



Suggested Reading List: Early Elementary (1st–4th Grades)

(These titles are presented in no particular order, and represent choices made for a particular class from a host of possibilities. Parents and teachers are encouraged to modify this list with their own favorites.)

1st Grade:

- *As the Crow Flies*, Hartman
- *The Cat Who Wore a Pot on His Head*, Slopian
- *Balto and The Great Race*, Kimmel
- *The Bears on Hemlock Mountain*, Dagliesh
- *The Canada Geese Quilt*, Kinsey-Warnock
- *The Case of Hermie the Missing Hamster*, Preller
- *Days with Frog and Toad*, Lobel
- *Each Peach, Pear, Plum*, Ahlberg
- *Frog and Toad Are Friends*, Lobel
- *Frog and Toad Together*, Lobel
- *Frog and Toad All Year*, Lobel
- *Gold Rush Winter*, Murphy
- *Green Eggs and Ham*, Seuss
- *Henry and Mudge stories*, Rylant
- *Ice Wreck*, Penner
- *Imogene's Antlers*, Small
- *Little Bear*, Minarik
- *Little Rabbit's Loose Tooth*, Bate
- *The Magic Fish*, Littledale
- *The Mitten*, Blett
- *Mouse Tales*, Lobel
- *Mouse Soup*, Lobel
- *Noisy Nora*, Wells
- *Owl at Home*, Lobel
- *Our Snowman*, Goffstein
- *Picture Book of Abraham Lincoln*, Adler
- *Picture Book of George Washington*, Adler
- *Pioneer Cat*, Hooks
- *Rosie's Walk*, Hutchins
- *Statue of Liberty*, Penner
- *Strega Nona*, DePaola
- *Seven Little Rabbits*, Becker
- *True Story of Pocahontas*, Penner
- *Young Orville and Wilbur Wright*, Troll Publishing

2nd Grade:

- *Nate the Great*, Sharmat
- *My Father's Dragon*, Ruth Stiles Gannett
- *Elmer and the Dragon*, Gannett
- *The Dragon of Blueland*, Gannett
- *The Bears on Hemlock Mountain*, Dagliesh

- *Stuart Little*, White
- *Charlotte's Web*, White
- *Wee Sir Gibbie*, Lawson
- *The Borrowers*, Norton
- *Little House in the Big Woods*, Wilder
- *The Mouse and the Motorcycle*, Cleary
- *Homer Price*, McCloskey
- *Winnie the Pooh*, Milne
- *The Matchlock Gun*, Edmonds

3rd Grade:

- *By the Shores of Silver Lake*, Wilder
- *The Landing of the Pilgrims*, Daugherty
- *The Long Winter*, Wilder
- *The Moffats*, Estes
- *The Middle Moffat*, Estes
- *Ginger Pye*, Estes
- *On the Banks of Plum Creek*, Wilder
- *Sarah, Plain and Tall*, MacLachlan
- *Squanto: Friend of the Pilgrims*, Bulla
- *George Washington*, Children's Press
- *George Washington Carver*, Children's Press
- *Paul Revere*, Stevenson
- *Outcast*, Sutcliffe
- *The Librarian Who Measured the Earth*,
- *The Eagle of the Ninth*, Sutcliffe
- *Black Ships Before Troy*, Sutcliffe
- *The Cat of Bubastes*, Henty
- *The Boxcar Children*, Warner
- *Snow Treasure*, McSwigan

- *Treasure Island*, Stevenson
- *Misty of Chincoteague*, Henry
- *Detectives in Togas*, Winterbourne
- *The Princess and the Goblin*, Macdonald
- *Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm*, McSwigan
- *The Reluctant Dragon*, Graham
- *St. Francis*, B. Wildsmith
- *St. George and the Dragon*, Cohen
- *Henry Huggins*, Cleary
- *Homer Price*, McCloskey
- *The Great Brain*, Fitzgerald
- *The Borrowers*, Norton
- *D'aulaire's Book of Greek Myths*, D'Aulaire
- *In Search of Troy*, Ventura
- *The Matchlock Gun*, Edmonds
- *Rome Antics*, Macaulay
- *Yellow and Pink*, Steig

4th Grade:

- *The Cricket In Times Square*, Selden
- *The Phantom Tollbooth*, Jester
- *The Bridge*, Massi
- *Beauty*, McKinley
- *Cinderella*, Rackham
- *The Family That Lived Under the Bridge*, Carlson
- *The Mouse of Amberst, Spires (poems of Emily Dickinson)*
- *Abel's Island*, Steig
- *The Cabin Faced West*, Fritz

- *Pippi Longstocking*, Lindgren
- *Pollyanna*, Porter
- *Strawberry Girl*, Lenski
- *Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, Baum
- *Heidi*, Spyri
- *The Wind in the Willows*, Grahame
- *Around the World in 80 Days*, Verne
- *Miracle on Maple Hill*, Sorensen