




Required Book List: Kindergarten Language Arts






Second Edition

To Buy or to Borrow: Many of the books are used for one week, which would make them ideal for borrowing from the library, if possible. There are a few exceptions, but even these could be borrowed from the library, depending on how long you are permitted to keep your books. Exceptions include: *My Father's Dragon* (used for 5 weeks), *Winnie the Pooh* or *Heartwood Hotel: A True Home* (used for five weeks), *Little Bear* (used for four weeks), *The Bears on Hemlock Mountain* (used for two weeks), *Pig and Pug* (used for two weeks) and **Frog and Toad are Friends** and **Frog and Toad All Year** (which are both used throughout the whole year.) Many (but not all) selections should be easy to find used, if you wish to purchase. Many are also available as ebooks or audiobooks and several books can be found on YouTube as read-alouds in a pinch, though we ask that you find one with publisher and / or author permission. If needed, you may also substitute one of our selections for another book of your choosing. You may need to adjust or adapt the journal prompt and suggested activity accordingly.

Week	Required Book(s)
1	We will be focusing on names. Choose one (or several) of the following options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Alma and How She Got Her Name</i> by Juana Martinez-Neal • <i>Your Name is a Song</i> by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow • <i>The Name Jar</i> by Yangsook Choi • <i>Chrysanthemum</i> by Kevin Henkes
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Stone Soup</i> by Jon J. Muth (this is the recommended version, but you are welcome to use another version of <i>Stone Soup</i> if you like)
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>We are Grateful / Otsaliheliga</i> by Traci Sorell
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Corner" from <i>Frog and Toad All Year</i> by Arnold Lobel 
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Ice Cream" from <i>Frog and Toad All Year</i> by Arnold Lobel 
6 - 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>My Father's Dragon</i> by Ruth Stiles Gannett
11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A Sick Day for Amos McGee</i> by Phillip C. Stead 
12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Letter" from <i>Frog and Toad are Friends</i> by Arnold Lobel
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Islandborn</i> by Junot Díaz
14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Abuela</i> by Arthur Dorros OR <i>A Different Pond</i> by Bao Phi

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15 – 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Winnie the Pooh</i> by A.A. Milne (5 selected stories with an option to extend this unit and read all 10 stories) OR • <i>Heartwood Hotel: A True Home</i> by Kallie George (offered as a more contemporary option)
20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Down the Hill" from <i>Frog and Toad All Year</i> by Arnold Lobel 
21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Surprise" from <i>Frog and Toad All Year</i> by Arnold Lobel 
22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Arabic Quilt: An Immigrant Story</i> by Aya Khalil OR • <i>Leila in Saffron</i> by Rukhsanna Guidroz
23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Fry Bread: A Native American Family Story</i> by Kevin Noble Maillard
24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Bread and Jam for Frances</i> by Russell Hoban
25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Jabari Jumps</i> by Gaia Cornwall AND • <i>Penny and Her Marble</i> by Kevin Henkes
26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Velveteen Rabbit</i> by Margery Williams (any version) AND • <i>Fox the Tiger</i> by Corey R. Tabor
27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "Spring" from <i>Frog and Toad are Friends</i> by Arnold Lobel 
28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "The Story" from <i>Frog and Toad are Friends</i> by Arnold Lobel 
29 – 31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Little Bear</i> by Else Holmelund Minarik
32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Yasmin the Superhero</i> by Saadia Faruqi
33	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "A Lost Button" from <i>Frog and Toad are Friends</i> by Arnold Lobel 

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34	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> "A Swim" from <i>Frog and Toad are Friends</i> by Arnold Lobel
35 – 36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The Bears on Hemlock Mountain</i> by Alice Dalgliesh AND <i>Pig and Pug</i> by Laura Marchesani and Zenaides A. Medina, Jr.



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