

Baby Monkey, Private Eye by Brian Selznick  
JF SELZNI B

Baby Monkey, private eye, will investigate stolen jewels, missing pizzas, and other mysteries - if he can manage to figure out how to put his pants on.

A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon  
E SHANNO

In order to ensure her popularity, Camilla Cream always does what is expected, until the day arrives when she no longer recognizes herself.

Nate the Great by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat  
ER SHARMA

When Nate gets an urgent call from Annie about a lost picture, he immediately plunges into his new and baffling case.

Ballet Cat: The Totally Secret Secret by Bob Shea  
GN ER SHEA

While Ballet Cat and Sparkles the Pony are trying to decide what to play, they each share an important secret.

Charlie and Mouse by Laurel Snyder  
ER SNYDER

Charlie and Mouse, two young brothers, enjoy a day out together, attending an imaginary party and collecting rocks.

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig  
E STEIG

In a moment of fright Sylvester the donkey asks his magic pebble to turn him into a rock but then cannot hold the pebble to wish himself back to normal again.

The House on East 88th Street by Bernard Waber  
E WABER

A family moving into a new house discovers in their bathtub a talented crocodile named Lyle, who soon becomes an important part of the family.

Duck, Duck, Porcupine by Salina Yoon  
GN ER YOON

Big Duck likes to boss around her younger brother, Little Duck. Little Duck does not speak yet, but through his expressions and his actions, he shows that he has a better grasp on any situation than his older sister.

You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Fairy Tales to Read Together by Mary Ann Hoberman  
J 398.2 HOB

Eight favorite fairy tales in very short tellings, told in two voices to allow reading together.

Actual Size by Steve Jenkins  
J 591.41 JEN

Discusses and gives examples of the size and weight of various animals and parts of animals.

Fresh Picked Poetry by Michelle Schaub.  
J 811.6 SCH

This collection of poems takes young readers to a day at an urban farmers' market.



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## RECOMMENDED READS FOR FIRST GRADE



Miss Nelson is Missing by Henry Allard

E ALLARD

The kids in Room 207 take advantage of their teacher's good nature until she disappears and they are faced with a vile substitute.

The Wolf, the Duck, and the Mouse by Mac

Barnett

E BARNET

When a mouse is swallowed by a wolf, he learns that a duck devoured earlier has set up a table to enjoy the food the gluttonous predator eats.

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs by Judi

Barrett

E BARRET

Life is delicious in the town of Chewandswallow where it rains soup and juice, snows mashed potatoes, and blows storms of hamburgers, until the weather takes a turn for the worse.

Ivy + Bean by Annie Barrows

JF BARROW A

When seven-year-old Bean plays a mean trick on her sister, she finds unexpected support for her antics from Ivy, the new neighbor, who is less boring than Bean first suspected.

Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea by Ben Clanton

GN JF CLANTO B

A happy-go-lucky, waffle-loving narwhal and a cynical, no-nonsense jellyfish forge an unlikely friendship.

Beezus and Ramona by Beverly Cleary

JF CLEARY B

Beezus' biggest problem is her 4-year-old sister Ramona. Even though Beezus knows sisters are supposed to love each other, with a sister like Ramona, it seems impossible.

Diary of a Worm by Doreen Cronin

E CRONIN

A young worm discovers, day by day, that there are some very good and some not so good things about being a worm in this great big world.

The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt

E DAYWAL

When Duncan arrives at school one morning, he finds a stack of letters, one from each of his crayons, complaining about how he uses them.

Bink and Gollie by Kate DiCamillo

ER DICAMI

Two roller-skating best friends share three comical adventures involving outrageously bright socks, an impromptu trek to the Andes, and a most unlikely marvelous companion.

Mercy Watson to the Rescue by Kate DiCamillo

JF DICAMI K

After Mercy the pig snuggles to sleep with the Watsons, all three awaken with the bed teetering on the edge of a big hole in the floor.

A New Friend by Poppy Green

JF GREEN P

Sophie Mouse is excited to return to school after the long winter break, but there is a new student - a snake - and Sophie and the other animals are afraid to sit near him, much less ask him to play with them, because they have heard snakes are awful.

The Princess in Black by Shannon Hale

JF HALE S

When trouble raises its blue monster head, Princess Magnolia ditches her flouncy dresses and becomes the Princess in Black!

Danny and the Dinosaur by Syd Hoff

ER HOFF

A little boy is surprised and pleased when one of the dinosaurs from the museum agrees to play with him.

Frog and Toad Are Friends by Arnold Lobel

ER LOBEL

Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends.

Rainbow Weaver by Linda Elovitz Marshall

E MARSHA

Ixchel, a young Mayan girl who is not allowed to use her mother's thread to weave, exercises her ingenuity and repurposes plastic bags to create colorful weavings.

The Book with No Pictures by B.J. Novak

E NOVAK

In this book with no pictures, the reader has to say every silly word, no matter what.

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parish

ER PARISH

A literal-minded housekeeper causes a ruckus in the household when she attempts to make sense of some instructions.

The Ear Book by Al Perkins

ER PERKIN

Our ears hear popcorn popping, flutes tooting, hands clapping, and fingers snapping.

Ricky Ricotta's Might Robot by Dav Pilkey

JF PILKEY D

Ricky Ricotta, a small mouse, is being bullied at school, but when he rescues a powerful robot from its evil creator, he acquires a friend and protector and saves the city from Dr. Stinky.

Henry and Mudge by Cynthia Rylant

ER RYLANT

Henry, feeling lonely on a street without any other children, finds companionship and love in a big dog named Mudge.