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CHILDREN'S SCHOOL SUMMER READING LIST

2022-2023 School Year

REQUIRED READING: KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 5

The following is a list of required reading materials for students in Kindergarten through Grade 5. It is recommended that you order these titles early on in the summer via [AmazonSmile](#), Barnes and Noble, or Hooked on Books. Students are encouraged to read or be read to daily.

KINDERGARTEN:

- [Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten](#) by Joseph Slate (also available via the Pikes Peak Library District (PPLD)) and [Alphabet Under Construction](#) by Denise Fleming

Suggested Reading - Alphabet books found at PPLD when search the word "alphabet" as a subject

GRADE 1:

- [How Rocket Learned to Read](#) by Tad Hills
- [Rocket Writes a Story](#) by Tad Hills

GRADE 2:

- [The Adventures of Taxi Dog](#) by Debra Barraca and Sal Barraca
- [Sylvester and the Magic Pebble](#) by William Steig

GRADE 3:

- [The Magnificent Makers #1: How to Test a Friendship](#) by Theanne Griffith

Make a list of the books that you read all summer and bring your list on the first day of class.

GRADE 4:

- [A Kid's Look at Colorado](#) by Phyllis J. Perry
- [Crenshaw](#) by Katherine Applegate
- [Love That Dog](#) by Sharon Creech

GRADE 5:

- [The Fourteenth Goldfish-Believe in the Possible](#) by Jennifer L. Holm
- [Esperanza Rising](#) by Pam Munoz Ryan

Please read the book no more than a few weeks before school starts since we will use it to review the story elements of a text. Plus, read one from the Newbery Medal/Honor books or Coretta Scott King Award Winners. Make a list of the books that you read all summer and bring your list the first day of class.



SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR PREK THRU GRADE 2

- [NON-FICTION \(EXPOSITORY TEXT/INFORMATION BOOKS\)](#)
- [SERIES](#)

SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR GRADES 3 THRU 5

- [FICTION](#)
- [FANTASY](#)
- [HISTORICAL FICTION AND HISTORY](#)
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- [ADVENTURE](#)
- [MYSTERIES](#)
- [OTHER NON-FICTION](#)
- [FAVORITE AUTHORS](#)

SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR PREK THRU GRADE 2

- ☐ Asch, F. *HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOON*
- ☐ Bang, M. *TEN, NINE, EIGHT*
- ☐ Bellairs, John *THE HOUSE WITH A CLOCK IN ITS WALLS*
- ☐ Briggs Martin, Jacqueline *SNOWFLAKE BENTLEY*
- ☐ Brown, M. W. *GOODNIGHT MOON*
- ☐ Brumbeau, Jeff *THE QUILTMAKER'S GIFT*
- ☐ Carle, Eric *A HOUSE FOR HERMIT CRAB*
- ☐ Carle, Eric *THE TINY SEED*
- ☐ Carle, Eric *GROUCHY LADYBUG*
- ☐ Carle, Eric *HAVE YOU SEEN MY CAT?*
- ☐ Carle, Eric *THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR*
- ☐ Carle, Eric *THE VERY BUSY SPIDER*
- ☐ Christelow, Eileen *FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS JUMPING ON THE BED*
- ☐ Christelow, Eileen *FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS SITTING IN A TREE*
- ☐ Cleary, Beverly *BEEZUS AND RAMONA*
- ☐ Clements, Andrew *FRINDLE*
- ☐ Cowley, J. and Melser, J. *MRS. WISHY-WASHY*
- ☐ Degan, Bruce *JAMBERRY*
- ☐ Ehlert, L. *FISH EYES*
- ☐ Ets, M. H. *GILBERTO AND THE WIND*
- ☐ Flack, Marjorie *ASK MR. BEAR*
- ☐ Florian, Douglas *VEGETABLE GARDEN*
- ☐ Fox, M. (illus. by Fraser, B.) *HATTIE AND THE FOX*
- ☐ Freeman, D. *CORDUROY*



- ☐ Galdone, Paul *LITTLE RED HEN*
- ☐ Heller, R. *CHICKENS AREN'T THE ONLY ONES*
- ☐ Hoberman, M. A. *A HOUSE IS A HOUSE FOR ME*
- ☐ Howe, James *HOUNDSLEY AND CATINA*
- ☐ Keats, E. J. *THE SNOWY DAY*
- ☐ Lewison, W. C. *BUZZ SAID THE BEE*
- ☐ Lionni, L. *SWIMMY*
- ☐ Martin, Bill, Jr. *BROWN BEAR, BROWN BEAR, WHAT DO YOU SEE?*
- ☐ Martin, Bill, Jr. *CHICKA CHICKA BOOM BOOM*
- ☐ Martin, Bill, Jr. *POLAR BEAR, POLAR BEAR, WHAT DO YOU HEAR?*
- ☐ Martin, B. and Archambault, J. *HERE ARE MY HANDS*
- ☐ McBratney, Sam *JUST YOU AND ME*
- ☐ McCloskey, R. *BLUEBERRIES FOR SAL*
- ☐ Goose, Mother *TRADITIONAL NURSERY RHYMES/MOTHER GOOSE*
- ☐ Numeroff, Laura *IF YOU GIVE A MOOSE A MUFFIN*
- ☐ Numeroff, Laura *IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE*
- ☐ Pennypacker, Sara *CLEMENTINE*
- ☐ Sendak, Jack *THE HAPPY RAIN*
- ☐ Sendak, M. *WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE*
- ☐ Sidman, Joyce *BUTTERFLY EYES AND OTHER SECRETS OF THE MEADOW*
- ☐ Singh, Vandana *YOUNG UNCLE COMES TO TOWN*
- ☐ Slobodkina, E. *CAPS FOR SALE*
- ☐ Stadler, John *HOORAY FOR SNAIL*
- ☐ Tafuri, Nancy *HAVE YOU SEEN MY DUCKLING?*
- ☐ Thimmesh *TEAM MOON*
- ☐ Van Allsburg, Chris *THE WRETCHED STONE*
- ☐ Viorst, Judith *ALEXANDER AND THE TERRIBLE, HORRIBLE, NO GOOD, VERY BAD DAY*
- ☐ Waddell, Martin *LET'S GO HOME, LITTLE BEAR*
- ☐ Waddell, Martin *MIMI AND THE PICNIC*
- ☐ Walsh, E. S. *MOUSE PAINT*
- ☐ Ward, Cindy *COOKIE'S WEEK*
- ☐ Wiesner, David *FLOTSAM*

NON-FICTION (EXPOSITORY TEXT/INFORMATION BOOKS)

- ☐ Cannon, Janell *VERDI*
- ☐ Ehlert, L. *PLANTING A RAINBOW*
- ☐ Greenberg, David T. *BUGS*
- ☐ Jeunesse, Gallimard. & de Bourgoing, Pascal. *THE EGG (A First Discovery Book)*



- ☐ Jordan, H. J. L. Krupinski, illustrator) *HOW A SEED GROWS*
- ☐ Machotka, Hana *WHAT NEAT FEET!*
- ☐ Monson, A. M. *WANTED: BEST FRIEND*
- ☐ Royston, A. *EYE OPENERS: INSECTS AND CRAWLY CREATURES*

SERIES

- ☐ Adler, David A. *CAM JANSEN MYSTERIES*
- ☐ Brown, Marc *ARTHUR SERIES*
- ☐ Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS*
- ☐ Delton, Judy *PEE WEE SCOUTS*
- ☐ DiCamillo, Kate *MERCY WATSON*
- ☐ Giff, Patricia Reilly *THE KIDS OF POLK STREET SCHOOL*
- ☐ Hoban, Lillian *ARTHUR SERIES*
- ☐ Hurley, William J. *DAN FRONTIER*
- ☐ Lobel, Arnold *FROG AND TOAD*
- ☐ Osborne, Mary Pope *MAGIC TREEHOUSE*
- ☐ Parish, Peggy *AMELIA BEDELIA*
- ☐ Parks, Barbara *JUNIE B. JONES*
- ☐ Rylant, Cynthia *HENRY AND MUDGE*
- ☐ Sharmat, Marjorie Weinman *NATE THE GREAT MYSTERIES*
- ☐ Sobel, D. *ENCYCLOPEDIA BROWN*
- ☐ Warner, Gertrude Chandler *BOXCAR CHILDREN*
- ☐ Yolen, Jane & Teague, M. *HOW DO DINOSAURS...*

SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR GRADES 3 THRU 5

FICTION

- ☐ Barron, Tom A. *THE ANCIENT ONE*
- ☐ Barron, Tom A. *HEARLIGHT*
- ☐ Duffey, Betsy *THE MATH WIZ*
- ☐ + Eckert, *INCIDENT AT HAWK'S HILL*
- ☐ Fleischman, Sid *JIM UGLY*
- ☐ Fleischman, Sid *THE WHIPPING BOY*
- ☐ Grabenstein, Chris *MR. LEMONCELLO'S LIBRARY*
- ☐ * Hermes, Patricia *MAMA, LET'S DANCE*
- ☐ * Lowry, Lois *ANASTASIA AT THIS ADDRESS*
- ☐ Morey, Walt *GENTLE BEN*
- ☐ + Paterson, Katherine *BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA*



- ☐ + Rawls, Wilson *WHERE THE RED FERN GROWS*
- ☐ + Reynolds, Phyllis Naylor *SHILOH*
- ☐ Ruckman, Ivy *NIGHT OF THE TWISTERS*
- ☐ + Rylant, Cynthia *MISSING MAY*
- ☐ + Sewell, Ann *BLACK BEAUTY*
- ☐ Steig, William *ABEL'S ISLAND*
- ☐ Stolz, Mary *THE NOONDAY FRIENDS*

FANTASY

- ☐ + Banks, Lynne Reid *THE INDIAN IN THE CUPBOARD*
- ☐ Banks, Lynne Reid *THE RETURN OF THE INDIAN*
- ☐ Banks, Lynne Reid *THE SECRET OF THE INDIAN*
- ☐ Banks, Lynne Reid *THE MYSTERY OF THE CUPBOARD*
- ☐ Bond, Nancy *A STRING IN THE HARP*
- ☐ Conly, Jane Leslie *R-T, MARGARET, AND THE RATS OF NIMH*
- ☐ Conly, Jane Leslie *RASCO AND THE RATS OF NIMH*
- ☐ Cooper, Susan *THE DARK IS RISING*
- ☐ Cooper, Susan *GREENWITCH*
- ☐ Cooper, Susan *THE GREY KING*
- ☐ Cooper, Susan *SILVER ON THE TREE*
- ☐ +*Coville, Bruce *JENNIFER MURDLEY'S TOAD*
- ☐ + Coville, Bruce *JEREMY THATCHER, DRAGON HATCHER*
- ☐ Coville, Bruce *SPACE BRAT*
- ☐ + Jacques, Brian *REDWALL*
- ☐ Jacques, Brian *MOSSFLOWER*
- ☐ Jacques, Brian *MATTIMEO*
- ☐ * Jacques, Brian *MARIEL OF REDWALL*
- ☐ + L'Engle, Madeleine *A WIND IN THE DOOR*
- ☐ L'Engle, Madeleine *A SWIFTLY TILTING PLANET*
- ☐ L'Engle, Madeleine *MANY WATERS*
- ☐ + Lewis, C.S. *THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA*
- ☐ + O'Brien, Robert *MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH*
- ☐ Peterson, John *THE LITTLES* (series)
- ☐ Selden, George *A CRICKET IN TIMES SQUARE*
- ☐ Smith, Dick King *MARTIN'S MICE*
- ☐ + Smith, Dick King *PIGS MIGHT FLY*
- ☐ + Winthrop, Elizabeth *CASTLE IN THE ATTIC*
- ☐ + Winthrop, Elizabeth *THE BATTLE FOR THE CASTLE*



HISTORICAL FICTION AND HISTORY

- ☐ Cox, Clinton *UNDYING GLORY*
- ☐ * Levitin, Sonia *JOURNEY TO AMERICA*
- ☐ +*Lois,Lowry *NUMBER THE STARS*
- ☐ * MacLachlan, Patricia *SARAH, PLAIN AND TALL*
- ☐ + Morpurgo, Michael *WAITING FOR ANYA*
- ☐ Nixon, Joan Lowery *THE ORPHAN TRAIN QUARTET*
- ☐ Nixon, Joan Lowery *A FAMILY APART*
- ☐ Nixon, Joan Lowery *CAUGHT IN THE ACT*
- ☐ Nixon, Joan Lowery *IN THE FACE OF DANCER*
- ☐ Nixon, Joan Lowery *A PLACE TO BELONG*
- ☐ O'Dell, Scott and Elizabeth Hall *THUNDER ROLLING IN THE MOUNTAINS*
- ☐ + Reeder, Carolyn *SHADES OF GRAY*
- ☐ Spencer, Philip *DAY OF GLORY, THE GUNS AT LEXINGTON AND CONCORD*
- ☐ +*Taylor, Mildred *ROLL OF THUNDER, HEAR MY CRY*
- ☐ * Taylor, Mildred *LET THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN*
- ☐ * Taylor, Mildred *ROAD TO MEMPHIS*
- ☐ +*Wilder, Laura Ingalls *LITTLE HOUSE IN THE BIG WOODS* and others in the series
- ☐ +*Yolen, Jane *THE DEVIL'S ARITHMETIC*

BIOGRAPHIES

- ☐ Asimov, Isaac *BREAKTHROUGHS IN SCIENCE*
- ☐ * Chang, Ina *A SEPARATE BATTLE, WOMEN AND THE CIVIL WAR*
- ☐ * Codye, Corinn *VILMA MARTINEZ*
- ☐ Denenberg, Barry *NELSON MANDELA*
- ☐ Freedman, Russell *FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT*
- ☐ * Fritz, Jean *THE DOUBLE LIFE OF POCAHONTAS*
- ☐ * Fritz, Jean *HOMESICK, MY OWN STORY*
- ☐ Fritz, Jean *THE GREAT LITTLE MADISON* and others
- ☐ * Giblin, EDITH WILSON: *THE WOMAN WHO RAN THE UNITED STATES*
- ☐ * Glassman, Bruce *WILMA MANKILLER*
- ☐ * Johnson, Johanna *THEY LED THE WAY - 14 AMERICAN WOMEN*
- ☐ * Meltzer, Milton *DOROTHEA LANCE: LIFE THROUGH THE CAMERA*
- ☐ Murphy, Jim *THE BOYS' WAR*
- ☐ * Parks, Rosa *ROSA PARKS: MY STORY*
- ☐ * Rappaport, Doreen *LIVING DANGEROUSLY, AMERICAN WOMEN WHO RISKED THEIR LIVES FOR ADVENTURE*



ADVENTURE

- ☐ Razzi, Jim *CUSTER AND CRAZY HORSE*
- ☐ Sanderson, Jeannette *DOG TO THE RESCUE - 17 TRUE TALES OF DOG HEROISM*
- ☐ * Shura, Mary Frances *GENTLE ANNIE: THE TRUE STORY OF A CIVIL WAR NURSE*
- ☐ White, Gardiner Sarah *LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON: BASEBALL'S MAJOR LEAGUE FAMILIES*

MYSTERIES

- ☐ Bellairs, John *THE HOUSE WITH A CLOCK IN ITS WALLS*
- ☐ Byars, Betsy *THE COMPUTER NUT*
- ☐ * Fitzhugh, *HARRIET, THE SPY*
- ☐ Fox, Paula *THE ONE-EYED CAT*
- ☐ Henkes, Kevin *WORDS OF STONE*
- ☐ Konigsburg, E. L. *FROM THE MIXED-UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER*
- ☐ Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds *FACES IN THE WATER*
- ☐ Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds *FOOTPRINTS AT THE WINDOW*
- ☐ Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds *SHADOWS ON THE WALL*
- ☐ Sharmat, Marjorie W. *MYSTERIOUSLY YOURS, MAGGIE MARMELSTEIN*
- ☐ Showell, Ellen *THE TRICKSTER GHOST*
- ☐ Simon, Seymour *EINSTEIN ANDERSON, SCIENCE SLEUTH*
- ☐ Snyder, Zilpha Keatley *THE EGYPT GAME*
- ☐ Warner, Gertrude *BOXCAR CHILDREN SERIES: AN AMERICAN GIRL SERIES*

OTHER NON-FICTION

- ☐ Any Brown Paper Bag School Book Series *THE I HATE MATHEMATICS BOOK, MY BACKYARD HISTORY BOOK, MATH FOR SMARTY PANTS, THE REASONS FOR SEASONS, BLOOD AND GUTS* (any Eye Witness book)
- ☐ Baker, Lucy *LIFE IN THE OCEANS*
- ☐ Baker, Lucy *LIFE IN THE RAINFOREST*
- ☐ Baker, Lucy *LIFE IN THE DESERTS*
- ☐ Byles, Monica *LIFE IN THE POLAR LANDS*
- ☐ Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS INSIDE THE EARTH*
- ☐ Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS INSIDE THE HUMAN BODY*
- ☐ Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS AT THE WATERWORKS*
- ☐ Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS LOST IN THE SOLAR SYSTEM*
- ☐ Conrad, Pam *PRAIRIE VISIONS*
- ☐ Dewan, T and S. Parker *INSIDE THE WHALE*
- ☐ Freedman, Russell *THE WRIGHT BROTHERS*



- ☐ Freedman, Russell *CHILDREN OF THE WILD WEST*
- ☐ Freedman, Russell *BUFFALO HUNT*
- ☐ Freedman, Russell *LINCOLN, A PHOTOBIOGRAPHY*
- ☐ Freedman, Russell *IMMIGRANT KIDS*
- ☐ Kaner, Etta *SOUND SCIENCE*
- ☐ Kaner, Etta *BALLOON SCIENCE*
- ☐ Myers, Walter Dean *NOW IS YOUR TIME*
- ☐ Sullivan, George *HOW THE WHITE HOUSE REALLY WORK*

FAVORITE AUTHORS

- ☐ +*Blume, Judy *BLUBBER*
- ☐ Blume, Judy *TALES OF A FOURTH GRADE NOTHING*
- ☐ Blume, Judy *SUPERFUDGE*
- ☐ Blume, Judy *FUDGE-A-MANIA*
- ☐ Blume, Judy *OTHERWISE KNOWN AS SHEILA THE GREAT*
- ☐ Blume, Judy *FRECKLE JUICE*
- ☐ +*Byars, Betsy *THE PINBALLS*
- ☐ Byars, Betsy *THE MIDNIGHT FOX*
- ☐ Byars, Betsy *WANTED...MUD BLOSSOMS*
- ☐ + Cleary, Beverly *DEAR MR. HENSHAW*
- ☐ Cleary, Beverly *STRIDER* (sequel)
- ☐ +*Cleary, Beverly *RAMONA* (series)
- ☐ Cleary, Beverly *SOCKS*
- ☐ Cleary, Beverly *RUNAWAY RALPH*
- ☐ Cleary, Beverly *RALPH S. MOUSE*
- ☐ Cleary, Beverly *HENRY AND THE CLUBHOUSE*
- ☐ + Dahl, Roald *THE BFG*
- ☐ +*Dahl, Roald *MATILDA*
- ☐ + Dahl, Roald *FANTASTIC MR. FOX*
- ☐ Dahl, Roald *THE TWITS*
- ☐ Dahl, Roald *ESIO TROT*
- ☐ Dahl, Roald *JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH*
- ☐ Danziger, Paula *EARTH TO MATTHEW*
- ☐ Danziger, Paula *THE CAT ATE MY JUMPSUIT*
- ☐ Danziger, Paula *EVERYONE ELSE'S PARENTS SAID YES*
- ☐ Giff, Patricia *FISH FACE*
- ☐ Giff, Patricia *SNAGGLE DOODLES*
- ☐ Giff, Patricia *PURPLE CLIMBING DAYS*



- ☐ Henry, Marguerite *KING OF THE WIND*
- ☐ Henry, Marguerite *BRIGHTY OF GRAND CANYON*
- ☐ Henry, Marguerite *MISTY OF CHINCOTEAGUE*
- ☐ + Howe, James *BUNNICULA*
- ☐ Howe, James *HOWLIDAY INN*
- ☐ Howe, James *THE CELERY STALKS AT MIDNIGHT*
- ☐ + Paulsen, Gary *THE RIVER*
- ☐ + Paulsen, Gary *THE HAYMEADOW*
- ☐ Rockwell, Thomas *HOW TO EAT FRIED WORMS*
- ☐ Rockwell, Thomas *HOW TO GET FABULOUSLY RICH*
- ☐ + Sachar, Louis *THE BOY WHO LOST HIS FACE*
- ☐ + Sachar, Louis *THERE'S A BOY IN THE GIRLS' BATHROOM*
- ☐ + Sachar, Louis *WAYSIDE SCHOOL IS FALLING DOWN*
- ☐ + Spinelli, Jerry *MANIAC MAGEE*
- ☐ +*Spinelli, Jerry *THERE'S A GIRL IN MY HAMMERLOCK*
- ☐ Spinelli, Jerry *PICKLEMANIA*
- ☐ Spinelli, Jerry *FOURTH GRADE RATE*

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- ☐ * = Books with strong female characters
 - ☐ + = Books recommended by students
 - ☐ Suggested online reference for leveled books- www.hedgehogbooks.com