

## 2021 Premier's reading challenge



## 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.

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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><b>The shouting mother penguin</b></p> <p>When a mother penguin loses her temper and shouts, little penguin falls to pieces, 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><b>Three monks</b></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 them the importance of cooperation. (QDoE)</p>               | JF        | 32    | Parable                          | 9787504194466 |
| Dyer, Sarah                          | <p>柑橘和芒果</p> <p><b>Orange and Mango</b></p> <p>Orange is Mango's big sister, and she knows many things. She invents perfectly reasonable answers to the many questions that he asks. (QDoE)</p>   | JF        | 32    | Siblings                         | 9787513550222 |
| Grant, Janene                        | <p>十只贪玩的熊猫</p> <p><b>Ten playful pandas</b></p> <p>Have you ever wondered about what baby pandas do all day long? This story explores the daily activities of 10 pandas. (QDoE)</p>   | JF        | 30    | Pandas                           | 9781493136612 |
| Lobe, Mira; Kaufman, Anglika (illus) | <p>大树上的朋友</p> <p><b>Friends on the big tree</b></p> <p>The cat in a tree finds her tree uprooted in a flood. As she floats by she welcomes other animals in need. The tree trunk saves the rooster, hen, pig, dog, even the fox. As the waters retreat, each animal finds its place to be. (Adapted from publisher)</p> | JF        | 24    | Animals                          | 9787539456089 |



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|               | retreat, each animal finds its place to be. (Adapted from publisher)  |    |    |                               |               |
| Merino, Gemma | 牛爬树，真的吗？<br><b>The cow who climbed a tree</b><br>Nana is a cow who is full of curiosity who is not limited by what others usually do. She loves exploring new challenges, but her sisters think her ideas are silly. (QDoE) | JF | 32 | Curiosity; adventure; humour  | 9789861895758 |
| Ren, Mengchen | 猴子捞月亮<br><b>Monkeys scoop up the moon</b><br>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<br><b>An eclipse</b><br>Little Zhang explores the cultural and scientific causes of an eclipse. (QDoE)   | JF | 13 | Science                       | 9789881937063 |
| Shiwen, Mei   | 北京的胡同<br><b>Beijing hutongs</b><br>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<br><b>Chengde Summer Palace</b><br>Little Zhang visits the iconic Chengde Palace – what will he see? (QDoE)  | JF | 13 | Architecture; famous places   | 9789881937094 |
| Shiwen, Mei   | 中国龙<br><b>Chinese dragons</b><br>China has many legends; many of them are about dragons. (QDoE)   | JF | 13 | Legends                       | 9789881810847 |
| Shiwen, Mei   | 食在春节<br><b>Chinese New Year food</b><br>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<br><b>Dragon boat festival</b>  | JF | 13 | Festivals                     | 9789881937001 |



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|             | This story outlines the background to the Dragon Boat Festival in China. (QDoE)  |    |    |                              |               |
| Shiwen, Mei | 父亲节<br><b>Father's Day</b><br>What is the best gift for Dad on Father's Day? (QDoE)  | JF | 13 | Celebrations                 | 9789881936929 |
| Shiwen, Mei | 放风筝<br><b>Flying a kite</b><br>This book explores the popular Chinese recreation of flying kites. (QDoE)   | JF | 13 | Recreation                   | 9789881937087 |
| Shiwen, Mei | 去动物园<br><b>Going to the zoo</b><br>Little Wang and Lily are off to the zoo. What will they see? (QDoE)   | JF | 13 | Animals                      | 9789881789594 |
| Shiwen, Mei | 花木兰<br><b>Hua Mulan</b><br>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;<br>traditional story | 9789881810816 |
| Shiwen, Mei | 小王的爱好很多<br><b>Little Wang has many hobbies</b><br>This story explores Little Wang's hobbies. (QDoE)  | JF | 13 | Recreation;<br>humour        | 9789881789563 |
| Shiwen, Mei | 泼水节<br><b>Songkran Festival</b><br>Little Zhang experiences the Songkran Festival in Yunnan province. (QDoE)   | JF | 13 | Festivals                    | 9789881936929 |
| Shiwen, Mei | 紫禁城<br><b>The Forbidden City</b><br>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<br><b>The legend of Nian</b>  | JF | 13 | Festivals                    | 9789881789549 |



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|                                       | This story explores the origin of the spring festival, also known as 'overcoming Nian'. (QDoE)   |    |    |           |               |
| Shiwen, Mei                           | 我是谁?<br><b>Who am I?</b><br>Can you guess who I am? (QDoE)   | JF | 13 | Games     | 9789881783028 |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng | 苹果派, 菠萝派<br><b>Apple pie, pineapple pie</b><br>This play on words discusses who likes to eat apples and pineapples. (Adapted from publisher)   | JF | 10 | Nutrition | 9787513809078 |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng | 猫和老鼠<br><b>Cat and mouse</b><br>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 |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng | 国家<br><b>Countries</b><br>A group of friends find themselves in different countries around the world. Which country do they finally visit? (Adapted from publisher)                                      | JF | 10 | Geography | 9787513811224 |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng | 我是你们的弟弟<br><b>I am your younger brother</b><br>Family members inquire about other family members' ages and establish the relative family positions. (QDoE)   | JF | 10 | Family    | 9787513811279 |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng | 月份<br><b>Months</b><br>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,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng | 吃水果啦<br><b>Time for fruits</b><br>Children list all their favourite fruits that they love to eat. (QDoE)   | JF | 10 | Nutrition | 9787513811323 |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng | 机器人<br><b>Robots</b><br>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, | JF | 27 | My space  | 9787301170632 |



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|   | but kids don't much like cleaning up.<br>Could there be a solution? (QDoE)  |    |    |                          |               |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng             | 谢谢<br><b>Thank you</b><br>How to thank others, and<br>acknowledge them properly when<br>they thank you. (QDoE)  | JF | 10 | Manners                  | 9787513811217 |
| Siye Bao,<br>Victor;<br>Fanjing, Zeng             | 在哪里?<br><b>Where are you?</b><br>Family members ask who others are<br>with and respond saying they are with<br>other family members. (Adapted from<br>publisher)  | JF | 10 | Conversation             | 9787513811262 |
| Takahashi,<br>Nozomi                              | 刺小猬的蛋<br><b>The little hedgehog's egg</b><br>Is it possible for hedgehogs to hatch<br>ducklings? Hedgehog thinks so!<br>(QDoE)  | JF | 24 | Imagination              | 9787229092276 |
| Tison,<br>Annette                                 | 巴巴爸爸的形状世界<br><b>Daddy Baba's world of shapes</b><br>Uncle Baba designs paintings based<br>on shapes he sees in his<br>environment. (QDoE)   | JF | 27 | Shapes                   | 9787544827836 |
| Wang,<br>Gabrielle                                | 十二生肖传说<br><b>The race for the Chinese zodiac</b><br>In ancient China, the Jade Emperor<br>announced a race amongst the<br>animals. Their place in the race would<br>determine the order of the 12 animal<br>signs of the Chinese Zodiac. Will all of<br>the animals play fairly? (QDoE) | JF | 28 | Zodiac                   | 9787556080533 |
| Wang,<br>Yuanrong;<br>Liu, Bold<br>(illus)        | 鸟儿筑巢<br><b>Birds build nests</b><br>Long long ago, birds did not know<br>how to build nests. The birds find the<br>five-coloured bird to ask how to build<br>a nest. (QDoE)   | JF | 23 | Birds                    | 9789888176120 |
| Weninger,<br>Brigitte;<br>Tharlet, Eve<br>(illus) | 了不起的新朋友<br><b>My wonderful new friends</b><br>The little mouse Max is all grown up<br>and ready to see the world. His<br>adventures allow him to meet many  | JF | 32 | Friendship;<br>adventure | 9785086569844 |



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|                 | new friends and discover their talents. (QDoE)   |    |    |              |               |
| Xu, Jin         | 狼来了<br><b>The wolf is coming</b><br>A story based on 'The boy who cried wolf'. (QDoE)  | JF | 32 | Fable        | 9787504193179 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 吃饭了<br><b>Dinner is ready</b><br>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 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 快点快点<br><b>Hurry up, hurry up</b><br>Rain began to fall, and got 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)  | JF | 21 | Family       | 9787513801737 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 小龙要睡觉<br><b>It's bedtime for Xiaolong</b><br>Xiaolong is ready to go to sleep, but having difficulty in doing this. Even though it is already bedtime, various interruptions occur ... (QDoE)  | JF | 25 | Bedtime      | 9787513801621 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 没关系<br><b>Never mind</b><br>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) | JF | 29 | Family       | 9787513801683 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 现在不行<br><b>Not right now</b><br>Xiaolong wants to find somebody to play with but everyone is busy! (QDoE)  | JF | 17 | Routines     | 9787513801560 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 对牛弹琴<br><b>Playing music to the oxen</b><br>A great musician in ancient China played beautiful music that mesmerised people. He decided he   | JF | 29 | Appreciation | 9787513811309 |



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|                 | wanted to play his music to oxen grazing the field. But perhaps oxen are not educated in fine music. (QDoE)  |    |    |               |               |
| Zhang, Laurette | 红帽子蓝帽子<br><b>Red cap, blue cap</b><br>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) | JF | 33 | Luck          | 9787513805254 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 不对不对<br><b>That's wrong, that's wrong</b><br>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) | JF | 21 | Celebration   | 9787513801676 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 穿错了鞋<br><b>The wrong shoes</b><br>When Xiaolong woke up late, he rushed off to school wearing the wrong shoes. He was worried he'd be in trouble with his teachers. What do you think helped him avoid that? (QDoE)              | JF | 29 | School        | 9787513805261 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 等一下<br><b>Wait a moment</b><br>Xiaolong's family is going on holiday but perhaps the excitement is too much for them, as each gets distracted. (QDoE)  | JF | 25 | Interruptions | 9787513801720 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 足球在哪里<br><b>Where is the football?</b><br>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)         | JF | 21 | Mystery       | 9787513801553 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 谁是第一名<br><b>Who is the winner?</b><br>Something unusual happened at the sports day. In the ball and spoon race, Xiaolong, Dahai and Dongdong were competing - but an unexpected  | JF | 25 | School        | 9787513805247 |

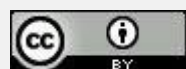


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|                 | entrant joined the race. Who won, and what matters about winning? (QDoE)  |    |    |              |               |
| Zhang, Laurette | 活动呀<br><b>Wobbly tooth</b><br>Xiaolong hated getting his first wobbly tooth, but perhaps there is some compensation for going through this process ... (Adapted from publisher)                                       | JF | 25 | Folklore     | 9787513805278 |
| Zhang, Laurette | 小龙的生日礼物<br><b>Xiaolong's birthday present</b><br>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<br><b>Zhang san buying shoes</b><br>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 |

### eBooks (C2C)

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| Queensland Department of Education | <b>Let's go on a picnic</b><br>This resource provides students with modelled language related to describing picnic food in Chinese. Supports C2C Chinese Years P-2 Unit 6.  | JF | 21 | Food; picnics | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/67a418d1-5eac-4f6d-8269-5c762c00a48f/0/ViewIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/67a418d1-5eac-4f6d-8269-5c762c00a48f/0/ViewIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <b>My friends' birthday</b><br>This resource provides students with modelled language related to describing birth months in Chinese. Supports C2C Chinese Years P-2 Unit 7. | JF | 14 | Birthdays     | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/7113cca7-89f8-43a0-ab99-521a052d2e07/0/ViewIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/7113cca7-89f8-43a0-ab99-521a052d2e07/0/ViewIMS.jsp</a> |





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| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>Linlin's bag</b></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              | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/4f6cd316-d4dd-4157-81a6-bc4e0865d057/0/ViewWIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/4f6cd316-d4dd-4157-81a6-bc4e0865d057/0/ViewWIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>Finding Linlin</b></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              | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/e2f96544-7b47-4979-9bda-94a4acf20da6/0/ViewWIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/e2f96544-7b47-4979-9bda-94a4acf20da6/0/ViewWIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>Mulan</b></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 | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/ea95299-c75e-4d52-b6cc-3f1ae6d21203/0/ViewWIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/ea95299-c75e-4d52-b6cc-3f1ae6d21203/0/ViewWIMS.jsp</a>   |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>My family day</b></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              | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/e8f60670-14fe-4dcc-a34c-9dbd39a51e0a/0/ViewWIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/e8f60670-14fe-4dcc-a34c-9dbd39a51e0a/0/ViewWIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>Perfect space</b></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      | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/eb351549-4d98-438b-b08d-277a89f0e021/0/ViewWIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/eb351549-4d98-438b-b08d-277a89f0e021/0/ViewWIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>Sun Wukong</b></p> <p>The Chinese story of Sun Wukong – the Monkey King. Supports C2C Chinese Year 6 Unit 6.</p>  | JF | 10 | Traditional stories | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/52e8b801-f957-464a-9b62-7cc5c6b7f320/0/ViewWIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/52e8b801-f957-464a-9b62-7cc5c6b7f320/0/ViewWIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>The blind men and the elephant</b></p>  | JF | 13 | Traditional stories | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/955b832d-df9e-43c9-9871-">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/955b832d-df9e-43c9-9871-</a>   |



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|                                    | This eBook is the story of 'The blind men and the elephant'. Supports C2C Chinese Years 3-4 Unit 8.   |    |    |                     | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/ea1a044f-940c-4eb7-a1c4-641a69dec761/0/ViewIMS.jsp">4af46ddcabeb/0/ViewIMS.jsp</a>  |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>The fox and the tiger</b></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 | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/ea1a044f-940c-4eb7-a1c4-641a69dec761/0/ViewIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/ea1a044f-940c-4eb7-a1c4-641a69dec761/0/ViewIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>The leaping carp and the Dragon Gate</b></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 | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/bb3568d8-ae2c-41a3-84de-c34185703883/0/ViewIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/bb3568d8-ae2c-41a3-84de-c34185703883/0/ViewIMS.jsp</a> |
| Queensland Department of Education | <p><b>Wendy and Alice's story</b></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               | <a href="https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/3914726d-137b-4abe-9a32-cfae1ce47a46/0/ViewIMS.jsp">https://learningplace.eq.edu.au/cx/resources/items/3914726d-137b-4abe-9a32-cfae1ce47a46/0/ViewIMS.jsp</a> |

