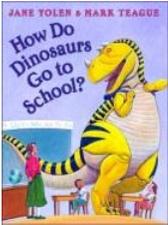


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First Grade

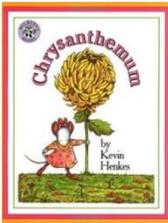
Each of the books listed below would be a delightful addition to your child's bookshelf. All of these books will be used in class in the first weeks of school. First graders are required to have at least three of the books listed in order participate in lessons, as well as have a feeling of familiarity at the beginning of the year. A wonderful source for more books is the American Library Association's Annual List of Notable books:

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>.



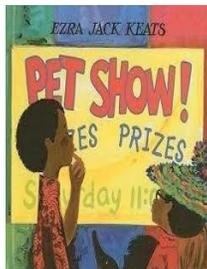
How Do Dinosaurs Go To School?, Mark Teague

In first grade we like to use this book to set best practices for the classroom. The funny illustrations, along with the "what-not-to-do" examples, make a memorable connection with our first graders.



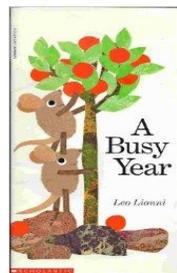
Chrysanthemum, Kevin Henkes

She was a perfect baby, and she had a perfect name, Chrysanthemum. She loved her name. And then she started school. "I'm named after my grandmother," said Victoria. "You're named after a **flower**"...and Chrysanthemum wilted. Find out what Chrysanthemum discovers about having a special name.



Pet Show, Ezra Jack Keats

Archie wants to enter his cat in the neighborhood pet show—but where is the cat? Archie keeps on looking even after all the other kids have given up, but his pet is nowhere to be found. Ingenious Archie has a plan to enter the contest—with a most surprising creature!



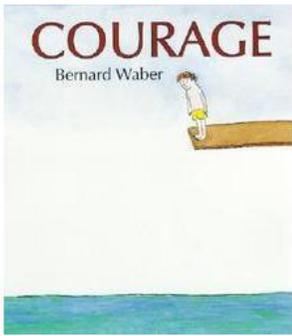
A Busy Year, Leo Lionni

On New Year's Day, twin mice Willie and Winnie discover a "snowmouse" that appears to be holding a broom. But a voice announces, "I am not a broom. I am Woody the tree!" So begins a momentous friendship.

Families, Ann Morris

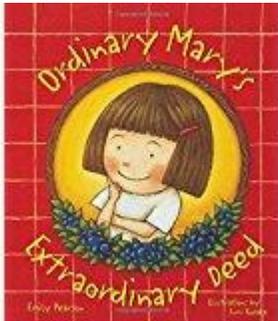


Some children live with their mothers and fathers. Others have stepparents or live with just one parent. Still others live with grandparents or foster parents who chose them specially. But all children all around the world are part of families - big and small, loving, sharing, and caring for one another.



Courage, Bernard Waber

What is courage? Certainly it takes courage for a firefighter to rescue someone trapped in a burning building, but there are many other kinds of courage too. Everyday kinds that normal, ordinary people exhibit all the time, like "being the first to make up after an argument," or "going to bed without a nightlight." Bernard Waber explores the many varied kinds of courage and celebrates the moments, big and small, that bring out the hero in each of us.



Ordinary Mary's Extraordinary Deed, Emily Pearson

Can one good deed from an ordinary girl change the world? It can when she's Ordinary Mary--an ordinary girl from an ordinary school, on her way to ordinary house--who stumbles upon ordinary blueberries. When she decides to pick them for her neighbor, Mrs. Bishop, she starts a chain reaction that multiplies around the world. Mrs. Bishop makes blueberry muffins and gives them to her paperboy and four others--one of whom is Mr. Stevens, who then helps five different people with their luggage--one of whom is Maria, who then helps five people--including a man named Joseph who didn't have enough money for his groceries--and so on, until the deed comes back to Mary. It's a feel-good story that inspires and celebrates a world full of ordinary deeds!