



What is Reading?

Reading is the ability to identify the symbols of text to grasp the information written in print. The process of reading includes: word recognition (ability to identify the written symbols/text in print), comprehension (understand the printed words and grasp the knowledge of the information), and fluency.

Benefits of Reading

- Reading exercises **BRAIN**
- Reading boosts **KNOWLEDGE**
- Reading expands **VOCABULARY**
- Reading strengthens **MEMORY**
- Reading fosters **CONCENTRATION**
- Reading enhances **IMAGINATION**
 - Reading keeps you **ENGAGED**
 - Reading sharpens **MIND**
- Reading strengthens **WRITING SKILLS**

The books and authors in this Reading List are only suggestions.....

Kindergarten

- This book will not be fun by Cirocco Dunlap
- The Book with no pictures by B. J. Novak
- Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault
- Corduroy by Don Freeman
- Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
- The Z Was Zapped: A Play in Twenty-Six Acts by Chris Van Allsburg
- Pete the Cat Picture Book Series by Eric Litwin
- A School Like Mine: A Unique Celebration of Schools Around the World by Penny Smith and Zahavit Shalev

First Grade

- The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka
- There's an Alligator Under My Bed by Mercer Mayer
- Freckle Juice by Julie Blume
- The Boy Who Loved Words by Roni Schotter
- There is a Bird on Your Head! By Mo Willems
- Ramona the Pest by Beverly Cleary
- The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes
- Tuesday by David Wiesner
- 365 Penguins by Jean Luc Fromental
- Diary of a Worm by Doreen Cronin
- The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds
- When Will I Read? By Miriam Cohen
- And I Mean It, Stanley by Crosby Bonsall

Second Grade

- Rosie Revere, Engineer by Andrea Beaty
- If I Built a Car by Chris Van Dusen
- Once Upon a Time by Niki Daly
- Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater
- Dear Max by Sally Grindley
- Duck for President by Doreen Cronin
- How to Save Your Tail by Mary Hansen
- Science Verse by Jon Scieszka
- Owl Moon by Jane Yolen
- Bartholemew and the Oobleck by Dr. Seuss
- The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
- You Can't Eat Your Chicken Pox, Amber Brown by Paula Danziger
- Galaxy Zack by Ray O'Ryan
- Cam Jansen by David Adler

Third Grade

- The Adventure of Paddington by Michael Bond
- Bad to the Bone by Lucy Nolan
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney
- Big Nate by Lincoln Pierce
- Tales of the 4th Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
- Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl
- Muggie Maggie by Beverly Cleary
- The Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner
- The Chocolate Touch by Patrick Catling
- Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parrish and Fritz Seibel
- James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl

Fourth Grade

- Fables by Arnold Lobel
- Six Dots by Jen Bryant
- Fortunately, the Milk by Neil Gaiman
- George's Marvellous Medicine by Roald Dahl
- The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupery
- The Mouse with the Question Mark Tail by Richard Peck
- The Right Word by Jen Bryant
- Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
- Frindle by Andrew Clements

Fifth Grade

- Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli
- Wonder by RJ Palacio
- Stuart Little by EB White
- The Seventh Wish by Kate Messner
- The Jungle Book by Rudyard Kipling