

## **Creating Lifelong Readers: Ways You Can Help**

### **Create a Reading Environment**

- Build a library of old favorites and new books.
- Visit the public library or bookstore to grow excitement around reading.
- Create a special reading space or nook.

### **Read To Your Child**

- Read aloud to your child, no matter how old they are. Think and talk about the book together.
- Choose books to read aloud together, or choose books that you feel passionate about and you want to share with your child.

### **Read With Your Child**

- Read with you child, taking turns reading aloud and modeling what good reading sounds like.
- Explore interests and go together to find books on these topics.
- Look in books together to find answers to questions.
- Reread an old favorite talking about what you learned or noticed this time around.
- Read with your child side by side so they see you as a reader.

### **By Your Child**

- Encourage your child to read independently every day.
- Remember that your child should have choice in what books they are reading and may choose picture books even in older grades.
- Ask open-ended questions about what they have read to spark thoughtful conversations and inquiry.

## Booklist

Students are able to enjoy thousands upon thousands of book choices. Here are some recommended titles, authors and series 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Complexity increases as you go down the series list.

<b>Series Books</b>	
Title	Author
Henry and Mudge	Cynthia Rylant
Poppleton	
Mr. Putter and Tabby	
Little Bear	Else H. Minarik
Young Cam Jansen	David Adler
Commander Toad	Jane Yolen
Frog and Toad	Arnold Lobel
Mercy Watson	Kate DiCamillo
Zelda and Ivy	Laura McGee Kvasnosky
Franklin	Paulette Bourgeois
Amelia Bedelia	Peggy Parish
Cam Jansen Mystery	David Adler
Polk Street Kids	Patricia Reilly Giff
The Horrible Harry	Suzy Kline
The Marvin Redpost	Louis Sachar
The Pinky and Rex	James Howe
Song Lee	Suzy Kline
George and Martha	James Marshall
Judy Moody	Megan McDonald
Marvin Redpost	Louis Sacher
Weird School	Dan Gutman
Stink	Meghan McDonald
Arthur	Marc Brown
Polk Street School	Patricia Reilly Giff
Baseball Pals The Comeback Challenge The Counterfeit Tackle Double Play at Short Crackerjack Halfback Fighting Tackle The Fox Steals Home The Hit- Away Kid	Matt Christopher
My Father's Dragon	Ruth Gannett
The Zack Files	Dan Greenburg
Magic Tree House	Mary Osborne
Marvin Redpost	Louis Sachar

Bailey School Kids	Dadey and Jones
Russell Books	Johanna Hurwitz
Cobble Street Cousins	Cynthia Rylant
Ivy and Bean (Series)	Annie Barrows
Judy Moody & Stink	Megan McDonald
Graphic Sparks	Scott Nickel
Bink and Gollie	Kate DiCamillo and Alison McGhee
Amber Brown	Paula Danziger
The Stories Julian Tells Julian, Dream Doctor Julian, Secret Agent Julian's Glorious Summer MoreStories HueyTells MoreStories JulianTells	Ann Cameron
Max Malone	Charlotte Herman
A-Z Mysteries	Ron Roy
Andy Russell	David Adler
Black Lagoon	Mike Thaler
Gooney Bird	Lois Lowry
Puppy Place	Ellen Miles
Ballpark Mysteries	David A. Kelly

<b>Authors</b>
Eve Bunting
Patricia Polacco
Kevin Henkes
Seymour Simon
Walter Dean Myers
Judy Blume
Betsy Byars
Ed Young
Jane Yolen
Vera B. Williams
James E. Ransome
E.B. White
Roald Dahl
Ezra Jack Keats
Chris Van Allsburg

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