

Classic Tales to Share as a Family
Suggested Titles for Family Read-Alouds

Blos, Joan W. ***A gathering of days : a New England girl's journal, 1830-32 : a novel.*** New York : Aladdin Paperbacks, 1990, c1979. The journal of a fourteen-year-old girl, kept the last year she lived on the family farm, records daily events in her small New Hampshire town, her father's remarriage, and the death of her best friend.

Curtis, Christopher Paul. ***The Watsons go to Birmingham--1963.*** New York : Delacorte Press, c1995. The ordinary interactions and everyday routines of the Watsons, an African-American family living in Flint, Michigan, are drastically changed after they go to visit Grandma in Alabama in the summer of 1963.

Dahl, Roald. ***James and the giant peach : a children's story.*** New York : Bantam, 1980, c1961. Wonderful adventures abound after James escapes from his fearsome aunts by rolling away inside a giant peach.

Forbes, Esther. ***Johnny Tremain : a novel for old & young.*** New York : Bantam Doubleday Dell Books for Young Readers, [1987], c1971. After injuring his hand, a silversmith's apprentice in Boston becomes a messenger for the Sons of Liberty in the days before the American Revolution.

Juster, Norton, 1929- ***The phantom tollbooth.*** New York : Random House; c1996. A journey through a land where Milo learns the importance of words and numbers provides a cure for his boredom.

Kipling, Rudyard ***Just So Stories.*** Garden City, N.J. Doubleday & Company, Inc. 1912

L'Engle, Madeleine. ***A swiftly tilting planet.*** New York : Bantam Double Dell Books for Young Readers, [1979], c1978. The youngest of the Murry children must travel through time and space in a battle against an evil dictator who would destroy the entire

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universe.

- L'Engle, Madeleine. ***A wind in the door***. New York, Farrar, Straus and Giroux c1973. With Meg Murry's help, the dragons her six-year-old brother saw in the vegetable garden play an important part in his struggle between life and death.
- Lord, Bette. ***In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson***. New York, N.Y. : HarperCollins, c1984. In 1947, a Chinese child comes to Brooklyn where she becomes Americanized at school, in her apartment building, and by her love for baseball.
- McCloskey, Robert, 1914- ***Homer Price***. New York : Viking Press, 1943. Six episodes in the life of Homer Price including one in which he and his pet skunk capture four bandits and another about a donut machine on the rampage.
- Milne, A. A. (Alan Alexander), 1882-1956. ***The world of Pooh : the complete Winnie-the-Pooh and the house at Pooh Corner***. New York : Dutton, c1985. Contains the adventures of Winnie-the-Pooh, Christopher Robin, and their friends.
- Park, Linda Sue. ***A single shard***. New York : Clarion Books, c2001. Tree-ear, a thirteen-year-old orphan in medieval Korea, lives under a bridge in a potters' village, and longs to learn how to throw the delicate celadon ceramics himself.
- Speare, Elizabeth George. ***The witch of Blackbird Pond***. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, [2001], c1986. In 1687 in Connecticut, Kit Tyler, feeling out of place in the Puritan household of her aunt, befriends an old woman considered a witch by the community and suddenly finds herself standing trial for witchcraft.
- Stevenson, Robert ***Treasure Island***. New York Charles Scribner's Sons 1911
- White, E. B. (Elwyn Brooks), 1899- ***Charlotte's web***. New York : HarperCollins, [2002], c1952. Wilbur the pig is desolate when

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he discovers he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner, until his spider friend Charlotte comes up with a plan to save him.