



the  
**OUTSIDE**  
of a **DOG**  
**BOOKLIST**

*“Outside of a dog, a book is man’s best friend.  
Inside of a dog, it’s too dark to read.”*

—Groucho Marx

selected by Eli Evans & C. Hollis Crossman

from  
**EXODUS**  
Books

A lot of book lists are simply collections of the titles everyone “must read.” While there are books so good they genuinely belong on such lists, there are plenty more that are only famous because so many people have declared them to be. You’ll find a few of the former kind here, but you’ll also find the Exodus Books staff favorites, held dear in light of our own quirks and preferences.

That doesn’t mean these aren’t good books. We think they’re some of the best, but we also realize that to a large extent “best” is a matter of personal preference. The reason we’ve included so many personal preference titles on these pages is to help expand horizons and show there are plenty of great books that don’t come with the “This is a classic, so you should read it” stigma.

At the same time, our criteria are fairly strict. We like good stories, but we also like depth of meaning, strong characterization, and that extra something every great book has. In a picture book, it could be as simple as uniquely drawn backgrounds; in a novel, it could be an awesome opening line; or it could be an ideal friendship, intelligent humor, or family-friendly warm fuzzies.

So, this isn’t a list designed to prove what great taste we have. It’s intended to share our love of reading with you, and to show that not all good books have to be the kind students and critics dissect at university. The best books are the ones that reach into your brain and heart and fiddle with the strings, pulling you into a different shape and giving you one more perspective on the world you wouldn’t have enjoyed on your own.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Reading List

### Anderson, C. W.

*Billy & Blaze*  
(and others in series)

### Bemelmans, Ludwig

*Madeline*

### Benchley, Nathan

*Oscar Otter*

### Berenstain, Stan & Jan

*Old Hat, New Hat*

### Brunhoff, Jean de

*Story of Babar*  
(and others in series)

### Burn, Doris

*Andrew Henry's Meadow*

### Burton, Virginia Lee

*Little House*  
(and others by author)

### Cooney, Barbara

*Chanticleer and the Fox*  
*Miss Rumphius*

### Craft, K.Y.

*King Midas & the Golden Touch*

### Demi

*Empty Pot*

### Flack, Marjorie

*Angus & the Cat*  
(and others in series)

*Story About Ping*

### Gerstein, Mordcai

*Man Who Walked Between the Towers*

### Hall, Donald

*Ox-Cart Man*

### Hoban, Russell & Lillian

*Bread and Jam for Frances*  
(and others in series)

### Hopkinson, Deborah

*Apples to Oregon*  
*Sky Boys*

### Johnson, Crockett

*Harold and the Purple Crayon*

### Joslin, Sesyle

*What Do You Do, Dear?*  
*What Do You Say, Dear?*

### Kellogg, Steven

*Mysterious Tadpole*  
*Paul Bunyan*

### Kinsey-Warnock, Natalie

*Bear That Heard Crying*

### Leaf, Munro

*Story of Ferdinand*

### Lewis, Kim

*Floss*

### Littledale, Freya

*Magic Fish*

### Lobel, Arnold

*Frog and Toad Together*  
(and others in series)

### McClintock, Mike

*Fly Went By*

### McCloskey, Robert

*Blueberries for Sal*

### McGovern, Ann

*Stone Soup*

### McLerran, Alice

*Roxaboxen*

### Minarik, Else Holmelund

*Little Bear*  
(and others in series)

### Mosel, Arlene

*Tikki Tikki Tembo*

### Numeroff, Laura

*If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*

### Peet, Bill

*Ant and the Elephant*  
(and others by author)

### Perkins, Al

*Digging-est Dog*

### Robertson, M.P.

*The Egg*

### Sendak, Maurice

*Where the Wild Things Are*

### Seuss, Dr.

*Horton Hatches the Egg*

*Sneetches and Other Stories*

### Shulevitz, Uri

*The Treasure*

### Slobodkina, Esphyr

*Caps for Sale*

### Steig, William

*Dr. DeSoto*

*Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*

### Stevens, Janet

*Tops and Bottoms*

### Stewart, Sarah

*The Library*

### Thayer, Ernest Lawrence

*Casey at the Bat*

### Thomas, Patricia

*"Stand Back," Said the Elephant, "I'm Going to Sneeze!"*

### Turkle, Brinton

*Rachel and Obadiah*  
(and others in series)

### Turner, Priscilla

*War Between the Vowels and the Consonants*

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## 2nd Grade Reading List

**Cleary, Beverly**

*Ralph S. Mouse* (sequels)

**Dahl, Roald**

*Fantastic Mr. Fox*

**Davies, Jacqueline**

*Boy Who Drew Birds*

**Demi**

*Alexander the Great*

**DiCamillo, Kate**

*Mercy Watson to the Rescue*  
(and others in series)

**Donnelly, Jennifer**

*Humble Pie*

**Edmonds, Walter**

*Matchlock Gun*

**Estes, Eleanor**

*Hundred Dresses*

**Gannett, Ruth Stiles**

*My Father's Dragon*  
(sequels)

**Gramatky, Hardie**

*Little Toot*

**Harris, Joel Chandler (Daily ill.)**

*Classic Tales of Brer Rabbit*

**Herge**

*King Ottokar's Sceptre*  
(or any other *Tintin* book)

**Hodges, Margaret**

*Kitchen Knight*  
*Saint George & the Dragon*

**Kroll, Steven**

*Lewis & Clark: Explorers of  
the American West*

**Lester, Julius**

*John Henry*

**Lobel, Arnold**

*Rose in My Garden*

**Locker, Thomas**

*Boy Who Held Back the Sea*

**Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth**

*Hiawatha*  
*Paul Revere's Ride*

**MacLachlan, Patricia**

*Sarah, Plain & Tall*  
(sequels)

**Maestro, Giulio & Betsy**

*More Perfect Union*

**Martin, Jacqueline Briggs**

*Snowflake Bentley*

**Mayer, Marianna**

*Twelve Dancing Princesses*

**McCully, Emily Arnold**

*Mirette on the High Wire*

**Napoli, Donna Jo**

*Albert*

**Ness, Evaline**

*Sam, Bangs, and Moonshine*

**Neuschwander, Cindy**

*Sir Cumference and All the  
King's Tens*  
(and others in series)

**Newell, Peter**

*Slant Book*

**O'Brien, Patrick**

*Making of a Knight*

**Paterson, Katherine**

*King's Equal*

**Peet, Bill**

*Hubert's Hair Raising  
Adventure*  
(and others by author)

**Peterson, John**

*The Littles*  
(and others in series)

**Pinkney, Jerry**

*Ugly Duckling*

**Pittman, Helena Clare**

*Grain of Rice*

**Raven, Margot Theis**

*Song of the Swallows*

**Seuss, Dr.**

*King's Stilts*

**Sewall, Marcia**

*Pilgrims of Plimoth*

**Sharmat, Marjorie Weinman**

*Nate the Great*  
(and others in series)

**Steig, William**

*Amos & Boris*

**Stewart, Sarah**

*The Gardener*

**Swift, Hildegard**

*Little Red Lighthouse & the  
Great Gray Bridge*

**Van Allsburg, Chris**

*Jumanji*

**Wheeler, Opal**

*Sebastian Bach, the Boy  
from Thuringia*  
(or others by author)

**Williams, Margery**

*Velveteen Rabbit, or, How  
Toys Became Real*

**Winter, Milo**

*Aesop's Fables for Children*

**Young, Ed**

*Lon Po Po*

**Ziefert, Harriet & Anita Lobel**

*New Coat for Anna*

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### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading List

[Atwater, Richard & Florence](#)  
*Mr. Popper's Penguins*

[Avi](#)  
*Crispin: The Cross of Lead*

[Banks, Lynne Reid](#)  
*Indian in the Cupboard*  
(and others in series)

[Bendick, Jeanne](#)  
*Herodotus & the Road to History*

[Buff, Mary & Conrad](#)  
*Apple and the Arrow*

[Burgess, Thornton W.](#)  
*Old Mother West Wind*

[D'Aulaire, Ingri & Edgar](#)  
*D'Aulaires' Book of Greek Myths*  
*Leif the Lucky*  
(or others by authors)

[DiCamillo, Kate](#)  
*Tale of Despereaux*

[Enright, Elizabeth](#)  
*Thimble Summer*

[Estes, Eleanor](#)  
*Moffats* (sequels)  
*Ginger Pye* (sequel)

[Ferguson, Sinclair B.](#)  
*Irenaeus of Lyons*

[Fritz, Jean](#)  
*Shh! We're Writing the Constitution*  
(or others by author)

[Grahame, Kenneth](#)  
*Reluctant Dragon*

[Herge](#)  
*Land of Black Gold*  
(or any other *Tintin* book)

[Herriot, James](#)  
*Treasury for Children*

[Holling, Holling Clancy](#)  
*Paddle-to-the-Sea*  
(or others by author)

[Kaye, M. M.](#)  
*Ordinary Princess*

[King-Smith, Dick](#)  
*Babe, the Gallant Pig*

[Lattimore, Eleanor Frances](#)  
*Little Pear*

[Lawson, Robert](#)  
*Mr. Revere and I*  
*Rabbit Hill*

[Lenski, Lois](#)  
*Strawberry Girl*

[Lindgren, Astrid](#)  
*Pippi Longstocking*

[Lobel, Arnold](#)  
*Fables*

[Lofting, Hugh](#)  
*Story of Doctor Dolittle*

[Lovell, Maud Hart](#)  
*Betsy-Tacy* (sequels)

[Macaulay, David](#)  
*Pyramid*  
(or others by author)

[Macdonald, Betty](#)  
*Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle*  
(and others in series)

[Macdonald, George](#)  
*Light Princess*

[McCloskey, Robert](#)  
*Homer Price*  
*Centerburg Tales*

[McSwigan, Marie](#)  
*Snow Treasure*

[Milne, A. A.](#)  
*Winnie the Pooh*  
*House at Pooh Corner*

[Norton, Mary](#)  
*Borrowers* (sequels)

[Platt, Richard](#)  
*Castle Diary*

[Robinson, Barbara](#)  
*Best Christmas Pageant Ever*

[Seuss, Dr.](#)  
*500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins*

[Sperry, Armstrong](#)  
*Call it Courage*

[Sproul, R. C.](#)  
*Barber Who Wanted to Pray*  
(or others by author)

[St. John, Patricia](#)  
*Treasures of the Snow*  
(or others by author)

[Stanley, Diane & Peter Vennema](#)  
*Bard of Avon: The Story of William Shakespeare*

[Steig, William](#)  
*Abel's Island*

[Taylor, Sydney](#)  
*All-of-a-Kind Family*  
(series)

[White, E. B.](#)  
*Charlotte's Web*

[Wilder, Laura Ingalls](#)  
*Little House in the Big Woods* (series)

[Willard, Nancy](#)  
*Visit to William Blake's Inn*

[Williams, Garth](#)  
*Cricket in Times Square*

[Wilson, N. D.](#)  
*Leepike Ridge*

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

### [Aiken, Joan](#)

*Wolves of Willoughby Chase*

### [Barrie, J. M.](#)

*Peter Pan*

### [Baum, L. Frank](#)

*Wonderful Wizard of Oz*

### [Beeke, Joel R.](#)

*How God Used a  
Thunderstorm*

### [Bendick, Jeanne](#)

*Archimedes & the Door of  
Science  
Along Came Galileo*

### [Brink, Carol Ryrrie](#)

*Caddie Woodlawn*

### [Burnett, Frances Hodgson](#)

*Little Princess*

### [Carr, Simonetta](#)

*John Owen  
(and others by author)*

### [Collodi, Carlo](#)

*Pinocchio*

### [Dahl, Roald](#)

*Charlie & the Chocolate  
Factory*

### [Daugherty, James](#)

*Poor Richard*

### [DeJong, Meindert](#)

*House of Sixty Fathers*

### [DiCamillo, Kate](#)

*Miraculous Journey of  
Edward Tulane*

### [du Bois, William Pene](#)

*Twenty-One Balloons*

### [Eager, Edward](#)

*Half Magic  
(and others by author)*

### [Enright, Elizabeth](#)

*Gone-Away Lake  
(and others by author)*

### [Fritz, Jean](#)

*Bully for You, Teddy  
Roosevelt*

### [Henry, Marguerite](#)

*King of the Wind  
(and others by author)*

### [Jacques, Brian](#)

*Redwall  
(or others in series)*

### [Jansson, Tove](#)

*Moominvalley in November  
(or others in series)*

### [Juster, Norton](#)

*Phantom Tollbooth*

### [Kaye, M. M.](#)

*Ordinary Princess*

### [Kipling, Rudyard](#)

*Just So Stories*

### [Kjelgaard, Jim](#)

*Big Red (others by author)*

### [Knight, Eric](#)

*Lassie Come-Home*

### [Levine, Gail Carson](#)

*Ella Enchanted*

### [Lewis, C. S.](#)

*Lion, the Witch & the  
Wardrobe (series)*

### [Lowry, Lois](#)

*Number the Stars*

### [Macaulay, David](#)

*Motel of the Mysteries*

### [MacDonald, George](#)

*Princess & the Goblin*

### [Morpurgo, Michael](#)

*Beowulf*

### [Morris, Gerald](#)

*Squire's Tale (series)*

### [Nesbit, Edith](#)

*Five Children and It  
Beautiful Stories from  
Shakespeare*

### [Prins, Piet](#)

*Scout: Secret of the Swamp  
(and others in series)*

### [Ransome, Arthur](#)

*Swallows & Amazons  
(series)*

### [Robertson, Keith](#)

*Henry Reed, Inc.*

### [Sandburg, Carl](#)

*Abe Lincoln Grows Up*

### [Schlitz, Laura Amy](#)

*Good Masters! Sweet  
Ladies!*

### [Smith, Bradford](#)

*William Bradford, Pilgrim  
Boy*

### [Snedeker, Caroline Dale](#)

*Theras & His Town*

### [St. John, Patricia](#)

*Tanglewoods Secret  
(or others by author)*

### [Sutcliff, Rosemary](#)

*Wanderings of Odysseus*

### [Taylor, Theodore](#)

*Air Raid: Pearl Harbor!*

### [Travers, P. L.](#)

*Mary Poppins (series)*

### [Travis, Lucille](#)

*Tirzah*

### [White, Paul](#)

*Jungle Doctor and the  
Whirlwind (series)*

### [Wilder, Laura Ingalls](#)

*Farmer Boy (series)*

### [Wilson, N. D.](#)

*100 Cupboards (trilogy)*

### [Winterfeld, Henry](#)

*Detectives in Togas*

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## 5th Grade Reading List

[Alcott, Louisa May](#)

*Little Women* (sequels)

[Alexander, Lloyd](#)

*Book of Three* (sequels)

[Andersen, Hans Christian](#)

*Hans Andersen's Fairy Tales*

[Armstrong, Jennifer](#)

*Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World*

[Burnett, Frances Hodgson](#)

*Secret Garden*

[Catherall, Arthur](#)

*Strange Intruder*

[Cohen, Roger](#)

*Danger in the Desert: True Adventures of a Dinosaur Hunter*

[Colum, Padraic](#)

*Children's Homer*

[Cousins, Margaret](#)

*Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia*

[Daugherty, James](#)

*Of Courage Undaunted*

[DeMallie, H. R.](#)

*Behind Enemy Lines: A Young Pilot's Story*

[Dodge, Mary Mapes](#)

*Hans Brinker*

[Dokey, Cameron](#)

*Golden*

[DuPrau, Jeanne](#)

*City of Ember* (sequels)

[Eckert, Allan W.](#)

*Incident at Hawk's Hill*

[Farley, Walter](#)

*Black Stallion* (sequels)

[Frazier, Neta Lohnes](#)

*Stout-Hearted Seven*

[Gray, Elizabeth Janet](#)

*Adam of the Road*

[Green, Roger Lancelyn](#)

*Adventures of Robin Hood*

[Grimm, Jakob & Wilhelm](#)

*Grimm's Fairy Tales*

[Hale, Lucretia P.](#)

*Peterkin Papers*

[Kantor, Mackinlay](#)

*Lee and Grant at Appomatox*

[Lewis, C. S.](#)

*Voyage of the Dawn Treader*

[Lewis, Elizabeth Foreman](#)

*Young Fu of the Upper Yangtze*

[Maclean, Alistair](#)

*Lawrence of Arabia*

[McGraw, Eloise Jarvis](#)

*Golden Goblet*

[Meigs, Cornelia](#)

*Incredible Louisa*

[Meserole, Mike](#)

*Great Escape: Tunnel to Freedom*

[Montgomery, Lucy Maud](#)

*Anne of Green Gables*

[Moody, Ralph](#)

*Come On, Seabiscuit!*

[Nesbit, Edith](#)

*Enchanted Castle*

[North, Sterling](#)

*Rascal*

[O'Brien, Robert C.](#)

*Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*

[Paulsen, Gary](#)

*Hatchet*

[Prins, Piet](#)

*Lonely Sentinel* (sequels)

[Pumphrey, Margaret](#)

*Pilgrim Stories*

[Seredy, Kate](#)

*White Stag*

[Sewell, Anna](#)

*Black Beauty*

[Steig, William](#)

*Abel's Island*

[Taylor, Helen L.](#)

*Little Pilgrim's Progress*

[Speare, Elizabeth George](#)

*Witch of Blackbird Pond*  
*Sign of the Beaver*

[Steele, William O.](#)

*We Were There on the Oregon Trail*

[Stevenson, Robert Louis](#)

*Treasure Island*

[Tolkien, J. R. R.](#)

*Farmer Giles of Ham*  
*The Hobbit*

[Twain, Mark](#)

*Adventures of Tom Sawyer*

[Uchida, Yoshiko](#)

*Journey to Topaz*

[Van Stockum, Hilda](#)

*Mitchells: Five for Victory*

[Wyss, Johann](#)

*Swiss Family Robinson*

[Zeeuw, P. de](#)

*Augustine, the Farmer's Boy from Tagaste*

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading List

**Ballantyne, R. M.**

*Coral Island*  
(and others by author)

**Bliven, Bruce Jr.**

*Invasion: The Story of D-Day*

**Collier, James L. & Christopher**

*My Brother Sam is Dead*

**Colum, Padraic**

*Children of Odin*

**Coray, Henry W.**

*Against the World: The Story of Athanasius*

**Daugherty, James**

*Landing of the Pilgrims*

**Forbes, Esther**

*Johnny Tremain*

**Forester, C. S.**

*Barbary Pirates*

**Goudge, Elizabeth**

*Little White Horse*

**Green, Roger Lancelyn**

*King Arthur & His Knights of the Round Table*

**Haddix, Margaret Peterson**

*Among the Hidden*  
(and others in series)

**Hawes, Charles Boardman**

*Dark Frigate*

**Henty, G. A.**

*In Freedom's Cause*  
(or others by author)

**Hess, Donna Lynn**

*In Search of Honor*

**Hunt, Irene**

*Across Five Aprils*

**Keith, Harold**

*Rifles for Watie*

**Kelly, Eric P.**

*Trumpeter of Krakow*

**Kipling, Rudyard**

*Jungle Books*

**Lansing, Alfred**

*Endurance: Shackleton's Incredible Voyage*

**Latham, Jean Lee**

*Carry On, Mr. Bowditch*

**L'Engle, Madeleine**

*Wrinkle in Time* (sequels)

**London, Jack**

*Call of the Wild*

**Lowry, Lois**

*Giver* (sequels)

**McGraw, Eloise Jarvis**

*Mara, Daughter of the Nile*

**Moody, Ralph**

*Little Britches*  
(and others in series)

**Perez, N. A.**

*Slopes of War*

**Pope, Elizabeth Marie**

*Perilous Gard*

**Pyle, Howard**

*Men of Iron*

**Raskin, Ellen**

*Westing Game*

**Rawls, Wilson**

*Where the Red Fern Grows*

**Rinaldi, Ann**

*The Staircase*

**Savery, Constance**

*Reb & the Redcoats*

**Sawyer, Ruth**

*Roller Skates*

**Selznick, Brian**

*Invention of Hugo Cabret*

**Speare, Elizabeth George**

*Bronze Bow*

**Sperry, Armstrong**

*All Sail Set*

**Stratton-Porter, Gene**

*Freckles*

**Sutcliff, Rosemary**

*Shining Company*

**Thomson, Andy**

*Morning Star of the Reformation*

**Tolkien, J. R. R.**

*Roverandom*

**Trevino, Elizabeth Borton**

*I, Juan de Pareja*

**Twain, Mark**

*Prince & the Pauper*

**Ullman, James Ramsey**

*Banner in the Sky*

**Van Halsema, Thea B.**

*This Was John Calvin*

**Van Stockum, Hilda**

*Winged Watchman*

**Watkins, Dawn L.**

*Zoli's Legacy*

**Willard, Barbara**

*If All the Swords in England*

**Williamson, Joanne**

*Hittite Warrior*

**Wilson, N. D.**

*Dragon's Tooth* (sequels)

**Withrow, Brandon & Mindy**

*Peril & Peace*  
(and others in series)

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## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading List

### Andrew, Brother

*God's Smuggler*

### Asimov, Isaac

*I, Robot*

### Becker, May Lamberton

*Miss Jane Austen*

### Blake, William

*Songs of Innocence & Songs  
of Experience*

### Bradbury, Ray

*Martian Chronicles*

### Card, Orson Scott

*Ender's Game* (sequels)

### Dickens, Charles

*Tale of Two Cities*  
(or others by author)

### Doman, Regina

*Shadow of the Bear*  
(sequels)

### Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

*Lost World*

### Dumas, Alexandre

*Three Musketeers* (sequels)

### Eliot, George

*Silas Marner*

### Forbes, Kathryn

*Mama's Bank Account*

### Forester, C. S.

*Mr. Midshipman  
Hornblower*  
(and others in series)

### Frank, Anne

*Diary of a Young Girl*

### Gay, David

*Voyage to Freedom*

### Gilbreth, Frank & Ernestine G. Carey

*Cheaper by the Dozen*

### Glaspey, Terry

*Not a Tame Lion*

### Grahame, Kenneth

*Wind in the Willows*

### Haggard, H. Rider

*King Solomon's Mines*

### Hannula, Richard

*Trial & Triumph*

### Henty, G. A.

*In the Reign of Terror*  
(or others by author)

### Hope, Anthony

*Prisoner of Zenda & Rupert  
of Hentzau*

### Jiang, Ji-Li

*Red Scarf Girl*

### Lamb, Charles & Mary

*Tales from Shakespeare*

### L'Amour, Louis

*Sackett's Land*

### Lortz, Roseanne

*I Serve: A Novel of the Black  
Prince*

### MacDonald, George

*Sir Gibbie*

### MacLean, Alistair

*Where Eagles Dare*

### Marrin, Albert

*Hitler*

### McPherson, Joyce

*Ocean of Truth*

### Meroff, Deborah

*Coronation of Glory*

### Milne, A. A.

*Red House Mystery*

### Morrison, J. A.

*Martin Luther: The Great  
Reformer*

### Orwell, George

*Animal Farm*

### Rostand, Edmond

*Cyrano de Bergerac*

### Sabatini, Rafael

*Captain Blood*

### Sayers, Dorothy

*Lord Peter*

### Stevenson, Robert Louis

*Kidnapped*

### Stratton-Porter, Gene

*Girl of the Limberlost*

### Sutcliff, Rosemary

*Eagle of the Ninth* (sequels)

### Swift, Jonathan

*Gulliver's Travels*

### Tennyson, Lord Alfred

*Charge of the Light Brigade  
& Other Poems*

### Tolkien, J. R. R.

*Lord of the Rings*

### Trapp, Maria Augusta

*Story of the Trapp Family  
Singers*

### Trevino, Elizabeth Borton de

*My Heart Lies South*

### Twain, Mark

*Adventures of Huckleberry  
Finn*

### Webster, Jean

*Daddy-Long-Legs*

### Wells, H. G.

*Time Machine*

### Wilder, Thornton

*Our Town*

### York, Alvin

*Sergeant York & the Great  
War*

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[Adams, Richard](#)

*Watership Down*

[Bjorn, Thyra Ferre](#)

*Papa's Wife*

[Boom, Corrie ten](#)

*Hiding Place*

[Bradbury, Ray](#)

*Fahrenheit 451*

[Bronte, Charlotte](#)

*Jane Eyre*

[Buchan, John](#)

*Thirty-Nine Steps*

[Bulfinch, Thomas](#)

*Bulfinch's Greek and Roman  
Mythology*

[Carpenter, Humphrey](#)

*J. R. R. Tolkien: A  
Biography*

[Carroll, Lewis](#)

*Alice in Wonderland &  
Through the Looking Glass*

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