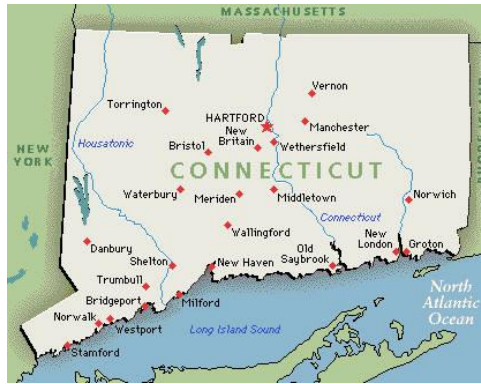


Region 1 Schools Suggested Summer Reading 2010

Students Entering Kindergarten



In honor of our state's 375th Anniversary this year, Governor Rell is encouraging students to read at least one book by a Connecticut author or a book set in Connecticut.

You can find a list of Connecticut authors here: <http://ct.webjunction.org/184/articles/content/434307>

And fiction set in Connecticut here: <http://ct.webjunction.org/510/-/articles/content/1090809>

Favorite Picture Books

- *Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak
- *Growing Vegetable Soup* by Lois Ehlert
- *Oodles of Animals* by Lois Ehlert
- *Scaredy Squirrel* by Melanie Watt
- *The Rainbow Fish* by Marcus Pfister
- *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* by Bill Martin
- *Geraldine's Blanket* by Holly Keller
- *Happy Birthday Moon* by Frank Asch
- *Baby Duck in the Rain* by Amy Hest
- *Planting a Rainbow* by Lois Ehlert
- *How I Became a Pirate* by Melinda Long
- *The Napping House* by Audrey Wood
- *Are You Ready to Play Outside?* by Mo Willems
- *Good Night, Gorilla* by Peggy Rathmann
- *Doctor Meow's Big Emergency* by Sam Lloyd
- *Baby Brains* by Simon James
- *Machines At Work* by Bryon Barton
- *Pigs Make Me Sneeze!* by Mo Willems
- *Higher! Higher!* by Leslie Patricelli
- *The Very Noisy Night* by Diana Hendry and Jane Chapman
- *The Very Busy Spider* by Eric Carle
- *Baby Bear, Baby Bear, What Do You See?* by Bill Martin, Jr.
- *Llama Llama Misses Mama* by Anna Dewdney
- *Froggy Series* by Jonathan London
- *Fancy Nancy* by Jane O'Connor
- *Little Chick* by Amy Hest
- *Kindergarten Rocks!* By Katie Davis

- *My Garden* by Kevin Henkes
- *The Great Fuzz Frenzy* by Janet Stevens
- *The Very Busy Bugs* by Jack Tickle
- *The Very Dizzy Dinosaurs* by Jack Tickle
- *Gingerbread Baby* by Jan Brett
- *Pancakes, Pancakes!* by Eric Carle
- *My Kindergarten* by Rosemary Wells
- *Olivia* by Ian Falconer
- *Caps For Sale* by Esphyr Slobodkina
- *Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse* by Kevin Henkes
- *Sunflower House* by Eve Bunting
- *Time For Bed* by Mem Fox
- *When I Was Five* by Arthur Howard
- *Bubba and Beau* by Kathi Appelt

- *The Carrot Seed* By Ruth Krauss

Authors Not To Miss

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| • Mary Jane Auch | • Ruth Heller | • H.A. Rey |
| • Jan Brett | • Kevin Henkes | • Cynthia Rylant |
| • Marc Brown | • Amy Hest | • Dr. Seuss |
| • Eve Bunting | • Ezra Jack Keats | • David Shannon |
| • Eric Carle | • Leo Lionni | • Marc Simont |
| • Donald Crews | • Arnold Lobel | • William Steig |
| • Doreen Cronin | • Bill Martin, Jr. | • Bernard Waber |
| • Kate Davis | • Emily McCully | • Melanie Watt |
| • Tomie DePaola | • David McPhail | • Rosemary Wells |
| • Lois Ehlert | • Robert Munsch | • Mo Willems |
| • Mem Fox | • Laura Numeroff | • Audrey & Don Wood |

How to Raise Readers

- ☺ Raising good readers takes time, not money.
- ☺ Take advantage of your local library's story hours, books, and summer programs.
- ☺ Find books on topics that interest your children.
- ☺ Don't stop with books. There are wonderful children's magazines available.
- ☺ Give your children plenty of opportunities to read.
- ☺ Establish quiet times and places at home for reading.
- ☺ Teach by example, READ yourself.
- ☺ Even if your children are proficient and eager readers, keep reading to them.
- ☺ Read to your children at a very early age.
- ☺ **Children who read or are read to, succeed!**