

Kindergarten and 1st Grade Summer Reading List

Authors:

Aliki	Gibbons, Gail
Carle, Eric	Dr. Seuss
DePaola, Tomie	Willems, Mo

Fiction

Author:

Title:

Barrett, Judy

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs

The tiny town of Chewandswallow was very much like any other tiny town except for its weather, which came three times a day, at breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Becker, Bonnie

A Visitor for Bear

A friendship is forged between Bear, who wants no visitors, and mouse, who won't leave Bear alone.

Child, Lauren

I am Too Absolutely Small for School

When Lola is worried about starting school her older brother Charlie reassures her.

Cronin, Doreen

Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type

Farmer Brown's cows like to type. But his problems *really* start when his cows start leaving him notes!

Dooley, Norah

Everybody Cooks Rice

Carrie travels from one house to another looking for her brother at dinnertime. Each family invites her in for a taste of what they are cooking.

Falconer, Ian

Olivia

Olivia is constantly on the move, dreaming big dreams, and meeting every challenge head-on.

Henkes, Kevin

Chrysanthemum

Chrysanthemum loved her name...until she went to school.

Hobbie, Holly

Toot and Puddle

The activities of two pigs, one a homebody and the other an enthusiastic world traveler, are contrasted in illustrations brimming with humor.

Hutchins, Pat

Rosie's Walk

Rosie the hen leaves the chicken coop and sets out for a little walk. Right behind her is the fox slyly trying to catch up with her.

Martin, Bill

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

In this lively alphabet rhyme all the letters of the alphabet race each other up the coconut tree.

Meddaugh, Susan

Martha Speaks

When Helen Finney feeds alphabet soup to her dog Martha, Martha begins to speak. But having a talking dog is not as fun as it seems.

McMullan, Kate

I Stink!

An enthusiastic garbage truck describes the hearty joys of its daily rounds.

Rayner, Catherine.

Augustus and His Smile

Augustus the tiger has lost his smile. Not knowing where to find it, he begins a quest that takes him all over the world.

Sendak, Maurice.

Where the Wild Things Are

Max is sent to bed without supper and sails away to the land of Wild Things where he is made king.

Shannon, David

Duck on A Bike

A Duck spies a red bicycle and gets "a wild idea."

Slate, Joseph

Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten

This rhyming and brightly illustrated book is an ideal way to practice the alphabet while introducing young children to kindergarten.

Steig, William

Doctor De Soto

Doctor De Soto, a well-respected mouse-dentist, is friendly and professional toward all patients with the exception of "cats and other dangerous animals," as stated clearly on the sign outside the office.

Swanson, Susan Marie *The House in the Night*

A spare, patterned text and glowing pictures explore the origins of light that make a house a home in this bedtime book for young children.

Wiesner, David *Flotsom*

A wave deposits an old-fashioned contraption at the feet of an inquisitive young beachcomber. It's a Melville underwater camera, and the excited boy quickly develops the film he finds inside.

Willems, Mo *Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed*

Wilbur is different from the other Naked Mole Rats in his Colony, because he wears clothes (and he likes it!).

Yolen, Jane *How Do Dinosaurs go to School?*

What would happen if dinosaurs went to schools like children?

Easy Readers

Author:

Title:

Capucilli, Alyssa *Biscuit* (I Can Read! series)

Join Biscuit on his puppy adventures with this short and repetitive text.

Hoff, Syd *Who Will Be My Friends?* (any title by author)

Freddy is looking for friends to play with; clear text requires some word decoding.

Maslen, Bobby Lynn *Bob Books*

These books come in sets designed for early readers learning to put sounds and sentences together.

McDonald, Megan *Beezy and Funnybone* (series)

A longer text for readers who are ready to decode words on their own.

Minarik, Else Holmelund *Little Bear* (and other *Little Bear* books)

This is the first I Can Read Book ever, and the first of five classic Little Bear books, expressly designed for beginning readers.

Rylant, Cynthia *Puppy Mudge* (Ready-to-Read series)

The prequel to Rylant's Henry and Mudge series is perfect for early readers with limited sight vocabulary.

Dr. Seuss *Cat in the Hat*

The Cat in the Hat is a fun classic to practice reading and rhyming.

Non-Fiction

Author:

Title:

Aruego, Jose *Weird Friends* (j577.85 ARU 2002)

In the animal kingdom, you just can't predict who will be friends with who.

Backer, Miles *Travelin' the Northeast* (j974 BAC)

A combination of I-Spy, geography lesson, map reading, and facts about each state is jam-packed with information. And it's FUN!

Fanelli, Sara *Mythological Monsters* (j292.13 FAN 2002)

An introduction to the stories of fourteen monsters from Greek mythology.

Hillman, Ben *How Big Is It?* (j153.752 HIL 2007)

In this book, wildly different objects are taken out of their normal context and placed next to one another to allow for new and exciting perspectives.

Hooper, Meredith *Who Built the Pyramid?* (j932 HOO 2001)

In this innovative nonfiction title, everyone from the mighty king to the lowly water carrier claims to have built this massive monument

Waring, Geoff *Oscar and the Bat: A Book about Sound* (j534 WAR 2008)

When Oscar hears a blackbird singing in the meadow, Bat swoops in to talk to him about sound.

Williams, Rozanne Lanczak *The Coin Counting Book* (j332.404 WIL 2001)

A bold design encourages play with actual coins while reading the book.

