

# Primary-Grade 1

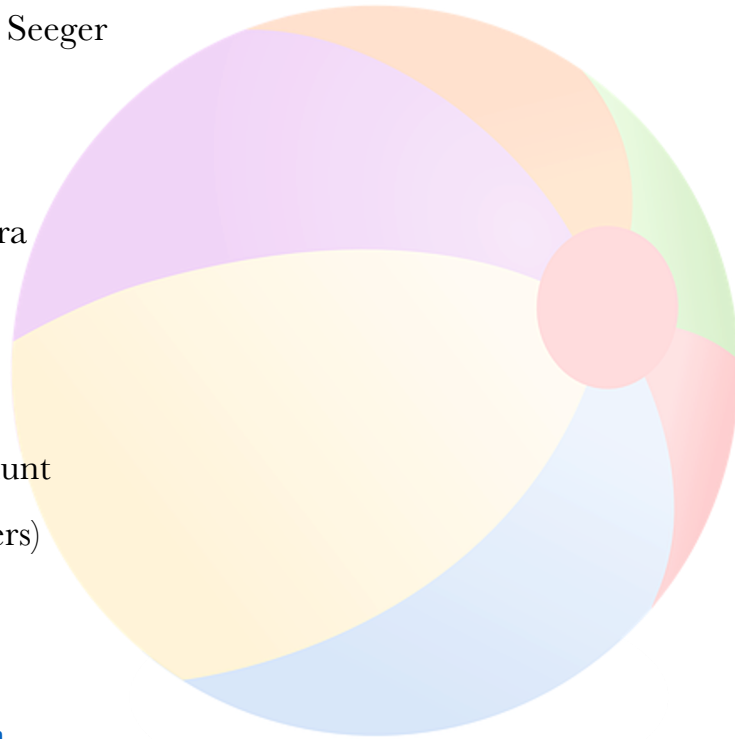
## Picture Books

### Alphabet Books

- A Was Once an Apple Pie**, by Edward Lear  
**AlphaOops! The Day Z Went First**, by Alethea Kontis  
**Apple Pie ABC**, by Alison Murray  
**G is for Goat**, by Patricia Polacco  
**The Hidden Alphabet**, by Laura Vaccaro Seeger  
**LMNO Peas**, by Keith Baker  
**If Rocks Could Sing**, by Leslie McGuirk  
**The Sleepy Little Alphabet**, by Judy Sierra  
**I Stink!** by Kate and Jim McMullan

### Phonics Based Books

- Bee Makes Tea** by Lesley Sims & Fred Blunt  
(and other titles by Usborne Phonics Readers)  
**Bob Books** by Bobby Lynn Maslen  
**Dr. Seuss Books**  
**Flyleaf Books** [www.flyleafpublishing.com](http://www.flyleafpublishing.com)  
**My Very First I Can Read! Books** by Dr. Julie Wood  
**Now I'm Reading Books** by Nora Gaydos



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- Beware** by Bob Raczka  
**A is for Another Rabbit** Hannah Batsel  
**B Is for Baby** by Atinuke  
**Bear Came Along** by Richard T. Morris  
**Summer Song** by Kevin Henkes  
**First Day Critter Jitters** by Jory John  
**The Little Duckling Who Wouldn't Get Wet** by Gek Tessaro  
**Up on Bob** by Mary Sullivan  
**Don't Worry Little Crab** by Chris Haughton  
**Hey, Water!** by Antoinette Portis  
**The Last Peach** by Gus Gordon  
**One Fox: A Counting Book Thriller** by Kate Read  
**A Stone Sat Still** by Brendan Wenzel.  
**There Are No Bears in This Bakery** by Julia Sarcone-Roach  
**Jules vs. the Ocean** by Jessie Sima  
**Outside In** by Deborah Underwood  
**Tomorrow I'll Be Kind** by Jessica Hische  
**The Box Turtle** by Vanessa Roeder  
**No More Naps!** By Chris Grabenstein  
**Good Boy** by Sergio Ruzzier

## Favorite & New Picture Books

**We Will Rock Our Classmates** by Ryan T. Higgins

**The Bug Girl: A True Story** by Sophia Spencer

**Margaret's Unicorn** by Briony May Smith

**Jasper & Ollie Build a Fort** by Alex Willan

**My Best Friend** by Julie Fogliano & Jillian Tamaki

**Anna & Samia** (True Story of Saving a Black Rhino) by Paul Meisel

**Everything Naomi Loved** by K. Yamasaki & Ian Lendler

## Easy Chapter Books

**Jasper and Ollie Build a Fort** (*graphic novel*) by Alex Willan

**The Miniature World of Marvin and James** (4 books) by E. Broach

**You Can Do It, Yasmine** by Saadia Faruqi

**The Secret Time Machine & the Gherkin Switcheroo** by Simone Lia

**Bink & Gollie** (asst. titles) by Kate DiCamillo

**Judy Moody & Stink** (asst. titles) by Megan McDonald

**Benny McGee and the Shark** by Derek Anderson

**Megabat is a Fraidybat** by Anna Humphrey

**Shadow in the Woods** *and other scary stories* by Max Brallier

**Dory Fantasmagory** by Abby Hanlon

# Grade 1 & 2

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## Award Winners

- [Caldecott Award](#) (illustrations)

[Newbery Award](#) (children's literature)

[Nutmeg Award](#) (CT award)

[Robert Sibert Award](#) (nonfiction)

## Favorite Series

**Elephant and Piggie** by Mo Willems

**Mercy Watson** by Kate DiCamillo

**A Jack Book** (A Jack Book series) by MacBarnett

**Owl Diaries** by Rebecca Elliot

**Henry and Mudge** by Cynthia Rylant

**George Brown, Class Clown** by Nancy Krulik

**Horrid Henry** by Francesca Simone

**Rainbow Magic** by Daisy Meadows

**A-Z Mysteries** by Ron Roy and John Steven Gurney

**Magic Tree House** by Mary Pope Osborne

**Who Would Win?** by Jerry Pallotta

**Nate the Great** by Marjorie W. Sharmat

**Ivy and Bean** by Annie Barrows

**Little Bear** by Maurice Sendak

**Frog and Toad** by Arnold Lobel

**Danny and the Dinosaur** by Syd Hoff

**Fox** (series) by Edward or James Marshall

## Teachers Recommend

**Fantastic Mr. Fox** (and other titles) by Roald Dahl

**The Popper Penguin Rescue** by Eliot Schrefer

**Keepers of the School (and other titles)** by Andrew Clements

**From the Desk of Zoe Washington** by Janae Marks

**The Boy Who Grew Dragons** by Andy Shepherd

**Wonderous Rex** by Patricia MacLachlan

**Don't Check Out This Book** by Kate Klise

**Honeybee: The Busy Life of Apis Mellifera** by Candace Fleming (*award winner*)

## Graphic Novels

**Diary of a Wimpy Kid** by Jeff Kinney

**Dork Diaries** by Rachel Renée Russell

**Dogman** by Dave Pilkey

**Sanity & Tallulah Field Trip** by Molly Brooks

**Sisters** (*and other graphic novels*) by Raina Telgemeier

**The Baby-Sitters Club** by Ann M. Martin

**Astronauts** by Jim Ottaviani & Maris Wicks

**Sherlock Bones...** by Renée Tremblay

**Click** (*series*) by Kayla Miller

**Lunch Lady** by Jarret Krosoczko

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[Newbery Award](#) (literature)

[Nutmeg Award](#) (CT award)

[Robert Sibert Award](#) (nonfiction)

## Favorite Series

**I Survived (series)** by Lauren Tarshis

**Time Warp Trio** by Jon Scieszka

**Spy School (series)** by Stuart Gibbs

**The Hazardous Tales (series)** by Nathan Hales

**My Life as a ... (series)** by J. Tashjian

**Who Was... ?** books by various authors

**Ramona (Quimby) (series)** by Beverly Cleary

**Hardy Boys** by Franklin Dixon

**Nancy Drew** by Carolyn Keene

**Dragon Masters** by Tracey West

**Secret Agent Jack Stalwart** by Elizabeth Hunt

**The Dragonsitter's Surprise** by Josh Lacey

**Bear Grylls Adventures series**

**Beast Quest** by Adam Blade

**Ellray Jakes** (asst. books in series) by Sally Warner

**Crime Bitters** by Tommy Greenwald

**The Last Kids on Earth** by Max Brallier

**Great Escapes** (5 historical fiction books) by W.N. Brown

# Grade 5 & 6

## Teachers and Students Recommend

**When You Trap a Tiger** (*Newbery Award*) by Tae Keller

**We Dream of Space** (*Newbery Honor*) by Erin Entrada Kelly

**A Whale of the Wild** by Roseanne Parry

**Something to Say** Lisa Moore Ramée

**The Explorers Code** by Allison K. Hymas

**A Whale in the Wild** by Roseanne Parry

**Three Keys** by Kelly Yang

**Before the Ever After** by Jacqueline Woodson

**Drita My Homegirl** by Jenny Lombard

**City Spies** by James Ponti

**Wonderland** by Barbara O'Connor

**So Done** by Paula Chase

**Firefly** by Phillipa Dowding

**My Best Friend is Extinct** by Rebecca Wood Barrett

**A Wish in the Dark** by Christina Soontornvat

**The Book of Three** by Lloyd Alexander

**Howl's Moving Castle** by Diane Wynne Jones

**Unplugged** (*and other books*) by Gordon Korman

**Wolf Hollow** by Lauren Wolk

## Award Winners

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## Middle School Summer Reading Books

**Show Me a Sign** by Ann Clare LeZotte

**Witch Boy** (*graphic novel*) by Molly Ostertag

**Maniac Magee** by Jerry Spinelli

## **Graphic Novels**

**Bone** (series) by Jeff Smith

**A Wrinkle in Time** *the graphic novel* adapted by Hope Larson

**Best Friends** by Shannon Hale

**Amulet** by Kazu Kibuishi

**Explorer: The Mystery Boxes: seven graphic stories** by Kazu Kibuishi

**El Deafo** by Cece Bell

**New Kid & Class Act** by Jerry Craft

**All's Faire in Middle School & Roller Girl** by Victoria Jamieson

**This Was Our Pact** by Ryan Andrews

**Star Gazing** by Jen Wang

**Mega Dogs of New Kansas** by Dan Jolley

**Stepping Stones** by Lucy Knisley

**Snapdragon** by Kat Leyh

# Grade 7 & 8

## Teachers and Students Recommend

**Parked** by Danielle Svetcov

**Heart Sister** by Michael Stewart

**War Stories** by Gordon Korman

**A Wizard of Earthsea** by Ursula LeGuin

**Enders Game** by Orson Scott Card

**Railsea** by China Mieville

**Ship Breaker** by Paolo Bacigaliupi

**A Place At the Table** by Saadia Faruqi

**Willa and the Whale** by Morris Chad & Shelly Brown

**The Girls Who Speaks Bear** by Sophie Anderson

**Curse of the Night Witch** by Alex Aster

**Connect the Dots** by Keith Calabrese

**Maya and the Rising Dark** by Rena Barron

**Things You Can't Say** by Jen Bishop

**The Phantom Twin** (*graphic novel*) by Lisa Brown

**Home for Goddesses and Dogs** by Leslie Connor

**The Next Great Jane** by K.L.Going

**Danny Constantino's First (and Maybe Last?) Date** by Paul Acampora



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## Middle School Classics

**Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry** by Mildred Taylor

**The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle** by Avi

**Esperanza Rising** by Pam Munoz Ryan

**Walk Two Moons** by Sharon Creech

**Where the Red Fern Grows** by Wilson Rawls

**Lord of the Flies** by William Golding

**Percy Jackson & the Olympians** (*series*) by Rick Riordan

## Award Winners

[Newbery Award](#)

[Nutmeg Award](#) (CT award)

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# Reading Launch to High School

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Independent Novel Suggested Reading List

**Girl from the Sea** (*graphic novel*) by Molly Knox Ostertag

**Hey Kiddo** (*graphic novel*) by Jarrett Krosoczka

**Speak** by Laurie H. Anderson

**Librarian of Auschwitz** by Antonio Iturbe

**The Poet X** by Elizabeth Acevedo

**We Are Okay** by Nina LaCour

**The Hate You Give** by Angie Thomas

**We Were Liars** by E. Lockhart

**Ordinary Hazards** (memoir) by Nikki Grimes

**Picture Us In the Light** by Kelly Loy Gilbert

**The Sun Is Also a Star** by Nicola Yoon

**Who Put This Song On?** by Morgan Parker

**The Moon Within** by Aida Salazar

**The Bone Witch** by Rin Chupeco

**Solo** by Kwame Alexander

**Meet Cute**-short stories by various authors

**American Panda** by Gloria Chao



### Classics

**Catcher and the Rye** by J.D Salinger

**The House on Mango Street** by Sandra Cisneros

**Old Man and the Sea** by Ernest Hemingway

**Chasing Lincoln's Killer** by James L. Swanson

**I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings** by Maya Angelou

**To the Lighthouse** by Virginia Woolf

**Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee** by Dee Brown

**The Autobiography of Malcolm X** by Alex Haley

**The Lord of the Rings** (*series*) by J.R.R. Tolkien

**Moxie** by Jennifer Mathieu

**Becoming Muhammed Ali** by Kwame Alexander

**The Water Bears** by Kimberly Baker

**A High Five for Glenn Burke** by Phil Bildner

**Things You Can't Say** by Jenn Bishop

**The Phantom's Twin** (*graphic novel*) by Lisa Brown

**Into the Tall, Tall Grass** by Loriel Ryon

**Shuri: A Black Panther Novel** by Nic Stone

**The Queen Thief series** by Megan W. Turner

### Award Winners

**Everything Sad is Untrue** by Daniel Nayeri

**The Rise and Fall of Charles Lindberg** by

Candance Fleming

**When the Ground Is Hard** by Malla Nunn

**When You Trap a Tiger** by Tae Keller

**Catfishing on CatNet** by Naomi Kritzer

**Efrén Divided** by Ernesto Cisneros