

Suggested Summer Reading List Summer 2025

Preschool–Kindergarten

- P.D. Eastman: *Are You My Mother?*
- Mo Willems: *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!*; *Elephant and Piggie* series
- Mercer Mayer: *Little Critter* series (e.g., *Just Me and My Mom*)
- David McKee: *Elmer* series
- Peter H. Reynolds: *The Dot*
- Anna Dewdney: *Llama Llama* series

Grades 1–2

- Patty Lovell: *Stand Tall, Molly Lou Melon* series
- Jory John: *The Bad Seed*; *The Good Egg*
- Peter H. Reynolds: *Be You!*
- Arnold Lobel: *Frog and Toad* series
- Kate DiCamillo: *Mercy Watson* series
- Julianne Moore: *Freckleface Strawberry* series
- Helen Lester: *Three Cheers for Tacky*
- Mary Pope Osborne: *Magic Tree House* series (*Dinosaurs Before Dark* and others)

Grades 3–4

- Lauren Tarshis: *I Survived* collection
- Judy Blume: *Freckle Juice*; *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*
- David A. Adler: *Cam Jansen* series (*Cam Jansen and the Mystery of the Stolen Diamonds*)
- Beverly Cleary: *Ramona the Pest*; *Henry Huggins*
- Roald Dahl: *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*; *Fantastic Mr. Fox*

Grade 5

- Mary Pope Osborne: *Magic Tree House: Merlin Missions* (more advanced *Magic Tree House* books)
- Judy Blume: *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*; *Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great*
- Beverly Cleary: *Dear Mr. Henshaw*
- Roald Dahl: *Matilda*; *James and the Giant Peach*
- Louis Sachar: *Sideways Stories from Wayside School*

Grades 6-8

Realistic Fiction

- *Front Desk* by Kelly Yang
- *New Kid* by Jerry Craft (graphic novel)
- *The Science of Breakable Things* by Tae Keller

Historical Fiction

- *The War That Saved My Life* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
- *Fever 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson
- *A Place to Belong* by Cynthia Kadohata

Science Fiction

- *Aru Shah and the End of Time* by Roshani Chokshi
- *The Last Cuentista* by Donna Barba Higuera
- *The Shadow Club* by Neal Shusterman

Nonfiction

- *Calling All Minds: How to Think and Create Like an Inventor* by Temple Grandin
- *Hidden Figures* (Young Readers Edition) by Margot Lee Shetterly
- *Lincoln's Grave Robbers* by Steve Sheinkin

Grades 9-12

Fiction - Classics

- *A Separate Peace* by John Knowles
- *All Quiet on the Western Front* by Erich Maria Remarque
- *The Scarlet Pimpernel* by Baroness Orczy
- *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier
- *And There Were None* by Agatha Christie

Fiction – Modern

- *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus
- *Children of Blood and Bone* by Tomi Adeyemi
- *The Poet X* by Elizabeth Acevedo
- *Monster* by Walter Dean Myers
- *When the Emperor was Divine* by Julie Otsuka
- *The Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver

Fiction – Science Fiction, Fantasy

- *Lord of the Rings Trilogy* by J.R.R. Tolkien
- *Scythe* by Neal Shusterman
- *Dry* by Neal Shusterman
- *Ready Player One* by Ernest Cline
- *Never Let Me Go*, Kazuo Ishiguro
- *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* by Douglas Adams
- *Ender's Game* by Orson Scott Card
- *A Wizard of Earthsea* by Ursula K. LeGuin

Nonfiction

- *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown
- *Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Speaking* by Susan Cain
- *Outcasts United: The Story of a Refugee Soccer Team That Changed a Town* by Warren St. John
- *I Am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai
- *The Code Book: The Science of Secrecy from Ancient Egypt to Quantum Cryptology* by Simon Singh
- *The Math Instinct: Why You're a Mathematical Genius (Along with Lobsters, Birds, Cats, and Dogs)* by Keith Devlin
- *Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson
- *The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate – Discoveries from a Secret World* by Peter Wohlleben
- *The Soul of an Octopus: A Surprising Exploration into the Wonder of Consciousness* by Sy Montgomery