Librivox Recommendations

Dear Families,

Librivox is a great source of free, public domain audiobooks, available online or through several apps. The sheer volume of selections can be overwhelming, however, and the audio quality varies considerably. In general, look for recordings by a single narrator. (Collections of fairy tales, short stories, or poetry almost always have multiple narrators.)

Below is a list of links to audiobooks available on Librivox that we can recommend as aligning with our curriculum or are already found on the carefully-curated list of high quality children’s books we assembled for Storybook Festival earlier in the year. The list is certainly not exhaustive; but it may give you a place to start as you seek out resources to keep your child’s mind and sense of wonder engaged during our time apart.

Sincerely,
Great Hearts Irving

Louisa May Alcott

- Little Women
- Little Men

Hans Christian Andersen

- Fairy Tales

Anonymous

- Mother Goose

J.M. Barrie

- Peter Pan

L. Frank Baum

- The Wonderful Wizard of Oz
- The Marvelous Land of Oz
Thorton Burgess
- Thorton Burgess stories (short chapter books for new or reluctant readers about animal adventures)

Frances Hodgson Burnett
- A Little Princess
- The Secret Garden

Lewis Carroll
- Alice in Wonderland
- Through the Looking Glass
- The Hunting of the Snark

Carlo Collodi
- Pinocchio

Padraic Colum
- Padraic Colum myths and legends

Daniel Defoe
- Robinson Crusoe

Charles Dickens
- A Christmas Carol

Mary Mapes Dodge
- Hans Brinker, or The Silver Skates

Ruth Stiles Gannett
- My Father’s Dragon

Kenneth Grahame
- The Wind in the Willows
- The Reluctant Dragon

Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm
- Grimm Brothers’ Fairy Tales
John B. Gruelle
- *Raggedy Ann Stories*

Nathaniel Hawthorne
- *Tanglewood Tales*

E.T.A. Hoffman
- *Nutcracker and Mouse King*

Joseph Jacobs
- *Celtic Folk and Fairy Tales*
- *English Fairy Tales*

Rudyard Kipling
- *Just So Stories*
- *Puck of Pook’s Hill*
- *Captains Courageous*
- *The Jungle Book*

Charles and Mary Lamb
- *Tales from Shakespeare*

Andrew Lang
- *Tales of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table*
- *The Blue Fairy Book* (The rest of the fairy books are available as well.)

William Trowbridge Larned
- *American Indian Fairy Tales*

Jack London
- *The Call of the Wild*
- *White Fang*

George MacDonald
- *The Day Boy and the Night Girl*
- *The Light Princess*
- *The Princess and the Goblin*
- *The Shadows*
- *At the Back of the North Wind*
L.M. Montgomery
- *Anne of Green Gables* (This narrator is excellent, and she does the rest of the series as well.)

E. Nesbit
- *The Railway Children*
- *The Book of Dragons*
- *The Enchanted Castle*
- *The Magic World*
- *The Story of the Amulet*
- *The Five Children and It*

Edward Ormondroyd
- *David and the Phoenix*

Beatrix Potter
- *The Great Big Treasury of Beatrix Potter*

Anna Sewell
- *Black Beauty*

Margaret Sidney
- *Five Little Peppers and How They Grew*

Johanna Spyri
- *Heidi*

Robert Louis Stevenson
- *A Child’s Garden of Verses*
- *Kidnapped*
- *Treasure Island*

Mark Twain
- *The Prince and the Pauper*
- *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*

Jules Verne
- *Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea*
Margery Williams
  •  *The Velveteen Rabbit*

Johann David Wyss
  •  *The Swiss Family Robinson by Johann David Wyss*