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To: Parents of Kindergarten (K) and First Grade (1st) Students

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Core Suggested Reading List

Literature Suggestions for K-1

- Little Bear (An I Can Read Book) A Boy, a Dog, and a Frog (Boy, Dog, Frog)
Mercer Mayer
- Are You My Mother? P.D. Eastman
- Green Eggs and Ham Dr. Seuss
- Put Me In the Zoo Robert Lopshire
- Frog and Toad Together (I Can Read Book) Arnold Lobel
- Owl at Home (I Can Read Book) Arnold Lobel
- Pancakes for Breakfast Tomie dePaola
- Hi! Fly Guy (Theodor Seuss, Geisel Honor Book (Awards)). Tedd Arnold

Poetry Suggestions for K-1

- As I Was Going to St. Ives Anonymous
- Mix a Pancake Christina Rossetti
- Singing-Time Rose Fyleman
- Halfway Down A.A. Milne
- Drinking Fountain Marchette Chute
- Poem Langston Hughes
- Wouldn't You? John Ciardi
- By Myself Eloise Greenfield
- Covers Nikki Giovanni
- It Fell in the City Eve Merriam
- Celebration Alonzo Lopez
- Two Tree Toad

Informational Texts Suggestions for K-1

- A Tree is a Plant (Let's Read-and-Find-Out Science) Clyde Robert Bulia
- My Five Senses (Let's Read-and-Find-Out Science 1) Alikei
- Starfish (Let's Read-and-Find-Out Science) Edith Thacher Hurd

- *A Weed is a Flower: The Life of George Washington Carver* Aliki
- *Truck* Donald Crews
- *I Read Signs* (Reading Rainbow Books) Tama Hoban
- *Let's Find Out About Ice Cream* Mary Ebeltoft Reid
- *Garden Helpers*, National Geographic Young Explorers
- *Wind Power*, National Geographic Young Explorers

Read-Aloud Stories for K-1 (Adult reading to child)

- *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* Books of Wonder L. Frank Baum
- *Little House in the Big Woods* Laura Ingalls Wilder
- *Mr. Popper's Penguins* (Paperback) Richard and Florence Atwater
- *Finn Family Moomintroll* Tove Jansson
- *A Story, a Story* Gail E. Haley
- *The Paper Crane* (Reading Rainbow Book) Molly Bang
- *Lon Po Po: 15th Anniversary Edition/Cuadros de Familia, Edicion Quinceanera*
Carmen Lomas Garza
- *Tomas and the Library Lady* Pat Mora
- *Kitten's First Full Moon* Kevin Henkes

Read-Aloud Poetry for K-1 (Adult reading to child)

- *The Fox's Foray* Anonymous
- *Over the Meadow* John Langstaff
- *The Owl and the Pussycat* Edward Lear
- *April Rain Song* Langston Hughes
- *Zin! Zin! Zin! A Violin* Lloyd Moss

Read-Aloud Informational Texts for K-1 (Adult reading to child)

- *A Year at Maple Hill Farm* Alice and Martin Provensen
- *Fire! Fire!* Gail Gibbons
See what we thought about *Fire! Fire! in this review*
- *Follow the Water from Brook to Ocean* (Let's Read-and-Find-Out Science 2)
Arthur Dorros
- *Water, Water Everywhere* Cynthia Overbeck and Mark Rauzon
- *Earthworms* Claire Llewellyn
- *What Do You Do With a Tail Like This?* (Caldecott Honor Book) Robin Page and
Steve Jenkins
- *From Seed to Pumpkin* (Let's Read-and-Find-Out Science, Stage 1) (Let's Read-and-
Find-Out Science 1) Wendy Pfeffer
- *Amazing Whales!* (I Can Read Book 2) Sarah L. Thomson
- *How People Learned to Fly* (Let's Read-and-Find-Out Science 2) True Kelley and
Fran Hodgkins