

Recommended Summer Reading List

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For students going into the:

First Grade: Fabulous Fifty

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs by: Judith Barrett
Clifford, the Big Red Dog (series) by: Norman Bridwell
The Berenstain Bears (series) by: Jan and Stan Berenstain
Stone Soup by: Marcia Brown
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by: Virginia Burton
The Little House by: Virginia Burton
Stellaluna by: Janell Cannon
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by: Eric Carle
Miss Rumphius by: Barbara Cooney
Corduroy by: Don Freeman
Millions of Cats by: Wanda Gag
Little Red Hen by: Paul Galdone
Three Billy Goats Gruff by: Paul Galdone
Little Toot by: Hardie Gramatky
Old Bear by: Jane Hissey
Bedtime for Francis (series) by: Russell Hoban
Sammy the Seal by: Syd Hoff
The Doorbell Rang by: Pat Hutchins
I Love You the Purplest by: Barbara Joosse
Miss Fannie's Hat by: Jan Karon
The Snowy Day by: Ezra Jack Keats
Here Comes the Strikeout! by: Leonard Kessler
My Great-Aunt Arizona by: Susan Condie Lamb
Swimmy by: Leo Lionni
Frog and Toad Are Friends (series) by: Arnold Lobel
Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle (series) by: Betty MacDonald
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by: Bill Martin
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by: Bill Martin
Blueberries for Sal by: Robert McCloskey

Little Bear (series) by: Else Minarik
Tikki Tikki Tembo by: Arlene Mosel
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by: Laura Numeroff

Amelia Bedelia (series) by: Peggy Parish
Just the Way You Are by: Marcus Pfister
The Paperboy by: Dav Pilkey
The Little Engine That Could by: Watty Piper
The Tale of Peter Rabbit (series) by: Beatrix Potter
Curious George (series) by: H.A. Rey
The Relatives Came by: Cynthia Rylant
Where the Wild Things Are by: Maurice Sendak
Horton Hatches the Egg by: Dr. Seuss
Caps For Sale by: Esphyr Solbodkina
Pete's a Pizza by: William Steig
Tops and Bottoms by: Janet Stevens
Lyle, Lyle Crocodile by: Bernard Waber
The Biggest Bear by: Lynd Ward
The Napping House by: Audrey Wood
Old Turtle by: Douglas Wood
How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight by: Jane Yolen
Harry, the Dirty Dog by: Gene Zion

*Note: You will find multiple books by these authors. Any title selected would be a good choice.

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For students going into the:

Second Grade:

Children's Bible

Step into Reading (series)

National Geographic Kids (non-fiction collection)

The Magic Tree House (series) by: Mary Pope Osbourne

Geronimo Stilton (series)

Henry and Mudge (series)

Magic School Bus (series)

Who Was? (series)

Amelia Bedelia (series)

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Third Grade:

Saint Biographies

Magic School Bus (series) by: Joanna Cole

Meet George Washington by: Joan Heilbroner

Mr. Popper's Penguins by: Richard Atwater

A Cricket in Times Square by: George Selden

The Little House on the Prairie (series) by: Laura Ingalls Wilder

Diary of An Early American Boy and other titles by: Eric Sloane

Black Beauty by: Anna Sewell

Shel Silverstein (poetry)

Wright Brothers biography

Abraham Lincoln biography

Lives of the Saints books

Geronimo Stilton (series) / Thea Stilton

American Girl (series)

Who was? (series)

What was? (series)

Magic Tree House (series) by: Mary Pope Osborne

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Fourth Grade:

Henry & Ribsy by: Beverly Cleary

Seal Island School by: Susan Bartlett

Ramona's World by: Beverly Cleary

The Great Bicycle Race Mystery by: Gertrude Chandler Warner

Stone Fox by: John Reynolds Gardiner

Little House in the Big Woods by: Laura Ingalls Wilder

A Titanic Journey Across the Sea 1912 by: Laurie Lawlor

Holes by: Louis Shar

Charlotte's Webb by: EB White

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by: Judy Blume

Mr. Popper's Penguins by: Richard Atwater

Henry (series)

James and the Giant Peach by: Roald Dahl

The Chronicles of Narnia by: C.S. Lewis

Because of Winn Dixie by: Kate DiCamillo

Bridge to Terbithia by: Katherine Paterson

Darth Paper Strikes Back by: Tom Angleberger

How To Eat Fried Worms by: Thomas Rockwell

In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson by: Bette Bao Lord

Lawn Boy by: Gary Paulsen

Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder

Magic in the Mix by: Annie Barrows

Malcolm at Midnight by: W.H. Beck

Mandy by: Julie Andrews Edwards

No Flying In The House by: Betty Brock

On the Wings of Heroes by: Richard Peck

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by: Judy Blume

The American Girl (series)

Dear America (series)

The I Survived (series)

Number the Stars by: Lois Lowry

The All of a Kind Family

The Magic Tree House Civil War on Sunday

The Magic Tree House Danger in the Darkest Hour

The Magic Tree house Abe Lincoln at Last

The Boy on the Porch by: Sharon Creech

The Last of the Really Great Whandoodles by Julie Andrews Edwards

The Pinballs by: Betsy Byars

The Squire's Tale by: Gerald Morris

The Summer of the Swans by: Betsy Byars

Winnie-the-Pooh by: A.A. Milne

The Childhood of Famous American (series)

The Who Was? (series)

Any informational books about space, machines, volcanoes, rocks, ocean, animals, weather, etc.

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Fifth grade:

Ben and Me by: Robert Lawson (required reading)

Saint Biographies

Dear America, (series) various authors

Narnia (series) by: C.S. Lewis

Rushmore by: Lynn Curlee

George Did It by: Suzanne Tripp Jurmain

My America: A Poetry Atlas of the United States by: Lee Bennett Hopkins

The Secret Garden by: Francis Burnett

A Wrinkle in Time by: Madeline L'Engle

From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by: E.L. Konigsburg

The Wizard of Oz by: Frank L. Baum

The Little Prince by: Antoine de Sainte-Exupery

Old Yeller by: Fred Gipson

The Wind in the Willows by: Kenneth Grahame

The Borrowers by: Mary Norton

George Washington's Socks by: Elvira Woodruff

Harry Potter (series) by: JK Rowling

Holes by: Louis Sachar

Ella Enchanted by: Gail Carson Levine

Because of Winn Dixie by: Kate DiCamillo

Diary of a Wimpy Kid (series) by: Jeff Kinney

Heroes of America: Illustrated Lives

Little House on the Prairie (series) by: Laura Ingalls Wilder

I Survived (series)

Who Was/Is (series)

What Was/Is (series)

Where Is (series)

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(Students need a copy of this book for summer reading and the first month of school)

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Sixth grade:

The Fire Bug Connection by: Jean Craighead George

Taking Sides by: Gary Soto

Letters From Rifka by: Karen Hesse

Shannon Lucid: Space Ambassador by: Carmen Bredeson

Deep-Sea Explorer: The Story of Robert Ballard, Discoverer of the Titanic

Aida by: Leontyne Price

Between the Dragon and the Eagle by: Mical Schneider

Perloo the Bold by: Avi

I Am Lavina Cumming by: Susan Lowell

Teammates by: Peter Golenback

Last Summer with Maizon by: Jacqueline Woodson

The Baby Grand, The Moon in July and Me by: Joyce Annette Barnes

The Facts and Fictions of Minna Pratt by: Patricia MacLachlan

Seeker of Knowledge by: James Rumford

Dolphins: What They Can Teach Us by: Mary M. Cerullo

The View from Saturday by: E.L. Konigsburg

Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis

What could go wrong! by: Willo Davis Roberts

The Twenty-on Balloons by William Pene Dubois

Sammy Keyes and the Hotel Thief (series)

Someone is Hiding on Alcatraz Island by: Eve Bunting

The Breadwinner (series)

A Week in the Woods by: Andrew Clements

Because of Winn-Dixie by: Kate Dicamillo

Behind the Bedroom Wall by: Laura E. Williams

Dealing with Dragons (series)

Artemis Fowl (series)

A Long Way From Chicago by Richard Peck

A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck

Under the Blood Red Sun by: Graham Salisbury

Half Magic by Edward Eager

Where the Red Fern Grows by: Wilson Rawls
The Duplicate by: William Sleator
Woodsong by: Gary Paulsen
The Secret of Platform 13 by: Eva Ibbotson
PS Longer Letter Later by: Paula Danziger, Ann M. Martin
The Man in the Ceiling by: Jules Feiffer
The Wonderful Story of Henry Sugar and Six More by: Roald Dahl
Millicent Min: Girl Genius by: Lisa Yee
Ties That Bind, Ties That Break by: Lensey Namioka
Baseball in April and Other Stories by: Gary Soto
Guts: The True Stories Behind Hatchet and the Brian Books by: Gary Paulsen
Stand Tall, Harry by: Mary Mahony
Harry Scores a Hat Trick by: Mary Mahony

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Sixth Grade: *Matilda by: Roald Dahl or Boy written by Roald Dahl*

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Seventh Grade:

Hostage by: Edward P. Myers

On the Way Home by: Laura Ingalls Wilder & Rose Wilder

Homecoming by: Cynthia Voight

Dragonwings by: Laurence Yep

Running Out of Time by: Margaret Peterson Haddix

The One Who Came Back by: Joann Mazzio

Julie of the Wolves by: Jean Craighead George

Missing May by: Cynthia Rylant

Shiloh by: Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

Across Five Aprils by: Irene Hunt

Island of the Blue Dolphins by: Scott O'Dell

The View from Saturday by E L Konigsburg

Holes by: Louis Sachar

Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine

Hoot by: Carl Hiaasen

Bull Rider by: Marilyn Halvorson

Down a Dark Hall and Other Mysteries by the author: Lois Duncan

Slam! by: Walter Dean Myers

Alt ed by: Catherine Atkins

Redwall (series)

Locomotion by: Jacqueline Woodson

Inkheart by: Cornelia Funke

The Lost Years of Merlin (series)

Jazmin's Notebook by Nikki Grimes

Tangerine by: Edward Bloor

The Wanderer by: Sharon Creech

The City of Ember by: Jeanne Duprau

The People of Sparks by: Jeanne Duprau

Witness by: Karen Hesse

The Schwa was Here by: Neal Schusterman

Leonardo da Vinci by: Kathleen Krull

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Seventh Grade: ***Wonder*** written by *RJ Polacio*

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Eighth Grade:

The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas
The Life and Death of Adolf Hitler by James Giblin
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi
Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
The Time Machine by H.G. Wells
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells
Free the Children by Craig Kielburger
The Slave Dancer by Paula Fox
A Wrinkle in Time by Madelaine L'Engle
Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls
The Call of the Wild by Jack London
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee by Dee Brown
The Legend of Sleepy Hollow by Washington Irving
The Last of the Mohicans by James Fenimore Cooper
I am Malala by Malala Yousafzai
Number the Stars by Lois Lowry
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
A Raisin in the Sun by Lorraine Hansberry
Becoming by Michelle Obama