

## Reading List for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

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### EARLY READERS

*The Biggest Bear*, by Lynd Ward

*Dust for Dinner*, by Ann Turner

*Wagon Wheels*, by Barbara Brenner

*Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea*, by Ben Clanton

*The Great Pet Escape*, by Victoria Jamieson

### QUICK CHAPTER BOOKS

*The Cabin Faced West*, by Jean Fritz

*The Courage of Sarah Noble*, by Alice Dalgliesh

*Juan Bobo: Four Folk Tales from Puerto Rico*,  
by Carmen Bernier-Grand

*Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World*,  
by Mildred Pitts Walter

*Miss Hickory*, by Carolyn Sherwin Bailey

*Stone Fox*, by John Reynolds Gardiner

*Arthur, for the Very First Time*,  
by Patricia MacLachlan

*Birdie's Lighthouse*, by Deborah Hopkinson

*Sarah, Plain and Tall*, by Patricia MacLachlan

*The Cat Who Went to Heaven*,  
by Elizabeth Coatsworth

*Crow Boy*, by Taro Yashima

*The Dragon Boy*, by Jane Yolan

*The Gingerbread Rabbit*, by Randall Jarrell

*Lady Lollipop*, by Dick King-Smith

*The Magician's Boy*, by Susan Cooper

*Not My Dog*, by Colby Rodowsky

*Sable*, by Karen Hesse

*Rabbit & Robot and Ribbit*, by Cece Bell

*Weekends with Max and His Dad*, by Linda Urban

*My Pet Human*, by Yasmine Surovec

*Juana & Lucas*, by Juana Medina

### FARMING LIFE

*Anne of Green Gables*, by L.M. Montgomery

*Ivy Takes Care*, by Rosemary Wells

*Rabbit Hill*, by Robert Lawson

*Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs*,  
by Betty Birney

*Sheep*, by Valerie Hobbs

*Strawberry Girl*, by Lois Lenski

### FANTASY

*Any Which Wall*, by Lynn Snyder

*The Castle in the Attic*, by Elizabeth Winthrop

*The Enormous Egg*, by Oliver Butterworth

*Five Children and It*, by E. Nesbit

*Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher*,  
by Bruce Colville

*One Dog and His Boy*, by Eva Ibbotson

*The Ordinary Princess*, by M.M. Kaye

*Whittington*, by Alan Armstrong

*Tuesdays at the Castle*, by Jessica Day George

*The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles*,  
by Julie Andrews Edwards

### SILLINESS

*The Castle Corona*, by Sharon Creech

*George's Marvelous Medicine*, by Roald Dahl

*James and the Giant Peach*, by Roald Dahl

*The Golden Goose*, by Dick King-Smith

*Gooney Bird Greene*, by Lois Lowry

*How to Eat Fried Worms*, by Thomas Rockwell

*Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle*, by Betty MacDonald

*Staying Nine*, by Pam Conrad

*Stories from the Wayside School*, by Louis Sachar

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### SILLINESS

- Mr Popper's Penguins*, by Richard Atwater  
*The Willoughbys*, by Lois Lowry  
*Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer*,  
by Kelly Jones  
*I am Pan!*, by Mordicai Gerstein

### FRIENDSHIPS

- Betsy Tacy*, by Maude Lovelace  
*The Boy Who Saved Baseball*, by John Ritter  
*The Cricket in Times Square*, by George Selden  
*The Mouse and the Motorcycle*, by Beverly Cleary  
*Down the Mysterly River*, by Bill Willingham  
*Little Dog, Lost*, by Marion Dane Bauer  
*Maggie and Oliver*, by Valerie Hobbs  
*The Magic Half*, by Annie Barrows  
*Milly-Molly-Mandy*, by Joyce Brisley  
*The Secret Language*, by Ursula Nordstrom  
*The Whipping Boy*, by Sid Fleishman  
*Wild Robot*, by Peter Brown  
*Garvey's Choice*, by Nikki Grimes  
*Ms. Bixby's Last Day*, by John David Anderson

### ADVENTURES

- Bed-Knob and Broomstick*, by Mary Norton  
*Chitty Chitty Bang Bang*, by Ian Fleming  
*From the Mixed-up Files of  
Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*, by E.L. Konisburg  
*Chasing Vermeer*, by Blue Billiett  
*The Island of Adventure*, by Enid Blyton  
*Swallows and Amazons*, by Arthur Ransome  
*Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*,  
by Robert C. O'Brien

*Poppy*, by Avi

- The Tale of Despereaux*, by Kate DiCamillo  
*The Thirteen Clocks*, by James Thurber  
*Tua and the Elephant*, by R.P. Harris  
*The Twenty-One Balloons*,  
by William Pene DuBois  
*The Wolves of Willoughby Chase*, by Joan Aiken  
*The Key to Extraordinary*, by Natalie Lloyd  
*Waiting for Augusta*, by Jessica Lawson  
*The Water Horse*, by Dick King-Smith  
*Nim's Island*, by Wendy Orr

### FAMILY LIFE

- All-of-a-Kind Family*, by Sidney Taylor  
*Ava and Pip*, by Carol Weston  
*The Borrowers*, by Mary Norton  
*The Boxcar Children*,  
by Gertrude Chandler Warner  
*Dog Friday*, by Hilary McKay  
*The Doll People*, by Ann Martin  
*The Family Under the Bridge*,  
by Natalie Savage Carlson  
*Ginger Pye*, by Elenor Estes  
*The Lost Flower Children*, by Janet Taylor Lisle  
*Love, Ruby Lavender*, by Deborah Wiles  
*The Saturdays*, by Elizabeth Enright  
*Owls in the Family*, by Farley Mowat  
*The Penderwicks*, by Jeanne Birdsall  
*Sun and Spoon*, by Kevin Henkes  
*Ten Rules for Living with My Sister*,  
by Ann Martin  
*White Fur Flying*, by Patricia MacLaughlin  
*When the Circus Comes to Town*, by Laurence Yep  
*The Year of Miss Agnes*, by Kirkpatrick Hill

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### FAMILY LIFE

*Waylon! One Awesome Thing*, by Sara Pennypacker

*Little Cat's Luck*, by Marion Dane Bauer

*Paper Wishes*, by Lois Sepahban

### AROUND THE WORLD

*African Tales (One World, One Planet)*,  
by Gcina Mhlophe

*A Coat for the Moon and Other Jewish Tales*,  
retold by Howard Schwartz

*Japanese Children's Favorite Stories*,  
by Florence Sakade

*Tales our Abuelitas Told:*

*A Hispanic Folk Tale Collection*, by Alma Flor Ada

*Flying Lessons & Other Stories*, by Ellen Oh

*Book Uncle and Me*, by Uma Krishnaswami

*Ada's Violin:*

*The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay*,  
by Susan Hood

*Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*, by Grace Lin

*Starry River of the Sky*, by Grace Lin

*When the Sea Turned to Silver*, by Grace Lin

*One Half from the East*, by Nadia Hashimi

*The Lightning Queen*, by Laura Resau

### IT REALLY HAPPENED

*Their Great Gift:*

*Courage, Sacrifice and Hope in a New Land*,  
by John Coy

*I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark*,  
by Debbie Levy

*Anything But Ordinary Addie:*

*The True Story of Adelaide Hermann, Queen of Magic*,  
by Mara Rockliff

*Ada Lovelace, Poet of Science:*

*The First Computer Programmer*, by Diane Stanley

*The First Step: How One Girl Put Segregation on Trial*,  
by Susan E. Goodman

*Whoosh:*

*Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions*,  
by Chris Barton

*Fannie Never Flinched: One Woman's Courage in the  
Struggle for American Labor Union Rights*,  
by Mary Cronk Farrell

*Some Writer!: The Story of E. B. White*, by Melissa Sweet

### THE NATURAL WORLD

*Giant Squid*, by Candace Fleming

*Orangutan Orphanage*, by Suzi Eszterhas