

RCPS PreK-5 Recommended Reading List

Grade	Title	Author	Genre	Lexile	Lexile Stretch Range
PK-K	No, David!	Shannon, David	Literary Fiction	BR	BR – 150L
PK-K	Nate the Great	Sharmat, Marjorie	Literary Fiction	130L	BR – 150L
PK-K	Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus	Willems, Moe	Literary Fiction	120L	BR – 150L
PK-K	I Like Bugs	Wise Brown, Margaret	Literary Fiction	BR20L	BR – 150L
PK-K	Are You My Mother	Eastman, P.D.	Literary Fiction	80L	BR – 150L
PK-K	Put me in the Zoo	Lopshire, Robert	Literary Fiction	150L	BR – 150L
PK-K	Green Eggs and Ham	Seuss, Dr.	Literary Fiction	30L	BR – 150L
K	I Hop	Cepeda, Joe	Literary Fiction	BR10	BR – 150L
1	I am a Tiger	Newson, Karl	Literary Fiction	AD270L	BR – 150L
K-1	Fox the Tiger	Tabor, Corey R.	Literary Fiction	AD240L	190L – 530L
K-1	Outside, Inside	Pham, LeUyen	Literary Fiction	AD470L	190L – 530L
K-1	Stop! Bot!	Yang, James	Literary Fiction	AD250L	190L – 530L
K-1	There Is a Bird on Your Head	Willems, Mo	Literary Fiction	AD210L	190L – 530L
K-1	Elephant and Piggie Series	Willems, Mo	Literary Fiction	120L-310L	190L – 530L
1	Hi! Fly Guy	Arnold, Tedd	Literary Fiction	280L	190L – 530L
1	Carl and the Puppies	Day, Alexandra	Literary Fiction	180L	190L – 530L
1	Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy	Literary Fiction	340L	190L – 530L
1	The Stories Julian Tells	Cameron, Ann	Literary Fiction	520L	190L – 530L
1	Bats: Creatures of the Night	Milton, Joyce	Nonfiction	510L	190L – 530L
1	Don't Throw it to Mo	Adler, David A.	Sports Fiction	470L	190L – 530L
1	240L	Clanton, Ben	Fantasy Fiction	480L	190L – 530L
1	My Friend Rabbit	Rohmann, Eric	Fantasy Fiction	350L	190L – 530L
1	Ting and Ling, Not Exactly the Same	Lin, Grace	Realistic Fiction	390L	190L – 530L
1	Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa	Silverman, Erica	Literary Fiction	390L	190L – 530L
1-2	Bright Star	Morales, Yuyi	Literary Fiction	AD330L	190L – 530L
1-2	We Don't Eat our Classmates	Higgins, Ryan T.	Literary Fiction	AD500L	190L – 530L
1-2	Hair Love	Cherry, Matthew A.	Literary Fiction	AD480L	190L – 530L
	The Good Egg	Jory, John	Literary Fiction	AD390L	190L – 530L
	The Bad Seed	Jory, John	Literary Fiction	AD510L	190L – 530L
2	Tops and Bottoms	Stevens, Janet	Literary Fiction	580L	420L – 650L
2	Henry and Mudge: The First of Their Book Adventures	Rylant, Cynthia	Literary Fiction	420L	420L – 650L
2	Turtle in Paradise	Holm, Jennifer	Literary Fiction	610L	420L – 650L
2	Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot	Pilkey, Dav	Literary Fiction	520L	420L – 650L
2	Ready Freddy: Tooth Trouble	Klein, Abby	Literary Fiction	560L	420L – 650L
2	Breaking News: Bear Alert	Biedrzycki, David	Fantasy Fiction	AD510L	420L – 650L

2	Gaston	DiPucchio, Kelly	Literary Fiction	AD500L	420L – 650L
2	I Need My Monster	Noll, Amanda	Fantasy Fiction	AD600L	420L – 650L
2	Ada Twist, Scientist by	Beaty, Andrea	Realistic fiction	550L	420L – 650L
2-3	I am Every Good Thing	Barnes, Derrick	Literary Fiction	AD610L	420L – 650L
2-3	Last Stop on Market Street	De la Pena, Matt	Literary Fiction	AD610L	420L – 650L
K-3	We are Water Protectors	Lindstrom, Carole	Fiction	AD510L	420L – 650L
K-3	14 Cows for America	Deedy, Carmen	Nonfiction Narrative	AD540L	420L – 650L
3	I Survived: The Shark Attacks of 1916	Tarshis, Lauren	Nonfiction	610L	520L – 820L
3	The Thief Lord	Funke, Cornelia		640L	520L – 820L
3	So, You Want to Be President	St. George, Judith	Nonfiction	730L	520L – 820L
3	From Seed to Plant	Gibbons, Gail	Nonfiction	660L	520L – 820L
3	Fish in a Tree	Mullaly Hunt, Linda	Literary Fiction	550L	520L – 820L
3	Watercress	Wang, Andrea	Literary Fiction	AD610L	520L – 820L
3	All Because You Matter	Charles, Tami	Literary Fiction	AD810L	520L – 820L
3	Honeybee: The Busy Life of Apis Mellifera	Fleming, Candice	Nonfiction	AD750L	520L – 820L
3	Merci Suarez Changes Gears	Medina, Meg	Realistic fiction	700L	520L – 820L
3	Nikki and Deja	English, Karen	Realistic Fiction	670L	520L – 820L
3	Ways to Make Sunshine	Watson, Renee'	Realistic Fiction	760L	520L – 820L
4	Throw Your Tooth on the Roof: Tooth Traditions Around the World	Beelter, Shelby	Nonfiction	770L	740L – 940L
4	It's True! Sleep Makes You Smarter	Thalia Kalkipsakis	Nonfiction	880L	740L – 940L
4	The 10 Most Amazing Adaptations in Nature	Harrison, Laura	Nonfiction	900L	740L – 940L
4	Camp Alien	Service, Pamela	Fiction	740L	740L – 940L
4	No Such Thing as Dragons	Reeve, Phillip	Nonfiction	920L	740L – 940L
4	Wild Robot	Brown, Peter	Literary Fiction	740L	
4	Drowned City: Hurricane Katrina and New Orleans	Brown, Don	Nonfiction (Graphic Novel)	920L	740L – 940L
4	From the Desk of Zoe Washington	Marks, Janae	Realistic fiction	660L	740L – 940L
4	Front Desk	Yang, Kelly	Realistic fiction	640L	740L – 940L
4	Stef Soto, Taco Queen	Torres, Jennifer	Realistic fiction	780L	740L – 940L
4	The Parker Inheritance	Johnson, Varian	Historical Fiction	610L	740L – 940L
4	Ungifted	Korman, Gordon	Realistic Fiction	730L	740L – 940L
4-5	Wonder	Palacio, R.J.	Literary Fiction	790L	740L – 940L
4-5	Fish in a Tree	Hunt, Lynda Mullaly	Literary Fiction	550L	740L – 940L
4-5	Out of My Mind	Draper, Sharon	Literary Fiction	700L	740L – 940L
4-5	When Stars are Scattered	Mohamed, Omar and Jamieson, Victoria	Literary Fiction (Graphic Novel)	530L	740L – 940L

4-5	Overground Railroad	Cline-Ransome, Lesa	Literary Fiction (Historical)	AD1000L	830L-1010L
5	Milo Imagines the World	Robinson, Christopher	Literary Fiction	AD980L	830L-1010L
5	Hurricane's: Earth's Mightiest Storms	Lauber, Patricia	Nonfiction	930L	830L-1010L
5	The Honey Jar	Rigoberta Menchu	Literary Fiction	850L	830L-1010L
5	Bud, Not Buddy	Curtis, Paul	Literary Fiction	950L	830L-1010L
5	The Island of Blue Dolphins	O'Dell, Scott	Nonfiction	1000L	830L-1010L
5	Undeclared	Sheinkin, Steve	Nonfiction	980L	830L-1010L
5	Nina: A Story of Nina Simone	Todd, Traci N.	Biography		830L-1010L
5	All Thirteen	Soontornvat, Christina	Nonfiction	AD1020L	830L-1010L
5	Esperanza Rising	Ryan, Pam Munoz	Literary Fiction	750L	830L-1010L
5	Brown Girl Dreaming	Woodson, Jacqueline	Biography/Poetry	990L	830L-1010L
5	Hurricane Child	Callender, Kacen	Fantasy Fiction	1010L	830L-1010L
5	Separate Is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez & Her Family's Fight for Desegregation	Tonatiuh, Duncan	Nonfiction/History	AD870L	830L-1010L
5	Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer, Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement	Weatherford, Carole Boston	Biography	820L	830L-1010L
5	Wish in the Dark	Soontornvat, Christina	Fantasy Fiction	720L	830L-1010L
3-5	The People Remember	Zoboi, Ibi Aanu	Nonfiction Narrative		
3-5	Guts	Telgemeier, Raina	Literary Fiction (Graphic Novel)	480L	420L – 650L

Sources:

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