



# Second Grade Literature List

“Literary experience heals the wound, without undermining the privilege, of individuality... In reading great literature I become a thousand men and yet remain myself. Like the night sky in the Greek poem, I see with a myriad eyes, but it is still I who see. Here, as in worship, in love, in moral action, and in knowing, I transcend myself; and am never more myself than when I do.”

C.S. Lewis, *The Reading Life: The Joy of Seeing New Worlds Through Others' Eyes*

## Core Books

Long Way Westward  
A Chair for my Mother  
Miss Rumphius  
Heidi  
A Question of Yams  
The Biggest Bear  
My Father's Dragon  
The Trojan Horse  
Keep The Light Burning, Abbie  
Bears On Hemlock Mountain  
The Courage of Sarah Noble  
Volcanoes! Mountains of Fire  
Encyclopedia Brown  
Meet Abraham Lincoln  
A New Coat for Anna  
The Boxcar Children  
Pompeii: Buried Alive!  
The Mouse and the Motorcycle  
Paul Bunyan  
Stone Fox  
Sarah, Plain and Tall  
Little House in the Big Woods

## Read Alouds

The Book of Virtues  
Greek Myths  
Detectives In Togas  
The Adventures of Chatterer the Squirrel  
Stuart Little  
Aesop's Fables  
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon  
Ramona Quimby, Age 8