

**Forsyth County
Elementary Reading List
2009-1-2010**

Book	Author	Grades	Lexile
Adventures of Ulysses, The	Evslin, Bernard ,		860
Al Capone Does My Shirts	Choldenko, Gennifer	5	600
Amber Brown in not a Crayon	Danziger, Paula	3	720
America's Most Haunted	Banks, Cameron		950
And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?	Fritz, Jean	4	730
Animal, Vegetable, and John D. Jones	Byars, Betsy	5	
Anna, Grandpa and the Big Storm	Stevens, Carla		440
Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl	Frank, Anne	5	1080
Art of Keeping Cool, The	Lisle, Lisa Taylor	5	730
Artemis Fowl	Colfer, Eoin	4	600
Artemis Fowl Files	Colfer, Eoin		760
Artemis Fowl-The Eternity Code	Colfer, Eoin		720
Artemis Fowl-The Lost Colony	Colfer, Eoin		740
Artemis Fowl-The Opal Deception	Colfer, Eoin		770
A-Z Mysteries Absent Author	Roy, Ron	3	
Backward Bird Dog, The	Wallace, Bill		630
Ballad of the Civil War, A	Stolz, Mary	5	680
Barn-Air		5	
Bathwater Gang, The	Spinelli, Jerry	3	420
Because of Winn Dixie	DiCamillo, Kate	4, 5	610
Best Christmas Pageant Ever, The	Robinson, Barbara	5	930
Best School Year Ever, The	Robinson, Barbara		1020
BFG, The	Dahl, Roald	4, 5	720
Black Stallion, The	Farley, Walter	5	680
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Bloomability	Creech, Sharon	4	850
Blue Willow	Gates, Doris	5	920
Boxcar Children Series	Warner, Gertrude Chandler	3	440-690
Boy at War, A	Mazer, Henry	5	530
Brian's Winter	Paulsen, Gary		1140
Broccoli Tapes, The	Slepian, Jan		630
Brown Honey in Broomwheat Tea	Thomas, Joyce Carol		
Bud, Not Buddy	Curtis, Christopher Paul	4, 5	950
Bunnica		3, 5	700
Cabin Faced West, The	Fritz, Jean	5	860
Call It Courage	Sperry, Armstrong	4, 5	830
Cam Jansen Series	Adler, David	3, 4	320-590
Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?	Fritz, Jean	4	800
Cat Who Went to Heaven, The	Coatsworth, Elizabeth	4	1000
Catwings	LeGuin, Ursula	3	700
Cay, The	Taylor, Theodore	4, 5	860
Chalk Box Kid	Bulla, Clyde Robert	3	270
Charley Skedaddle	Beatty, Patricia	5	870
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory	Dahl, Roald	3, 4	810
Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator	Dahl, Roald		720
Charlie Bone and the Invisible Boy	Nemo, Jean	4	720
Charlie Bone and the Time Twister	Nemo, Jean	4	590
Charlie Pippin	Boyd, Candy Dawson	5	690
Charlotte's Web	White, E.B.	3, 4	680
Chasing Vermeer	Balliett, Blue	4	770
Chocolate Fever	Smith, Robert Kimmel	3, 4	680
Chocolate Fudge		3	
Chocolate Touch, The	Cattling, Patrick	3, 4	770

Christmas Box, The	Evans, Richard Paul	5	830
Circle of Gold	Boyd, Candy Dawson		610
Class Clown	Hurwitz, Johanna	3	670
Code Talker	Bruchac, Joseph	5	910
Cracker Jackson	Byars, Betsy	5	710
Cricket in Times Square, The	George Sleden		780
Dawn of Fear	Susan Cooper	5	
Dear Mr. Henshaw	Cleary, Beverly	3, 4, 5	910
Dog Called Kitty, A	Wallace, Bill	3	710
Double Fudge	Blume, Judy	4, 5	450
Dragonwings	Yep, Lawrence	5	870
Dred Scot Decision, The		5	
Egypt Game, The	Snyder, Zilpha Keatley	4	1010
Ella Enchanted	Gail Carson Levine	4	670
Emancipation Proclamation, The		5	
Enormous Egg, The	Butterworth, Oliver	4	900
Esperanza Rising*	Ryan, Pam	3, 4, 5	750
Face on the Milk Carton, The	Cooney, Caroline B.	5	660
Family Under the Bridge	Carlson, Natalie	5	680
Family Under the Bridge, The	Carlson, Natalie		680
Fantastic Mr. Fox	Dahl, Roald	3	600
Farmer Boy	Wilder, Laura Ingalls		820
Favorite Greek Myths	Osborne, Mary Pope & Troy Howell	3	850
Figgs and Phantoms	Raskin, Ellen		
Fighting Ground, The	Avi	4	580
Finding Buck McHenry	Slote, Alfred	5	500
First Woman Doctor, The			
Flat Stanley	Brown, Jeff	3, 5	640
Flying Solo	Fletcher, Ralph	5	590
Fourth Grade Rats		4, 5	
Freckle Juice	Blume, Judy	3, 4	370
Freedom Train: The Story of Harriet Tubman	Sterling, Dorothy	5	910
Frightful's Mountain	George, Jean Craighead	5	640
Frindle	Clements, Andrew	3, 4	830
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E Frankweiler	Lowry, Lois	5	690
Fudge-a-Mania	Blume, Judy	5	490
George Washington, The Man Who Would Not Be King	Krensky, Stephen		890
George's Marvelous Medicine	Dahl, Roald	4	640
Golden Fleece, The	Padraic Colum		1070
Golden Goblet, The	McGraw, Eloise Jarvis		930
Gone Away Lake	Enright, Elizabeth	5	760
Good Liar, The	Maguire, Gregory	5	780
Grasshopper Summer	Turner, Ann	5	580
Great Brain series (range of most books in series)	Fitzgerald, John	5	790-850
Great Illustrated Classics		3	
Greenwitch	Cooper, Susan		830
Guns for General Washington	Reit, Seymour	4	900
Hannah Divided	Griffin, Adele	5	790
Harriet the Spy	Fitzhugh, Louise	5	760
Hatchet	Paulsen, Gary	4, 5	1020
Head for the Hills	Walker, Paul Robert	5	760
Head for the Hills!	Walker, Paul Robert		760
Helen Keller			
Hello, My Name is Scrambled Eggs	Gilson, Jamie	5	730
Henry Huggins	Cleary, Beverly	4	670
Here's to You, Rachel Robinson	Blume, Judy		650
Hey Kid, Want to Buy a Bridge	Scieszka, Jon & McCauley, Adam	3	
Holes	Sachar, Louis	4, 5	600

Hoot	Hiaasen, Carl	4	760
Horrible Harry series	Kline, Suzy	3	410-560
House Mouse, Senate Mouse	Barnes, Peter	3	NP
House of Dies Drear, The	Hamilton, Virginia	5	670
How to Eat Fried Worms	Rockwell, Thomas	3	650
Hundred Dresses, The	Estes, Kelanor	3	870
Hundred Penny Box	Mathis, Sharon Bell	5	700
If You Lived During Colonial Times		4	
If You Lived During Revolutionary War		4	
If You Traveled Underground Railroads		4	
Immigrant Kids	Freedman, Russel	5	1050
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson	Lord, Betty Bao	5	730
Indian Captive: The Story of Mary Jemison	Lenski, Lois	4	800
Indian in the Cupboard, The	Banks, Lynne Reid	4, 5	780
Invisible Fran, The	Jim Benton	5	840
Jacob's Rescue	Drucker, Malka & Halprin, Michael	5	680
Jake Drake, Bully Buster	Clements, Andrew	3	460
James and the Giant Peach	Dahl, Roald	4	870
Jigsaw Jones series	Preller, James	3	400-499
Joey Pigza series * (range of most book in series)	Gantos, Jack		800-970
Julie's Wolf Pack	George, Jean Craighead	5	950
Just Juice	Hesse, Karen		690
Justin and the Best Biscuits in the World	Walter, Mildred Pitts	4	620
Kid in the Red Jacket, The	Park, Barbara	4, 5	640
Kidnapped	Stevenson, Robert Louis		990
Knots in My Yo-Yo String	Spinelli, Jerry	5	980
Land of Promise	Joan Lowery Nixon		
Last of the Whangdoodles, The	Edwards, Julie	4	620
Later, Alligator		5	
Letters from a Slave Girl	Lyons, Mary E.	5	880
Lilly's Crossing		5	
Lion to Guard Us, A	Bulla, Clyde Robert		360
Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, The*	Lewis, C.S.	4, 5	940
Little House Series	Wilder, Laura Ingalls	3, 4	760-930
Little Men	Alcott, Louisa May		1260
Little Prince, The		4	
Long Way from Chicago, A	Peck, Richard	4, 5	750
Loser	Spinelli, Jerry	3	650
Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile	Waber, Bernard		AD760
Maggie's Door	Giff, Patricia Reilly	5	720
Magic School Bus series (some AD Lexile levels)	many authors	3	480-520
Maniac Magee*	Spinelli, Jerry	4, 5	820
Marvin Redpost—Alone in the Teacher's House	Sachar, Louis	4	410
Marvin Redpost—Kidnapped at Birth?	Sachar, Louis	4	290
Marvin Redpost—Why Pick on Me?	Sachar, Louis	4	290
Matilda	Dahl, Roald	3, 4	840
Max and Me and the Time Machine	Greer, Gery & Ruddeck, Bob	5	860
Mieko and the Fifth Treasure	Coerr, Eleanor		680
Miracles on Maple Hill	Sorenson, Virginia	4	750
Misty of the Chincoteague	Henry, Marguerite	4	750
Moon Book, The	Gibbons, Gail	4	740
Moorchild, The	McGraw, Eliose Jarvis		940
Mouse and the Motorcycle, The	Cleary, Beverly	3, 5	860
Moves Make the Man, The	Brooks, Bruce		1150
Mr. Lincoln's Drummer	Wisler, G. Clifton	5	800
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Atwater, Richard	3, 4, 5	910
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH	O'Brien, Robert C.	4, 5	790
Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle's Farm	McDonald, Betty		840

Mrs. Roopy is Loopy	Gutman, Dan	5	680
Muggie Maggie	Cleary, Beverly	3	730
Mummies in the Morning	Osborne, Mary Pope	5	230
My Buddy	Osofsky, Audrey		550
My Father's Dragon	Garnett, Ruth Stiles	4	990
My Life in Dog Years	Paulsen, Gary	5	1150
Never Say Quit	Wallace, Bill	5	640
Night of the Twisters	Ruckman, Ivy	5	790
Nightjohn	Paulsen, Gary	5	770
Nory Ryan's Song	Giff, Patricia Reilly	5	600
On the Far Side of the Mountain	George, Jean Craighead	5	760
One in the Middle is the Green Kangaroo, The	Blume, Judy	3	310
Orphan Train of Ellis Island, The		5	
Patchwork Path: A Quilt Map to Freedom, The	Stroud, Bettye		680
Pedro's Journal	Conrad, Pam	3, 4	1030
Perilous Road	Steele, William O.	5	750
Phoebe the Spy	Griffin, Judith Berry	4	650
Pinballs	Byars, Betsy	5	600
Pippi Longstocking	Lindgren, Astrid	4	870
Poppy	Avi	5	670
Prince Caspian	Lewis, C. S.	5	870
Princess Academy	Hale, Shannon	4	890
Quake! Disaster in San Francisco, 1906	Karwoski, Gail Langer	5	770
Quilt, The	Paulsen, Gary	5	1160
Radio Man	Dorros, Arthur		560
Ralph S. Mouse	Cleary, Beverly	3	860
Ramona	Jackson, Helen Hunt	3	870
Ramona and Her Father	Cleary, Beverly	3	840
Ramona Quimby Age 8	Cleary, Beverly	3	860
Ramona the Pest	Cleary, Beverly	3	850
Rascal	Miles, Ellen	4, 5	640
Riding Freedom	Ryan, Pam Munoz & Selznick, Brian	3	720
Rifle, The	Paulsen, Gary	5	1480
River Dream, A	Say, Allen		490
River Ran Wild	Cherry, Lynne	4	670
Rosa Parks: My Story	Parks, Rosa	5	970
Runaway Ralph	Cleary, Beverly	3, 4	890
Sable	Hesse, Karen	4	690
Sadako and the Paper Cranes	Coerr, Eleanor	4	630
Sarah Bishop	O'Dell, Scott	4	760
Sarah Plain and Tall	MacLachan, Patricia	3, 4	560
Saving the Pelegrine Falcon			
Scrib	Ives, David	5	930
Seaman		4	
Series of Unfortunate Events: The Bad Beginning	Snicket, Lemony	4	1010
Shades of Gray	Reeder, Carolyn	5	800
Shiloh	Reynolds, Phyllis	4	890
Sideways Arithmetic from Wayside School	Sachar, Louis	4	670
Sideways Stories from a Wayside School	Sachar, Louis	4	460
Sign of the Beaver	Spear, Elizabeth George	4	770
Sign of the Beaver, The	Spear, Elizabeth George	4	770
Sixth Grade Can Really Kill You!	DeClements, Barthe	5	700
Skinny Bones	Barbara Park	3, 5	
Skylark	MacLachan, Patricia	5	470
Slave Ship, The			
Soldier's Heart; Mr. Tucket	Paulsen, Gary	5	1000
Something Upstairs	Avi	5	580
Souder	Armstrong, William H.	5, 4	900

Souper Saturdays		3	
Spider Boy	Fletcher, Ralph	5	610
Stargirl	Spinelli, Jerry	4	590
Stars (True Books: Space)	Sipiera, Paul	4	
Starving Time, The		4	
Steal Away Home	Ruby, Lois	5	890
Steal Away to Freedom		5	
Sterling		5	
Stone Fox	Gardner, John	3, 4	550
Stories Julian Tells, The	Cameron, Ann	3	520
Stowaway	Hesse, Karen	4	830
Strider	Cleary, Beverly	5	840
Stuart Little	White, E.B.	3, 4	920
Summer of the Monkeys, The	Rawls, Wilson	5	810
Superfudge	Blume, Judy	4, 5	560
Surviving Jamestown		4	
Take a Stand Rosa Parks	Rood, Peter and Connie	5	760
Tale of Despereaux, The	DiCamillo, Kate	5	670
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing	Blume, Judy	3, 4	470
Taste of Blackberries, A	Smith, Doris Buchanan	3	640
Teacher's Pet	Hurwitz, Joanna & Hamanaka, Shelia		
There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom	Sachar, Louis	3	490
Titanic Sinks, The	Conkin, Thomas	5	790
Toliver's Secret	Brady, Esther Wood	4	740
Trumpet of the Swans, The	White, E.B.	5	750
Turn Homeward, Hannalee	Beatty, Patricia	5	830
Twister on Tuesday	Osborne, Mary Pope	3	310
Twits, The	Dahl, Roald	4	750
Two Tickets to Freedom	Florence B. Freedman	5	1030
Uncle Jed's Barbershop	Mitchell, Margaree King		AD710
Under the Blood Red Sun	Salisbury, Graham	5	640
Upchuck and the Rotten Willy	Wallace, Bill	3	600
Vassilisa the Wise	Sherman, Joseph		
Volcano		5	
Wanderer, The	Creech, Sharon	4	830
Wanted...Mud Blossom	Byars, Betsy	5	650
War with Grandpa, The	Smith, Robert Kimmel	5	640
Wednesday Surprise, The	Bunting, Eve		540
Westing Game, The*	Raskin, Ellen	4, 5	750
Where Do You Think You're Going Christopher Columbus	Fritz, Jean	5	890
Whipping Boy, The	Fleischman, Sid	4, 5	570
Who Comes with Cannons	Beatty, Patricia	5	760
Who Put the Pepper in the Pot	Cole, Joanna		310
Witches, The	Dahl, Roald	4	740
Witness		5	
Yang the Youngest and His Terrible Ear	Lensey Namioka	4	720
Year Down Yonder	Peck, Richard	5	610
Year of the Boar and J.R. , The	Lord, Betty Bao	3, 4	730
You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton?	Fritz, Jean		870

Lexile Map

Grade	Reader Measures (Interquartile Range, Mid-Year)	Text Measures (from Lexile Framework Map)
1	Up to 300L	200L to 400L

2	140L to 500L	300L to 500L
3	330L to 700L	500L to 700L
4	445L to 810L	650L to 850L
5	565L to 910L	750L to 950L
6	665L to 1000L	850L to 1050L
7	735L to 1065L	950L to 1075L
8	805L to 1100L	1000L to 1100L
9	855L to 1165L	1050L to 1150L
10	905L to 1195L	1100L to 1200L
11 and 12	940L to 1210L	1100L to 1300L

You will notice there is considerable overlap between the grades. This is typical of the reading levels of students in the grades and materials published. In addition, the level of support you provide during reading instruction and the motivation of the reader impact the reading experience. Students who are interested in reading about a specific topic (and therefore motivated) are able to read text that is at a higher level than his or her reading level (about 100L).

Lexile Codes

The following codes are used in conjunction with the Lexile measure of a text to indicate special characteristics of the text. This information can be used to target texts in special situations:

- **Illustrated Glossary (IG):** A text designated as "IG" consists of independent pieces of text such as in the glossary of a book. These independent pieces may be interchanged without affecting the flow of the text. "IG" texts typically contain some or all of the following characteristics:
 - The definitions of words (using such indicators as "or" or a dash) or their pronunciations are contained directly in the text.
 - Technical vocabulary is printed in a contrasting type (e.g., bold, italic).
 - Each topic is presented on one to two pages, with titles and/or captions for each paragraph.
 - Illustrations are incorporated into the text.
 - Texts designated as "IG" are good resources when conducting research on an unfamiliar topic.

- **Non-conforming Text (NC):** A text designated as "NC" consists of semantic difficulty (*vocabulary*) and syntactic complexity (*sentence length*) that is inconsistent with the developmental appropriateness of the text. Typically these texts are written at a higher level than would be suggested by the content and the format of the text. Texts designated as "NC" are useful when matching advanced readers with text at an appropriate developmental level.

- **Beginning Reading (BR):** A text designated as "BR" is any text that has a Lexile measure of zero or below. The measure is shown only as "BR" without the zero or negative number appearing.

- **Non-prose Text (NP):** A text designated as "NP" is any book whose content is at least 50 percent nonstandard prose. Some examples are poems, plays, songs, and books with incorrect or no punctuation.

- **Adult-directed Text (AD):** A text designated as "AD" is one designed to be read to or with readers. The following guidelines should be used when examining an "AD" text:
 - Text placement

- ☐ Sentence length
- ☐ Font size and placement
- ☐ Basic word usage
- ☐ Illustration context
- ☐ Book size

Texts designated as "AD" are useful when reading to a group, and can be used to improve listening-comprehension skills (e.g., making predictions, engaging in discussion, identifying meaning and acquiring vocabulary).