



Building Knowledge and Character

3rd-4th Grade Reading List

*Third and fourth graders may select books from the following list, as well as books from the 5th-6th Grade Reading List.

English/Language Arts

Author	Title	Lexile	AR
Ahlberg, Janet & Allan	The Bear Nobody Wanted		
Alexander, Lloyd	The Arkadians	780	5.4
	The Beggar Queen	670	5.3
	The Black Cauldron	760	5.2
	The Book of Three	770	5.3
	The Castle of Llyr	790	5.4
	The Cat Who Wanted to Be a Man	670	5
	The Foundling	870	5.9
	The High King	900	6.1
	The Iron Ring	680	4.8
	The Kestral	710	5.2
	Taran Wanderer	870	6.2
	Time Cat: The Remarkable Journeys of Jason	660	4.7
	Westmark	690	5.3
Andersen, Hans Christian	The Little Mermaid: The Original Story		
Atwater, Richard	Mr. Popper's Penguins	910	5.6
Banks, Lynne Reid	The Adventures of King Midas		
	The Indian in the Cupboard	780	4.6
	The Mystery of the Cupboard	770	4.9
	The Return of the Indian	740	4.6
	The Secret of the Indian	870	5.2
Baum, L. Frank	Dorothy and the Wizard of Oz	1020	7.4
	The Emerald City of Oz	990	7.5
	Little Wizard Stories of Oz		6.9
	The Magic of Oz	1110	7.3
	The Marvelous Land of Oz		8
	Ozma of Oz	1070	7.4
	The Patchwork Girl of Oz		7.2
	The Road to Oz		7.2
	The Scarecrow of Oz		7.4
	Tik-Tok of Oz		7.9
	The Tin Woodman of Oz		7.6
	The Wonderful Wizard of Oz	1000	7
Barrie, J. M.	Peter Pan: The Complete and Unabridged Text	920	7.2

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Bingham, Jane	Medieval World	960	
Boston, Lucy	The Children of Green Knowe	880	5.3
	An Enemy at Green Knowe	850	5.8
	The River of Green Knowe	900	5.9
	The Stones of Green Knowe		6
	A Stranger at Green Knowe	990	6.4
	Treasure of Green Knowe	990	5.8
Bridges, Shirin Yim	Ruby's Wish	600	
Brooks, Walter (any)	Art of Freddy		
	The Clockwork Twin		5.2
	The Collected Poems of Freddy the Pig		
	Freddy Anniversary Collection		
	Freddy and the Bean Home News		5.5
	Freddy and the Cowboy		
	Freddy the Detective	830	5.5
	Freddy and the Dragon		
	Freddy and the Flying Saucer Plans		
	Freddy Goes Camping		
	Freddy Goes to Florida		5.9
	Freddy Goes to the North Pole		5.7
	Freddy and the Ignormus		
	Freddy and the Men From Mars		5.6
	Freddy and Mr. Camphor		
	Freddy the Magician		5.6
	Freddy and the Perilous Adventure		
	Freddy and the Pied Piper		
	Freddy Plays Football		5.4
	Freddy and the Pilot	740	
	Freddy the Politician		
	Freddy Rides Again		5
	Freddy and Simon the Dictator		
Freddy's Cousin Weedly		5.2	
Jimmy Takes Vanishing Lessons		4.6	
The Story of Freginald		5.2	
Wit and Wisdom of Freddy and His Friends			
Bruchac, Joseph	Thirteen Moons on Turtle's Back	960	
Buck, Pearl S.	The Big Wave	790	5.2
Burnett, Frances Hodgson	A Little Princess	930	6
	Little Lord Fauntleroy		8.1
Burnford, Sheila	The Incredible Journey	1320	7.6
Burleigh, Robert	Langston's Train Ride	690	
Carroll, Lewis	Alice's Adventures in Wonderland	940	7.4
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	Through the Looking Glass		7.6	
Cohlene, Terri	Turquoise Boy	680		
Collodi, Carlo	Pinocchio		5.3	
Cooper, Susan	The Dark is Rising	920	6.2	
	Greenwich	830	5.3	
	The Grey King	930	6.2	
	Over Sea, Under Stone	830	5.4	
	Silver on the Tree	900	6	
Dahl, Roald (any)	The BFG	720	4.8	
	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	810	4.8	
	Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator	720	4.4	
	Danny, the Champion of the World	770	4.7	
	The Enormous Crocodile	410	4	
	Esio Trot	740	4.4	
	Fantastic Mr. Fox	600	4.1	
	George's Marvelous Medicine	640	4	
	The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me	840	4.7	
	James and the Giant Peach	870	4.8	
	The Magic Finger	450	3.1	
	Matilda	840	5	
	The Minpins	720	5.1	
	The Missing Golden Ticket and Other Splendiferous Secrets		6	
Dalglish, Alice	The Courage of Sarah Noble	610	3.9	
	The Door in the Wall	990	6.2	
	The Lord Fish			
	The Little Prince	710	5	
	DeJong, Meindert	The House of Sixty Fathers	820	5.5
		Hurry Home Candy	750	5
		Shadrach	710	4.9
		The Singing Hill		
		The Wheel on the School	820	5.5
	Estes, Elenor	The Hundred Dresses	870	5.4
The Middle Moffat		650	4.6	
The Moffats		800	5.2	
The Moffat Museum		700	5	
Pinky Pye		890	5.9	
Rufus M.		710	5.2	
Farley, Walter (any)	The Witch Family		5.4	
	The Black Stallion	680	5.2	

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	The Black Stallion's Blood Bay Colt	870	6
	The Black Stallion Challenged	800	5.6
	The Black Stallion's Courage	860	5.8
	The Black Stallion and Flame	920	6.4
	The Black Stallion's Filly	810	5.8
	The Black Stallion's Ghost	900	6.6
	The Black Stallion and the Girl	890	5.5
	The Black Stallion Mystery	830	5.5
	The Black Stallion Returns	850	6.1
	The Black Stallion Revolts	770	5.3
	The Black Stallion and Satan	820	5.4
	The Black Stallion's Sulky Colt		5.2
	The Island Stallion	870	5.8
	The Island Stallion's Fury		5.5
	The Island Stallion Races		5.8
	Man o' War	880	
	The Son of the Black Stallion	880	6.1
	The Young Black Stallion	930	6.7
Fink, Sam	The Declaration of Independence		
Fleischman, Sid	The Whipping Boy	570	
Frasier, Debra	Miss Alaineus	690	
Freedman, Russell	Give Me Liberty!		
Fritz, Jean	Where Was Patrick Henry on the 29 th of May?	1000	
Gannett, Ruth Stiles	The Dragons of Blueland	810	4.9
	Elmer and the Dragon	800	4.6
	My Father's Dragon	990	5.6
George, Jean Craighead	Julie of the Wolves	860	5.8
	My Side of the Mountain	810	5.2
	On the Far Side of the Mountain	760	4.5
Gipson, Fred	Old Yeller	910	5
	Savage Sam	940	5.7
Grahame, Kenneth	The Reluctant Dragon	1070	6.5
Gelprin, Mark	The City in Winter		
	The Veil of Snows		
Hermes, Patricia	Our Strange New Land, Elizabeth's Jamestown Colony Diary	350	
	Season of Promise	430	
	The Starving Time	360	
Hoog, Mark	Dream Machine		
	Field of Dreams		
	The Gift		
	Magic Mountain		
	Treasure Island		

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	Your Song		
Hunt, Irene	Trail of Apple Blossoms		
Jacques, Brian (any)	The Angel's Command	770	5.2
	The Bellmaker	900	5.7
	Castaway of the Flying Dutchman	770	5.4
	Eulalia		6
	The Legend of Luke	960	5.7
	High Rhulain		5.5
	Loamhedge	840	5.3
	The Long Patrol	980	6
	Lord Backtree	820	5.5
	Mariel of Redwall	900	5.7
	Marlfox	920	5.7
	Martin the Warrior	890	5.5
	Mattimeo	820	5.2
	Mossflower	600	5.1
	Outcast of Redwall	1010	6.3
	Pearls of Lutra	980	6.1
	Rakkety Tam	950	5.5
	Redwall	800	5.6
	Salamandastron	890	5.7
	Taggerung	770	5.2
	Triss	850	5.8
Jansson, Tove (any)	Comet in the Moominland		5.4
	Finn Family Moomintroll		5.2
	Moominpappa at Sea		
	Moominland Midwinter	740	
	Moominpappa's Memoirs		
	Moominsummer Madness		
	Moominvalley in November		5.6
	The Summer Book		
	The True Deceiver		
	Tales from Moominvalley		
	The Book About Moomin, Mymble, and Little My		
Juster, Norton	The Phantom Tollbooth	1000	6.7
Kipling, Rudyard	Just So Stories	1060	6.4
	Rikki-tikki-tavi	810	4.4
Kjelgaard, Jim (any)	Big Red	910	5.6
	Irish Red		
	Snow Dog	1080	7.4
	Stormy	1030	6.9
L'Engle, Madeleine (any)	An Acceptable Time	710	4.5
	A Swiftly Tilting Planet	850	5.2

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	A Wind in the Door	790	5
	A Wrinkle in Time	740	4.7
	Many Waters	700	4.7
Langley, Andrew	You Wouldn't Want to Be a Viking Explorer!	840	
Lawson, Robert	Ben and Me	1010	6.9
	The Great Wheel	990	
	Rabbit Hill	1050	6.4
Lenski, Lois	Indian Captive	800	5.4
	Judy's Journey		
	Strawberry Girl	650	4.8
	We Live in the Country		
Lewis, C.S.	The Horse and His Boy	970	5.8
	The Last Battle	890	5.6
	The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe	940	5.7
	The Magician's Nephew	970	5.4
	Prince Caspian	870	5.7
	The Silver Chair	840	5.7
	The Voyage of the Dawn Treader	970	5.9
London, Jack	Call of the Wild	1110	
Lofting, Hugh	The Story of Dr. Dolittle	580	
	The Voyages of Dr. Dolittle	860	5.7
MacDonald, Fiona	You Wouldn't Want to Be a Crusader!	850	
MacDonald, George	The Golden Key	870	5.3
	The Light Princess	880	6.3
MacLachlan, Patricia	Cassie Binigar	700	4.3
	The Facts and Fiction of Minna Pratt	650	5.7
	Sarah, Plain and Tall	560	
McCaughrean, Geraldine	Moby Dick or The White Whale		
McCloskey, Robert	Homer Price	1000	6.6
Montgomery, L. M. (any)	Anne of Avonlea	1020	8.6
	Anne of Green Gables	990	7.3
	Anne's House of Dreams	930	6.1
	Anne of Ingleside	940	6
	Anne of the Island	910	6.3
	Anne of Windy Poplars	940	5.9
	Chronicles of Avonlea		
	Rainbow Valley	980	7.6
	Rilla of Ingleside	1030	7.9
	The Road to Yesterday	800	
Morey, Walt	Gentle Ben	740	4.8
	Kavik the Wolf Dog	740	4.9



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	Scrub Dog of Alaska Year of the Black Pony	700	4.4
Mulock, Dinah Marie	The Little Lame Prince		
Myers, Christopher	Black Cat		
Nesbit, E.	The Deliverers of Their Country Long Ago When I Was Young Melisande		5.1
Norton, Mary	Bedknobs and Broomsticks	750	4.8
	The Borrowers	780	5.3
	The Borrowers Afield	910	6.4
	The Borrowers Afloat	850	6
	The Borrowers Avenged	770	5.3
North, Sterling	Rascal		7.1
O'Brien, Robert	Mrs. Frisby and Rats of NIMH	790	5.1
	The Secret of NIMH	780	5.1
Peck, Robert Newton	The Day No Pigs Would Die	690	4.4
Piven, Hanoch	What Presidents are Made Of	980	
Porter, Elanor	Pollyanna	870	5.2
	Pollyanna Grows Up		6.7
Prelutsky, Jack	The New Kid on the Block		
Rawls, Wilson	Summer of the Monkeys	810	4.8
	Where the Red Fern Grows	700	4.9
Roop, Peter & Connie	Sojourner Truth	690	
Salten, Felix	Bambi	700	4.9
Selden, George	The Cricket in Times Square	780	4.9
	Harry Cat's Pet Puppy		4.8
	The Old Meadow		4.6
	Tucker's Countryside	750	4.9
Seredy, Kate	The Good Master	640	4.4
	The Singing Tree	770	5
	The White Stag	1020	6.6
	The Wonderful Year		
Steig, William	Abel's Island	920	5.9
Street, Pat	There's a Frog in My Throat!		
Travers, P. L.	Mary Poppins	830	6.1
	Mary Poppins Comes Back		5.2
	Mary Poppins Opens the Door		5.1
	Mary Poppins in the Park		4.8
Verne, Jules	The Adventures of the Rat Family		
White, E. B.	Charlotte's Web	680	4.4
	Stuart Little	920	6
	The Trumpet of the Swan	750	4.9



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Wilde, Oscar	Stories for Children		
Wilder, Laura Ingalls (any)	By the Shores of Silver Lake	820	5.3
	Farmer Boy	820	5.2
	The First Four Years	1030	5.8
	Little House in the Big Woods	930	5.3
	Little House on the Prairie	760	4.9
	Little Town on the Prairie	850	5.4
	The Long Winter	790	5.3
	On the Banks of Plum Creek	720	4.6
	These Happy Golden Years	840	5.6
Winthrop, Elizabeth	The Castle in the Attic	750	4.9

History & Geography

Author	Title	Lexile	AR
Adler, David	Heroes of the Revolution	890	
Bial, Raymond	Missions and Presidios		
Boyce, Natalie Pope	Ancient Rome and Pompeii	750	
Bruchac, Joseph	Many Nations	580	
Bulla, Clyde Robert	Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims		
Freedman, Russell	The Adventures of Marco Polo	1270	
	Confucius	1080	
Fritz, Jean	And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?	830	
	Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?	800	
Giblin, James Cross	George Washington	630	
Gross, Ruth Belov	If You Grew Up With George Washington	680	
January, Brendan	Colonial Life	770	
Kent, Deborah	African Americans in the Thirteen Colonies	990	
McGovern, Ann	The Secret Soldier	590	
Miller, Jay	American Indian Families	760	
	American Indian Festivals	700	
	American Indian Foods	880	
	American Indian Games	770	
San Souci, Robert	N.C. Wyeth's Pilgrims	1030	
Stemple, Heidi E. Y.	Roanoke: The Lost Colony	850	
Sullivan, George	Paul Revere	740	
Venezia, Mike	Andrew Jackson	620	
	James Madison	980	
	James Monroe	1120	
	John Adams	1130	



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	John Quincy Adams Thomas Jefferson	1040	
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Mathematics

Author	Title	Lexile	AR
Burns, Marilyn	The Greedy Triangle	580	
Geisert, Arthur	Roman Numerals I to MM	570	
Neuschwander, Cindy	Sir Cumference and the Sword in the Cone	630	
Pinczes, Elinor J.	One Hundred Angry Ants	650	
Schwartz, David	Millions to Measure	470	
Tang, Greg	The Best of Times The Grapes of Math Math-terpieces	130	

Music

Author	Title	Lexile	AR
Venezia, Mike	Aaron Copland George Gershwin George Handel John Philip Sousa Peter Tchaikovsky	930 830 920 890 970	

Science

Author	Title	Lexile	AR
Avison, Brigid	I Wonder Why I Blink	800	
Baker, Lucy	Life in the Rainforests	980	
Berger, Melvin	Sound, Heat & Light: Energy at Work A Whale Is Not a Fish Why Do Volcanoes Blow Their Tops?	360 650 750	
Brimner, Larry Dane	Geysers		
Capeci, Anne	Food Chain Frenzy	610	
Cole, Joanna	The Magic School Bus and the Electric Field rip	490	
Davis, Gary W.	Coral Reef		
Davis, Wendy	City Park	840	
Donald, Rhonda Lucas	Air Pollution The Ozone Layer Recycling Water Pollution	890 960 960 940	
Firth, Rachel	Astronomy		

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	First Encyclopedia of Science		
Forman, Michael H.	Arctic Tundra		
Gibbons, Gail	Galaxies, Galaxies! Stargazers Tell Me, Tree	880 640 580	
Goldstone, Bruce	Great Estimations		
Lassieur, Allison	The Moon The Sun		
Lauber, Patricia	Volcanoes and Earthquakes	840	
Leedy, Loreen	Postcards from Pluto	490	
MacLeod, Elizabeth	Alexander Graham Bell	890	
Markle, Sandra	Build a Room Alarm	880	
Murphy, Patricia J.	Hearing Sight	830 620	
Nelson, Sharlene & Ted	Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Movement	820	
Nunn, Laura Silverstein	Cuts, Scrapes, Scabs, and Scars		
Riley, Peter	Electricity Light and Color	890 910	
Rogers, Kirsteen (et al)	Light, Sound, and Electricity		
Simon, Seymour	Muscles	1030	
Squire, Ann	Rocks and Minerals	990	
Stangl, Jean	What Makes You Cough, Sneeze, Burp, Hiccup, Blink, Yawn, Sweat, and Shiver?	890	
Stewart, Melissa	Amphibians Birds Fishes Mammals A Place For Butterflies Reptiles	870 980 810	
Stille, Darlene R.	The Circulatory System The Respiratory System	760 750	
Sullivan, George	Thomas Edison	670	
Tocci, Salvatore	Aluminum Copper Experiments With Electricity Experiments With Rocks and Minerals Experiments With Solids, Liquids, and Gases Experiments With the Sun and Moon Gold Iron Oxygen	 690 710 680 690 1130	
Trueit, Trudi Strain	Earthquakes	1190	



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	Volcanoes	1160	
Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth	Recycle Every Day!		
Wick, Walter	A Drop of Water	870	

Visual Arts

Author	Title	Lexile	AR
Nardo, Don	Roman Amphitheaters	1010	
Ringgold, Faith	Tar Beach	790	
Venezia, Mike	Johannes Vermeer Mary Cassatt	940	



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