

2024 Summer Reading, Entering First Grade

During early childhood, the emphasis is on reading to your child and sharing the joy of stories. These read-alouds are suggestions; feel free to pick and choose based on your child's interests. Share with your child as you make memories that will prepare them for life!

Resource Lists and Websites

- Notable Children's Books 2024: <http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>
- Texas 2x2 Books 2024: <https://txla.org/tools-resources/reading-lists/2x2/current-list/>
- Lee and Low Books: <https://www.leeandlow.com/>
- We Need Diverse Books: <https://diversebooks.org/>
- Geisel Award: <http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/geiselaward>
- Branches Books: <http://www.scholastic.com/branches/>
- Reading Beyond: <https://www.cbcbooks.org/readers/reader-resources/reading-beyond/>

Fiction

Vamonos!, Cynthia Weill
Everything in its Place: A Story of Books and Belonging,
Pauline David-Sax
Mr. S, Monica Arnaldo
Kitty, Rebecca Jordan-Glum
Our Pool, Lucy Ruth Cummins
How Old is Mr. Tortoise?, Dev Petty
Simon and the Better Bone, Corey Tabor
Evergreen, Matthew Cordell
Except Antarctica, Todd Sturgell
The Truth About Dragons, Julie Leung
Later When I'm Big, Bette Westera
Tiny Dino, Deborah Freedman
The Owl Who Asks Why, Michelle Garcia Anderson
Okra Stew: A Gullah Geechee Family Celebration, Natalie Daise

Nonfiction

Summertime Sleepers: Animals that Estivate, Melissa Stewart
**Endlessly Ever After: Pick YOUR Path to Countless Fairy tale Endings!*, Laurel Snyder
**Darwin's Super Pooping Worm Spectacular*, Polly Owen
Polar Bear, Candace Fleming
**Ordinary People Change the World (series)*, Brad Meltzer
How to Promenade With a Python (and Not Get Eaten), Rachel Poliquin
**Mars Is: Stark Slopes, Silvery Snow, and Startling Surprises*, Suzanne Slade
Dig, Dance, Dive: How Birds Move to Survive, Etta Kaner

Early Chapter Books

**Big Words Small Stories* series, Judith Henderson
**Bink and Gollie*, Kate DiCamillo/Alison McGhee
Camila the Star series, Alicia Salazar
Elephant and Piggie, Mo Willems
Henry, Like Always, Jenn Bailey
**Gigi and Ojiji*, Melissa Iwai
**Katie Woo/Pedro* series, Fran Manushkin
**Mercy Watson* series, Kate DiCamillo
**Molly Mac* series, Marty Kelley
Cornbread and Poppy series, Matthew Cordell
It's a Sign!, Jarrett and Jerome Pumphrey
**Yasmin* series, Saadia Faruqi

Chapter Book Series

**Ninja Kid* series, Anh Do
**Didi Dodo, Future Spy*, Tom Angleberger
**The Boxcar Children Mysteries*, Gertrude Chandler Warner
**Jada Jones* series, Kelly Starling Lyons
**The Princess in Black*, Shannon Hale
**Sadiq*, Siman Nuurali
**Tales from Deckawoo Drive*, Kate DiCamillo
**Little Rhino*, Ryan Howard
**The Critter Club* series, Callie Barkley
**Zoey and Sassafras*, Asia Citro
**A to Z Mysteries*, Ron Roy

*Available as an ebook on www.Mackinvia.com