Year 1 Suggested Reading List

Our aim is to develop children's love of reading. This list provides a range of genres and difficulties to encourage children to read by themselves and with an adult. Towards the end of the list are suggested books relating to topics studied in year 1.

Fiction Books

Not Now Bernard by David McKee

Grandad's Secret Giant by David Litchfield

The Tiger Who Came To Tea by Judith Kerr

Man On The Moon by Simon Bartram

Where The Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak

Ruby's Worry by Tom Percival

Mr Wolf's Pancakes by Jan Fearnley

That Rabbit Belongs To Emily Brown by Cressida Cowell

Funnybones by Allan & Janet Ahlberg

Clever Polly & The Stupid Wolf by Catherine Storr

Stick Man by Julia Donaldson

Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett

Daisy Eat Your Peas by Kes Gray

Anna Hibiscus by Atinuke

Winnie and Wilbur: Winnie The Witch by Valerie Thomas

Zeraffa Giraffa by Dianna Hofmeyr

Fox in the Dark by Alison Green

The Adventures Of The Wishing Chair by Enid Blyton

The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister

Baby Brains by Simon James

The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by Ronda Armitage

Nimesh the Adventurer by Ranjit Singh

Pumpkin Soup by Helen Cooper

Paddington by Michael Bond

Dogger by Shirley Hughes

Sophie's Snail by Dick King-Smith

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Toys In Space by Mini Grey

The Giant Jam Sandwich by John Vernon

The Storm Whale by Benji Davies

Would You Rather by John Burningham

Gorilla by Anthony Browne

The Night Pirates by Peter Harris

Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman

Tree by Patricia Hegarty

Lost & Found by Oliver Jeffers

Peace at Last by Jill Murphy

Poetry

Chocolate Cake by Michael Rosen

The Puffin Book Of Fantastic First Poems By June Crebbin & Various Poets

When We Were Young by AA Milne

Non-Fiction

A First Book Of Nature by Nicola Davies (Walker Books, 9781406359077)

Professor Astro Cat's Human Body by Dominic Walliman (Flying Eye Books, 9781909263994)

We Build Our Homes by Laura Knowles (Words & Pictures, 9780711255418)

Once Upon A Raindrop: The Story Of Water by James Carter (Little Tiger Press, 9781848577619)

Great Women Who Worked Wonders by Kate Pankhurst (Bloomsbury Children's Books, 9781408876985)

A Cat's Guide To The Night Sky by Stuart Atkinson (Lollies Award Publications, 9781913440190)

One Day So Many Ways by Laura Hall (Words & Pictures, 9780711247697)

The Big Book Of Bugs by Yuval Zommer (Thames & Hudson, 9780500650677)

Actual Size by Steve Jenkins (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 9780618375943)

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History

First History Encyclopaedia by DK (DK Children, 9780241467169)

First Encyclopaedia of History (Usborne) by Fiona Chandler & David (Usborne Publishing, 9781409556242) Hancock

Year 1 & 2 Science: Growing Plants (including non-fiction and fiction)

Jim & The Beanstalk by Raymond Briggs (Puffin Books, 97801405007760

Ten Seeds by Ruth Brown (Andersen Press, 9781842705513)

Eddie's Garden & How to Make Things Grow by Sarah Garland (Frances Lincoln Children's Books, 9781847801388)

Tree: Seasons Come, Seasons Go by Patricia Heggarty & Britta Tekentrup Little Tiger Press, 9781848694484)

A Little Guide to Wild Flowers by Charlotte Voake (Eden Project Books, 9781903919927)

Plants (Amazing Science) by Sally Hewitt (Franklin Watts, 9780749662790)

Year 1 & 2 Geography & Science: Weather & Seasons (including non-fiction and fiction)

Froggy Day by Heather Pindar (Little Tiger Press, 9781788819046)

Lila & The Secret of Rain by David Conway (Frances Lincoln Children's Books, 9781847800367)

The Rhythm of Rain by Grahame Baker-Smith (Templar Publishing, 9781783701476)

Secrets of Winter by Carron Brown (Little Tiger Press, 9781783704064)

Lift the Flap Questions & Answers About Weather by Katie Daynes (Usborne Publishing, 9781474922210)

A Year In Nature: A Carousel Book Of The Seasons by Hazel Maskell (Nosy Crow, 9781788005913)

Why Do Leaves Fall From Trees? by Ruth Owen (Ruby Tuesday Books, 9781788561204)

Project Weather by Philip Steele (Wayland, 9781526300010)

Music

The Bear and the Piano by David Litchfield (Frances Lincoln Children's Books, 9781847807182)

Zin! Zin! Zin! A Violin by Lloyd Moss (Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 9780689835247)

The Drum by Molly Bang (Greenwillow Books, 9780688091712)

Violet's Music–by Angela Johnson (Dial Books, 9780803728516)

Art

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The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds (Candlewick Press, 9780763619619)

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Beautiful Oops! By Barney Saltzberg (Workman Publishing, 9780761157281)

Mix It Up! by Hervé Tullet (Chronicle Books, 9781452137353)

French

Bonjour, Butterfly by Anne-Marie Dalmais (Barefoot Books, 9781846862199)

Dear Zoo (Cher Zoo) by Rod Campbell (Macmillan Children's Books, 9781509801169)

Petit Bleu et Petit Jaune by Leo Lionni (L'École des Loisirs, 9782211015660)

Bonjour crocodile by Emile Jadoul (Casterman, 9782203127784)

Drama

The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson (Macmillan Children's Books, 9780333710937)

Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak (Red Fox, 9780099408390)

Olivia Saves the Circus by Ian Falconer (Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 9780689829543)

Fancy Nancy and the Late, Late, LATE Night by Jane O'Connor (HarperCollins Children's Books, 9780061236099)