

Harry C. Sharp Elementary School

Summer Reading List

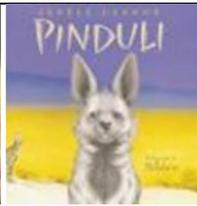
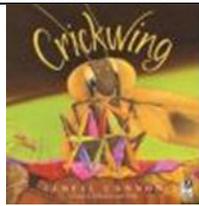
Before Entering Second Grade

Parent Read Aloud Books



Brett: *Town Mouse, Country Mouse* c1994, 2003 *fable*

After trading houses, the country mice and the town mice discover there's no place like home.



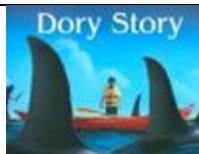
Cannon: *Crickwing, Pinduli, Stellaluna, Verdi*, *insects, fiction*

Picture books about unappreciated and fascinating creatures



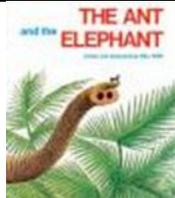
Orloff: *I Wanna Iguana* c2004 *letters, fiction*

Alex and his mother write notes back and forth in which Alex tries to persuade her to let him have a baby iguana for a pet.



Pallotta: *Dory Story* c2000 *sea story, fiction*

Danny's ocean adventures are completely enchanting, even if they take place in the bathtub



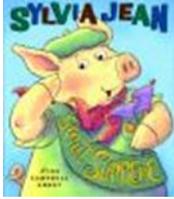
Peet: *The Ant and the Elephant* c1972 *animals, fiction*

Of all the animals the elephant rescues, only the tiny ant returns the favor.

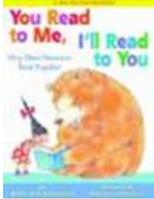


Polacco: *Aunt Chip and the Triple Creek Dam Affair* c1996 *TV, reading, fiction*

Since the invasion of television, no one can remember how to read.



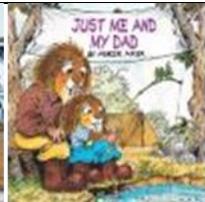
Ernst: *Sylvia Jean, Scout Supreme* c2010 *fantasy animals, humor*
Sylvia Jean disguises herself in order to assist a neighbor who does not want her enthusiastic help.



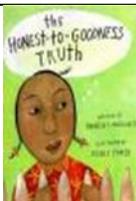
Hoberman: *You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Stories to Read Together* c2001 *stories in rhyme*
This collection of short, rhythmic stories and cheerful art is designed to be read out loud by both child and adult.



Hoffman: *Amazing Grace* c1991 *diversity, fiction*
Although a classmate says that she cannot play Peter Pan in the school play because she is black, Grace discovers that she can do anything she sets her mind to do.



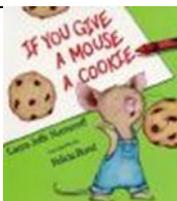
Mayer: *Little Critter stories* *fantasy, animals*
Little Critter is a small creature who is amazingly like a young human boy. His adventures take place with different members of his family who expose him to daily life experiences.



McKissack: *The Honest-to-Goodness Truth* c2000 *character, ethnic diversity*
A young girl promises not to ever lie but then discovers that there are times that one actually should not tell the entire truth.



McNaughton: *Once Upon an Ordinary School Day* c2004 *school story*
Mr. Gee, the new teacher, changes "ordinary" when he challenges all the children to use their imaginations.



Numeroff: *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* and sequels c1985 *cumulative tales*
When a mouse requests a cookie, a cycle of events occurs that brings the reader full circle.



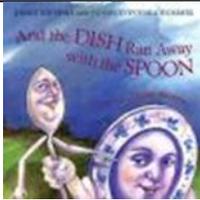
Schachner: *Skippyjon Jones* c2003 humor

This Siamese kitten spends his "time-out" imagining himself as "El-Skippito" who comes to the rescue of some Chihuahuas.



Steig: *Brave Irene* c1986 fiction

Brave Irene, the dressmaker's daughter, ventures out into a fierce snowstorm to deliver the beautiful ball gown her mother has made for the duchess.



Stevens: *And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon* c2001 nursery rhymes

From the Mother Goose nursery rhyme, Dish and Spoon run away. Concerned about the fate of the rhyme, Cat, Cow and Dog set out to find them.



Woodson: *The Other Side* c2001 friendship, ethnic diversity

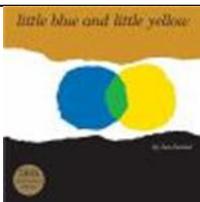
A fence divides a town where two girls - one white and one black - sit and gradually become acquainted.

Independent Reading for Students



Crews: *Below* c2006 fiction

When Jack drops his action figure into a mysterious hole, he has to devise a rescue.



Lionni: *Little Blue and Little Yellow* c1959 friendship, colors

A little blue spot and a little yellow spot are best friends, and when they hug each other they become green.



Lobel: Frog and Toad stories *classics*

Each of the frog and toad stories include several short tales about two very good friends.



Rylant: Henry and Mudge stories *family, dogs, humor*

A young boy named Henry and his dog Mudge share many adventures with Henry's parents and other important people in his life.



Sharmat: Nate the Great series *mystery*

Solve each mystery alongside the most popular sleuth in the business.



Silverman: Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa series *fiction*

Two new wranglers have hit the ranch. Read how the west will never be the same again!
