

Chicago Public Schools 2003 First Grade Recommended Reading

Folk Tales, Fairy Tales

- *Bony-Legs* by Joanna Cole. 1983, Scholastic.
- *The Boy Who Cried "Wolf!"* by Ellen Schecter. 1997, Gareth Stevens Publishing.
- *The Cookie House* by Margaret Hillert. 1978, Modern Curriculum.
- *Crocodile! Crocodile! Stories Told Around the World* by Barbara Baumgartner. 1994, D. Kindersley.
- *The Frog and the Princess and the Prince and the Mole and the Frog and the Mole and the Prince and the Princess ...* by John B. Bear. 1994, Tricycle Press.
- *The Frog Prince* by Sindy McKay. 1997, Treasure Bay.
- *The Gift of the Crocodile: A Cinderella Story* by Judy Sierra. 2000, Simon & Schuster Books.
- *The Gingerbread Boy* by Harriet Ziefert. 1995, Puffin.
- *Johnny Appleseed: My Story* by David Lee Harrison. 2001, Random House.
- *King Midas and the Golden Touch* by Alan Trussell-Cullen. 2000, Dominic Press.
- *Monkey Tales* by Laurel Dee Gugler. 1998, Annick Press.
- *The Sun, the Wind, and Tashira: A Hottentot Tale from Africa* by Elizabeth Claire. 1994, Mondo.

Nonfiction

- *Babushka's Mother Goose* by Patricia Polacco. 1995, Puffin Books.
- *The Berry Book* by Gail Gibbons. 2002, Holiday House.
- *Bill Grogan's Goat* by Mary Ann Hoberman. 2002, Little Brown.
- *Book!* by Kristine O'Connell George. 2001, Clarion Books.
- *Dino Riddles* by Katy Hall. 2002, Dial Books.
- *Do Your Ears Hang Low?* by Caroline Jayne Church. 2002, Scholastic.
- *Fiddle-I-Fee* by Will Hillenbrand. 2002, Harcourt Brace.
- *Food Found All Around* by Janine Scott. 2002, Compass Point Books.
- *I Like Stars* by Margaret Wise Brown. 1998, Golden Books.
- *L is for Lincoln: An Illinois Alphabet* by Kathy-Jo Wargin. 2000, Sleeping Bear Press.

- *Love Songs of the Little Bear* by Margaret Wise Brown. 2001, Hyperion Books.
- *Over, Under & Through, and Other Spatial Concepts* by Tana Hoban. 1973, Simon & Schuster Books.
- *Pop! A Book About Bubbles* by Kimberly Brubaker. 2001, HarperCollins.
- *A Star in My Orange: Looking for Nature's Shapes* by Dana Meachen Rau. 2002, Millbrook Press.
- *Stars! Stars! Stars!* by Bob Barner. 2002, Chronicle Books.
- *This Car* by Paul Collicutt. 2002, Farrar, Straus & Giroux.
- *Waiting for Wings* by Lois Ehlert. 2001, Harcourt Brace.
- *The White Swan Express: A Story About Adoption* by Jean Davis Okimoto. 2002, Clarion Books.
- *Wild Birds* by Joanne Ryder. 2003, HarperCollins.

Fiction

- *All You Need for a Snowman* by Alice Schertle. 2002, Harcourt Brace.
- *America: My Land, Your Land, Our Land* by W. Nikola-Lisa. 1997, Lee & Low Books.
- *The Baby Beebeebird* by Diane Redfield Massie. 1963, HarperCollins.
- *Bear Snores On* by Karma Wilson. 2002, M.K. McElderry Books.
- *Beeper's Friends* by Carole Lexa Schaefer. 2002, Candlewick Press.
- *Big Bear Ball* by Joanne Ryder. 2002, HarperCollins.
- *Big Jabe* by Jerdine Nolen. 2000, Lee & Shepard Books.
- *The Birdwatchers* by Simon James. 2002, Candlewick Press.
- *Bitter Dumplings* by Jeanne M. Lee. 2002, Farrar, Straus & Giroux.
- *Bravo, Kazam!* by Amy Ehrlich. 2002, Candlewick Press.
- *Bring on that Beat* by Rachel Isadora. 2002, Putnam.
- *Cassie's Word Quilt* by Faith Ringgold. 2002, A. Knopf.
- *Chato and the Party Animals* by Gary Soto. 2000, Putnam.
- *Daddy Calls Me Man* by Angela Johnson. 2000, Orchard Books.
- *David Gets in Trouble* by David Shannon. 2002, Blue Sky Press.
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- *Dinnertime!* by Sue Williams. 2002, Harcourt Children's Books.
- *The Dragon Takes a Wife* by Walter Dean Myers. 2000, Scholastic.
- *Follow the Money!* by Loreen Leedy. 2002, Holiday House.
- *Good Night, Good Knight* by Shelley Moore Thomas. 2000, Dutton Books.
- *Grunt* by John Richardson. 2001, Clarion Books.
- *Horace and Morris But Mostly Dolores* by James Howe. 1999, Atheneum Books.
- *Horse in the Pigeon* by Linda Williams. 2002, HarperCollins.
- *It's Simple, Said Simon* by Mary Ann Hoberman. 2003, Dell Dragonfly.
- *Jazz Baby* by Carole Boston Weatherford. 2002, Lee & Low Books.
- *Jubal's Wish* by Audrey Wood. 2000, Blue Sky Press.
- *Just Ducky* by Kathy Mallat. 2002, Walker.
- *The Looking Book* by Mary Ann Hoberman. 2002, Little Brown.
- *Loose Tooth* by Anastasia Suen. 2002, Viking.
- *Lucky Socks* by Carrie Weston. 2002, P. Fogelman.
- *Madlenka* by Peter Sis. 2000, Farrar, Straus & Giroux.
- *The Magic Hat* by Mem Fox. 2002, Harcourt Brace.
- *Mouse Goes Out* by Phyllis Root. 2002, Candlewick Press.
- *Mr. Putter & Tabby Catch the Cold* by Cynthia Rylant. 2002, Harcourt Brace.
- *The Name Jar* by Yangsook Choi. 2001, A. Knopf.
- *Olivia* by Ian Falconer. 2000, Atheneum Books.
- *One Sky Above Us* by Elizabeth Cody Kimmel. 2002, HarperCollins.
- *Our Gracie Aunt* by Jacqueline Woodson. 2002, Hyperion Books.
- *A Quiet Place* by Douglas Wood. 2002, Simon & Schuster Books.
- *A Rainbow All Around Me* by Sandra L. Pinkney. 2002, Scholastic.

- *Scratch Scratch* by Miriam Moss. 2002, Orchard Books.
- *Sometimes I'm Bombaloo* by Rachel Vail. 2002, Scholastic.
- *Storm is Coming!* by Heather Tekavec. 2002, Dial Books.
- *Summer Sun Risin'* by W. Nikola-Lisa. 2002, Lee & Low Books.
- *The Three Questions* by Jon J. Muth. 2002, Scholastic.
- *Under the Quilt of Night* by Deborah Hopkinson. 2001, Atheneum Books.
- *We're Going on a Lion Hunt* by David Axtell. 2000, Holt.
- *When Cows Come Home* by David Lee Harrison. 1994, Boyds Mills Press.

Poetry

- *Ashley Bryan's ABC of African American Poetry* by Ashley Bryan. 1997, Atheneum Books.
- *The House with No Door: African Riddle-Poems* by Brian Swann. 1998, Harcourt Brace.
- *In the Swim: Poems and Paintings* by Douglas Florian. 1997, Harcourt Brace.
- *It's Raining Pigs & Noodles: Poems* by Jack Prelutsky. 2000, Greenwillow Books.
- *Leap into Poetry: More ABCs of Poetry* by Avis Harley. 2001, Boyds Mills Press.
- *Mammalabilia: Poems and Paintings* by Douglas Florian. 2000, Harcourt Brace.
- *Sidewalk Chalk: Poems of the City* by Carole Boston Weatherford. 2001, Boyds Mills Press.
- *Spring: An Alphabet Acrostic* by Steven Schnur. 1999, Clarion Books.
- *A World of Wonders: Geographic Travels in Verse and Rhyme* by J. Patrick Lewis. 2002, Dial Books.

The goal is for each CPS student to read at least 25 books each year.

The books in this list can be found in many school libraries and at many neighborhood branches of the Chicago Public Library. Any book by the same author may be substituted for a book on this list. For additional information, please call your neighborhood Chicago Public Library branch, or check the online catalog at their website (www.chipublib.org).

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