**BEST BOOKS TO READ**

**Ages 0-2**

* **Goodnight Moon,** by Margaret Wise Brown
* **The Very Hungry Caterpilla**r by Eric Carle
* **Press Here** by Herve Tullet
* **Five Little Ducks** by Raffi
* **Love You Forever** by Robert N. Munsch
* **Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?** By Bill Martin Jr.
* **Mama Bird, Baby Birds** by Angela Johnson
* **Max’s Bedtime** by Rosemary Wells
* **Gossie** by Olivier Dunrea
* **The Neighborhood Mother Goose** by Nina Crews
* **Clap Hands** by Helen Oxenbury
* **My First Counting Book** by Lilian Moore
* **Green** by Laura Vaccaro Seeger
* **Go Away, Big Green Monster!** By Ed Emberley
* **How the Zebra Got Its Stripes** by Justine Fontes
* **The Night Before Christmas** by Clement C. Moore

**Ages 3-5**

* **The Berenstain Bears series** by Stan Berenstain
* **Little Critter series** by Mercer Mayer
* **Corduroy** by Don Freeman
* **Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?** By Eric Carle and Bill Martin, Jr.
* **Llama Llama, Red Pajama** by Anna Dewdney
* **If You Give a Mouse a Cookie** by Laura Numeroff
* **The Story of Ferdinand** by Munro Leaf
* **The Monster at the End of this Book** by Jon Stone
* **Biscuit** by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
* **Guess How Much I Love You** by Sam McBratney
* **Green Eggs and Ham** by Dr. Seuss
* **Where the Wild Things Are** by Maurice Sendak
* **The Very Hungry Caterpillar** by Eric Carle
* **Little Bear** by Else Holmelund Minarik
* **Harold and the Purple Crayon** by Crockett Johnson
* **Chrysanthemum** by Kevin Henkes
* **Doorbell Rang** by Lois Ehlert
* **Go Away, Big Green Monster!** By Ed Emberley
* **The Tale of Peter Rabbit** by Beatrix Potter
* **The Rainbow Fish** by Marcus Pfister Herbert
* **The Great Fuzz Frenzy** by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel

**Ages 6-8**

* **Magic Tree House series** by Mary Pope Osborne
* **Junie B. Jones series** by Barbara Park
* **Berenstain Bears series** by Stan Berenstain
* **Little Critter series** by Mercer Mayer
* **My Father’s Dragon series** by Ruth Stiles Gannet
* **Hank Zipzer series** by Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver
* **Diary of a Wimpy Kid series** by Jeff Kinney
* **Ramona Quimby series** by Beverly Cleary
* **Boxcar Children series** by Gertrude Chandler Warner
* **Sideways Stories from Wayside School** by Louis Sachar
* **The Best Seat in Second Grade** by Katharine Kenah
* **The Great Fuzz Frenzy** by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel
* **Matilda** by Roald Dahl
* **If You Give a Mouse a Cookie** by Laura Numeroff
* **The Dot** by Peter H. Reynolds
* **Ish** by Peter H. Reynolds
* **The Giving Tree** by Shel Silverstein
* **Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon** by Paula Danziger
* **Horton Hears a Who!** By Dr. Seuss
* **The SOS File** by Betsy Byars, Laurie Myers, Betsy Duffey, and Arthur Howard
* **The Twits** by Roald Dahl

**Ages 9-12**

* **Sideways Stories from Wayside School** by Louis Sachar
* **The Lightning Thief  (Percy Jackson series)** by Rick Riordan
* **Harry Potter series** by J.K. Rowling
* **Maniac Magee** by Jerry Spinelli
* **Loser** by Jerry Spinelli
* **Schooled** by Gordon Korman
* **The Phantom Tollbooth** by Norton Juster
* **The City of Ember** by Jeanne DuPrau
* **The Callahan Cousins series** by Elizabeth Doyle Carey
* **Shiloh** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
* **Hank Zipzer series** by Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver
* **Diary of a Wimpy Kid series** by Jeff Kinney
* **Holes** by Louis Sachar
* **Frindle** by Andrew Clements
* **The Landry News** by Andrew Clements
* **The Twits** by Roald Dahl
* **Stormbreaker (Alex Rider series)** by Anthony Horowitz
* **Are You There, God? It’s Me, Margaret** by Judy Blume
* **The Mouse and the Motorcycle** by Beverly Cleary
* **Dear Mr. Henshaw** by Beverly Cleary
* **Ella Enchanted** by Gail Carson Levine
* **The Westing Game** by Ellen Raskin
* **Ramona Quimby series** by Beverly Cleary

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Teens**

* **Harry Potter series** by J.K. Rowling
* **The Hunger Games series** by Suzanne Collins
* **Tiger’s Curse series** by Colleen Houck
* **Stormbreaker (Alex Rider series)** by Anthony Horowitz
* **Matched series** by Ally Condie
* **The Book Thief** by Markus Zusak
* **The Maze Runner** by James Dashner
* **Uglies series** by Scott Westerfeld
* **Gone series** by Michael Grant
* **The Maximum Ride series** by James Patterson

 **Classic Books**

* **Call of the Wild,** by Jack London
* **To Kill a Mockingbird,** by Harper Lee
* **Cry, the Beloved Country,** by Alan Paton
* **Tinker, Tailor,** Soldier, Spy by John le Carre
* **The Red and the Black,** by Stendahl
* **The Stranger,** by Albert Camus
* **The Great Gatsby,** by F. Scott Fitzgerald
* **Robinson Crusoe,** by Daniel Defoe
* **Little Women,** by Louisa May Alcott
* **Hamlet,** by William Shakespeare
* **Macbeth,** by William Shakespeare
* **Romeo and Juliet,** by William Shakespeare
* **The Picture of Dorian Gray,** by Oscar Wilde
* **The Secret Garden,** by Frances Hodgson Burnett
* **The Odyssey,** by Homer
* **Diary of a Young Girl,** by Anne Frank
* **The Good Earth,** by Pearl S. Buck
* **The Little Prince,** by Antoine de Saint-Exupery
* **The Divine Comedy,** by Dante Aligieri

* **A Tale of Two Cities,** by Charles Dickens
* **A  Christmas Carol,** by Charles Dickens
* **Great Expectations,** by  Charles Dickens
* **Red Badge of Courage,** by Stephen Crane
* **The Grapes of Wrath,** by John Steinbeck
* **Gone With the Wind,** by Margaret Mitchell
* **A Farewell to Arms,** by Ernest Hemingway
* **The Old Man and the Sea,** by Ernest Hemingway
* **Siddhartha,** by Herman Hesse
* **1984,** by George Orwell
* **Brave New World,** by Aldous Huxley
* **Animal Farm,** by George Orwell
* **Pride and Prejudice,** by Jane Austen
* **Sense and Sensibility,** by Jane Austen
* **Jane Eyre,** by Charlotte Bronte
* **Treasure Island,** by Robert Louis Stevenson
* **The Count of Monte Cristo,** by Alexander Dumas
* **Catcher in the Rye,** by J.D. Salinger
* **War and Peace,** by Leo Tolstoy
* **The Hobbitt,** by J.R.R. Tolkien
* **Anna Karenina,** by Leo Tolstoy
* **Crime and Punishment,** by Fyodor Dostoevsky
* **Catch 22,** by Joseph Heller
* **Wuthering Heights,** by Emily Bronte
* **Tom Sawyer,** by Mark Twain
* **Huckleberry Finn,** by Mark Twain
* **Atlas Shrugged,** by Ayn Rand
* **Les Miserables,** by Victor Hugo
* **The Scarlet Letter,** by Nathaniel Hawthorne