

# *Classics to Read Aloud to Your Children*

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### Some Questions and Answers about Reading to Your Children

#### Listening Level I (Ages 5 and Up)

- “The Ugly Duckling” By Hans Christian Andersen
- “Androcles and the Lion” from *Aesop’s Fables*
- “The Early Days of Black Beauty” from *Black Beauty* by Anna Sewell
- “Robin Hood and the Merry Little Old Woman” by Eva March Tappan
- “How Arthur Was Crowned King” from *Morte d’Arthur* by Sir Thomas Malory
- “The Adventure of the Windmills” from *Don Quixote de la Mancha* by Miguel de Cervantes from *Gulliver’s Travels* by Jonathon Swift
- “Ulysses and the Cyclops” from *The Odyssey* by Homer
- “The Golden Touch” adapted from *The Wonder Book* by Nathaniel Hawthorne

#### Listening Level II (Ages 8 and Up)

- “The Glorious Whitewasher’s” from *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain
- “The Ransom of Red Chief” by O. Henry
- *Romeo and Juliet* adapted from the play by William Shakespeare
- “Rip Van Winkle” by Washington Irving
- “Jim “Baker’s Bluejay Yarn” from *A Tramp Abroad* by Mark Twain

#### Listening Level III (Ages 11 and Up)

- From *The Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane
- “The Adventure of the Speckled Band” by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- From *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
- From *The Call of the Wild* by Jack London

#### Poetry

- “Casey at the Bat” by Ernest Lawrence Thayer
- “The Windmill” by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
- “Paul Revere’s Ride” by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
- “The Highwayman” by Alfred Noyes
- “The Charge of the Light Brigade” by Alfred Lord Tennyson
- “If –“ bt Rudyard Kipling

## **Holiday Favorites**

- Passover: “Pharaoh of the Hard Heart” from Exodus
- Easter: “The Risen Lord” from the Gospels of Mark, Luke, and John
- Halloween: “The Legend of Sleepy Hollow” by Washington Irving
- Thanksgiving: “A Prayer of Thanksgiving” by Robert Louis Stevenson
- “Ezra’s Thanksgivin’ Out West” by Eugene Field
- Christmas: “A Visit from St. Nicholas” by Clement Clarke Moore
- “The Gift of the Magi” by O. Henry
- “A Christmas Carol” by Charles Dickens

## **Afterword**