

## Books for Beginning Readers Entering Kindergarten

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This list includes suggested authors and titles to assist parents in choosing books that reflect their child’s reading level, interests, and family values. Included here are concept books, pre-primers and primers for developing readers, picture books enjoyed by a wide audience, and beginning chapter books suitable for advancing readers.

Book lists with current popular titles are also widely available on the Internet. Check these sites for titles that may interest your student:

[Children’s Book Council - Children’s Choice Awards](#)

[Texas Library Association 2x2 Reading Lists](#)

[Dallas ISD - Luminarias list](#), PK-3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Bilingual and Spanish. Many authors listed below also publish in Spanish.

### Picture Books

Baker, Keith	Quack and Count, LMNO Peas ( and other titles)
Barton, Chris	Shark vs. Train
Bingham, Kelly	Z is for Moose
Blechman, Nicholas	Night Light
Brown, Marc	Arthur and D.W. books
Brown, Margaret Wise	The Big Red Barn (and other titles)
Boynton, Sandra	A is for Angry (and other titles)
Burach, Ross	I Am Not a Chair, Truck Full of Ducks
Campbell, Scott	Hug Machine
Carle, Eric	The Very Busy Spider (and other titles)
Carlson, Nancy	ABC I Like Me! (and other titles)
Child, Lauren	I Am Too Absolutely Small for School, The New Small Person (and other titles)
Collins, Ross	There’s a Bear on My Chair
Crews, Donald	Freight Train
Crews, Nina	The Neighborhood Mother Goose
Cronin, Doreen	Click Clack Moo, Diary of a Spider (and other titles)
Cummings, Troy	Can I Be Your Dog?
Dewdney, Anna	Llama Llama books
DiPucchio, Kelly	Dog Days of School
Doerrfeld, Cori	The Rabbit Listened
Eaton, Jason Carter	How to Train a Train
Ehlert, Lois	Growing Vegetable Soup (and other titles)
Falconer, Ian	Olivia (and other titles)
Feiffer, Jules	Bark George
Fleming, Denise	In the Tall, Tall Grass (and other titles)
Fox, Mem	The Magic Hat (and other titles)
Gall, Chris	Dog vs. Cat
Gormley, Greg	Dog in Boots
Hale, Shannon and Dean	The Princess in Black
Henkes, Kevin	Kitten’s First Full Moon (and other titles)
Hoban, Russell	Bedtime for Frances (and other titles)
Hoban, Tana	I Read Signs (and other titles)
Hutchins, Pat	Rosie’s Walk
Johnson, Stephen	Alphabet City
Kahn, Victoria	Pinkalicious (and other titles)

Keats, Ezra Jack	Whistle for Willie (and other titles)
Kang, Anna	I Am Not Scared
Keller, Laurie	We Are Growing
Klassen, John	This Is Not My Hat (and other titles)
Lester, Helen	Hooway for Wodney Wat, Tacky the Penguin (and other titles)
Lionni, Leo	Swimmy, A Color of His Own, Frederick (and other titles)
London, Jonathan	Froggy stories
Martin, Jr., Bill	Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? (and other titles)
McGhee, Alison	Mrs. Watson Wants Your Teeth (and other titles)
McMullan, Kate	I Stink! (and other titles)
Neitzel, Shirley	The Jacket I Wear in the Snow
Numeroff, Laura Joffe	If You Give a Moose a Muffin (and other titles)
O'Connor, Jane	Fancy Nancy (and other titles)
Santat, Dan	The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend
Shannon, David	David Gets in Trouble, Duck on a Bike, (and other titles)
Shaw, Nancy	Sheep in a Jeep (and other titles)
Thong, Roseanne Greenfield	Round is a Tortilla: A Book of Shapes
Tullet, Herve	Press Here, Mix It Up (and other titles)
Walsh, Ellen Stoll	Mouse Paint
Wells, Rosemary	"Max and Ruby" stories, (and other titles)
Willems, Mo	Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus, Knuffle Bunny (and other titles)
Williams, Sue	I Went Walking
Wilson, Karma	A Frog in the Bog, Bear Snores On (and other titles)
Yolen, Jane	How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night? (and other titles)
Yoon, Salina	Found, Penguin's Big Adventure

### **Beginning Readers**

Arnold, Tedd	Fly Guy!
Brown, Monica	Marisol McDonald
Bruel, Nick	Bad Kitty
Capucilli, Alyssa	Biscuit
Cazet, Dany	Minnie and Moo
Cole, Joanna	Bug in a Rug
DiCamillo, Kate	Mercy Watson
Eastman, P.D.	Go, Dog, Go! (and other titles in the Dr. Seuss/Random House library)
Litwin, Eric / Dean, James	Pete the Cat
Lobel, Arnold	Frog and Toad
Runton, Andy	Owly
Rylant, Cynthia	Henry and Mudge, Mr. Putter and Tabby, Poppleton,
Dr. Seuss	Cat in the Hat (and other titles)
Thomas, Shelley Moore	Get Well, Good Knight, Good Night, Good Knight
Van Leeuwen, Jean	Oliver and Amanda (and other titles)
Vignocchi, Chiara	Shake the Tree!
Willems, Mo	Elephant and Piggie

### **Bilingual Spanish**

Arena, Jen	Marta! Big & Small
Canetti, Yanitzia	El Patito Bello (and other titles)

Dewdney, Anna	La Llama Llama Rojo Pijama
Elya, Susan Middleton	La Madre Goose: Nursery Rhymes for Los Niños
Falconer / Mlawer	Olivia (and other titles)
Kann, Victoria	Pinkalicious
Klein, Adria	Max Come al Aire Libre (and other titles)
Numeroff, Laura	Si Llevas un Raton a la Escuela
Santat, Dan	Los Aventuras de Beekle
Dr. Seuss	Huevos verdes con jamon (and other titles)
Walsh, Ellen Stoll	Mouse Paint / Pintura de ratón
Wells, Rosemary	Los 100 Primeros dias de Colegio de Emilia

## **Poetry**

Bagert, Brod	Shout! Little Poems That Roar
Brown, Margaret Wise	I Like Stars
Carle, Eric	Animals Animals
Florian, Douglas	Bow Wow Meow Meow