

Norton, Mary. **The Borrowers**

Miniature people who live in an old country house by borrowing things from the humans are forced to emigrate from their home under the clock.

O'Brien, Robert C. **Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh**

Having no one to help her with her problems, a widowed mouse visits the rats whose former imprisonment in a laboratory made them wise and long lived.

Selden, George. **The Cricket in Times Square**

When a country cricket with unique musical talents lands in Times Square, he and his new-found friends put his unique musical skills to use and bring joy to the citizens of New York.

Travers, P.L. **Mary Poppins**

The wind brings two English children a new nanny who slides up the bannister and introduces them to some delightful people and experiences.

White, E.B. **Charlotte's Web**

Wilbur, the pig, is desolate when he discovers that he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner until his spider friend, Charlotte, decides to help him.

White, E.B. **Stuart Little**

The adventures of the mouse Stuart Little as he sets out in the world to seek out his best friend, a little bird who stayed a few days in his family's garden.

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These chapter books, located in Children's Fiction, are fourth grade reading level and up, but appeal to readers as young as four or five.

Aiken, Joan. **The Serial Garden**

The Armitage family tries to find clever ways to cope with a variety of extraordinary events including stray unicorns in the garden, lessons in magic that go awry, and eviction from their house.

Atwater, Richard. **Mr. Popper's Penguins**

The unexpected delivery of a large crate containing an Antarctic penguin changes the life and fortunes of Mr. Popper, a house painter obsessed by dreams of the Polar regions.

Bearn, Emily. **Tumtum and Nutmeg**

Wealthy, married mice Tumtum and Nutmeg find adventure when they secretly try to help two human siblings who live in a tumbledown cottage with their absent-minded inventor father.

Birdsall, Jane. **The Penderwicks**

While vacationing with their widowed father in the Berkshire Mountains, four lovable sisters, ages four through twelve, share adventures with a local boy, much to the dismay of his snobbish mother.

Brooks, Walter. **Freddy and the Dragon**

When Centerboro is overwhelmed by a crime wave, Freddy the pig tries to catch the culprits with the help of Uncle Ben, the farm animals, and a special Dragon.
*and other Freddy adventures by Brooks

Burnett, Frances Hodgson. **The Secret Garden**

Ten-year-old Mary comes to live in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors and discovers an invalid cousin and the mysteries of a locked garden.

Cole, Henry. **Brambleheart**

A young apprentice chipmunk in a guild of craftsanimals strikes up an unlikely relationship with a dragon who teaches him the meaning of true friendship.

Dahl, Roald. **James and the Giant Peach**

A young boy escapes from two wicked aunts and embarks on a series of adventures with six giant insects he meets inside a giant peach.

See also: **The BFG**

Deedy, Carmen Agra. **The Cheshire Cheese Cat**

A community of mice and a cheese-loving cat form an unlikely alliance at London's Cheshire Cheese Inn.

DiCamillo, Kate. **The Tale of Despereaux**

The adventures of Despereaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin.

DiTerlizzi, Toni. **Kenny & the Dragon**

Book-loving Kenny the rabbit must find a way to prevent a battle between his only friends, a bookstore owner and a dragon.

Fleming, Ian. **Chitty Chitty Bang Bang: The Magical Car**

Two children persuade their inventor father to purchase and restore an old car which turns out to have magical powers.

Graham, Kenneth. **The Wind in the Willows**

The adventures of four amiable animals, Rat, Toad, Mole and Badger, along a river in the English countryside.

Hanlon, Abby. **Dory Fantasmagory**

Dory, the youngest in her family, is a girl with a very active imagination, and she spends the summer playing with her imaginary friend, pretending to be a dog, battling monsters, and generally driving her family nuts.

Haywood, Carolyn. **"B" is for Betsy**

Betsy is scared about going to first grade, but she learns about tadpoles, makes new friends, and has more fun than she'd ever imagined.

Jenkins, Emily. **Toys Go Out**

Six stories relate the adventures of three best friends, who happen to be toys.

King-Smith, Dick. **Babe: The Gallant Pig**

A piglet comes to Farmer Hogget's farm, where he is adopted by an old sheepdog and accomplishes amazing things.
See also: many other animal stories by King-Smith

Lawson, Robert. **Rabbit Hill**

New folks are coming to live in the long-vacant Big House. The animals of Rabbit Hill wonder if they will plant a garden and be good providers.

Lovelace, Maud. **Betsy-Tacy**

From the moment they meet at Betsy's fifth birthday party, Betsy and Tacy become such good friends that everyone starts to think of them as one person--Betsy-Tacy.

Milne, A.A. **The World of Pooh**

The classic adventures of Christopher Robin and his friends, in which Pooh Bear uses a balloon to get honey, Piglet meets a Heffalump, and Eeyore has a birthday.