Educator Resource List for Lower Elementary

Easy Fiction:

The following are a selection of fiction beginning reader titles that focus on space as the setting or overall theme.

- 3, 2, 1, Liftoff! by Sonia Sander. AR Reading Level: 1.3. [EF Lego]
- Always Bet on Chopper by Meredith Rusu. AR Reading Level: 1.9. [EF Star Wars]
- AT-AT Attack! by Calliope Glass. AR Reading Level: 2.3. [EF Star Wars]
- Boba Fett: Jedi Hunter by Clare Hibbert. AR Reading Level: 3.6. [EF Star Wars]
- Chase’s Space Case by Kristen L. Depken. AR Reading Level: 1.2. [EF Paw Patrol]
- Chewbacca and the Wookiee Warriors by Simon Beecroft. AR Reading Level: 3.3. [EF Star Wars]
- Clara and Clem in Outer Space by Ethan Long. AR Reading Level: 0.6. [EF Long Ethan]
- Death Star Battle by Trey King. AR Reading Level: 3.0. [EF Star Wars]
- Ewoks Join the Fight by Michael Siglain. AR Reading Level: 2.8. [EF Star Wars]
- Ezra and the Pilot by Jennifer Heddle. AR Reading Level: 2.3. [EF Star Wars]
- Finn and the First Order by Elizabeth Schaefer. AR Reading Level: 3.0. [EF Star Wars]
- Finn and Poe Team Up! by Nate Millici. [EF Star Wars]
- First Graders From Mars Episode 3, Nergal and the Great Space Race by Shana Corey. AR Reading Level: 2.2. [EF Corey Shana]
- Go to Bed, Blue by Bonnie Bader. [EF Bader Bonnie]
- Hera’s Phantom Flight by Elizabeth Schaefer. AR Reading Level: 3.2. [EF Star Wars]
- Kanan’s Jedi Training by Elizabeth Schaefer. AR Reading Level: 3.0. [EF Star Wars]
- Outer-Space Chase by John Cabell. AR Reading Level: 1.5. [EF UmiZoomi]
- Mars Alien Attack! by Allison Lassieur. AR Reading Level: 3.3. [EF Lego]
- Masters of the Force by Jon Richards. AR Reading Level: 2.3. [EF Star Wars]
- Meet the Rebels by Sadie Smith. AR Reading Level: 3.5. [EF Star Wars]
- Mission to Mars by Wendy Wax. AR Reading Level: 3.2. [EF Wax Wendy]
- My Best Friend is Out of This World by Sarah Albee. AR Reading Level: 1.2. [EF Albee Sarah]
- Pirates…and Worse! by Simon Beecroft. AR Reading Level: 3.0. [EF Star Wars]
- Rocket Rescue by Nicola Baxter. AR Reading Level: 3.4. [EF Baxter Nicola]
- Rescue From Jabba’s Palace by Michael Siglain. AR Reading Level: 3.5. [EF Star Wars]
- Rey Meets BB-8 by Elizabeth Schaefer. AR Reading Level: 2.0. [EF Star Wars]
- Sabine’s Art Attack by Jennifer Heddle. AR Reading Level: 2.4. [EF Star Wars]
- The Secret Villain by Rob Valois. AR Reading Level: 3.1. [EF Star Wars]
- Space Dog Jack by Susan Schade. [EF Schade Susan]
- Space Escape! by Rafail Katsul. AR Reading Level: 3.4. [EF Lego]
- Space Justice by Trey King. AR Reading Level: 2.8. [EF Lego]
- Space Shark! by Hollis James. AR Reading Level: 1.3. [Turtles]
- Star Wars: Journey Through Space by Ryder Windham. AR Reading Level: 3.9. [EF Star Wars]
- Who Stole the Stellosphere? by Bill Scallon. AR Reading Level: 2.5. [EF Disney]
- Up, Up and Away by Margaret Hillert. AR Reading Level: 1.0. [EF Hillert Margaret]
- Zeb to the Rescue by Michael Siglain. AR Reading Level: 1.6. [EF Star Wars]

Easy Non-Fiction:

The following are a selection of non-fiction beginning reader titles that focus on space as the main topic.
Astronaut: Living In Space by Kate Hayden. AR Reading Level: 3.9. [ENF 629.47 HAY]
Blast Off! A Space Counting Book by Norman Cole. [ENF 513.2 COL]
Coldest Places On the Planet by Karen Soll. AR Reading Level: 1.8. [ENF 910.9 SOL]
Comets, Stars, the Moon, and Mars: space Poems and Paintings by Douglas Florian. [ENF 811.54 FLO]
Discover the Stars by Cynthia Pratt Nicolson. AR Reading Level: 3.7. [ENF 523.8 NIC]
Do You Really Want to Visit the Moon? by Thomas K. Adamson. AR Reading Level: 2.8. [ENF 523.3 ADA]
Dwarf Planets by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.4. [ENF 523.4 ROU]
Earth by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.2. [ENF 525 ROU]
Earth by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 1.9. [ENF 550 BLO]
Eight Great Planets! : A Song About the Planets by Laura Salas. [ENF 523.2 SAL]
Ellen Ochoa by Christine Juarez. AR Reading Level: 2.8. [ENF 92 Ochoa Ellen]
Exploring Space by David Conrad. AR Reading Level: 2.8. [ENF 500.5 CON]
The First Space Missions by Megan Cooley Peterson. AR Reading Level: 2.6. [ENF 629.4 PET]
Forecasting Weather by Terri Sievert. AR Reading Level: 2.5. [ENF 551.63 SIE]
Fly Guy Presents: Space by Tedd Arnold. AR Reading Level: 3.3. [ENF 520 ARN]
John "Danny" Olivas by Christine Juarez. AR Reading Level: 2.9. [ENF 92 Olivas John]
Jupiter by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 1.9. [ENF 523.45 BLO]
Jupiter by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.3. [ENF 523.45 ROU]
Mae Jemison by Luke Collins. AR Reading Level: 2.8. [ENF 92 Jemison Mae]
Mars by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 2.0. [ENF 523.43 BLO]
Mars by Steven L. Kipp. AR Reading Level: 4.0. [ENF 523.43 KIP]
Mars by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.3. [ENF 523.43 ROU]
Mercury by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 2.6. [ENF 523.41 BLO]
Mercury by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.0. [ENF 523.41 ROU]
Mission to Mars by Franklyn Mansfield Branley. AR Reading Level: 4.7. [ENF 629.45 BRA]
Neptune by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 2.1. [ENF 523.48 BLO]
Neptune by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.1. [ENF 523.48 ROU Planets by Elizabeth Carney. AR Reading Level: 3.6. [ENF 523.4 CAR]
The Planets by Gail Gibbons. AR Reading Level: 4.1. [ENF 523.4 GIB]
Planets!: Discover Our Solar System. AR Reading Level: 3.3. [ENF 523.4 PLA]
Planet Name Game by Tish Rabe. AR Reading Level: 2.0. [ENF 523.4 RAB]
Robots in Space by Kathryn Clay. AR Reading Level: 2.9. [ENF 629.43 CLA]
Rockets and Spaceships by Karen Wallace. AR Reading Level: 3.1. [ENF 629.47 WAL]
Saturn by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 1.8. [ENF 523.46 BLO]
Saturn by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.3. [ENF 523.46 ROU]
Scott the Astronaut by Tracy Kompleien. AR Reading Level: 2.5. [ENF 428.1 CRA]
Solar System by Gregory Vogt. AR Reading Level: 3.9. [ENF 523.2 VOG]
Space Pirates: a Map-Reading Adventure by Scoular Anderson. [ENF 793.73 AND]
The Space Shuttle and Other Fun Things. [ENF 628.44 SCA]
Space Stations by Gregory Vogt. AR Reading Level: 3.2. [ENF 629.44 VOG]
Space and Time by Dana Meachen Rau. [ENF 525 RAU]
Spaceships and Rockets by Deborah Lock. AR Reading Level: 3.6. [ENF 525 RAU]
The Sun's Family of Planets by Allan Fowler. AR Reading Level: 2.5. [ENF 629.47 LOC]
There's No Place Like Space by Tish Rabe. AR Reading Level: 3.1. [ENF 520 RAB]
Uranus by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 1.9. [ENF 523.47 BLO]
Uranus by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 1.9. [ENF 523.47 ROU]
Venus by J.P. Bloom. AR Reading Level: 2.0. [ENF 523.42 BLO]
Venus by Alexis Roumanis. AR Reading Level: 2.3. [ENF 523.42 ROU]
The Wind Blows by Anita Ganeri. [ENF 550 GAN]
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