



Recommended Poetry Texts for K-8 Teachers and Students

The Partnership's writing coaches, staff and guest speakers have contributed to this list of must-have poetry books.

<i>Title</i>	<i>Author</i>
Brown Honey in Broomwheat Tea	Joyce Carol Thomas
A Jar of Tiny Stars	Bernice Cullinan
A Circle of Seasons	Myra Cohn Livingston
Animal, Vegetable, Mineral: Poems about Small Things	Myra Cohn Livingston
On the Road of Stars: Native American Night Poems and Sleep Charms	John Bierhorst
Knock a Star: A Child's Introduction to Poetry	X. J. Kennedy
April Bubbles Chocolate: An ABC of Poetry	Lee Bennett Hopkins
Poetry for Young People: Carl Sandburg	Frances Schoonmaker Bolin
Daydreamers	Eloise Greenfield
Sing to the Sun	Ashley Bryan
All the Colors of the Race: Poems	Arnold Adoff
Pass It on: African-American Poetry for Children	Wade Hudson
Gingerbread Days	Joyce Carol Thomas
Bird Watch	Jane Yolen
Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices	Paul Fleischman
This Same Sky: A Collection of Poems from Around the World	Naomi Shihab Nye
Good Luck Gold and Other Poems	Janet Wong
A Suitcase of Seaweed and Other Poems	Janet Wong
Echoes for the Eye: Poems to Celebrate Patterns in Nature	Barbara Juster Esbensen
Water Music	Jane Yolen
Old Elm Speaks: Tree Poems	Kristine O'Connell George
Daddy Calls Me Man	Angela Johnson
Been to Yesterdays: Poems of a Life	Lee Bennett Hopkins
In Daddy's Arms I Am Tall	Javaka Steptoe
Food Fight: Poets Join the Fight against Hunger	Michael Rosen
Confetti: Poems for Children	Pat Mora
A Fire in My Hands	Gary Soto
Sol a Sol: Original and Selected Bilingual Poems	Lori Carlson
Cool Salsa: Bilingual Poems on Growing up Latino in the U.S.	Lori Carlson
Come Sunday	Nikki Grimes
Extra Innings: Baseball Poems	Lee Bennett Hopkins
Dreams of Glory: Poems Starring Girls	Isabel Joshlin Glaser
Red Dog, Blue Fly: Football Poems	Sharon Bell Mathis
Slam Dunk	Lillian Morrison
Night on a Neighborhood Street	Eloise Greenfield
Harlem	Walter Dean Myers
Here in Harlem	Walter Dean Myers
Sky Magic	Lee Bennett Hopkins
Falling Down the Page	Georgia Heard
Creatures of the Earth, Sea & Sky	Georgia Heard
This Place I Know: Poems of Comfort	Georgia Heard
Songs of Myself: An Anthology of Poems and Art	Georgia Heard