

# BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FOURTH GRADE STUDENTS AT ALPENGLOW SCHOOL

*\*Don't miss these titles - challenging but worth it!*

**A. The following books are easier reading than those in section B. however, if your child hasn't read them, don't pass them by. They are special and are still enjoyable to children this age.**

Anderson, C.W.	<b>Billie and Blaze</b> books
Barkham, Jill	<b>Autumn Story</b> and others
Buff, Mary and Conrad	<b>Dash and Dart</b>
	<b>Elf Owl</b>
	<b>Dancing Cloud</b>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<b>The Sword in the Tree</b>
	<b>Viking Adventure</b>
Clark, Ann Nolan	<b>In My Mother's House</b> A special book written for the author's 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade class in the tiny Tewa Indian village in Tesque, NM—told in their style, about their world.
Dolch, Edward & Marguerite	Any of their readers. All excellent and all out of print. We have many in the library and I would happily buy any you find.
Lattimore, Elinor F.	<b>Deborah's White Winter</b>
	<b>Little Pear</b> books
Lindgren, Astrid	<b>Emil's Pranks</b> and others
Rylant, Cynthia	<b>The Blue Hill Meadows</b>
	<b>The Cobble Street Cousins</b> series
	<b>The Lighthouse Family</b> series
	<b>Thimbleberry Stories</b>

**B. These are a little more challenging.**

Atwater, Richard	<b>Mr. Popper's Penguins</b>
Avi	<b>Poppy</b> and series
Baum, L. Frank	<b>The Wonderful Wizard of Oz</b> and series
Bond, Michael	<b>Paddington Bear</b> and series
Brooks, Walter R.	* <b>Freddy the Pig</b> and series
Carlson, Natalie	<b>The Happy Orphelines</b> and series
Cleary, Beverly	<b>Ellen Tebbits</b>
	<b>Emily's Runaway Imagination</b>
	<b>Mouse and the Motorcycle</b> and sequels
D'Aulaire, Edgar & Ingri	* <b>Abraham Lincoln</b>
	* <b>Benjamin Franklin</b>

D'Aulaire cont.

Estes, Eleanor

Gardiner, John Reynolds

Howe, James

Jones, Terry

King-Smith, Dick

Larrison, Carl (631 LAR)  
(795.88 LAR)

Lawrence, Mildred

Lawson, Robert

Lewis, C.S.

Lofting, Hugh

Lovelace, Maud Hart

McDonald, Betty

McLachlan, Patricia

Mowat, Farley

Potter, Beatrix

**Columbus**

**George Washington**

**Pocohontas**

\***Hundred Dresses**

\***Ginger Pye** and sequels

**Stone Fox**

**Bunnica** and series

**Nicobobinus**

**Ace, the very important pig** and others

**A Farm**

**A Home**

**Peachtree Island**

\***Rabbit Hill**

\***The Chronicles of Narnia**

Seven books, in the order they were written.

**The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe**

**Prince Caspian**

**The Voyage of the Dawn Treader**

**The Silver Chair**

**The Horse and His Boy**

**The Magician's Nephew**

**The Last Battle**

The sets currently for sale are in chronological order and begin with **The Magician's Nephew**. This book has parts that are frightening for some children. If you think your child would be scared, have them read them in the original order: the total context leaves them better able to deal with it—or wait a year.

\***Doctor Doolittle** and sequel

**Betsy-Tacy**

**Betsy, Tacy and Tib**

**Betsy and Tacy Go Over the Big Hill**

**Betsy and Tacy Go Downtown**

These are classics about girls and friendship. There are more, but are for older children as Betsy and her friends grow up.

\***Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle** and sequels

Ingenuous and funny "cures" for troublesome behavior.

\***Sarah, Plain and Tall** and sequels

\***Owls in the Family**

\***The Tale of Peter Rabbit** and others

These are NOT easy to read. Hopefully you've read them aloud to your child. Many children then love to read them themselves.

Rylant, Cynthia  
Selden, George  
Steig, William

Travers, P.L.  
White, E.B.

Wilder, Laura Ingalls  
Williams, Margery  
Winthrop, Elizabeth

various authors

**Gooseberry Park**

\***Cricket in Times Square** and series

\***Abel's Island**

**Dominic**

\***Mary Poppins** and sequels

\***Charlotte's Web**

\***Stuart Little**

\***Trumpet of the Swan**

\***Little House in the Big Woods** and series

**The Velveteen Rabbit**

**The Castle in the Attic**

**The Battle for the Castle**

\***The Childhood of Famous Americans** series

Like the Dolch readers, these books never seem to go out of date. They have been read eagerly by class after class.