

BOOK LIST FOR FIRST INTO SECOND GRADERS-2023

Be sure to vary your summer reading with books of all genres! It is important to read fiction and non-fiction. In addition, many of the first graders are reading at a higher level. Please be aware of the content of the books your child is reading-higher level reading skills do not mean they will understand or need to be introduced to complex issues in higher level books. These levels were taken from the Scholastic Books site. Please look at the conversion chart or look up the level of the book.

*Please note that the book levels listed by the same author, even books in a series, may vary as much as ten levels.

Some of first grade favorites:

Mo Willems books (Pigeon. Elephant and Piggy) **DRA 12-16**
Laura Numeroff books (If You Give a Moose a Muffin. . .) **DRA level 18**
Eric Carle books (The Very Hungry Caterpillar. . .) **DRA level 16** (may vary)
Miss Nelson books (Miss Nelson Has a Field Day) **DRA level 20** (may vary, some higher, scholastic site marked one as high as a AR level 3.3)
(David Adler) Cam Jansen books **DRA level 16**
(Mary Pop Osborne) Magic Tree House books **DRA level 18-28**
(Barbara Park) Junie B. Jones books **DRA level 20-22**
(Dan Gutman) Miss Daisy is Crazy (and other books) **DRA level 34**
(Daisy Meadows) Rainbow Magic Fairy series **DRA level 28-38**
(Rebecca Elliot) Owl Diaries(series) **DRA 20-24**, Unicorn Diaries (series) **DRA 20-24**
(Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen) Purrmaids (series) **DRA 28-38**
(Wanda Coven)Henry Heckelbeck and Heidi Heckelbeck (series) **DRA-26-40**
(Betty G. Birney) Humphrey's Tiny Tales (series) **DRA 21-30**

Other favorite authors and books for first, second and third grade levels:

(Jan and Stan Berenstain) Berenstain Bears DRA 38 (may vary between books, also there are different types of books in this series: chapter books, picture books, early reader books)
(Marc Brown) Arthur series DRA level 16
(Norman Bridwell) Clifford books DRA level 18
(Cynthia Rylant) Henry and Mudge (series) DRA level 16
(Minarnik) Little Bear books DRA level 18-20
(Arnold Lobel) Frog and Toad (series) DRA level 18
(Peggy Parish) Amelia Bedelia DRA level 20 (AR 2.8)
(Suzy Kline) Horrible Harry books DRA level 28
(Danziger) Amber Brown books DRA level 24
(Stephen Krensky) Arthur books (Arthur's Big Race) DRA level 16; Arthur chapter books DRA level 34/38
Flat Stanley DRA level 24 (varies)
Jack Ezra Keats (Snowy Day, Peter's Chair) DRA level 16
Geronimo Stilton, GERONIMO STILTON –there are many titles for this series-DRA level 38
Mike Thaler, Black Lagoon Chapter books DRA level 24
Roy Ron, A-Z MYSTERIES DRA level 20-28
Beverly Cleary, Ramona Quimby Age 8 (and others) DRA level 34 (may vary)
Also check out Magic School bus books of all types (picture books, early chapter books, more challenging chapter books) for great science facts and fantasy fun!

These authors and titles are only suggestions-please search out other authors and titles that may catch your child's interest! Have a great summer!