and Bean series</i>
Cazet, Denys	<i>Minnie and Moo series</i>
Di Camillo, Kate	<i>Mercy Watson series</i>
Holm, Jennifer	<i>Babymouse series</i>
Kvasnosky, Laura	<i>Zelda and Ivy series</i>

Second and Third Grade Reading List *(continued)*

Author

Lobel, Arnold
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Parish, Peggy
Rylant, Cynthia
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Sharmat, Marjorie

Title

Frog and Toad series
Owl at Home
Amelia Bedelia series
Henry and Mudge series
Mr. Putter and Tabby series
Nate the Great series

Chapter Books (Longer chapter books with fewer pictures, appealing to young readers. Approximately 60-100 pages.)

Author

Blume, Judy
Cameron, Ann
McDonald, Megan
McDonald, Megan
Osborne, Mary Pope
Park, Barbara
Pilkey, Dav
Pilkey, Dav
Roy, Ron
Stilton, Geronimo

Title

Freckle Juice
The Stories Julian Tells
Judy Moody series
Stink Moody series
Magic Tree House series
Junie B. Jones series
Ricky Ricotta series
Captain Underpants series
A to Z Mysteries series
Geronimo Stilton series

Fourth and Fifth Grade Reading List

Author

Avi
Banks, Lynne Reid
Benton, Jim
Blume, Judy
Catling, Patrick
Cleary, Beverly
Cleary, Beverly
Cleary, Beverly
Clements, Andrew
Creech, Sharon
Dahl, Roald

Danziger, Paula
Di Camillo, Kate
Di Terlizzi, Tony
Erickson, John
Greenburg, Dan
Gutman, Dan
Howe, Deborah
Ibbotson, Eva
Kessler, Liz
King-Smith, Dick
Kinney, Jeff
Levine, Gail
Lowry, Lois
McMullan, Kate
Nimmo, Jenny
Moss, Marissa
O'Brien, Robert
Osborne, Mary Pope
Pennypacker, Sara
Rockwell, Thomas
Rodda, Emily
Rodda, Emily
Ryan, Pamela Munoz
Sachar, Louis

Sachar, Louis
Selden, George
Stine, R.L.
Trine, Greg
Van Draanen, Wendelin
Van Draanen, Wendelin
Various authors,
Various authors,

Title

Poppy
The Indian in the Cupboard
Franny K. Stein Mad Scientist series
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing
The Chocolate Touch
The Mouse and the Motorcycle
Henry Huggins series
Ramona series
Frindle
Love That Dog
The BFG, James and the Giant Peach, The Witches, and Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
Amber Brown series
Because of Winn-Dixie
Spiderwick Chronicles series
Hank the Cowdog series
The Zack Files series
My Weird School series
Bunnicula
Island of the Aunts
Emily Windsnap series
Babe the Gallant Pig
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Greg Heffley's Journal
Ella Enchanted
Number the Stars
Dragon Slayers Academy series
Charlie Bone series
Amelia series
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh
Tales From the Odyssey series
Clementine
How to Eat Fried Worms
Deltora Quest series
Fairy Realm series
Riding Freedom
Sideways Stories From Wayside School and There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom
Marvin Redpost series
The Cricket in Times Square
Goosebumps series
Melvin Beederman Superhero series
Shredderman series
Sammy Keyes series
Disney Fairies series
Star Wars, Boba Fett and Star Wars, Jedi Quest series

Sixth Grade Reading List

Author

Babbitt, Natalie
Byng, Georgia
Child, Lauren
Clements, Andrew
Creech, Sharon
Di Camillo, Kate
Fitzhugh, Louise
Fleischman, Sid
Gantos, Jack
Funke, Cornelia
George, Jean
Hahn, Mary
Hunter, Erin
Ibbotson, Eva
Juster, Norton
Kerr, Philip
Klise, Kate
L'Engle, Madeleine
Mikaelsen, Ben
Nimmo, Jenny
Park, Barbara
Paterson, Katherine
Riordan, Rick
Paulsen, Gary
Rawls, Wilson
Rodda, Emily
Ryan, Pamela Munoz
Sachar, Louis
Spinelli, Jerry
Stewart, Paul
Taylor, Mildred
Van Draanen, Wendelin

Title

Tuck Everlasting
Molly Moon series
Clarice Bean chapter books
A Week in the Woods
Ruby Holler
Because of Winn-Dixie
Harriet the Spy
The 13th Floor: A Ghost Story
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key
Inkheart
My Side of the Mountain
Time For Andrew: A Ghost Story
Warriors series
The Secret of Platform 13
The Phantom Tollbooth
Children of the Lamp series
Regarding the Fountain
A Wrinkle in Time
Touching Spirit Bear
Charlie Bone series
Mick Harte Was Here
Bridge to Terabithia
Percy Jackson and the Olympians series
Tucket Adventures series
Where the Red Fern Grows
Delotra Quest series
Esperanza Rising
Holes
Maniac Magee
Edge Chronicles series
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry
Sammy Keyes series