First Grade Reading List 2022
Akron-Summit County Public Library

Lexile 250 AR BL 1.7
Zapped into his favorite video game by a sneaky bolt of lightning, mischievous Jack finds himself racing around game puzzles while outmaneuvering a pounding boss.

Carbone, Courtney. **This Makes Me Happy**, 2018. JRDR CARBONE
Lexile 340 AR BL NA
A young girl and her class go on a field trip, complete with a roller coaster, pie-eating contest, and petting zoo, in a book that helps young readers learn to express and articulate happiness.

Dean, James. **Pete the Cat’s Trip to the Supermarket**, 2019. JRDR DEAN
Lexile 450 AR BL 1.7
Pete the Cat, Bob, and Dad go to the supermarket. But what happens when Dad loses their grocery list along the way? It's up to Pete and Bob to help remind Dad what was on their list!

Fenske, Jonathan. **A Pig, a Fox, and a Box**, 2017. JRDR FENSKE
Lexile 210 AR BL 1.3
After finding a box just the right size to hide in, a little fox tries to play some tricks on his big friend, Pig, but things do not work out exactly as he planned.

Lexile NA AR BL 2.0
Ally the alligator is perfectly happy being alone ... until one day a noisy bird named Beak lands on her snout. Much to Ally's annoyance, this chatty bird likes to sing all the time and has chosen a nearby tree to build his new nest. Even worse, he insists that he and Ally will be best friends. In fact, he has all kinds of friendship goals in mind, and it seems nothing Ally says will convince him that she'd rather just be alone. Nothing beats peace and quiet ... except for maybe a new best friend?

Harney, Jennifer. **Underwear!** 2019. JE HARNEY
Lexile 310 AR BL 1.2
Illustrations and simple, rhyming text follow a bear who would rather play with his underwear than put it on and get ready for bed.
Higgins, Ryan T. *What About Worms?*, 2020. JRDR HIGGINS
Lexile 310 ARBL 1.6
Tiger unwittingly helps some worms overcome their fear of tigers with a well-placed, informative book, but will a wormy hug aid a fearful Tiger? A Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor award winner!

La Rochelle, David. *See the Cat: Three Stories About a Dog*, 2020. JRDR LAROCHELLE
Lexile 260 ARBL 1.2
What happens when the book gets it wrong? Max is not a cat--Max is a dog! But much to his dismay, this book keeps instructing readers to "see the cat." How can Max get through to the book that he is a dog? In a trio of stories for beginning readers, author David LaRochelle introduces the excitable Max, who lets the book know in irresistibly emphatic dialogue that the text is not to his liking.

Lexile 430 ARBL 2.1
Meet Baloney! He's the star of this book, along with his best buddies: empathetic Peanut the horse, sensible Bizz the bumblebee, and grumpy Krabit--he'd rather not be here, but what can you do? Giggle with Baloney as he performs some questionable magic, give him a boost when a case of the blues gets him down, cheer him on as he braves the swimming pool, and at the end, learn to draw all the characters with clear step-by-step instructions!

Thomas, Jan. *My Toothbrush is Missing!* 2018. JRDR THOMAS
Lexile 320 AR BL 1.4
When his toothbrush goes missing, Dog's friends help him look for it.

Tsurumi, Andrea. *I'm On It!* 2021. JRDR TSURUMI
Lexile 320 AR BL 1.0
Goat likes to lead. Goat also likes Frog to follow. When Goat jumps on it, Frog does, too. Soon Goat and Frog are on it, along it, above it, inside it, beside it, around it, and under it--phew! How can their friendship get through it?

Willems, Mo. *Guess What!?* 2021. JRDR WILLEMS
Lexile NA AR BL 1.8
An ensemble cast of Squirrels, Acorns, and pop-in guests hosts a page-turning extravaganza. In *Guess What!?* Zoom Squirrel is excited to go to the beach. But what will happen when Zoomy and pals finally get there? Do you know more about going to the beach than the Squirrels do? You will by the end of this book!