

## 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading List

### School Stories

- *4B Goes Wild* by Jamie Gilson
- *Harriet, the Spy* by Louise Fitzhugh
- *My Teacher Fried My Brains* by Bruce Coville
- *Ramona and Her Father* by Beverley Cleary
- *Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar

### Mystery and Adventure Stories

- *The Castle in the Attic* by Elizabeth Winthrop (Challenging independent read)
- *Culpepper's Cannon* by Gary Paulsen
- *Encyclopedia Brown Gets His Man* by Donald J. Sobol
- *Julian, Secret Agent* by Ann Cameron

### Sports Stories

- *Baseball Fever* by Johanna Hurwitz
- *Benjy the Football Hero* by Jean Van Leeuwen
- *Bobby Baseball* by Robert Kimmel Smith
- *Dog on Third Base* by Constance Hiser
- *Gold Medal Rider* by Bonnie Bryant
- *Tall Man in the Pivot* by Matt Christopher (There are

many other sports stories by this author.)

### Historical Fiction

- *The Courage of Sarah Noble* by Alice Dalgleish

- *The Hundred Dresses* by Eleanor Estes
- *The Hundred Penny Box* by Sharon Bell Mathis
- *Little House in the Big Woods* by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- *The Well* by Mildred D. Taylor (Challenging independent read)

### Fantasy and Science Fiction

- *Aliens Ate My Homework* by Bruce Coville
- *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis

(Challenging independent read)

### Series Books

- The Babysitter's Club by Ann M. Martin
- Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner
- Cam Jansen by David A. Adler
- Goosebumps by R. L. Stine
- The Hardy Boys by Franklin W. Dixon
- Harry Potter by J. K. Rowling
- Marvin Redpost series Louis Sachar
- Nancy Drew Mysteries by Carolyn Keene
- A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket
- *The Stories that Julian Tells* by Ann Cameron

### Great Reads

- *From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler* by E. L. Konigsberg
- *Granny Torrelli Makes Soup* by Sharon Creech
- *Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen
- *Holes* by Louis Sachar
- *Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli
- *Mick Harte Was Here* by Barbara Park
- *Wringer* by Jerry Spinelli

## **Mystery and Adventure**

- *Island of the Blue Dolphins* by Scott O'Dell
- *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle* by Avi (Challeng-

ing independent read)

## **Newbery Medal and Honor Books**

- *Afternoon of the Elves* by Janet Taylor Lisle
- *Catherine, Called Birdy* by Karen Cushman
- *Dragon's Gate* by Laurence Yep (Challenging independent read)
- *The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm* by Nancy Farmer
- *Homesick, My Own Story* by Jean Fritz
- *Missing May* by Cynthia Rylant
- *The Watsons Go to Birmingham* by Christopher Paul Curtis

## **Historical Fiction**

- *Black Stallion* by Walter Farley (Challenging independent read)
- *Bull Run* by Paul Fleischman
- *Code Talker: A Novel About the Navajo Marines of World War Two* by Joseph Bruchac
- *Sarah Bishop* by Scott O'Dell

## **Fantasy and Science Fiction**

- *The BFG* by Roald Dahl
- *Harry Potter* by J. K. Rowling
- *The High King* by Lloyd Alexander

(Very challenging independent read)

- *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C. S. Lewis
- *Lizard Music* by Daniel Pinkwater
- *Redwall* by Brian Jacques (Challenging independent read)
- *A Swiftly Tilting Planet* by Madeleine L'Engle

## **Humorous Stories**

- *Freaky Friday* by Mary Rodgers
- *Matilda* by Roald Dahl
- *Skinnybones* by Barbara Park