

2020 Summer Reading Ideas

Rising First Grade



All-School Read:

Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear

by Lindsay Mattick

Please enjoy this book with your family, as well as some of the other suggestions below. We simply want rising first graders to choose titles that interest and engage them!

Picture Books:

Bear Came Along by Richard T. Morris

The Balcony by Melissa Castrillon

Potato Pants! by Laurie Keller

Monster Trucks by Joy Keller

The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors by Drew Daywalt

Samson: The Piranha Who Went to Dinner by Tadgh Bentley

A Perfect Day by Lane Smith

Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Pena

Gaston by Kelly DiPucchio

Milk Goes to School by Terry Border

Triangle by Mac Barnett

Circle by Mac Barnett

Square by Mac Barnett

A Library Book for Bear by Bonny Becker

A Bedtime for Bear by Bonny Becker

School's First Day of School by Adam Rex

A Tiger Tail: or What Happened to Anya on the First Day of School by Mike Boldt

Snapsy the Alligator (did not ask to be in this book!) by Julie Falatko

Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast by Josh Funk

How Martha Saved Her Parents from Green Beans by David LaRochelle
Are We There Yet? by Dan Santat
My Pet Book by Bob Staake
XO, OX: A Love Story by Adam Rex
Otto the Owl Who Loved Poetry by Vern Kousky

Transitional Readers:

Bink & Gollie series by Kate DiCamillo
Monkey and Elephant series by Galia Bernstein
Fly Guy series by Tedd Arnold
Mercy Watson series by Kate DiCamillo
Elephant and Piggie series by Mo Willems
Frog and Friends series by Eve Bunting
Dodsworth series by Tim Egan
Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant
Trucktown by Jon Scieszka

Early Chapter Books:

Unicorn Diaries series by Rebecca Elliot
Owl Diaries series by Rebecca Elliot
Dory Fantasmagory series by Abby Hanlon
Adventures at the Hound Hotel series by Shelley Sateren
Press Start series by Thomas Flintham
The Notebook of Doom series by Troy Cummings
Little Rhino series by Ryan Howard
Clementine series by Sara Pennypacker
Captain Awesome series by Stan Kirby
Flat Stanley series by Jeff Brown
Horrible Harry series by Suzy Kline
Pee Wee Scouts series by Judy Delton
The Chicken Squad by Doreen Cronin

Poetry:

A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood: The Poetry of Mister Rogers
Insectlopedia: Poems and Paintings by Douglas Florian
Mammalabilia: Poems and Paintings by Douglas Florian
Laugh-eteria: Poems and Drawings by Douglas Florian
A Poem for Peter: The Story of Ezra Jack Keats
The Creation of The Snowy Day by Andrea Davis Pinkney

Wet Cement: A Mix of Concrete Poems by Bob Raczka

When Green Becomes Tomatoes by Julie Fogliano

Hypnotize a Tiger: Poems about Just About Everything by Calef Brown

Winter Bees and other Poems of the Cold by Joyce Sidman

Orangutan Tongues: Poems to Tangle your Tongue by Jon Agee

Nonfiction:

Who Would Win series by Jerry Pallota

Wild Rides series by Bolt Jr. (Formula 1 cars, Indy, Stock)

Hippos are Huge by Jonathan London

Amazing Animals series by Creative Education, publisher

Flying Frogs and Walking Fish: Leaping Lemurs, Tumbling

Toads, Jet-Propelled Jellyfish, and More Surprising Ways that Animals Move

by Steve Jenkins

Actual Size by Steve Jenkins

Into the A, B, Sea by Deborah Lee Rose

Never Smile at a Monkey: and 17 other Important Things to Remember

by Steve Jenkins

What Do You Do With a Tail Like This? by Steve Jenkins

Back Off! Animal Defenses — *Prickly Animals, Armored Animals, Electric Animals, Horned Animals, Slimy Animals, Stinky Animals, Undercover Animals, Venomous Animals*