

Beginning Chapter Books

Ready to move up from easy readers? Try one of these exciting beginning chapter books. These books feature short, lively chapters that are simple enough for readers at this level. These are just a few suggestions to get you started. Please ask at the Children's Desk for even more suggestions!

School, Friends and Family

Ivy & Bean series, by Annie Barrows (JFIC)
The One in the Middle is the Green Kangaroo, by Judy Blume (JFIC)
Freckle Juice, by Judy Blume (JFIC)
Flat Stanley, by Jeff Brown (JPB)
Arthur Chapter Book series, by Marc Brown (JPB, JFIC)
The Chalk Box Kid, by Clyde Bulla (JFIC)
Beans on the Roof, by Betsy Byars (JFIC)
The Extreme Team series, by Matt Christopher (JPB, JFIC)
Soccer Cats series, by Matt Christopher (JFIC)
Magic School Bus science series, by Joanna Cole (JPB)
Jenny Archer series, by Ellen Conford (JFIC)
Annabel the Actress series, by Ellen Conford (JFIC)
Pee Wee Scouts series, by Judy Delton (JPB)
Wonder Kid Meets the Evil Lunch Snatcher, by Lois Duncan (JFIC)
Kids of the Polk Street School series, by Patricia Reilly Giff (JPB)
Owen Foote series, by Stephanie Greene (JFIC)
My Weird School series, by Dan Gutman (JPB)
Pinky and Rex series, by James Howe (JFIC)
Ready Freddy! series, by Abby Klein (JPB)
Horrible Harry series, by Suzy Kline (JPB, JFIC)
Katie Kazoo, Switcheroo series, by Nancy Krulik (JPB)
Brigid Beware, by Kathleen Leverich (JFIC)
Gooney Bird Greene by Lois Lowry (JFIC)
Stink series, by Megan McDonald (JFIC)
Dear Whiskers, by Ann Whitehead Nagda (JFIC)
Junie B. Jones series, by Barbara Park (JPB, JFIC)
Clementine, by Sara Pennypacker (JFIC)
Marvin Redpost series, by Louis Sachar (JPB, JFIC)
Horrid Henry, by Francesca Simon (JPB)
Tooter Pepperday, by Jerry Spinelli (JPB)

Science Fiction and Fantasy

Secrets of Droon series, by Tony Abbott
Zack Files series, by Dan Greenburg (JPB, JFIC)
Andrew Lost series, by J. C. Greenburg (JPB)
Rainbow Magic series, by Daisy Meadows (JPB)
Magic Tree House series, by Mary Pope Osborne (JPB, JFIC)

(Turn page over for more suggestions)

Beginning Chapter Books

Ready to move up from easy readers? Try one of these exciting beginning chapter books. These books feature short, lively chapters that are simple enough for readers at this level. These are just a few suggestions to get you started. Please ask at the Children's Desk for even more suggestions!

Mystery and Adventure

Cam Jansen series, by David Adler (JFIC)
Flatfoot Fox series, by Eth Clifford (JFIC)
Bailey School Kids series, by Debbie Dadey (JPB)
Scooby Doo Mysteries series, by James Gelsey (JPB)
Nancy Drew Notebooks, by Carolyn Keene (JPB)
Sly the Sleuth series, by Donna Jo Napoli (JFIC)
Jigsaw Jones series, by James Preller (JPB)
A to Z Mysteries series, by Rob Roy (JPB, JFIC)
Capital Mysteries series, by Ron Roy (JPB)
Nate the Great series, by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat (JPB, JFIC)
Melvin Beederman series, by Greg Trine (JPB)
Pokemon series, by Tracey West (on Spinner)

Historical Fiction

White Bird, by Clyde Bulla (JFIC)
Pioneer Cat, by William Hooks (JFIC)
Prairie Skies series, by Deborah Hopkinson (JPB)
Sword of the Samurai, by Eric Kimmel (JPB)
Little House Chapter Books, by Laura Ingalls Wilder (JFIC)
Night of the Full Moon, by Gloria Whelan (JPB)

Animals

Pony Pals series, by Jeanne Betancourt (JPB)
Mercy Watson series, by Kate DiCamillo (JFIC)
Barkley's School for Dogs series, by Marcia Thornton Jones (JPB)
Jenius: The Amazing Guinea Pig, by Dick King-Smith (JPB)
Maybelle in the Soup, by Katie Speck (JFIC)
Lighthouse Family, by Cynthia Rylant (JFIC)
Little Horse, by Betsy Byars
Puppy Place, by Ellen Miles
Kitty Corner, by Ellen Miles

(Turn page over for more suggestions)