

Chicago Public Schools 2003 Fourth Grade Recommended Reading

Folk Tales, Fairy Tales

- *The Boy Who Lived with the Seals* by Rafe Martin. 1996, Putnam.
- *The Cow of No Color: Riddle Stories and Justice Tales from Around the World* by Nina Jaffe and Steve Zeitlin. 1998, Henry Holt.
- *Cut From the Same Cloth: American Women of Myth, Legend and Tall Tale* by Robert D. San Souci. 1993, Philomel Books.
- *In a Circle Long Ago: A Treasury of Native Lore from North America* by Nancy Van Laan. 1995, Apple Soup Books.
- *Her Stories: African American Folktales, Fairy Tales, and True Tales* by Virginia Hamilton. 1995, Blue Sky Press.
- *Little Gold Star: A Spanish American Cinderella Tale* by Robert D. San Souci. 2000, HarperCollins.
- *Magical Tales From Many Lands* by Margaret Mayo. 1993, Dutton Books.
- *Pandora* by Robert Burleigh. 2002, Silver Whistle.
- *The Rabbit's Tail: A Story from Korea* by Suzanne Crowder Han. 1999, Holt.
- *The Rough-Face Girl* by Rafe Martin. 1998, Paper Star.
- *Yoshi's Feast* by Kimiko Kajikawa. 2000, Orchard Books.

Nonfiction

- *Are Trees Alive?* by Debbie S. Miller. 2002, Walker.
- *Berry Smudges and Leaf Prints: Finding and Making Colors from Nature* by Ellen B. Senisi. 2001, Dutton Books.
- *Champion: The Story of Muhammad Ali* by James Haskins. 2002, Walker.
- *Chocolate: Riches from the Rainforest* by Robert Burleigh. 2002, Abrams.
- *Dance!* by Elisha Cooper. 2001, Greenwillow.
- *Danger! Earthquakes* by Seymour Simon. 2002, SeaStar Books.
- *Everything I Know About Monsters: A Collection of Made-Up Facts, Educated Guesses, and Silly Pictures about Creatures of Creepiness* by Tom Lichtenheld. 2002, Simon & Schuster Books.
- *First to Fly: How Wilbur & Orville Wright Invented the Airplane* by Peter Busby. 2002, Crown Publishers.

- *Flying Animals* by June Loves. 2002, Chelsea House Publications.
- *Ice Cream* by Elisha Cooper. 2002, Greenwillow Books.
- *If the World Were a Village: A Book About the World's People* by David J. Smith. 2002, Kids Can Press.
- *Illinois from A to Z* by Betty Carlson Kay. 2000, University of Illinois Press.
- *Jenny: The Airplane that Taught America to Fly* by David Weitzman. 2002, Roaring Brook Press.
- *Martin's Big Words: The Life of Dr. Martin Luther King* by Doreen Rappaport. 2001, Jump at the Sun/Hyperion Books for Children.
- *Model T: How Henry Ford Built a Legend* by David Weitzman. 2002, Crown Publishers.
- *Popcorn!* by Elaine Landau. 2003, Charlesbridge.
- *Seven Wonders of the Ancient World* by Lynn Curlee. 2002, Atheneum Books.
- *So You Want to be President?* by Judith St. George. 2000, Philomel Books.
- *Starry Messenger: Galileo* by Peter Sis. 1997, Farrar, Straus & Giroux.
- *Talkin' About Bessie: The Story of Aviator Elizabeth Coleman* by Nikki Grimes. 2002, Orchard Books.
- *The True-or-False Book of Horses* by Patricia Lauber. 2000, HarperCollins.

Fiction

- *Belle Teal* by Ann M. Martin. 2001, Scholastic.
- *Big Jimmy's Kum Kau Chinese Take Out* by Ted Lewin. 2002, HarperCollins.
- *Bitter Dumplings* by Jeanne M. Lee. 2002, Farrar, Straus & Giroux.
- *Darby* by Jonathon Scott Fuqua. 2002, Candlewick Press.
- *Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters from Obedience School* by Mark Teague. 2002, Scholastic.
- *The Doll People* by Ann M. Martin. 2000, Hyperion Books.
- *Double Dutch* by Sharon M. Draper. 2002, Atheneum Books.
- *Eight Animals Bake a Cake* by Susan Middleton Elya. 2002, Putnam.

- *Estela's Swap* by Alexis O'Neill. 2002, Lee & Low Books.
- *The Four Ugly Cats in Apartment 3D* by Marilyn Sachs. 2002, Atheneum Books.
- *The Gold-Threaded Dress* by Carolyn Marsden. 2002, Candlewick Press.
- *Gooney Bird Greene* by Lois Lowry. 2002, Houghton Mifflin.
- *The Hamster of the Baskervilles: From the Tattered Casebook of Chet Gecko, Private Eye* by Bruce Hale. 2002, Harcourt Brace.
- *Indian Shoes* by Cynthia Leitich Smith. 2002, HarperCollins.
- *If the Shoe Fits* by Gary Soto. 2002, Putnam.
- *The Jamie and Angus Stories* by Anne Fine. 2002, Candlewick Press.
- *Judy Moody Gets Famous!* by Megan McDonald. 2001, Candlewick Press.
- *Just One More Story* by Jennifer Brutschy. 2002, Orchard Books.
- *Loser* by Jerry Spinelli. 2002, Cotler Books.
- *Love That Dog* by Sharon Creech. 2001, Cotler Books.
- *Millicent's Gift* by Ann Rinaldi. 2002, HarperCollins.
- *My Dog, Cat* by Marty Crisp. 2000, Holiday House.
- *Oh No, Noah!* by Johanna Hurwitz. 2002, SeaStar Books.
- *Pinocchio, the Boy, or, Incognito in Collodi* by Lane Smith. 2002, Viking.
- *Ray and the Best Family Reunion Ever* by Mildred Pitts Walter. 2002, HarperCollins.
- *Salsa Stories* by Lulu Delacre. 2000, Scholastic.
- *Samir and Yonatan* by Daniella Carmi. 2000, A. Levine Books.
- *Space Race* by Sylvia Waugh. 2000, Dell Yearling.
- *Stuart's Cape* by Sara Pennypacker. 2002, Orchard Books.
- *Thimbleberry Stories* by Cynthia Rylant. 2000, Harcourt Brace.
- *Tim O'Toole and the Wee Folk: An Irish Tale* by Gerald McDermott. 1992, Puffin Books.
- *The Vile Village* by Lemony Snicket. 2001, HarperCollins.
- *When My Name was Keoko* by Sue Linda Park. 2002, Clarion Books.
- *When the Pigs Took Over* by Arthur Dorros. 2002, Dutton Books.

- *Yolonda's Genius* by Carol Fenner. 1995, Aladdin Paperbacks.
- *Yoshi's Feast* by Kimiko Kajikawa. 2000, DK Ink.

Poetry

- *Amber was Brave, Essie was Smart: The Story of Amber and Essie Told Here in Poems and Pictures* by Vera B. Williams. 2001, Greenwillow.
- *The Basket Counts* by Arnold Adoff. 2000, Simon & Schuster Books.
- *Dirty Laundry Pile: Poems in Different Voices* by Paul B. Janeczko. 2001, HarperCollins.
- *Exploding Gravy: Poems to Make You Laugh* by X. J. Kennedy. 2002, Little Brown.
- *Fearless Fernie: Hanging Out with Fernie and Me: Poems* by Gary Soto. 2002, Putnam.
- *Good Luck Gold and Other Poems* by Janet S. Wong. 1994, M.K. McElderry Books.
- *Hey You! C'mere: A Poetry Slam* by Elizabeth Swados. 2002, A. Levine.
- *If I Were in Charge the Rules Would Be Different!* by James Proimos. 2002, Scholastic.
- *Jump Back, Honey: The Poems of Paul Lawrence Dunbar* by Paul Lawrence Dunbar. 1999, Jump at the Sun/Hyperion Books for Children.
- *Laugh-Eteria: Poems and Drawings* by Douglas Florian. 1999, Harcourt Brace.
- *Mathematticles! Poems* by Betsy Franco. 2003, M.K. McElderry Books.
- *Monster Goose* by Judy Sierra. 2001, Harcourt Brace.
- *My America: A Poetry Atlas of the U.S.* by Lee Hopkins. 2000, Simon & Schuster Books.
- *Short Takes: Fast Break Basketball Poetry* by Charles Smith. 2001, Dutton Books.

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

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