

Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School
James Caldwell Elementary School
Suggested Summer Reading List (2024)
Grade 4



Biography

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Aliki
Dahl, Roald
Ferris, Jeri
McDonough, Yona
Old, Wendie
Smith, Kathie Billingslea

Fantasy

Banks, Lynn Reid
Baum, Frank L.
Brown, Jeff
Catling, Patrick
Coville, Bruce
Dahl, Roald
Dahl, Roald
DiTerlizzi, Tony
Eager, Edward
Hesse, Karen
Kurzweil, Allen
Rowling, J.K.

Fiction

Avi
Brown, Monica
Cleary, Beverly
Cleary, Beverly
Cottrell Boyce, Frank
Dahl, Roald
Danziger, Paula
Estes, Eleanor
Giff, Patricia Reilly
Gutman, Dan
Keller, Tae
King-Smith, Dick
Lowry, Lois
Marsh, Carol
Martin, Ann
McCloskey
Rockwell, Thomas
Sachar, Louis
Selden, George
Soontornvat, Christina
Spinelli, Jerry
Spinelli, Jerry
Van Draanen, W.
White, E.B.
White, E.B.

Folktales and Myths

Ada, Alma Flor

William Shakespeare and the Globe Boy (autobiographical)
Go Free or Die: The Story of Harriet Tubman
Who Was Lois Armstrong (and others in the Who Was...series)
To Fly: The Story of the Wright Brothers
Sitting Bull

Indian in the Cupboard (series)
The Wonderful Wizard of Oz
Flat Stanley (and others in the series)
The Chocolate Touch
Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher
The BFG
James and the Giant Peach
The Spiderwick Chronicles (series)
Half Magic
The Music of the Dolphins
Leon and the Spitting Image
Harry Potter (series)

Poppy & Rye (Tales from Dimwood Forest)
Pablo Neruda
Ramona (and others in this series)
Henry Huggins
Millions
Matilda
Amber Brown (series)
Ginger Pye
Fourth Grade Celebrity
Babe and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure
When you Trap a Tiger
Babe the Gallant Pig
Anastasia (series)
Mysteries: Real Kids, Real Places (series)
Doll People
Homer Price
How to Eat Fried Worms
There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom
The Cricket In Times Square
A Wish in the Dark
Crash
Fourth Grade Rats
Shredderman (series)
Charlotte's Web
Stuart Little

The Gold Coin

Kipling, Rudyard
Martin, Rafe
Kingsley, Charles

Historical Fiction

Adler, David
Assorted Authors
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Avi
Conrad, Pam
Dorris, Michael
Fritz, Jean
Levine, Ellen
O'Dell, Scott
Reiss, Johanna
Woodruff, Elvira
Yolen, Jane

Historical Nonfiction

Drucker, Malka
Freedman, Russell
O'Connor, Jim
Ryan, Pam Munoz
St. George, Judith
Taylor, Mildred

Math

Birch, David
Demi
Tang, Greg

Mystery

Avi
Dixon, Frank
Keene, Carolyn

Just So Stories
The Rough Faced Girl
Heroes of Greek Mythology

Lou Gehrig: The Luckiest Man
American Girls (series)
Dear America (series)
My Name is America (series)
The Fighting Ground
Pedro's Journal
Sees Behind Trees
The Cabin Faced West
Henry's Freedom Box
Sing Down the Moon
The Upstairs Room
George Washington's Socks
Encounter

Jacob's Rescue
Buffalo Hunt
Jackie Robinson and the Story of All-Black Baseball
Riding Freedom
So You Want to be President?
Mississippi Bridge

The Kings Chessboard
One Grain of Rice: A Mathematical Folktale
The Grapes of Math

Who Stole the Wizard of Oz?
The Hardy Boys
Nancy Drew (series)

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Poetry

Dakos, Kalli
Florian, Doug
Lewis, Patrick
Prelutsky, Jack
Scieszka, Jon
Schenk de Regniers
Silverstein, Shel

Don't Read This Book, Whatever You Do!
Bing Bang Boing
Doodle Dandies: Poems that Take Shape
Something Big Has Been Here (and others)
Math Course
Sing a Song of Popcorn
Where the Sidewalk Ends (and others by this author)

Realistic Fiction

Blume, Judy
Christopher, Matt
Cheech, Sharon
Dahl, Roald
Farley, Walter
Gantos, Jack
Henry, Maurgerite
Levy, Elizabeth
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds
Rockwell, Thomas
Spinelli, Jerry

Superfudge (and others in this series)
Soccer Halfback (and others by this author)
Granny Torelli Makes Soup
Danny, Champion of the World
The Black Stallion
Joey Pigza (series)
Misty of Chinocoteague
Keep Ms. Sugarman in The Fourth Grade
The Boys Star The War (series)
How To Eat Fried Worms
Loser

Science Fiction

Alexander, Lloyd
Applegate, K.A.
Coville, Bruce
Crilley, Mark
Scieszka, Jon

Time Cat
Animorphs (series)
My Teacher is an Alien (and others)
Akiko (series)
Time Warp Trio (series)

Suspense

Bruchac, Joseph
Snicket, Lemony

Skeleton Man
A Series of Unfortunate Events (series)

Tall Tales

Lester, Julius
Osborne, Mary Pope
San Souci, Robert

John Henry
American Tall Tales
Cut From The Same Cloth: American Women of Myth, Legend, and Tall Tale