

Fiction for Upper Elementary Readers (Grades 3 – 5)

Key: G = Graphic Novel; 1 = 1st in a Series

Parents, please read with or to your children on a regular basis, and take them to the public library as often as possible. Middle graders should be reading at least one book per month and are challenged by their teachers to read more. While at the library, you can look for the books listed below, or just let your children browse. Students should also keep [reading logs](#) for everything they read – or listen to – and turn them in to their teacher. The reading log form can also be accessed through the [Library Page](#).

- 11 Birthdays¹ – Mass
- Absolutely Almost – Graff
- Ali Baba: Fooling the Forty Thieves^{G/1} – Croall
- Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland – Carroll
- Almost a World Record Breaker¹ – Burnham
- Amari and the Night Brothers – Alston
- Anne of Green Gables¹ – Montgomery
- Artemis Fowl¹ – Colfer
- Athena the Brain¹ – Holub
- Babe: The Gallant Pig – King-Smith
- The Bad Beginning¹ – Snicket
- Bambi: A Life in the Woods – Salten
- Beast Keeper¹ – Coats
- Because of Mr. Terupt¹ – Buyea
- Because of Winn-Dixie – DiCamillo
- Beezus and Ramona¹ – Cleary
- Big Nate: From the Top^{G/1} – Peirce
- Black Beauty – Sewell
- The Book of Three¹ – Alexander
- Book Scavenger¹ – Bertman
- The Borrowers¹ – Norton
- Bunnica¹ – Howe
- The Candymakers – Mass
- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory – Dahl
- Charlotte’s Web – White
- The Chocolate Touch – Catling
- The City of Ember¹ – DuPrau
- Classic Fairy Tales – Gustafson
- Clementine¹ – Pennypacker
- Clueless McGee¹ – Mack
- The Collector – Alexander
- Coraline – Gaiman
- The Cricket in Times Square – Selden
- Cursed – Coville
- Dark Lord: The Early Years¹ – Lloyd
- D’Aulaires’ Book of Greek Myths – D’Aulaire
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid¹ – Kinney
- Doll Bones – Black
- The Dragonet Prophecy¹ – Sutherland
- Dying to Meet You¹ – Klise
- The Egypt Game – Snyder
- El Deafo – Bell
- Ella Enchanted – Levine
- The Enchanted Castle – Nesbit
- Escape from Mr. Lemoncello’s Library¹ – Grabenstein
- Fairest of All¹ – Mlynowski
- The Familiars¹ – Epstein
- Fenway and Hattie¹ – Coe
- Flora & Ulysses – DiCamillo
- Fourth Grade Rats – Spinelli
- Frazzled: Everyday Disasters and Impending Doom¹ – Vivat
- Frindle – Clements
- From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler – Konigsburg
- Front Desk¹ – Yang
- Ginger¹ – Klimo
- Ginger Pye – Estes
- Guys Read: Funny Business¹ – Scieszka, editor
- Half a Chance – Lord
- Half Magic – Eager
- Harriet the Spy – Fitzhugh
- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone¹ – Rowling
- Heidi – Spyri
- Hello, Universe – Kelly
- The Hoboken Chicken Emergency – Pinkwater
- Home Sweet Motel¹ – Grabenstein
- Hoot – Hiaasen
- The House with a Clock in Its Walls¹ – Bellairs
- How to Train Your Dragon¹ – Cowell
- Howl’s Moving Castle – Jones
- I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912¹ – Tarshis
- Ida B – Hannigan
- Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus – Bowling

- The Invasion ¹ – Applegate
- The Invention of Hugo Cabret – Selznick
- Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key ¹ – Gantos
- Kristy's Great Idea ^{G/1} – Telgemeier
- The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary – Shovan
- The Last Wild – Torday
- The Lemonade War ¹ – Davies
- Lemons – Savage
- The Lightning Thief ¹ – Riordan
- The Lion of Mars – Holm
- The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe ² – Lewis
- Little House in the Big Woods ¹ – Wilder
- A Little Princess – Burnett
- Little Women – Alcott
- A Long Way from Chicago – Peck
- Love That Dog – Creech
- Lucky Strike – Pyron
- The Magic Misfits ¹ – Harris
- Magyk ¹ – Sage
- Mary Poppins – Travers
- The Matchstick Castle – Graff
- Matilda – Dahl
- Merci Suárez Changes Gears – Medina
- Midnight for Charlie Bone ¹ – Nimmo
- Mockingbird – Erskine
- My Teacher Is an Alien ¹ – Coville
- The Mysterious Disappearance of Aidan S. – Levithan
- The Name of This Book Is Secret ¹ – Bosch
- New Kid ^G – Craft
- The One and Only Ivan – Applegate
- One Dead Spy ^{G/1} – Hale
- One for the Murphys – Hunt
- Out from Boneville ^{G/1} – Smith
- Over Sea, Under Stone ¹ – Cooper
- The Parker Inheritance – Johnson
- Pax – Pennypacker
- The Penderwicks ¹ – Birdsall
- Peter Pan – Barrie
- The Phantom Tollbooth – Juster
- Phoebe and Her Unicorn ^{G/1} – Simpson
- Pictures of Hollis Woods – Giff
- Pinocchio – Collodi
- Powerless ¹ – Cody
- Ragweed ¹ – Avi
- Rain Reign – Martin
- Rescue on the Oregon Trail ¹ – Messner
- Rump: The (Fairly) True Tale of Rumpelstiltskin ¹ – Shurtliff
- Sarah, Plain and Tall – MacLachlan
- Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark – Schwartz
- School of the Dead – Avi
- The Secret Zoo ¹ – Chick
- Secrets of the Cicada Summer – Beaty
- Serafina and the Black Cloak ¹ – Beatty
- Shiloh ¹ – Naylor
- Shredderman: Secret Identity ¹ – Van Draanen
- Sideways Stories from Wayside School ¹ – Sachar
- Sisters ^G – Telgemeier
- Space Case ¹ – Gibbs
- Stick Dog ¹ – Watson
- Stone Fox – Gardiner
- The Stonekeeper ^{G/1} – Kibuishi
- Storm Runners ¹ – Smith
- The Strange Case of Origami Yoda ¹ – Angleberger
- Sunny Side Up ^{G/1} – Holm
- Swindle ¹ – Korman
- A Tail of Camelot ¹ – Leung
- The Tail of Emily Windsnap ¹ – Kessler
- Tales from a Not-So-Fabulous Life ¹ – Russell
- Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing ¹ – Blume
- The Terrible Two ¹ – Barnett & John
- Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer ¹ – Grisham
- Three Times Lucky ¹ – Turnage
- The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle – Connor
- Tuesdays at the Castle ¹ – George
- Turtle in Paradise – Holm
- Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer – Jones
- Upside-Down Magic ¹ – Mlynowski
- The Vanishing Coin ¹ – Egan & Lane
- Wait Till Helen Comes – Hahn
- Warriors: Into the Wild ¹ – Hunter
- The Watsons Go to Birmingham – 1963 – Curtis
- Welcome to Dead House ¹ – Stine
- Where the Red Fern Grows – Rawls
- Where the Sidewalk Ends – Silverstein
- The Whipping Boy – Fleischman
- The Wind in the Willows – Grahame
- Winnie-the-Pooh – Milne
- Wish – O'Connor
- The Wishing Spell ¹ – Colfer
- The Wolves of Willoughby Chase – Aiken
- Wonder – Palacio
- The Wonderful Wizard of Oz ¹ – Baum
- Woolf ¹ – Quinn
- The Year of the Dog ¹ – Lin
- The Year of Billy Miller – Henkes