Chapter Books to Read Aloud
For Younger Kids (Ages 4-7)

Early Chapters

Alexander, Kwame. ***Mighty Macy***. Macy's school library has had its hours cut down. Can Macy stand up and find her voice to advocate for her community?

Andrews, Julie. ***The Great American Mousical.*** Below the Sovereign Theater sits a long-forgotten miniature replica where an adorable troupe of theater mice busily prepare to stage their own show, "Broadway Airs."

Bates, Janet Costa. ***Rica Baptista: Llamas, Iguanas, and My Very Best Friend*** (series). With her best friend moving away, Rica needs a pet so she won't get lonely, but her parents are against it until an act of kindness and courage proves she is ready!

Butler, Dori Hillestad. ***The Haunted Library*** (Paperback series). When ghost boy Kaz's haunt is torn down and he is separated from his family, he meets a real girl named Claire, who can see ghosts and help Kaz reunite his family.

Citro, Asia. ***Zoey and Sassafras: The Pod and the Bog*** (series). Zoey, Sassafras, and Pip must work together to discover what this mysterious rare magical plant needs to grow before all the seeds crumble to dust!

Dillard, J. ***J.D. and the Great Barber Battle*** (series). Eight-year-old J.D. turns a tragic home haircut into a thriving business, but the local barbershop is not happy about it.

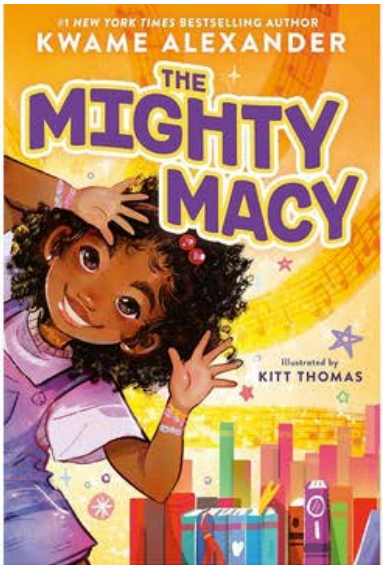
Elliott, Zetta. ***Dragons in a Bag*** (series). Nine-year-old Jax joins Ma, a witch who lives in his building, on a quest to deliver three baby dragons to a magical world, and along the way discovers his true calling.

Fang, Vicky. ***Ava Lin, Best Friend*** (series). Ava Lin is six and a half years old, loves bubble tea and animals, and is very good at finding treasure and balancing pasta on her nose. She's eager to find a best friend, even if she isn't sure how to go about it.

Fisinger, Barbara. ***Wedgie & Gizmo*** (series). Gizmo, an evil genius guinea pig, is constantly thwarted in his plans for world dominance by the lovable Corgi, Wedgie.

Gutierrez, Amy. ***Smarty Marty Steps Up Her Game.*** Marty is the official scorekeeper for her little brother's Little League team, and now the new announcer. But not everyone is happy about a girl getting to call a baseball game.

Jules, Jacqueline. ***Sofia Martinez*** (series). Seven-year-old Sofia's fiery passion for everything she does makes every day an adventure, from a missing class pet to her grandma's birthday!



Messner, Kate. ***How to Save an Otter*** (series). Ivy, Ezra, and their family transport injured and orphaned animals to their local wildlife hospital. Ivy worries about a hurt little otter being separated from its family.

O'Donnell, Liam. ***The Case of the Snack Snatcher*** (series). Myron is a third-grade detective, so when the kitchen at school is burgled and the morning snacks disappear, he is on the case.

Quigley, Dawn. ***Jo Jo Makoons: The Used-to-Be Best Friend*** (series). Jo Jo Makoons Azure is a spirited seven-year-old who moves through the world a little differently than anyone else on her Ojibwe reservation.

Reynolds, Aaron. ***Jasper Rabbit's Creepy Tales: Troubling Tonsils*** (series). Jasper tells the tale of Charlie Marmot, whose tonsils have become infected and have to come out. But when he decides to keep them in a jar for show and tell, it gets creepy.

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Fiction

Dominguez, Angela. ***Stella Diaz Has Something to Say*** (series). Stella wants to be friends with the new boy in class, but sometimes she speaks Spanish instead of English and pronounces words wrong.

Ewing, Eve L. ***Maya and the Robot.*** A forgotten homemade robot comes to life just when aspiring fifth-grade scientist Maya needs a friend—and a science fair project.

Ferry, Beth. ***Growing Home.*** A crew of talkative plants, a curious spider, and a grumpy goldfish use their newfound magical abilities to defend their family from a greedy human.

Gidwitz, Adam. ***The Unicorn Rescue Society: The Creature of the Pines*** (series). After encountering a Jersey Devil while on a field trip to the Pine Barrens, Elliot and his new friend Uchenna help their teacher Professor Fauna rescue the mythological creature from a pair of greedy brothers.

Griffith, Theanne. ***The Magnificent Makers: How to Test a Friendship*** (Paperback series). Science-loving best friends Violet and Pablo discover a riddle that opens a magic portal before accompanying a classmate into a mysterious high-tech lab.

Hutchinson, Michael. ***Mighty Muskrat Mysteries: The Case of Windy Lake*** (series). When a visiting archaeologist goes missing, four inseparable cousins decide to solve the mystery of his disappearance.

Jules, Jacqueline. ***Zapato Power: Freddie Ramos Takes Off*** (Paperback series). Freddie finds a mysterious package outside his apartment: sneakers that allow him to run faster than a train, and inspire him to perform heroic deeds.

Lázár, Ervin. ***Arnica the Duck Princess.*** A hilarious Hungarian classic children's story about true love, friendship and what happens when a witch turns your fiancée into a duck.

Lin, Grace. ***The Year of the Dog*** (series). A young girl sets out to apply the lessons of the Chinese Year of the Dog to her own changing life.

Lovelace, Maud Hart. ***Betsy-Tacy and Tib.*** (series). Betsy, Tacy, and Tib always manage to have a good time, whether learning to fly by jumping from a tree, cooking up perfectly awful messes in the kitchen, or making up stories.

Miedoso, Andres. ***Desmond Cole, Ghost Patrol: The Haunted House Next Door*** (Paperback series). When supernatural things start happening in timid Andres's new home, next-door-neighbor Desmond Cole, eight, comes to the rescue.

Mian, Zanib. ***Planet Omar*** (series). Omar is NOT excited about starting at a new school. What if the work is too hard or the kids are mean or the teacher is a zombie alien?! Luckily, Omar's enormous imagination and goofy family help him get through.

Milne, A.A. ***Winnie the Pooh*** (series). The adventures of Christopher Robin and his friends Pooh Bear, Piglet, and Eeyore.

Nannestad, Katrina. ***When Mischief Came to Town.*** In 1911, orphaned ten-year-old Inge comes to live with her stern grandmother in a remote island village in Denmark and ends up changing the town, bringing joy and laughter to her grandmother's life, and finding a new family for herself.

Nuurali, Siman. ***Sadiq and the Desert Star*** (Paperback series). Sadiq's father tells him a story of the Desert Star, which fits in perfectly with Sadiq's third grade class field trip to the planetarium and inspires Sadiq to build a simple telescope to study the stars.

Thomson, Sarah L. ***Two Friends, One Dog, and a Very Unusual Week.*** Free-spirited Rani has just moved into Emily's building, and she doesn't seem to know rules exist. She even brought an ice cream truck to school. It's almost too much for Emily!