

DAVIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SUMMER READING LIST

KINDERGARTEN

Books About Me

- **I Like Me! by Nancy L. Carlson**
- **I Like to Be Little by Charlotte Zolotow**
- **The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle**
- **Owen by Kevin Henkes**
- **My Five Senses by Aliki**
- **When I Get Bigger by Mercer Mayer**

Predictable Books

(Stories with a pattern using rhyme or rhythm.)

- **Curious George by H. A. Rey**
- **Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet and Allan Ahlberg**
- **The Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone**
- **Gregory the Terrible Eater by Mitchell Sharmat**
- **Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown**
- **Millions of Cats by Wanda Gág**
- **What's in Fox's Sack? by Paul Galdone**

Color and Counting Books

- **Each Orange Had Eight Slices: A Counting Book by**

Caldecott Winners and Honor Books

- **Color Zoo by Lois Ehlert**
- **Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans**
- **More, More, More Said the Baby by Vera B. Williams**

Mother Goose and Nursery Rhymes

- **James Marshall's Mother Goose by James Marshall**
- **My Very First Mother Goose by Iona Opie and Rosemary Wells**



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FIRST GRADE

Classics to Read to a First Grader

- **Leo the Late Bloomer by Robert Kraus**
- **The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton**
- **Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey**
- **When Will I Read? by Miriam Cohen**

Caldecott Awards and Honor Books

- **Alphabet City by Stephen Johnson**
- **Ashanti to Zulu: African Traditions by Margaret Musgrove**
- **The Hello, Goodbye Window by Norton Juster and**

Fun Books to Share

- **And I Mean It, Stanley by Crosby Bonsall**
- **Arthur series by Marc Brown**
- **A Bad Case of the Stripes by David Shannon**
- **Berenstain Bear series by Jan and Stan Berenstain**
- **Clifford series by Norman Bridwell**

Alphabet Books

- **Animalia by Graeme Baese**
- **The Icky Bug Alphabet Book by Jerry Pallotta**
- **Z Was Zapped by Chris Van Allsburg**
- **How Much Is a Million? by David M. Schwartz**
- **One Potato: A Counting Book of Potato Prints by Diana**



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SECOND GRADE

Caldecott Awards and Honor Books

- **The Funny Little Woman by Arlene Mosel**
- **Many Moons by James Thurber**
- **The Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall**
- **The Story of Jumping Mouse by John Steptoe**
- **Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig**
- **When I Was Young in the Mountains by Cynthia Rylan**

School Stories

- **Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman**
- **Arthur's Prize Reader by Lillian Hoban**
- **The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash by Trinka Hakes Noble**
- **Fish Face by Patricia Reilly Giff**
- **Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park**
- **Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes**
- **Miss Nelson Is Missing by Harry Allard**
- **Polk Street Gang series by Patricia Reilly Giff**

Books About Friends

- **A Bargain for Frances by Russell Hoban**
- **The Beast in Ms. Rooney's Room by Patricia Reilly Giff**
- **Fox on the Job by James Marshall**
- **Frog and Toad Together by Arnold Lobel**
- **Horrible Harry and the Green Slime by Suzy Kline**
- **Pinky and Rex by James Howe**



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THIRD GRADE

Great Series Books

- **Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish**
- **American Girl series**
- **Arthur series by Marc Brown**
- **Berenstain Bears series by Jan and Stan Berenstain**
- **Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner**
- **Encyclopedia Brown by Donald J. Sobol**
- **Eyewitness Science Explorers**
- **Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant**

Award Winners

- **The Cat Who Went to Heaven by Elizabeth Jane Coatsworth**
- **Doctor De Soto by William Steig**
- **How Much Is a Million? by David M. Schwartz**
- **Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg**
- **Mercy Watson to the Rescue by Kate DiCamillo**

Historical Fiction

- **Ben and Me by Robert Lawson**
- **Changes for Addy by Connie Rose Porter (and other American Girl books)**
- **If You Grew Up with George Washington by Ruth Belov Gross**
- **Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express by Margaret K. Wetterer**
- **Kibitzers and Fools: Tales My Zayda Told Me by Simms Taback**

School Stories

- **Kirsten Learns a Lesson: A School Story by Janet Beeler Shaw**
- **Ramona Quimby Age 8 by Beverly Cleary**



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FOURTH GRADE

Fantasy and Science Fiction

- **Aliens Ate My Homework by Bruce Coville**
- **The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C. S. Lewis**

Series Books

- **The Babysitter's Club by Ann M. Martin**
- **Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner**
- **Cam Jansen by David A. Adler**
- **Goosebumps by R. L. Stine**

School Stories

- **4B Goes Wild by Jamie Gilson**
- **Harriet, the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh**
- **My Teacher Fried My Brains by Bruce Coville**
- **Ramona and Her Father by Beverley Cleary**
- **Sideways Stories from Wayside School by Louis Sachar**

Mystery and Adventure Stories

- **The Castle in the Attic by Elizabeth Winthrop (Challenging independent read)**
- **Culpepper's Cannon by Gary Paulsen**
- **Encyclopedia Brown Gets His Man by Donald J. Sobol**
- **Julian, Secret Agent by Ann Cameron**

Sports Stories

- **Baseball Fever by Johanna Hurwitz**
- **Benjy the Football Hero by Jean Van Leeuwen**
- **Bobby Baseball by Robert Kimmel Smith**
- **Dog on Third Base by Constance Hiser**



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FIFTH GRADE

- **From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler**
by E. L. Konigsberg
- **Granny Torrelli Makes Soup** by Sharon Creech
- **Hatchet** by Gary Paulsen
- **Holes** by Louis Sachar

Mystery and Adventure

- **Island of the Blue Dolphins** by Scott O'Dell
- **The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle** by Avi (Challenging independent read)

Newbery Medal and Honor Books

- **Afternoon of the Elves** by Janet Taylor Lisle
- **Catherine, Called Birdy** by Karen Cushman
- **Dragon's Gate** by Laurence Yep (Challenging independent read)
- **The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm** by Nancy Farmer
- **Homesick, My Own Story** by Jean Fritz
- **Missing May** by Cynthia Rylant

Historical Fiction

- **Black Stallion** by Walter Farley (Challenging independent read)
- **Bull Run** by Paul Fleischman
- **Code Talker: A Novel About the Navajo Marines of World War Two** by Joseph Bruchac
- **Sarah Bishop** by Scott O'Dell

