

Grades K-2

Suggested Summer Reading List

This list has been compiled from several sources including the American Library Association and the International Reading Association.

Fiction

- Biscuit and the Lost Teddy- Alyssa Satin Capucilli
- Mr. Putter & Tabby Clear the Decks- Cynthia Rylant
- Touchdown!- Alyson Heller
- Tell Me the Day Backwards- Albert Lamb
- You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Fables to Read Together- Mary Ann Hoberman
- Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site-Sherri Duskey Rinker
- Starry, Starry Night- Wade Cooper
- Cake Soup- Erica Farber
- The Big Fat Cow that Goes Kapow- Andy Griffiths
- Houndsley and Catina: Plink and Plunk- James Howe
- Ducks Go Vroom- Jane Kohuth
- Ling & Ting: Not Exactly the Same!- Grace Lin
- Katie Woo: Where Are You?- Fran Manushkin
- Just a Little Sick- Mercer Mayer
- Pearl and Wagner: One Funny Day- Kate McMullan
- Fancy Nancy: My Family History- Jane O'Connor
- Trucks Line Up- Jon Scieszka
- Bad Kitty Meets the Baby- Nick Bruel
- Prudence Wants a Pet- Cathleen Daly
- Madeleine – Ludwig Bemelmans
- Arthur (series) – Marc Brown
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle
- The Grouchy Ladybug – Eric Carle
- The Great Kapok Tree – Lynne Cherry
- Hairs = Pelitos – Sandra Cisneros
- Ramona (series) – Beverly Cleary
- The Josefina Story Quilt – Eleanor Coerr
- The Treasure Hunt – Bill Cosby
- Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type – Doreen Cronin
- The Empty Pot – Demi
- Amber Brown (series) – Paula Danzi
- Planting a Rainbow – Lois Ehlert
- The Doorbell Rang – Pat Hutchins
- The Snowy Day – Ezra Jack Keats
- Leo the Late Bloomer – Robert Kraus
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? – Bill Martin, Jr.
- Junie B. Jones (series) – Barbara Park
- The Stories Julian Tells (series) – Ann Cameron
- The Keeping Quilt – Patricia Polacco

- The Complete Adventures of Curious George – H.A. and Margret Rey
- Tar Beach – Faith Ringgold
- Henry and Mudge (series) – Cynthia Rylant
- The Relatives Came – Cynthia Rylant
- A Bad Case of Stripes – David Shannon
- Hip Cat – Jonathan London
- Sister Anne’s Hands – Marybeth Lorbiecki
- God Bless the Child – Billie Holiday and Jerry Pinkney
- The Giving Tree – Shel Silverstein
- Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day – Judith Viorst
- Frog and Toad – Arnold Lobel
- The Berenstain Bears (series) – Stan and Jan Berenstain
- Miss Birdie Chose A Shovel – Leslie Connor
- Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs – Judi Barrett
- Luka’s Quilt – Georgia Guback
- Chrysanthemum – Kevin Henkes
- How My Parents Learned to Eat – Ina Friedman
- Tuesday – David Wiesner
- Uncle Jed’s Barbershop – Margaree King Mitchell
- A Country Far Away – Nigel Gray
- Miss Nelson is Missing! – Harry Allard
- Goodnight, Moon – Margaret Brown

Non-Fiction

- Hello, Baby Beluga- Darrin Lunde,
- Plants Grow!- Mary Dodson Wade
- Do You Know Which Ones Will Grow?- Susan A. Shea
- Lou Gehrig: The Luckiest Man – David Adler
- Corn is Maize – Alike
- Crinkleroot (series) – Jim Arnosky
- Tell Me, Tree: All About Trees for Kids – Gail Gibbons
- Many Nations: An Alphabet of Native America – Joseph Bruchac
- The Magic School Bus (series) – Joanna Cole
- Animal Dads – Sneed B. Collard
- The Story of Ruby Bridges – Robert Coles
- Ten Black Dots – Donald Crews
- Me on the Map – Joan Sweeney
- Martin’s Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. – Doreen Rappaport
- Wilma Unlimited: How Wilma Rudolph Became the World’s Fastest Woman – Kathleen Krull
- Chickens Aren’t the Only Ones (World of Nature Series) – Ruth Heller
- Exactly the Opposite – Tana Hoban
- Snowflake Bentley – Jacqueline Briggs Martin
- The Dinosaur Alphabet Book – Jerry Palotta
- Minty: A Story of Young Harriet Tubman – Alan Schroeder

Poetry

- Goodnight Moon – Margaret Wise Brown
- Chicka-Chicka-Boom-Boom – Bill Martin, Jr.

- Honey I Love, and Other Poems – Eloise Greenfield
- Where the Sidewalk Ends – Shel Silverstein
- Insectlopedia – Douglas Florian
- A Pizza the Size of the Sun – Jack Prelutsky
- Dizzy Dinosaurs: Silly Dino Poems- Hopkins, Lee Bennett
- Emma Dilemma: Big Sister Poems- Kristine O'Connell George
- The Great Migration: Journey to the North- Eloise Greenfield

Folklore and Fantasy

- Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain – Verna Aardema
- Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears: A West African Tale – Verna Aardema
- The Mitten: A Ukrainian Folktale – Jan Brett
- The Story of the Milky Way: A Cherokee Tale – Joseph Bruchac
- Strega Nona – Tommie de Paola
- Anansi and the Talking Melon – Eric A. Kimmel
- The Story of Ferdinand – Munro Leaf
- Catwings – Ursula Le Guin
- Tikki Tikki Tembo – Arlene Mosel
- The Littles (series) – John Peterson
- The Ugly Duckling – Hans Christian Anderson and Jerry Pinkney
- Abiyoyo – Pete Seeger
- Where The Wild Things Are – Maurice Sendak
- Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters – John Steptoe
- Tops and Bottoms – Janet Stevens
- The Warrior and the Wise Man – David Wisniewski
- Sleeping Ugly – Jane Yolen
- Dinosaurs Before Dark – Mary Pope Osborne
- My Father's Dragon – Ruth Stiles Gannett