

On the Road to Reading...

Children who have just started reading on their own will love these books. They have large print, illustrations on every page and use controlled vocabularies. Most have a Readability Level on the cover to help you choose the right one. We have a lot of paperbacks, too.

Readers (Yellow Dots)



JE RDR MAR

The “Fox” series

by *Edward Marshall*

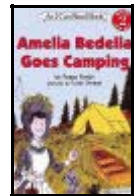
Funny readers by the author of the “**George and Martha**” books. The Fox books have chapter stories about Fox’s misadventures.

JE RDR PAR

The “Amelia Bedelia” books

by *Peggy Parish*

The silly misadventures of a maid who takes all instructions literally.



JE RDR RYL

The “Henry and Mudge” series

by *Cynthia Rylant*

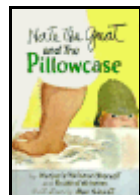
Henry and his big loveable dog have adventures and lots of fun.

JE RDR SEU

Green Eggs and Ham and many more

by *Dr. Seuss*

The original and ever popular Dr. has helped millions of children learn to read.



JE RDR SHA

The “Nate the Great” books

by *Marjorie Weinman Sharmat*

Nate and his friends solve neighborhood mysteries.

JE RDR VAN

The “Amanda Pig” series

by *Jean Van Leeuwen*

Amanda, and her brother Oliver have gentle adventures with their friends and family at school and in their neighborhood.



JE RDR VAI

The “Mama Rex and T” series

by *Rachel Vail*

This series features gentle Mama and her son T. Rex. Their dinosaur world is very like a preschool human world!

JE RDR WIL

The “Elephant and Piggie” series

by *Mo Willems*

These best friends are very different. Elephant does the worrying, and Piggie comes up with the crazy plans. In **Today I Will Fly**, Piggie decides she can learn to fly, and nothing Elephant can do will stop her! This is a funny new series, which parents will love as much as new readers.



Easy Chapter Books (Purple Dots)

These are illustrated easy reading books, perfect for children who have graduated from Readers, but are not ready for full-length novels. Look at the Easy Chapter paperbacks, too!



J CHP ADL
The “Cam Jansen Adventure” series
by *David Adler*
Cam uses her photographic memory to solve mysteries.

J CHP BER
The “A Big Chapter Book” series
by *Stan Berenstain*

Follow the popular Bear family of picture-book fame in their longer adventures.



J CHP CHR
Zero’s Slider and more
by *Matt Christopher*
The popular author has written several sports stories for younger readers.

J CHP ETR
Aliens for Breakfast and Aliens for Lunch
by *Jonathan Etra*

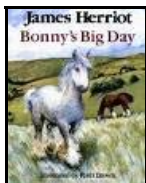
Richard is asked by a tiny alien in his cereal to help save the Universe.



J CHP GAL
The “Roommates” stories
by *Kathryn Osebold Galbraith*
Two sisters become roommates when a new baby joins the family.

J CHP GAN
The “Dragon” books
by *Ruth Gannet*

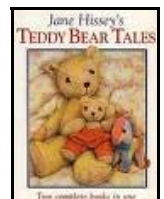
Elmer follows his father into the magic land of dragons to find adventure.



J CHP HER
Bonny’s Big Day and more
by *James Herriot*
The popular vet wrote several lovely animal stories just for children.

J CHP HIS
The “Old Bear” books
by *Jane Hissey*

The nursery animals come alive and have adventures—you’ll love the illustrations.

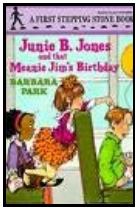


J CHP HUG
The “Alfie” and “Annie Rose” series
by *Shirley Hughes*
Family stories for all ages—you’ll want to move right into their lively house.



J CHP MAR
Rats on the Range and Rats on the Roof
 by *James Marshall*
 Wacky, offbeat fables for kids.

J CHP OSB
The “Magic Tree House” series
 by *Mary Pope Osborne*
 A brother and sister find a magic time-travel book that takes them to adventure.



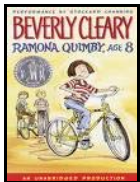
J CHP PAR
The “Junie B. Jones” series
 by *Barbara Park*
 These stories about the precocious Junie B. will even have parents laughing out loud. Must reads!

J CHP SAC
The “Marvin Redpost” series
 by *Louis Sachar*
 Left-handed, red-haired Marvin is in grade three, and full of ideas.



Fiction (Green Dots)

Most children will be reading in this area by grade three. This list suggests some easier-to-read books to get started. Adults should also enjoy these books—one of the best ways to keep children reading is to keep reading with them. Share chapters or pages of reading aloud for hours of free family fun.



J CLE
The “Ramona” and “Henry” stories
 by *Beverly Cleary*
 Cleary is one of the best-loved of all writers for children. She understands exactly how children perceive the world, and her books are touching, funny and true to life.

J DIL
The Teddy Bear Tree, The Good-Guy Cake and Who Needs A Bear?
 by *Barbara Dillon*
 These three short, funny novels are perfect for new fiction readers!



J KIN
Ace, Babe and more
 by *Dick King-Smith*
 With these funny animal stories, this English writer shows he knows what children like.

J HUN
The “Elisa” and “Russell” books
 by *Joanna Hurwitz*
 A brother and sister and their true-to life adventures.

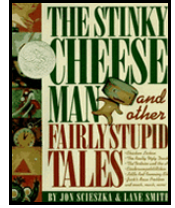


J SCI

The Stinky Cheese Man

by *Jon Scieszka*

This is a collection of clever take-offs on classic folktales. Meet **Little Red Running Shorts, The Really Ugly Duckling, Cinderumplestiltskin** and more wacky creations! Also by Scieszka: **The True Story of the Three Little Pigs, Squids Will be Squids** and the “**Time Warp Trio**” series.



J WIL

The “Little House” stories

by *Laura Ingalls Wilder*

Little House in the Big Woods introduces the pioneer Ingalls family, in their log cabin in Wisconsin. Laura grew up to become a writer, recording details of her old fashioned childhood. These books are wonderful family read-alouds, portraying early North American lives.

Updated Dec 2008