

Dear Parents,

Your child will be responsible for reading at least ten books over the summer and recording the books they have read on the sheet provided. Please have your child rate the book, based on their opinion of the book.

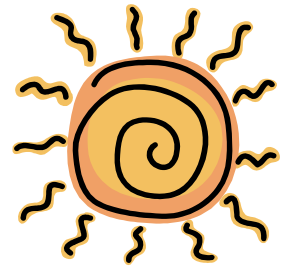
Your child is then to choose one of those books and write a short report on the book of their choice. These will be due the first week of school and will be shared with the class.

We have provided a list of books that are at the appropriate level of beginning first graders.

Happy Reading!

Mrs. Morchak and Mrs. Blackburn

Best Books for First Graders



Great Read Alouds

- **Frog and Toad are Friends**, by Arnold Lobel
- **My Best Friend**, by Pat Hutchins
- **There Is a Bird on Your Head!**, by Mo Willems
- **Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!**, by Mo Willems
- **Emily's First 100 Days of School**, by Rosemary Wells
- **Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day**, by Judith Viorst
- **Henry and Mudge**, by Cynthia Rylant
- **How I Became a Pirate**, by Melinda Long
- **Diary of a Worm**, by Doreen Cronin
- **Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse**, by Kevin Henkes
- **Owen**, by Kevin Henkes
- **Tacky the Penguin (series)**, by Helen Lester & Lynn Musinger
- **Strega Nona**, by Tomie de Paola
- **Officer Buckle and Gloria**, by Peggy Rathmann
- **Skippyjon Jones**, by Judy Schachner
- **A Bad Case of the Stripes**, by David Shannon
- **Duck on a Bike**, by David Shannon

Independent Reading

Students aim to end Kindergarten at a Level C and end 1st grade at a Level I. Below are some books that students can try over the summer as they prepare for 1st grade.

Level C

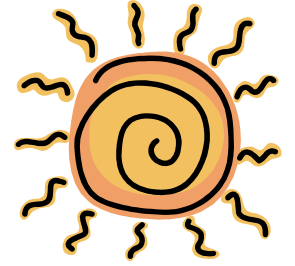
All Kinds of Kids, by Christina Mia Gardeski
The Berenstain Bears, Big Bear, Small Bear, by Stan Berenstain
Biscuit Visits the Big City, by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
Fall Leaves, by Don L. Curry
One Windy Wednesday, by Phyllis Root

Level D

Bright Eyes, Brown Skin, by Cheryl Willis Hudson
Chick and the Duckling, by Mirra Ginsburg
From Head to Toe, by Eric Carle
Hide and Snake, by Keith Baker
One Happy Classroom, by Charnan Simon

Name _____

My Summer Reading Log



Goal: This summer, I want to read at least _____ books.

Rate each of your books. Use stars:

☆ - ok

☆☆ - Good

☆☆☆ - Great

☆☆☆☆ - one of the best books ever!

Choose one of your favorites and write a book report about it to share in class.

#	Date	Title	Author	Book Rating
1				
2				
3				
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First Grade BOOK Report

Name _____

Book Title _____

Author _____

My favorite part of the book was when...

Here are some of the characters:

