

Set Aside Time Every Day to Read!
Springfield Public Schools Suggested Summer Reading List
GRADE TWO

Summer provides a very important time for students of all ages to continue reading books of their own choosing. We know that the more a student is read to and reads independently, the better reader he/she will become. Start the summer off right by setting aside a consistent time of at least one-half hour each day for an enjoyable reading time with your child.

As your child begins to read independently, choosing a “just right” book is important. That means that the book is not too difficult, and your child should be able to read most of the words correctly and without hesitation. Independent reading time should be enjoyable!

The books below are merely suggestions to begin a search for books that will “hook” your child onto reading.

Beaty, Andrea. *Firefighter Ted*

Blake, Stephanie. *I Don't Want to Go to School!*

Bogan, Paulette. *LuLu the Big Little Chick*

Bramsen, Kristen and Carin. *The Yellow Tutu*

Breznak, Irene. *Sneezy Louise*

Bulla, Clyde Robert. *A Tree is a Plant*

Byars, Betsy. *My Brother, Ant*

Cameron, Ann. *Stories That Julian Tells* (series)

Cannon, Janell. *Stellaluna*

Cordell, Matthew. *Trouble Gum*

DeGroat, Diane. *Dogs Don't Brush Their Teeth*

DePaola, Tomie. *Strega Nona*

Donaldson, Julia. *Stick Man*

Ehlert, Lois. *Boo to You!*

Ellery, Amanda. *If I Were a Jungle Animal*

Emberley, Rebecca. *There Was an Old Monster*

Feiffer, Kate. *Which Puppy?*

Fox, Mem. *Night Noises*

Fucile, Tony. *Let's Do Nothing!*

Gravett, Emily. *The Odd Egg*

Halse, Laurie. *The Hair of Zoe Fleefenbacher Goes to School*

Helligman, Deborah. *Cool Dog, School Dog*

Javernick, Ellen and O'Malley, Kevin. *The Birthday Pet*

Kladstrup, Kristen. *The Gingerbread Pirates*

Lakin. *Helen Keller and the Big Storm*

Lloyd-Jones, Sally. *Being a Pig is Nice*

Lobel, Arnold. *Frog and Toad are Friends*

Lobel, Arnold. *Ming Lo Moves the Mountain*

Markie, Sandra. *How Many Baby Pandas?*

Nolan, Jerdine. *Raising Dragons*

Parish, Peggy. *Amelia Bedelia*

Phillipps, JC. *Wink the Ninja Who Wanted to Be Noticed*

Ransom, Jeanie Franz. *What Really Happened to Humpty?*

Reading Rainbow. *Adventure Stories That Will Thrill You*

Sachar, Louis. *Marvin Redpost: Alone in His Teacher's House*

Sierra, Judy. *The Sleepy Little Alphabet*

Silvano, Wendi. *Turkey Trouble*

Spinelli, Eileen. *Silly Tilly*

Steig, William. *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*

Urban, Linda. *Mouse Was Mad*

VanAllsburg, Chris. *Two Bad Ants*

Waber, Bernard. *Ira Sleeps Over*

Williams, Vera. *Chair for My Mother*

Wilson, Karma. *Don't Be Afraid, Little Pip*

Yoon, Salina. *Opposnakes*

Series books that are most popular with early readers:

Brown, Marc. *Authur*

Cameron, Ann. *Stories That Julian Tells, More Stories That Julian Tells*

Cole, Joanna. *The Magic School Bus series*

Homelund, Else. *Little Bear Books*

I Can Read books. – various authors

Let's Read and Find Out About science series – various authors

Lobel, Arnold. *Frog and Toad (fiction)*

Parish, Peggy. *Amelia Bedelia (humor)*

Parks, Barbara. *Junie B. Jones (realistic fiction)*

Rylant, Cynthia. *Henry and Mudge (fiction)*

Sendak, Maurice. *Little Bear (fantasy)*

Sharmat, Marjorie. *Nate the Great (mystery)*

Step Into Reading – various authors