

Recommended Literature Books by Grade Level
Elementary Grades (K-5)

In addition to reading as a part of their daily schoolwork, students are encouraged to read for pleasure as a part of their growth in understanding and appreciating classic and contemporary literature and other written materials. These grade-level lists offer suggestions of titles you and your student may want to consider for recreational reading.

If you have additional suggestions for this list of recommended books, please forward those ideas to Claudia at Claudia.weintraub@roavc.com.

Kindergarten

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You see?
Bad Day
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom
Corduroy
Goodnight, Moon
The Gingerbread Man
The Three Bear
The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Second Grade

A Dinosaur Named After Me
Grandfather Tang's Story
Island of Skog
Miss Rumphius
Ox-Cart Man
Sam, Bangs and Moonshine
Six Dinner Sid
Strega Nona
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble
Thunder Cake
Too Many Tamales

Fourth Grade

Bandit's Moon
By the Great Horn Spoon
Carlota
Danny, Champion of the World
Frindle
Island of the Blue Dolphins
Owls in the Family
Patty Reed's Doll
Shiloh

First Grade

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day
Bread and Jam for Frances
Frog and Toad
The Great Kapok Tree
Ira Sleeps Over
Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse
Swimmy

Third Grade

Charlotte's Web
George's Marvelous Medicine
Little House in the Big Woods
Mr. Popper's Penguins
Ramona Quimby, Age 8
Random House Book of Fairy Tales
Stone Fox
The Hundred Dresses
The Velveteen Rabbit

Fifth Grade

Ben and Me
The Fighting Ground
From the Mixed Up Files of Basil E. Frankwiler
Holes
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson
The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe
Maniac Magee
My Brother Sam is Dead
Night of the Twisters
Number the Stars
The Secret Garden
Sign of the Beaver

Stowaway
Summer of the Monkeys
Toliver's Secret
True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle
Where the Red Fern Grows

Recommended Literature Books by Grade Level **Middle and High School Grades (6-12)**

Sixth Grade

The Black Pearl
Bridge to Terabithia
Call It Courage
The Cay
Dragonwings
Egypt Game
Golden Goblet
Hatchet
Maroo of the Winter Caves
Stranger Came Ashore

Eighth Grade

Across Five Aprils
Deathwatch
The Giver
Johnny Tremain
Murder on the Orient Express
Nothing but the Truth
The Pearl
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry
Shades of Gray
Slave Dancer
To Be a Slave
Tom Sawyer

Tenth Grade

All Quiet on the Western Front
Antigone
A Place Where the Sea Remembers
A Separate Peace
The Bean Trees
Fahrenheit 451
The Joy Luck Club
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings
Lord of the Flies
Macbeth
Oedipus Rex
The Sound of Waves

Seventh Grade

Anna of Byzantium
The Book of Greek Myths by D'Aluare
The Boy of the Painted Cave
The Bronze Bow
Ghosts of Tokkaido Inn
King of Shadows
The King's Shadow
Legend of Tarik
The Outsiders
Proud Taste for Scarlet and Miniver
Samurai's Tale

Ninth Grade

The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
Animal Farm
The Illustrated Man
A Midsummer Night's Dream
The Miracle Worker
Of Mice and Men
Raisin in the Sun
Romeo and Juliet
To Kill a Mockingbird

Eleventh Grade

The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
Catcher in the Rye
The Crucible
Death of a Salesman
East of Eden
A Farewell to Arms
Farewell to Manzanar
Franny and Zooey
The Grapes of Wrath
The Great Gatsby
Inherit the Wind
My Antonia

The Taming of the Shrew
Twelfth Night

Red Badge of Courage
The Scarlet Letter
Warriors Don't Cry

Twelfth Grade

The Alchemist
Brave New World
Canterbury Tales
Mary Shelley's Frankenstein
Great Expectations
Hamlet
Jane Eyre
Man's Search for Meaning
1984
Othello
Siddhartha
Tale of Two Cities
Things Fall Apart
Utopia
Wuthering Heights