

Reading List

K4-K5 LEVEL



These titles come from many other wonderful book lists available online. I simply merged them all together for my own ease and reference. The majority of this list shows books that I read aloud to my kiddos. At the end, there is a very brief list of suggested readers we tried before my kids were ready for most independent reading lists.

- The Important Book by Margaret Wise Brown
- A Tree Is Nice by Janice May Udry
- Frederick by Leo Lionni
- Follow the Dream: The Story of Christopher Columbus by Peter Sis
- Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall
- Pumpkin Moonshine by Tasha Tudor
- Pancakes, Pancakes! by Eric Carle
- Bread and Jam for Frances by Russell Hoban
- This First Thanksgiving Day by Laura Krauss Melmed
- The Little Fir Tree by Margaret Wise Brown
- The Twelve Days of Christmas illustrated by Jan Brett
- Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree by Robert Barry
- Stellaluna by Janell Cannon
- Owl Moon by Jane Yolen
- Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening illustrated by Susan Jeffers
- Gregory's Shadow by Don Freeman
- Walter the Baker by Eric Carle
- Katy and the Big Snow by Virginia Lee Burton
- The Frogs and Toads All Sang by Arnold Lobel
- Roxaboxen by Alice McLerran
- Cactus Hotel by Brenda Z. Guiberson
- Hide and Seek Fog by Alvin Tresselt
- All Things Bright and Beautiful by Cecil Frances Alexander
- A Tale for Easter by Tasha Tudor
- What Do You Do With a Tail Like This? by Steve Jenkins & Robin Page
- A House for Hermit Crab by Eric Carle
- An Extraordinary Egg by Leo Lionni
- The Seven Silly Eaters by Mary Ann Hoberman
- Come On, Rain! by Karen Hesse
- Wonders of Nature by Eloise Wilkins



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- Hubert's Hair-Raising Adventure by Bill Peet
- The Story of Dr. Doolittle
- The Arnold Lobel Book of Mother Goose
- The Llama Who Had No Pajama
- My Father's Dragon
- Richard Scarry's Please and Thank You Book
- The Dolphin Adventure
- The Light at Tern Rock
- A Grain of Rice
- The Hundred Dresses
- Twenty and Ten
- Five True Dog Stories
- James Herriott's Treasury for Children
- Johnny Appleseed: The Story of a Legend
- Least of All
- The Complete Adventures of Curious George
- Here's a Penny
- No Children, No Pets
- Bearymore by Don Freeman
- The Biggest Bear by Lynd Ward
- Billy's Picture by Margret and H. A. Rey
- Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey
- Burt Dow, Deep-Water Man by Robert McCloskey
- Caps for Sale by Esphyr Slobodkina
- Chester the Worldly Pig by Bill Peet
- Corduroy by Don Freeman
- Curious George by Margret and H. A. Rey
- Curious George Takes a Job by Margret and H. A. Rey
- Curious George Rides a Bike by Margret and H. A. Rey
- The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
- God's Wisdom for Little Boys by Jim George
- God's Wisdom for Little Girls by Elizabeth George
- Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson
- Harry by the Sea by Gene Zion



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- Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion
- Home for a Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown
- Imogene's Antlers by David Small
- Katie and the Mona Lisa by James Mayhew
- Katie and the Sunflowers by James Mayhew
- Katie Meets the Impressionists by James Mayhew
- Katy No-Pocket by Emmy Payne
- Kitty's New Doll by Dorothy Kunhardt
- Lentil by Robert McCloskey
- Let It Snow (Toot & Puddle) by Holly Hobbie
- Little Toot by Hardie Gramatky
- Lost in the Woods by Jean Stoick and Carl R. Sams
- The Magic Hill by A. A. Milne
- Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
- Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton
- Millions of Cats by Wanda Gag
- A New Coat for Anna by Harriet Ziefert
- No Roses for Harry by Gene Zion
- Norman the Doorman by Don Freeman
- Pet of the Met by Don Freeman
- A Pocket for Corduroy by Don Freeman
- The Poky Little Puppy Janette Sebring Lowrey
- Polite Elephant by Richard Scarry
- Pretzel by Margret Rey
- Raggedy Andy Stories by Johnny Gruelle
- Raggedy Ann Stories by Johnny Gruelle
- The Reluctant Dragon by Kenneth Grahame
- The Saggy, Baggy Elephant by Kathryn Jackson
- The Shy Little Kitten by Cathleen Schurr
- The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats
- Stone Soup by Marcia Brown
- The Story of Ferdinand by Munro Leaf
- Stranger in the Woods by Jean Stoick and Carl R. Sams
- Swimmy by Leo Lionni



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- The Taxi That Hurried by Irma Simonton Black
- Thy Friend, Obadiah by Brinton Turkle
- Time of Wonder by Robert McCloskey
- Toot & Puddle by Holly Hobbie
- Tootle by Gertrude Crampton
- The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Andersen
- The Very Best Home for Me by Jane Werner Watson
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar (and others by Eric Carle)
- Violet Comes to Stay by Jan Karon
- Violet Goes to the Country by Jan Karon
- Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keats
- You Are My Sunshine (Toot & Puddle) by Holly Hobbie
- The Little House by Virginia Burton
- The Story About Ping by Marjorie Flack
- The Little Engine that Could by Watty Piper
- The Story of Little Babaji
- A good collection of Aesop's Fables, such as the one illustrated by Milo Winter
- The Bee Tree
- The Tortoise and the Hare
- Moonbear's Shadow
- Frog and Toad Are Friends
- If the Dinosaurs Came Back
- Mouse and Mole, Fine Feathered Friends
- Amazing Animal Alphabet
- Seven Blind Mice
- Tacky the Penguin
- Little Jewel Bird
- Fritz and the Beautiful Horses
- The Color Kittens
- The Year at Maple Hill Farm
- Annie and Snowball and the Cozy Nest
- How to Hide a Butterfly



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- Frog and Toad books by Arnold Lobel
- Little Bear book by Else Holmelund Minarek
- George and Martha series by James Marshall
- Frances books by Russell Hoban
- Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant
- Free online beginning readers by Harriette Taylor Treadwell
- See Sam sets (readingteacher.com)
- Sammy the Seal
- The Horse in Harry's Room
- BiscuitMorris the Moose
- God is Good series
- Educators Publishing Service series

