

## ATA 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE READING LIST

The purpose of this Reading List is to support the mission of ATA: to provide students with a strong foundation of knowledge. When a student graduates from ATA, s/he will have read at least 30 quality literature books and completed reports on them. Four book reports per year are required in 1st through 8th grade, with the exception of some grades requiring a special report in place of a book report.

ATA recognizes that every book on the Reading List may not be completely suitable or appropriate for every child. Therefore, it is the parent's responsibility to pre-screen the book for his or her child if s/he is concerned about a book's content.

A student may pick any book from the Reading List for his or her book report as long as 1) the book is at or above the student's current grade level and 2) is not an adapted version of the story (i.e., it should not say "Adapted by..." on the title page). Book report books do not have to meet a certain genre or page requirement.

A student may not choose books from the same series. Exploring a variety of genres broadens the student's understanding of the world and enhances his/her ability to connect with different kinds of texts and people. The more the student is exposed to various genres, the more comfortable and confident he/she will become. In addition, reading different genres helps with overall comprehension.

Book titles listed in bold at the end of each grade level list are unavailable for book report selection. These books have been selected by the teacher to read and study in class together.

For more information on Lexile levels please refer to [www.lexile.com](http://www.lexile.com).

| Title                                       | Author              | Series            | Lexile Level | Type of Book | ATA Library Copies |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Finding Providence: Story of Roger Williams | Avi                 |                   | 450L         | I            | X                  |
| Abigail Takes the Wheel                     | Avi                 |                   | 390L         | N            | X                  |
| *Animal Ark Series*                         | Baglio, Ben         | Animal Ark Series | 590L-710L    | N            | X                  |
| Meet Thomas Jefferson                       | Barrett, Marvin     |                   |              | I            | X                  |
| *Pony Pal Series*                           | Betancourt, Jeanne  | Pony Pal Series   | 370L-690L    | N            | X                  |
| (The) Chalk Box Kid                         | Bulla, Clyde Robert |                   | 270L         | N            | X                  |
| (A) Lion to Guard Us                        | Bulla, Clyde Robert |                   | 360L         | N            | X                  |
| (The) Paint Brush Kid                       | Bulla, Clyde Robert |                   | 300L         | N            | X                  |
| Pocahontas and the Strangers                | Bulla, Clyde Robert |                   | 370L         | IN           | X                  |

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| (The) Family Under the Bridge                                | Carlson, Natalie            |                         | 680L                | N                   | X                         |
| Meet Abraham Lincoln                                         | Cary, Barbara               |                         | 380L                | I                   | X                         |
| Henry Huggins                                                | Cleary, Beverly             |                         | 670L                | N                   | X                         |
| *Ramona series*                                              | Cleary, Beverly             | Ramona Series           | 780L-860L           | N                   | X                         |
| Ribsy                                                        | Cleary, Beverly             |                         | 820L                | N                   | X                         |
| *Magic School Bus Series*                                    | Cole, Joanna & Degen, Bruce | Magic School Bus Series | 480L-660L           | IN                  | X                         |
| Paul Revere's Ride                                           | Corey, Shana                |                         |                     | IN                  | X                         |
| (The) Courage of Sara Noble                                  | Dagliesh, Alice             |                         |                     | N                   | X                         |
| (The) Bears on Hemlock Mountain                              | Dagliesh, Alice             |                         | 490L                | N                   | X                         |
| (The) Thanksgiving Story                                     | Dagliesh, Alice             |                         | 610L                | IN                  | X                         |
| Louis Braille: The Boy Who Invented Books for the Blind      | Davidson, Margaret          |                         | 510L                | I                   | X                         |
| (The) Bite of the Gold Bug: A Story of the Alaskan Gold Rush | DeClements, Barthe          |                         | 600L                | IN                  | X                         |
| Meet Christopher Columbus                                    | DeKay, James T.             |                         |                     | I                   | X                         |
| Ruby Bridges                                                 | Donaldson, Madeline         |                         | 680L                | I                   |                           |
| George Washington's Mother                                   | Fritz, Jean                 |                         | 250L                | IN                  | X                         |
| My Father's Dragon                                           | Gannett, Ruth S.            |                         | 1040L               | N                   | X                         |

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| Stone Fox                                                 | Gardiner, John Reynold                   |                                                     | 550L         | N            | X                  |
| B is for Betsy                                            | Haywood, Carolyn                         |                                                     | 660L         | N            |                    |
| Meet George Washington                                    | Heilbroner, Joan                         |                                                     | 370L         | IN           |                    |
| Bunnicula: A Rabbit Tale of Mystery                       | Howe, Deborah and James                  |                                                     | 700L         | N            | X                  |
| Johnny Appleseed                                          | Kellogg, Steven                          |                                                     | 920L         | IN           | X                  |
| Paul Bunyan                                               | Kellogg, Steven                          |                                                     | AD840L       | IN           |                    |
| Mrs. Piggle Wiggle                                        | MacDonald, Betty Bard                    |                                                     | 1070L        | N            | X                  |
| Sarah, Plain and Tall                                     | MacLachlan, Patricia                     |                                                     | 560L         | N            | X                  |
| (The) Hundred Penny Box                                   | Mathis, Sharon Bell                      |                                                     | 700L         | N            | X                  |
| Mirette on the High Wire                                  | McCully, Emily Arnold                    |                                                     | 580L         | N            | X                  |
| (The) Drinking Gourd: A Story of the Underground Railroad | Monjo, F. N.                             |                                                     | 370L         | IN           | X                  |
| *Magic School Bus Chapter Book Series*                    | Moore, Eva                               | Magic School Bus Chapter Book Series                | 510L-660L    | IN           | X                  |
| *Magic Tree House-Chapter Book Series*                    | Osborne, Mary Pope                       | Magic Tree House-Chapter Book Series                | 310L-590L    | IN           | X                  |
| *Magic Tree House-Research Guide/Fact Tracker Series*     | Osborne, Mary Pope & Boyce, Natalie Pope | Magic Tree House Research Guide/Fact Tracker Series | 680L-750L    | I            | X                  |
| Amelia Bedelia                                            | Parish, Peggy                            |                                                     | 340L         | N            | X                  |
| Cinderella                                                | Perrault, Charles                        |                                                     | AD590L       | N            |                    |

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| (The) Littles                       | Peterson, John                        |                                      | 460L                | N                   | X                         |
| (A) Grain of Rice                   | Pittman, Helena Clare                 |                                      | 780L                | N                   |                           |
| (The) Keeping Quilt                 | Polacco, Patricia                     |                                      | 920L                | IN                  | X                         |
| *Jigsaw Jones Mysteries*            | Preller, James                        | Jigsaw Jones Mysteries               | 260L-480L           | N                   | X                         |
| (The) Glorious Flight               | Provenson, Alice and Provenson, Marin |                                      | 460L                | I                   | X                         |
| *Famous Children Series*            | Rachlin, Ann                          | Famous Children Series               | 530L-660L           | I                   |                           |
| Sacajawea, Guide to Lewis and Clark | Rowland, Della                        |                                      | 860L                | I                   | X                         |
| Meet Benjamin Franklin              | Scarf, Maggi                          |                                      | 340L                | I                   | X                         |
| (The) Houdini Box                   | Selznick, Brian                       |                                      | 840L                | N                   | X                         |
| *Nate the Great Series*             | Sharmat, Marjorie Weinman             | Nate the Great Series                | 340L-550L           | N                   | X                         |
| Helen Keller                        | Sullivan, George                      | In Their Own Words                   | 730L                | I                   |                           |
| Lewis and Clark                     | Sullivan, George                      |                                      | 710L                | I                   | X                         |
| *(The) Boxcar Children # 1-16*      | Warner, Gertrude Chandler             | Boxcar Children Series Books #1 - 16 | 440L-630L           | N                   | X                         |
| (The) Emperor and the Kite          | Yolen, Jane                           |                                      | 660L                | N                   | X                         |

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| <b>(The) Bears on Hemlock Mountain</b> | <b>Dagliesh, Alice</b>        |  | <b>490L</b>   | <b>N</b>  |
| <b>Cinderella</b>                      | <b>Perrault, Charles</b>      |  | <b>AD590L</b> | <b>N</b>  |
| <b>Thunder Cake</b>                    | <b>Polacco, Patricia</b>      |  | <b>630L</b>   | <b>IN</b> |
| <b>Stone Fox</b>                       | <b>Gardiner, John Reynold</b> |  | <b>550L</b>   | <b>N</b>  |
| <b>Ben and Me</b>                      | <b>Lawson, Robert</b>         |  | <b>1010L</b>  | <b>N</b>  |