

**State Bridge Crossing Summer Reading List**  
**Entering 4<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**Fiction**

*A-Z Mysteries* by Ron Roy (series)  
*Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon* by Paula Danziger  
*Aldo Peanut Butter* by Johanna Hurwitz  
*All About Sam* by Lois Lowry  
*Bandit's Moon* by Sid Fleischman  
*Best School Year Ever* by Barbara Park  
*Betsy Ross* by Helen Frost  
*Fudgomania* by Judy Blume (series)  
*A Bear Called Paddington* by Michael Bond (series)  
*The BFG* by Roald Dahl  
*The Case of the Desperate Drummer* by E.W. Hildick  
*The Enormous Egg* by Oliver Butterworth  
*Jumanji* by Chris Van Allsburg  
*The Knights of the Kitchen Table* by John Scieszka (series)  
*Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle* by Betty MacDonald  
*Mystery on October Road* by Allison Herzig  
*The Original Adventures of Hank the Cowdog* by John Erickson (series)  
*Ramona the Brave* by Beverly Cleary  
*Runaway Ralph* by Beverly Cleary  
*Secrets of Droon* by Tony Abbott (series)  
*Shiloh* by P. Naylor  
*Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar  
*The Spy on Third Base* by Matt Christopher  
*Stone Fox* by John Gardiner  
*Strider* by Betsy Byars  
*Summer of the Swans* by Betsy Byars  
*Thirteen Ways to Sink a Sub* by Jamie Gilson  
*Wanted -- Mud Blossom* by Betsy Byars  
*Who Stole the Wizard of Oz* by Avi  
*Zooman Sam* by Lois Lowry  
*Zucchini* by Barbara Dana  
*And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon* by Janet Stevens  
*Geronimo Stilton* (series)

## **Challenging Fiction**

*A Series of Unfortunate Events* by Lemony Snicket (series)  
*Castle in the Attic* by Elizabeth Winthrop  
*Battle for the Castle* by Elizabeth Winthrop  
*The Dollhouse Murders* by B. Wright  
*Fourth Grade Rats* by Jerry Spinelli  
*Hatchet* by Gary Paulsen  
*Holes* by Louis Sachar  
*Indian in the Cupboard* by Lynne Reid Banks  
*Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher* by Bruce Coville  
*The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis (series)  
*Nighty Nightmare* by James Howe  
*Skull of Truth* by Bruce Coville  
*Stone Fox* by John Gardiner  
*Soup* by Robert Peck  
*Where the Red Fern Grows* by Rawls  
*A Year with Butch and Spike* by Gail Gauthier

## **Non-Fiction**

*Apollo 13: Space Emergency* by Cole  
*Beacons of Light: Lighthouses* by Gail Gibbons  
*Centipedes* by Graham Coleman  
*Fossil* by Taylor (Eyewitness Series)  
*Hurricanes: Earth's Mightiest Storms* by Patricia Lauber  
*Little Ships: The Heroic Rescue at Dunkirk in World War II* by Louise Borden  
*Outside and Inside of Birds* by Sandra Markle  
*Scorpions* by Tamara Green  
*Sea Turtles* by Frank Staub (Series)  
*Seal: The Furry Swimmer* by Joelle Soler  
*Spiders* by Enid Fisher  
*Volcano* by Patricia Lauber

## **Biography and Autobiography**

*Bill Peet: An Autobiography* by Bill Peet  
*Eleanor* by Barbara Cooney  
*Good Queen Bess* by Diane Stanley  
*Home Run: the story of Babe Ruth* by Robert Burliegh

*Joan of Arc* by Diane Stanley

*My Dear Noel: The Story of a Letter from Beatrix Potter* by Jane Johnson

*Pioneer Girl: Story of Laura Ingalls Wilder* William Anderson

*Young Arthur Ashe, Brave Champion* by Robin Dexter

## **Folklore**

*Bigfoot Cinderrrrrella* by Tony Johnson

*Cendrillon: A Carribbean Cinderella* by Robert San Souci

*The Golden Sandal* by Rebecca Hikox

*A Handful of Beans: Six Fairy Tales* by Jeanne Steig

*Rumpelstiltskin's Daughter* by Diane Stanley

*The Story of King Arthur and His Knights* by Howard Pyle

*Vasilissa the Beautiful* by Elizabeth Winthrop

*Village of Round and Square Houses* by Anne Grifalconi

## **Books for Families to Read Aloud**

*The Borrowers* by Mary Norton

*James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl

*Owls in the Family* by Farley Mowat

*Secret Garden* by Frances Burnett

*The Trumpet of the Swan* by E.B. White

*The Wind and the Willows* by Kenneth Graham