K-2nd Grade Reading List

\*Some books are for reading aloud to children and others are for children to read themselves

## Language Arts/English

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| **Author** | **Title** | **Lexile** |
| Ahlberg, Janet and Allen | The Jolly Postman |  |
| Aiken, Joan | The Moon’s Revenge |  |
| Andersen, Hans Christian (all) | The Emperor’s New Clothes  The Little Match Girl  The Little Mermaid  Princess and the Pea  The Red Shoes  The Snow Queen  The Steadfast Tin Soldier  Thumbelina  The Ugly Duckling |  |
| Appleby Ellen | The Three Billy-Goats Gruff | 340 |
| Ardizzone, Edward | Tim All Alone  Tim’s Friend Towser  Tim and the Brave Sea Captain  Tim and Charlotte  Tim and Ginger  Tim in Danger  Tim to the Rescue |  |
| Backstein, Karen | The Blind Men and the Elephant | 280 |
| Bemelmans, Ludwig | Madeline | 480 |
| Bennet, William | The Book of Virtues  The Children's Book of America  The Children's Book of Heroes  The Children's Book of Virtues  The Moral Compass  Our Country's Founders |  |
| Beskow, Elsa | Children of the Forest  Pele's New Suit |  |
| Burgess, Gelett | Goops and How to Be Them |  |
| Burton, Virginia Lee | Katy and the Big Snow  The Little House  Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel |  |
| Calmenson, Stephanie | It Begins with an A | 80 |
| Carrick, Donald | Harald and the Giant Knight  Harald and the Great Stag |  |
| Carroll, Lewis | The Hunting of the Snark  The Walrus & the Carpenter |  |
| Chardiet, Bernice | Rapunzel |  |
| Christelow, Eileen | Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed | 310 |
| Church, Caroline | Do Your Ears Hang Low? | 20 |
| D’Aulaire, Ingri and Edgar | Book of Greek Myths  Book of Norse Myths |  |
| dePaola, Tomie | The Art Lesson  The Knight and the Dragon  Legend of Indian Paintbrush  The Quilt Story  Shh! We're Writing the Constitution  Stega Nona |  |
| Ditschfield, Christin | Johnny Appleseed | 370 |
| Douglas, Lloyd G. | The American Flag  The Bald Eagle  The Liberty Bell  The Pledge of Allegiance | 520  620  370 |
| Field, Eugene | Wynken, Blynken, and Nod |  |
| Fisher, Leonard Everett | The Gods and Goddesses of Ancient Egypt  Rip Van Winkle Returns  Theseus and the Minotaur  The Two Mountains: An Aztec Legend  William Tell |  |
| Fleming, Denise | Alphabet Under Construction |  |
| Galdone, Pal | The Three Bears | 610 |
| Gannet, Ruth Stile | My Father’s Dragon |  |
| Gerrard, Roy | Croco'nile  Mik's Mammoth  The Roman Twins  Rosie and the Rustlers  Sir Cedric  Wagons West! |  |
| Grahame, Kenneth | The Reluctant Dragon |  |
| Gross, Ruth Belov | The Bremen-town Musicians | 200 |
| Hale, Sarah Josephina Buell | Mary Had a Little Lamb | 440 |
| Hall, Donald | The Oxford Book of Children's Verse in America  The Oxford Illustrated Book of American Children's Poems |  |
| Harris, Joel Chandler | The Complete Tales of Uncle Remus |  |
| Harrison, M | The New Oxford Treasury of Children's Poems  The Oxford Book of Story Poems |  |
| Hawthorne, Nathaniel | A Wonder Book for Girls and Boys |  |
| Heller, Ruth | Books About Words series |  |
| Herriot, James | Blossom Comes Home  The Market Square Dog  Only One Woof |  |
| Hoban, Russell | The Little Brute Family  The Mouse and His Child |  |
| Hoban, Tana | 26 Letters and 99 Cents |  |
| Hodges, Margaret | Gulliver in Lilliput  The Hero of Bremen  The True Tale of Johnny Appleseed  The Wind in the Willows  retellings |  |
| Hort, Lenny | The Boy Who Held Back the Sea |  |
| Hughes, Shirley | Dogger |  |
| Hurwitz, Johanna | New Shoes for Silvia | 640 |
| Hyman, Trina Schart | retellings |  |
| Irving, Washington | Rip Van Winkle |  |
| Jarrell, Randall | The Animal Family  The Fisherman and His Wife |  |
| Joyce, William | Dinosaur Bob and His Adventures with the Family  The Leaf Men and the Brave Good Bugs  Santa Calls |  |
| Kellogg, Steven | Johnny Appleseed  Pecos Bill | 920  1040 |
| Kimmel, Eric | Anansi and the Magic Stick  Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock  Anansi and the Talking Melon  Anansi Goes Fishing  The Gingerbread Man  Iron John – Adapted from Brothers Grimm  The McElderry Book of Greek Myths  Medio/Pollito/Half Chick-Spanish Tale  retellings |  |
| Kipling, Rudyard | Just So Stories  Riki-Tiki-Tavi |  |
| La Prise, Larry | The Hokey Pokey |  |
| Lang, Andrew | The Blue Fairy Book (and all of several other colors |  |
| Lawson, Barabara | Folktales from China | 480 |
| Lawson, Robert | They Were Strong and Good |  |
| Lear, Edward | Nonsense Poems of Edward Lear |  |
| Lester, Julius | John Henry  The Knee-High Man and Other Tales  Uncle Remus: The Complete Tales  folk-tale retellings |  |
| Lewis, C.S. | The Chronicles of Narnia |  |
| Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth | Paul Revere’s Ride |  |
| Lurie, Alison | The Oxford Book of Modern Fairy Tales |  |
| MacDonald, George | The Christmas Stories of George MacDonald  The Golden Key  The Light Princess  The Lost Princess |  |
| Mark, Jan | The Oxford Book of Children’s Stories |  |
| Marshall, James | Goldilocks and the Three Bears  The Three Little Pigs | 520  560 |
| Martin, Rafe | The Rough-Faced Girl | 540 |
| Marzollo, Jean | In 1492 | 310 |
| Mason, Jan | Paul Bunyan and Other Tall Tales | 820 |
| McCaughrean, Geraldine | 1001 Arabian Nights  The Bronze Cauldron  El Cid  God’s People  The Golden Hoard  Silver Myths and Legends  Stories from Shakespeare |  |
| McCloskey, Robert | Blueberries for Sal  Lentil  Make Way for Ducklings  One Morning in Maine  Time of Wonder  others |  |
| McDermott, Gerold | Anansi the Spider | 290 |
| McPhail, David | David McPhail’s Animals A to Z |  |
| McQueen, Lucinda | The Little Red Hen | 470 |
| Metzger, Steve | You Are My Sunshine |  |
| Milne, A.A. | The House on Pooh Corner  Now We Are Six  When We Were Very Young |  |
| Neil, Philip | The New Oxford Book of Children’s Verse |  |
| Nesbit, Edith | The Deliverers of Their Country |  |
| Patrick, Denise Lewis | The Car Washing Street | 580 |
| Potter, Beatrix (all) | Benjamin Bunny  Jemima Puddle-Duck  The Roly-Poly Pudding  Tale of Jeremy Fisher  Tale of Johnny Town Mouse  Tale of Peter Rabbit  Tale of the Pie and the Patty-Pan  Tale of Samuel Whiskers  Tale of Squirrel Nutkin  Tale of Timmy Tiptoes | 660 |
| Pulver, Robin | Punctuation Takes a Vacation | 370 |
| Ransome, Arthur | The Fool of the World and the Flying Ship |  |
| Rohmann, Eric | My Friend Rabbit |  |
| Russell, William F. | Classic Myths to Read Aloud |  |
| San Souci, Robert D. | FA Mulan  Legend of Sleepy Hollow  N.C. Wyeth’s Pilgrims  Robin Hood and the Arrow  The Talking Arrow  Young Arthur  Young Merlin  other retellings |  |
| Seuss, Dr. | Foot Book  Green Eggs and Ham  If I Ran the Circus  Marvink Mooney Will You Please Go Now  One Fish, Two Fish . . .  Yertle the Turtle  any |  |
| Silverstein, Shel | verse |  |
| Steig, William | Brave Irene  The Magic Pebble  Yellow and Pink |  |
| Steptoe, John | Mufaro’s Beautiful Daughters | 720 |
| Stockton, Frank | The Griffin and the Minor Cannon |  |
| Thomas, Mark | Clothes in Colonial America  School in Colonial America | 360  320 |
| Trapani, Iza | I’m a Little Teapot  Mary Had a Little Lamb |  |
| Truss, Lynne | Eats, Shoots, and Leaves |  |
| White, E.B. | Charlotte’s Web | 680 |
| Wilde, Oscar | The Selfish Giant |  |
| Williams, Margery | The Velveteen Rabbit | 820 |
| Wisniewski, David | Elfwyn’s Saga  The Warrior and the Wiseman |  |
| Wood, Audrey | Elbert’s Bad Word  others |  |
| Woodruff, Elvira | The Memory Coat | 650 |
| Young, Ed | Lon Po Po | 670 |
| Zelinsky, Paul O. | Alice’s Adventure’s in Wonderland  Hansel and Gretel  Rumpelstiltskin  others | 740 |
| Zemach, Margot | It Could Always Be Worse  The Three Wishes |  |

## History/Geography

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| **Author** | **Title** | **Lexile** |
| Adler, David A. | A Picture Book of Harriet Tubman | 760 |
| Alberg, David A. | Latitude and Longitude  A Picture Book of Benjamin Franklin  A Picture Book of Christopher Columbus  A Picture Book of Paul Revere  A Picture Book of Thomas Jefferson | 330  730  710  860  700 |
| Cohn, Amy L. | Abraham Lincoln | 660 |
| Evento, Susan | Mary McLeod Bethune | 480 |
| Golenbock, Peter | Teammates | 930 |
| Gross, Ruth Belov | True Stories of Abraham Lincoln | 590 |
| Jackson | George Washington | 350 |
| Keenan, Sheila | O, Say Can You See? | 800 |
| Krull, Kathleen | Harvesting Hope | 800 |
| Mara, Wil | Clara Barton  The Seven Continents | 320 |
| Marx, David F. | Independence Day | 510 |
| O’Malley, Kevin | Straight to the Pole |  |
| Penner, Lucille Recht | The True Story of Pocahontas | 440 |
| Prelutsky, Jack | If Not for the Cat |  |
| Ribke, Simon T. | Thomas Jefferson  Washington, D.C. | 360  500 |
| Ruffin, Frances E. | Martin Luther King, Jr. and the March on Washington | 480 |
| Ryan, Pam Munoz | Amelia and Eleanor Go for a Ride | 600 |
| Sweeney, Joan | Me on the Map | 280 |
| Turner, Ann | Nettie’s Trip South | 860 |
| Wade, Mary Dodson | Christopher Columbus | 360 |
| Wilson, Camilla | Rosa Parks | 1020 |

## Mathematics

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| Aker, Suzanne | What Comes in 2’s, 3’s & 4’s | 470 |
| Baker, Keith | Quack and Count |  |
| Bang, Molly | Ten, Nine, Eight | 500 |
| Crews, Donald | Ten Black Dots | 270 |
| Dodds, Dayle Ann | The Shape of Things |  |
| George, Jean Craighead | Morning, Noon, and Night | 450 |
| Harris, Trudy | 100 Days of School | 320 |
| Harshman, Marc | Only One |  |
| Hill, Mary | Dimes  Nickels  Quarters | 390  340  380 |
| Krebs, Laurie | We All Went on Safari |  |
| Leedy, Loreen | Mission: Addition  Subtraction Action | 410 |
| McMillian, Bruce | Eating Fractions |  |
| Murphy, Stuart | Less Than Zero | 620 |
| Pallotta, Jerry | Icky Bug Numbers  One Hundred Ways to Get to 100 | 610  440 |
| Pluckrose, Henry | Capacity  Length  Shape  Weight | 400 |
| Rankin, Laura | The Handmade Counting Book |  |
| Rose, Deborah Lee | One Nighttime Sea |  |
| Schlein, Miriam | More Than One | 340 |
| Spurr, Elizabeth | Farm Life |  |
| Stewart, Melissa | Giraffe Graphs |  |
| Sweeney, Joan | Me Counting Time | 170 |
| Tang, Greg | Math Fables  Math for All Seasons |  |
| Walsh, Ellen Stoll | Mouse Count | 490 |
| Walton, Rick | Bunny Day |  |
| Yates, Philip | Ten Little Mummies |  |

## Music

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| Aliki | Ah, Music! | 910 |
| Bates, Katherine | America the Beautiful |  |
| Cravath, Lunne | My First Action Rhymes |  |
| Delacre, Lulu | Arroz con leche |  |
| Demarest, Chris L. | She’ll Be Coming Around the Mountain |  |
| Goodnow, Patti | Yankee Doodle |  |
| Guthrie, Woody | This Land is Your Land |  |
| Raschka, Chris | Charlie Parker Played Be Bop | 140 |
| Trapani, Iza | The Itsy Bitsy Spider |  |
| Venezia, Mike | Johann Sebastian Bach  Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart | 860  980 |
| Younger, Barbara | Purple Mountain Majesties | 880 |

## Science

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| Alexander, Carol | Florence Nightingale | 380 |
| Ashman, Linda | Castles, Caves and Honeycombs |  |
| Bang, Molly | My Light | 690 |
| Berger, Melvin | Brrr!  Your Body  Your Bones  Your Brain  Your Five Senses | 620  280  300  300  370 |
| Bergin, Mark | Dinosaurs | 770 |
| Bredeson, Carmen | The Solar System | 490 |
| Bullock, Linda | You Can Use a Balance | 300 |
| Cameron, Polly | “I Can’t” Said the Ant | 210 |
| Canizares, Susan | Evergreens are Green |  |
| Capeci, Anne | Insect Invaders | 610 |
| Cronin, Doreen | Diary of a Worm | 360 |
| dePaola, Tomie | The Cloud Book | 680 |
| Dillon, Leo & Diane | Rap a Tap Tap | 300 |
| Douglas, Lloyd G. | What Is a Plane?  What Is a Pulley?  What Is a Screw? | 230  300  310 |
| Fontes, Justine & Ron | Rachel Carson | 410 |
| Fowler, Allan | Energy From the Sun  How Do You Know It’s Fall?  How Do You Know It’s Spring?  How Do You Know It’s Summer?  How Do You Know It’s Winter?  Maple Trees  Pine Trees  Plants that Eat Animals  Save the Rain Forests  Simple Machines  So That’s How the Moon Changes Shape!  These Birds Can’t Fly  What Magnets Do  What’s the Weather Today?  When a Storm Comes Up | 600  650  620  520  570  600  620  620  720  510  580  490  650 |
| Garrett, Ginger | Solids, Liquids, and Gases | 150 |
| Gibbons, Gail | The Reason for the Seasons  The Seasons of Arnold’s Apple Tree  Weather Words and What They Mean | 580  450 |
| Gordon, Sharon | Exercise  Keeping Clean  You Are What You Eat | 90  230  290 |
| Gray | Is it a Dinosaur? |  |
| Helbrough, Emma | 1001 Bugs to Spot  Bears |  |
| Heller, Ruth | Chickens Aren’t the Only Ones  The Reason for a Flower | 620 |
| Hoberman, Mary Ann | A House Is a House for Me | 560 |
| Intrater, Roberta Grobel | Two Eyes, a Nose, and a Mouth | 20 |
| Jenkins, Martin | The Emperor’s Egg | 570 |
| Kalbacken, Joan | Vitamins and Minerals | 820 |
| Kittinger, Jo S. | George Washington Carver | 480 |
| Krauss, Ruth | The Carrot Seed | 230 |
| Lauber, Patricia | What Eats What? |  |
| Legg, Gerald | From Caterpillar to Butterfly  From Egg to Chicken  From Seed to Sunflower  From Tadpole to Frog | 430  500  450  460 |
| Lobel, Arnold | Frog and Told All Year  Frog and Toad Are Friends | 300  400 |
| Mann, Rachel | Desert Life | 610 |
| Mara, Wil | Thomas Alva Edison | 390 |
| McMillian, Bruce | Sense Suspense |  |
| Micucci, Charles | The Life and Times of the Ant | 960 |
| Murphy, Patricia J. | Back and Forth  Push and Pull | 590  600 |
| Posada, Mia | Dandelions | 460 |
| Relf, Pat | The Magic School Bus Hops Home | 400 |
| Ring, Susan | The Great Barrier Reef |  |
| Rogers, Paul | What Will the Weather Be Like Today? | 470 |
| Rose, Deborah Lee | In the A, B, Sea | 30 |
| Sargent, Brian | Hot Numbers, Cool Math |  |
| Schreiber, Anne | Magnets | 760 |
| Stille, Darlene R. | The Digestive System | 700 |
| Tocci, Salvatore | Experiments With Magnets | 700 |
| Trumbauer, Lisa | What Are Atoms?  What Is a Thermometer?  What is Electricity?  What Is Friction?  You Can Use a Compass | 380  380  440  380  510 |
| Weiss, Ellen | From Eye to Potato |  |
| Yolen, Jane | Welcome to the Green House | 770 |
| Ziefert, Harriet | You Can’t Taste a Pickle with Your Ear? |  |

## Visual Arts

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| **Author** | **Title** | **Lexile** |
| Chanko, Pamela | Clay Art with Gloria Elliott | 20 |
| dePaola, Tomie | The Art Lesson | 650 |
| Douglas, Lloyd G. | The Statue of Liberty | 990 |
| Friedlaender, Linda K. | Look! Look! Look! |  |
| Greene, Rhonda Gowler | When a Line Bends . . . A Shape Begins | 710 |
| Hunter, Ryan Ann | Cross a Bridge | 550 |
| Lionni, Leo | Little Blue and Little Yellow  Matthew’s Dream | 210  560 |
| Musgrove, Margaret | The Spider Weaver | 620 |
| Venezia, Mike | Grant Wood  Henri Matisse  Henri Rousseau  James McNeill Whistler  Pablo Picasso  Paul Cezanne  Vincent van Gogh | 850  870  900  920 |
| Williams, Vera B. | Cherries and Cherry Pits | 610 |
| Winter, Jonah | Diego | 420 |