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***for***  
***Children-Youth-Adults***

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# CLASSICS FOR CHILDREN

## Pre-School

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Blueberries for Sal, Robert McCloskey  
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Madeleine, Ludwig Bemelmans  
Make Way for Duckling, Robert McCloskey  
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel, Virginia Lee Burton  
Miss Rumphius  
The Mitten, Jan Brett  
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The Story of Ping, Marjorie Flack

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The Ugly Duckling  
The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Eric Carle  
Where the Wild Things Are, Maurice Sendak

## **Beginning - Easy Readers**

Amelia Bedelia, Peggy Parish  
Are You My Mother? by P. D. Eastman  
The Bears on Hemlock Mountain , Alice Dagliesh  
Owl at Home by Arnold Lobel  
Danny and the Dinosaur, Syd Hoff  
Frog and Toad Series, Arnold Lobel  
George and Martha by James Marshall  
George the Drummer Boy by Nathaniel Benchley & other History I Can Read books  
George Washington's Mother by Jean Fritz  
Go, Dog, Go, Dr. Seuss  
Green Eggs and Ham, Dr. Seuss  
Hop on Pop, Dr. Seuss  
Josefina Story Quilt by Eleanor Coerr  
Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie by Peter Roop  
Little Bear, Else Holmelund Minarik  
Nate the Great, Marjorie Weinman Sharmat  
New Coat for Anna by Harriet Ziefert  
One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish, Dr. Seuss  
Owl at Home by Arnold Lobel  
Sam the Minuteman by Nathaniel Benchley  
Sammy the Seal and others by Syd Hoff  
Trojan Horse, or How the Greeks Won the War by Emily Little

## Early School Age

Bread and Jam for Frances, Russell Hoban  
The Cat in the Hat, Dr. Seuss  
The Courage of Sarah Noble, Alice Dagliesh  
Daniel's Duck by Clyde Robert Bulla  
A Lion to Guard Us by Clyde Robert Bulla  
Aesop's Fables  
Anderson's Fairy Tales  
Andy and the Lion  
All of A Kind Family, Sydney Taylor  
Apple & the Arrow by Mary Marsh Buff  
A Bear Called Paddington, Michael Bond  
The Best Christmas Pageant Ever, Barbara Robinson  
The Bible  
Billy and Blaze, C.W. Anderson  
The Cabin Faced West, Jean Fritz  
Sam the Minuteman by Nathaniel Benchley  
Sammy the Seal and others by Syd Hoff  
Trojan Horse, or How the Greeks Won the War by Emily Little  
Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Roald Dahl  
Charlotte's Web, E B White  
The Cricket in Times Square, George Selden  
The Door in the Wall, Marguerite, De Angeli  
My Father's Dragon, Ruth Stiles Gannett  
Five Little Peppers and How They Grew , Margaret Lothrop  
Henry Reed, Inc. by Keith Robertson  
Homer Price, Robert McCloskey  
House at Pooh Corner by A. A. Milne  
The Hundred Dresses, Eleanor Estes  
The Indian in the Cupboard, Lynne Reid Banks  
Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell  
The Lion, The Witch, The Wardrobe, C S Lewis  
The Matchlock Gun, Walter Edmonds  
Mr. Popper's Penguins, Richard and Florence Atwater  
Mrs. Piggle Wiggle, Betty Macdonald  
My Side of the Mountain, Jean Craighead George  
Paddle to the Sea, Holling C Hollings  
Rabbit Hill, Robert Lawson  
Sarah, Plain and Tall, Sarah MacLachan  
Seabird, Holling C Hollings  
Stuart Little, E.B. White  
Tales of the Arabian Nights

They Were Strong & Good by Robert Lawson  
The Wheel on the School, Meindert DeJong  
The Wind in the Willows, Kenneth Grahame  
Winnie the Pooh, A A Milne



## **Late School Age**

Adam of the Road, Janet Gray  
Augustine, Farmer Boy of Tagaste  
The Bronze Bow, Elizabeth Speare  
Call It Courage , Armstrong Sperry  
The Call of The Wild, Jack London  
Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, Jean Lee Latham  
Castle, David Macauley  
Cheaper By the Dozen, Frank B. Gilbreth Jr. and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey  
Children's Homer by Padraic Colum  
Chronicles of Narnia by C. S. Lewis  
Cricket in Times Square by George Selden  
Dangerous Journey  
D'Aulaire's Greek Book of Myths, Ingri and Edgar Parin D'Aulaire  
From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler, E L Konigsburg  
Gathering of Days by Joan Blos  
The Golden Goblet, Eloise Jarvis McGraw  
The Great Wheel, Robert Lawson  
Hans Brinker, or the Silver Skates, Mary Mapes Dodge  
Harriet the Spy, Louise Fitzhugh  
Hawk That Dare Not Hunt by Day by Scott O'Dell  
Heidi, Johanna Spyri  
Henry Reed, Keith Robertson  
Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom  
The Hobbit, J R R Tolkein  
House at Pooh Corner by A. A. Milne  
Huguenot Garden, by Douglas Jones  
I, Juan de Pareja, Elizabeth Trevino  
Island of the Blue Dolphin, Scott O'Dell  
Johnny Tremain, Esther Forbes  
Justin Morgan Had a Horse, Marguerite Henry  
Little House in the Big Woods, Laura Ingalls Wilder  
Little House on the Prairie, Laura Ingalls Wilder  
Little Princess by Frances Hodgson Burnett  
The Merry Adventures of Robin Hood, Howard Pyle  
Misty of Chincoteague, Marguerite Henry  
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George  
Number the Stars, Lois Lowry  
Old Yeller, Fred Gibson  
The Phantom Tollbooth, Norton Juster  
Pollyanna, Eleanor Porter  
Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm by Kate Douglas Wiggen  
Second Mrs. Giaconda by E. L. Konigsburg

The Secret Garden, Frances Hodgson Burnett  
The Sign of The Beaver, Elizabeth George Speare  
Strawberry Girl, Lois Lenski  
Swiss Family Robinson, Johann Swiss  
Tales of Shakespeare, Charles & Mary Lamb  
Treasure Island, Robert Louis Stephenson  
Treasures of the Snow by Patricia St. John  
Trumpet of the Swan by E. B. White  
The Trumpeter of Krakow , Eric Kelly  
The Twenty-One Balloons, William Pène du Bois  
Uncle Remus and others by Joel Chandler Harris  
Where the Red Fern Grows, Wilson Rawls  
White Fang, Jack London  
The White Stag, Kate Seredy  
The Witch of Blackbird Pond, Elizabeth Speare  
Wonderful Wizard of Oz and others by Frank Baum

## CLASSICS FOR YOUTH

Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt  
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Mark Twain  
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, Mark Twain  
Anne Frank: Diary of a Young Girl, Anne Frank  
Anne of Green Gables, Lucy Maud Montgomery  
Black Arrow, Robert Louis Stevenson  
Bruchko by Bruce Olson  
The Canterbury Tales, Geoffrey Chaucer, retold by Barbara Cohen  
Cat of Bubastes, by G. A. Henty  
Children's Homer  
A Christmas Carol, Charles Dickens  
Christy by Catherine Marshall  
Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank  
Eagle of the Ninth, Rosemary Sutcliff  
Freckles by Gene Statton Porter  
Girl of the Limberlost and others by Gene Statton Porter  
Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift  
Hittite Warrior  
Ides of April,  
Ivanhoe, Sir Walter Scott  
Kidnapped and others by Robert Louis Stevenson  
Little Britches Series, by Ralph Moody  
Little Women, Louisa May Alcott  
Lord of the Rings Trilogy by J. R. R. Tolkein  
Mara, Daughter of the Nile by Eloise Jarvis McGraw  
Men of Iron, Howard Pyle  
Merchant of Venice by William Shakespeare  
Midsummer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare  
Otto of the Silver Hand, Howard Pyle  
Pilgrim's Progress and others by John Bunyan  
Poems by Emily Dickinson  
Poems by Robert Frost  
Poems by Rudyard Kipling  
Prince and the Pauper by Mark Twain  
Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane  
Robe by Lloyd C. Douglas  
Robinson Crusoe, Daniel DeFoe  
Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare  
The Story of King Arthur and His Knights, Howard Pyle  
Story of Rolf and the Viking Bow

Swiss Family Robinson, by Wyss  
Three Musketeers by Alexandre Dumas  
Twice Freed, by Patricia St. John  
Treasures in the Snow, by Patricia St. John  
War of The Worlds by H. G. Wells  
Watership Down by Richard Adams  
White Fang  
Yearling by Marjorie Rawlings

## CLASSICS FOR ADULT

The Aenid, Virgil  
Alas, Babylon by Pat Frank  
All Creatures Great and Small and others by James Herriot  
All Quiet on the Western Front by Erich Remarque  
Anna Karenina by Leo Tolstoy  
Yearling by Marjorie Rawlings  
Ben Hur and others by Lew Wallace  
Beowulf  
Brave New World by Aldous Huxley  
Canterbury Tales, Chaucer  
City of God, Augustine  
Common Sense, Thomas Paine  
Confessions, Augustine  
Crime and Punishment by Fyodor Dostoyevsky  
David Copperfield by Charles Dickens  
Death of Ivan Ilyitch by Leo Tolstoy  
Divine Comedy, Dante  
Don Quixote, Miguel Cervantes  
Elements, Euclid  
Emma by Jane Austen  
Faerie Queene, Edmund Spenser  
Foxy's Christian Martyrs by John Foxe  
Gilgamesh  
Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck  
Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald  
Great Expectations, Charles Dickens  
Heart of Darkness and others by Joseph Conrad  
Here I Stand: A Life of Martin Luther by Roland H. Bainton  
The Histories, Herodotus  
History of the Peloponnesian War, Thucydides  
House of Seven Gables and others by Nathaniel Hawthorne  
Hunchback of Notre Dame by Victor Hugo  
Iliad, Homer  
Institutes of Christian Religion, John Calvin  
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte  
Le Morte d'Arthur, Malory  
Les Miserables by Victor Hugo  
Leviathan, Thomas Hobbes  
Lorna Doone by Richard D. Blackmore  
Mathematical Principles, Isaac Newton

Middlemarch by George Eliot  
Moby Dick and others by Herman Melville  
Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie  
Odyssey, Homer  
Oedipus Rex, Sophocles  
Old Curiosity Shop by Charles Dickens  
Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway  
Oliver Twist, Charles Dickens  
On Christian Doctrine, Augustine  
On the Incarnation, Athanasius  
On the Revolution of the Heavenly Spheres, Copernicus  
On Walden Pond by Henry David Thoreau  
One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich and others by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn  
Origin of Species, Darwin  
Paradise Lost, John Milton  
Pilgrim's Progress and others by John Bunyan  
Plato  
Poetics, Aristotle  
Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen  
The Prince, Machiavelli  
Profiles in Courage by John F. Kennedy  
Quo Vadis by Henryk Sienkiewicz  
Rhetoric, Aristotle  
Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne  
Summa Theologica, Aquinas  
Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens  
Talisman by Sir Walter Scott  
Thirty Nine Steps and others by John Buchan  
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee  
Tom Jones and others by Henry Fielding  
Up From Slavery by Booker T. Washington  
Utopia, Thomas More  
War and Peace by Leo Tolstoy  
War in Gaul, Caesar