2023 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
	大嗓门妈妈				
	The shouting mother penguin				
Bauer, Jutta	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)	JF	36	Relationships Managing emotions	9787530743522
	三个和尚				
	Three monks				
Cai, Gao	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)	JF	32	Parable	9787504194466
	柑橘和芒果				
	Orange and Mango				
Dyer, Sarah	Orange is Mango's big sister, and she knows many things. She invents perfectly reasonable answers to the many questions Mango asks. (QDoE)	JF	32	Siblings	9787513550222
	十只贪玩的熊猫				
	Ten playful pandas				
Grant, Janene	Have you ever wondered what baby pandas do all day long? This story explores the daily activities of 10 pandas. (QDoE)	JF	30	Pandas	9781493136612



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	牛爬树,真的吗?				
	The cow who climbed a tree			Curiosity	
Merino, Gemma	Nana is a cow who is full of curiosity and is not limited by what others usually do. She loves exploring new challenges, but her sisters think her ideas are silly. (QDoE)	JF	32	Adventure Humour	9789861895758
	猴子捞月亮				
Ren,	Monkeys scoop up the moon		22	Fairy tales	0707504404540
Mengchen	A story about how a group of monkeys use teamwork to discover that the moon did not fall into the well. (QDoE)	JF	32	Working together	9787504194510
	月食				
Shiwen, Mei	An eclipse	JF	13	Science	9789881937063
	Little Zhang explores the cultural and scientific causes of an eclipse. (QDoE)				
	北京的胡同	JF	13	Homes	
Shiwen, Mei	Beijing hutongs			Places Spaces	9789881936882
	Beijing is famous for its hutongs. What is a hutong? (QDoE)				
	承德避暑山庄	JF	13	Architecture Famous places	9789881937094
Shiwen, Mei	Chengde Summer Palace				
	Little Zhang visits the iconic Chengde Palace – what will he see? (QDoE)				
	中国龙				
Shiwen, Mei	Chinese dragons	JF	13	Legends	9789881810847
	China has many legends; many of them are about dragons. (QDoE)				
	食在春节				
Shiwen, Mei	Chinese New Year food	JF	13	Celebrations	9789881936806
Shiwen, Mer	Do you know what the most important thing is for Chinese people at Chinese New Year? (QDoE)	51	15	Food	9709001930000
	端午节				
Chiuran Mai	Dragon boat festival	.	13	Festivals	0700004007004
Shiwen, Mei	This story outlines the background to the Dragon Boat Festival in China. (QDoE)	JF			9789881937001

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Shiwen, Mei	父亲节 Father's Day What is the best gift for Dad on Father's Day? (QDoE)	JF	13	Celebrations	9789881936929
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
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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
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

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	我是你们的弟弟				
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing,	I am your younger brother	JF	10	Family	9787513811279
Zeng	Family members inquire about other family members' ages and establish the relative family positions. (QDoE)		10	T anniy	9707313011279
	月份				
Siye Bao,	Months	. .	10	Time	0707540044004
Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	This simple book shows how we use our knowledge of numbers to name the months of the year. (QDoE)	JF	10	Time	9787513811224
	吃水果啦				
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing,	Time for fruits	JF	10	Nutrition	9787513811323
Zeng	Children list all their favourite fruits that they love to eat. (QDoE)				
	机器人				
	Robots				
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	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
	谢谢			Manners	9787513811217
Siye Bao, Victor; Fanjing,	Thank you	JF	10		
Zeng	How to thank others and acknowledge them properly when they thank you. (QDoE)	JF			
	在哪里?				
Siye Bao,	Where are you?				
Victor; Fanjing, Zeng	Family members ask who others are with and respond saying they are with other family members. (Adapted from publisher)	JF	10	Conversation	9787513811262
	刺小猬的蛋				
Takahashi,	The little hedgehog's egg	ı -	24	Imagination	9787229092276
Nozomi	Is it possible for hedgehogs to hatch ducklings? Hedgehog thinks so! (QDoE)	JF			

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	巴巴爸爸的形状世界				
	Daddy Baba's world of shapes	JF	07	Change	0707544007000
Tison, Annette	Uncle Baba designs paintings based on shapes he sees in his environment. (QDoE)	JF	27	Shapes	9787544827836
	十二 生 肖传说				
	The race for the Chinese zodiac				
Wang, Gabrielle	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
	鸟儿筑巢				
Wang,	Birds build nests				9789888176120
Yuang, Yuanrong; Liu, Bold (illus)	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	
	狼来了				
Xu, Jin	The wolf is coming	JF	32	Fable	9787504193179
	A story based on 'The boy who cried wolf'. (QDoE)				
	吃饭了				
	Dinner is ready				
Zhang, Laurette	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
	快点快点				
	Hurry up, hurry up				
Zhang, Laurette	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)	JF	21	Family	9787513801737
	小龙要睡觉				
Zhang,	It's bedtime for Xiaolong	JF	25	Bedtime	9787513801621
Laurette	Xiaolong is ready to go to sleep, but having difficulty in doing this. Even though it is already bedtime, various	JI	25		9787513801621

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	interruptions occur (QDoE)				
Zhang, Laurette	没关系 Never mind 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 Not right now Xiaolong wants to find somebody to play with but everyone is busy! (QDoE)	JF	17	Routines	9787513801560
Zhang, Laurette	对牛弹琴 Playing music to the oxen 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)	JF	29	Appreciation	9787513811309
Zhang, Laurette	红帽子蓝帽子 Red cap, blue cap 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 That's wrong, that's wrong 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

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	穿错了鞋				
	The wrong shoes				
Zhang, Laurette	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
	等一下				
71	Wait a moment				
Zhang, Laurette	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
	足球在哪里				
	Where is the football?				
Zhang, Laurette	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
	谁是第一名				
	Who is the winner?				
Zhang, Laurette	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)	JF	25	School	9787513805247
	活动呀				
Zhana	Wobbly tooth				
Zhang, Laurette	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
	小龙的生日礼物				
Zhang,	Xiaolong's birthday present	JF	25	Expectations	9787513801713
Laurette	On his birthday, Xiaolong wished for many gifts. But, sometimes, gifts appear in unexpected forms. (QDoE)	JF	20		3707313001713

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	张三买鞋				
	Zhang san buying shoes				
Zhang, Laurette	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	Let's go on a picnic 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	https://learningplace eq.edu.au/cx/resou ces/items/67a418d -5eac-4f6d-8269- 5c762c00a48f/0/Vi wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	My friends' birthday 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	https://learningplace eq.edu.au/cx/resou ces/items/7113cca7 89f8-43a0-ab99- 521a052d2e07/0/Vi wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	Linlin's bag 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.	JF	21	School	https://learningplace eq.edu.au/cx/resou ces/items/4f6cd316 d4dd-4157-81a6- bc4e0865d057/0/Vi wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	Finding Linlin 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.	JF	15	Houses	https://learningplac eq.edu.au/cx/resou ces/items/e2f96544 7b47-4979-9bda- 94a4acf20da6/0/Vi wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	Mulan This eBook introduces students to the characters in the traditional Chinese story of Mulan. Supports C2C Chinese Year 6 Unit 6.	JF	10	Legend of a soldier	https://learningplac eq.edu.au/cx/resou ces/items/eaa9529 -c75e-4d52-b6cc- 3f1ae6d21203/0/V wIMS.jsp

Queensland Department of Education	My family day This eBook is about the activities of a Chinese family on a day out together. Supports C2C Chinese Year 5 Unit 2.	JF	12	Family	https://learningplace. eq.edu.au/cx/resour ces/items/e8f60670- 14fe-4dcc-a34c- 9dbd39a51e0a/0/Vie wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	Perfect space 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.	JF	14	Places Spaces	https://learningplace. eq.edu.au/cx/resour ces/items/eb351549 -4d98-438b-b08d- 277a89f0e021/0/Vie wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	Sun Wukong The Chinese story of Sun Wukong – the Monkey King. Supports C2C Chinese Year 6 Unit 6.	JF	10	Traditional stories	https://learningplace. eq.edu.au/cx/resour ces/items/52e8b801 -f957-464a-9b62- 7cc5c6b7f320/0/Vie wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	The blind men and the elephant This eBook is the story of 'The blind men and the elephant'. Supports C2C Chinese Years 3-4 Unit 8.	JF	13	Traditional stories	https://learningplace. eq.edu.au/cx/resour ces/items/955b832d -df9e-43c9-9871- 4af46ddcabeb/0/Vie wIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	The fox and the tiger This eBook is the Chinese folktale of 'The fox and the tiger'. Supports C2C Chinese Years 3-4 Unit 8.	JF	16	Traditional stories	https://learningplace. eq.edu.au/cx/resour ces/items/ea1a044f- 940c-4eb7-a1c4- 641a69dec761/1/Vi ewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	The leaping carp and the Dragon Gate This eBook is the story of 'The leaping carp and the dragon gate'. Supports C2C Chinese Years 5-6 Unit 8.	JF	14	Traditional stories	https://learningplace. eq.edu.au/cx/resour ces/items/bb3568d8 -ae2c-41a3-84de- c34185703883/1/Vi ewIMS.jsp
Queensland Department of Education	Wendy and Alice's story This eBook provides personal details to locate cultural information about naming practices and making connections in names. Supports C2C	JF	9	Names	https://learningplace. eq.edu.au/cx/resour ces/items/3914726d -137b-4abe-9a32- cfae1ce47a46/1/Vie

Chinese Years 5-6 Unit 1.		wIMS.jsp	