

## **Cranford Public Schools Summer Reading List First Grade**

Adler, David **Cam Jansen (series)** - Fifth-grade sleuth Cam Jansen uses her photographic memory to solve a series of mysteries.

Adler, David **Picture Biography (series)** - Adler has written a series of easy to read biographies about historical men and women.

Aliki, **Digging Up Dinosaurs** - Briefly introduces various types of dinosaurs whose skeletons and reconstructions are seen in museums and explains how scientists uncover, preserve, and study fossilized dinosaur bones.

Allard, Harry **Miss Nelson is Missing** - The kids in Room 207 take advantage of their teacher's good nature until she disappears and they are faced with a vile substitute.

Berger, Melvin **Germs Make Me Sick** - Explains how bacteria and viruses affect the human body and how the body fights them.

Bonsall, Crosby **The Case of the Double Cross** - Marigold concocts a mystery that finally gets her and her friends into the boys' private eye club.

Bottner, Barbara **Bootsie Barker Bites** - Bootsie Barker only wants to play games in which she bites, until one day her friend comes up with a better game.

Brett, Jan **The Hat** - When Lisa hangs her woolen clothes in the sun to air them out for winter, the hedgehog, to the amusement of the other animals, ends up wearing a stocking on his head.

Brown, Marc **Arthur (series)** - Arthur, the aardvark, and his family tell the stories of what has happened to them. Arthur pet sits, meets the president, has to get glasses, and writes a story with his friends that can be seen in the PBS cartoons.

Caseley, Judith **Dear Annie** - Presents a series of postcards and letters Annie sends to or receives from her loving grandfather from the time she is born.

Cooney, Barbara **Miss Rumphius** - As a child Great-aunt Alice Rumphius resolved that when she grew up she would go to faraway places, live by the sea in her old age, and do something to make the world more beautiful--and she does all those things, the last being the most difficult of all.

Delton, Judy **Pee Wee Scouts (series) - Lucky Dog Days** - It is Help-a-Pet month and the Pee Wee Scouts plan a trip to the animal shelter. Molly comes up with an idea to help the pets and the Pee Wees too.

DePaola, Tomie **The Art Lesson** - Having learned to be creative in drawing pictures at home, young Tommy is dismayed when he goes to school and finds the art lesson there much more regimented.

DePaola **Bill and Pete Go Down The Nile** - Little William Everett Crocodile and his friend Pete take a class trip to a Cairo museum where they encounter a jewel thief.

Freeman, Don **Corduroy** - A teddy bear spends his days waiting in a store for someone to buy him.

Gibbons, Gail **Bats** - Describes different kinds of bats, their physical characteristics, habits and behavior, and efforts to protect them.

Giff, Patricia Reilly **Polk Street Kids (series)** - Follow the daily life of elementary students at the Polk Street School.

Hoffman, Mary **Amazing Grace (series)** - 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.

Jacobs, Francine **Sam the Sea Cow** - Follows the adventures of a manatee, or sea cow, from birth till after he leaves his mother.

Keats, Erza Jack **Apt. 3** - On a rainy day two brothers try to discover who is playing the harmonica they hear in their apartment building.

Lester, Helen **Hooway For Rodney Wat** - All his classmates make fun of Rodney because he can't pronounce his name, but it is Rodney's speech impediment that drives away the class bully.

LeSieg, Theo **I Wish I Had Duck Feet** - A boy imagines what it would be like if he had such things as duck feet, a whale spout, and an elephant's trunk..

Lionni, Leo **Little Yellow, Little Blue** - A little blue spot and a little yellow spot are best friends, and when they hug each other they become green.

Lobel, Arnold **On Market Street** - A child buys presents from A to Z in the shops along Market Street.

Marshall, James **George and Martha (series)** - Relates several episodes in the friendship of two hippopotamuses.

Marshall, James **Fox on the Job** - Fox tries to earn the money for a new bicycle in several different jobs.

Mayer, Mercer **Just Grandma and Me (Just me series)** - A trip to the beach with Grandma provides lots of fun and surprises.

McMilliam, Bruce **Jelly Beans for Sale** - Shows how different combinations of pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters can buy varying amounts of jelly beans. Includes information on how jelly beans are made.

McPhail, David **Lost** - On his way to school, a small boy befriends a very large bear who is lost.

Noble, The Day **Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash** - Jimmy's boa constrictor wreaks havoc on the class trip to a farm.

Pfister, Marcus **Rainbow Fish** - The most beautiful fish in the entire ocean discovers the real value of personal beauty and friendship.

Rathman, Peggy **Officer Buckle and Gloria** - The children at Napville Elementary School always ignore Officer Buckle's safety tips, until a police dog named Gloria accompanies him when he gives his safety speeches.

Rylant, Cynthia **Relatives Came** - The relatives come to visit from Virginia and everyone has a wonderful time.

Seuss, Dr. **Green Eggs and Ham** - Sam-I-am tells of the virtues of green eggs and ham.

Sharmat, Marjorie **Nate the Great (series)** - Nate the Great solves the mystery of the missing picture.

Waber, Bernard **Ira Sleeps Over** - A little boy is excited at the prospect of spending the night at his friend's house but worries how he'll get along without his teddy bear.

Wells, Rosemary **The Bear Went Over the Hill** - A bear goes over the mountain and all he could see was the other side.

Ziefert, Harriet **Harry Gets Ready for School** - In preparation for his first day of school, Harry visits the doctor, dentist, and barber, prepares pencils and a new outfit, and gets a good night's rest.