

K-1 RECOMMENDED TEXTS BASED ON GRADE LEVEL COMPLEXITY

K-1 Stories

Minarik, Else Holmelund. Little Bear [included in district curriculum]
Eastman, P.D. Are You My Mother?
Seuss, Dr. Green Eggs and Ham
Lopshire, Robert. Put Me in the Zoo
Lobel, Arnold. Frog and Toad Together
Lobel, Arnold. Owl at Home
DePaola, Tomie. Pancakes for Breakfast [included in district curriculum]
Arnold, Tedd. Hi! Fly Guy

K-1 Poetry

Anonymous. "As I Was Going to St. Ives."
Rossetti, Christina. "Mix a Pancake."
Fyleman, Rose. "Singing-Time."
Milne, A. A. "Halfway Down."
Chute, Marchette. "Drinking Fountain."
Hughes, Langston. "Poem."
Ciardi, John. "Wouldn't You
Wright, Richard. "Laughing Boy."
Greenfield, Eloise. "By Myself."
Giovanni, Nikki. "Covers."
Merriam, Eve. "It Fell in the City."
Lopez, Alonzo. "Celebration."
Agee, Jon. "Two Tree Toads."

K-1 Read-Aloud Stories

Baum, L. Frank. The Wonderful Wizard of Oz
Wilder, Laura Ingalls. Little House in the Big Woods
Atwater, Richard and Florence. Mr. Popper's Penguins
Jansson, Tove. Finn Family Moomintroll
Haley, Gail E. A Story, A Story
Bang, Molly. The Paper Crane
Young, Ed. Lon Po Po: A Red-Riding Hood Story from China
Garza, Carmen Lomas. Family Pictures
Mora, Pat. Tomás and the Library Lady
Henkes, Kevin. Kitten's First Full Moon

K-1 Read-Aloud Poetry

Anonymous. "The Fox's Foray."
Langstaff, John. Over in the Meadow

Lear, Edward. "The Owl and the Pussycat."
Hughes, Langston. "April Rain Song."
Moss, Lloyd. Zin! Zin! Zin! a Violin

K-1 Informational Texts

Bulla, Clyde Robert. A Tree Is a Plant [included in district curriculum]
Aliki. My Five Senses
Hurd, Edith Thacher. Starfish [included in district curriculum]
Aliki. A Weed is a Flower: The Life of George Washington Carver
Crews, Donald. Truck
Hoban, Tana. I Read Signs
Reid, Mary Ebeltoft. Let's Find Out About Ice Cream
"Garden Helpers." National Geographic Young Explorers
"Wind Power." National Geographic Young Explorers

K-1 Read-Aloud Informational Texts

Provinsen, Alice and Martin. The Year at Maple Hill Farm
Gibbons, Gail. Fire! Fire!
Dorros, Arthur. Follow the Water from Brook to Ocean
Rauzon, Mark, and Cynthia Overbeck Bix. Water, Water Everywhere
Llewellyn, Claire. Earthworms
Jenkins, Steve, and Robin Page. What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?
Pfeffer, Wendy. From Seed to Pumpkin
Thomson, Sarah L. Amazing Whales!
Hodgkins, Fran, and True Kelley. How People Learned to Fly [included in district curriculum]

2-3 RECOMMENDED TEXTS BASED ON GRADE LEVEL COMPLEXITY

2-3 Stories

Gannett, Ruth Stiles. My Father's Dragon
Averill, Esther. The Fire Cat
Steig, William. Amos & Boris
Shulevitz, Uri. The Treasure
Cameron, Ann. The Stories Julian Tells
MacLachlan, Patricia. Sarah, Plain and Tall [included in district curriculum]
Rylant, Cynthia. Henry and Mudge: The First Book of Their Adventures
Stevens, Janet. Tops and Bottoms
LaMarche, Jim. The Raft
Rylant, Cynthia. Poppleton in Winter [included in district curriculum]
Rylant, Cynthia. The Lighthouse Family: The Storm
Osborne, Mary Pope. The One-Eyed Giant: Book One of Tales from the Odyssey

Silverman, Erica. Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa

2-3 Poetry

Dickinson, Emily. "Autumn."

Rossetti, Christina. "Who Has Seen the Wind?"

Millay, Edna St. Vincent. "Afternoon on a Hill."

Frost, Robert. "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening."

Field, Rachel. "Something Told the Wild Geese."

Hughes, Langston. "Grandpa's Stories."

Jarrell, Randall. "A Bat Is Born."

Giovanni, Nikki. "Knoxville, Tennessee."

Merriam, Eve. "Weather."

Soto, Gary. "Eating While Reading."

2-3 Read-Aloud Stories

Kipling, Rudyard. "How the Camel Got His Hump." [included in district curriculum]

Thurber, James. The Thirteen Clocks [included in district curriculum]

White, E. B. Charlotte's Web [included in district curriculum]

Selden, George. The Cricket in Times Square

Babbitt, Natalie. The Search for Delicious

Curtis, Christopher Paul. Bud, Not Buddy [included in district curriculum]

Say, Allen. The Sign Painter

2-3 Read-Aloud Poetry

Lear, Edward. "The Jumblies."

Browning, Robert. The Pied Piper of Hamelin

Johnson, Georgia Douglas. "Your World."

Eliot, T. S. "The Song of the Jellicles."

Fleischman, Paul. "Fireflies."

2-3 Informational Texts

Aliki. A Medieval Feast [included in district curriculum]

Gibbons, Gail. From Seed to Plant

Milton, Joyce. Bats: Creatures of the Night

Beeler, Selby. Throw Your Tooth on the Roof: Tooth Traditions Around the World

Leonard, Heather. Art Around the World

Ruffin, Frances E. Martin Luther King and the March on Washington

St. George, Judith. So You Want to Be President?

Einspruch, Andrew. Crittercam

Kudlinski, Kathleen V. Boy, Were We Wrong About Dinosaurs

Davies, Nicola. Bat Loves the Night

Floca, Brian. Moonshot: The Flight of Apollo 11

Thomson, Sarah L. Where Do Polar Bears Live?

2-3 Read-Aloud Informational Texts

Freedman, Russell. Lincoln: A Photobiography

Coles, Robert. The Story of Ruby Bridges [included in district curriculum]

Wick, Walter. A Drop of Water: A Book of Science and Wonder [included in district curriculum]

Smith, David J. If the World Were a Village: A Book about the World's People

Aliki. Ah, Music! [included in district curriculum]

Mark, Jan. The Museum Book: A Guide to Strange and Wonderful Collections

D'Aluisio, Faith. What the World Eats

Arnosky, Jim. Wild Tracks! A Guide to Nature's Footprints

Deedy, Carmen Agra. 14 Cows for America

4-5 RECOMMENDED TEXTS BASED ON GRADE LEVEL COMPLEXITY

4-5 Stories

Carroll, Lewis. Alice's Adventures in Wonderland [included in district curriculum]

Burnett, Frances Hodgson. The Secret Garden [included in district curriculum]

Farley, Walter. The Black Stallion [included in district curriculum]

Saint-Exupéry, Antoine de. The Little Prince

Babbitt, Natalie. Tuck Everlasting [included in district curriculum]

Singer, Isaac Bashevis. "Zlateh the Goat."

Hamilton, Virginia. M. C. Higgins, the Great

Erdrich, Louise. The Birchbark House

Curtis, Christopher Paul. Bud, Not Buddy [included in district curriculum]

Lin, Grace. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon

4-5 Poetry

Blake, William. "The Echoing Green."

Lazarus, Emma. "The New Colossus."

Thayer, Ernest Lawrence. "Casey at the Bat." [included in district curriculum]

Dickinson, Emily. "A Bird Came Down the Walk."

Sandburg, Carl. "Fog."

Frost, Robert. "Dust of Snow."

Dahl, Roald. "Little Red Riding Hood and the Wolf."

Nichols, Grace. "They Were My People."

Mora, Pat. "Words Free As Confetti."

4-5 Informational Texts

Berger, Melvin. Discovering Mars: The Amazing Story of the Red Planet [included in district curriculum]

Carlisle, Madelyn Wood. Let's Investigate Marvelously Meaningful Maps

Lauber, Patricia. Hurricanes: Earth's Mightiest Storms [included in district curriculum]
Otfinoski, Steve. The Kid's Guide to Money
Wulffson, Don. Toys!: Amazing Stories Behind Some Great Inventions
Schleichert, Elizabeth. "Good Pet, Bad Pet."
Kavash, E. Barrie. "Ancient Mound Builders."
Koscielniak, Bruce. About Time: A First Look at Time and Clocks [included in district curriculum]
Banting, Erinn. England the Land
Hakim, Joy. A History of US
Ruurs, Margriet. My Librarian Is a Camel: How Books Are Brought to Children Around the World
Simon, Seymour. Horses
Montgomery, Sy. Quest for the Tree Kangaroo: An Expedition to the Cloud Forest of New Guinea
Simon, Seymour. Volcanoes
Nelson, Kadir. We Are the Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball
Cutler, Nellie Gonzalez. "Kenya's Long Dry Season."
Hall, Leslie. "Seeing Eye to Eye." [included in district curriculum]
Ronan, Colin A. "Telescopes."
Buckmaster, Henrietta. "Underground Railroad."

6-8 RECOMMENDED TEXTS BASED ON GRADE LEVEL COMPLEXITY

6-8 Stories

Alcott, Louisa May. Little Women
Twain, Mark. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
L'Engle, Madeleine. A Wrinkle in Time [included in district curriculum]
Cooper, Susan. The Dark Is Rising
Yep, Laurence. Dragonwings
Taylor, Mildred D. Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry [included in district curriculum]
Hamilton, Virginia. "The People Could Fly."
Paterson, Katherine. The Tale of the Mandarin Ducks
Cisneros, Sandra. "Eleven."
Sutcliff, Rosemary. Black Ships Before Troy: The Story of the Iliad

6-8 Drama

Fletcher, Louise. Sorry, Wrong Number
Goodrich, Frances and Albert Hackett. The Diary of Anne Frank: A Play

6-8 Poetry

Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. "Paul Revere's Ride."
Whitman, Walt. "O Captain! My Captain!"
Carroll, Lewis. "Jabberwocky."

Navajo tradition. "Twelfth Song of Thunder."
Dickinson, Emily. "The Railway Train."
Yeats, William Butler. "The Song of Wandering Aengus."
Frost, Robert. "The Road Not Taken."
Sandburg, Carl. "Chicago."
Hughes, Langston. "I, Too, Sing America."
Neruda, Pablo. "The Book of Questions."
Soto, Gary. "Oranges."
Giovanni, Nikki. "A Poem for My Librarian, Mrs. Long."

6-8 Informational Texts

Adams, John. "Letter on Thomas Jefferson." .
Douglass, Frederick. Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass an American Slave, Written by Himself
Churchill, Winston. "Blood, Toil, Tears and Sweat: Address to Parliament on May 13th, 1940."
Petry, Ann. Harriet Tubman: Conductor on the Underground Railroad
Steinbeck, John. Travels with Charley: In Search of America

6-8 Informational Texts: History/Social Studies

United States. Preamble and First Amendment to the United States Constitution. (1787, 1791)
Lord, Walter. A Night to Remember
Isaacson, Phillip. A Short Walk through the Pyramids and through the World of Art
Murphy, Jim. The Great Fire
Greenberg, Jan, and Sandra Jordan. Vincent Van Gogh: Portrait of an Artist
Partridge, Elizabeth. This Land Was Made for You and Me: The Life and Songs of Woody Guthrie
Monk, Linda R. Words We Live By: Your Annotated Guide to the Constitution
Freedman, Russell. Freedom Walkers: The Story of the Montgomery Bus Boycott

6-8 Informational Texts: Science, Mathematics, and Technical Subjects

Macaulay, David. Cathedral: The Story of Its Construction
Mackay, Donald. The Building of Manhattan
Enzensberger, Hans Magnus. The Number Devil: A Mathematical Adventure
Peterson, Ivars and Nancy Henderson. Math Trek: Adventures in the Math Zone
Katz, John. Geeks: How Two Lost Boys Rode the Internet out of Idaho
Petroski, Henry. "The Evolution of the Grocery Bag."
"Geology." U*X*L Encyclopedia of Science
"Space Probe." Astronomy & Space: From the Big Bang to the Big Crunch
"Elementary Particles." New Book of Popular Science
California Invasive Plant Council. Invasive Plant Inventory