Student:

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# LPS SUMMER READING LIST



When I go to the library or bookstore,

I know that my book is just right if I ask myself...

INTEREST: Am I interested in learning about this character or subject?

WORDS: Can I read almost ALL the words correctly?

VOICE: Does my reading sound like my talking voice?

TALK: Can I talk about what I read? Can I talk about what I

think?

I KNOW my book is just right if I can answer yes, yes, yes, yes!

# **Reading aloud** to your young child is important! The following is a list of suggested read-alouds for young children.

39 Clues

Big Egg, Coxe

Big Nate, Lincoln Peirce

Bink and Gollie - DiCamillo

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, by Bill Martin

Bunches and Bunches of Bunnies, Mathews

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom, Bill Martin

Commotion in the Ocean, Andreac

Polar Bear, Polar Bear, Bill Martin

Dear Zoo, Rod Campbell

Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed, Eileen

Christlelow

Is Your Mama A Llama, Deborah Guarino

Jump Frog, Jump, Robert Kalan

Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten, Joseph

Slate

Monte, Hurwitz

The Lady With the Alligator Purse, Nadine Westcott

There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly,

Simms Taback

The Very Busy Spider, Eric Carle

The Very Hungry Catepillar, Eric Carle

Have You seen My Cat?, Carle

Hop on Pop, Seuss

I Survived, Tarshin

Tomorrow's Alphabet, Shannon

Sheep in a Jeep, Shaw

Katie Woo

Klooz, J. Banscherus

Kylie Jean

The Listening Walk, Showers

Bingo, the Best Dog in the World, Siacusa

A Pet for Pat, Snow

Over in the Meadow, Wadsworth

Down By the Bay, Raffi

How Many Trucks Can a Tow Truck Tow? Pomerantz

Hunting We Will Go, Langstaff

Carrot Parrot, Martin

Bears in Pairs, Yektai

The Annotated Mother Goose: Nursery Rhymes Old and

New, Baring-Gold

Each Peach Pear Plum, Ahlberg

The Foot Book, Dr. Suess

Goodnight Moon, Brown

Martin Bridge

Meet Stella Batts

Nicky Fifth, Lisa Funari Willever

Princess Posey

Scaredy Squirrel

Sheep in a Jeep, Shaw

Shredderman, Van Draanen

**Spiderwick** 

Bertie the Bear, Allen

The Good Bad Cat, Antle

Quick, Quack, Quick!, Arnold

Animals Should Definitely Not Act Like People, Barrett

Yoo, Hoo, Moon!, Blocksman

You Are Much Too Small, Boegehold

Over the River and Through the Woods, Child

Jamberry, Degen

C is for City, Grimes

Fox Be Nimble, Marshall

Joshua James Likes Trucks, Petrie

Toad on the Road, Schade

We're Going on a Bear Hunt, Rosen

When You Read Me, Stead

Whole Nother Story, A. - Dr. Cuthbert Soup

The list of fiction books below is a small sample of the books written within a band of levels. Although general grade levels are noted, it is important for each student to have choice and to select books that are just right for the individual child.

#### **Beginning Readers:**

The stories are very simple and focused on a single idea and about familiar concepts. These books are written in short sentences with repeating sentence patterns. They are written to incorporate sight words and develop simple letter to sound relationships. The pictures match the text and are very important for reading these stories. Children need to learn concepts of print such as one-to-one match; directionality; return sweep Decoding strategies: repeating patterns; recognition of high frequency words; first sound + picture and meaning; pointing under words and first letter; checking to see if the word <u>looks</u> right, <u>sounds</u> like a book, and <u>makes sense</u>.

All Fall Down by Brian Wildsmith
Benny's Had Enough by Barbro Lindgren (Many other
titles by Barbro Lindgren about Benny!)
Brand New Readers by Candlewick Press Publishers
Brown Bear, Brown Bear by Bill Martin
A Boy, a Dog, a Frog, and a Friend by Mercer Mayer
Cat on the Mat by Brian Wildsmith
Colors and Things by Tana Hoban
Do You Want to Be My Friend? by Eric Carle
Growing Colors by Bruce McMillan
Have You Seen My Cat? By Eric Carle
Have You Seen My Duckling? By Nancy Tafuri
Look What I Can Do by Jose Aruego

I Went Walking by Sue Williams
Joshua James Likes Trucks by Catherine A. Petrie
Monday, Monday, I Like Monday by Bill Martin
My Book by Ron Maris
No One Can Play by Mercer Mayer
Pancakes for Breakfast by Tomie dePaola
A Rainbow of My Own by Don Freeman
Sam's Ball by Barbro Lindgren
Sam's Cookie by Barbro Lindgren
Sam's Teddy Bear by Barbro Lindgren
Sam's Wagon by Barbro Lindgren
Things I Like by Anothny Browne
Toot, Toot by Brian Wildsmith
Yo! Yes? By Christopher Raschka

#### **Grades K-1:**

The stories are focused on a single idea and are about familiar, easy concepts with a simple sequencing of events. These stories have a beginning, middle, and end, and episodes that are repetitive. The sentences start to become longer with some phrases. Many sight words are used as well as words with blends, digraphs, and inflectional endings such as –ed and –ing. The print and spacing become smaller. Many types of punctuation are also used. Decoding strategies: First and last sound; check the consonant letter(s) plus the next two letters; blends and digraphs; beginning part of the word + picture and meaning; look for a part you know; do you know a word that looks like that? (if you know dad, you know glad)

All By Myself by Mercer Mayer
The Chick and the Duckling by Mirra Ginsburg
Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed by Eileen
Christelow
Foot Book by Dr. Seuss
Freddy and Flossy (series) by Laura Hope
Get Lost Becka! by Shirley Simon
Herman the Helper by Robert Kraus
I Love My New Toy by Mo Willems
Inside, Outside, Upside Down by Stan & Jan Bernstein

It Looked like Spilt Milk by Charles Shaw
I Just Like Me by Barbara Neasi
Puppy Mudge (series) by Cynthia Rylant
Puppy Sam series by Mary Labatt
Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins
Sam's Cookie (series) by Barbo Lindgren
Space Cat by Jeff Dinardo
Spot (series) by Eric Hill
Tiny the Snow Dog (series) by Cari Meister
Where's Spot by Eric Hill

The stories have a clear beginning, middle and end and more episodes. The content is familiar but the experiences extend beyond the home. There are some new formats such as letters, questions/answers. The sentences become longer with clauses, phrases and adjectives. Sentences may have long dialogue statements that are often split by containing the speaker identification in the middle of the statement made by the speaker. There are more multisyllabic words and words with irregular spelling. Decoding strategies: Read across the word part by part; look for a part you know; do you know a word that looks like that? (if you know dad, you know glad)

Biscuit (series) by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
The Carrot Seed by Krauss
Cookie's Week by Cindy Ward, Tomie dePaola
Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell
Don't You Feel Well, Sam? (series) by Amy Hest
Eloise (series) by Kay Thompson
Hooray for Snail by John Stadler
Itch, Itchy Chicken Pox by Grace Maccarone
Just Like Daddy by Frank Asch

A New House for Mole and Mouse by Harriet Ziefart
Nicky Upstairs and Down by Harriet Ziefart
Oh, David (series) by David Shannon
Pup and Hound series by Susan Hood
Puppy Mudge by Cynthia Rylant
Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins
Titch by Pat Hutchins
Zoo Looking by Mem Fox

#### **Grades 1-2:**

The stories have episodes which are elaborated and are less repetitive and often occur over time. Many compound sentences are used and there is an introduction of subject specific vocabulary. There is a wider range of sight words and the spelling patterns become more complex. This is the area when easy, illustrated chapter books begin. Decoding strategies: all of the previous plus try all the sounds that the letter(s) can make (ie. long/short vowel sounds; hard/soft g.)

A Color of His Own by Leo Lionni
Danny and the Dinosaur by Syd Hoff
Dragon (series) by Dav Pilkey
Father Bear Comes Home by Pat Minarik
Fly Guy by Ted Arnold
Good Night Owl! By Hutchins
Happy Birthday, Sam by Hutchins
Hiccups for Elephant James Preller
I Like Me by Carlson
How to Lose All Your Friends by Carlson
Hattie and the Fox Mem Fox
Captain Cat Syd Hoff
There's a Nightmare in My Closet by Mercer Mayer
We Are Best Friends by Aliki

A Kiss for Little Bear by Minarik
Leo the Late Bloomer by Kraus
Messy Bessy by McKissack
Mrs. McNosh Hangs Up Her Wash by Sarah Weeks
Noisy Nora by Rosemary Wells
Timothy Goes to School by Rosemary Wells
Baa-Choo! by Sarah Weeks
Pig in the Pond by Martin Waddell
Sammy the Seal by Syd Hoff
Mrs. Brice's Mice by Syd Hoff
Tidy Titch by Pat Hutchins
The Teeny-Tiny Woman Ziefert
Where Are you Going Little Mouse? By. Kraus
Whose Mouse Are You? By Kraus
You Can Swim, Baby Duck Hest

#### **Grades 2-3:**

Andy Shane (series) by Abby Carter

These stories are typically beginning chapter books with short chapters with episodes occurring over time. There is little repetition. Some figurative language (simile, metaphor) is introduced. The setting becomes important to understand the plot of the story. Picture support is decreased; there are more pages of print without pictures. Words with multiple syllables provide a challenge for decoding. Decoding strategies: Readers need to be flexible by trying all the strategies they know.

Arthur (series) by Lillian Hoban A Bargain for Frances by Russell Hoban Bear (series) by Frank Asch Benny and Penny (graphic series) by Geoffrey Hayes Chester by Melanie Watt Chester's Back by Melanie Watt Chester's Masterpiece by Melanie Watt Clifford (series) by Norman Bridwell Commander Toad (series) by Jane Yolen Curious George (series) by Margret & H.A. Rey D. W. (series) by Marc Brown Fancy Nancy (series) by Jane O'Connor Fox (series) by Edward Marshal Franklin (series) by Sharon Jennings Frog and Toad (series) by Arnold Lobel Froggy (series) by Jonathan London Henry and Mudge (series) by Cynthia Rylant Harry the Dirty Dog (series) by Gene Zion High-Rise Private Eyes (series) by Cynthia Rylant Houndsley and Catina (series) by James Howe

Jimmy's Boa (series) by Trinka Hakes Noble Katie Woo, Fran Manushkin Little Bear (series) by Else Holmelund Minarik Lovable Lyle by Bernard Waber Henry and Mudge (series) by Cynthia Rylant Meet M & M (series) by Pat Ross Mercy Watson (series) by Kate DiCamillo Morris the Moose Goes to School by Bernard Mr. Putter and Tabby (series) by Cynthia Rylant Minnie & Moo (series) by Denys Cazet Nate the Great (series) by Sharmat Pete the Cat by Eric Litwin Poppleton (series) by Mark Teague Princess Posey (series), Stephanie Green Ruby the Copycat by Peggy Rathmann Scaredy Squirrel, Melanie Watt Watch Out, Ronald Morgan! By Patricia Reilly Giff Young Cam Jansen (series) by David Adler

Iris and Walter (series) by Elissa Haden Guest

These stories include character series and chapter books with fewer illustrations and more sophisticated language structure. The longer stories and chapters are more involved and take place over longer periods of time. The vocabulary is detailed and descriptive and the plots become more complex. Punctuation becomes varied (i.e. italics, ellipses).

Amelia Bedelia (series) by Peggy Parish
Arthur Chapter Books (series) by Marc Brown
Bailey School Kids (series) by Debbie Dadey
Bink and Gollie (series) by Kate DiCamillo
Cam Jansen (series) by David Adler
George and Martha (series) by James Marshall
Horrible Harry (series) by Suzy Kline
Jenny Archer (series) by Ellen Conford
Judy Moody (series) by Megan McDonald
Junie B. Jones (series) by Barbara Park
Katie Kazoo (series) by Nancy Krulik
Kids of the Polk Street School, The (series) by Patricia
Reilly Giff

Magic Tree House (series) by Mary Pope Osborne

Marvin Redpost (series) by Louis Sachar

Kylie Jean, Marci Pesehke

The Littles (series) by John Peterson Magic Tree House (series) by Mary Pope Osborne Martin Bridge, by Jessica Scott Kerrin Matt Christopher Sports by Matt Christopher Minnie and Moo (series) by Denys Cazet Miss Nelson is Missing by James Marshall Monty (series) by Hurwitz My Weird School (series) by Dan Gutman Pee Wee Scouts (series) by Judy Delto Pinky and Rex (series) by James Howe Ready Freddy! (series) by Abby Klein Ricky Ricotta (series) by Dav Pilkey Riverside Kids (series) by Johanna Hurwitz Sophie (series) by Lara Bergen Stink (series) by Megan McDonald Tales of Amanda Pig by Jean Van Leeuwen

Madeline (series) by Ludwig Bemelmans

These stories become more complex and are about more sophisticated themes. The longer chapters present a variety of problems that go beyond personal experiences. The themes require interpretation. There is use of literary devices such as irony and suspense. The vocabulary continues to expand and increases in difficulty.

A-Z Mysteries (series) by Ron Roy
The Adventures of Ali Baba Bernstein Johanna Hurwitz
All Star Sport Stories by Fred Bowen
Amber Brown (series) by Paula Danziger
Baby Mouse (series) by Jennifer and Matt Holm-graphic novel
Backyard Sports (series) by Michael Teitelbaum
Big Nate (series) by Lincoln Peirce
Box Car Children (series) by Gertrude Warner
Catwings Adventures (series) by Ursula Leguin
Chocolate Fever by Kimmel-Smith
Class Clown by Hurwitz
Doyle and Fossey Science Detectives (series) by Michelle
Torrey
Dragon Slayers' Academy by Kate McMullin

Franny K. Stein (series) by Jim Benton
Otis Spofford by Beverly Cleary
Ramona (series) by Beverly Cleary
Ribsy by Beverly Cleary
Ruby Lu, Brave and True (series) by Lenore Look
Socks by Beverly Cleary
Secrets of Droon (series) by Tony Abbott
Tales from the House of Bunnicula (series) by James Howe

Flat Stanley (series) by Jeff Brown Hank Zipper (series) by Henry Winkler Geronimo Stilton (series) by Geronimo Stilton Gooney Gird Greene (series) by Lois Lowry Herbie Jones (series) by Suzy Klein Here Comes McBroome by Sid Fleischman Julian/Huey stories (series) by Ann Cameron Jake Drake (series) by Andrew Clements Klooz (mystery series) by J. Banscherus The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl Mallory (series) by Laurie Friedman Meet Stella Batts (series), by Courtney Sheinmel The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary Meg Mackintosh (series) by Lucinda Landon Melvin Beederman, Superhero (series) by Greq Trine (graphic novel) The Night Crossing by Karen Ackerman My Weird School Daze (series) by Dan Gutman Pony Pals (series) by Jeanne Betancourt Pipi Longstocking by Lindgren The Zach Files (series) by Dan Greenburg Utterly Me, Clarice Bean (series) by Lauren Child Weird Planet (series) by Dan Greenburg

#### Grades 3-4:

These longer stories require the reader to sustain interest and meaning over time. They contain complex themes and are written using sophisticated vocabulary which is not clearly defined for the reader. The sentence structures become longer and more complex. The topics go beyond personal experiences and require the reader to take on perspectives.

Abby Hayes (series) by Anne Mazor

Aliens Ate My Homework by Bruce Coville

American Girl (series)

Anastasia Krupnik by Lois Lowery

Animal Ark (series) by Ben Baglio

Battle for the Castle by Winthrop

Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

Big Nate (series) by Lincoln Peirce

Bunnicula (series) by James Howe

Chet Gecko Mysteries (series) by Bruce Hale

The Celery Stalks at Midnight by James Howe

Clarice Bean Spells Trouble by Lauren Child

Danger on Panther Peak by Bill Wallace

Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary

Deltora Quest (series) by Emily Rodda

Marvin Redpost (series) by Louis Sachar

Madeline (series) by Ludwig Bemelmans

Dragon Slayers' Academy (series) by Kate McMullen

Encyclopedia Brown (series) by Donald Sobol

Family Under the Bridge by Natalie Carlson

Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl

Frindle by Andrew Clements

Fig Pudding by Ralph Fletcher

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

Horse Stories (series) by Marguerite Henry

Time Warp Trio (series) by Scieszka

Thank You, Jackie Robinson by Barbara Cohen

Fudge series by Judy Blume

Help, I'm Trapped (series) by Eth Clifford

Howliday Inn by James Howe

I survived (series) Tarshin

Gooseberry Park by Cynthia Rylant

Humphrey (series) by Betty Birney

James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl

Jake Maddox (series) (sports)

Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher by Bruce Coville

Joshua T. Bates (series) by Susan Shreve

Just Juice by Karen Hesse

The Library Card by Jerry Spinelli

A Lion to Guard Us by Clyde Bulla

Lunch Money by Andrew Clements

Mystery of the Cupboard by Emily Rodda

Nicky Fifth (series) by Lisa Funari Willever

No Talking by Andrew Clements

Pigs Might Fly by Dick King-Smith

On the Run and Kidnapped (series) by Gordon Korman

Sideways Stories from Wayside School (series) by Louis

Sachar

Shedderman by Van Draanen

Skinnybones by Parks

Spiderwick (series)

Spiderwick Chronicles (series) by Holly Black

Spiderboy by Ralph Fletcher

*Strider* by Beverly Cleary

Stuart Little by E.B. White

The Homework Machine by Dan Gutman

The Report Card by Andrew Clements

The TV Kid by Betsy Byars

They Came From Center Field by Dan Gutman

#### **Grades 4-5:**

The books at these levels cover a wide variety of genres, including historical fiction. The settings may be unfamiliar to the reader. The characters become more complex often with multiple dimensions. Characters are often developed through symbolism. The plots and subplots develop themes including those of coming of age. Readers should be able to make connections with previously read texts and historical events.

Charlie Bones (series) by Jenn Nummo

The BFG by Roald Dahl

The City of Ember (series) by Jeanne DuPrau
The Sisters Grimm (series) by Michael Buckley

Donuthead by Sue Staffacher

Dragons of Deltora (series) Emily Rodda

Percy Jackson and the Olympians (series) by Rick Riordan

Diary of a Wimpy Kid (series) by Jeff Kinney

Chronicles of Narnia (series) by C.S. Lewis

Ida B. and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and

(Possibly) Save the World by Katherine Hannigan

Inkspell by Cornelia Funk

Emily Windsnap (series) by Liz Kessler

Flying Solo by Ralph Fletcher

Herculeah Jones Mysteries (series) by Betsy Byars

Hot Hand by Mike Lupicia

Kira Kira by Cynthia Kadohata

The Bell Bandit by Jacqueline Davies

The Lemonade Crime by Jacqueline Davies

The Lemonade and War (series) by Jacqueline Davies

The Magicians Elephant by Kate DiCamillo

My Teacher is an Alien (series) by Bruce Coville

The Ranger's Apprentice (series) by John Flanagan

Matt Christopher Sports (series)

Million Dollar Sports (series) by Dan Gutman

No More Dead Dogs by Gordon Korman

39 Clues (series) by various authors

Wriinger by Jerry Spinelli

The Warriors (series) by Erin Hunter

Which Witch? By Eva Ibbotson

Other popular authors:

Gary Paulsen

Nancy Krulik

Andrew Clements

Bruce Brooks (sports)

Kate DiCamillo

Katherine Paterson

Avi

Roald Dahl

Gordon Korman

Edward Bloor

Jerry Spinelli

Eva Ibbotson

### **Grades 5-6\*:**

The books at these levels continue to include a full range of genre. Texts are longer, requiring readers to remember information and connect ideas over many days of reading. Plots are complex with multiple story lines and detailed episodes with characters often showing uncertainty and confusion. Themes are mature often focusing on adolescent and social issues. Complex fantasy offer increased use of symbolism. Readers need to infer to understand the development of multidimensional characters. These texts have long stretches of descriptive language that are important to understanding the setting and characters. Authors use a full range of literary devices.

Dragon's Gate by Lawrence Yep

Chomp by Carl Hiaasen

City of Ember (series) by Jeanne DuPrau

Dragon Wings by Lawrence Yep

Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis

Fablehaven (series) by Brandon Mull

The Fighting Ground by Avi

Guardians Of Ga'Hoole (series) by Katherine Lasky

Harry Potter (series) by J.K. Rowling

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

They Came From Center Field by Dan Gutman

Herculeah Jones Mysteries (series) by Betsy Byars

*Inkheart* by Cornelia Funke

The Mysterious Benedict Society by Stewart Trenton

Other popular authors:

The Princess Academy (series) by Shannon Hale

The Rainbow People by Lawrence Yep

A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket

The Thief Lord by Cornelia Funke

The Underland Chronicles by Suzanne Collins

When you Read Me - by Stead

Whole Nother Story, A - by Dr. Cuthbert Soup

Yolanda's Genius by Carol Fenner

Titles by - Pam Munoz Ryan, Richard Peck

Sharon Creech, Will Hobbs

Jerry Spinelli

Reading nonfiction is also very important to build vocabulary and background knowledge. These books

support the interests and increase the motivation for many readers. The topics listed below are some of the nonfiction topics covered at the various grade levels.

<u>Kindergarten</u>	<u>Grade One</u>	<u>Grade Two</u>
Community helpers	Matter	Solids, liquids, gases (molecules
Fire safety	Magnets	and mixtures)
Transportation	Rocks and minerals	Water cycle / clouds
Ducks	Insects, reptiles, fish, mammals,	Energy
Plants	amphibians, birds, polar animals	Electricity
Weather and seasons	Habitats	Motion / forces
Five senses	Plants	Butterflies
Holidays	Family and community	Maps/Directions
	Holidays	Communities including Livingston
	American heroes and American	Famous Americans and African
	symbols	Americans
	Maps	Principles of Democracy
		American symbols
		Continents
Grade Three	<u>Grade Four</u>	<u>Grade Five*</u>
Oceans	Earth, Sun, Moon	Volcanoes and earthquakes
Space	Weather	Solar system and space technology
Animals	Biomes	Fossils and history of life on earth
Immigration	Classification of living things	Ecosystems
	Body systems	Scientific method
	Energy	Exploration
	New Jersey Regions: northeast,	Colonization
	South, Midwest, West	Revolutionary War
	Regional explorers	US Government
		Westward Expansion
		Civil War
		Biographies
		Stock Market (business people and
		how businesses got their start)

\*Note for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> grade students: **Remember to choose one book from the "6<sup>th</sup> Grade Suggested Reading List" (link below), and one "free choice" book.** "Free choice" can be any fiction or non-fiction book you are interested in reading. In September, your teacher will ask you to bring the two books to class.

The 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Suggested List can be found at: http://www.livingston.org/cms/lib9/NJ01000562/Centricity/Domain/

480/MPMS%20Summer%20Reading%20Suggested%20List%204-15-16.pdf

#### Magazines are a good source of high interest short text

- Boy's Life Magazine
- Children's Digest
- Highlights for Children
- Stone Soup, The Magazine by Children
- Your Big Backyard
- Calliope World History for Kids
- Cobblestone: The U.S. History Magazine for Young People
- Faces: A World Culture Magazine for Kids
- National Geographic Kids
- Ranger Rick
- Smithsonian for Kids
- Sports Illustrated for Kids
- Zillions: Consumer Reports for Kids

## My Summer Reading Goals: