

# Spanish Reading list

Spanish teachers have told me that they like these titles. Please send any other readers that should be added to this list! Thanks!

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## Elementary school:

These books from Carlex <http://www.carlexonline.com/> pre teach vocabulary and are illustrated.

The Three Bears

Little Red Riding Hood

The Pied Piper of Hamelin

Mrs. Fox and Mrs. Stork

## Junior high and High School:

### Spanish I:

Los Baker Van a Perú by Nate Kirby's spanish class. <http://www.tprstorytelling.com/>

Beginner's Spanish Reader

Glencoe Publishing

Levels 1 - 2 The "A la aventura" readers. EMC Publishing <http://www.emcp.com/>

(There are four titles in this series)

\*\*EMC has **excellent** readers and literary adaptations that are appropriate for upper levels!

Casi se Muere, Pobre Ana, El Viaje de su Vida, Patricia Va a California \$5 each

Blaine Ray [www.blaineraytprs.com](http://www.blaineraytprs.com)

### Spanish II:

Mi propio Auto, ¿Dónde está Eduardo?, El Viaje perdido, ¡Viva el toro! \$5 each

Blaine Ray

Much of the following reading list was compiled by Carole Baker, Huntington North High School, Huntington, IN [kcbaker@fwi.com](mailto:kcbaker@fwi.com) Also suggestions from Jason Fritze, Bryce Hedstrom, and others.

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| La Gran Aventura de Alejandro | Amsco | \$9.95 | 0-87720-135-8 |
| La Guitarra Misteriosa        | EMC   | 3.75   | 0-88436-858-0 |
| Secretos de la Familia        | EMC   | 3.75   | 0-88436-859-9 |

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| Dialogos Simpaticos                                      | NTC         | 8.95 | 0-8442-7560-3 |
| Un Grabado de Goya                                       | EMC         | 3.75 | 0-88436-860-2 |
| El Penitente Elusivo                                     | EMC         | 3.75 | 0-88436-861-0 |
| Stories That Must Not Die by Juan Sauvageau (bi-lingual) | Oasis Press |      | 0-916378-47-0 |

### Spanish III:

Compañeros en el fútbol

Junie B. Jones y su gran bocota

Junie B. Jones y el negocio del mono

Esteban el plano (Flat Stanley - perhaps a bit challenging but a great story 50 pages in 5 chapters with many illustrations)

Ramona (Beverly Cleary)

Querido Señor Henshaw (Beverly Cleary)

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| No Bajes al Sotano | Scholastic | \$3.99 | 0-590-50212-3 |
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| Payaso de la Clase | " | 3.99 | 0-590-48073-1 |
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| Sangre de Monstruo | " | 3.99 | 0-590-50209-3 |
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| Bienvenidos a la Clase | " | 3.99 | 0-590-45992-9 |
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| Presidente de la Clase | " | 3.99 | 0-590-45992-9 |
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Un Grabado de Goya

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| El Penitente Elucivo | " | 3.99 | 0-590-47399-9 |
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La momia desaparece Teacher's Discovery

Leyendas mexicanas NTC

La Corza blanca, simplified version of folktale by Becquer Santillana Press.

La Cruz del Diablo, (also Becquer) Santillana Press

Esperanza Renace

### Spanish 4:

El Capitán Calzoncillos (series)

Escalofrios (GOOSEBUMPS series)

Animorphs (series)

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| El secuestro | Teacher's Discovery |  |  |
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| La casa embrujada | " |  |  |
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| Visita Aterradora | Scholastic | 3.95 | 0-590-29964-6 |
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| Sangre de Monstro II | " | 3.95 | 0-590-04873-2 |
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| Los Carros Vacios | EMC | 6.95 | 0-88436-281-7 |
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| Marcelino Pan y Vino | EMC | 6.95 | 0-88436-280-9 |
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| Las Hermanas Coloradas | EMC | 7.95 | 0-88436-295-7 |
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| Fantasma | Scholastic | 3.99 | 0-590-46860-x |
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| Grillo en Times Square | " | ? | 0-590-67538-9 |
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Senderos Fronterizos (by Francisco Jimenez)  
 El Lugar más bonito del mundo (by Ann Cameron) wonderful, cultural! (Guatemala)

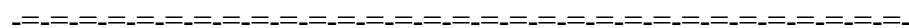
**Spanish V:**

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| Charlie y la Fabrica de Chocolate | Santillana | 8.95 | 84-204-4771-4 |
| Historias de la Artamila          | EMC        | 7.95 | 3-12-561850-9 |
| Tristana                          | EMC        | ?    | 3-12-561730-8 |
| El Carnaval                       | EMC        | ?    | 0-88436-895-5 |
| Un Lugar entre las Saombras       | Scholastic | 3.50 | 0-590-47701-3 |
| Las inquietudes de Shanti Andia   | EMC        | ?    | 0-88436-062-8 |

**Spanish VI:**

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| La Casa de Bernarda Alba           | Plaza y Janes | ?     | 84-01-42382-1 |
| Lazarillo de tormes                | EMC           | 8.95  | 0-88436-278-7 |
| Don Quijote                        | EMC           | 9.50  | 3-12-561920-3 |
| Una Arruga en el Tiempo            | Santilla      | 18.95 | 84-204-4074-4 |
| El Leon, la Bruja y el Armario     | Emece         | 9.95  | 84-204-4564-9 |
| Harry Potter y la Piedra Filosofal | Emece         | 18.95 | 84-7888-445-9 |

Virtually any authentic literature is fine \*if\* you verify the reading level FIRST!! (To verify reading level, remember that 75% vocabulary mastery is minimum for in-class reading, 90% is minimum for assigned reading.



**The classroom library**

Free Voluntary Reading is the most powerful reading activity there is. You need a library of materials at all different levels and of all different interests. Include comic books, TV Guides, newspapers, magazines, translations of familiar (children’s) stories, bay books, children’s books, readers that you have examined from other publishers, and short-story books. You will soon have several short-story books if you simply type up (correct errors, and elaborate with extra descriptions and even extra sentences) any really good story that you get from students on essays, tests, or free-writes. Sign the short story with the student’s name. When you have 15 -20 stories, print them out and staple, titling it “Cuentos de la clase de español III, 2008-2009” or some such title.

Get your students to join the Spanish Scholastic book club,! They buy their own books and contribute to your Spanish library. Just contact Scholastic at <http://scholastic.com/>

**Sources for books for your library:**

Mary Sosnowski owns a book company of nothing but children's books in French and Spanish. She is knowledgeable about language acquisition and a reading expert. She is (of course) a HUGE fan of TPR Storytelling®. She will tell you about every single book, if you like!

<http://www.sosnowskibooks.com/>

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Amazon.com has a Spanish catalogue online.

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Continental Book Company has a wide selection of literature, magazines, dictionaries, AND they have knowledgeable employees!

Continental Book Company <http://www.continentalbook.com/>

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AMSCO School Publications, Inc. <http://www.amscopub.com/>

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World of Reading, Ltd. [www.wor.com](http://www.wor.com)

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MEP School Division [www.mep-eli.com](http://www.mep-eli.com)

Lots of readers in French, Spanish, German, Italian, Latin, BIG BOOKS

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Aquila has great catalog of books, some of them have an audio CD

<http://www.aquilacommunications.com/>

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To get lots of children's books (CHEAP!!) go to eBay and search for "Spanish childrens books." I heard that you may get a whole boxful of a family's cast-offs this way!

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To get FREE readers, visit the Mexican Secretary of Education web site and download the little readers!

[http://www.sep.gob.mx/wb2/sep/sep\\_3866\\_libros\\_de\\_texto\\_grat](http://www.sep.gob.mx/wb2/sep/sep_3866_libros_de_texto_grat)

The books in "Español. Lecturas." are cute. You can print them out in color and put them together yourself.

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A great source is: [www.readinga-z.com](http://www.readinga-z.com) You just subscribe for something like \$30 and then you can print out tons of books for all levels!

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Another good resource is [www.WrightGroup.com](http://www.WrightGroup.com)

Order a Spanish catalog and you can get leveled readers, high interest.

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“Zoo Books” published by Wildlife Education Fund in San Diego.

They come in a pack (about 50) for \$120. They are short magazine-type publications about all kinds of animals.

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Comic books in Spanish: <http://www.mibibook.com/comics.html>

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eBay = search for “Spanish children’s books”