

Kindergarten High Frequency Word List

The following 40 words are the high frequency Kindergarten words. They are divided according to their probability of occurring in the corresponding DRA text levels. However, many of these words can occur throughout all levels. The goal is for all students to read, write, and use these words correctly by the end of Kindergarten.

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
a	me	to	yes	big
I	go	in	cat	for
is	at	on	dog	he
the	you	like	up	she
mom	we	my	with	this
dad	it	by	said	look
can	no	love	play	went
see		am	do	was
		and		

First Grade High Frequency Word list

The goal is for all students to read, write, and use these words (and words from the kindergarten word list) correctly by the end of first grade.

after	have	please
all	her	saw
an	here	should
are	him	so
as	his	some
be	I'm	thank
because	if	that
but	into	them
came	just	then
come	know	they
could	little	there
day	make	us
did	many	very
end	new	want
from	not	were
get	of	what
goes	one	when
going	or	where
good	our	who
had	out	will
has	over	would
		your

Second Grade High Frequency Word List

The goal is for all students to read, write, and use these words (and the words from preceding grade level word lists) correctly by the end of second grade.

about	family	place
again	fast	put
any	find	read
around	first	really
ask	five	red
away	four	right
back	friend	school
before	gave	second
been	girl	seen
begin	gone	six
best	grade	small
blue	got	than
black	green	their
boy	help	they're
bring	happy	third
brown	home	three
can't	house	time
catch	how	today
class	jump	two
coming	keep	under
didn't	knew	use
does	light	walk
done	long	week
don't	most	why
down	never	work
each	next	yellow
easy	now	
every	over	

Third Grade High Frequency Word List

The goal is for all students to read, write, and use these words (and the words from preceding grade level word lists) correctly by the end of third grade.

also	gym	pretty
animal	half	questions
April	hour	rain
asked	hurt	rest
August	January	same
books	July	Saturday
brother	June	September
call	kind	seven
care	line	sister
caught	mail	snow
caught	March	something
children	May	stay
city	maybe	street
December	Michigan	such
drink	might	Sunday
eight	Monday	sure
eleven	mother	talk
ever	must	teacher
father	night	tell
favorite	nine	thing
February	November	Thursday
found	October	too
Friday	old	Tuesday
friend	other	twelve
give	people	Wednesday
great	phone	

Fourth Grade High Frequency Word List

The goal is for all students to read, write, and use these words (and the words from preceding grade level word lists) correctly by the end of fourth grade.

able	different	round
across	early	started
along	earth	thousand
another	everyone	trouble
anything	everything	true
became	field	tried
become	group	try
before	heavy	turned
began	hundred	wasn't
below	its	watch
being	it's	water
brake	knew	way
break	large	wear
build	million	weigh
carry	number	where
choice	often	without
choose	own	wouldn't
close	person	year
clothes	ready	your
couldn't	real	you're
difference	return	

Fifth Grade High Frequency Word List

The goal is for all students to read, write, and use these words (and the words from preceding grade level word lists) correctly by the end of fifth grade.

a lot	during	shown
above	either	simple
against	enough	since
almost	finally	special
already	heard	straight
although	hole	strait
always	important	sum
among	instead	themselves
answer	learn	therefore
beautiful	leave	though
behind	money	thought
believe	peace	threw
between	perhaps	through
board	picture	throw
bored	piece	toward
brought	possible	usually
certain	probably	wait
change	problem	weather
complete	reason	weight
country	right	whether
description	scared	whole
dream	several	write