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ABSTRACT

This bibliography lists books appropriate for first and second graders and other children just beginning to exercise some reading skills. Most of the books listed have a controlled vocabulary, but textbooks are not included. Each entry includes author, title, publisher, publication date, and price. Approximately 175 books are listed in alphabetical order by author, and addresses are given for 4 publishers of easy reading books. (KRN)

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The following list of titles will be rewarding reading for first and second graders and other children just beginning to exercise some reading skills. It is very important for every public library to have a generous number of these books to encourage independent reading, also to reinforce satisfaction as this skill develops. While it is true that most of these books have "controlled vocabulary," textbooks are not included.

ALLEN, Laura Jean	WHERE IS FREDDY?	Harper	1986	\$10.95
AMES, Gerald	PROVE IT!	Harper	1963	\$10.89
BAKER, Betty	LITTLE RUNNER OF THE LONGHOUSE	Harper	1962	\$10.89
	RAT IS DEAD AND ANT IS SAD	Harper	1981	\$10.89
	THE PIG WAR	Harper	1969	\$10.89
BENCHLEY, Nathaniel	GEORGE THE DRUMMER BOY	Harper	1977	\$10.89
	GHOST NAMED FRED	Harper	1968	\$10.89
	SAM THE MINUTEMAN	Harper	1969	\$10.89
	SEVERAL TRICKS OF EDGAR DOLPHIN	Harper	1970	\$10.89
	SMALL WOLF	Harper	1972	\$10.89
	SNORRI AND THE STRANGERS	Harper	1976	\$10.89
	STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF ARTHUR CLUCK	Harper	1967	\$10.89
BERENSTAIN, Jan & Stan	THE BEAR DETECTIVES	Beginner	1975	\$7.99
	BEARS IN THE NIGHT	Beginner	1971	\$7.99
	BEARS ON WHEELS	Beginner	1969	\$7.99
	BERENSTAIN BEARS & MISSING DINOSAUR BONE	Beginner	1980	\$7.99
	HE BEAR, SHE BEAR	Random	1974	\$7.99

BONSALL, Crosby	CASE OF THE CAT'S MEOW	Harper	1965	\$10.89
	CASE OF THE DOUBLECROSS	Harper	1980	\$10.89
	CASE OF THE HUNGRY STRANGER	Harper	1963	\$10.89
	CASE OF THE SCAREDY CATS	Harper	1971	\$10.89
	DAY I HAD TO PLAY WITH MY SISTER	Harper	1972	\$9.89
	MINE'S THE BEST	Harper	1973	\$9.89
	PIGGLE	Harper	1973	\$10.89
	TELL ME SOME MORE	Harper	1961	\$10.89
	WHO'S AFRAID OF THE DARK?	Harper	1980	\$9.89
	WHO'S A PEST?	Harper	1962	\$10.89
BRANDENBERG, Franz	IT'S NOT MY FAULT!	Greenwillow	1980	\$11.95
	LEO AND EMILY	Greenwillow	1981	\$12.95
	LEO AND EMILY AND THE DRAGON	Greenwillow	1984	\$12.88
	LEO AND EMILY'S BIG IDEAS	Greenwillow	1982	\$11.88
	LEO AND EMILY'S ZOO	Greenwillow	1988	\$12.88
BRENNER, Barbara	ANNIE'S PET	Bantam	1989	\$9.99
	THE COLOR WIZARD	Bantam	1989	\$9.99
	LION AND LAMB	Bantam	1989	\$9.99
	THE MAGIC BOX	Bantam	1990	\$9.99
	WAGON WHEELS	Harper	1978	\$10.89
BYARS, Betsy	THE GOLLY SISTERS GO WEST	Harper	1986	\$10.89
	HOORAY FOR THE GOLLY SISTERS!	Harper	1990	\$11.89
CHORAO, Kay	OINK AND PEARL	Harper	1981	\$10.89
COERR, Eleanor	THE BIG BALLOON RACE	Harper	1981	\$10.89
	THE JOSEFINA STORY QUILT	Harper	1986	\$10.89
DEWEY, Ariane	FEBOLD FEBOLDSON	Greenwillow	1984	\$10.84
	GIB MORGAN, OILMAN	Greenwillow	1987	\$11.88



EASTMAN, Phillip D.	ARE YOU MY MOTHER? THE BEST NEST GO DOG GO!	Random Random Beginner	1960 1968 1961	\$7.99 \$7.99 \$7.99
FARLEY, Walter	LITTLE BLACK, A PONY	Random	1961	\$7.99
GACKENBACK, Dick	HATTIE BE QUIET, HATTIE BE GOOD HATTIE, TOM AND THE CHICKEN WITCH HOORAY FOR HATTIE RABBIT MOTHER RABBIT'S SON TOM	Harper Harper Harper Harper	1977 1980 1986 1977	\$9.89 \$10.89 \$9.89 \$9.89
GAGE, Wilson	MRS. GADDY & THE FAST GROWING VINE MRS. GADDY & THE GHOST	Greenwillow Greenwillow	1985 1979	\$10.88 \$10.95
HARSHMAN, Terry Webb	PORCUPINE'S PAJAMA PARTY	Harper	1988	\$10.89
HOBAN, Lillian	ARTHUR'S CHRISTMAS COOKIES ARTHUR'S HONEY BEAR ARTHUR'S FUNNY MONEY ARTHUR'S PEN PAL ARTHUR'S LOOSE TOOTH ARTHUR'S PRIZE READER CASE OF THE TWO MASKED ROBBERS LAZIEST ROBOT IN ZONE ONE MR. PIG AND SONNY TOO READY...SET...ROBOT! SILLY TILLY AND THE EASTER BUNNY	Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper	1972 1974 1981 1976 1985 1978 1986 1983 1977 1982 1987	\$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$9.89
HOBAN, Russell	BARGAIN FOR FRANCES	Harper	1970	\$10.89
HOFF, Syd	CHESTER DANNY AND THE DINOSAUR GRIZZWOLD MRS. BRICE'S MICE SAMMY THE SEAL STANLEY THUNDERHOOF	Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper Harper	1961 1958 1963 1988 1959 1962 1971	\$10.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$9.89 \$10.89 \$10.89 \$9.89

HOOKS, William	A DOZEN DIZZY DOGS	Bantam	1990	\$9.99
HOPKINS, Lee Bennett	MORE SURPRISES SURPRISES	Harper	1987	\$10.89
		Harper	1984	\$10.89
HURD, Edith Thacher	COME AND HAVE FUN JOHNNY LION'S BAD DAY JOHNNY LION'S BOOK JOHNNY LION'S RUBBER BOOTS LAST ONE HOME IS A GREEN PIG NO FUNNY BUSINESS	Harper	1962	\$9.89
		Harper	1970	\$10.89
		Harper	1965	\$10.89
		Harper	1972	\$10.89
		Harper	1959	\$10.89
		Harper	1962	\$10.89
KESSLER, Leonard	BIG MILE RACE HERE COMES THE STRIKEOUT KICK PASS AND RUN LAST ONE IN IS A ROTTEN EGG OLD TURTLE'S BASEBALL STORIES OLD TURTLE'S SOCCER TEAM STAN THE HOT DOG MAN SUPER BOWL THE WORST TEAM EVER	Greenwillow	1983	\$8.88
		Harper	1965	\$10.89
		Harper	1966	\$10.89
		Harper	1969	\$10.89
		Greenwillow	1982	\$12.88
		Greenwillow	1988	\$12.88
		Harper	1990	\$10.89
		Greenwillow	1980	\$12.88
		Greenwillow	1985	\$11.88
		KUSKIN, Karla	SOMETHING SLEEPING IN THE HALL	Harper
LAWRENCE, James	BINKY BROTHERS, DETECTIVES	Harper	1968	\$10.89
LEVINSON, Nancy	CLARA AND THE BOOKWAGON	Harper	1988	\$10.89
LEWIS, Thomas P.	CALL FOR MR. SNIFF HILL OF FIRE MR SNIFF AND THE MOTEL MYSTERY	Harper	1981	\$10.89
		Harper	1971	\$10.89
		Harper	1984	\$10.89

LEXAU, Joan M.	THE DOG FOOD CAPER	Dial	1985	\$8.95
	DON'T BE MY VALENTINE	Harper	1985	\$10.89
	HOMEWORK CAPER	Harper	1966	\$10.89
	I SHOULD HAVE STAYED IN BED	Harper	1965	\$13.89
	POISON IVY CASE	Dial	1984	\$10.89
	ROOFTOP MYSTERY	Harper	1968	\$10.89
LOBEL, Arnold	BOOK OF PIGERICKS	Harper	1983	\$13.89
	FROG AND TOAD ALL YEAR	Harper	1976	\$10.89
	DAYS WITH FROG AND TOAD	Harper	1979	\$10.89
	FROG AND TOAD ARE FRIENDS	Harper	1970	\$10.89
	FROG AND TOAD TOGETHER	Harper	1972	\$10.89
	GRASSHOPPER ON THE ROAD	Harper	1978	\$10.89
	MOUSE SOUP	Harper	1977	\$10.89
	MOUSE TALES	Harper	1972	\$10.89
	OWL AT HOME	Harper	1975	\$10.89
	SMALL PIG	Harper	1969	\$10.89
	UNCLE ELEPHANT	Harper	1981	\$10.89
LUTTRELL, Ida	THE BEAR NEXT DOOR	Harper	1991	\$15.89
	TILLIE AND MERT	Harper	1985	\$10.89
MANUSHKIN, Fran	THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS PICTURE	Harper	1980	\$10.89
McCLINTOCK, Mike	FLY WENT BY	Random	1958	\$7.99
	STOP THAT BALL	Random	1959	\$7.99
	WHAT HAVE I GOT?	Harper	1961	\$9.89
McCULLY, Emily Arnold	THE GRANDMA MIX-UP	Harper	1988	\$10.89
MINARIK, Eise.	FATHER BEAR COMES HOME	Harper	1959	\$10.89
	A KISS FOR LITTLE BEAR	Harper	1968	\$10.89
	LITTLE BEAR	Harper	1957	\$10.89
	LITTLE BEAR'S FRIEND	Harper	1960	\$10.95
	LITTLE BEAR'S VISIT	Harper	1961	\$10.89

MONJO, F. N.	THE DRINKING GOURD ONE BAD THING ABOUT FATHER	Harper Harper	1970 1987	\$10.89 \$10.89
MOZELLE, Shirley	ZACK'S ALLIGATOR	Harper	1989	\$10.89
MYRICK, Mildred	THE SECRET THREE	Harper	1963	\$10.89
O'CONNOR, Jane	SUPER CLUCK	Harper	1991	\$10.89
OECHSLI, Kelly	MICE AT BAT	Harper	1986	\$10.89
OPPENHEIM, Jane	FOLLOW THAT FISH WAKE UP, BABY	Bantam Bantam	1990 1990	\$9.99 \$9.99
PARISH, Peggy	AMELIA BEDELIA AND THE BABY AMELIA BEDELIA GOES CAMPING AMELIA BEDELIA HELPS OUT COME BACK, AMELIA BEDELIA DINOSAUR TIME GOOD HUNTING, BLUE SKY GOOD WORK, AMELIA BEDELIA MERRY CHRISTMAS, AMELIA BEDELIA TEACH US, AMELIA BEDELIA	Greenwillow Greenwillow Greenwillow Harper Harper Harper Greenwillow Greenwillow Greenwillow	1981 1985 1979 1971 1974 1988 1976 1986 1977	\$11.88 \$10.88 \$11.88 \$10.89 \$9.89 \$10.89 \$12.88 \$10.83 \$12.88
PORTE, Barbara	HARRY'S DOG HARRY'S MOM HARRY'S VISIT	Greenwillow Greenwillow Greenwillow	1984 1985 1983	\$13.88 \$11.88 \$8.88
PRAGER, Annabelle	SPOOKY HALLOWEEN PARTY SURPRISE PARTY	Pantheon Pantheon	1981 1977	\$7.99 \$7.99
PRELUTSKY, Jack	IT'S CHRISTMAS IT'S HALLOWEEN IT'S THANKSGIVING IT'S VALENTINE'S DAY RAINY RAINY SATURDAY WHAT I DID LAST SUMMER	Greenwillow Greenwillow Greenwillow Greenwillow Greenwillow Greenwillow	1981 1977 1982 1983 1980 1984	\$12.88 \$12.88 \$11.88 \$13.88 \$13.88 \$13.95

RAPPAPORT, Doreen	THE BOSTON COFFEE PARTY	Harper	1988	\$10.89
REIT, Seymour	THE REBUS BEARS	Bantam	1989	\$9.99
ROBINS, Joan	ADDIE MEETS MAX	Harper	1985	\$9.89
RYLANT, Cynthia	HENRY AND MUDGE	Bradbury	1987	\$10.95
	HENRY & MUDGE AND THE BEDTIME THUMPS	Bradbury	1991	\$11.95
	HENRY & MUDGE AND THE FOREVER SEA	Bradbury	1989	\$11.89
	HENRY & MUDGE AND THE HAPPY CAT	Macmillan	1990	\$11.95
	HENRY & MUDGE GET COLD SHIVERS	Bradbury	1989	\$11.95
	HENRY & MUDGE IN PUDDLE TROUBLE	Bradbury	1987	\$10.95
	HENRY & MUDGE IN GREEN TIME	Bradbury	1987	\$10.95
	HENRY & MUDGE IN SPARKLE DAYS	Bradbury	1988	\$10.95
	HENRY & MUDGE UNDER THE YELLOW MOON	Bradbury	1987	\$10.95
SANDIN, Joan	THE LONG WAY TO A NEW LAND LONG WAY WESTWARD	Harper Harper	1981 1989	\$10.89 \$10.89
SCHULMAN, Janet	THE BIG HELLO	Greenwillow	1976	\$13.95
SCHWARTZ, Alvin	ALL OF OUR NOSES ARE HERE	Harper	1985	\$10.89
	BUSY BUZZING BUMBLEBEES	Harper	1982	\$10.89
	IN A DARK, DARK ROOM	Harper	1984	\$10.89
	THERE IS A CARROT IN MY EAR	Harper	1982	\$10.89
SELSAM, Millicent E.	GREG'S MICROSCOPE	Harper	1963	\$10.89
SEUSS, Dr.	CAT IN THE HAT	Random	1956	\$7.99
	CAT IN THE HAT COMES BACK	Random	1958	\$7.99
SHARMAT, Marjorie	MOOCH THE MESSY	Harper	1976	\$10.89
	NATE THE GREAT AND THE STICKY CASE	Putnam	1987	\$10.95
	SCARLET MONSTER LIVES HERE	Harper	1979	\$10.89
SHUB, Elizabeth	THE WHITE STALLION	Greenwillow	1982	\$13.88



STEVENSON, James	FAST FRIENDS	Greenwillow	1979	\$11.88
STOLZ, Mary	EMMETT'S PIG	Harper	1959	\$10.89
THALER, Mike	COME AND PLAY HIPPO	Harper	1991	\$15.89
	HIPPO LEMONADE	Harper	1986	\$10.89
	IT'S ME, HIPPO	Harper	1983	\$10.89
WISEMAN, Bernard	MORRIS AND BORIS AT THE CIRCUS	Harper	1988	\$10.89
	MORRIS GOES TO SCHOOL	Harper	1970	\$10.89
	MORRIS THE MOOSE	Harper	1989	\$9.89
ZION, Gene	HARRY AND THE LADY NEXT DOOR	Harper	1960	\$10.89

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