The selection of books in this list are a guide for children aged 5-6 in year 1 at school. The books range various genres to cover all interests. If your child is a competent reader or has read many of these titles then try the books from the Year 2 reading list.

- The Very Hungry Caterpillar – Eric Carle
- The Bad-Tempered Ladybird – Eric Carle
- We’re Going on A Bear Hunt – Michael Rosen
- Lullabyhullaba – Mick Inkpen
- Peace at Last – Jill Murphy
- Funny Bones – Allan Ahlberg
- Cops and Robbers – Allan Ahlberg
- The Gruffalo – Julia Donaldson
- The Smartest Giant in Town – Julia Donaldson
- The Paper Dolls – Julia Donaldson
- A Bear Called Paddington – Michael Bond
- A Lion in the Meadow – Margaret Mahy
- Hairy Maclary from Donaldson’s Diary by Lynley Dodd
- Owl Babies – Martin Waddell
- A Kitten Called Moonlught – Martin Waddell
- The Emperor of Absurdia – Chris Riddell
- There are Cats in this Book – Viviane Schwarz
- Mister Magnolia – Quentin Blake
- Mrs Armitage on Wheels – Quentin Blake
- Katie Morag’s Island Stories by Mairi Hedderwick
- My Friend Bear – Jez Alborough
- Avocado Baby – John Burningham
- The Tiger who came to Tea – Judith Kerr
- Meg and Mog – Helen Nichol
- Not Now Bernard – David McKee
- A Dark, Dark Tale – Ruth Brown
- Dogger – Shirley Hughes
- The Trouble with Jack – Shirley Hughes
- I Want My Hat Back – Jon Klassen
- The Dark – Lemony Snicket
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- You Can’t Take an elephant on the Bus – Patricia Cleveland Peck
- Penguin – Polly Dunbar
- You Choose! – Pippa Goodhart
- Stanley’s Stick – Neale Layton
- What to Do If an Elephant Stands on Your Foot – Michelle Robinson
- How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth – Michelle Robinson
- Dinosaurs in the Supermarket! – Timothy Knapman
- The Hodgeheg – Dick King-Smith
- The Cat in the Hat – Dr Seuss
- Charlie and Lola – Lauren Child
- Don’t Forget the Bacon – Pat Hutchins
- The Princess and the Pea – Minnie Grey
- The Whisperer – Nick Butterworth
- The Silver Swan – Michael Morpurgo
- The True Story of Three Little Pigs – Jon Scieszka
- The Grandad Tree – Trish Cooke
- Where’s My Teddy? – Jez Alborough
- My Friend Bear – Jes Alborough
- What If? – A H Benjamin
- Man on the Moon – Simon Bartram
- The Owl Who Was afraid of the Dark – Jill Tomlinson
- Out for the Count – Anne Fine