

Reading Suggestions From Wapiti Regional Library

Grade One Reading List

Title: Ben Franklin and His First Kite

Author: Krensky, Stephen; Dodson, Bert (Illustrator)

Description: Ten-year-old Ben Franklin finds working in his father's candle shop boring – he'd much rather be doing experiments.

Title: The Best Nest

Author: Eastman, P.D. (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Mr. and Mrs. Bird search for a place to build a new nest only to discover their old one is better.

Title: Big Bad Bubble

Author: Rubin, Adam; Salmiere, Daniel (Illustrator)

Description: With gentle prodding from the narrator and help from the reader, four monsters are led to face their greatest fear -- bubbles.

Title: Biggest, Strongest, Fastest

Author: Jenkins, Steve (Author, Illustrator)

Description: This book is about the record holders in the animal world.

Title: The Bike Lesson

Author: Berenstain, Stan; Berenstain, Jan

Description: Small bear gets a new bike and his father teaches him to ride.

Title: Can You See the Wind?

Author: Fowler, Allan

Description: A simple discussion of wind, the causes of air movements, and the uses of wind power.

Title: Castles, Caves, and Honeycombs

Author: Ashman, Linda; Stringer, Lauren (Illustrator)

Description: Describes some of the unique places where animals build their homes.

Title: Cold Snap

Author: Spinelli, Eileen, Priceman, Marjorie (Illustrator)

Description: A cold snap has everyone in the town of Toby Mills feeling down, until the mayor's wife thinks of a way to warm things up again.

Title: Danny and the Dinosaur Go to Camp

Author: Hoff, Syd (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Danny and his friend the dinosaur go to summer camp together.

Title: Digby and Kate and the Beautiful Day

Author: Baker, Barbara; Winborn, Marsha (Illustrator)

Description: Five episodes in the friendship of Digby the dog and Kate the cat, who enjoy each other's company even when they have their differences.

Title: Drip, Drop

Author: Weeks, Sarah; Manning, Jane (Illustrator)

Description: Pip Squeak the mouse is kept awake all night by the drips from his leaky roof.

Title: Everybody Cooks Rice

Author: Dooley, Norah; Tornton, Peter J. (Illustrator)

Description: A child is sent to find a younger brother at dinnertime and is introduced to a variety of cultures through encountering the many different ways rice is prepared at the different households visited.

Title: A Fruit is a Suitcase for Seeds

Author: Richards, Jean; Hariton, Anca (Illustrator)

Description: Provides an illustrated description of seed dispersal by which plants, most specifically fruits, travel from one place to another.

Title: The Glorious Flight: Across the Channel with Louis Bleriot

Author: Provensen, Alice (Author, Illustrator); Provensen, Martin (Author, Illustrator)

Description: A biography of the man whose fascination with flying machines produced the Blériot XI, which crossed the English Channel in thirty-seven minutes in the early 1900's.

Title: Green Eggs and Ham

Author: Dr. Seuss (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Sam-I-am tries to convince others that green eggs and ham is a good breakfast.

Title: Happy Birthday, Danny and the Dinosaur!

Author: Hoff, Syd (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Six-year-old Danny invites his dinosaur friend to come to his birthday party.

Title: Happy Go Ducky!

Author: Houran, Laurie Haskins

Description: Max the duck has a giant case of spring fever, so when Irene goes out for the day and leaves Max in charge, things get a little... quacky.

Title: Harvey Potter's Balloon Farm

Author: Nolen, Jerdine; Buehner, Mark (Illustrator)

Description: A child ventures out in the middle of the night to see how Harvey Potter grows his wonderful balloons.

Title: Hello, Bumblebee Bat

Author: Lunde, Darrin; Wynne, Patricia J. (Illustrator)

Description: Simple text and illustrations introduce the endangered bumblebee bat of Thailand.

Title: Henry Hikes to Fitchburg

Author: Johnson, D. B.

Description: While his friend works hard to earn the train fare to Fitchburg, young Henry Thoreau walks the thirty miles through woods and fields, enjoying nature and the time to think great thoughts. Includes biographical information about Thoreau.

Title: Hurry and the Monarch

Author: O Flatharta, Antoine, So, Meilo (Illustrator)

Description: Hurry the tortoise befriends a monarch butterfly when she stops in his garden in Wichita Falls, Texas, during her migration from Canada to Mexico. Includes facts about monarch butterflies.

Title: I See a Sign

Author: Klove, Lars (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Describes a variety of signs telling you where to shop, eat, and find people, places, and things.

Title: In the Sea

Author: Elliott, David; Meade, Holly (Illustrator)

Description: Poems describing the many creatures living in the sea, from the sea horse to the blue whale.

Title: Little Pea

Author: Rosenthal, Amy Krouse; Corace, Jen (Illustrator)

Description: Little Pea hates eating candy for dinner, but his parents will not let him have his spinach dessert until he cleans his plate.

Title: Milo's Hat Trick

Author: Agee, Jon

Description: In the busy city, there are lots of people with hats. But there is only one guy with a bear in his hat. That's Milo. The Magician.

Title: Moses Goes to School

Author: Millman, Isaac (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Moses and his friends enjoy the first day of school at their special school for the deaf and hard of hearing, where they use sign language to talk to each other.

Title: Mr. Tiger Goes Wild

Author: Brown, Peter

Description: Bored with city life and the proper behavior it requires, Mr. Tiger has a wild idea that leads him to discover his true nature.

Title: Mrs. Watson Wants Your Teeth

Author: McGhee, Alison; Bliss, Harry (Illustrator)

Description: A first grader is frightened on her first day of school after hearing a rumor that her teacher is a 300-year-old alien with a purple tongue who steals baby teeth from her students.

Title: My Friend Rabbit

Author: Rohmann, Eric (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Something always seems to go wrong when Rabbit is around, but Mouse lets him play with his toy plane anyway because he is his good friend.

Title: My Tooth Is About to Fall Out

Author: Maccarone, Grace; Lewin, Betsy (Illustrator)

Description: A little girl loses a tooth.

Title: Old Black Fly

Author: Aylesworth, Jim; Gammell, Stephen (Illustrator)

Description: Rhyming text and illustrations follow a mischievous old black fly through the alphabet as he has a very busy bad day landing where he should not be.

Title: Oscar Otter

Author: Benchley, Nathaniel

Description: Tale of Oscar Otter and the marvelous slide he builds to the top of a mountain.

Title: Owen

Author: Henkes, Kevin (Author, Illustrator)

Description: Owen's parents try to get him to give up his favorite blanket before he starts school, but when their efforts fail, they come up with a solution that makes everyone happy.

Title: Pinkerton, Behave!

Author: Kellogg, Steven (Author, Illustrator)

Description: His behavior may be rather unconventional, but Pinkerton the dog proves it doesn't really matter.

Title: Play, Mozart, Play!

Author: Sis, Peter (Author, Illustrator)

Description: A simplified biography of Austrian composer, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

Title: The Pumpkin Circle: The Story of a Garden

Author: Levenson, George; Thaler, Shmuel (Illustrator)

Description: Rhyming text and photographs follow a pumpkin patch as it grows and changes, from seeds to plants to pumpkins ready to harvest, to jack-o-lanterns and then to seeds again.

Title: Rah, Rah, Radishes!: A Vegetable Chant

Author: Sayre, April Pulley

Description: Photographs of vegetables and rhyming text celebrate vegetables in all their colorful and tasty variety.

Title: Sam and Dave Dig a Hole

Author: Barnett, Mac; Klassen, Jon (Illustrator)

Description: Sam and Dave are on a mission. A mission to find something spectacular. So they dig a hole. And they keep digging. And they find ... nothing. Yet the day turns out to be pretty spectacular after all. Attentive readers will be rewarded with a rare treasure in this witty story of looking for the extraordinary -- and finding it in a manner you'd never expect.

Title: Scat, Cat!

Author: Capucilli, Alyssa Satin; Meisel, Paul (Illustrator)

Description: A lost and lonely cat finally finds its way back home.

Title: A Sick Day for Amos McGee

Author: Stead, Philip C.; Stead, Erin E. (Illustrator)

Description: "Amos McGee, a friendly zookeeper, always made time to visit his good friends: the elephant, the tortoise, the penguin, the rhinoceros, and the owl. But one day--'Ah-choo!'--he woke with the sniffles and the sneezes. Though he didn't make it into the zoo that day, he did receive some unexpected guests."--Dust jacket.

Title: Snail's Good Night

Author: Paul, Ann Whitford; Litzinger, Rosanne (Illustrator)

Description: When Snail realizes that his friends are going to bed, he begins a very long, very slow slide to wish them all good night.

Title: Snug Bug

Author: Dubowski, Cathy East (Author, Illustrator); Dubowski, Mark (Author, Illustrator)

Description: The bedtime activities of a little bug in a big house.

Title: The Stray Dog

Author: Sikont, Marc (Author, Illustrator)

Description: A family befriends a stray dog, names him Willy, and decides to keep him.

Title: Swirl by Swirl: Spiral in Nature

Author: Sidman, Joyce; Krommes, Beth

Description: Celebrates the shape of a spiral in nature, from rushing rivers to flower buds and even the shape of an ear.

Title: Tikki Tikki Tembo

Author: Mosel, Arlene; Lent, Blair (Illustrator)

Description: When the eldest son fell in the well and most of the time getting help was spent pronouncing the name of the one in trouble, the Chinese, according to legend, decided to give all their children short names.

Title: Turtle and Snake's Day at the Beach

Author: Spohn, Kate

Description: Turtle and Snake go to the beach, where they and some other animals participate in a sandcastle-making contest.

Title: Vulture View

Author: Sayre, April Pulley; Jenkins, Steve (Illustrator)

Description: Follows a turkey vulture as it rides thermals in search of food. Includes factual information about turkey vultures.

Title: Wacky Wednesday

Author: Dr. Seuss

Description: Drawings and verse point out the many things that are wrong one wacky Wednesday.

Title: Whose Nest is This?

Author: Roemer, Heidi Bee; McLennan, Connie (Illustrator)

Description: Describes the many different types of nests found in nature, including those built by such creatures as hummingbirds, sea turtles, harvest mice, flamingos, alligators, and bees.

Title: Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears

Author: Aardema, Verna; Dillon, Leo (Illustrator)

Description: A retelling of a traditional West African tale that reveals how the mosquito developed its annoying habit.

Title: Wolves

Author: Gravett, Emily (Author, Illustrator)

Description: When a young rabbit checks out a library book about wolves, he learns much more about their behavior than he wanted to know.

Title: Yoko

Author: Wells, Rosemary

Description: When Yoko brings sushi to school for lunch, her classmates make fun of what she eats--until one of them tries it for himself.