

**Transitional**  
(Increasing in difficulty)

**\*Highly recommended**

- Arthur Jumps into Fall -- Marc Brown  
Boss for a Day (and others of the Barker Twins series) -- Tomie DePaola  
"Charlie Needs a Cloak" -- Tomie DePaola  
A Color of His Own -- Lio Lionni  
David's Drawings -- Cathryn Falwell  
The Doorbell Rang -- Pat Hutchins  
A Friend for Dragon -- Dav Pilkey  
Hattie and the Fox -- Mem Fox  
Henry and Mudge and the Funny Lunch -- Cynthia Rylant  
Hi! Fly Guy -- Tedd Arnold  
Leo the Late Bloomer -- Robert Kraus  
The Magic Hat -- Mem Fox  
The Mole Sisters and the Moonlit Night (and others of the Mole Sisters series) -- Roslyn Schwartz
- The Doorbell Rang -- Pat Hutchins  
Fox and His Friends -- Edward Marshall  
**\*Henry and Mudge: The First Book of Their Adventures (and others of the Henry and Mudge series) -- Cynthia Rylant**  
The Magic Fish -- Freya Littledale  
Mouse Soup -- Arnold Lobel  
Mr. Putter & Tabby Bake the Cake (and others of the Mr. Putter & Tabby series) -- Cynthia Rylant  
Seasons of the Year -- Margaret Hall  
Someone Used My Toothbrush: and other Bathroom Poems -- Carol Diggory Shields  
Stone Soup -- Ann McGovern  
**\*Young Cam Jansen and the Baseball Mystery (and others of the Young Cam Jansen series) -- David Adler**
- Bread and Jam for Frances (and others of the Frances series) -- Russell Hoban  
Caps for Sale -- Esphyr Slobodkina  
**\*The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash -- Trinka Hakes Noble**  
**\*Frog and Toad Together (and others of the Frog and Toad series) -- Arnold Lobel**  
How Big Is a Foot? -- Rolf Myller  
Mercy Watson to the Rescue (and others of the Mercy Watson series) -- Kate DiCamillo  
The Moon -- Martha E. H. Rustad  
**\*Nate the Great and the Missing Key (and others of the Nate the Great series) -- Marjorie Weinman Sharmat**  
One Hundred Hungry Ants -- Elinor J. Pinczes  
Strega Nona: Her Story -- Tomie DePaola
- \*Amelia Bedelia (and others of the Amelia Bedelia series) -- Peggy Parish**  
Big Al -- Andrew Elborn  
Dear Mr. Blueberry -- Simon James  
**\*George and Martha Encore (and others of the George and Martha series) -- James Marshall**  
The Golden Goose -- Dick King-Smith  
**\*Gregory, the Terrible Eater -- Mitchell Sharmat**

Horrible Harry and the Ant Invasion (and others of the Horrible Harry series) -- Suzy Kline

Hungry, Hungry Sharks -- Joanna Cole

**\*Miss Nelson is Missing! (and others of the Miss Nelson series) -- Harry Allard**

The Perfect Pumpkin Pie -- Denys Cazet

The Tale of Peter Rabbit -- Beatrix Potter

Tales of Oliver Pig (and others of the Amanda and Oliver Pig series) -- Jean Van Leeuwen

Tales from the Waterhole -- Bob Graham

**\*Upstairs Mouse, Downstairs Mole -- Wong Herbert Yee**

Wemberly Worried -- Kevin Henkes

**\*What a Trip, Amber Brown -- Paula Danzinger**

**\*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day -- Judith Viorst**

Boundless Grace -- Mary Hoffman

Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs -- Judi Barrett

Clues in the Woods -- Peggy Parish

**\*Dinosaurs before Dark (and others of the Magic Tree House series) -- Mary Pope Osborne**

**\*Elmer and the Dragon -- Ruth Stiles Gannett**

**\*Freckle Juice -- Judy Blume**

The Gardener -- Sarah Stewart

The Holly Joliday -- Megan McDonald

Ivy + Bean (and others of the Ivy + Bean series) -- Annie Barrows

**\*Junie B. Jones and the Stupid Smelly Bus (and others of the Junie B. Jones series) -- Barbara Park**

Kate Shelley and the Midnight Express -- Margaret Wetterer

**\*The Littles (and others of the Littles series) -- John Lawrence Peterson**

Miss Rumphius -- Barbara Cooney

**\*The One in the Middle is the Green Kangaroo -- Judy Blume**

The Paperboy -- Dav Pilkey

Snaggle Doodles (and others of the Kids of the Polk Street School series) -- Patricia Reilly Giff

**\*Stink: The Incredible Shrinking Kid (and others of the Stink Moody series) -- Megan McDonald**

Vampires Don't Wear Polka Dots (and others of the Adventures of the Bailey School Kids series) --  
Debbie Dadey