

Read Aloud America 2014



Reading List

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Dear Parents, Grandparents, Teachers, and all who read to children:

Here is the new Read Aloud America 2014 Reading List of great read aloud books for children of all ages. You will find many new titles and some all-time favorites. I hope that you find the list both a helpful guide of books to read aloud to the children in your lives and a resource when choosing a book to give as a gift.

My sincere thank you to the committee members who read over 100 books. To recommend a book for the 2014 reading list, the committee choose books that have:

- Excellent read-aloud appeal
- Variety of male/female main characters, genres, and popular authors
- Strong development of characters, plot, themes, and subtle moral (character-building) messages, and
- Age group appropriateness.

The committee members and I are interested in your feedback. Please feel free to email me at: read@readaloudamerica.org with your comments as well as your own recommended read-aloud favorites.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jed Gaines,
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Amazon.com Best Children's Books
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Newbery Award Books List

The books chosen for the 2014 book list reflect subjects, interests, genres, and cultures that are as diverse as the committee members and groups who chose them. Please review the subject matter and content before reading or suggesting books from the book list to family and friends.

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READ-ALOUDS FOR INFANTS AND TODDLERS

Moby-Dick	Addams, Jennifer
All of Baby, Nose to Toes	Adler, Victoria
Peek-a-Moo!	Cimarusti, Marie Torres
Dancing Feet!	Craig, Lindsey
Bizzy Bear, Pirate Adventure	Crow, Nosy
Go Away, Big Green Monster	Emberley, Ed
Sleepy, Oh So Sleepy	Fleming, Denise
Monkey and Me	Gravett, Emily
Wow! Said the Owl	Hopgood, Tim
Dig In!	Jones-Prince, April
How Does Baby Feel?	Katz, Karen
Elmo and Dorothy: Friends Forever	Kleinberg, Naomi
A Train Goes Clickety-Clack	London, Jonathan
I Love You, Honey Bunny	Magsamen, Sandra
Panda Bear, Panda Bear	Martin, Bill
Ben Loves Bear	McPhail, David
Danny is Done with Diapers	O'Connell, Rebecca
Not That Tutu!	Sinclair-Colman, Michelle
I Love Trucks!	Sturges, Philomon
First the Egg	Vaccaro-Seeger, Laura
Lick	Van Fleet, Matthew
Clean-Up Time	Wells, Rosemary
Baby Bear Sees Blue	Wolff, Ashley
Whales' Tales & Turtle Tails	Yee, Tammy

READ-ALOUDS FOR PRE KINDERGARTEN - KINDERGARTEN

Chicken Said: “Cluck!”	Ackerman-Grant, Judy
Shark vs. Train	Barton, Chris
A Visitor for Bear	Becker, Bonnie
Rabbit and Robot: The Sleepover	Bell, Cece
Z Is for Moose	Bingham, Kelly
Bailey	Bliss, Harry
Oh! What a Surprise!	Bloom, Suzanne
Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons	Dean, James
Oh No!	Fleming, Candace
This Is Not My Hat	Klassen, Jon
Steam Train, Dream Train	Lichtenheld, Tom
Sleep Like a Tiger	Logue, Mary
Up! Tall! And High!	Long, Ethan
Hot Rod Hamster	Lord, Cynthia
The Squeaky Doo	MacDonald, Margaret
If You Give a Dog a Donut	Numeroff, Laura
We’re Going on a Bear Hunt	Rosen, Michael & Oxenbury, Helen
Tutu Nene-Hawaiian Mother Goose	Ryll, Debra
Little Mouse Gets Ready: Toon Books	Smith, Jeff
I Broke My Trunk	Willems, Mo
That Is Not a Good Idea!	Willems, Mo
The Duckling Gets a Cookie	Willems, Mo
Let’s Go For a Drive	Willems, Mo
The Cow Loves Cookies	Wilson, Karma

READ-ALOUDS FOR GRADES 1 – 2

Young Cam Jansen and the 100th Day of School Mystery	Adler, David
Can You Catch a Coqui Frog?	Arita, Vera
Hi! Fly Guy	Arnold, Tedd
Ivy and Bean	Barrows, Annie
The Voyage of Turtle Rex	Cyrus, Kurt
Ants in Your Pants, Worms in Your Plants	DeGroat, Diane
Bink and Gollie	DiCamillo, Kate
What Am I? Hawaii Animal Guessing Game	Harrington, Daniel
Benny and Penny in the Big No No!	Hayes, Geoffrey
How the Rocket Learned to Read	Hills, Tad
Pinkalicious	Kann, Victoria
Zombie In Love	Kelly DiPucchio
What Are You So Grumpy About?	Lichtenheld, Tom
Ling and Ting: Not Exactly the Same!	Lin, Grace
My Hawaiian Farm	Maxner, Pearl
Pig-Boy: A trickster Tale from Hawaii	MeDermott, Gerald
Fancy Nancy, the Dazzling Book Report	O'Connor, Jane
Hurry Up Houdini!	Osborne, Mary Pope
Captain Underpants Revolting Revenge	Pilkey, Dave
Skippyjon Jones Lost in Space	Schachner, Judy
Tales for Very Picky Eaters	Schneider, Josh
The Little Mouse Gets Ready	Smith, Jeff
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble	Steig, William
City Dog, Country Frog	Willems, Mos

GOOD READS FOR GRADES 3 - 4

The One and Only Ivan	Applegate, Katherine
Trouble with Trolls	Brett, Jan
Bad Kitty for President	Bruel, Nick
The Stolen Sapphire: A Samantha Mystery	Buckley, Sarah
Ramona and Her Mother	Cleary, Beverly
Extra Credit	Clements, Andrew
The Mud Pony: A Traditional Skidi Pawnee Tale	Cohen, Caron Lee
Kamehameha: The Boy Who Became a Warrior King	Crowe, Ellie
Fantastic Mr. Fox	Dahl, Roald
Strega Nona's Harvest	DePaola, Tomie
Stone Fox	Gardiner, John Reynolds
Turtle In Paradise	Holm, Jennifer
Bunnicula – A Rabbit Tale of Mystery	Howe, Deborah & James
Survivors – A Hidden Enemy	Hunter, Erin
Spy Cat	Kehret, Peg
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hard Luck	Kinney, Jeff
What's With This Room?	Lichtenheld, Tom
Auntie Yang's Great Soybean Picnic	Lo, Ginnie
How the B-52 Cockroach Learned to Fly	Matsumoto, Lisa
Pele and the Rivers of Fire	Nordenstrom, Michael
Vacation Under the Volcano	Osborne, Mary Pope
The Great Egyptian Grave Robbery	Pennypacker, Sara
Clementine	Pennypacker, Sara

GOOD READS FOR GRADES 5 - 6

The Battle Begins	Abbott, Tony
Chronicles of Prydain	Alexander, Lloyd
Horton Half Pott	Amleberger, Tom
Pickle: Anonymous Prank Club	Baker, Kim
It Happened on a Train	Barnett, Mac
Vanished	Chari, Sheela
We the Children	Clements, Andrew
Gregor the Overlander	Collins, Suzanne
Mr. Burke Is Bersek!	Gutman, Dan
Flush	Hiassen, Carl
Ice Fall	Kirby, Mathew
Lunch Lady and the Cyborg Substitute	Krosoczka, Jarrett
Island of the Blue Dolphins	O'Dell, Scott
The Black Pearl	O'Dell, Scott
The Serpent's Shadow	Riordan, Rick
How to Eat Fried Worms	Rockwell, Thomas
Splendors and Glooms	Schlitz, Laura Amy
Liar and Spy	Stead, Rebecca
When You Reach Me	Stead, Rebecca
The Wizard of Dark Street	Thomas, Shawn
Three Times Lucky	Turnage, Sheila
Prinuess Bernice Pauahi Bishop	Williams, Julie Stewart
Leepike Ridge	Wilson, Nathan
Locomotion	Woodson, Jacqueline

GOOD READS FOR GRADES 7 - 8

Goblin Secret	Alexander, William
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle	Avi
Skip Breaker	Basicalupi, Paolo
Play Ball	Christopher, Matt
Shelter: A Mickey Bolitar Novel	Coban, Harlan
Bud, Not Buddy	Curtis, Christopher Paul
Catherine, Called Birdy	Cushman, Karen
Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery	Feinstein, John
Bo and Mzzz Madd	Fleischmann, Sid
Amelia Lost	Fleming, Candace
Force Out	Green, Tim
Summer of My German Soldier	Greene, Bette
Theodore Boone: The Activist	Grisham, John
Game Changers	Lupica, Mike
The Silence of Murder	Mackall, Dandi Daley
Airborn	Oppel, Kenneth
Wonder	Palacio, R. J.
A Long Walk to Water	Park, Linda Sue
Middle School: Get Me Out of Here!	Patterson, James
Small Steps	Sachar, Louis
Bomb – Race to Steal....	Sheinkin, Stephen
Navigating Early	Vanderpool, Clare
The Homecoming	Voigt, Cynthia
Code Name Verity	Wein, Elizabeth

GOOD READS FOR GRADES 9 - 12

The Girl Who Invented Romance	Cooney, Caroline B.
Over to You: 10 Stories of Fliers	Dahl, Roald
The Power of Un	Etchemendy, Nancy
House of the Scorpion	Farmer, Nancy
Escape! The Story of The Great Houdini	Fleischman, Paul
Fat Kid Rules the World	Going, K.L.
Paper Towns	Green, John
Will Grayson, Will Grayson	Green, John & Levithan, David
The Maze	Hobbitts, Will
Stormbreaker	Horowitz, Anthony
The Kite Runner	Hosseini, Khaled
Eleven Rings	Jackson, Phil
The Giver	Lowry, Louis
Never Fall Down	McCormick, Patricia
The American President	Moore, Kathryn
How Angel Peterson Got His Name	Paulsen, Gary
Voyage of the Frog	Paulsen, Gary
Out of Our Minds	Robinson, Ken
Divergent	Roth, Veronica
Endangered	Schreier, Elistd
Baseball as a Road to God	Sexton, John
Stuck in Neutral	Trueman, Terry
I Am Malala	Yousafzai, Mala
The Book Thief	Zusak, Markus

GOOD READS FOR ADULTS

The First Phone Call from Heaven	Albom, Mitch
Proof of Heaven	Alexander, Eben
The Guns at Last Light	Atkinson, Rick
King and Maxwell	Baldacci, David
Palisades Park	Brennert, Alan
The Luminaries	Catton, Eleanor
The Death of Santini	Conroy, Pat
The Looking Glass	Evans, Richard Paul
The Ocean at the End of the Lane	Gaiman, Neil
Wait Till Next Year	Goodwin, Doris Kearns
No Ordinary Time	Goodwin, Doris Kearns
Sycamore Row	Grishman, John
The Worst Day of My Life So Far	Harper, M. A.
Bad Monkey	Hiassen, Carl
The Mermaid Chair	Kidd, Sue Monk
The Astronaut Wives Club	Koppel, Lily
A Higher Call: Combat and Chivalry in the Skies of World War II	Makos, Adam & Alexander, Larry
The Minor Adjustment Beauty Salon	McCall Smith, Alexander
Unsound	Neal, Toby
Keep It Pithy	O'Reilly, Bill
Empire Falls	Russo, Richard
The End of Your Life Book Club	Schwalbe, Will
Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail	Strayed, Cheryl
The Silver Star	Walls, Jeannette

AGELESS AND TIMELESS CLASSICS

Mr. Poppers Penguins	Atwater, Richard & Florencs
The Indian in the Cupboard	Banks, Lynne Reid
The Wonderful Wizard of Oz	Baum, L. Frank
The Very Hungry Caterpillar	Carle, Eric
Henry Huggins	Clearly, Beverly
My Dog Has Flies: Poetry for Hawai`i's Kids	Cowing, Sue
James and the Giant Peach	Dahl, Roald
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Dahl, Roald
The Little Prince	De Saint-Exupery, Antine
Oh! The Places You Will Go	Dr. Seuss
Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats	Eliot, TS.
Cheaper By the Dozen	Gilbreth, Frank & Ernestine
The Outsiders	Hinton, S.E,
Little House in the Big Woods	Ingalls Wilder, Laura
From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler	Konigsburg, E.L.
A Wrinkle in Time	L'Engle, Madeline
The Frog and Toad Treasury	Lobel, Arnold
Doctor Doolittle Series	Lofting, Hugh
Call of the Wild	London, Jack
Make Way for Ducklings	McCloskey, Robert
Complete Tales of Winnie-the-Pooh	Milne, A.A.
Tikki Tikki Tembo	Mosel, Arlene
Bridge to Terabithia	Paterson, Katherine
My Life in Dog Years	Paulsen, Gary

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Best Books for Kids Who (Think They) Hate to Read: 125 Books That Will Turn Any Child Into a Lifelong Reader	Backes, Laura
This Way to Books	Bauer, Caroline
Babies Need Books: Sharing the Joy of Books with Children from Birth to Six	Butler, Dorothy
Raising Lifelong Learners: A Parent's Guide	Calkins, Lucy McCormick
How to Get Your Child to Love Reading	Codell, Esme Raji
Read to Me: Raising Kids Who Love to Read	Cullinan, Bernice
Help Me, I Have a Teenager	Drake, Annie
Reading Magic	Fox, Mem
Books Kids Will Sit Still For	Freeman, Judy
The Roller Coaster Years	Giannetti, Charlene
Read it Aloud! A Parent's Guide to Sharing Books	Haas, Laurie Joy & Monty Haas
Straight Talk About Reading: How Parents Can Make a Difference During the Early Years	Hall, Susan & Louisa Moats
Endangered Minds	Healy, Jane M.
For Reading Out Loud!: A Guide for Sharing Books With Children	Kimmel, Margaret Mary
Reading Rules! Motivating Teens to Read	Knowles, Elizabeth & Martha Smith
The Power of Reading	Krashen, Stephen
Great Books for Boys: More Than 600 Books for Boys 2 to 14	Odean, Kathleen
Great Books for Girls: More Than 600 Recommended Books for Girls Ages 3-14	Odean, Kathleen
The Read Aloud Handbook	Trelease, Jim
Guys Read web site	www.guysread.com
Mem Fox website	www.memfox.com
Read Aloud America website	www.readaloudamerica.org
Reading Is Fundamental website	www.rif.org