

One Book, One Community

Suggested Reading Lists

Adults

1984 by George Orwell
A Hope in the Unseen by Ron Suskind
A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest J. Gaines
A Long Way from Chicago by Richard Peck
A Long Way Home by Richard Peck
A Separate Peace by John Knowles
A Stranger in the Kingdom by Howard Mosher
All Over But the Shoutin' by Rick Bragg
All the King's Men by Robert Penn Warren
Animal Dreams by Barbara Kingsolver
Any Small Goodness by Tony Johnson
Ava's Man by Rick Bragg
Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress by Dai Sijie
Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DeCamillo
Breaking Through Francisco Jiminez
Breath, Eyes, Memory by Edwidge Danticat
Ecology of a Cracker Childhood by Janisse Ray
Enemy Women by Paulette Jiles
Epitaph for a Peach by David Mas Masumoto
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
Farewell to Manzanar by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston
Farewell to Manzanar by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston & James D. Houston
Fathering Words: The Making of An African American Writer by E. Ethelbert Miller
First They Killed My Father by Loung Ung
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
Having Our Say: The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years
Housekeeping by Marilynne Robinson
How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents by Julia Alvarez
It Wasn't All Dancing and Other Stories by Mary Ward Brown
Jim the Boy by Tony Earley
Killing Mr. Watson by Peter Matthiessen
Kindred by Octavia Butler
Middle Son by Deborah Lida
Mountain City by Gergory Martin
Native Speaker by Chang-rae Lee
Night by Elie Wiesel
North Star Conspiracy by Miriam Grace Monfredo
Not Without Laughter by Langston Hughes
Nothing But the Truth by Avi
Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
Our Town by Thornton Wilder
Pay It Forward by Catherine Ryan Hyde
Peace Like a River by Leif Enger
Plainsong by Kent Haruf

Profiles in Courage by John F. Kennedy
Puddn'head Wilson by Mark Twain
Queen of the Mist by Joan Murray
Rocket Boys by Homer Hickam
Savage Inequalities by Jonathan Kozol
Seabiscuit: An American Legend by Laura Hillenbrand
Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd
Secrets of the Tsil Café by Thomas Fox Averill
Seedfolks by Paul Fleischman
Snow Falling on Cedars by David Guterson
Snow in August by Pete Hamill
Spartina by John Casey
Staggerford by Jon Hassler
The Ballad of Frankie Silver by Sharyn McCrumb
The Bean Trees by Barbara Kingsolver
The Captain's Wife by Doug Kelly
The Circuit by Francisco Jimenez
The Color of Water by James McBride
The Fellowship of the Ring by J. R. R. Tolkien
The Friendly Persuasion by Jessamyn West
The Giver by Lois Lowry
The Gospel According to Larry by Janet Tashjian
The Grand Eccentrics by Mark Bernstein
The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck
The Greatest Generation by Tom Brokaw
The Hoosier School-boy by Edward Eggleston
The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros
The Killer Angels by Michael Shaara
The Last Summer of Reason by Tahar Djaout
The Light in the Forest by Conrad Richter
The Long Walk: a Gamble for Life by Slavomir Rawicz as told to Ronald Downing
The Maine Woods by Henry David Thoreau
The Miracle Life of Edgar Mint by Brady Udall
The Price of a Child by Lorene Cary
The Reappearance of Sam Webber by Jonathan Scott Fuqua
The Right Stuff by Tom Wolfe
The Soloist by Mark Salzman
The Sweet Hereafter by Russell Banks
The Water Is Wide by Pat Conroy
The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis
To Dance With the White Dog by Terry Kay
Tortilla Curtain by T. C. Boyle
Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom
Two Old Women: An Alaskan Legend of Betrayal, Courage, and Survival by Velma Wallis
Vernon Can Read by Vernon Jordan
What Looks Like Crazy on an Ordinary Day by Pearl Cleage
Where the Heart Is by Billie Letts
White Crosses by Larry Watson
Winter Wheat by Mildred Walker

[Read Aloud Books for young children:](#)

All About Alfie by Shirley Hughes
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
Baby In A Basket by Gloria Rand
The Boy Who Wouldn't Go To Bed by Helen Cooper
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? By Bill Martin, Jr.
Corduroy by Don Freeman
Curious George by H. A. Rey
The Foot Book by Dr. Seuss
Forg and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel
Froggy Gets Dressed by Jonathan London
Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
If You Give A Mouse A Cookie by Laura Numeroff
Ira Sleeps Over by Bill Waber
Little Bear by Else Holmelund Minarik
The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton
Make Way For Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
Mother Goose
No Jumping on the Bed by Tedd Arnold
Rolie, Poli, Olie by William Joyce
Spot's Touch and Feel Books by Eric Hill
Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
Where's My Teddy? By Jez Alborough

K-6 grades

Adamson, Joy - Born Free
Aesop - Fables*
Alcott, Louisa May - Little Women
Andersen, Hans Christian - Fairy tales
Atwater, Richard and Florence - Mr. Popper's Penguins*
Bailey, Carolyn Sherwin - Miss Hickory
Barrie, J.M. - Peter Pan
Baum, L. Frank - The Wonderful Wizard of Oz
Bemelmans, Ludwig - Madeline series*
Bond, Michael - A Bear Called Paddington
Boston, L.M. - The Children of Green Knowe
Brink, Carol Ryrie - Caddie Woodlawn
Brown, Margaret Wise - Goodnight, Moon*
Brunhoff, Jean de - The Story of Babar*
Burnett, Frances Hodgson - The Secret Garden
Burton, Virginia Lee - Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel*
Butterworth, Oliver - The Enormous Egg
Clark, Ann Nolan - Secret of the Andes
Cleary, Beverly - Henry Huggins series
Coatsworth, Elizabeth - The Cat Who Went to Heaven
Dalglish, Alice -
 The Bears on Hemlock Mountain*
 The Courage of Sarah Noble*
De Angeli, Marguerite - The Door in the Wall
De Jong, Meindert -
 The House of Sixty Fathers

The Wheel on the School
Dodge, Mary Mapes - Hans Brinker, or the Silver Skates
Du Bois, William Pene - The Twenty-One Balloons
Edmonds, Walter D. - The Matchlock Gun
Estes, Eleanor -
 Ginger Pye
 Moffats series
Farley, Walter - The Black Stallion
Field, Rachel - Hitty, Her First Hundred Years
Fritz, Jean - The Cabin Faced West
Gilbreth, Frank B. and -
 Ernestine G. Carey;
 Cheaper By the Dozen
Gipson, Fred - Old Yeller
Godden, Rumer - The Mousewife*
Grahame, Kenneth -
 The Reluctant Dragon*;
 The Wind in the Willows
Gray, Elizabeth Janet - Adam of the Road
Grimm, Jacob and Wilhelm - Grimm's Fairy Tales
Hawes, Charles - The Dark Frigate
Haywood, Carolyn - Betsy series*
Henry, Marguerite -
 King of the Wind;
 Misty of Chincoteague
Keith, Harold - Rifles for Watie
Kelly, Eric - The Trumpeter of Krakow
Kipling, Rudyard -
 Captains Courageous
 Just So Stories for
 Little Children*
 The Jungle Books
Kjelgaard, Jim - Big Red
Knight, Eric - Lassie Come Home
Krumgold, Joseph -
 ...and Now Miguel
 Onion John
LaFarge, Oliver - Laughing Boy
Lamb, Charles and Mary - Tales from Shakespear
Latham, Jean Lee - Carry on, Mr. Bowditch
Lawson, Robert -
 Ben and Me
 Rabbit Hill
Leaf, Munro - The Story of Ferdinand*
Lear, Edward - Book of Nonsense*
Lenski, Lois - Strawberry Girl
Lewis, C.S. - Chronicles of Narnia series
Lindgren, Astrid - Pippi Longstocking series
Lofting, Hugh - Doctor Doolittle series
London, Jack -
 The Call of the Wild

White Fang
 MacDonald, Betty - Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle*
 MacGregor, Ellen - Miss Pickerell series
 McCloskey, Robert -
 Blueberries for Sal*
 Homer Price
 Make Way for Ducklings*
 McSwigan, Marie - Snow Treasure
 Meigs, Cornelia - Invincible Louisa
 Milne, A.A. -
 The House at Pooh Corner*
 Now We Are Six*
 When We Were Very Young*
 Winnie-the-Pooh*
 Minarik, Else Holmelund - Little Bear
 Montgomery, L.M. - Anne of Green Gables
 Mukerji, Dhan Ghopal - Gay-Neck, the Story of a Pigeon
 Norton, Mary - The Borrowers series
 O'Hara, Mary - My Friend Flicka
 Pearce, Philippa - Tom's Midnight Garden
 Perrault, Charles - Cinderella*
 Potter, Beatrix - The Tale of Peter Rabbit*
 Pyle, Howard - The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood
 Rey, H.A. - Curious George series*
 Richter, Conrad - The Light in the Forest
 Selden, George - The Cricket in Times Square*
 Seuss, Dr. - The Cat in the Hat*
 Sewell, Anna - Black Beauty
 Sorenson, Virginia - Miracles on Maple Hill
 Speare, Elizabeth George - The Witch of Blackbird Pond
 Sperry, Armstrong - Call It Courage
 Spyri, Johanna - Heidi
 Steinbeck, John - The Red Pony
 Stevenson, Robert Louis -
 A Child's Garden of Verses*
 Kidnapped
 Treasure Island
 Travers, Pamela L. - Mary Poppins series
 Van Loon, Hendrik - The Story of Mankind
 White, E.B. -
 Charlotte's Web
 Stuart Little
 Wilder, Laura Ingalls - Little House series
 Williams, Margery - The Velveteen Rabbit*
 Wyss, Johann - Swiss Family Robinson
 Zion, Gene - Harry the Dirty Dog*

Grades 7 & 8

Alcott, Louisa May - Little Men
 Bagnold, Enid - National Velvet
 Blackmore, Richard D. - Lorna Doone

Boule, Pierre - The Bridge over the River Kwai
Bradbury, Ray -
 Dandelion Wine
 Fahrenheit 451
 The Illustrated Man
 Martian Chronicles
Buchan, John - The Thirty-Nine Steps
Bunyan, John - The Pilgrim's Progress
Carroll, Lewis -
 Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
 Through the Looking Glass
Clark, Walter - The Ox-Bow Incident
Cooper, James Fenimore -
 The Deerslayer
 The Last of the Mohicans
Curie, Eve - Madame Curie: A Biography
Dana, Richard Henry - Two Years before the Mast
Day, Clarence - Life with Father
Defoe, Daniel - Robinson Crusoe
Dickens, Charles - A Christmas Carol
Douglas, Lloyd C. - The Robe
Doyle, Arthur Conan - Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
Dumas, Alexander -
 The Count of Monte Christo
 The Three Musketeers
Du Maurier, Daphne - Rebecca
Edmonds, Walter D. - Drums along the Mohawk
Ferber, Edna - Cimarron
Forbes, Esther - Johnny Tremain
Forester, C.S. -
 The African Queen
 The Hornblower series
Frank, Anne - Diary of a Young Girl
Frost, Robert - Poems
Gallico, Paul - The Snow Goose
Gunther, John - Death Be Not Proud
Guthrie, A.B. - The Big Sky
Haggard, H. Rider - King Solomon's Mines
Hansberry, Lorraine - Raisin in the Sun
Hemingway, Ernest - The Old Man and the Sea
Hersey, John -
 A Bell for Adano
 Hiroshima
 The Wall
Heyerdahl, Thor - Kon-Tiki
Hilton, James -
 Goodbye, Mr. Chips
 Lost Horizon
Hudson, W.H. - Green Mansions
Hughes, Richard - A High Wind in Jamaica
Hugo, Victor - The Hunchback of Notre Dame

Irving, Washington - The Legend of Sleepy Hollow
Keller, Helen - Story of My Life
Kennedy, John F. - Profiles in Courage
Kipling, Rudyard - Kim
Knowles, John - A Separate Peace
Lee, Harper - To Kill a Mockingbird
London, Jack - The Sea Wolf
Lord, Walter - A Night to Remember
Malory, Sir Thomas - Le Morte d'Arthur
Maxwell, Gavin - Ring of Bright Water
McCullers, Carson - Member of the Wedding
Michener, James - The Bridges at Toko-Ri
Mitchell, Margaret - Gone with the Wind
Nordhoff, Charles and J.N. Hall - Mutiny on the Bounty
O'Dell, Scott - Island of the Blue Dolphins
Orczy, Baroness Emma - The Scarlet Pimpernel
Paton, Alan - Cry, the Beloved Country
Pyle, Howard - Men of Iron
Rawlings, Marjorie Kinnan - The Yearling
Renault, Mary - The King Must Die
Roberts, Kenneth - Northwest Passage
Saint-Exupery, Antoine de -
 The Little Prince
 Wind, Sand and Stars
Saki - Stories
Schaefer, Jack - Shane
Scott, Sir Walter - Ivanhoe
Shelley, Mary - Frankenstein
Smith, Betty - A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
Steinbeck, John -
 The Pearl
 Tortilla Flat
Stevenson, Robert Louis -
 The Black Arrow
 The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde
Stoker, Bram - Dracula
Thurber, James - The Thurber Carnival
Tolkien, J.R.R. -
 The Hobbit
 The Lord of the Rings
Twain, Mark -
 The Adventures of
 Huckleberry Finn
 The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
 A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court
 Innocents Abroad
 Life on the Mississippi
 The Prince and the Pauper
Verne, Jules -
 Around the World in Eighty Days
 Journey to the Center of the Earth

Mysterious Island
20,000 Leagues under the Sea
Wallace, Lewis - Ben-Hur
Washington, Booker T. - Up from Slavery
Wells, H.G. -
 The Time Machine
 War of the Worlds
Wharton, Edith - Ethan Frome
Wilder, Thornton - The Bridge of San Luis Rey
Wister, Owen - The Virginian
Yates, Elizabeth - Amos Fortune, Free Man

Grades 9-12

Agee, James - A Death in the Family
Anderson, Sherwood - Winesburg, Ohio
Austen, Jane -
 Emma
 Northanger Abbey
 Pride and Prejudice
 Sense and Sensibility
Baldwin, James -
Go Tell It on the Mountain
Balzac, Honore de - Pere Goriot
Beckett, Samuel - Waiting for Godot
The Bible -
 Old Testament
 New Testament
Bolt, Robert - A Man for All Seasons
Bronte, Charlotte - Jane Eyre
Bronte, Emily - Wuthering Heights
Browning, Robert - Poems
Buck, Pearl - The Good Earth
Butler, Samuel - The Way of All Flesh
Camus, Albert -
 The Plague
 The Stranger
Cather, Willa -
 Death Comes for the Archbishop
 My Antonia
Cervantes, Miguel - Don Quixote
Chaucer, Geoffrey - The Canterbury Tales
Chekhov, Anton - The Cherry Orchard
Chopin, Kate - The Awakening
Collins, Wilkie - The Moonstone
Conrad, Joseph -
 Heart of Darkness
 Lord Jim
 The Secret Sharer
 Victory
Crane, Stephen - The Red Badge of Courage
Dante - The Divine Comedy

Defoe, Daniel - Moll Flanders
Dickens, Charles -
 Bleak House
 David Copperfield
 Great Expectations
 Hard Times
 Oliver Twist
 A Tale of Two Cities
Dickinson, Emily - Poems
Dinesen, Isak - Out of Africa
Dostoevski, Fyodor -
 Brothers Karamazov
 Crime and Punishment
Dreiser, Theodore -
 An American Tragedy
 Sister Carrie
Eliot, George -
 Adam Bede
 Middlemarch
 Mill on the Floss
 Silas Marner
Eliot, T.S. - Murder in the Cathedral
Ellison, Ralph - Invisible Man
Emerson, Ralph Waldo - Essays
Faulkner, William -
 Absalom, Absalom!
 As I Lay Dying
 Intruder in the Dust
 Light in August
 The Sound and the Fury
Fielding, Henry -
 Joseph Andrews
 Tom Jones
Fitzgerald, F. Scott -
 The Great Gatsby
 Tender Is the Night
Flaubert, Gustave - Madame Bovary
Forster, E.M. -
 A Passage to India
 A Room with a View
Franklin, Benjamin - The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin
Galsworthy, John - The Forsyte Saga
Golding, William - Lord of the Flies
Goldsmith, Oliver - She Stoops to Conquer
Graves, Robert - I, Claudius
Greene, Graham -
 The Heart of the Matter
 The Power and the Glory
Hamilton, Edith - Mythology
Hardy, Thomas -
 Far From the Madding Crowd

Jude the Obscure
The Mayor of Casterbridge
The Return of the Native
Tess of the D'Urbervilles
Hawthorne, Nathaniel -
The House of the Seven Gables
The Scarlet Letter
Hemingway, Ernest -
A Farewell to Arms
For Whom the Bell Tolls
The Sun Also Rises
Henry, O. - Stories
Hersey, John - A Single Pebble
Hesse, Hermann -
Demian
Siddhartha
Steppenwolf
Homer -
The Iliad
The Odyssey
Hughes, Langston - Poems
Hugo, Victor - Les Miserables
Huxley, Aldous - Brave New World
Ibsen, Henrik -
A Doll's House
An Enemy of the People
Ghosts
Hedda Gabler
The Master Builder
The Wild Duck
James, Henry -
The American
Daisy Miller
Portrait of a Lady
The Turn of the Screw
Joyce, James -
Portrait of the Artist
As a Young Man
Dubliners
Kafka, Franz -
The Castle
Metamorphosis
The Trial
Keats, John - Poems
Kerouac, Jack - On the Road
Koestler, Arthur - Darkness at Noon
Lawrence, D.H. - Sons and Lovers
Lawrence, Jerome and Robert E. Lee - Inherit the Wind
Lewis, Sinclair -
Arrowsmith
Babbitt

Main Street
Llewellyn, Richard - How Green Was My Valley
Machiavelli - The Prince
MacLeish, Archibald - J.B.
Mann, Thomas -
 Buddenbrooks
 The Magic Mountain
Marlowe, Christopher - Dr. Faustus
Maugham, Somerset - Of Human Bondage
McCullers, Carson - The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter
Melville, Herman -
 Billy Budd
 Moby-Dick
 Typee
Miller, Arthur -
 The Crucible
 Death of a Salesman
Monsarrat, Nicholas - The Cruel Sea
O'Neill, Eugene -
 The Emperor Jones
 A Long Day's Journey into Night
 Mourning Becomes Electra
Orwell, George -
 Animal Farm
 1984
Pasternak, Boris - Doctor Zhivago
Poe, Edgar Allan - Short stories
Remarque, Erich - All Quiet on the Western Front
Rolvaa, O.E. - Giants in the Earth
Rostand, Edmond - Cyrano de Bergerac
Salinger, J.D. - The Catcher in the Rye
Sandburg, Carl -
 Abraham Lincoln:
 The Prairie Years
 Abraham Lincoln:
 The War Years
Saroyan, William - The Human Comedy
Sayers, Dorothy - The Nine Tailors
Shakespeare, William - Plays and sonnets
Shaw, George Bernard -
 Arms and the Man
 Major Barbara
 Pygmalion
 Saint Joan
Sheridan, Richard B. - The School for Scandal
Shute, Nevil - On the Beach
Sinclair, Upton - The Jungle
Sophocles -
 Antigone
 Oedipus Rex
Steinbeck, John -

East of Eden
The Grapes of Wrath
Of Mice and Men
Stowe, Harriet Beecher - Uncle Tom's Cabin
Swift, Jonathan - Gulliver's Travels
Thackeray, William M. - Vanity Fair
Thoreau, Henry David - Walden
Tolstoy, Leo -
 Anna Karenina
 War and Peace
Trollope, Anthony - Barchester Towers
Turgenev, Ivan - Fathers and Sons
Twain, Mark - Pudd'nhead Wilson
Updike, John - Rabbit Run
Vergil - The Aeneid
Voltaire - Candide
Warren, Robert Penn - All the King's Men
Waugh, Evelyn -
 Brideshead Revisited
 A Handful of Dust
Wharton, Edith - Age of Innocence
White, T.H. -
 The Once and Future King
 The Sword in the Stone
Wilde, Oscar -
 The Importance of Being Earnest
 The Picture of Dorian Gray
Wilder, Thornton - Our Town
Williams, Tennessee -
 The Glass Menagerie
 A Streetcar Named Desire
Wolfe, Thomas - Look Homeward, Angel
Woolf, Virginia -
 Mrs. Dalloway
 To the Lighthouse
Wouk, Herman - The Caine Mutiny
Wright, Richard -
 Black Boy
 Native Son