

Core Literature Books for Kindergarten and 1st Grade

There are MANY editions of several of the titles listed below. (*The Gingerbread Man* and *The Three Bears* are good examples of this.) You may want to go to <http://www.lexile.com> to look up your book by author and edition in order to ensure the accuracy of the Lexile level.

The titles below may be used for classroom instruction for the FIRST time at the grade level designated in the list. This means that before the designated grade level, the book will not be taught, read aloud, placed on a teacher-generated recommended reading list, seen on a video, or used in a small group, large group, or literature circle setting. If a student chooses a CORE literature for independent reading during Reader's Workshop, the teacher may conference with the student on that book. You do not need to purge CORE titles from lower grade's current classroom libraries.

Kindergarten

<i>Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?</i>	440
<i>Chicka Chicka Boom Boom</i>	530
<i>The Gingerbread Man</i>	450
<i>The Three Bears</i>	470
<i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar</i>	460

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First Grade

<i>Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day</i>	970
<i>Bread and Jam for Frances</i>	490
<i>Frog and Toad</i>	160
<i>The Great Kapok Tree</i>	670
<i>Ira Sleeps Over</i>	310
<i>Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse</i>	540
<i>Swimmy</i>	AD640