



Chinese book list

This book list is a guide to help students, parents, guardians and teachers select reading material. Students may select any suitable books.

Note: The suggested books cover a range of themes and some books may be more suited to older children. Parental and/or teacher guidance is recommended when selecting texts to read.

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Author	Title and book summary	JF/ F/ NF	Pages	Theme	ISBN
Bauer, Jutta	<p>大嗓门妈妈</p> <p>The shouting mother penguin</p> <p>When a mother penguin loses her temper and shouts, little penguin falls to pieces and disperses around the world until his mother collects the parts, and puts him back together for a happy reunion. (Adapted from publisher)</p>	JF	36	Relationships Managing emotions	9787530743522
Cai, Gao	<p>三个和尚</p> <p>Three monks</p> <p>When there is one monk in the temple, he fetches water for himself. When there are two, they share the duty. However, as the third comes, it is hard to divide the responsibilities. A fire in the temple teaches the monks the importance of cooperation. (QDoE)</p>	JF	32	Parable	9787504194466
Grant, Janene	<p>十只贪玩的熊猫</p> <p>Ten playful pandas</p> <p>Have you ever wondered what baby pandas do all day long? This story explores the daily activities of 10 pandas. (QDoE)</p>	JF	30	Pandas	9781493136612



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Ren, Mengchen	猴子捞月亮 Monkeys scoop up the moon A story about how a group of monkeys use teamwork to discover that the moon did not fall into the well. (QDoE)	JF	32	Fairy tales Working together	9787504194510
Shiwen, Mei	月食 An eclipse Little Zhang explores the cultural and scientific causes of an eclipse. (QDoE)	JF	13	Science	9789881937063
Shiwen, Mei	北京的胡同 Beijing hutongs Beijing is famous for its hutongs. What is a hutong? (QDoE)	JF	13	Homes Places Spaces	9789881936882
Shiwen, Mei	承德避暑山庄 Chengde Summer Palace Little Zhang visits the iconic Chengde Palace – what will he see? (QDoE)	JF	13	Architecture Famous places	9789881937094
Shiwen, Mei	中国龙 Chinese dragons China has many legends; many of them are about dragons. (QDoE)	JF	13	Legends	9789881810847
Shiwen, Mei	食在春节 Chinese New Year food Do you know what the most important thing is for Chinese people at Chinese New Year? (QDoE)	JF	13	Celebrations Food	9789881936806
Shiwen, Mei	端午节 Dragon boat festival This story outlines the background to the Dragon Boat Festival in China. (QDoE)	JF	13	Festivals	9789881937001
Shiwen, Mei	父亲节 Father's Day What is the best gift for Dad on Father's Day? (QDoE)	JF	13	Celebrations	9789881936929



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Shiwen, Mei	放风筝 Flying a kite This book explores the popular Chinese recreation of flying kites. (QDoE)	JF	13	Recreation	9789881937087
Shiwen, Mei	花木兰 Hua Mulan This is the story of legendary fearsome Chinese warrior, Hua Mulan, who went to war in her father's place, disguised as man. (QDoE)	JF	13	Ballad Traditional story	9789881810816
Shiwen, Mei	泼水节 Songkran Festival Little Zhang experiences the Songkran Festival in Yunnan province. (QDoE)	JF	13	Festivals	9789881936929
Shiwen, Mei	紫禁城 The Forbidden City Xiao Wang and Lily travel to Beijing's most famous place, The Forbidden City. (QDoE)	JF	13	Famous places	9789881789587
Shiwen, Mei	“年”的传说 The legend of Nian This story explores the origin of the spring festival, also known as 'overcoming Nian'. (QDoE)	JF	13	Festivals	9789881789549
Shiwen, Mei	泼水节 Songkran Festival Little Zhang experiences the Songkran Festival in Yunnan province. (QDoE)	JF	13	Festivals	9789881936929
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	苹果派, 菠萝派 Apple pie, pineapple pie This play on words discusses who likes to eat apples and pineapples. (Adapted from publisher)	JF	10	Nutrition	9787513809078
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	猫和老鼠 Cat and mouse In this 'cat and mouse' game students revise numbers. The rules are described as well as the roles of each player. (Adapted from publisher)	JF	10	Fairness	9787513809061



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Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	国家 Countries A group of friends find themselves in different countries around the world. Which country do they finally visit? (Adapted from publisher)	JF	10	Geography	9787513811255
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	我是你们的弟弟 I am your younger brother Family members inquire about other family members' ages and establish the relative family positions. (QDoE)	JF	10	Family	9787513811279
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	月份 Months This simple book shows how we use our knowledge of numbers to name the months of the year. (QDoE)	JF	10	Time	9787513811224
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	吃水果啦 Time for fruits Children list all their favourite fruits that they love to eat. (QDoE)	JF	10	Nutrition	9787513811323
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	机器人 Robots A young person's room is a special hideaway where they surround themselves with things they like, and do what they like. Mothers constantly seem to want these rooms to be tidy, but kids don't like cleaning up. Could there be a solution? (QDoE)	JF	27	My space	9787301170632
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	谢谢 Thank you How to thank others and acknowledge them properly when they thank you. (QDoE)	JF	10	Manners	9787513811217
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	在哪里? Where are you? Family members ask who others are with and respond saying they are with other family members. (Adapted from publisher)	JF	10	Conversation	9787513811262



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Takahashi, Nozomi	刺小猬的蛋 The little hedgehog's egg Is it possible for hedgehogs to hatch ducklings? Hedgehog thinks so! (QDoE)	JF	24	Imagination	9787229092276
Tison, Annette	巴巴爸爸的形状世界 Daddy Baba's world of shapes Uncle Baba designs paintings based on shapes he sees in his environment. (QDoE)	JF	27	Shapes	9787544827836
Wang, Gabrielle	十二生肖传说 The race for the Chinese zodiac In ancient China, the Jade Emperor announced a race amongst the animals. Their place in the race would determine the order of the 12 animal signs of the Chinese Zodiac. Will all of the animals play fairly? (QDoE)	JF	28	Zodiac	9787556080533
Wang, Yuanrong; Liu, Bold (illus)	鸟儿筑巢 Birds build nests Long, long ago, birds did not know how to build nests. The birds find the five-coloured bird to ask how to build a nest. (QDoE)	JF	23	Birds	9789888176120
Xu, Jin	狼来了 The wolf is coming A story based on 'The boy who cried wolf'. (QDoE)	JF	32	Fable	9787504193179
Zhang, Laurette	吃饭了 Dinner is ready Mum spends a lot of time preparing dinner, but even more time calling the family to the table. This book offers a lesson in coming to meals when you are called. (QDoE)	JF	29	Obsessions	9787513801690



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Zhang, Laurette	<p>快点快点</p> <p>Hurry up, hurry up</p> <p>Rain began to fall, getting heavier and heavier. Suddenly, Mum remembered that the washing was still outside, but family members seemed reluctant to bring it inside. Who finally did this? (QDoE)</p>	JF	21	Family	9787513801737
Zhang, Laurette	<p>小龙要睡觉</p> <p>It's bedtime for Xiaolong</p> <p>Xiaolong is ready to go to sleep, but is having difficulty doing this. Even though it is already bedtime, various interruptions occur ... (QDoE)</p>	JF	25	Bedtime	9787513801621
Zhang, Laurette	<p>没关系</p> <p>Never mind</p> <p>Xiaolong's dad seemed not to worry about the usual things like what he looked like, things missing or broken, or homework not done. "Never mind," was his usual response. Sometimes, habits catch on. (QDoE)</p>	JF	29	Family	9787513801683
Zhang, Laurette	<p>现在不行</p> <p>Not right now</p> <p>Xiaolong wants to find somebody to play with but everyone is busy! (QDoE)</p>	JF	17	Routines	9787513801560
Zhang, Laurette	<p>对牛弹琴</p> <p>Playing music to the oxen</p> <p>A great musician in ancient China played beautiful music that mesmerised people. He decided he wanted to play his music to oxen grazing the field. But perhaps oxen are not educated in fine music. (QDoE)</p>	JF	29	Appreciation	9787513811309
Zhang, Laurette	<p>红帽子蓝帽子</p> <p>Red cap, blue cap</p> <p>Xiaolong thinks his blue cap brings him good luck. He excels at exams and wins running races when he wears it. Yet, when he wears his red cap, nearly everything seems to go wrong. (QDoE)</p>	JF	33	Luck	9787513805254



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Zhang, Laurette	<p>不对不对</p> <p>That's wrong, that's wrong</p> <p>Poor Xiaolong! He tries to help his family with Chinese New Year preparations when everybody is busy, but keeps on being told he is wrong. Sooner or later, he may be right! (QDoE)</p>	JF	21	Celebration	9787513801676
Zhang, Laurette	<p>穿错了鞋</p> <p>The wrong shoes</p> <p>When Xiaolong woke up late, he rushed off to school wearing the wrong shoes, and was worried he'd be in trouble with his teachers. What do you think helped him avoid that? (QDoE)</p>	JF	29	School	9787513805261
Zhang, Laurette	<p>等一下</p> <p>Wait a moment</p> <p>Xiaolong's family is going on holiday but perhaps the excitement is too much for them, as each gets distracted. (QDoE)</p>	JF	25	Interruptions	9787513801720
Zhang, Laurette	<p>足球在哪里</p> <p>Where is the football?</p> <p>Xiaolong is puzzled when he kicks his football and it disappears. He asks several family members if they have seen it, but they all say they have not. Where can it be? (QDoE)</p>	JF	21	Mystery	9787513801553
Zhang, Laurette	<p>谁是第一名</p> <p>Who is the winner?</p> <p>Something unusual happened at the sports day. In the ball and spoon race, Xiaolong, Dahai and Dongdong were competing - but an unexpected entrant joined the race. Who won, and what matters about winning? (QDoE)</p>	JF	25	School	9787513805247



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Zhang, Laurette	活动呀 Wobbly tooth Xiaolong hated getting his first wobbly tooth, but perhaps there is some compensation for going through this process ... (Adapted from publisher)	JF	25	Folklore	9787513805278
Zhang, Laurette	小龙的生日礼物 Xiaolong's birthday present On his birthday, Xiaolong wished for many gifts. But, sometimes, gifts appear in unexpected forms. (QDoE)	JF	25	Expectations	9787513801713
Zhang, Laurette	张三买鞋 Zhang san buying shoes Zhang san's shoes broke, so he wanted to buy a new pair. But there was confusion, as he was unsure about how to make sure the shoe seller knew his correct foot size. (QDoE)	JF	29	Strategy	9787513811316



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Author	Title and book summary	JF/ F/ NF	Pages	Theme	Link
Queensland Department of Education	<p>Let's go on a picnic</p> <p>This resource provides students with modelled language related to describing picnic food in Chinese. Supports C2C Chinese Years P-2 Unit 6.</p>	JF	21	Food Picnics	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/67a418d1-5eac-4f6d-8269-5c762c00a48f/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>My friends' birthday</p> <p>This resource provides students with modelled language related to describing birth months in Chinese. Supports C2C Chinese Years P-2 Unit 7.</p>	JF	14	Birthdays	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/7113cca7-89f8-43a0-ab99-521a052d2e07/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>Linlin's bag</p> <p>This eBook provides students with modelled language related to the names of common school items in Chinese. Supports C2C Chinese Years P-2 Unit 9.</p>	JF	21	School	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/4f6cd316-d4dd-4157-81a6-bc4e0865d057/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>Finding Linlin</p> <p>This eBook provides students with modelled language related to seeking locational information and names of rooms in a house in Chinese. Supports C2C Chinese Year 3-4 Unit 1.</p>	JF	15	Houses	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/e2f96544-7b47-4979-9bda-94a4acf20da6/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>Mulan</p> <p>This eBook introduces students to the characters in the traditional Chinese story of Mulan. Supports C2C Chinese Year 6 Unit 6.</p>	JF	10	Legend of a soldier	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/eea95299-c75e-4d52-b6cc-3f1ae6d21203/0/ViewIMS.jsp



Queensland Department of Education	<p>My family day</p> <p>This eBook is about the activities of a Chinese family on a day out together. Supports C2C Chinese Year 5 Unit 2.</p>	JF	12	Family	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/e8f60670-14fe-4dcc-a34c-9dbd39a51e0a/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>Perfect space</p> <p>This eBook is about two characters (a little girl and her rabbit) searching for the perfect personal space in China. Supports C2C Chinese Years 5-6 Unit 3.</p>	JF	14	Places Spaces	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/eb351549-4d98-438b-b08d-277a89f0e021/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>Sun Wukong</p> <p>The Chinese story of Sun Wukong – the Monkey King. Supports C2C Chinese Year 6 Unit 6.</p>	JF	10	Traditional stories	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/52e8b801-f957-464a-9b62-7cc5c6b7f320/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>The blind men and the elephant</p> <p>This eBook is the story of ‘The blind men and the elephant’. Supports C2C Chinese Years 3-4 Unit 8.</p>	JF	13	Traditional stories	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/955b832d-df9e-43c9-9871-4af46ddcabe0/0/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>The fox and the tiger</p> <p>This eBook is the Chinese folktale of ‘The fox and the tiger’. Supports C2C Chinese Years 3-4 Unit 8.</p>	JF	16	Traditional stories	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/ea1a044f-940c-4eb7-a1c4-641a69dec761/1/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>The leaping carp and the Dragon Gate</p> <p>This eBook is the story of ‘The leaping carp and the dragon gate’. Supports C2C Chinese Years 5-6 Unit 8.</p>	JF	14	Traditional stories	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/bb3568d8-ae2c-41a3-84de-c34185703883/1/ViewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	<p>Wendy and Alice’s story</p> <p>This eBook provides personal details to locate cultural information about naming practices and making connections in names. Supports C2C Chinese Years 5-6 Unit 1.</p>	JF	9	Names	https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/3914726d-137b-4abe-9a32-cfae1ce47a46/1/ViewIMS.jsp

