



# Suggested Reading for Kids Entering 1st Grade

\* Try other books by this author or in this series.

## Picture Books

Bennett, Kelly.\* ***Not Norman: a Goldfish Story.***  
Can Norman be the best pet?

Bowen, Anne. ***Scooter in the Outside.*** This dog loves being outside but only with Lucy.

Brun-Cosme, Nadine.\* ***Big Wolf & Little Wolf.***  
Is there room for two wolves at the top of the hill?

Child, Lauren.\* ***Slightly Invisible.*** A boy insists his sister leave him and his friend alone to play.

James, Simon.\* ***George Flies South.*** A young bird is not ready to leave his nest.

Kaplan, Michael.\* ***Betty Bunny Loves Chocolate Cake.*** Will Betty ever learn patience?

McDonnell, Patrick.\* ***The Gift of Nothing.***  
The perfect gift for a friend who has everything.

Preller, James. ***A Pirate's Guide To First Grade.***  
An adventure on the bus on the first day of school.

Wells, Rosemary.\* ***Yoko Learns to Read.*** Library books help Yoko learn to read English.

## Beginner

Adler, David A.\* ***Young Cam Jansen*** books.  
A clever detective with a great memory.

Gilman, Grace. ***Dixie*** books. A mischievous puppy tries to be good.

Lin, Grace. ***Ling & Ting, Not Exactly the Same!***  
Twin girls who are very different at times.

+Marshall, James. ***George & Martha*** books.  
The friendship of two wise & funny hippos.

+Minarik, Else H. ***Little Bear*** books. A favorite bear has new adventures.

O'Connor, Jane. ***Fancy Nancy I Can Read*** books  
This girl wants everything to be very decorative.

Ormerod, Jan.\* ***Ballet Sisters: The Newest Dancer.*** Sylvie gets to attend ballet school.

Rosentiehl, Agnes.\* ***Silly Lilly In What Will I Be Today?*** Lilly tries a new job every day of the week.

+Rylant, Cynthia. ***Annie and Snowball*** books.  
Tales of Henry and Mudge's cousin and her rabbit .

Willems, Mo. ***Elephant & Piggie*** books. Two very different animals are best friends in the end.

## Easy Juvenile Fiction

Elliot, David. ***The Cool Crazy Crickets Club*** books. Four friends have a summertime club.  
+Greene, Stephanie. ***Princess Posey*** books. School stories about a first grader.  
Simon, Francesca. ***Horrid Henry*** books. A young boy who lives up to his name!  
Voake, Steve. ***Daisy Dawson*** books. This girl can talk to animals.

## Non Fiction

BEGINNER.\* ***Blastoff! Readers.*** Animals, vehicles, etc. (Use a Blastoff! Reader 'all fields' search).

BEGINNER.\* ***Magic School Bus.*** Simple text and pictures about a variety of subjects.

J 362.18 Bodden.\* ***Ambulances.*** You hear the siren—now see the vehicle and the equipment.

J 398.2 MacDonald.\* ***How Many Donkeys?***  
An Arabic counting book and one lost donkey.

J 513.212 Leedy.\* ***Subtraction Action.*** Use subtraction to help the students at the school fair.

J 551.22 Branley.\* ***Earthquakes.*** Learn all about shaking and quaking.

+J 599.53 Pfeffer.\* ***Dolphin Talk.*** Find out how dolphins communicate.

J 793.7 Cleary.\* ***Six Sheep Sip Thick Shapes.***  
Tricky tongue twisters.

JB MITCHELL. ***Mighty Jackie.*** In 1931 who struck out both Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig?

JB OBAMA. ***Meet President Barack Obama.***  
Introduces readers to the life of our president.

JB TAYLOR. ***Queen Of the Falls.*** A woman who decided to go over Niagara Falls in a barrel.



+ Available in Talking Books through the Maryland State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, 1-800-964-9209 or [referenc@lbph.lib.md.us](mailto:referenc@lbph.lib.md.us).

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