



A Banquet of Books

*A reading list to cultivate virtue,
feed the imagination,
and fatten the soul.*

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Introduction

*"A room without books is like a body without a soul."
-Cicero*

*"It is what you read when you don't have to that
determines what you will be when you can't help it."
- Oscar Wilde*

Few things in life are more wonderful than sunny summer afternoons spent with a curious child and a stack of good books. We offer this list in the hope that it will encourage you to pursue many such magical afternoons.

All of the books in this list were chosen because they encourage their readers to seek the truth, grow in goodness, and love what is beautiful. Except for the Kindergarten selections, these books were placed at a level where students could read them on their own and enjoy them without outside assistance.¹

Every list reflects the experience and preferences of the list's authors. This list is no exception: its nonfiction selections are strong on science, American history, and Reformation era biographies. The authors offer no apologies for these biases. If someone else had written this list, the biases would simply be different, but they would still be biases.

None of the books in this list contain unnecessarily offensive material. However, parents differ in the kind of material they find acceptable for their children, and so they should preview any title they give to their children. The books on this list are no exception, though the authors would be perfectly content giving any of these books to their own kids at the ages stipulated in the list.

One of the greatest gifts parents can give their children is a life filled with books. But simply handing your child a stack of good books is no guarantee that they will become lifetime readers. We strongly encourage parents to read with their kids. Read aloud to them, have them read aloud to you, and talk about what you have read together. Let your kids see you reading as well, so they know that it is something worth doing.

And read your kids' books as well. After all, this list was constructed with the sage words of C.S. Lewis in mind: "No book is really worth reading at the age of ten which is not equally – and often far more – worth reading at the age of fifty and beyond."

So, take up and read. May this list lead to a lifetime of good books for both the parents and children at Petra Academy

¹ This list was compiled from the authors' own reading as well as from other book lists made by authors we trust.

Kindergarten

“+” = any book in the series is worthwhile

Read-Aloud and Early Readers

- Bennett, *The Children's Book of Virtues*
- Brown, *Little Fur Family*
- Clements, *Big Al*
- Crews, *Freight Train*
- Crews, *Ten Black Dots*
- Eastman, *Are You My Mother?*
- Eastman, *The Big Nest*
- Eastman, *Go, Dog, Go!*
- Galdone, *The Gingerbread Boy*
- Galdone, *The Little Red Hen*
- Galdone, *The Three Bears*
- Galdone, *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*
- Galdone, *Three Little Kittens*
- Galdone, *The Three Little Pigs*
- George, *Inside Mouse, Outside Mouse*
- Heller, *Chickens Aren't the Only Ones*
- Hoban, *Bread and Jam for Frances* +
- Hoff, *Danny and the Dinosaur* +
- Hollander, *American Poetry (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Hollander, *Animal Poems (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Hughes, *The Big Alfie and Annie Rose Storybook*
- Hughes, *Dogger*
- Jaques, *There Once Was a Puffin*
- Jonas, *Round Trip*
- Lionni, *Biggest House in the World (and others by author)*
- Lionni, *Inch by Inch*
- Martin, *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*
- Munsch, *Wait and See*
- Piper, *The Little Engine That Could*
- Potter, *The Tale of Peter Rabbit* +
- Perlutsky, *Read-Aloud Poems for the Very Young*
- Rey, H. A. *Curious George* +
- Rylant, *The Relatives Came*
- Serio, *The Seasons (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Seuss, Dr., *The Cat in the Hat* +
- Seuss, Dr., *Hop on Pop*
- Seuss, Dr., *Green Eggs and Ham*
- Seuss, Dr., *Yertle the Turtle and Other Stories*
- Sharmat, *Gregory, the Terrible Eater*
- Slobodkina, *Caps for Sale*
- Stinson, *Red Is Best*
- Zion, *Harry the Dirty Dog* +

Lower Grammar (Grades 1-3) Reading List

“+” indicates that any book in the series is worthwhile

Level 1 = easy

Level 2 = average

Level 3 = challenging

Level 1

- Aliko, *The Story of William Penn*
- Bate, *Little Rabbit's Loose Tooth* +
- Bean, *Big Snow*
- Bean, *Building Our House*
- Bemelmans, *Madeline*
- Bemelmans, *Madeline's Rescue* +
- Benchley, *George: The Drummer Boy*
- Benchley, *Sam: The Minute Man*
- Bolin, *Carl Sandburg (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Brett, *The Hat*
- Brown, *Stone Soup*
- Brown/Weisgard, *The Little Island*
- Bulla, *Squanto: Friend of the Pilgrims*
- Burton, *Katy & the Big Snow*
- Burton, *The Little House*
- Burton, *Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel*
- Carle, *Pancakes, Pancakes!*
- de Regniers, *May I Bring a Friend?*
- Donoghue, *The Mystery of the Hieroglyphs*
- Emberley, *Drummer Hoff*
- Flack/Weise, *The Story About Ping*
- Freeman, *Corduroy* +
- Frost/Jeffers, *Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening*
- Gramatky, *Little Toot*
- Hader, *The Big Snow*
- Hall, *Oxcart Man*
- Hayward, *The First Thanksgiving*
- Henkes, *Penny and Her Marble*
- Hoban, *Bedtime for Frances*
- Hoban, *Bread and Jam for Francis* +
- Lobel, *Frog and Toad Are Friends*
- Lobel, *Frog and Toad Together* +
- Lobel, *Mouse Soup*
- Lobel, *Owl at Home*
- McCloskey, *Blueberries for Sal*
- McCloskey, *Make Way for Ducklings*
- McGrory, *Mouton's Impossible Dream*
- Meschenmoser, *Mr. Squirrel and the Moon*
- Minarik, *Little Bear*
- Minarik, *Little Bear's Visit* +
- Paul, *Water Is Water: A Book About the Water Cycle*
- Penner, *The True Story of Pocahontas*
- Rey, *Curious George* +
- Roop, *Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie*
- Rylant, *Henry and Mudge* +
- Rylant, *When I Was Young in the Mountains*
- Sandin, *Pioneer Bear*
- Schmidt, *Robert Frost (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Schoonmaker, *Robert Louis Stevenson (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Sendak, *Where the Wild Things Are*
- Suess, *Bartholomew and the Oobleck*
- Seuss, *I Can Lick 30 Tigers Today*
- Seuss, *If I Ran the Zoo*
- Seuss, *One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*
- Seuss, *There's a Wocket in My Pocket*
- Stead, *A Sick Day for Amos McGee*
- Steig, *Amos and Boris*
- Steig, *Dr. DeSoto*

- Hoff, *Sammy the Seal*
- Hunt, *The Tale of Three Trees*
- Joyce, *The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore*
- Keats, *The Snowy Day*
- Kellogg, *Paul Bunyan*
- Krensky, *Ben Franklin and His First Kite*
- Langstaff, *Frog Went A-Courtin'*
- Lasky, *The Librarian Who Measured the Earth*
- Leaf, *Ferdinand*
- Lionni, *Frederick* +
- Lionni, *Swimmy*
- Littledale, *The Magic Fish*
- Steig, *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*
- Steig, *Yellow & Pink*
- Turnbull, *Egyptians (Usborne Beginners)*
- Van Dusen, *The Circus Ship*
- Walker, *The 18 Penny Goose*
- Wildsmith, *Exodus*
- Wildsmith, *Joseph*
- Williams, *A Chair for My Mother*
- Zion, *Harry the Dirty Dog* +
- Zolotow, *Big Sister and Little Sister*
- Zolotow, *Hold My Hand*
- Zolotow, *Mr. Rabbit and the Lovely Present*
- Zolotow, *The Storm Book*

Level 2

- Aliko, *Corn Is Maize*
- Allard, *Miss Nelson Is Missing!* +
- Ammon, *An Amish Year*
- Ammon, *Amish Horses*
- Andersen, *The Emperor's New Clothes*
- Andersen/Brown, *The Steadfast Tin Soldier*
- Anderson, *Billy and Blaze* +
- Ardagh, *Ancient Egypt (History Detectives)*
- Atwater, *Mr. Popper's Penguins*
- Aylesworth, *My Grandfather's Coat*
- Bailey, *Adventures in Ancient Egypt*
- Barklem, *The Big Book of Brambly Hedge*
- Bolin, *Emily Dickinson (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Bond, *A Bear Called Paddington*
- Brenner, *The Boy Who Loved to Draw*
- Brown, *Dick Whittington and His Cat*
- Brumbeau, *The Quiltmaker's Gift*
- Bulla, *Daniel's Duck*
- Burgess, *The Adventures of Mr. Toad*
- Hunt, *A Gift for Grandpa*
- Krensky, *Egypt*
- Kunhardt, *Pompeii...Buried Alive!*
- Lasky, *Jem's Island*
- Lewis, *Floss* +
- Little, *The Trojan Horse*
- Lloyd-Jones, *The Jesus Storybook*
- MacLachlan, *All the Places to Love*
- Mattick, *Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear*
- McCloskey, *Lentil*
- McCloskey, *One Morning in Maine*
- McCloskey, *Time of Wonder*
- McLerran, *Roxaboxen*
- Mendelson, *Edward Lear (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Mendelson, *Lewis Carroll (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Milne, *The House at Pooh Corner*
- Milne, *Winnie-the-Pooh*
- Milne, *The World of Christopher Robin*
- Mitchell, *Down Buttermilk Lane*
- Mitchell, *Tomahawks and Trombones*

- Chaucer/Cooney, *Chanticleer and the Fox*
- Cleary, *Henry Huggins* +
- Cleary, *Ribsy*
- Collier, *The King's Giraffe*
- Cooney, *Miss Rumphius*
- Dahl, *James & the Giant Peach*
- Dalglish, *The Bears on Hemlock Mountain*
- Dalglish, *The Courage of Sarah Noble*
- Dalglish, *The Thanksgiving Story*
- Daugherty, *Andy and the Lion*
- DiCamillo, *Great Joy*
- DiCamillo, *Mercy Watson to the Rescue* +
- Donnelly, *Moonwalk: The First Trip to the Moon*
- Donnelly, *Tut's Mummy*
- Ferguson, *Ignatius of Antioch: The Man Who Faced Lions*
- Ferguson, *Irenaeus of Lyons: The Man Who Wrote Books*
- Ferguson, *Polycarp of Smyrna: The Man Whose Faith Lasted*
- Floc, *Locomotive*
- Fritz, *Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?*
- Fritz, *George Washington's Breakfast*
- Fritz, *George Washington's Mother*
- Fritz, *Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln*
- Good, *Reuben and the Blizzard*
- Good, *Reuben and the Quilt*
- Harness, *Three Young Pilgrims*
- Heller, *The Reason for a Flower*
- Hodges, *St. George and the Dragon*
- Huber, *Flight of the Honey Bee*
- Monjo, *The One Bad Thing About Father*
- Parish, *Amelia Bedelia* +
- Peet, *Kermit the Hermit*
- Politi, *Song of the Swallows*
- Potter, *The Complete Adventure of Peter Rabbit*
- Willard/Provinsen, *A Visit to William Blake's Inn: Poems for Innocent and Experienced Travelers*
- Rey, *Cecily G. and the Nine Monkeys*
- Rylant, *Thimbleberry Stories*
- Schoomaker, *Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- Sharmat, *Nate the Great* +
- Sobol, *Encyclopedia Brown* +
- Steig, *Brave Irene*
- Waters, *Time Train to Ancient Rome (Usborne)*
- Chisholm, *Who Built the Pyramids? (Usborne)*
- Ward, *The Biggest Bear*
- Warner, *The Boxcar Children (#1-17)*
- Waters, *Samuel Eaton's Day (American Pilgrims)*
- Waters, *Sarah Morton's Day (American Pilgrims)*
- Whitman/Long, *When I Heard the Learn'd Astronomer*
- Wilder, *Little House in the Big Woods*
- Wilder, *Little House on the Prairie* +
- Williams, *The Velveteen Rabbit*
- Yolen, *Owl Moon*
- Ziefert, *A New Coat for Anna*

Level 3

- Aesop, *The Aesop for Children*
- Andersen, *Andersen's Fairy Tales*
- Juster, *The Phantom Tollbooth*
- Kipling, *Just So Stories*

- ❑ Andersen, *The Ugly Duckling*
- ❑ Bagert, *Edgar Allan Poe (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- ❑ Brisley, *The Milly-Molly-Mandy Storybook*
- ❑ Bryant, *The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus*
- ❑ Bunyan/Taylor, *Little Pilgrim's Progress*
- ❑ Cleary, *Ramona Quimby, Age 8*
- ❑ Cleary, *Ralph S. Mouse*
- ❑ Cleary, *Runaway Ralph*
- ❑ Collodi/Teahan, *The Pinocchio of C. Collodi*
- ❑ Colum, *The Children's Homer*
- ❑ Colum, *The Golden Fleece*
- ❑ Conly, *Rasco and the Rats of NIMH*
- ❑ Connolly, *The Ancient Greece of Odysseus*
- ❑ Connolly, *The Legionary (The Roman World)*
- ❑ Coray, *Against the World: The Odyssey of Athanasius*
- ❑ Craik, *The Little Lame Prince*
- ❑ Dahl, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*
- ❑ de Angeli, *Henner's Lydia*
- ❑ de Angeli, *Thee, Hannah!*
- ❑ DeJong, *Along Came a Dog*
- ❑ DeJong, *The Wheel on the School*
- ❑ DiCamillo, *Where Are You Going, Baby Lincoln? +*
- ❑ D'Aulaire, *D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths (selections)*
- ❑ Farley, *The Black Stallion*
- ❑ Fritz, *The Cabin Faced West*
- ❑ Grimm, *The Grimm's Fairy Tales*
- ❑ Henry, *Brighty of the Grand Canyon*
- ❑ Henry, *King of the Wind*
- ❑ Henry, *Misty of Chincoteague +*
- ❑ Johnston, *Joel: A Boy of Galilee*
- ❑ Knight, *The Farm*
- ❑ Lawson, *Ben and Me*
- ❑ Lawson, *Rabbit Hill*
- ❑ Lobel, *Fables*
- ❑ Logan, *The 5,000-Year-Old Puzzle*
- ❑ MacDonald, *Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle +*
- ❑ MacLachlan, *Caleb's Story*
- ❑ MacLachlan, *Sarah, Plain and Tall*
- ❑ Mann, *The Great Pyramid*
- ❑ McCloskey, *Homer Price*
- ❑ Milton, *Hieroglyphs*
- ❑ Nicholson, *Ancient Greece*
- ❑ O'Brien, *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*
- ❑ Pumphrey, *Stories of the Pilgrims*
- ❑ Pyle, *The Wonder Clock*
- ❑ Russell, *Classic Myths to Read Aloud*
- ❑ Sabuda, *Tutankhamen's Gift*
- ❑ Schoonmaker, *Edna St. Vincent Millay (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- ❑ Selden, *Chester Cricket's New Home*
- ❑ Selden, *A Cricket in Times Square*
- ❑ Sharp, *Miss Bianca +*
- ❑ Sharp, *The Rescuers*
- ❑ Gillooly/Sharpe, *Rudyard Kipling (Poetry for Young People Series)*
- ❑ Speare, *The Bronze Bow*
- ❑ Sproul, *A King Without a Shadow*
- ❑ Sproul, *The Priest with Dirty Clothes*
- ❑ Sproul, *The Prince's Poison Cup*
- ❑ Stanley, *Cleopatra*
- ❑ Steig, *Dominic*
- ❑ Stevenson, *A Child's Garden of Verses*
- ❑ White, *Charlotte's Web*
- ❑ White, *Stuart Little*
- ❑ White, *The Trumpet of the Swan*
- ❑ Wilder, *Farmer Boy*
- ❑ Winterfield, *Detectives in Togas*
- ❑ Wojciechowski, *The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey*

Upper Grammar (Grades 4-6) Reading List

“+” indicates that any book in the series is worthwhile

Level 1 = easy

Level 2 = average

Level 3 = challenging

Level 1

- Aliko, *William Shakespeare and the Globe*
- Bishop, *Twenty and Ten*
- Bliven, *The American Revolution*
- Bowen, *Stranded at Plimoth Plantation 1626*
- Bulla, *The Sword in the Tree*
- Bulla, *Viking Adventure*
- Bulla, *A Lion to Guard Us*
- Cousins, *Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia*
- de Zeeuw, *Augustine: The Farmer's Boy of Tagaste*
- DiCamillo, *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane*
- DiCamillo, *The Tale of Despereaux*
- du Bois, *The Twenty-One Balloons*
- d'Aulaire, *Abraham Lincoln*
- d'Aulaire, *Columbus*
- d'Aulaire, *George Washington*
- d'Aulaire, *Pocahontas*
- Edmonds, *The Matchlock Gun*
- Estes, *The Hundred Dresses*
- Farley, *The Black Stallion*
- Fisher, *Understood Betsy*
- Fleischman, *By the Great Horn Spoon!*
- Fritz, *And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?*
- Fritz, *Shh! We're Writing the Constitution*
- Fritz, *What's the Big Idea, Benjamin Franklin?*
- Fritz, *Where Was Patrick Henry on the 29th of May?*
- Fritz, *Why Don't You Get a Horse, Sam Adams?*
- Knight, *Jamestown: New World Adventure*
- Konigsburg, *From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler*
- Lawton, *Almost Home*
- Levine, *If Your Name Was Changed at Ellis Island*
- Lewis, *The Chronicles of Narnia +*
- Longfellow, *Paul Revere's Ride*
- MacGowan, *William Carlos Williams (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- McPherson, *Artist of the Reformation: Albrecht Durer*
- Monsell, *Thomas Jefferson: Third President of the United States*
- Norton, *The Borrowers +*
- O'Dell, *Island of the Blue Dolphins*
- Parks, *Davy Crockett: Young Rifleman*
- Pumphrey, *Stories of the Pilgrims*
- Pyle, *The Wonder Clock*
- Roessel, *Langston Hughes (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Schanzer, *How We Crossed the West*
- Singer, *Rutherford B., Who Was He?: Poems About Our Presidents*
- Sis, *Starry Messenger*
- Skurzynski, *Minstrel in the Tower*
- Smith, *The Green Ember +*
- Stanley, *Bard of Avon*
- Stanley, *Joan of Arc*
- Stanley, *Leonardo da Vinci*
- Stanley, *Michelangelo*
- Stanley/Vennema, *Charles Dickens: The Man Who Had Great Expectations*

- Fritz, *Why Not, Lafayette?*
- Fritz, *Will You Sign Here, John Hancock?*
- George, *My Side of the Mountain*
- Grahame, *The Reluctant Dragon*
- Grahame, *The Wind in the Willows*
- Guthridge, *Thomas Edison: Young Inventor*
- Harness, *The Amazing Impossible Erie Canal*
- Harness, *They're Off! The Story of the Pony Express*
- Harness, *Three Young Pilgrims*
- Harness, *Young John Quincy*
- Henry, *Justin Morgan Had a Horse*
- Howat, *Ten Boys Who Changed the World*
- Howat, *Ten Girls Who Changed the World*
- Jacques, *Redwall* +
- Knight, *Journey to Monticello*
- Knight, *Winter at Valley Forge*
- Steele, *The Buffalo Knife*
- Steele, *Flaming Arrows*
- Steig, *Abel's Island*
- Sterling Publishing, *Poetry for Young People* (series)
- Stevenson, *Daniel Boone: Young Hunter and Tracker*
- Stevenson, *Paul Revere: Boston Patriot*
- Stewart, *Pioneers Go West*
- Taylor, *All-of-a-Kind Family*
- Vernon, *The Beggar's Bible* (John Wycliff)
- Vernon, *Ink on His Fingers* (Johann Gutenberg)
- Vernon, *Thunderstorm in the Church* (Martin Luther)
- Wilson, *Maya Angelou (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Zemlicka, *Nathan Hale: Patriot Spy*

Level 2

- Alexander, *The Chronicles of Prydain* +
- Allison, *William Butler Yeats (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Ballantyne, *The Coral Island*
- Barrett, *Meet Thomas Jefferson*
- Beasley, *Circus Mirandus*
- Birdsall, *The Penderwicks* +
- Burnett, *Little Lord Fauntleroy*
- Burnett, *A Little Princess*
- Burnett, *The Secret Garden*
- Burnford, *The Incredible Journey*
- Cary, *Meet Abraham Lincoln*
- Cornelissen, *Soft Rain: A Story of the Cherokee Trail of Tears*
- Cousins, *The Story of Thomas Alva Edison*
- Lasky, *Marie Antoinette: Princess of Versailles*
- Lenski, *Indian Captive*
- Levin, *Walt Whitman (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Levitin, *Journey to America*
- Liu, *William Wordsworth (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Macaulay, *Castle*
- Macauley, *Cathedral*
- MacDonald, *The Golden Key*
- MacDonald, *The Light Princess*
- MacDonald, *The Lost Princess*
- MacDonald, *The Princess and Curdie*
- MacDonald, *The Princess and the Goblin*
- Martin, *Yankee Doodle Boy*

- Crockett, *Davy Crockett: His Own Story*
- Daugherty, *Daniel Boone*
- Daugherty, *The Landing of the Pilgrims*
- Daugherty, *The Magna Charta*
- de Angeli, *The Door in the Wall*
- DeJong, *The House of Sixty Fathers*
- de Kay, *Meet Christopher Columbus*
- DiCamillo, *Because of Winn-Dixie*
- Dodge, *Hans Brinker*
- Lang, *King Arthur*
- Enright, *Gone-Away Lake*
- Enright, *Return to Gone-Away Lake*
- Enright, *The Saturdays* (Melendy Quartet)
- Enright, *Then There Were Five* (Melendy Quartet)
- Enright, *Thimble Summer*
- Estes, *Ginger Pye*
- Estes, *The Moffats* +
- Estes, *Pinky Pye*
- Farley, *Duel in the Wilderness*
- Fisher, *Paul Revere and the Minute Men*
- Fleischman, *Bull Run*
- Floyer, *The Young Huguenots*
- Forbes, *Johnny Tremain*
- Frederick, *Absolutely Truly: A Pumpkin Falls Mystery*
- Freedman, *Cowboys of the Wild West*
- Freedman, *Immigrant Kids*
- Fritz, *Brady*
- Fritz, *Early Thunder*
- Fritz, *The Great Little Madison*
- Fritz, *Stonewall*
- Fritz, *Traitor: The Case of Benedict Arnold*
- Giff, *Lily's Crossing*
- Gillooly, *Robert Browning (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Gipson, *Old Yeller*
- Gray, *Adam of the Road*
- Green, *The Adventures of Robin Hood*
- Heilbroner, *Meet George Washington*
- Hesse, *Out of the Dust*
- Maynard, *William Blake (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- McAllister, *The Mistmantle Chronicles* +
- McGiffin, *Iron Scouts of the Confederacy*
- McPherson, *River of Grace: The Story of John Calvin*
- McPherson, *A Piece of the Mountain* (Blaise Pascal)
- McPherson, *Ocean of Truth: The Story of Sir Isaac Newton*
- McSwigan, *Snow Treasure*
- Nesbit, *Five Children and It*
- Nesbit, *The Railway Children*
- Nesbit, *The Story of the Treasure Seekers*
- North, *Abe Lincoln: Log Cabin to the White House*
- O'Dell, *The Hawk That Dare Not Hunt by Day*
- O'Dell, *Sarah Bishop*
- Peck, *A Long Way from Chicago*
- Peck, *A Year Down Under*
- Pollard, *The Life of Washington*
- Prins, *When the Morning Came*
- Prins, *Dispelling the Tyranny*
- Prins, *Hideout in the Swamp*
- Pyle, *Otto of the Silver Hand*
- Rawls, *Summer of the Monkeys*
- Rawls, *Where the Red Fern Grows*
- Reit, *Guns for General Washington*
- Reynolds, *The Wright Brothers*
- Ross, *Joan of Arc*
- Sereby, *The Good Master*
- Speare, *The Bronze Bow*
- Speare, *Calico Captive*
- Speare, *The Witch of Blackbird Pond*
- Speare, *The Sign of the Beaver*
- Sperry, *John Paul Jones, Fighting Sailor*
- Spyri, *Heidi*
- Stanley, *Good Queen Bess*
- Steele, *The Perilous Road*
- Sterling, *Freedom Train*
- Stewart, *Mysterious Benedict Society* +

- Holbrook, *The Swamp Fox of the Revolution*
- Holm, *North to Freedom*
- Jackson, *The Witchcraft of Salem Village*
- Jackson, *Trailblazer Books* (series)
- Janeway, *The Vikings*
- Jones, *Dutch Color*
- Jones, *Huguenot Garden*
- Jones, *Scottish Seas*
- Kantor, *Gettysburg*
- Kent, *The Story of the Surrender of Yorktown*
- Kjelgaard, *Big Red*
- Hahn, *Mary, Queen of Scots*
- Latham, *Carry On, Mr. Bowditch*
- Lasky, *Elizabeth I: Red Rose of the House of Tudor*
- Terhune, *Lad: A Dog*
- Tolkien, *The Hobbit*
- Twain, *Tom Sawyer Abroad*
- Twain, *Tom Sawyer Detective*
- Firth, *Knights and Armor* (Usborne)
- Sims/Chisholm, *The Usborne Book of Castles*
- Van der Jagt, *The Escape*
- Van der Jagt, *The Secret Mission*
- Van Leeuwen, *Bound for Oregon*
- Verne, *Journey to the Center of the Earth*
- Vernon, *A Heart Strangely Warmed* (Charles Wesley)
- Willard, *If All the Swords in England*
- Yates, *Amos Fortune, Free Man*

Level 3

- Adams, *Watership Down*
- Alcott, *An Old-Fashioned Girl*
- Alcott, *Eight Cousins*
- Alcott, *Little Men*
- Alcott, *Little Women*
- Altham/Pory/de Rasieres, *Three Visitors to Early Plymouth*
- Auxier, *The Night Gardener*
- Avi, *Crispin: The Cross of Lead*
- Avi, *Iron Thunder*
- Ayer, *Parallel Journeys*
- Blackwood, *The Shakespeare Stealer* (Book 1)
- Blackwood, *Shakespeare's Scribe* (Book 2)
- Blackwood, *Shakespeare's Spy* (Book 3)
- Blos, *A Gathering of Days*
- Bradley, *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* +
- Brink, *Caddie Woodlawn*
- Marrin, *The Yanks Are Coming*
- Maynard, *Alfred Lord Tennyson (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- McGraw, *Moccasin Trail*
- McMurdie, *Hey, Mac!*
- McMurdie, *Land of the Morning*
- Meigs, *Invincible Louisa: The Story of the Author of Little Women*
- Montgomery, *Anne of Green Gables* +
- Montgomery, *The Story Girl*
- Moody, *Little Britches: Father and I Were Ranchers* +
- Mowat, *Owls in the Family*
- Murphy, *The Boys' War*
- Naylor, *Shiloh*
- Negri, *Civil War Poetry: An Anthology*
- Oxford/Wildsmith, *Tales from the Arabian Nights*
- O'Dell, *Streams to the River, River to the Sea*

- Burns, *Hive Detectives: The Chronicle of a Honey Bee Catastrophe*
- Cheaney, *I Don't Know How the Story Ends*
- Cousins, *The Boy in the Alamo*
- de Saint-Exupery, *The Little Prince*
- Dickens, *The Christmas Carol*
- Frank, *Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl*
- French, *The Story of Rolf and the Viking Bow*
- Gombrich, *A Little History of the World*
- Goudge, *The Little White Horse*
- Haskell/Oates, *Gettysburg: Two Eyewitness Accounts*
- Hawkins, *The Year Money Grew on Trees*
- Hawthorne, *Tanglewood Tales*
- Hawthorne, *A Wonder Book*
- Helprin, *A City in Winter*
- Henty, *With Lee in Virginia*
- Hershey, *Hiroshima*
- Hunt, *Across Five Aprils*
- Irving, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*
- Irving, *Rip Van Winkle*
- Kamkwamba, *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*
- Kastan, *William Shakespeare (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Keith, *Rifles for Watie*
- Kelly, *The Trumpeter of Krakow*
- Kipling, *Just So Stories*
- Lamb, *Ten Tales from Shakespeare*
- Lawhead, *In the Hall of the Dragon King*
- Lawhead, *The Sword and the Flame*
- Lawhead, *The Warlords of Nin*
- Lawson, *Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo*
- Linnea, *Raoul Wallenberg: The Man Who Stopped Death*
- Lowry, *Number the Stars*
- L'Engle, *A Wrinkle in Time* +
- MacDonald, *At the Back of the North Wind*
- Rawlings, *The Yearling*
- Richter, *The Light in the Forest*
- Rowling, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* +
- Serio, *Wallace Stevens (Poetry for Young Readers)*
- Serrailier, *Beowulf the Warrior*
- Sewell, *Black Beauty*
- Shaara, *The Killer Angels*
- Sidney, *Five Little Peppers and How They Grow*
- Sperry, *Call It Courage*
- Stevenson, *Kidnapped*
- Stevenson, *Treasure Island*
- Taylor, *Air Raid--Pearl Harbor!*
- Taylor, *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*
- Ten Boom, *The Hiding Place*
- Thomson, *Morning Star of the Reformation*
- Tolkien, *Farmer Giles of Ham*
- Tolkien, *The Fellowship of the Ring*
- Tolkien, *The Two Towers*
- Tolkien, *The Return of the King*
- Twain, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*
- Twain, *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*
- Twain, *The Prince and the Pauper*
- Wingate, *The Viking World (Usborne)*
- Verne, *Around the World in Eighty Days*
- Verne, *From the Earth to the Moon*
- Watkins, *Co. Aytch*
- Wilson, *100 Cupboards* +
- Wilson, *Leepike Ridge*
- Wilson, *Sam Miracle and the Outlaws of Time* +
- Wyss, *The Swiss Family Robinson*
- York/Skeyhill, *Sergeant York and the Great War*

Logic Level (Grades 7-9) Reading List

“+” indicates that any book in the series is worthwhile

Level 1 = easy

Level 2 = average

Level 3 = challenging

Level 1

- Alcott, *Eight Cousins*
- Alcott, *Jo's Boys*
- Alcott, *Little Men*
- Alcott, *Little Women*
- Alder, *The King's Shadow*
- Aldrich, *The Story of a Bad Boy*
- Alexander, *The Iron Ring*
- Beagle, *The Last Unicorn*
- Byars, *The Summer of the Swans*
- Cather, *O Pioneers!*
- Cheaney, *I Don't Know How the Story Ends*
- de Saint-Exupery, *The Little Prince*
- Doyle, *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*
- Doyle, *Hound of the Baskervilles*
- French, *The Story of Rolf and the Viking Bow*
- Green, *Tales from Ancient Egypt*
- Henty, *The Dragon and the Raven*
- Henty, *Winning His Spurs: A Tale of the Crusades*
- Kamkwamba, *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*
- Kipling, *Captains Courageous*
- Kipling, *The Jungle Book*
- Levitin, *Escape from Egypt*
- Lewis, *The Chronicles of Narnia* +
- MacDonald, *At the Back of the North Wind*
- McGraw, *The Golden Goblet*
- McGraw, *Mara: Daughter of the Nile*
- Moody, *Little Britches: Father and I Were Ranchers* +
- Peterson, *The Monster in the Hollows* (Book 3)
- Peterson, *The Warden of the Wolf King* (Book 4)
- Pyle, *The Book of Pirates*
- Pyle, *Men of Iron*
- Pyle, *Otto of the Silver Hand*
- Pyle, *The Wonder Clock*
- Ransome, *Swallows and Amazons*
- Rowling, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* +
- Sachar, *Holes*
- Schmidt, *Okay for Now*
- Schmidt, *The Wednesday Wars*
- Snedeker, *Theras and His Town*
- Speare, *The Bronze Bow*
- St. John, *Twice Feed*
- Stevenson, *Treasure Island*
- Sutcliff, *The Eagle of the Ninth*
- Tolkien, *Farmer Giles of Ham*
- Tolkien, *The Lord of the Rings*
- Travis, *Tirzah*
- Twain, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*
- Twain, *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*
- Twain, *The Prince and the Pauper*
- Vawter, *Paperboy*
- Wangerin, *The Book of the Dun Cow*
- Wangerin, *The Book of Sorrows*
- Wells, *The Time Machine*
- Wells, *The War of the Worlds*
- Williamson, *God King*
- Wilson, *Boys of Blur*

- O'Dell, *The Black Pearl*
- Paterson, *Bridge to Terabithia*
- Payne, *The Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt*
- Paulsen, *Hatchet*
- Peterson, *On the Edge of the Dark Sea of Darkness* (Book 1)
- Peterson, *North! Or Be Eaten* (Book 2)
- Wilson, *The Dragon's Tooth* (Ashtown Burials, Book 1)
- Wilson, *The Drowned Vault* (Ashtown Burials, Book 2)
- Wilson, *Empire of Bones* (Ashtown Burials, Book 3)
- Wyss, *Swiss Family Robinson*

Level 2

- Boland/Strand, *The Making of a Poem: A Norton Anthology of Poetic Forms*
- Buck, *The Good Earth*
- Chesterton, *The Complete Father Brown Stories*
- Collins, *Sailing Alone Around the Room*
- Conarroe, *Six American Poets*
- Defoe, *Robinson Crusoe*
- Dumas, *The Three Musketeers*
- French, *The Lost Baron*
- French, *The Red Keep*
- Goldman, *The Princess Bride*
- Henty, *Beric the Briton: A Story of the Roman Invasion*
- Henty, *The Cat of the Bubastes*
- Henty, *For the Temple*
- Henty, *In Freedom's Cause*
- Henty, *St. George for England*
- Henty, *The Young Carthaginian*
- Irving, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*
- Irving, *Rip Van Winkle*
- Kipling, *Kim*
- Lawhead, *The Dragon King Trilogy*
- Lawhead, *The Pendragon Cycle*
- Leopold, *A Sand County Almanac*
- Litfin, *The Sword* (Chiveis Trilogy, Book 1)
- Litfin, *The Gift* (Chiveis Trilogy, Book 2)
- Litfin, *The Kingdom* (Chiveis Trilogy, Book 3)
- Maclean, *A River Runs Through It*
- Pope, *The Perilous Guard*
- Potok, *The Chosen*
- Ray, *The Ides of April*
- Ray, *Beyond the Desert Gate*
- Rushdie, *Haroun and the Sea of Stories*
- Sabatini, *Captain Blood*
- Sabatini, *Scaramouche*
- Shaara, *The Killer Angels*
- Smith, *I Capture the Castle*
- Steinbeck, *The Pearl*
- Stevenson, *The Black Arrow*
- Stevenson, *Kidnapped*
- Sutcliff, *Black Ships Before Troy: The Story of The Iliad*
- Sutcliff, *Blood Feud*
- Sutcliff, *The Lantern Bearers*
- Sutcliff, *Outcast*
- Sutcliff, *The Shining Company*
- Sutcliff, *The Silver Branch*
- Sutcliff, *Sword Song*
- Sutcliff, *The Wanderings of Odysseus*
- Tolkien, *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*
- Trott, *A Sacrifice of Praise: An Anthology of Christian Poetry in English*
- Twain, *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*
- Twain, *Life on the Mississippi*
- Van Halsema, *This Was John Calvin*
- Verne, *The Mysterious Island*

- ❑ Marrin, *Hitler*
- ❑ Marrin, *Stalin: Russia's Man of Steel*
- ❑ Meroff, *Coronation of Glory: The Story of Lady Jane Grey*
- ❑ Orwell, *Animal Farm*
- ❑ O'Dell, *The King's Fifth*
- ❑ George, *The Epic of Gilgamesh*
- ❑ Verne, *Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea*
- ❑ Wallace, *Ben-Hur*
- ❑ White, *The Once and Future King*
- ❑ Willard, *Augustine Came to Kent*
- ❑ Willard, *Son of Charlemagne*
- ❑ Zusak, *The Book Thief*

Level 3

- ❑ Bainton, *Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther*
- ❑ Beza, *The Life of John Calvin*
- ❑ Bulwer-Lytton, *The Last Days of Pompeii*
- ❑ Chaucer, *The Canterbury Tales* (selections)
- ❑ Dickens, *David Copperfield*
- ❑ Dickens, *Oliver Twist*
- ❑ Downing, *Looking for the King: An Inkling's Novel*
- ❑ Eliot, *Murder in the Cathedral*
- ❑ Ferguson/Salter/Stallworthy, *The Norton Anthology of Poetry*
- ❑ Forester, *Horatio Hornblower* +
- ❑ Hillenbrand, *Unbroken*
- ❑ Hirsch, *Poet's Choice*
- ❑ Homer, *The Iliad* (Fagles translation)
- ❑ Homer, *The Odyssey* (Fagles translation)
- ❑ Hurnard, *Hinds Feet on High Places*
- ❑ Kreeft, *The Best Things in Life*
- ❑ Kreeft, *The Unaborted Socrates*
- ❑ MacDonald, *Sir Gibbie*
- ❑ Milosz, *A Book of Luminous Things: An International Anthology of Poetry*
- ❑ Peters, *The Chronicles of Brother Cadfael* +
- ❑ Plato, *The Last Days of Socrates*
- ❑ Porter, *Scottish Chiefs*
- ❑ Quiller-Couch, *The Oxford Book of English Verse*
- ❑ Ramazani/Ellmann, *The Norton Anthology of Modern and Contemporary Poetry* (2 vols.)
- ❑ Rebsamen, *Beowulf*
- ❑ Sayers, *The Nine Tailors*
- ❑ Scott, *Ivanhoe*
- ❑ Scott, *Quentin Durward*
- ❑ Scott, *The Talisman*
- ❑ Shakespeare, *Julius Caesar*
- ❑ Shakespeare, *Macbeth*
- ❑ Sienkiewicz, *Quo Vadis*
- ❑ Steinbeck, *The Red Pony*
- ❑ Tippens/Walker/Weathers, *Shadow and Light: Literature and the Life of Faith*
- ❑ Twain, *Joan of Arc*
- ❑ Wells, *The Invisible Man*

Rhetoric Level (Grades 10-12) Reading List

“+” indicates that any book in the series is worthwhile

Level 1 = easy

Level 2 = average

Level 3 = challenging

Level 1

- Austen, *Emma*
- Austen, *Persuasion*
- Austen, *Pride and Prejudice*
- Austen, *Sense and Sensibility*
- Bronte, *Jane Eyre*
- Buchan, *Greenmantle*
- Buchan, *The Thirty-Nine Steps*
- Bunyan, *The Pilgrim's Progress*
- Carroll, *Alice in Wonderland*
- Coleridge, *The Rime of the Ancient Mariner*
- Costain, *The Silver Chalice*
- Dickens, *Great Expectations*
- Dickens, *Oliver Twist*
- Dickens, *A Tale of Two Cities*
- Dickinson, *The Complete Poems of Emily Dickinson*
- Dillard, *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek*
- du Maurier, *Rebecca*
- Eliot, *Silas Marner*
- Elliot, *Through the Gates of Splendor*
- Enger, *Peace Like a River*
- Forester, *Horatio Hornblower* +
- Foxe/Berry, *Foxe's Book of Martyrs*
- Frost, *The Poetry of Robert Frost: The Collected Poems Complete and Unabridged*
- Heaney, *Beowulf*
- Herriott, *All Creatures Great and Small* +
- Huxley, *Brave New World*
- King, *Brunelleschi's Dome*
- King, *Michelangelo and the Pope's Ceiling*
- Lewis, *Out of the Silent Planet* (Space Trilogy, Book 1)
- London, *White Fang*
- Martel, *Life of Pi*
- Orczy, *The Scarlet Pimpernel*
- Potok, *My Name is Asher Lev*
- Prentiss, *Stepping Heavenward*
- Powers, *The Anubis Gates*
- Sayers, *The Lord Peter Wimsey Mysteries*
+
- Shaara, *The Glorious Cause*
- Shaara, *Gods and Generals*
- Shaara, *The Killer Angels*
- Shaara, *The Last Full Measure*
- Shaara, *No Less Than Victory*
- Shaara, *Rise to Rebellion*
- Shaara, *To the Last Man*
- Shakespeare, *As You Like It*
- Shakespeare, *Hamlet*
- Shakespeare, *The Merchant of Venice*
- Shakespeare, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*
- Shakespeare, *Romeo and Juliet*
- Shelley, *Frankenstein*
- Sibley, *Through the Shadowlands*
- Steinbeck, *The Pearl*
- Steinbeck, *Travels with Charley*
- Stevenson, *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*
- Tey, *The Daughter of Time*
- Tolstoy, *Hadji Murat*
- Waugh, *The Ordeal of Gilbert Pinfold*
- Whitman, *The Complete Poems*
- Wilkins, *Call of Duty*
- Wilde, *Lady Windermere's Fan*
- Wilson, *Death by Living*

- ❑ Lewis, *Perelandra* (Space Trilogy, Book 2)
- ❑ Lewis, *That Hideous Strength* (Space Trilogy, Book 3)
- ❑ London, *The Call of the Wild*
- ❑ London, *The Sea-Wolf*
- ❑ Wodehouse, *Company for Henry*
- ❑ Wodehouse, *Leave It to Psmith*
- ❑ Wodehouse, *Very Good, Jeeves!*

Level 2

- ❑ Augustine, *Confessions*
- ❑ Bainton, *Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther*
- ❑ Bakeless, *The Journals of Lewis and Clark*
- ❑ Berry, *Hannah Coulter*
- ❑ Berry, *Jayber Crow*
- ❑ Bly/Hillman/Meade, *The Rag and Bone Shop of the Heart: A Poetry Anthology*
- ❑ Bradbury, *Fahrenheit 451*
- ❑ Bradbury, *The Martian Chronicles*
- ❑ Bronte, *Wuthering Heights*
- ❑ Capon, *The Supper of the Lamb*
- ❑ Cather, *My Antonia*
- ❑ Cervantes, *Don Quixote de la Mancha*
- ❑ Chesterton, *The Flying Inn*
- ❑ Chesterton, *The Man Who Was Thursday*
- ❑ Chesterton, *Napoleon of Notting Hill*
- ❑ Conrad, *Heart of Darkness*
- ❑ Cooper, *The Last of the Mohicans*
- ❑ Crane, *The Red Badge of Courage*
- ❑ Dante, *The Divine Comedy* (Musa translation)
- ❑ Dekker, *Black* (Book 1)
- ❑ Dekker, *Red* (Book 2)
- ❑ Dekker, *White* (Book 3)
- ❑ Doig, *This House of Sky*
- ❑ Donne, *The Complete English Poems*
- ❑ Dostoyevsky, *Notes from Underground*
- ❑ Douglas, *The Robe*
- ❑ Dungy/O'Donnell/Thompson, *From the Fishhouse: An Anthology of Poems*
- ❑ Eliot, *The Mill on the Floss*
- ❑ James, *Washington Square*
- ❑ Johnson, *The History of Rasselas*
- ❑ Kaminsky/Harris, *The Ecco Anthology of International Poetry*
- ❑ Lawhead, *The Paradise War* (The Song of Albion, Book 1)
- ❑ Lawhead, *The Silver Hand* (The Song of Albion, Book 2)
- ❑ Lawhead, *The Endless Knot* (The Song of Albion, Book 3)
- ❑ Lee, *To Kill a Mockingbird*
- ❑ Lewis, *Christian Reflections*
- ❑ Lewis, *The Great Divorce*
- ❑ Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*
- ❑ Lewis, *The Weight of Glory*
- ❑ Machiavelli, *The Prince*
- ❑ Mauriac, *A Kiss for the Leper*
- ❑ Miller, *Death of a Salesman*
- ❑ Mitchell, *Gone with the Wind*
- ❑ O'Brian, *Master and Commander +*
- ❑ O'Connor, *A Prayer Journal*
- ❑ O'Connor, *A Good Man Is Hard to Find*
- ❑ Orwell, *1984*
- ❑ Ovid, *The Metamorphoses*
- ❑ Parkman, *The Oregon Trail*
- ❑ Pullen, *The Twentieth Maine*
- ❑ Robinson, *Gilead*
- ❑ Quiller-Couch, *The Oxford Book of English Verse*
- ❑ Roberts, *Northwest Passage*
- ❑ Roberts, *Rabble in Arms*
- ❑ Sayers, *The Man Born to Be King*

- Fadiman, *World Poetry: An Anthology of Verse from Antiquity to Our Time*
- Fitzgerald, *The Great Gatsby*
- Forester, *A Room with a View*
- Franklin, *The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin*
- Gaarder, *Sophie's World*
- Gaskell, *Wives and Daughters*
- Gerstner, *Jonathan and Sarah: An Uncommon Union*
- Gerstner, *Idelette: A Novel Based on the Life of Madame John Calvin*
- Golding, *The Lord of the Flies*
- Hawthorne, *The Scarlet Letter*
- Heath, *Mourt's Relation: A Journal of the Pilgrims at Plymouth*
- Hopkins, *Gerard Manley Hopkins: The Major Works*
- Hughes, *The Collected Poems of Langston Hughes*
- Hugo, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*
- James, *Cover Her Face*
- Sayers, *The Nine Tailors*
- Sayers, *The Song of Roland*
- Shakespeare, *King Lear*
- Shakespeare, *Much Ado About Nothing*
- Shakespeare, *Sonnets*
- Sinclair, *The Jungle*
- Sophocles, *Three Theban Plays* (Fagles translation)
- Steinbeck, *The Grapes of Wrath*
- Stockett, *The Help*
- Stowe, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*
- Swift, *Gulliver's Travels*
- Tennyson, *Idylls of the King*
- Tolstoy, *The Death of Ivan Ilyich*
- Washington, *Up from Slavery*
- Wharton, *Ethan Frome*
- Wilde, *The Importance of Being Earnest*
- Williams, *The Glass Menagerie*
- Wilson, *Beyond Stateliest Marble: The Passionate Femininity of Anne Bradstreet*
- Wilson, *For Kirk and Covenant*

Level 3

- Augustine, *The City of God*
- Augustine, *On the Trinity*
- Beckett, *Waiting for Godot*
- Blackmore, *Lorna Doone*
- Bradford, *Of Plymouth Plantation*
- Bronte, *Villette*
- Brown, *Augustine of Hippo: A Biography*
- Cather, *Death Comes for the Archbishop*
- Chambers, *Witness*
- Chaucer, *The Canterbury Tales*
- Chesterton, *The Everlasting Man*
- Chesterton, *Orthodoxy*
- Chesterton, *What's Wrong with the World*
- Conrad, *Lord Jim*
- Lewis, *God in the Dock*
- Lewis, *Mere Christianity*
- Lewis, *Miracles*
- Lewis, *The Pilgrim's Regress*
- Lewis, *The Problem of Pain*
- Lewis, *Surprised by Joy*
- Lewis, *Till We Have Faces*
- Luther, *The Bondage of the Will*
- Marlowe, *Dr. Faustus*
- Miller, *A Canticle for Leibowitz*
- Melville, *Moby Dick*
- Milton, *Paradise Lost*
- Montaigne, *Essays*
- Murray, *Jonathan Edwards: A New Biography*

- Dickens, *David Copperfield*
- Dickens, *Hard Times*
- Dickens, *The Pickwick Papers*
- Dostoyevsky, *The Brothers Karamazov*
- Dostoyevsky, *Crime and Punishment*
- Dostoyevsky, *The Grand Inquisitor*
- Dumas, *The Count of Monte Cristo*
- Eliot, *The Complete Poems and Plays of T.S. Eliot*
- Eliot, *Adam Bede*
- Eliot, *Middlemarch*
- Goethe, *Faust*
- Hawthorne, *The House of Seven Gables*
- Helprin, *The Pacific*
- Hemingway, *A Farewell to Arms*
- Herbert, *George Herbert: The Complete English Poems*
- Horace, *Horace: The Odes*
- Hugo, *Les Miserables*
- James, *The American*
- James, *The Portrait of a Lady*
- Joyce, *The Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*
- Lewis, *The Abolition of Man*
- Lewis, *The Discarded Image*
- Lewis, *An Experiment in Criticism*
- Lewis, *The Four Loves*
- O'Connor, *The Complete Stories*
- Pasternak, *Doctor Zhivago*
- Paton, *Cry, the Beloved Country*
- Plato, *Phaedrus*
- Plato, *The Republic*
- Plato, *The Symposium*
- Postman, *Amusing Ourselves to Death*
- Remarque, *All Quiet on the Western Front*
- Ryken, *Worldly Saints*
- Ryken, *Windows to the World*
- Salinger, *The Catcher in the Rye*
- Shakespeare, *Richard III*
- Shakespeare, *Henry V*
- Solzhenitsyn, *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich*
- Solzhenitsyn, *Gulag Archipelago*
- Thoreau, *Walden*
- Tolkien, *The Silmarillion*
- Tolstoy, *Anna Karenina*
- Tolstoy, *War and Peace*
- Vanauken, *A Severe Mercy*
- Virgil, *Eclogues*
- Virgil, *The Aeneid*
- Waugh, *Brideshead Revisited*
- Wilde, *The Picture of Dorian Gray*

Logic/Rhetoric Level (Grades 7-12) Poetry List

- ❑ Auden, *The Complete Works of W.H. Auden*
- ❑ Berry, *The Selected Poems of Wendell Berry*
- ❑ Bishop, *Elizabeth Bishop: The Complete Poems*
- ❑ Blake, *William Blake: The Complete Poems*
- ❑ Boland, *Outside History: Selected Poems 1980-1990*
- ❑ Brooks, *Selected Poems of Gwendolyn Brooks*
- ❑ Burnside, *Gift Songs*
- ❑ Cairns, *Philokalia: New and Selected Poems*
- ❑ Collier, *The Ledge*
- ❑ Edson, *The Tunnel: Selected Poems*
- ❑ Eliot, *The Complete Poems and Plays of T.S. Eliot*
- ❑ Fairchild, *The Art of the Lathe*
- ❑ Gioia, *The Gods of Winter*
- ❑ Gluck, *The Wild Iris*
- ❑ Hardy, *Thomas Hardy: The Complete Poems*
- ❑ Harper, *Dear John, Dear Coltrane*
- ❑ Hass, *Praise*
- ❑ Heaney, *Opened Ground: Selected Poems 1966-1996*
- ❑ Keats, *The Complete Poems of John Keats*
- ❑ Kinnell, *The Book of Nightmares*
- ❑ Levertov, *Life in the Forest*
- ❑ Li, *The City in Which I Love You*
- ❑ Milosz, *New and Collected Poems: 1931-2001*
- ❑ Oliver, *American Primitive*
- ❑ Owen, *The Poems of Wilfred Owen*
- ❑ Plumly, *Summer Celestial: Poems*
- ❑ Roethke, *The Collected Poems of Theodore Roethke*
- ❑ Tennyson, *The Complete Works of Alfred Lord Tennyson*
- ❑ Thomas, *Dylan Thomas: Selected Poems*
- ❑ Toomer, *The Collected Poems of Jean Toomer*
- ❑ Tretheway, *Native Guard: Poems*
- ❑ Voight, *Messenger: New and Selected Poems 1976-2006*
- ❑ Waldrep, *Goldbeater's Skin*
- ❑ Wilbur, *Richard Wilbur: New and Collected Poems*
- ❑ Williams, *William Carlos Williams: Selected Poems*
- ❑ Williams, *Repair: Poems*
- ❑ Wordsworth, *William Wordsworth: The Major Works*
- ❑ Wright, *A Short History of the Shadow: Poems*
- ❑ Yeats, *The Collected Poems of W. B. Yeats*

Education, Imagination, and the Life of the Mind List

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- ❑ Adler, *Reforming Education: The Opening of the American Mind*
- ❑ Auchincloss, *The Rector of Justin*
- ❑ Barfield, *Saving the Appearances*
- ❑ Barzun, *Begin Here: The Forgotten Conditions of Teaching and Learning*
- ❑ Caldecott, *Beauty for Truth's Sake: On the Re-enchantment of Education*
- ❑ Caldecott, *Beauty in the Word: Rethinking the Foundations of Education*
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- ❑ Esolen, *Ten Ways to Destroy the Imagination of Your Child* +
- ❑ Evans/Littlejohn, *Wisdom and Eloquence: A Christian Paradigm for Classical Learning* +
- ❑ Frye, *The Educated Imagination*
- ❑ Gamble, *The Great Tradition*
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