



## Level 1 Grades K – 2

# Indiana Reading List

Designed as a companion piece to Indiana's Academic Standards in English/Language Arts, the following selections of the Indiana Reading List illustrate the quality and complexity of the suggested reading materials for students in Grades K – 2. The Indiana Reading List is not required reading nor is it meant to be all-inclusive. Teachers and parents are encouraged to review the selections to ensure suitability for the individual student.

### Fiction: Picture Books and General Fiction

*The Adventures of Old Mr. Toad* – Burgess, Thornton  
*Amelia Bedelia* (series) – Parish, Peggy  
*Angela Weaves a Dream* – Solá, Michèle  
*Anno's Journey* – Anno, Mitsumasa  
*Arthur* (series) – Brown, Marc  
*Baseball in the Barrio* – Horenstein, Henry  
*A Bear Called Paddington* (series) – Bond, Michael  
*Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* – Martin, Bill, Jr.  
*Butterfly Boy* – Kroll, Virginia  
*Caps for Sale* – Slobodkina, Esphyr  
*The Cat in the Hat* – Dr. Seuss  
*Corduroy* – Freeman, Don  
*Dinosaur Dream* – Nolan, Dennis  
*The Doorbell Rang* – Hutchins, Pat  
*Flossie and the Fox* – McKissack, Patricia  
*Frog and Toad are Friends* (series) – Lobel, Arnold  
*The Gingerbread Man* – Aylesworth, Jim  
*The Giving Tree* – Silverstein, Shel  
*Goodnight Moon* – Brown, Margaret Wise  
*Grandfather's Journey* – Say, Allen  
*Green Eggs and Ham* – Dr. Seuss  
*Harold and the Purple Crayon* – Johnson, Crockett  
*Hattie and the Fox* – Fox, Mem  
*Henry and Mudge* (series) – Rylant, Cynthia  
*If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* – Numeroff, Laura  
*Just So Stories* – Kipling, Rudyard  
*Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse* – Henkes, Kevin

*The Little Engine That Could* – Piper, Watty  
*Lyle, Lyle Crocodile* – Waber, Bernard  
*Make Way for Ducklings* – McCloskey, Robert  
*Millions of Cats* – Gag, Wanda  
*The Mitten* – Brett, Jan  
*A Mother for Choco* – Kasza, Keiko  
*The Mouse and the Motorcycle* – Cleary, Beverly  
*Now One Foot, Now the Other* – de Paola, Tomie  
*The Polar Express* – Van Allsburg, Chris  
*Rosie's Walk* – Hutchins, Pat  
*The Snowy Day* – Keats, Ezra Jack  
*Song of the Swallows* – Politi, Leo  
*Stone Soup* – McGovern, Ann  
*Sylvester and the Magic Pebble* – Steig, William  
*The Tale of Peter Rabbit* – Potter, Beatrix  
*Tar Beach* – Ringgold, Faith  
*Ten Black Dots* – Crews, Donald  
*There's an Alligator Under My Bed* – Mayer, Mercer  
*The Three Little Pigs* – Kellogg, Steven  
*The Ugly Duckling* – Andersen, Hans Christian (original author)  
*The Very Hungry Caterpillar* – Carle, Eric  
*Where the Wild Things Are* – Sendak, Maurice  
*Winnie the Pooh* – Milne, A. A.

### Folklore/Fairy Tales/Mythology

*The Golden Goose* – Grimm, Jacob and Wilhelm (original authors)  
*Goldilocks and the Three Bears* – Brett, Jan

*John Henry: An American Legend* – Keats, Ezra Jack  
*La Cucaracha Martina: A Caribbean Folktale* – Moreton, David  
*Little Red Riding Hood* – Grimm, Jacob and Wilhelm  
*Lon Po Po: A Red Riding Hood Story from China* – Young, Ed  
*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters* – Steptoe, John  
*Paul Bunyan* – Kellogg, Steven  
*Pecos Bill* – Kellogg, Steven  
*The Selkie Girl* – Cooper, Susan  
*Song to Demeter* – Birrer, Cynthia and William  
*The Story of Johnny Appleseed* – Ailiki  
*The Story of Jumping Mouse* – Steptoe, John  
*Three Billy Goats Gruff* – Asbjørnsen, Peter Christen  
*The Village of Round and Square Houses* – Grifalconi, Ann

### Poetry

*The Big Red Barn* – Brown, Margaret Wise  
*Chicken Soup with Rice* – Sendak, Maurice  
*Child's Garden of Verses* – Stevenson, Robert Lewis  
*The Dragons Are Singing Tonight* – Prelutsky, Jack  
*Eats: Poems* – Adoff, Arnold  
*The Eensy Weensy Spider*  
*Fingerplays and Action Rhymes* – Calmenson, Stephanie and Joanna Cole  
*Every Time I Climb a Tree* – McCord, David  
*Flicker Flash* – Graham, Joan Bransfield  
*I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly* – Rounds, Glen

*James Marshall's Mother Goose* – Marshall, James  
*Orchard Book of Nursery Rhymes* – Sutherland, Zena  
*Owl Moon* – Yolen, Jane  
*Sheep in a Jeep* – Shaw, Nancy  
*The Wheels on the Bus* – Zelinsky, Paul  
*You Read to Me, I'll Read to You* – Ciardi, John

### **Nonfiction: Science, Social Studies, and Mathematics**

*About Reptiles: A Guide for Children* – Sill, Cathryn P.  
*Anno's Math Games* – Anno, Mitsumasa  
*Around the World: Who's Been Here* – George, Lindsay Barrett  
*Baby Whale's Journey* – London, Jonathon  
*Building a House* – Barton, Byron  
*Check It Out!: The Book about Libraries* – Gibbons, Gail  
*A Child's Book of Art: Discover Great Paintings* – Micklethwait, Lucy  
*Corn Is Maize: The Gift of the Indians* – Aliki  
*Crawdad Creek* – Sanders, Scott Russell  
*Digging Up Dinosaurs* – Aliki  
*Discovering El Niño* – Seibert, Patricia  
*The Discovery of the Americas* – Maestro, Betsy  
*Do Animals Dream?* – Pope, Joyce  
*A Drop of Water: A Book of Science and Wonder* – Wick, Walter  
*The Emperor's Egg* – Jenkins, Martin  
*Gorilla Walk* – Lewin, Ted and Betsy  
*Hello, Fish! Visiting the Coral Reef* – Earle, Sylvia  
*Here Is the African Savanna* – Dunphy, Madeleine  
*Hottest, Coldest, Highest, Deepest* – Jenkins, Steve

*How Big Is a Foot?* – Myllar, Rolf  
*How Tall, How Short, How Far Away* – Adler, David  
*Math Counts* (series) – Pluckrose, Henry  
*My Cheetah Family* – Barfuss, Matto H.  
*Nature's Paintbrush* – Stockdale, Susan  
*Once a Wolf* – Swinburne, Stephen  
*Outside and Inside Kangaroos* – Markle, Sandra  
*A Pill Bug's Life* – Himmelman, John  
*Pumpkin Circle: Story of a Garden* – Levenson, George  
*Sharks* – Gibbons, Gail  
*Shelterwood* – Shetterly, Susan Hand  
*Sugaring Time* – Lasky, Kathryn  
*Tornadoes* – Simon, Seymour

### **Biography/Autobiography**

*Stone Girl, Bone Girl: Mary Anning* – Anhoit, Laurence  
*If Only I Had a Horn: Young Louis Armstrong* – Jenkins, Leonard  
*Glorious Flight Across the Channel with Louis Bleriot* – Provenson, Alice  
*Alexander Calder and His Magical Mobiles* – Lipman, Jean  
*A Picture Book of George Washington Carver* – Adler, David  
*Good Queen Bess: The Story of Elizabeth I* – Vennema, Peter  
*Duke Ellington* – Pinkney, Brian  
*Galileo and the Magic Numbers* – Rosen, Sidney  
*Honest Abe* – Kunhardt, Edith  
*If a Bus Could Talk: The Story of Rosa Parks* – Ringgold, Faith  
*Wilma Unlimited* – Krull, Kathleen  
*William Shakespeare and the Globe* – Aliki  
*Mark Twain? What Kind of Name Is That?* – Quakenbush, Robert

### **Magazines/Periodicals**

*Big Backyard*  
*Humpty Dumpty*  
*Jack and Jill*  
*Lady Bug*  
*Ranger Rick*  
*Scholastic News*  
*Stone Soup: A Magazine by Children*  
*Time for Kids*  
*Weekly Reader*  
*World*  
*Zoo Books*

### **Reference Tools (in printed and electronic format)**

#### **Dictionary, such as:**

Printed: *American Heritage First Dictionary*; *American Heritage Picture Dictionary*  
CD-ROM: *My First Amazing Words and Pictures*; *Simon & Schuster New Millennium Children's Dictionary*

#### **Encyclopedia, such as:**

Printed: *Childcraft: The How and Why Library*; *Kingfisher Children's Encyclopedia*

#### **Other Resources, such as:**

CD-ROM: *Presidents: It All Started with George*

### **Informational, Technical, and Practical Documents**

Calendar: yearly, monthly, weekly  
Directions: classwork, finding way around school and community  
Library Card Application  
Price Tags  
Street Signs  
Weather Forecasts

## **Questions?**

The Indiana Reading List is a suggested reading resource for students and teachers. Check with your local school to see if there is a required reading list. For additional information or questions, call 1.888.544.7837 or visit the Department of Education's Web site: [www.doe.state.in.us/standards](http://www.doe.state.in.us/standards).

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