Waldorf Grade 1 Book Recommendations

Books for general self-development and foundational work for teaching were offered in a previous writing. Now we will offer grade by grade book recommendations. There are too many books in all these lists, remember, to think that we are advising that anyone read them all. However, knowing what books are available can help in deciding about the one or two or three books (or more!) that might prove useful as a guide both for teachers and for students.

For Curriculum Development in Waldorf Grade 1

- A Journey through Time in Verse and Rhyme Heather Thomas
- An English Manual Dorothy Harrer
- Brother Francis Jakob Streit
- Math Lessons for Elementary Grades Dorothy Harrer
- One, Two Three! David Adams
- Verses and Poems and Stories to Tell Dorothy Harrer
- Word Mastery Primer Hugh Renwick

For Artistic Work in Waldorf Grade 1

- A Hawthorne Valley Harvest William Ward, ed.
- Bare Hand Knitting Aleshanee Akin
- Basic Sculptural Modeling Hela Lowe
- Creative Form Drawing Rudolf Kutzli
- Creative Pathways Elizabeth Auer
- Eurythmy: A Creative Force in Humanity Sylvia Bardt
- Leaving Room for the Angels Reg Down
- Painting at School Dick Bruin
- Pedagogical Theater Arthur Pittis
- 25 Plays David Mitchell, ed.
- Five Plays for Waldorf Festivals Richard Moore
- Xavier Sings of His Alphabet Friends Mary Lynn Channer

For Meeting Children’s Needs in the Grade 1 Waldorf Classroom

- Difficult Children: There Is No Such Thing Henning Koehler and Joseph Bailey
- Educating the Will Michael Howard
- Helping Children on Their Way Elizabeth Auer
- Learning about the World through Modeling Arthur Auer
- Will-Developed Intelligence Patricia Livingston and David Mitchell
- Working with Anxious, Nervous, and Depressed Children Henning Koehler and Joseph Baily
Readers for Waldorf First Graders

*Big-Stamp Two Toes, the Barefoot Giant* Reg Down
*Fee Fi Fum* Arthur Pittis
*King Thrushbeard* Kelly Morrow
*Lazy Jack* Kelly Morrow
*Liputto* Jakob Streit
*Puck the Gnome* Jakob Streit
*Sylvain and Jacosa* Kelly Morrow
*The Little Gnome Tender Root* Jakob Streit
*The Sun with Loving Light* Stephen Bloomquist
*The Prince and the Dragon* Kelly Morrow

Read Aloud Books for Waldorf First Graders

*A Donsey of Gnomes* Sieglinde De Francesca
*Bambi* Felix Salten
*Jonathan and the Tree* Gilad Goldschmidt
*Mary’s Little Donkey* Gunhild Sehlin
*Matt McFlack and His Flyaway Kite* Kyra Robinov and Christina Anderson
*Pinocchio* Carlo Collodi
*The Old Shepherd’s Tale* Christopher Nye
*The Seven-Year-Old Wonder Book* Isabel Wyatt
*The Way of Gnome* Sieglinde De Francesca
Thornton Burgess’s books:
  *Mother West Wind’s Children*
  *The Burgess Animal Book for Children*
  *The Burgess Seashore Book for Children*
  *Thornton Burgess Smiling Pool Stories*
*The Little Lame Prince* Dinah Maria Mulock Craik
*The Water Babies* Charles Kingsley