



TREASURE VALLEY

CLASSICAL ACADEMY

The mission of Treasure Valley Classical Academy is to train the minds and improve the hearts of students through a classical, content-rich curriculum that emphasizes virtuous living, traditional learning, and civic responsibility.

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Suggested Reading Lists

(Kindergarten – 6th Grade)

Notes:

- We intentionally do not recommend books that are already in our curriculum.
- Lexile levels are provided for K-2nd grade. A Lexile number is a numeric representation of a student's approximate reading ability.
- Please consider book *length* as well as a child's *interest*. We would like students to become confident and joyful readers.
- Consider purchasing the reference guide *Books Children Love* by Elizabeth Wilson for more classic, content-rich children's literature.
- ***We strongly encourage parents to regularly read aloud to their children books that are 1-2 grade levels above their current grade level.***

Kindergarten & First Grade Suggested Reading List

Picture Books

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Lexile Level</u>
<i>Frog and Toad (series)</i>	Arnold Lobel	330 – 490 L
<i>Little Bear (series)</i>	Else Minarik	360 – 470 L
<i>Frances (series)</i>	Russell Hoban	360 – 490 L
<i>Poppleton (series)</i>	Cynthia Rylant	370 – 500 L
<i>If You Give a Mouse a Cookie</i>	Laura Numeroff	410 – 500 L
<i>Daniel's Duck</i>	Clyde Robert Bulla	430 L
<i>Mouse Soup</i>	Arnold Lobel	430 L
<i>Mouse Tales</i>	Arnold Lobel	440 L
<i>George and Martha (series)</i>	James Marshal	450 – 550 L
<i>Henry and Mudge (series)</i>	Cynthia Rylant	450 – 550 L
<i>Annie and Snowball (series)</i>	Cynthia Rylant	470-520 L
<i>Harry (series)</i>	Gene Zion	470 – 520 L
<i>The Secret Valley</i>	Clyde Robert Bulla	490 L
<i>The Little Engine That Could</i>	Watty Piper	500 L
<i>Corduroy (series)</i>	Don Freeman	520 - 620 L
<i>Oscar Otter</i>	Nathaniel Benchley	550 L
<i>Stone Soup</i>	Marcia Brown	550 L
<i>New Coat for Anna</i>	Harriet Seifert	580 L
<i>Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel</i>	Virginia Burton	580 L
<i>Blueberries for Sal</i>	Robert McCloskey	600 L
<i>Ben Franklin and the Magic Squares</i>	Frank Murphy	620 L
<i>The Tale of Benjamin Bunny</i>	Beatrix Potter	650 L
<i>Henny Penny</i>	Paul Galdone	660 L
<i>Madeline (series)</i>	Ludwig Bemelmans	680 L
<i>Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs</i>	Judi Barrett	730L
<i>The Story of Ferdinand</i>	Munro Leaf	760 L
<i>Dr. Seuss (series)</i>	Dr. Seuss	unknown

Chapter Books

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>	
<i>Nate the Great (series)</i>	Marjorie Sharmat	450-550L
<i>The Boxcar Children (series)</i>	Gertrude Warner	470-670L
<i>Flat Stanley (series)</i>	Jeff Brown	490–590L
<i>Magic Tree House (series)</i>	Mary Pope Osborne	500-750 L

Second Grade Suggested Reading List

Picture Books

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Lexile Level</u>
<i>Miss Nelson (series)</i>	Henry Allard	320 – 560 L
<i>Frances (series)</i>	Russell Hoban	370 – 470 L
<i>Mouse Soup</i>	Arnold Lobel	440 L
<i>Nate the Great</i>	Marjorie Sharmat	450 – 550 L
<i>Mercy Watson (series)</i>	Kate DiCamillo	450 – 550 L
<i>Red Fox and his Canoe</i>	Nathaniel Benchley	500 L
<i>Petunia</i>	Roger DuVoisin	510 L
<i>Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims</i>	Clyde Robert Bulla	530 L
<i>Sam, the Minuteman</i>	Nathaniel Benchley	530 L
<i>Jerome Camps Out</i>	Eileen Christelow	530 L
<i>Pocahontas and the Strangers</i>	Clyde Robert Bulla	550 L
<i>Billy and Blaze (series)</i>	C.W. Anderson	550 – 850 L
<i>The Great Pig Escape</i>	Eileen Christelow	570 L
<i>Peppe, the Lamplighter</i>	Elisa Bartone	570 L
<i>A Picnic in October</i>	Eve Bunting	600 L
<i>One Morning in Maine</i>	Robert McCloskey	610 L
<i>Henry Huggins</i>	Beverly Cleary	690 L
<i>Make Way for Ducklings</i>	Robert McCloskey	710 L
<i>Henry and Risby</i>	Beverly Cleary	740 L
<i>The Story of Ferdinand</i>	Munro Leaf	760 L
<i>Lyle, Lyle Crocodile (series)</i>	Bernard Waber	840 L
<i>The Quiltmaker's Gift</i>	Jeff Brumbeau	850 L
<i>Socks</i>	Beverly Cleary	890 L
<i>Lentil</i>	Robert McCloskey	890 L
<i>Abraham Lincoln</i>	Ingri and Edgar d'Aulaire	900 L
<i>Emily's Runaway Imagination</i>	Beverly Cleary	910 L
<i>Time of Wonder</i>	Robert McCloskey	940 L
<i>A Child's Garden of Verses</i>	Robert Louis Stevenson	1190 L
<i>Brambly Hedge (series)</i>	Jill Barklem	unknown
<i>Chanticleer and the Fox</i>	Barbara Cooney	unknown
<i>Country Bunny and the Little Gold Shoes</i>	DuBose Heyward	unknown
<i>A First Book of Fairy Tales</i>	Hoffman	unknown
<i>Tippey Lemmey</i>	Patricia McKissack	unknown

Chapter Books

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>	
<i>The Boxcar Children (series)</i>	Gertrude Warner	470 – 650 L
<i>The Littles (series)</i>	John Peterson	500 – 730 L
<i>Cam Jansen (series)</i>	David Adler	550 – 610 L
<i>Betsy (series)</i>	Carolyn Haywood	560 – 660 L
<i>Caleb's Story</i>	Patricia MacLachlan	570 L
<i>Encyclopedia Brown (series)</i>	Donald Sobol	580 – 640 L
<i>The Trojan Horse</i>	Emily Little	590 L
<i>The Bears on Hemlock Mountain</i>	Alice Dalgliesh	590 L

<i>Tornado</i>	Betsy Byars	610 L
<i>The Courage of Sarah Noble</i>	Alice Dalgliesh	610 L
<i>Paddington Bear (series)</i>	Michael Bond	650 – 750 L
<i>Sarah, Plain and Tall</i>	Patricia MacLachlan	660 L
<i>Ramona (series)</i>	Beverly Cleary	750 – 850 L
<i>Bobbsey Twins (series)</i>	Laura Hope	770 – 910 L
<i>James and the Giant Peach</i>	Roald Dahl	870 L
<i>Milly-Molly-Mandy (series)</i>	Joyce Brisley	unknown
<i>The Best-loved Doll</i>	Rebecca Caudill	unknown
<i>Eddie (series)</i>	Carolyn Haywood	unknown
<i>Tippey Lemmey</i>	Patricia McKissack	unknown

Third Grade Suggested Reading List

Title

Mr. Popper's Penguins
Indian in the Cupboard (series)
Paddington Bear(series)
Milly-Molly-Mandy (series)
The Big Wave
The Apple and the Arrow
A Lion to Guard Us
Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims
Frindle
Pedro's Journal
Abraham Lincoln
Benjamin Franklin
Columbus
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
The Story of Thomas Alva Edison
The Tale of Despereaux
Because of Winn Dixie
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane
The Twenty-one Balloons
The Matchlock Gun
The Hundred Dresses
Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?
Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?
Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln
Shh...We're Writing the Constitution
What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin?
Where Do You Think You're Going, Christopher Columbus?
The Reluctant Dragon
Phoebe the Spy
Brighty of the Grand Canyon
Misty of Chincoteague
Harness
Paul Bunyan
The Jungle Book
Strawberry Girl
Narnia (series)
Betsy & Tacy (series)
The Secret of the Sealed Room
Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle (series)
The Candy Makers
The Railway Children
The Borrowers (series)
Tales from the Odyssey (series)
Lawn Boy
The Cricket in Times Square

Author

Richard Atwater
Lynn Banks
Michael Bond
Joyce Brisley
Pearl Buck
Conrad & Mary Buff
Robert Clyde Bulla
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Andrew Clements
Pam Conrad
Ingri d'Aulaire and Edgar Parin
Ingri d'Aulaire and Edgar Parin
Ingri d'Aulaire and Edgar Parin
Roald Dahl
Margaret Davidson
Kate DiCamillo
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Pene Dubois
Walter D. Edmonds
Eleanor Estes
Ian Fleming
Jean Fritz
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Jean Fritz
Kenneth Grahame
Judith Berry Griffin
Marguerite Henry
Marguerite Henry
Thomas Jefferson
Steven Kellogg
Rudyard Kipling
Lois Lenski
C.S. Lewis
Maud Lovelace
Bailey MacDonald
Betty MacDonald
Wendy Mass
E. Nesbit
Mary Norton
Mary Pope Osborne
Gary Paulson
George Selden

The Five Little Peppers (series)
One Hundred and One Dalmations
Bard of Avon: The Story of William Shakespeare
Charles Dickens: The Man Who Had Great Expectations
Leonardo da Vinci
Freedom Train
Corgiville Fair
Red Sails to Capri
Stuart Little
The Battle for the Castle
Childhood of Famous Americans (series)

Margaret Sidney
Dodie Smith
Diane Stanley
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Dorothy Sterling
Tasha Tudor
Ann Weil
E.B. White
Elizabeth Winthrop
Various authors

Fourth Grade Suggested Reading List

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
<i>Peter Pan</i>	J.M. Barrie
<i>The Big Wave</i>	Pearl Buck
<i>Chalk Box Kid</i>	Robert Clyde Bulla
<i>Ida Early books</i>	Robert Burch
<i>A Little Princess</i>	Francis Burnett
<i>The Incredible Journey</i>	Sheila Burnford
<i>The Summer of the Swans</i>	Betsy Byars
<i>Understood Betsy</i>	Dorothy Canfield
<i>Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia</i>	Margaret Cousins
<i>The Terrible Wave</i>	Marden Dahlstedt
<i>The House of Sixty Fathers</i>	Meindert DeJong
<i>The Little Prince</i>	Antoine deSaint Exupery
<i>Because of Winn Dixie</i>	Kate DiCamillo
<i>Black Stallion (series)</i>	Walter Farley
<i>The Red Keep</i>	Allen French
<i>The Lost Baron</i>	Allen French
<i>The Cabin Faced West</i>	Jean Fritz
<i>Just a Few Words, Mr. Lincoln</i>	Jean Fritz
<i>Shh...We're Writing the Constitution</i>	Jean Fritz
<i>What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin?</i>	Jean Fritz
<i>White Stallions of Lipizza</i>	Marguerite Henry
<i>Bobbsey Twins (series)</i>	Laura Hope
<i>The Story of Eli Whitney</i>	Jean Lee Latham
<i>Ben and Me</i>	Robert Lawson
<i>Mr. Revere and I</i>	Robert Lawson
<i>Indian Captive</i>	Lois Lenski
<i>Strawberry Girl</i>	Lois Lenski
<i>Narnia (series)</i>	C.S. Lewis
<i>Pippi Longstocking (series)</i>	Astrid Lindgren
<i>The Princess and the Goblin</i>	George MacDonald
<i>The Lost Princess</i>	George MacDonald
<i>Homer Price</i>	Robert McCloskey
<i>The Story of the Treasure Seekers</i>	E. Nesbit
<i>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</i>	Robert O'Brien
<i>Harness</i>	Thomas Jefferson
<i>The Cricket in Times Square</i>	George Selden
<i>Black Beauty</i>	Anna Sewell
<i>The Little Riders</i>	Margaretha Shaman
<i>Diary of an Early American Boy</i>	Eric Sloane
<i>In Their Own Words: Paul Revere</i>	Sullivan
<i>The Thirteen Clocks</i>	James Thurber
<i>Mary Poppins</i>	P.L. Travers
<i>Little House (series)</i>	Laura Ingalls Wilder
<i>Detectives in Togas</i>	Henry Winterfeld
<i>The Mystery of the Roman Ransom</i>	Henry Winterfeld
<i>Mountain Born</i>	Elizabeth Yates

Fifth & Sixth Grade Suggested Reading List

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
<i>Born Free</i>	Joy Adamson
<i>Little Women</i>	Louisa Alcott
<i>Crispin</i>	Avi
<i>The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle</i>	Avi
<i>Tuck Everlasting</i>	Natalie Babbitt
<i>National Velvet</i>	Enid Bagnold
<i>Miss Hickory</i>	Carolyn Sherwin Bailey
<i>The Wizard of Oz</i>	Frank Baum
<i>The Nickel-Plated Beauty</i>	Patricia Beatty
<i>Turn Homeward, Hannalee</i>	Patricia Beatty
<i>Shakespeare Stealer</i>	Blackwood
<i>Tolliver's Secret</i>	Esther Brady
<i>Alice's Adventures in Wonderland</i>	Lewis Carroll
<i>The Golden Fleece</i>	Padraic Colum
<i>Where the Lilies Bloom</i>	Vera & Bill Cleavers
<i>Book of Greek Myths</i>	Ingri D'Aulaire
<i>The Door in the Wall</i>	Marguerite DeAngeli
<i>The Wheel on the School</i>	Meindert DeJong
<i>Along Came a Dog</i>	Meindert DeJong
<i>Adventures of Sherlock Holmes</i>	Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
<i>Gone Away Lake</i>	Elizabeth Enright
<i>The Moffatts</i>	Eleanor Estes
<i>Calico Bush</i>	Rachel Field
<i>Bull Run</i>	Paul Fleischman
<i>Johnny Tremain</i>	Esther Forbes
<i>The Wright Brothers: How They Invented the Airplane</i>	Russell Freedman
<i>The Story of Rolf and the Viking Bow</i>	Allen French
<i>Homesick, My Own Story</i>	Jean Fritz
<i>The Cabin Faced West</i>	Jean Fritz
<i>The Great Little Madison</i>	Jean Fritz
<i>My Side of the Mountain</i>	Jean George
<i>Old Yeller</i>	Fred Gibson
<i>Cheaper by the Dozen</i>	Frank Gilbreth
<i>The Wind in the Willows</i>	Kenneth Grahame
<i>Adam of the Road</i>	Elizabeth Gray
<i>The Tale of Troy</i>	Roger Lancelyn Green
<i>A Boy Knight: A Tale of the Crusades</i>	G.A. Henty
<i>Up a Road Slowly</i>	Irene Hunt
<i>Across Five Aprils</i>	Irene Hunt
<i>Rip Van Winkle</i>	Washington Irving
<i>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</i>	Washington Irving
<i>Phantom Tollbooth</i>	Norton Juster
<i>The Great Turkey Walk</i>	Kathleen Karr
<i>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</i>	E.L. Konigsburg
<i>Lassie Come Home</i>	Eric Knight
<i>Carry on, Mr. Bowditch</i>	Jean Lee Latham

The Great Wheel
A Wrinkle in Time (series)
A Ring of Endless Light
Narnia (series)
Doctor Dolittle (series)
The Princess and the Goblin
The Lost Princess
At the Back of the North Wind
The Wise Woman and Other Stories
Anne of Green Gables
Thomas Jefferson
The Boy's War
The Black Pearl
My Friend Flicka
Adventures of Don Quixote
Bridge to Terabithia
Hatchet
Men of Iron
The Westing Game
The Yearling
Where the Red Fern Grows
Black Beauty
The Rescuers
Theras and His Town
The Witch of Blackbird Pond
Calico Captive
Call it Courage
Heidi
The Perilous Road
The Eagle of the Ninth
Black Ships Before Troy
Gulliver's Travels
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry
The Hobbit
Banner in the Sky
Around the World in 80 Days
The Trumpet of the Swan
Rebecca of Sunnybrooke Farm
Son of Charlemagne
The God King
Blackthorn Winter
Susan Creek
100 Cupboards (series)
Detectives in Togas
Swiss Family Robinson

Robert Lawson
Madeleine L'Engle
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C.S. Lewis
Hugh Lofting
George MacDonald
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Lucy Maud Montgomery
Mullin
Jim Murphy
Scott O'Dell
Mary O'Hara
Palacios
Katherine Patterson
Gary Paulsen
Howard Pyle
Ellen Raskin
Marjorie Rawlings
Wilson Rawls
Anna Sewell
Margery Sharp
Caroline Dale Snedeker
Elizabeth George Speare
Elizabeth George Speare
Armstrong Sperry
Johanna Spyri
William Steele
Rosemary Sutcliff
Rosemary Sutcliff
Jonathon Swift
Mildred Taylor
J.R.R. Tolkien
James Ramsey Ullman
Jules Verne
E.B. White
Kate Wiggin
Barbara Willard
Joanne Williamson
Douglas Wilson
Douglas Wilson
N.D. Wilson
Henry Winterfeld
Johann Wyss