



**HINGHAM NURSERY SCHOOL
PRE-SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN**

Recommended Reading List, Ages 3-6

Reading books and developing literacy are an important part of early childhood. Here at Hingham Nursery School and Kindergarten, we read in the classroom and encourage parents to read to children at home. Below, you will find a list of favorite books that feature rhyming, sequencing, vocabulary and contribute to phonemic awareness.

For summer reading, our teachers choose a school-wide reading book and work this selection into the curriculum at the beginning of the school year. Because the children have read the summer reading book with their family before coming to school, this community read forges a connection between home and school, and gives new students a sense of familiarity and comfort from the very first day.

Book Title and Author:

Abuela by Arthur Dorros
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
Amos and Boris by William Steig
The Baby BeeBee Bird, by Diane Redfield Massie and Steven Kellogg
Bark, George, by Jules Feiffer
Biscuit by Alyssa Capucilli
Blueberries for Sal, by Robert McCloskey
Bubba and Beau, Best Friends, by Kathi Appelt and Arthur Howard
Caps for Sale, by Esphyr Slobodkina
The Carrot Seed, by Ruth Krauss and Crockett Johnson
Charlie Anderson by Barbara Abercrombie
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom, by John Archambault, Bill Martin Jr. and Lois Ehlert
Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
Circle Dogs, by Kevin Henkes and Dan Yaccarino
Cold Little Duck, Duck, Duck, by Lisa Westberg Peters and Sam Williams
Come on, Rain! By Karen Hesse and Jon J. Muth
Corduroy, by Don Freeman
Curious George, by H.A. Rey
The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins
Duck on a Bike, by David Shannon
Frog and Toad All Year by Arnold Lobel
Froggie Gets Dressed, by Jonathan London and Frank Remkiewicz
Giraffes Can't Dance, by Giles Andrede and Guy Parker-Rees
Good Job, Little Bear, by Martin Waddell and Barbara Firth
Good Night, Good Knight, by Shelley Moore Thomas and Jennifer Plecas
Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
Good Morning Chick, by Mirra Ginsburg and Byron Barton
Gregory the Terrible Eater by Mitchell Shamat and Jose Aruego
Growing Vegetable Soup, by Lois Ehlert
Harold and the Purple Crayon, by Crockett Johnson
Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion and Margaret Bloy Graham

Recommended Reading List, Ages 3-6 (Cont.)

Hop on Pop by Dr. Seuss
Horton hatches the Egg, by Dr. Seuss
Ira Sleeps Over by Bernard Waber
Jamaica's Find, by Juanita Havill and Anne Sibley O'Brien
"Let's Get a Pup!" Said Kate, by Bob Graham
Little Bear by Else Holmelund Minarik
The Little Engine That Could, by Watty Piper
The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton
Madeline, by Ludwig Bemelmans
Make Way For Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
Max Found Two Sticks, by J. Brian Pinkney
May I Bring a Friend? by Beatrice Schenk De Regniers and Beni Montresor
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton
Millions of Cats, by Wanda Gag
Mirette on the High Wire by Emily Arnold McCully
Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten, by Joseph Slate and Ashley Wolff
The Mitten, by Jan Brett
"More, More, More," Said the Baby, by Vera B. Williams
The Night Worker, by Kate Banks and Georg Hallensleben
Noisy Nora, by Rosemary Wells
Owen, by Kevin Henkes
The Owl and the Pussycat by Jan Brett
Peter's Chair by Ezra Jack Keats
Pete's a Pizza, by William Steig
Pout Pout Fish, by Deborah Diesen and Dan Hanna
The Quilt, by Ann Jonas
Rain, by Manya Stojic
Rattletrap Car, by Phyllis Root and Jill Barton
The Relatives Came by Cynthia Rylant
Sam Who Never Forgets, by Eve Rice
Seven Blind Mice, by Ed Young
Snow, by Uri Shulevitz
Stone Soup, by Marcia Brown
The Snowy Day, by Ezra Jack Keats
Sometimes I'm Bombaloo, by Rachel Vail and Yumi Heo
Strega Nona, by Tomie DePaola
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig
Telling Time With Big Mama Cat, by Dan Harper, Barry Moser and Cara Moser
Ten, Nine, Eight, by Molly Bang
The Three Bears, by Paul Galdone
Thundercake, by Patricia Polacco
The Very Hungry Caterpillar, by Eric Carle
Waiting for Wings, by Lois Ehlert
We're Going on a Bear Hunt, by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury
When I Was Young in the Mountains, by Cynthia Rylant and Diane Goode
Where the Wild Things Are, by Maurice Sendak
Where's Spot, by Eric Hill
Whistle for Willie, by Ezra Jack Keats
Widget, by Lyn Rossiter McFarland and Jim McFarland
Wombat Walkabout, by Carol Diggory Shields and Sophie Blackall
Yoko, by Rosemary Wells
Any collection of poems by Lee Bennett Hopkins

For Parents: Reading Magic by Mem Fox