

SUGGESTED SUMMER READING LIST: SECOND GRADE

Avoid the “summer slide” with these great reads. Have fun and enjoy picking out and reading either independently or together. Feel free to also search and read other books that are not included on this list that your child is interested in!

School Stories

- Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman
- Arthur’s Prize Reader by Lillian Hoban
- The Day Jimmy’s Boa Ate the Wash by Trinka Hakes Noble
- Fish Face by Patricia Reilly Giff
- Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
- Lilly’s Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes
- Miss Nelson Is Missing by Harry Allard
- Polk Street Gang series by Patricia Reilly Giff

Books About Friends

- A Bargain for Frances by Russell Hoban
- The Beast in Ms. Rooney’s Room by Patricia Reilly Giff
- Fox on the Job by James Marshall
- Frog and Toad Together by Arnold Lobel
- Horrible Harry and the Green Slime by Suzy Kline
- Pinky and Rex by James Howe

Historical Fiction

- American Girl series
- Deputy Dan and the Bank Robbers by Joseph Rosenbloom
- Kamishibai Man by Allen Say

Classics to Read Aloud

- Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll
- Just-so Stories by Rudyard Kipling
- Paddington Bear by Michael Bond
- Winnie the Pooh by A.A. Milne
- The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum

Caldecott Awards and Honor Books

- The Funny Little Woman by Arlene Mosel
- Many Moons by James Thurber
- The Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall
- The Story of Jumping Mouse by John Steptoe
- Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig
- When I Was Young in the Mountains by Cynthia Rylant

Learning to Read Stories

- Berenstain Bears series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Cam Jansen series by David Adler
- Hello Reader!
- I Can Read Books
- Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
- Puffin Easy-to-Read
- Step Into Reading Levels 1-4
- The Stories Julian Tells by Ann Cameron



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