

Recommended Reading List by Grade Level

Kindergarten Core Literature List:

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom-Martin
The Very Hungry Caterpillar-Carle
Courduroy-Freeman
Brown Bear, Brown Bear
The Big Red Strawberry
Cat In the Hat-Suess
Cookie's Week-Ward
Gingerbread Man-Aylesworth
Goodnight Moon-Brown
Gregory the Terrible Eater-Sharmat
Harry the Dirty Dog-Zion
Where the Wild Things Are-Sendak

It Looked Like Spilt Milk-Shaw
Jack and the Beanstalk-Galdone
Little Engine That Could-Piper
The Mitten-Brett
Make Way for Ducklings-McClosky
Happy Birthday Moon- Asch
Mother Goose Nursery Rhymes
Rosie's Walk-Hutchins
Runaway Bunny-Brown
Swimmy-Lionni
The Tale of Peter Rabbit-Potter
Ten Black Dots- Crews
The Three Billy Goats Gruff-Galdone

Grade 1 Literature List:

Alexander and the Horrible, Terrible, No
Good, Very Bad Day-Viorst
Sheep in a Jeep—Shaw
Is Your Mama a Llama?--Guarino
Little Red Hen-Galdone
Blueberries for Sal—McCloskey
Curious George-Rey
Goodnight Owl---Hutchins
Ira Sleeps Over—Weber
Love You Forever—Munsch
Princess and the Pea-Ziefert
Rainbow Fish-Pfister
Seasons of Arnold's Tree-Gibbons
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble—Steig
There's a Nightmare in My Closet—
Mayer
Tikki Tikki Tembo-Mosel
Very Busy Spider-Carle
Leo the Late Bloomer-Kraus
The Velveteen Rabbit--William
Whose Mouse are You?-Kraus

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever--
Robinson
Arthur Writes a Story—Brown
Bread and Jam for Frances-Hoban
Charlie Needs a Cloak—De Paola
George and Martha-Marshall
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie—
Numeroff
Little Rabbit's Loose Tooth—Bate
Napping House—Wood
Rechenka's Egg—Polacco
Stone Soup—Brown
Tacky the Penguin—Lester
Three Little Pigs—Kellogg
Two Bad Ants—Van Allsburg
Woman Who Outshone the Sun—
Martinez
Caps for Sale—Slobodkina
Are You MyMother?—Eastman
Nate the Great—Sharmat

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Grade 2 Literature List:

Fossils Tell of Long Ago-Aliki
Frog and Toad are Friends-Lobel
Giving Tree-Silverstein
Story of Johnny Appleseed-Aliki
The Adventures of Taxi Dog-Barracca
Anansi the Spider-McDermott
Amelia Bedilia-Parish
A Bargain for Francis-Hoban
The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash-Noble
Chair for My Mother
Corn is Maize-Aliki
Digging up Dinosaurs-Aliki
Hailstones and Halibut Bones-O'Neill
Happy Birthday Martin Luther King-
Marzollo
Helen Keller-Davidson
How Many Days to America-Bunting
Magic Tree House Books- Osborne
Milk Makers-Gibbons
A New Coat for Anna-Ziefert
The Ox Cart Man-Hall
Patchwork Quilt-Flourno
New Kid on the Block-Prelutsky
Polar Express-Van Allsburg
Ramona the Pest-Cleary
Snail's Spell-Ryder
Strega Nona-De Paola
Ugly Duckling-Cauley
Wednesday's Surprise-Bunting
The Whingdingdilly-Peet
Why Mosquitos Buzz in People's Ears-
Ardema
What Happened to Patrick's Dinosaurs-
Carrick

Grade 3 Literature List:

Charlotte's Web-White
Mr. Popper's Penguins--Atwater
Little House in the Big Woods—Wilder
Ramona Quimby, Age 8-Cleary
All About Sam—Lowry
Anno's Mysterious Multiplying Jar—Anno
Brother Eagle, Sister Sky, A Message from
-- Chief Seattle--Jeffers
Cinderella—Perault
Coulbus—D'Aulaire
Courage of Sarah Noble—Dalglisesh
Song of the Swallows-Politi
Girl Who Loved Wild Horses—Goble
Each Orange Had Eight Slices-Giganti
Fables-Lobel
From Sea to Shining Sea—Cohn
James and the Giant Peach—Dahl
Knots on a Counting Rope-Martin
Louis Braille-Davidson
Mouse and the Motorcycle—Cleary
Mrs. Piggle Wiggle---MacDonald
Sam, Bangs, and Moonshine—Ness
Sarah, Plain and Tall--MacLachlan
Squanto—Bulla
When I Was Young in the Mountains—
Rylant
Where the Sidewalk Ends---Silverstein
Wump World—Peet

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Grade 4 Literature List:

By the Great Horn Spoon-Fleischman
Island of the Blue Dolphins-O'Dell
Two Years Before the Mast (juvenile
version)-Dana
Fudg-a-mania-Blume
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory-Dahl
The BFG-Dahl
The Black Stallion-Farley
Blue Willow-Gates
Carlota-O'Dell
Children of the Dust Bowl-Stanley
Hank the Cow Dog-Erickson
How to Eat Fried Worms-Rockwell

If You Lived at the Time of the Great San
Francisco Earthquake-Levine
Junipero Serra-Gleiter
Little House on the Prairie-Wilder
Misty of Chincoteague-Henry
My Side of the Mountain-George
Pasquala: The Story of a Californian
Indian Girl-Faber
Patty Reed's Doll-Laurgaard
Pedro's Journal-Conrad
Rascal-North
Stone Fox-Gardiner
War with Grandpa-Smith
Zia-O'Dell

Grade 5 Literature List:

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe-
Lewis
Sign of the Beaver-Speare
Where the Red Fern Grows-Rawls
Secret Garden-Burnett
Ben and Me-Lawson
Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia-Cousins
Brighty of the Grand Canyon-Henry
The Cabin Faced West-Fritz
Caddie Woodlawn-Brink
Dear Mr. Henshaw-Cleary
Fighting Ground-Avi
Frindle-Clements
A Gathering of Days-Blos
George Washington-Krensky
I, Columbus: My Journal-Roop

In the Year of the Boar and Jackie
Robinson-Lord
A Week in the Woods-Clements
Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher-
Coville
Letters From Rifka-Heese
Number the Stars-Lowry
Sarah Plain and Tall-McLachian
Shiloh-Naylor
Sing Down the Moon-O'Dell
A Single Shard-Park
Tolliver's Secret-Brady
The Trouble with Tuck-Taylor
Tuck Everlasting-Babbitt
Walk Two Moons-Creech
Wheel on the School-De Jong

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Grade 6 Literature List:

The Boy of the Painted Cave--Denzel
The Book of Greek Myths-D'Aluare
The Bronze Bow--Speare
The Cay--Taylor
Hatchet-Paulson
The Egypt Game--Snyder
The Chronicles of Narnia--Lewis
Mixed up Files of Mrs. Basil E.
Frankenweiler
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh
Summer of the Swans—E.B.White
Tales of Ancient Egypt
Aesop's Fables--Aesop
A Wrinkle in Time—L'Engle

Bridge to Terabithia-Paterson
The Rainbow People-Yep
The Cricket in Times Square-Selden
Phantom Tollbooth-Juster
The House of Sixty Fathers—Dejong
Mara, Daughter of the Nile—McGraw
Holes-Sachar
Bud, Not Buddy-Curtis
Maniac Magee-Spinelli
The Westing Game—Raskin
Julie of the Wolves—George
Homesick, My own Story--Fritz
Absolutely Normal Chaos-Creech
Sounder—Armstrong

Grade 7 Literature List:

The Giver-Lowry
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry-Taylor
The Samurai's Tale-Haugaard
Catherine Called Birdy-Cushman
Adam of the Road-Gray
A Day No Pigs Would Die-Peck
The Black Pearl-O'Dell
The Castle in the Attic-Winthrop
The Door in the Wall-de Angeli

Dragonwings-Yep
I, Juan de Pareja-Trevino
Jacob Have I Loved-Patterson
The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood-Pyle
The Pearl-Steinbeck
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes-
Coerr
The Story of King Arthur and His Knights
Trumpeter of Krakow-Kelly
Yeh Shen; A Cinderella Story From China-
Louie
Zlata's Diary-Filipovic

Grade 8 Literature List:

Across Five Aprils-Hunt
Slave Dancer-Fox
My Brother Sam is Dead-Collier/Collier
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer-Twain
Outsiders-Hinton
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle-
Avi
Anne Frank-Frank
Farewell to Manzanar
To Be a Slave-Lestera
Witch of Blackbird Pond-Speare
O Poineers-Cather

Night-Wiesel
Summer of My German Soldier-Greene
The Education of Little Tree-Carter
Nothing But the Truth-Avi
Kidnapped-Stevensen
Little Women-Alcott
Call of the Wild-London
The Ox Bow Incident-Clark
The Red Badge of Courage-Crane
AprilMorning-Fast
Uncle Tom's Cabin-Stowe
And Then There Were None-Christie

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Grade 9-10 Literature List:

To Kill a Mockingbird-Lee
Romeo and Juliet-Shakespeare
Odyssey-Homer
House on Mango Street-Cisneros
Old Man and the Sea-Hemingway
Ethan Frome-Wharton
Black Like Me-Griffin
Tale of Two Cities-Dickens
Great Expectations-Dickens
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings-Angelou
The Chocolate War-Cormier
Death in the Family-Agee
The Martian Chronicles-Bradbury
Barrio Boy-Galarza
The Hobbit-Tolkein
The Red Pony-Buck
The Hounds of Baskerville-Doyle
The Color Purple-Walker

Grade 11 Literature List:

The Grapes of Wrath-Steinbeck
The Scarlet Letter-Hawthorne
Raisin in the Sun-Hansberry
Adventures of Huckleberry Finn-Twain
A Farewell to Arms-Hemingway
For Whom the Bell Tolls-Hemingway
Fahrenheit 451-Bradbury
The Awakening-Chopin
Death of a Salesman-Miller
The Glass Menagerie-Williams
Dear America, Letters from Viet Nam
Catcher in the Rye-Salinger
The Great Gatsby
The Jungle-Sinclair
Heart of Darkness-Conrad
The Good Earth-Buck
I Heard The Owl Call My Name-Craven
Sound and the Fury-Faulkner
Autobiography of Miss Jane Pitman
I Never Promised You a Rose Garden-Greenberg
House of Seven Gables-Hawthorne
Their Eyes Were Watching God-Hurston
Ramona-Jackson
The Bourne Identity-Ludlum
The Heart is a Lonely Hunter-McCullers
Beloved-Morrison
The Bluest Eye-Morrison

Grade 12 Literature List:

Frankenstein-Shelley
Hamlet or MacBeth-Shakespeare
Wuthering Heights-Bronte
Crime and Punishment-Dostoyevsky
Oedipus Rex-Sophocles
Pygmalion-Shaw
Dolls House-Ibsen
Metamorphosis-Kafka
Rosencranz and Guildenstern-Stoppard
Iliad-Homer
Am I Blue-Walker
The Stranger-Camus
Mrs. Dalloway-Woolf
Trial and Death of Socrates-Plato
A Modest Proposal-Swift
Candide-Voltaire
Cry the Beloved Country-Paton
Tess of the D'Urbervilles-Hardy
Graduation-Angelou
Shooting an Elephant-Orwell
Hard Times-Dickens