Reading List for 2nd Grade

FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Ahmed and the Feather Girl, by Jane Ray

Brave Charlotte and the Wolves, by Anu Stohner

City Dog, Country Frog, by Mo Willems

Coyote Steals a Blanket: Ute Tale, by Janet Stevens

Elsie Piddock Skips in her Sleep,
by Eleanor Farjeon and Charlotte Voake

Glass Slipper, Gold Sandal: A World-Wide Cinderella,
by Paul Fleischman

Gauchada, by Drew Lamm

The Jolly Postman, by the Ahlbergs

Little Gold Star: A Latin-American Cinderella,
by Robert D. San Souci

Mediopollito: Half-Chicken, by Alma Flor Ada

Mr. Semolina-Semolinus, by Chrisoduola Mitakidou

Snook Alone, by Marilyn Wilson

Stonecutter: A Japanese Folk Tale, by Gerald McDermott

The Three Golden Oranges, by Alma Flor Ada

Lucy, by Randy Cecil

Ada's Violin:
The Story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay,
by Susan Hood

I am Pan!, by Mordicai Gerstein

ANIMALS & NATURE

Flying Frogs and Walking Fish,
by Steve Jenkins and Robin Page

Madeline Finn and the Library Dog, by Lisa Papp

Glow: Animals with Their Own Night-Lights,
by W. H. Beck

Fabulous Frogs, by Martin Jenkins

Ocean Animals from Head to Tail, by Stacey Roderick

Giant Squid, by Candace Fleming

Book Uncle and Me, by Uma Krishnaswami

BRAVE CHILDREN

The Apple Doll, by Elisa Kleven

The Boy Who Held Back the Sea, by Hort

Brave Irene, by William Steig

Dust Devil, by Anne Isaacs

Kami and the Yaks, by Andrea Stenn Stryer

Peter and the Wolf, by Prokofiev

Ruby the Copy Cat, by Peggy Rathmann

A Bad Case of Stripes, by David Shannon

The Sugar Child, by Monique de Varennes

Up, by Jim LaMarche

The Very Last First Time, by Jan Andrews

The Wild Swans, by Hans Christian Andersen

FAMILY LIFE

Andrew Henry's Meadow, by Doris Burn

A Chair for My Mother, by Vera B. Williams

Elise's Bird, by Jane Yolen

Erandi's Braids, by Antonio Hernandez Madrigal

Mailing May, by Michael O. Tunnell

Mr. Carey's Garden, by Jane Cutler

Mama Panya's Pancakes: A Village Tale from Kenya,
by Mary Chamberlin

The Rag Coat, by Lauren Mills

Thy Friend, Obadiah, by Turkle

The Winter Wren, by Brock Cole

IT REALLY HAPPENED

Blackie: The Horse that Stood Still, by Christopher Cerf

Pale Male: Citizen Hawk of New York,
by Janet Schulman

The Man Who Walked Between the Towers,
by Mordecai Gerstein

IT REALLY HAPPENED

Snowflake Bentley, by Jacqueline Briggs Martin

Miss Mary Reporting :
The True Story Of Sportswriter Mary Garber,
by Sue Macy

Cloth Lullaby: The Woven Life of Louise Bourgeois,
by Amy Novesky

Just a Lucky So and So: The Story of Louis Armstrong,
by Lesa Cline-Ransome

Their Great Gift:
Courage, Sacrifice and Hope in a New Land,
by John Coy

The Marvelous Thing That Came From a Spring:
The Accidental Invention of the
Toy that Swept the Nation, by Gilbert Ford

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

Around America to Win the Vote:
Two Suffragists, a Kitten, and 10,000 Miles,
by Mara Rockliff

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

FOLK & FAIRY TALE COLLECTIONS

Barefoot Book of Princesses, by Richard Walker

The Book of Fairy Princes, by Isabel Wyatt

Classic Animal Stories and Verse, by Cooper Edens

The Complete Brambly Hedge, by Jill Barklem

A Forest of Stories:
Magical Tree Tales from Around the World,
by Rina Singh

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

James Herriot's Treasury for Children

Japanese Children's Favorite Stories,
by Florence Sakade

Nursery Tales Around the World,
selected and retold by Judy Sierra

Silly and Sillier:
Read-Aloud Tales from Around the World, by Judy Sierra

Tales our Abuelitas Told:
A Hispanic Folk Tale Collection, by Alma Flor Ada

Treasury of Fairy Tales,
retold by Geraldine McCaughrean

ALPHABET BOOKS

ABC: A Child's First Alphabet Book, by Alison Jay

Alison's Zinnia, by Anita Lobel

A is for Annabelle: A Doll's Alphabet, by Tasha Tudor

A is for Apple Pie, by Genady Spirin

Ape in a Cape, by Fritz Eichenberg

A to Z Picture Book, by Gyo Fujikawa

Barefoot Books: African Animals ABC,
by Phillipa Alys Browne

The Book of Shadow Boxes, by Laura Seeley

D is for Doufu: An Alphabet of Chinese Culture,
by Maywen Shen Krach

Eating the Alphabet, by Lois Ehlert

A Farmer's Alphabet, by Mary Azarian

From Letter to Letter, by Teri Sloat

G is for Goat, by Patricia Polacco

Jambo Means Hello: A Swahili Alphabet Book,
by Muriel L. Feelings

Victory Garden Alphabet Book, by Jerry Palette

On Market Street, by Arnold and Anita Lobel

Patty's Pumpkin Patch, by Teri Sloat

ALPHABET BOOKS

Walden Then and Now: An Alphabetical Tour of Henry Thoreau's Pond, by McCurdy

The Waldorf Alphabet, by Famke Vonneveld

The Wildlife ABC, by Jan Thornhill

The Wise Enchanter: A Journey through the Alphabet, by Shelley Davidow

CHILDREN'S POEMS

A Child's Treasury of Poems, by Mark Daniel

A Family of Poems, by Caroline Kennedy

Animal Poems, by Eric Carle

Aunt Giraffe's Green Garden, by Jack Prelutsky

The Barefoot Book of Classic Poems, compiled by Jackie Morris

A Child's Garden of Verses, by Robert Louis Stevenson

Dirty Laundry Pile: Poems in Different Voices, by Paul B. Janeckzo

Every Second Something Happen: Poems for the Mind and Senses, by Bill Johnson

Here's a Little Poem, collected by Jane Yolen

Lizards, Frogs, and Polliwogs, by Douglas Florian

Imaginary Menagerie: A Book of Curious Creatures, by Julie Larias

The Random House Book of Poetry for Children

Mural on Second Avenue and other City Poems, by Lilian Moore

Tomie de Paola's Book of Poems

The Waldorf Book of Poetry

Where the Sidewalk Ends, by Shel Silverstein

When Green Becomes Tomatoes: Poems for All Seasons, by Julie Fogliano

When the Sun Shines on Antarctica: And Other Poems about the Frozen Continent, by Irene Latham

Animal Ark: Celebrating our Wild World in Poetry and Pictures, by Kwame Alexander

EARLIEST READERS

A Bargain for Frances, by Russell Hoban

Cork & Fuzz: Short and Tall, by Dori Carconas

Daniel's Duck, by Clyde Bulla

Frog and Toad are Friends, by Arnold Lobel

Harry in Trouble, by Barbara Ann Porte

Houndsley and Catina, by James Howe

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

Little Bear Series, by Else Minarek

Mooch the Messy, by Marjorie Sharmat

Park Pals Adventures: Lexi's Tale, by Johanna Hurwitz

Mr. Putter and Tabby Pour the Tea, by Cynthia Rylant

Tales of Oliver Pig, by Jean van Leeuwen

Penny and Her Doll, by Kevin Henkes

Prairie Friends, by Nancy Levinson

Get a Hit, Mo!, by David A. Adler

What's Up, Chuck?, by Leo Landry

Duck, Duck, Porcupine!, by Salina Yoon

Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea, by Ben Clanton

The Great Pet Escape, by Victoria Jamieson

EARLY CHAPTER BOOKS

(Under 100 pages)

Anna, Grandpa, and the Big Storm, by Carla Stephens

The Bears on Hemlock Mountain, by Alice Dalgleish

The Courage of Sarah Noble, by Alice Dalgleish

Cam Jansen Series, by David Adler

Catwings, by Ursula LeGuin

Chang and the Bamboo Flute, by Elizabeth Starr Hill

EARLY CHAPTER BOOKS

(Under 100 pages)

Chester Cricket's Pigeon Ride, by George Selden

Daisy Dawson, by Steve Voake

Donovan's Word Jar, by Andrew Clements

Encyclopedia Brown, by Donald Sobol

The Gingerbread Rabbit, by Randall Jarrell

Henner's Lydia, by Marguerite de Angeli

The Hen Who Wouldn't Give Up, by Jill Tomlinson

A Horn for Louis, by Eric Kimmel

The Invisible Dog, by Dick King-Smith

Princess Lollipop, by Dick King-Smith

A Mouse Called Wolf, by Dick King-Smith

The King's Equal, by Katherine Paterson

The Lighthouse Series, by Cynthia Rylant

Many Moons, by James Thurber

McBroom's Wonderful One-Acre Farm, by Sid Fleischman

My Father's Dragon, by Ruth Stiles Gannett

The Real Thief, by William Steig

The School for Cats, by Esther Averill

Sophie's Snail, by Dick King-Smith

Sprout Street Neighbors: Five Stories, by Anna Alter

The Stories Julian Tells, by Ann Cameron

The White Stallion, by Elizabeth Shub

Rabbit & Robot and Ribbit, by Cece Bell

My Pet Human, by Yasmine Surovec

Juana & Lucas, by Juana Medina

ANIMALS TALES

Abel's Island, by William Steig

Along Came a Dog, by Meindert DeJong

A Bear Called Paddington, by Michael Bond

Charlotte's Web, by E.B. White

Stuart Little, by E.B. White

The Fairy Caravan, by Beatrix Potter

The Freddy Books, by Walter Brooks

Higglety, Pigglety, Pop!: Or, There Must be More to Life, by Maurice Sendak

Lassie, by Eric Knight

Miss Hickory, by Carolyn Sherwin Bailey

The Mouse & the Motorcycle, by Beverly Cleary

Pinkie Pye, by Eleanor Estes

Mr. Popper's Penguins, by Richard Atwater

Rabbit Hill, by Robert Lawson

Gooseberry Park, by Cynthia Rylant

Pigs Might Fly, by Dick King-Smith

Minnie and Moo: Hooves of Fire, by Denys Cazet

Nurk: The Strange, Surprising Adventures of a (Somewhat) Brave Shrew, by Ursula Vernon

Thimbleberry Stories, by Cynthia Rylant

Tumtum and Nutmeg: Adventures Beyond Nutmouse Hall, by Emily Bearn

Ugly, by Donna Jo Napoli

Wild Times at the Bed and Biscuit, by Joan Carris

The World According to Humphrey, by Betty G. Birney

FANTASY & MAGIC TALES

The Children of Green Knowe, by L.M. Boston

Finn Family Moomintroll, by Tov Jansson

Half Magic, by Edward Eager

The Light Princess, by George MacDonald

Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle, by Betty MacDonald

FAMILY & FRIENDS TALES

All-of-a-Kind Family, by Sydney Taylor

Betsy-Tacy Series, by Maude Lovelace

The Borrowers, by Mary Norton

The Children of Noisy Village, by Astrid Lindgren

The Cottage at Bantry Bay, by Hilda van Stockum

Daughter of the Mountains, by Louise Rankin

The Family under the Bridge,
by Margaret Savage Carlson

The Golden Name Day, by Jennie D. Lindquist

Island of Adventure, by Enid Blyton

Li Lun, Lad of Courage, by Carolyn Treffinger

The Moffats, by Eleanor Estes

The Secret Garden, by Frances Hodgson Burnett

The Secret Language, by Ursula Nordstrom

Strawberry Girl, by Lois Lenski

Thimble Summer, by Elizabeth Enright

Arabel & Mortimar, by Joan Aikin

The Chalk Box Kid, by Clyde Bulla

Fly Away, by Patricia MacLachlan

Ida Early Comes Over the Mountain, by Robert Burch

The Gold-Threaded Dress, by Carolyn Marsden

Gwinna, by Barbara Helen Berger

In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson,
by Bette Bao Lord

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

The Rickshaw Girl, by Mitali Perkins

The Skirt, by Gary Soto

Tales from Maple Ridge: Logan Price Makes Mess,
by Grace Gilmore

The Worry Week, by Anne Lindbergh

The Year of the Book, by Andrea Cheng

Weekends with Max and His Dad, by Linda Urban

Waylon! One Awesome Thing, by Sara Pennypacker