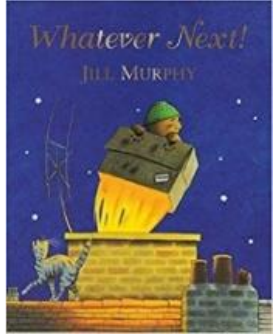
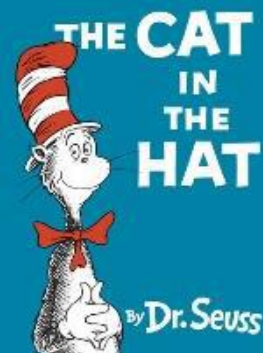


40 Recommended Reading Books for Year 1

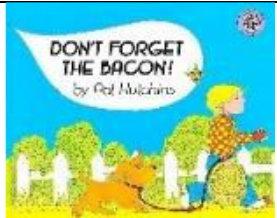
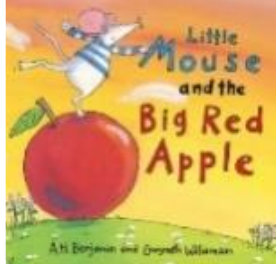
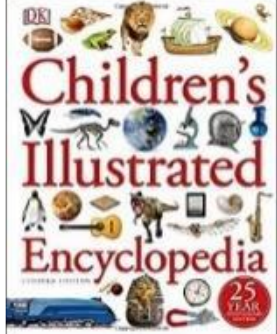
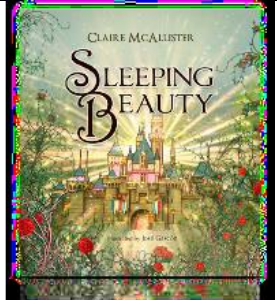
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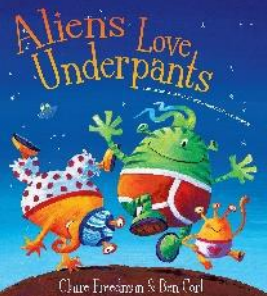
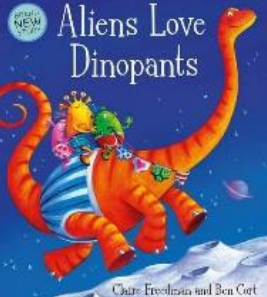
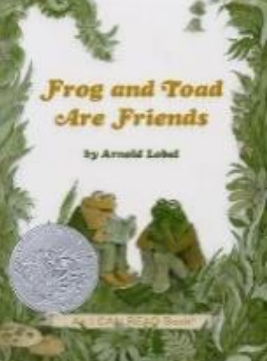
We have carefully selected books that we hope will capture your child's imagination and that you will enjoy reading together. The list contains a description of the book so that you and your child can choose your favourites. We have also indicated the lexile rating / difficulty level – a higher number indicates a more difficult text. Children will be awarded star badges as they read books from the list – they will need to record a brief response to a reading task as well. A bronze badge will be awarded once your child has read 5 books from the list, a silver badge after reading 10, a gold badge once they have read 15 and a platinum badge for reading 20.

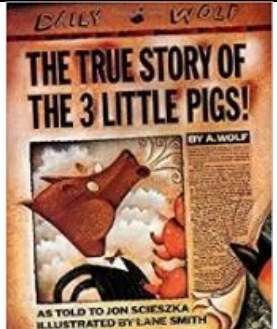
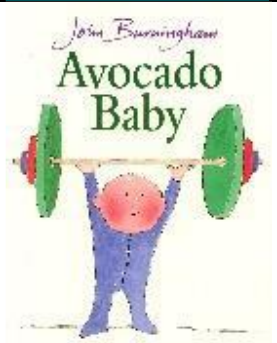
Title	Image	Author	ISBN	Description	Lexile / Difficulty	Date Read
Whatever Next!		Jill Murphy	9780333636220	The moon and back before bedtime? Whatever next Join Baby Bear as he finds a rocket, makes friends with an owl and has a picnic on the moon.	2	

The Cat in the Hat		Dr Seuss	9780449 810866	Poor Dick and Sally. It's cold and wet and they're stuck in the house with nothing to do . . . until a giant cat in a hat shows up, transforming the dull day into a madcap adventure	2.1	
Charlie and Lola		Lauren Child	9780141 382517	Lola is an imaginative, quirky 6-year-old girl, the younger sister to Charlie; and the best friend to Lotta. She likes playing and is full of character. She normally wears blue butterfly hair clips.	2.3	
The Whisperer		Nick Butterworth	9780007 120185	Two gangs of cats live in a scrap yard on the edge of the city. When they're not eating or sleeping, they're fighting, and that's just how The Whisperer likes it	2.3	

The Gruffalo's Child		Julia Donaldson	9788847720275	The Gruffalo's Child by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler is the bestselling sequel to The Gruffalo.	2.5	
The Jolly Postman		Allan Ahlberg	9780316020367	He has a letter of apology for the three bears from Goldilocks, a postcard from Jack for the giant, a solicitor's letter on behalf of Little Red Riding-Hood for the wolf who ate grandma, and so on. There are six envelopes in the book, each containing letters, cards etc for children to interact with.	2.5	
The Bad Tempered Ladybird		Eric Carle	9780780792913	The Bad-Tempered Ladybird, is a 1977 children's book written by Eric Carle Published by Greenwillow Books., best known as the author of The Very Hungry Caterpillar	2.8	
How To Wash a Woolly Mammoth		Michelle Robinson & Kate Hindley	9780857078995	Does your woolly mammoth need a wash? It's not a very easy thing to do... Find out exactly how to wash your mammoth in this hilarious instruction manual - just remember don't get any soap in its eyes or it might escape up a tree!	2.8	

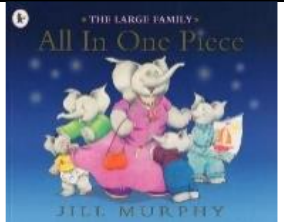
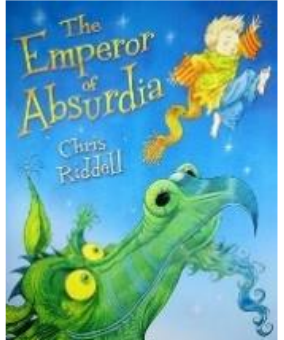
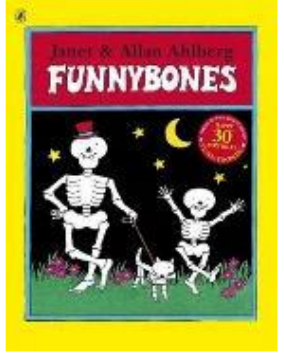

Don't Forget The Bacon		Pat Hutchins	9780688 800192	The story is about a little boy who tries to memorise a list of groceries his mother has asked him to buy. The book has been used as a teaching tool to instruct children about early learning concepts	2.8	
Little Mouse and the Big Red Apple		A. H Benjamin	9781854306 456	Mouse finds a red apple and wants to keep it all for himself, but first he must get the apple past various obstacles. Will Mouse succeed in getting his apple treat home safely without sharing it?	2.8	
Children's First Encyclopedia		DK Children's Illustrated Encyclopedia	9781465 451699	An inspiring and comprehensive collection of the best in the <i>DK First Reference series</i> , all gathered together in one superb volume. From prehistoric life to space travel, bacteria to the human brain help your child discover all about the world we live in.	2.8	
Traditional Nursery Rhymes		Claire McAllister	9781760 129934	This collection builds a cultural literacy; fairy tales often include different cultures and ways of doing things. They teach children about cultural differences in the world outside their own, gifting them a curiosity to learn new things and experience new places	2.8	

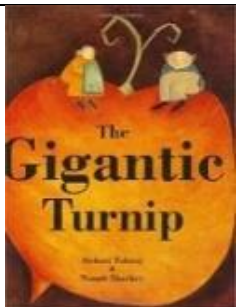
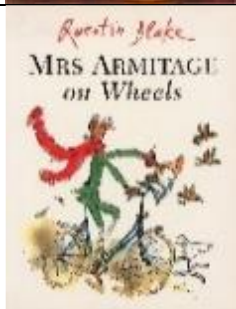
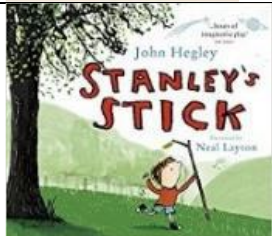
Aliens Love Underpants		Claire Freedman	9780857073945	Aliens love underpants, in every shape and size, But there are no underpants in space, so here's a big surprise... This brilliant book is stuffed full of silly pants and funny aliens - perfect for any Aliens fan!	2.9	
Aliens Love Dinopants		Claire Freedman	9781481467377	When aliens crash-land in the jungle, they have no idea that they are about to stumble into the biggest stash of underwear ever. Their happiness knows no bounds since all aliens share a love for zany underpants! But what will happen when the prehistoric owners of the oversized stash turn up?	2.9	
Frog and Toad are Friends		Arnold Lobel	9780590045292	Five very short stories told in a direct and ingenuous style, appealing because of their ease and the familiarity of the situations	2.9	

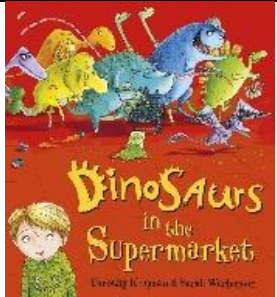
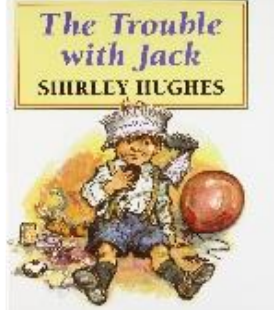
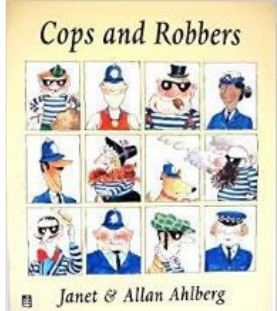
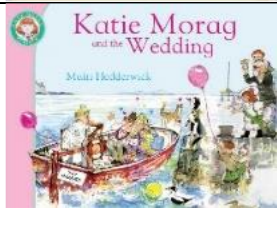
<p>The True Story of the Three Little Pigs</p>		<p>Jon Scieszka</p>	<p>9788888 254616</p>	<p>The wolf gives his own outlandish version of what really happened when he tangled with the three little pigs.</p>	<p>3</p>	
<p>My Friend Bear</p>		<p>Jez Alborough</p>	<p>9781442 007376</p>	<p>This third warm and funny pairing of little Eddie and the bear finds them feeling sad with no friends to talk to except their teddies, who are suddenly able to talk back.</p>	<p>3</p>	
<p>Avocado Baby</p>		<p>John Burningham</p>	<p>9780099 200611</p>	<p>When the weedy Hargraves have another baby, they're concerned that it's going to be just as weak and pathetic as them. Then one day they feed it avocados.</p>	<p>3</p>	

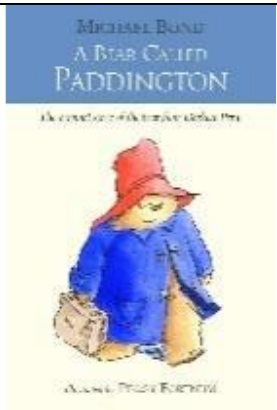
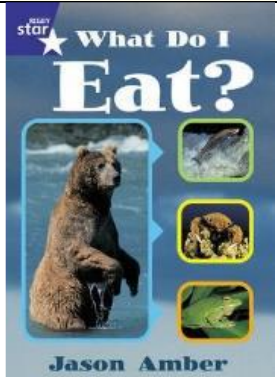
Children's Atlas		The Usborne Children's Picture Atlas	9780746047132	An inspiring and comprehensive collection of the best in the <i>DK First Reference series</i> , all gathered together in one superb volume. From prehistoric life to space travel, bacteria to the human brain help your child discover all about the world we live in.	3	
The Slightly Annoying Elephant		David Walliams	9780007560660	What's big, blue, bossy, and turns up uninvited? A slightly annoying elephant, of course! Introducing a magnificently warm and funny picture book from two remarkable talents	3.1	
The Tiger Who Came To Tea		Judith Kerr	9780006640615	This book is about a girl called Sophie, her mother, and a tiger who interrupts their afternoon tea	3.2	
Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy		Lynley Dodd	9781582460604	Hairy Maclary is a fictional dog, the hero of a series of children's picture books.	3.3	

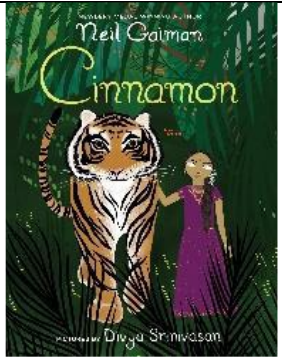
<p>The Smartest Giant in Town</p>		<p>Julia Donaldson</p>	<p>9780230749368</p>	<p>A warm tale about a friendly giant whose heart is better than his dress sense!</p>	<p>3.4</p>	
<p>The Princess and the Pea</p>		<p>Minnie Grey</p>	<p>9781786170477</p>	<p>A retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale about a young woman whose royal identity is established by a test of her physical sensitivity.</p>	<p>3.4</p>	
<p>Amazing Grace</p>		<p>Mary Hoffman</p>	<p>9780803710405</p>	<p>Grace loves stories, whether they're from books, movies, or the kind her grandmother tells. So when she gets a chance to play a part in "Peter Pan", she knows exactly who she wants to be. Remarkable watercolor illustrations give full expression to Grace's high-flying imagination.</p>	<p>3.5</p>	

All In One Piece		Jill Murphy	9780744 537970	Mrs Large's attempts to have five minutes peace, her vain efforts to get out of the house and complete other everyday jobs are all contained in this collection of four Large Family stories.	3.5	
Emperor of Absurdia		Chris Riddell	9781509 813735	Welcome to Absurdia: a strange and wonderful land where nothing is quite what it seems. Trees are birds, umbrellas are trees, and the sky is thick with snoring fish. Join one small boy as he tumbles out of bed into a crazy dreamland of wardrobe monsters, dragons—and amazing adventure.	3.6	
Funnybones		Janet & Allan Ahlberg	9780140 565812	There was a big skeleton, a little skeleton and a dog skeleton - woof! Well-loved author and illustrator, Janet and Allan Ahlberg team up to create this hilarious collection of skeleton stories, featuring The Ghost Train, Bumps in the Night and Skeleton Crew in one bumper book. Full of jokes and with a simple, repetitive text that will help build reading skills,	3.6	
Room on the Broom		Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler	9780803 726574	The witch and her cat couldn't be happier, flying through the sky on their broomstick-until the witch drops her hat, then her bow, then her wand! Luckily, three helpful animals find the missing items and all they want in return is a ride on the broomstick. But is there	3.7	

				room on the broom for so many new friends?		
The Gigantic Turnip		Aleksei Tolstoy	9781902283128	An old man and woman who need help from their six yellow canaries, five white geese, four speckled hens, two potbellied pigs and one big brown cow	3.8	
Mrs Armitage on Wheels		Quentin Blake	9781407097046	Relates the misadventures of Miss Armitage as she makes increasingly complicated modifications of her bicycle.	3.8	
Stanley's Stick		John Hegley	9780340988183	<i>Stanley's Stick</i> is a teaming-up of hefty talents - glorious poet John Hegley and award-winning illustrator Neal Layton. Stanley's stick is not just a stick. With a stick in hand, Stanley's options are endless!	3.8	

Dinosaurs in a Supermarket		Timothy Knapman	9781407114712	A trip to the supermarket turns into havoc when dinosaurs go wild in the aisles! As Stegosaurus spills beans and Diplodocus gobbles up greens, can a little boy get the big beasts to behave?	3.8	
The Trouble With Jack		Shirley Hughes	9781448198023	Daisy can't believe it! Mrs Peters is making her sit next to Jack Beechwhistle - the worst boy in the school, and possibly the whole world! Jack is so mad! Mrs Peters is making him sit next to Daisy Butters - she's such an annoying blabber!	3.8	
Cops and Robbers		Allan Ahlberg	9780688841782	The Christmas villainy of Grabber Dan and his present pinching gang is single-handedly foiled by the outstanding Officer Pugh.	3.8	
Katie Morag Series		Mairi Hedderwick	9781849410861	This series follows the adventures of Katie Morag whose life on the fictional Scottish island of Struay is full of tales of jealousy, bravery and rivalry and peopled by an annoying little brother, busy shopkeeper parents, a perfectly perfect best friend and a couple of	4.2	

				grandmothers who between them know everything about everything		
A Bear Called Paddington		Michael Bond	9780440404835	Mr. and Mrs. Brown first met Paddington--a most endearing bear from Darkest Peru--on a railway platform in London. A sign hanging around his neck said, "Please look after this bear. Thank you" So that is just what they did.	4.7	
Non fiction topic books, eg. What Do I Eat?		Jason Amber	9780433036104	Non-fiction books for are a crucial aspect of children's education and we stock an extensive range so that their appetite for different subjects is met. Helpful website: http://www.laburnumhouse.co.uk/non-fiction/key-stage-1-non-fiction/natural-world-ks1	5	

Cinnamom		Neil Gaiman	9780062399618	A talking tiger is the only one who may be able to get a princess to speak in this beautiful picture book set in a mythic India.	5.1	
The Hodgeheg		Dick King-Smith	9780140325034	The hedgehog family of number 5A are a happy bunch but they cannot cross the busy road to reach the park they long to visit.	5.2	