

Books that have worked well with my students:

In order to find out more about these books, ctrl-click the links to Amazon and Morawa. Most books are also available at the English Bookshop in Graz: <http://www.english-bookshop.com/shop/> where you will also get a good price for larger orders.

The age recommendations will work for kids with some reading experience who are not afraid of unknown words.

Tip: Always present a choice of 3-5 books to your class– don't do class readers. Include easy ones and more difficult ones to make sure all the students can read at their own level.

Years 1-2:

Any picture books for pre-school kids

[The Trouble with Gran](#), by Babette Cole

[Prince Cinders](#), Babette Cole

[Princess Smartypants](#), B. Cole

[Bangalee \(Serendipity\)](#) by Stephen Cosgrove

Native American Stories:

Paul Goble, [The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses](#),

Paul Goble, *The Return of the Buffaloes*

Paul Goble, [All Our Relatives](#)

Paul Goble, *The Lost Children*

Easy readers such as:

Andrew Wright, *Space Entertainer* (Oxford Spellbinders Level 3)

Leslie Dunkling, *Journey to Universe City* (Collins English Library)

K R Cripwell, *Crocodile!* (Collins English Library)

any other graded readers....

Years 2-3:

[Red Eyes at Night \(Read Alone\)](#) by Michael Morpurgo

[Marvin Redpost](#) by Louis Sachar (series of 8 excellent books)

[The Great Galaxy Goof \(Astrokids\)](#) by Robert Elmer

[Stuart Little](#) by E. B. White and Garth Williams

[Charlotte's Web \(Trophy Newbery\)](#) by E. B. White and Garth Williams

[Loudmouth Louis](#) by Anne Fine

[Bullies Are a Pain in the Brain](#) by Trevor Romain and Elizabeth Verdick

[Cliques, Phonies, & Other Baloney](#) by Trevor Romain

[The Boy Who Lost His Face](#) von Louis Sachar

Years 3-4

[Magic Bicycle: The Story of a Bicycle That Found a Boy \(Spirit Flyer\)](#) by John Bibebe and Paul Turnbaugh

[Kensuke's Kingdom](#) by Michael Morpurgo (Mass Market Paperback)

[Blubber](#) by Judy Blume

[Clockwork : Or All Wound Up](#) by Philip Pullman and Leonid Gore

[Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great](#) by Judy Blume

[Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing](#) by Judy Blume and Roy Doty

[Ganging Up](#) by Alan Gibbons

Years 4-5-6 and above

[Zlata's Diary: A Child's Life in Wartime Sarajevo Revised Edition](#) by Zlata Filipovic

[Durango Street](#) by Frank Bonham

[Chernowitz](#) by Fran Arrick

[The Wave Penguin Longman Penguin Readers](#)), by Morton Rhue or [The Wave](#) by Todd Strasser (the same book)

[Where the Broken Heart Still Beats: The Story of Cynthia Ann Parker](#) by Carolyn Meyer

[Across the Barricades \(Puffin Teenage Fiction\)](#) by Joan Lingard

[Holes](#) by Louis Sachar

[Stargirl \(Readers Circle\)](#) by Jerry Spinelli

[Go Ask Alice](#) by Anonymous

[Give a Boy a Gun](#) by Todd Strasser

[Can't Get There from Here](#) by Todd Strasser (is the same book as [Asphalt Tribe](#) by Morton Rhue)

[Boot Camp, English edition](#) by Rhue, Morton

[Grass](#) by C.Z. Nightingale

[Gangsta Rap](#) by Benjamin Zephaniah

[The Giver](#) by Lois Lowry

[When I Was a Soldier](#) by Valerie Zenatti

[Stone Cold \(Puffin Teenage Fiction\)](#) by Robert Swindells

[Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl](#) by Anne Frank

[The Alchemyst](#), by Michael Scott

[I am the Messenger](#), by Markus Zusak

[Freeky Green Eyes](#), by Joyce Carol Oates

[Speak](#), by Laurie Halse Anderson

[Ophelia](#) von Lisa Klein

[The Body of Christopher Creed](#) von Carol Plum-Ucci

[Slam](#), von Nick Hornby

[The Gospel According to Larry \(Readers Circle\)](#) von Janet Tashjian von Dell Juvenile

[Monster](#) von Walter Dean Myers und Christopher A. Myers
[The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian](#) by Sherman Alexie
[Ask Me No Questions](#) by Marina Budhos

Excellent but really fat books for readaholics (mainly for girls)

[Twilight \(The Twilight Saga, Book 1\)](#) by Stephenie Meyer
[New Moon \(Twilight, Book 2\)](#) by Stephenie Meyer
[Eclipse \(Eclipse\). Twilight Vol.3 \(The Twilight Saga\)](#) by Stephenie Meyer

Years 6-8 (my students' favorites)

[Girl With a Pearl Earring: \(Deluxe Edition\)](#) by Tracy Chevalier
[Girl in Hyacinth Blue](#) by Susan Vreeland
[Life of Pi](#) by Yann Martel
[The Tortilla Curtain](#) by T. Coraghessan Boyle
[Drop City](#) by T. Coraghessan Boyle
[Mr. Vertigo.](#) by Paul Auster
[Music of Chance](#) by Paul Auster
[Atonement](#) by Ian McEwan
[Enduring Love](#) by Ian McEwan
[Cat's Cradle](#) by Kurt Vonnegut
[The World According to Garp](#) by John Irving
[Bodega Dreams: A Novel](#) by Ernesto Quinonez
[Downtown](#) by Anne Rivers Siddons
[Slam.](#) von Nick Hornby

And some classics

[The Catcher in the Rye](#) by J.D. Salinger
[Nineteen Eighty-Four](#) by George Orwell,
[Brave New World](#) by Aldous Huxley
[Lord of the Flies.](#) von William Golding von PENGUIN Group
[One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest \(Penguin Classics\)](#) by Ken Kesey
[The Bell Jar : A Novel \(Perennial Classics\)](#) by Sylvia Plath
[Black Like Me](#) by John Howard Griffin
[The Color Purple](#) by Alice Walker
[The Pearl: \(Centennial Edition\)](#) by John Steinbeck
[The Great Gatsby \(Wordsworth Classics\)](#) by F. Scott Fitzgerald
[The Old Man and The Sea](#) by Ernest Hemingway
[Of Mice and Men \(Steinbeck Centennial Edition\)](#) by John Steinbeck

[In Cold Blood \(Penguin Modern Classics\)](#) by Truman Capote
[Breakfast at Tiffany's](#) by Truman Capote