



## Summer Reading List

### Rising 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

2020-21 School Year



Experts agree that children who read during the summer months gain reading skills while those who do not often slide backwards (RIF). Choose books from the following list or share some of your personal favorites. Children should read for at least 15 minutes each day.

A general rule for selecting books at the appropriate independent reading level is to choose a page and ask your child to read it aloud. If he or she does not know more than 5 words on the page, the book may be too difficult for them to read independently. Don't let that discourage them - consider reading a "too difficult" book aloud to your child. Your child is never too old to enjoy being read to. This opens the door for quality time and interesting conversations.

- Your child should use the accompanying Reading Log to track their reading. *Turn in your Reading Log on the first day of school.*
- **Allow children to select books that are of interest to them.** It is important for children to associate reading with pleasure. Make reading fun!

#### **Suggested Titles:**

The Knight and the Dragon by Tomie dePaola (Any book by this author is a great choice!)

Junie B. Jones (Any books in this series) by Barbara Park

Curious George (Any books in this series) by H.A. Rey

Arthur (Any books in this series) by Marc Brown

Olivia (Any books in this series) by Ian Falconer

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein (Some wonderful poetry collections are also available by this author, such as Where the Sidewalk Ends)

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus by Mo Willems (ANY title by this author is sure to make you laugh out loud. Check out the Elephant and Piggie Series, too.)

If You Give a Pig a Pancake by Laura Numeroff (Any title by this author, too)

Little Bear (Any books in this series) by Else Holmelund Minarik

Owen by Kevin Henkes

Chester's Way by Kevin Henkes

Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes

Stone Soup by Ann McGovern

The Patchwork Quilt by Valerie Flourney  
Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey  
The Paper Bag Princess by Robert Munsch  
Doctor De Soto by William Steig  
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig  
Stellaluna by Janell Cannon  
A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon (Any title by this author)  
Clean Your Room, Harvey Moon! by Pat Cummings  
Ronald Morgan Goes to Bat by Patricia Giff  
The Great Kapok Tree by Lynne Cherry  
The Ugly Duckling by Jerry Pinkney  
Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf by Lois Ehlert  
Animals Born Alive and Well by Ruth Heller  
Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans  
Sharks by Gail Gibbons (Many excellent non-fiction titles are available from this author.)  
The Day the Dog Said "Cock-a-Doodle-Do" by David McPhail  
A Bear Called Paddington by Michael Bond  
Any of the I Can Read! books  
Dr. Seuss books  
BOB books  
Scholastic Leveled Readers  
National Geographic Leveled Readers  
Who Would Win? books  
Froggy books by Jonathan London  
The Notebook of Doom books by Troy Cummings  
Fly Guy books by Tedd Arnold  
Narwhal books by Ben Clanton  
Mercy Watson books by Kate DiCamillo  
Cam Jansen books by David A. Adler