Kindergarten Suggested Summer Reading List

Note: The following books are only suggested. Please feel free to add any books that are appropriate for your reader. The staff in the children's area of the public library will also have many wonderful suggestions for you.
Research has shown that the single greatest factor in predicting reading success is whether a child is read to when young. Here are some titles to get you started!

Books About Me

I Like Me! by Nancy L. Carlson
I Like to Be Little by Charlotte Zolotow
The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle
My Five Senses by Aliki
Owen by Kevin Henkes
When I Get Bigger by Mercer Mayer

Family Stories

Just Me Book by Mercer Mayer
Mama Do You Love Me? by Barbara M. Joosse

Predictable Books

(Stories with a pattern using rhyme or rhythm.)
Curious George by H.A. Rey
Each Peach Pear Plum by Janet and Allan Ahlberg
The Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone
Gregory the Terrible Eater by Mitchell Sharmat
Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
Millions of Cats by Wanda Gág
What's in Fox's Sack? by Paul Galdone

Beginning, Middle and End Concept

Bony-Legs by Joanna Cole
A Camping Spree with Mr. Magee by Chris Van Dusen
Love You Forever by Pat Hutchins
The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown

Color and Counting Books

Each Orange Had Eight Slices: A Counting Book by Paul Giganti, Jr.
Fish Eyes: A Book You Can Count On by Lois Ehlert
Frog Count to Ten by John Liebler
Inch by Inch by Leo Lionni
Is It Red? Is it Yellow? Is It Blue? by Tana Hoban
Planting A Rainbow by Lois Ehlert
Ten Bears in My Bed: A Goodnight Countdown by Stanley Mack
Ten Little Fish by Audrey Wood
26 Letters and 99 Cents by Tana Hoban

Caldecott Winners and Honor Books

Color Zoo by Lois Ehlert
Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans
More, More, More said the Baby by Vera B. Williams
Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathman
Swimmy by Leo Lionni
Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens

Mother Goose and Nursery Rhymes

James Marshall's Mother Goose by James Marshall
My Very First Mother Goose by Iona Opie and Rosemary Wells
Tomie dePaola's Mother Goose by Tomie dePaola

Folktales and Fairy Tales

Chicken Little by Steven Kellogg
Cinderella by Marcia Brown
The Hare and the Tortoise by Brian Wildsmith
Henny Penny by H. Werner Zimmermann
The Little Red Hen by Margot Zemach
The Three Bears by Paul Galdone
The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Peter Christen Asbjornsen
Three Little Pigs by James Marshall
The Three Little Pigs by Rodney Peppé
The Ugly Duckling by Han Christian Andersen

Stories in Rhyme

All the Colors of the Earth by Sheila Hamanaka
Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain by Verna Aardema
Miss Spider's Tea Party by David Kirk

Friends

Benjamin and Tulip by Rosemary Wells
We Are Best Friends by Aliki
Who Will Be My Friend? by Syd Hoff

Fabulous Science Books

Cars and How They Go by Joanna Cole
Eyewitness Juniors Amazing Frogs and Toads by Barry Clarke
Magic School Bus on the Ocean Floor by Joanna Cole