

## 2021 Summer Reading for Rising 1st Graders

It is important that your child read aloud daily this summer to keep reading skills growing. First graders are not required to keep a record of readings, but it might be a fun project.

### **Suggested Early Reader Books\* for Rising First Graders:**

*Elephant & Piggie* series, by Mo Willems  
*Henry and Mudge* series, by Cynthia Rylant  
*Amelia Bedelia* series, by Peggy Parrish  
*Frog and Toad* series, by Arnold Lobel  
*Fly Guy* series, by Ted Arnold  
*Young Amber Brown* series, by Paula Danziger  
*Biscuit* series, by Alyssa Capucilli  
*TOON Book* series, by various authors  
*Bob Books*, by Bobbie Maslen  
*Millie and Moo* series, by Denys Caset  
*Iris and Walter* series, by Elissa Guest  
*Penny* stories, by Kevin Henkes  
*Pup and Hound* series, by Susan Hood  
*Pinky and Rex* series, by James Howe  
Cat in the Hat (and others), by Dr. Seuss  
Ling & Ting, by Grace Lin  
A Bargain for Frances, by Russell Hoban  
School Zone phonics readers, by various authors  
*Mercy Watson* series, by Kate DiCamillo  
*Fancy Nancy* “*I Can Read*” series, by Jane O’Connor

\*A note of caution about early reader books-- please don’t expect your child to be able to read all or even *any* of these books! Explore a series or two as read-alouds, and then encourage your young reader to take over on a word here or a page there, as he is able. Enjoy reading these books together!

### **Suggested Picture Books to Read Aloud**

Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus, by Mo Willems  
Make Way for Ducklings, by Robert McCloskey  
Harold and the Purple Crayon, by Crockett Johnson  
Madeline, by Ludwig Bemelmans  
Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale, by Mo Willems

The Story of Ferdinand, by Monroe Leaf  
The True Story of the Three Little Pigs, by John Scieszka  
Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse, by Kevin Henkes  
Owl Moon, by Jane Yolen  
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day, by Judith Viorst  
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs, by Judi and Ron Barrett  
Miss Rumphius, by Barbara Cooney  
George and Martha, by James Marshall  
Bark, George, by Jules Feiffer  
Swimmy, by Leo Lionni  
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble, by William Steig  
Click Clack Moo, Cows That Type, by Doreen Cronin  
Olivia, by Ian Falconer  
Bunny Money, by Rosemary Wells  
Eloise, by Kay Thompson  
The Relatives Came, by Cynthia Rylant  
Stellaluna, By Janell Cannon  
Strega Nona, by Tomie de Paola  
The Little Engine that Could, by Wally Piper  
Scaredy Squirrel, by Melanie Watt  
The Big Orange Splot, by Daniel Pinkwater  
Mirette on the High Wire, by Emily McCully  
Amazing Grace, by Mary Hoffman  
Mud Puddle, by Robert Munsch  
Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock, by Eric Kimmel