

We would like rising first graders to READ, READ over the summer! We encourage you to choose books that interest your child and make it a fun experience. It is important that children are introduced to both fiction and nonfiction reading. Reading nonfiction (informational text) allows children to become familiar with the different features of factual texts, like the index, photographs, captions, page headings, and diagrams. Below you will find both suggested fiction and nonfiction books for your child. The books on this list are not required, but a suggested selection of literature available in local libraries.

Fiction Books:

- Ada Twist Scientist by Andrea Beaty
- Amelia Bedelia series by Herman Parish
- Arthur picture series by Marc Brown
- Dr. Seuss Books
- Elephant and Piggie series by Mo Willems
- Flat Stanley series by Jeff Brown
- Henry and Mudge series by Cynthia Rylant
- Hi! Fly Guy series by Tedd Arnold
- I Can Read series Step 1, Step 2, and Step 3
- If You Give a Mouse a Cookie series by Laura Numeroff
- Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park
- Llama Llama picture book series by Anna Dewdney
- Miss Nelson is Missing series by James Marshall
- Ninja Bunnies by Jennifer Gray Olson
- Pete the Cat picture book series by Eric Litwin
- Poppleton by Cynthia Rylant
- Magic Puppy, Magic Kitten, Magic Ponies, Magic Bunny series by Sue Bentley
- The Book With No Pictures by B.J. Novak

- The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt
- The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
- The Magic Treehouse series by Mary Pope Osborne
- Owl Diaries by Rebecca Elliott
- Princess in Black series by Shannon Hale
- Dog Man series by Dav Pilkey
- LEGO books
- Rainbow Magic series by Daisy Meadows

Nonfiction Books:

- National Geographic Kids
- Ready-to-Read Childhood of Famous Americans (a few titles in this series)
 - o Thomas Edison to the Rescue! by Howard Goldsmith
 - o Ben Franklin and His First Kite by Stephen Krensky
 - o Helen Keller and the Big Storm by Patricia Lakin
 - o Betsy Ross and the Silver Thimble by Stephanie Greene
 - Paul Revere and the Bell Ringers by Jonah Winter
- Scholastic Science Readers (a few titles in this series)
 - o Spiders by Carolyn B. Otto
 - o From Tadpole to Frog by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld
 - o Solar System Gregory Vogt
 - o Tornadoes by Brian Cassie
- Rookie Read- About (a few titles in this series)
 - o All About Light by Lisa Trumbauer
 - o Giant Pandas: Gifts from China by Allan Fowler
 - Living Near a River by Allan Fowler
 - Where Does Your Food Go? by Wiley Blevins
 - o The Seven Continents by Wil Mara
- Dorling Kindersley Readers (a few titles in this series)
 - o Garden Friends
 - o Fishy Tales
 - o Born to be a Butterfly by Karen Wallace
 - o Amazing Buildings by Kate Hayden
 - o Rockets and Spaceships by Karen Wallace
 - o Bugs, Bugs, Bugs by Jennifer Dussling
 - o Amazing Buildings by Kate Hayden