

## Rising First Grade

### Suggested Summer Reading

Bestselling author Brandon Mull has been quoted as saying, "While growing up, some of my most memorable experiences during those long summer breaks happened inside the pages of a book." What better way to pass the time than peeling open the cover, smelling the print as it wafts off the page, putting your nose right up to the illustration, and not coming up for air until you have made it to the very last page! We know we plan to escape with a good book in our hands and maybe our toes in the sand this summer. To help you with your child's reading escape, we have put together a suggested reading list. The books are divided into genres and contain some of our favorite reads! There are books for your child to read independently, books for you to read together, and books for you to read to your child. The list is by no means complete or exhaustive of ALL the good books out there, but rather a guide to help you both get started! Feel free to choose other books. The goal is to read! While we are not requiring a set number of books or certain types of books to be read over the summer, we do encourage you to make reading a DAILY, fun part of your child's summer experience. We can't wait to see you in August!

Happy summer and happy reading,  
Mrs. Smith and Ms. Russell





<p><b>How to Books:</b></p> <p>How to Teach a Slug to Read How to Find a Fox If Your Monster Won't Go to Bed Caring for Your Lion How to Wash a Woolley Mammoth How to Read a Story When Grandma Gives You Lemon Tree</p>	<p><b>Alliteration:</b></p> <p>Some Smug Slug The Great Fuzz Frenzy Double Trouble in Walla Walla Princess Prunella and the Purple Peanut Many Marvelous Monsters The Worrywarts Four Famished Foxes and Fosdyke Betty Burgled Bakery</p>	<p><b>Wordless Picture Books:</b></p> <p>The Chicken Thief Roosters Revenge Pancakes for Breakfast The Lion and the Mouse A Ball for Daisy Beaver is Lost Wave Sidewalk Flowers Flotsam Winter in the Snow</p>	<p><b>Rhyming:</b></p> <p>Giraffes Can't Dance E I E I O How Old McDonald Got His Farm A Moose that Says Moooooo The Gruffalo The Fleas Sneeze Frog on a Log High Five Which Way to Witch School Billy Bloo is Stuck in Glue The Rooster Crows</p>
<p><b>Pets</b></p> <p>Bark George Wolf Camp Paul Meets Bernadette Madeline Finn and the Shelter Dog The Perfect Pet Alfie the Disappearing Turtle Truman They All Saw a Cat Mrs. Hazeltine's Home for Shy and Fearful Kittens Stripes the Tiger Children Make Terrible Pets Charlotte and the Rock The Summer Nick Taught his Cat to Read Bob Not Bob Sparky! Picture Book by Dog Melissa Octopus and Other Unsuitable Pets Can I be Your Dog? I want a Dog My Dog's a Chicken</p>	<p><b>Spring:</b></p> <p>It's Springtime Mr. Squirrel Rose's Garden Mrs. Spitzer's Garden A Perfect Day for Digging Too Many Carrots When Spring Comes</p> <p><b>Winter:</b></p> <p>Waiting for Winter Shelter The Tea Party in the Woods Winter Dance Willow's Snow Day Dance Claudia and Mofi Owl Moon Is That You Winter? The Snowy Day The Snow Dancer Fox verses Winter (Tabor)</p>	<p><b>Dinosaurs:</b></p> <p>Dinosaur Farm Brontorina Dad and the Dinosaur The Dinosaur Expert In the Past How Do Dinosaurs Series Hattie and Hutson</p> <p><b>Fairytales:</b></p> <p>Cinderella Prince Anders The Three Silly Billies Little Red Riding Hood Look Out Jack the Giant is Back Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion Goldilocks and just the One Bear Rapunzel Falling for Rapunzel Stone Soup (Jon Muth)</p>	<p><b>Weather:</b></p> <p>The Big Umbrella The Storm Book Clouette Come on Rain Thunder Cake The Rain Came Down Pignic May I Come In? On a Magical Do-Nothing Day Feel the Wind</p>
<p><b>Families:</b></p> <p>Grandpa Green Make Way for Ducklings Thank you, Omu The Relatives Came Listen Buddy Excellent Ed One Family Gaston Mrs. Biddlebox</p>	<p><b>Holidays:</b></p> <p>Room on a Broom Turkey Trouble Uncles and Antlers The Little Reindeer Auntie Clauso Turkey Clause Mr. Willowby's Christmas Tree Little Red Ruthie Dusk Love from Giraffes Can't Dance</p>	<p><b>Monsters:</b></p> <p>There's a Nightmare in my Closet Leonardo the Terrible Monster Most Loved Monster I Need my Monster Even Monsters Need Haircuts Where the Wild Things Are Quit Calling Me A Monster Smarter Than a Monster Grumpy Monster</p>	<p><b>Nature:</b></p> <p>Our Tree Named Steve The Curious Garden Miss Rumphius The Wump World The Tin Forest Fishing in the Air Butterfly Park The Tiny Seed</p>
		<p><b>Friendship:</b></p> <p>Gordon and Tapir The Bear and the Piano Strictly No Elephants Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge Boobywaa and Woolam Recess Queen When Charley Met Emma Sweetie Bear Came Along The Rabbit Listened Anna Del Ray is Moving Away In a Jar Love, Violet</p>	



<p><b>Ocean:</b></p> <p>A House for Hermit Crab The Pout Pout Fish Peanut butter and Jellyfish Smiley Shark The Rainbow Fish Clumsy Crab Commotion in the Ocean Mister Seahorse Misunderstood Shark Clark and Shark</p> <hr/> <p><b>Space:</b></p> <p>A Moon of My Own Zelda's Big Adventure Papa, please get the moon for me Hey Ho, to Mars We'll Go! Mouse on a Train There's No Place Like Space Roaring Rockets Astronaut Handbook How to Catch a Star</p> <hr/> <p><b>Math Concepts:</b></p> <p>The Doorbell Rang Sheep Won't Sleep Pigeon Math One Fox: A Counting Book Thriller Seeing Symmetry Equal Schmequal Counting on Frank</p> <hr/> <p><b>ABC (alphabet books):</b></p> <p>What Pete ate A-Z A Was Once an Apple Pie Q is for Quack Old Black Fly Click Clack Quackity Quack A Busy Creature's Day Eating ABC I Like Me Ellsworth's Extraordinary Electric Ears Chicka Chicka Boom Boom Tomorrow's Alphabet</p>	<p><b>Sports:</b></p> <p>On the Ball The Goalkeeper Goof I Got It! Don't Throw it to Me Allies Basketball Dream Max and Marla Olympic</p> <hr/> <p><b>Non-Fiction:</b></p> <p>Giggle and Learn Books Gail Gibbons Series Exploring the Elements Series Cat in the Hat Learning Library Series Whoosh!</p> <p>The Crayon Man Thirsty, Thirsty Elephants I Hear the Picnic Hidden Figures Who Would Win?</p>	<p><b>Caldecott Medals:</b></p> <p>The Last Stop on Market Street Sam Bangs and Moonshine One Cool Friend Sleep Like a Tiger All the World What Do You Do with a Tail Like This? Tops and Bottoms Officer Buckle and Gloria This is Not My Hat Zen Shorts Hot Dog Hello Lighthouse Finding Winnie</p>	<p><b>South Carolina Book Awards:</b></p> <p>This Way, Charlie Facts vs Opinion vs Robots Your Place in the Universe Swish! The Slam Dunking, Alley-Ooping, High-Flying Harlem Globetrotters The Camping Trip Watercriss Nobody Hugs a Cactus The Paper Kingdom If I Built a School Knight Owl</p>
	<p><b>Poetry:</b></p> <p>Forest Has a Song A Light in the Attic One Minute Till Bedtime I'm Just No Good at Rhyming Today at the Bluebird Cafe Runny Rabbit Returns</p> <hr/> <p><b>Onomatopoeia:</b></p> <p>Slop Goes the Soup Tiny Little Fly Listen, Listen Hush!</p> <p>The Emperor Lays an Egg The Rain Stomper Blueberries for Sal One Duck Stuck</p>	<p><b>Diversity:</b></p> <p>Chrysanthemum The Sandwich Swap Stand Tall Molly Lou Mellon We're All Wonders Hooray for Wodney Wat The Name Jar Milo Imagines the World Alma and How She Got Her Name Freedom Soup Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed Bedtime Bonnet Eyes that Kiss in the Corners Nigel and the Moon Gibberish Alma and How She Got Her Name</p>	<p><b>Series:</b></p> <p>Charlie and Mouse The Confetti Kids Mo Jackson Mercy Watson The Princess in Black Cam Jenson Fly Guy A-Z Mysteries J ack Books Detective Gordon Adventures of Otto Pig and Wig Penguin Young Readers The Very Fluffy Kitty Papillon Memoirs of a (hamster, tortoise, goldfish, etc.) Fox and Chick Sydney and Taylor Crabby (Fenske) King and Kayla Fox (Tabon Series)</p>



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## Sight Word Fun!

Attached is a list of high frequency words. Please continue to practice reading and writing these words over the summertime. Here are some suggestions to make it fun!

- Rainbow write!
- Make a scavenger hunt around your house!
- Unscramble letters
- Make a Bingo board with sight words. Play Bingo!
- Write sight words with a white crayon on a piece of white paper. Water paint over them to reveal the word!
- Pick one day to go over all of the words flashcard style. Pick the words that were missed and use them for the rest of the week to review.
- Play Sight Word War—each player turns over a sight word, and whoever reads the sight word first, wins both cards.
- Make an extra set of cards and play Go Fish.
- Make a Tic Tac Toe board with sight words. Play Tic Tac Toe.

## Sight Word Practice

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us

big

mom

purple

had

down

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look

yes

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brown

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yellow

make

## Sight Word Practice

his

green

how

to

she

him

here

this

out

do

we

my

gray

be

when

three

orange

and

can

dad

does

our

goes

very

nine

from

then

of

go

see

four

have

if

now

will

has

## Sight Word Practice

am	got	they	red
was	black	one	good
help	put	were	seven
not	these	that	pink
with	no	those	me
for	some	eight	play
two	so	find	away
he	saw	gone	by
white	is	on	the





## Summer Learning Challenge for Rising First Graders

Dear Friends,

Summer break is here! Can you believe it? You are on your way to first grade! Guess what! We have a summer learning challenge especially for you! The challenge contains one activity for you to do each day of your summer break. See how many you can do, but remember to play, have family time, and read, read, read! Some activities you will need a partner for, and some you will do by yourself. The goal is to have fun and keep learning. We can't wait to see you at Charleston Day School in August!

With great excitement,

Mrs. Smith and Ms. Russell!



# June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Draw a triangle. Make it into something else. Draw a circle. Make it into something else. Label your creation.	Grab a sock and put it on your hand to make a sock puppet. Let your sock puppet read a book to you about pets. What rhymes with pet? What rhymes with dog? What rhymes with cat?	Go outside and draw a BIG number line from 0-25 with sidewalk chalk. Count by 5's and circle those numbers. Start at 0 and hop to the numbers you circled.	Play "I Spy" but you can only use POSITIONAL words to describe what you see. (under, besides, above, next to, left, right, between, around) Example: I spy with my little eye something that is under "..."	Read a picture book in the bathtub. When you're finished, look around the bathroom and see how many things are made up of two syllables. example: bathtub, window, towel
Write some number sentences with 2 parts that equal 10. Now write some with 3 parts. $\underline{\quad\quad} + \underline{\quad\quad} = 10$ $\underline{\quad\quad} + \underline{\quad\quad} + \underline{\quad\quad} = 10$	Count the number of windows in your house. Use tally marks as you count in each room. Is your total number odd or even number? Write odd numbers 0-20 Write even numbers 0-20	Read a picture book wearing sunglasses. Write down the name of the author and illustrator. Circle the capital letters in the names.	Go outside and read a poem. Write 5 words that follow the floss rule. example: spill	Count the number of chairs in your house. Which room has the most chairs? Which room has the fewest chairs? Write a greater than math sentence to show your answer. example: $5 > 2$
Grab some coins. Make an AB pattern and ABC pattern. Draw your patterns and label the pattern rule.	Write the months of the year. Circle the months that have holidays. Tell someone the holidays.) Underline the capital letters.	Read a picture book. Count the number of words in the title and count the number of pages in the book.	Draw a picture of a friend. Label your picture. Use at least three colors and details.	You will need another person to play this. Grab a penny, nickel, and a dime. First, place them in an order of your choice. Then, show the other player. Then, mix them up. Finally, have the other person put them back in their original order. Add more coins and keep playing. Switch roles
Write all the color words in a crayon with the right color. Read them to yourself in the mirror.	Write twelve compound words. Pinch your nose and read them out loud.	Make a list of 25 words or more that begin with the same letter as your first name.	Put these words in ABC order: waves, beach, sun, pool, hat, towel, watermelon	Write a story about a trip to the beach. Make sure it has a beginning, middle, and end. Rainbow write: put saw goes are who down our now these does with done



# July

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Close your eyes, stand on one foot and count by 2's. How far did you get? Try the other foot. Did you get as far? Try it again by 5s and 10s.	Holiday Have Fun	Spread out a beach towel to sit on and read your favorite poem. Write 5 words that follow the vce spelling pattern (line, bake)	Make a list of 25 words or more that begin with the same letter as your last name.	Draw a picture of what you PREDICT the weather will be tomorrow. Make a list of the type of clothes you should wear in this weather.
Read a picture book and write 5 words that are closed syllables.  example: mom	Use the < or > sign to show which number is greater  10__12   13__17   11__10  19__16   15__14   18__20	Create a schedule for your day. Write what time you will start and end each activity.	Write the letters in the alphabet. Write a word that begins with the same letter underneath.  Aa Apple	How many addition sentences can you write that equal 15? Write them 2 ways (horizontally/vertically).  $10 + 5 = 15$  $\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ + 5 \\ \hline 15 \end{array}$
Read a picture book. How many sight words are on the first page? How many sight words are on the last page?	Make a fort and read a picture book. Tell what happened in the beginning, middle, and end of the story.	Label the vowels and consonants in these words: Napkin, hiccup, muffin. Divide the words using the rabbit rule.	What is 10 more than: 6, 13, 68, 41,  What is 10 less than: 29, 85, 97, 12	Write the names of your family members. How many letters are in each person's name? Draw a ten frame to show each number.
What is the shortcut way to write the date? If today is Tuesday, what was yesterday? What will tomorrow be? Circle the r control vowel in the word Thursday. Write 5 words that each have an r-controlled vowel.	You need someone else to play this game and some mixed coins. Count the amount. Who has more money? Put the coins back and each grab 2 coins. Who has the least? Keep playing with different numbers of coins.	Work a puzzle by yourself. Break it apart when you are finished and flip over the pieces. See if you can put it back together by just looking at the shapes.	Write down the title of books you read this week! Draw a smiley face next to the ones you liked and a frown next to the ones you didn't like.	Find some opposites in your house. Walk around and spot them. Make a list of ten that you found.  Example: heavy/light hard/soft loud/quiet
Rainbow write these sight words:  who, goes, there, very, does, what, many, gone, came, down, put, she				



# August

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>On a piece of paper draw a ten rod and ones to represent these numbers.</p> <p>16 23 12 18</p> <p>10 35 20 13</p>	<p>Unscramble the Sight Words:</p> <p>labkc ihwte hwen nwod elub dasi mrof kema neth esmo uplrep hsote</p>	<p>Write a fairytale about a cat and dog who are best friends. Use illustrations to tell more about your story.</p> <p>example: "Once upon a time..."</p>	<p>Estimate how many doors you think you have in your house. Use tally marks to count how many. Was your guess reasonable?</p>	<p>Write each group of numbers in order from least to greatest:</p> <p>41, 23, 77, 10      38, 52, 14, 60</p> <p>54, 92, 42, 73      16, 86, 99, 26</p> <p>25, 18, 36, 55      63, 21, 82, 44</p>
<p>On a piece of paper draw a ten rod and ones to represent these numbers.</p> <p>16 23 12 18</p> <p>10 35 20 13</p>	<p>Put these words in ABC order: red, orange, blue, yellow, green, purple, aqua, white. Now draw a rainbow and label it.</p>	<p>Play a board game with your family. Ask each person their age. The oldest person goes first.</p> <p>Draw a clock that shows 3:00 7:00 10:00</p>	<p>Write these words on a piece of paper: cap, not, hid, fin, cub, rob, dim, rat, hop, kit, tap, mat</p> <p>Now write those same words, but add an -e to the end of each word. Read the old word and the new word to someone.</p>	<p>Write down all of the doubles math sentences up to 10+10. Now write doubles +1</p> <p>Example: If 3+3=6, then 3+4=7 If 2+2=4, then 2+3=5</p>
<p>Go to bed early! Get ready for first grade! 😊</p>	<p>Go to bed early! Get ready for first grade! 😊</p>			

## Glossary/Key Phrases

### Compound Word

Two little words that come together to make a big NEW word



### FLOSS Rule

Word List:

When /f/ /t/ /h/ (or /z/) is heard after a short vowel at the end of a one-syllable word, it is spelled with a double f, t, s, or z.



### Rabbit Rule

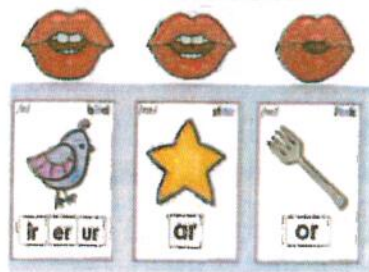
Whenever you have two or more consonants stuck between two vowels you want to divide them up so that each vowel has its own consonant.



rabbit

muffin	kitten
puppet	button

### R-Controlled



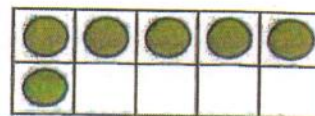
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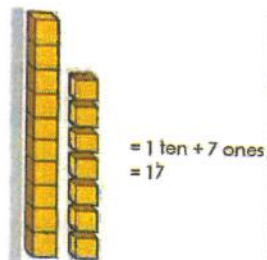
Write the word in pencil, then trace the word using 3 different colors.

### Ten Frame

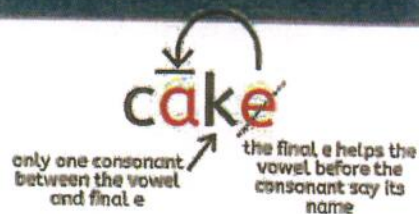
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### Tens Rod and Ones



### vce SYLLABLE



The Magic e jumps over the consonant and helps the vowel say its name.