

FIRST GRADE BOOK LIST

FYI: There are **lots** of reading lists online and you are more than welcome to search for more grade appropriate books if needed. ☺

Picture Books

Baghead by Jarrett Krosoczka (Knopf)
Bark, George by Jules Feiffer (HarperCollins)
Beware of Boys by Tony Blundell (Greenwillow)
Bunny Cakes and other Bunny books by Rosemary Wells (Dial)
Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type by Dorren Cronin, illus. by Betsy Lewin (Simon & Schuster)
Cowboy Baby by Sue Heap (Candlewick)
Daisy and the Beastie and other Daisy books by Jane Simmons (Little, Brown)
The Day the Babies Crawled Away by Peggy Rathmann (Putnam)
Doctor Desoto by William Steig (FSG)
Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! by Mo Willems (Hyperion)
Duck on a Bike by David Shannon (Scholastic)
Dumpy La Rue by Elizabeth Winthrop, illus. by Betsy Lewin (Henry Holt)
Elizabeth's Doll and other Elizabethi books by Stephanie Stuve-Bodeen, illus. by Christy Hale (Lee & Low)
Heckedy Peg by Audrey and Don Wood (Harcourt)
Hooway for Wodney Wat! by Helen Lester, illus. by Lynn Munsinger (HMCo.)
Good Morning, Sam and other Sam books by Marie-Louise Gay (Groundwood)
Gossie & Gertie and other Gossie books by Olivier Dunrea (HMCo.)
The Great Gracie Chase by Cynthia Rylant, illus. by Mark Teague (Scholastic)
The Great White Man-Eating Shark by Margaret Mahy (Dial)
Harvey Potter's Balloon Farm by Jerdine Nolen, illus. by Mark Buehner (HarperCollins)
How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight by Jane Yolen, illus. by Mark Teague (Scholastic)
Julius Baby of the World by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Julius's Candy Corn by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Lilly's Chocolate Heart by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Miss Spider's Wedding by David Kirk (Scholastic)
Mr. Wolf's Pancakes by Jan Fearnley (Tiger Tales)
No David! and other David books by David Shannon (Scholastic)
Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann (Putnam)
Olivia and other Olivia books by Ian Falconer (Simon & Schuster)
Owen by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Owen's Marshmallow Chick by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Patches Lost and Found by Steven Kroll, illus. by Barry Gott (Winslow Press)
Pete's a Pizza by William Steig (HarperCollins)
The Recess Queen by Alexis O'Neill (Scholastic)
Sheila Rae's Peppermint Stick by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Somebody and the Three Blairs by Marilyn Tolhurst, illus. by Simone Abel (Orchard)
The Stray Dog by Marc Simont (HarperCollins)
Suddenly! by Colin McNaughton (Harcourt)
Thunder Cake by Patricia Polacco (Philomel)
Tippy-Toe Chick, Go! by George Shannon, illus. by Laura Dronzek (HarperCollins)
Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens (Harcourt)

The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka, illus. by Lane Smith (Viking)
Wemberly Worried by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Wemberly's Ice-Cream Star by Kevin Henkes (Greenwillow)
Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak (HarperCollins)
Zinnia and Dot by Lisa Campbell Ernst (Viking)

Novels

Babe the Gallant Pig by Dick King-Smith (Crown)
Charlotte's Web by E. B. White (HarperCollins)
Clever Lollipop by Dick King-Smith (Candlewick)
Hedgehogs in the Hall and other Animal Ark titles by Ben Baglio (Scholastic)
Hugh Pine by Janwillen Vandewetering, illus. by Lynn Munsinger (HMCo.)
Lady Lollipop by Dick King-Smith (Candlewick)
The Magic Tree House series by Mary Pope Osborne (Random House)
The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary (William Morrow)
The School Mouse by Dick King-Smith (Candlewick)
Stuart Little by E. B. White (HarperCollins)

Non-Fiction

All About Sharks and other titles by Jim Arnosky (Scholastic)
Animals Asleep by Sneed B. Collard III, illus. by Anik McGrory (HMCo.)
Beaks! by Sneed B. Collard III, illus. by Robin Brickman (Charlesbridge)
Chickens Aren't the Only Ones and other titles by Ruth Heller (Grosset & Dunlap)
From Wax to Crayon by Robin Nelson (Lerner)
I Took A Walk by Henry Cole (Greenwillow)
On the Way to the Beach by Henry Cole (HarperCollins)
One Small Place by the Sea by Barbara Brenner, illus. by Tom Leonard (HarperCollins)
Polar Bears and other titles by Gail Gibbons (Holiday House)
Puffins Climb, Penguins Rhyme by Bruce McMillan (Harcourt)
Red-Eyed Tree Frog by Joy Cowley, photos by Nic Bishop (Scholastic)
The Salamander Room by Anne Mazer, illustrated by Steve Johnson (Knopf)
Spinning Spiders by Melvin Berger, illus. by S.D. Schindler (HarperCollins)

Pattern Books

The House that Jack Built by Jeanette Winter (Dial)
I Know An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fly by Simms Taback (Putnam)
I Went Walking by Sue Williams, illus. by Julie Vivas (Gulliver/HBJ)
Is Your Mama a Llama? by Deborah Guarino, illus. by Steven Kellogg (Scholastic)
Old MacDonald Had A Woodshop by Lisa M. Shulman, illus. by Ashley Wolff (Putnam)
To Market, To Market by Anne Miranda, illus. by Janet Stevens (Harcourt)
The Seals on the Bus by Lenny Hort, illus. by G. Brian Karas (Henry Holt)
This is the House that Jack Built by Simms Taback (Putnam)
Who Took the Cookies from the Cookie Jar? by Bonnie Lass & Philomen Sturges, illus. by Ashley Wolff (Little, Brown)

Cumulative Tales

My Little Sister Ate One Hare by Bill Grossman, illus. by Kevin Hawkes (Crown)
The Napping House by Audrey and Don Wood (Harcourt)
One Hungry Monster by Susan Heyboer O'Keefe, illus. by Lynn Munsinger (Little, Brown)
One Monday Morning by Uri Shulevitz (Farrar, Straus, & Giroux)
I Know An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fly by Simms Taback (Putnam)
The House that Jack Built by Jeanette Winter (Dial)
The Pot That Juan Built by Nancy Andrews-Goebel, illus. by David Diaz (Lee &

Low)

This is the House that Jack Built by Simms Taback (Putnam)

Circle Stories

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by Laura Numeroff, illus. by Felicia Bond (HarperCollins)

The Great Gracie Chase by Cynthia Rylant, illus. by Mark Teague (Scholastic)

A House for a Hermit Crab by Eric Carle (Simon & Schuster)

Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey (Viking)

The Napping House by Audrey and Don Wood (Harcourt)

One Monday Morning by Uri Shulevitz (Farrar, Straus, & Giroux)

Rooster's Off to See the World by Eric Carle (Simon & Schuster)

Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins (Simon & Schuster)

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak (HarperCollins)

ABC Books

Alphabeep: A Zipping, Zooming ABC by Debora Pearson, illus. by Edward Miller (Holiday House)

Avalanche by Michael Rosen, illus. by David Butler (Candlewick)

The Beetle Alphabet Book and other alphabet books by Jerry Palotta, illus. by David Biedrzycki (Charlesbridge)

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault (Simon and Schuster)

Firefighters from A to Z by Chris Demarest (McElderry Books)

The Handmade Alphabet by Laura Rankin (Scholastic)

Into the A, B, Sea: An Ocean Alphabet by Deborah Lee Rose, illus. by Steve Jenkins (Scholastic)

Old Black Fly by Jim Aylesworth, illus. by Stephen Gammell (Henry Holt)

The Racecar Alphabet by Brian Floca (Atheneum)

Mother Goose Books

The Arnold Lobel Book of Mother Goose compiled and illus. by Arnold Lobel (Knopf)

Baby Goose by Kate McMullan, illus. by Pascal Lamaitre (Hyperion)

Hey, Diddle, Diddle compiled and illus. by Linda Bronson (Henry Holt)

Monster Goose by Judy Sierra, illus. by Jack E. Davis (Harcourt)

My Very First Mother Goose collected by Iona Opie, illus. by Rosemary Wells (Candlewick)

The Neighborhood Mother Goose by Nina Crews (Greenwillow)

Will Moses Mother Goose by Will Moses (Philomel)

Phonemic Awareness Books

Ook the Book: And Other Silly Rhymes by Lissa Rovetch, illus. by Shannon McNeill (Chronicle)

Rhyme

Dr. Seuss – everything!

Little Bunny Foo Foo retold and sung by The Good Fairy, illus. by Paul Brett Johnson (Scholastic)

The Eensy-Weensy Spider and others by Mary Ann Hoberman, illus. by Nadine Bernard Westcott (Little, Brown)

I Knew Two Who Said Moo: A Counting and Rhyming Book by Judi Barrett, illus. by Daniel Moreton (Simon & Schuster)

Jesse Bear, What Will You Wear? and others in the series by Nancy White Carlstrom, illus. by Bruce Degen (Simon & Schuster)

Little Bunny Foo Foo retold and sung by The Good Fairy, illus. by Paul Brett Johnson (Scholastic)

The Monster Bed by Jeanne Willis, illus. by Susan Varley (HarperCollins)
Oh My Gosh, Mrs. McNosh and others in the series by Sarah Weeks, illus. by
Nadine Bernard Westcott (HarperCollins)
Puffins Climb, Penguins Rhyme by Bruce McMillan (Harcourt)

Repetition

Dr. Seuss – everything!
Don't Fidget a Feather by Erica Silverman, illus. by S.D. Schindler (Simon &
Schuster)
Five Little Monkeys Jumping On The Bed by Eileen Christelow (Houghton
Mifflin)
Is This A House for Hermit Crab? by Megan McDonald, illus. by S.D.
Schindler (Orchard)
The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything by Linda Williams,
illus. by Megan Lloyd (HarperCollins)
Nathaniel Willy, Scared Silly by Judith Mathews, illus. by Alexi Natchev
(Simon & Schuster)
Silly Sally by Audrey Wood (Harcourt)

Alliteration

Dr. Seuss – everything!
Clara the Caterpillar by Pamela Duncan Edwards, illus. by Henry Cole
(HarperCollins)
Dinorella by Pamela Duncan Edwards, illus. by Henry Cole (Hyperion)
Four Famished Foxes and Fosdyke by Pamela Duncan Edwards, illus. by
Henry Cole (HarperCollins)
The Long, Long Letter by Elizabeth Spurr, illus. by David Catrow (Hyperion)
Rosie's Roses by Pamela Duncan Edwards, illus. by Henry Cole
(HarperCollins)
Some Smug Slug by Pamela Duncan Edwards, illus. by Henry Cole
(HarperCollins)
Wacky Wedding: A Book of Alphabet Antics by Pamela Duncan Edwards,
illus. by Henry Cole (Hyperion)

Poetry

Big, Bad and a Little Bit Scary: Poems that Bite Back illus. by Wade Zahares
(Viking)
The Bugs in Teacher's Coffee and Other School Poems by Kalli Dakos, illus. by Mike
Reed (HarperTrophy)
The Frogs Wore Red Suspenders and other collections by Jack Prelutsky, illus. by
Petra Mathers (HarperCollins)
Good for You! Toddler Rhymes for Toddler Times by Stephanie Calmenson, illus. by
Melissa Sweet (HarperCollins)
I'm Still Here in the Bathtub: Brand New Silly Dilly Songs by Alan Katz, illus. by
David Catrow (McElderry Books)
In the Swim and other collections by Douglas Florian (Harcourt)
Insectlopedia and other collections by Douglas Florian (Harcourt)
Monster Goose by Judy Sierra, illus. by Jack E. Davis (Harcourt)
A Pet for Me selected by Lee Bennett Hopkins, illus. by Jane Manning
(HarperCollins)
Take Me Out of the Bathtub and other silly dilly songs by Alan Katz, illus. by David
Catrow (McElderry Books)
Little Dog Poems by Kristine O'Connell George (Clarion)
Little Dog and Duncan by Kristine O'Connell George (Clarion)

Early Beginning Readers

Monkey Trouble and others in this extensive series (Brand New Readers) put out by Candlewick Press and found in local bookstores.

Beginning Readers

Breakout at the Bug Lab by Ruth Horowitz, illus. by Joan Holub (Dial)

Days With Frog and Toad and others in this series by Arnold Lobel (HarperCollins)

Elvis the Rooster Almost Goes to Heaven and others in this series by Denys Cazet (HarperCollins)

Emma's Yucky Brother and others in this series by Jean Little, illus. by Jennifer Plecas (HarperCollins)

Good Night, Good Knight and others in this series by Shelley Moore Thomas, illus. by Jennifer Plecas (Dutton)

Henry and Mudge and the Bedtime Thumps and others in this series by Cynthia Rylant, illus. by Sucie Stevenson (Simon & Shuster)

Iris and Walter: The Sleepover and others in this series by Elissa Haden Guest, illus. by Christine Davenier (Harcourt)

Little Rat Sets Sail and others in this series by Monika Bang-Campbell, illus. by Molly Bang (Harcourt)

Minnie and Moo Go to the Moon and others in this series by Denys Cazet (DK Publishing & HarperCollins)

Mr. Putter and Tabby Bake the Cake and others in this series by Cynthia Rylant, illus. by Arthur Howard (Harcourt)

Pearl and Wagner: Two Good Friends and others in this series by Kate McMullan, illus. by R.W. Alley (Dial)

Poppleton Has Fun and others in this series by Cynthia Rylant, illustrated by Mark Teague (Scholastic)

Rabbit Riddles by Katy Hall and Lisa Eisenberg, illus. by Robert Bender (Dial)

Tiny Goes to the Library and others in this series by Cari Meister, illus. by Rich Davis (Viking)

The Viper by Lisa Thiesing (Dutton)

Reading Poems/Plays for Fluency

Poems in Two Voices by Paul Fleischman (HarperCollins)

You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Stories to Read Together by Mary Ann Hoberman, illus. by Michael Emberly (Little, Brown)

You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Fairy Tales to Read Together by Mary Ann Hoberman, illus. by Michael Emberly (Little, Brown)