

## Suggestions for Students entering Kindergarten



### Cool Books for Kindergarteners

#### *Recommended Internet Website for Reading Suggestions:*

[Ultimate Summer Reading \(100+ Best Recent Children's Books to Read Over and Over\)/The Welcome-Back-to-School Booklist for Younger Readers](http://www.readkiddoread.com/home)  
<http://www.readkiddoread.com/home>

#### *We also recommend exploring other books by these authors:*

Sorted by Author / Title

- Aardema, Verna. Why mosquitoes buzz in people's ears : a West African tale. New York : Dial Press, [1975].  
Reveals the meaning of the mosquito's buzz.
- Ahlberg, Janet. The jolly postman, or, Other people's letters. 1st U.S. ed. Boston : Little, Brown, c1986.  
A postman delivers letters to several famous fairy-tale characters such as the Big Bad Wolf, Cinderella, and the Three Bears. Each letter may be removed from its envelope page and read separately. Enjoy other Alan and Janet Ahlberg titles.
- Aliki. All by myself! 1st ed. [New York] : HarperCollins Publishers, c2000.  
A child shows all the things he has learned to do all on his own. Look for many other fiction and nonfiction titles by Aliki.
- Anholt, Catherine. Catherine and Laurence Anholt's big book of little children. 1st U.S. ed. Cambridge, MA : Candlewick Press, 2003.  
Very little children -- Little children's likes and loves -- How little children feel -- What little children do -- Little children's families. Easy-to-read text introduces things associated with babies and children, such as what babies play with, what makes children laugh, and what families do together.
- Anno, Mitsumasa, 1926-. Anno's counting book. New York : HarperCollins, 1977, c1975.  
Introduces counting and number systems by showing mathematical relationships in nature.
- Arnold, Katya. Elephants can paint, too! 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2005.
- Arnold, Tedd. Green Wilma. 1st ed. New York : Dial Books for Young Readers, c1993.  
Waking up with a frog-like appearance, Wilma proves disruptive at school as she searches for some tasty flies.
- Arnold, Tedd. Hi! Fly Guy. New York : Scholastic, c2005.  
When Buzz captures a fly to enter in The Amazing Pet Show, his parents and the judges tell him that a fly cannot be a pet, but Fly Guy proves them wrong. Enjoy several other "Fly Guy" titles.
- Arnold, Tedd. No jumping on the bed! 1st ed. New York : Dial Books for Young Readers, c1987.  
Walter lives near the top floor of a tall apartment building, where one night his habit of jumping on his bed leads to a tumultuous fall through floor after floor, collecting occupants all the way down.
- Bang, Molly. When Sophie gets angry--really, really angry... New York : Blue Sky Press, c1999.  
A young girl is upset and doesn't know how to manage her anger but takes the time to cool off and regain her composure.
- Barrett, Judi. Animals should definitely not wear clothing. 2nd Aladdin Books ed. New York : Aladdin Books, 1989, c1970.  
Pictures of animals wearing clothes show why this would be a ridiculous custom for them to adopt.
- Barrett, Judi. Cloudy with a chance of meatballs. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum, 1978.  
Life is delicious in the town of Chewandswallow where it rains soup and juice, snows mashed potatoes, and blows storms of hamburgers--until the weather takes a turn for the worse.

- Bishop, Nic, 1955-. Nic Bishop spiders. New York : Scholastic Nonfiction, c2007.  
Photographs and text provide basic information about various kinds of spiders. Look for other Nic Bishop titles, including Nic Bishop Frogs and Butterflies and Moths.
- Bottner, Barbara. Wallace's lists. 1st ed. [New York] : Katherine Tegen Books, c2004.  
Devoted to making lists about everything in his life, Wallace the mouse discovers the joys of spontaneity and adventure when he becomes friends with his neighbor Albert.
- Brett, Jan, 1949-. Berlioz the bear. New York : Putnam, c1991.  
Berlioz the bear and his fellow musicians are due to play for the town ball when the mule pulling their bandwagon refuses to move. A strange buzzing in Berlioz's double bass turns into a surprise that saves the day. Look for several other wonderful stories by Jan Brett.
- Brett, Jan, 1949-. Honey....honey.....lion! : a story of Africa. New York : G.P.Putnam's Sons, 2005.  
After working together to obtain honey, the African honey badger always shares it with his partner, the honeyguide bird, until one day when the honey badger becomes greedy and his feathered friend decides to teach him a lesson.
- Brett, Jan, 1949-. The umbrella. New York : G.P. Putnam's Sons, c2004.  
Carlos goes into the cloud forest to look for animals, but he manages to miss seeing them even though they have an adventure with his umbrella.
- Bruel, Nick. Bad kitty. 1st ed. New Milford, Conn. : Roaring Brook Press, 2005.  
When a kitty discovers there is no cat food in the house, she decides to become very, very bad. Also look for other titles by Nick Bruel, including Poor Puppy and Bad kitty gets a bath.
- Burton, Virginia Lee, 1909-1968. Katy and the big snow; : story and pictures. Boston, : Houghton Mifflin company, 1943.
- Burton, Virginia Lee, 1909-1968. Mike Mulligan and his steam shovel. Sandpiper ed. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 1967.  
Although Mike Mulligan's steam shovel is too old fashioned to compete with newer models, the people of Popperville find a way to keep them working.
- Cannon, Janell, 1957-. Crickwing. 1st ed. San Diego : Harcourt, 2000.  
A lonely cockroach named Crickwing has a creative idea that saves the day for the leaf-cutter ants when their fierce forest enemies attack them.
- Cannon, Janell, 1957-. Pinduli. 1st ed. Orlando : Harcourt, c2004.  
Pinduli, a young striped hyena, is hurt by the unkind words of Dog, Lion, and Zebra, but her clever trick in return promotes her clan's survival and spreads harmony throughout the savannah. Includes backmatter notes about hyenas and other animals of the African savannah.
- Cannon, Janell, 1957-. Stellaluna. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, c1993.  
After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother.
- Cannon, Janell, 1957-. Verdi. Orlando, Fla. : Harcourt Brace, c1997.  
A young python does not want to grow slow and boring like the older snakes he sees in the tropical jungle where he lives.
- Capucilli, Alyssa Satin, 1957-. Bathtime for Biscuit. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollinsPublishers, c1998.  
Biscuit the puppy runs away from his bath with his puppy friend, Puddles.
- Capucilli, Alyssa Satin, 1957-. Biscuit. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins Publishers, 1996.  
A little yellow dog wants ever one more thing before he'll go to sleep.
- Capucilli, Alyssa Satin, 1957-. Biscuit goes to school. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins, 2002.  
A dog follows the bus to school, where he meets the teacher and takes part in the activities of the class. Look for other Capucilli stories about Biscuit and others.
- Carle, Eric. Do you want to be my friend? New York : Crowell, 1971.  
A mouse searches everywhere for a friend.
- Carle, Eric. The grouchy ladybug. New York : Thomas Y. Crowell, [1977].  
A grouchy ladybug who is looking for a fight challenges everyone she meets regardless of their size or strength.
- Carle, Eric. Have you seen my cat? 1st Little Simon board book ed. New York, N.Y. : Little Simon, 1996, c1973.  
A young boy encounters all sorts of cats while searching for the one he lost. On board pages.
- Carle, Eric. Mister Seahorse. New York : Philomel Books, c2004.  
After Mrs. Seahorse lays her eggs on Mr. Seahorse's belly, he drifts through the water, greeting other fish fathers who are taking care of their eggs.

- Carle, Eric. "Slowly, slowly, slowly," said the sloth. New York : Philomel Books, 2002.  
Challenged by the other jungle animals for its seemingly lazy ways, a sloth living in a tree explains the many advantages of his slow and peaceful existence.
- Carle, Eric. Today is Monday. New York : Philomel Books, c1993.  
Each day of the week brings a new food, until on Sunday all the world's children can come and eat it up.
- Carlstrom, Nancy White. Jesse Bear, what will you wear? 1st American ed. New York : Macmillan ; , c1986.  
Rhymed text and illustrations describe Jesse Bear's activities from morning to bedtime.
- Catalanotto, Peter. Matthew A.B.C. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2002.  
A new boy named Matthew joins Mrs. Tuttle's class, which already has twenty-five students whose first names are Matthew and whose last names begin with every letter except Z.
- Cherry, Lynne. The great kapok tree : a tale of the Amazon rain forest. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, c1990.  
The many different animals that live in a great kapok tree in the Brazilian rainforest try to convince a man with an ax of the importance of not cutting down their home.
- Child, Lauren. I am too absolutely small for school. Cambridge, Mass. : Candlewick, 2004.  
When Lola is worried about starting school, her older brother Charlie reassures her.
- Child, Lauren. That pesky rat. 1st U.S. ed. Cambridge, MA : Candlewick Press, 2002.  
A brown street rat, who longs to be someone's pet and to have his very own name, gets lucky when he meets a man in the pet shop who has extremely poor eyesight.
- Cowley, Joy. Chameleon chameleon. 1st ed. New York : Scholastic Press, 2005.  
Up-close photographs and text capture the many moods and colors of chameleons as they hunt for food, search for a new home, brave dangerous strangers, and even make friends.
- Cowley, Joy. Red-eyed tree frog. 1st ed. New York : Scholastic Press, 1999.  
This frog found in the rain forest of Central America spends the night searching for food while also being careful not to become dinner for some other animal.
- Crews, Nina. Below. 1st ed. New York : Henry Holt, 2005.  
Jack has adventures and rescues with his action-figure, Guy.
- Cronin, Doreen. Click, clack, moo : cows that type. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2000.  
When Farmer Brown's cows find a typewriter in the barn they start making demands, and go on strike when the farmer refuses to give them what they want.
- Cronin, Doreen. Diary of a worm. 1st ed. New York : Joanna Cotler Books, c2003.  
A young worm discovers, day by day, that there are some very good and some not so good things about being a worm in this great big world.
- Cuyler, Margery. Stop, drop, and roll. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2001.  
Jessica, who worries about everything from her spelling homework to remembering to fill her dog's water dish, learns that fire safety begins with extinguishing her fears.
- DiCamillo, Kate. Mercy Watson to the rescue. 1st ed. Cambridge, Mass. : Candlewick Press, 2005.  
After Mercy the pig snuggles to sleep with the Watsons, all three awaken with the bed teetering on the edge of a big hole in the floor. Enjoy all the Mercy Watson titles.
- Edwards, Pamela Duncan. The neat line : scribbling through Mother Goose. 1st ed. [New York] : Katherine Tegen Books, c2005.  
A young scribble matures into a neat line, then wriggles into a book of nursery rhymes where he transforms himself into different objects to assist the characters he meets there.
- Edwards, Pamela Duncan. Roar! : a noisy counting book. 1st ed. New York : HarperCollins, c2000.  
A lion cub's roar frightens away other colorful animals, from one red monkey to eight brown gazelles, that he wants to come play with him-- until he encounters nine other lion cubs.
- Falconer, Ian, 1959-. Olivia. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2000.  
Whether at home getting ready for the day, enjoying the beach, or at bedtime, Olivia is a feisty pig who has too much energy for her own good. Look for other "Olivia" titles.
- Falconer, Ian, 1959-. Olivia-- and the missing toy. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c2003.

When her best toy mysteriously disappears, Olivia the feisty pig is determined to find out who is responsible.

- Faller, Régis. The adventures of Polo. 1st American ed. New Milford, Conn. : Roaring Brook Press, 2006.  
Polo the dog sets out from his home and enjoys many adventures, including sailing his boat on top of a whale, roasting hot dogs over a volcano, and taking a ride in a spaceship built from a mushroom.
- Faller, Régis. Polo : the runaway book. 1st American ed. New Milford, Conn. : Roaring Brook Press, 2007.  
While trying to retrieve his new book from a thieving alien, Polo has a series of adventures and eventually helps the alien and his people.
- Flack, Marjorie, 1897-1958. The story about Ping. New York : The Viking press, c1933.  
A little duck finds adventure on the Yangtze River when he is too late to board his master's houseboat one evening.
- Fox, Mem, 1946-. Hattie and the fox. 1st American ed. New York : Bradbury Press, 1987, c1986.  
Hattie, a big black hen, discovers a fox in the bushes, which creates varying reactions in the other barnyard animals.
- Freeman, Don. Corduroy. New York : Viking Press, 1968.  
A toy bear in a department store wants a number of things, but when a little girl finally buys him he finds what he has always wanted most of all.
- Freeman, Don. Dandelion. New York : Viking, 1964.  
Dandelion overdresses for a come-as-you-are party and is turned away because the hostess does not recognize him.
- Freymann, Saxton. Food for thought : the complete book of concepts for growing minds. 1st ed. New York : Arthur A. Levine Books, 2005.  
Presents vegetables and fruits carved into the shapes to teach the basic concepts of shapes, colors, numbers, letters, and opposites.
- Galdone, Paul. Nursery classics : a Galdone treasury. New York : Clarion Books, c2001.  
The three little pigs -- The three bears -- The little red hen -- Cat goes fiddle-i-fee.
- Gibbons, Gail. Apples. 1st ed. New York : Holiday House, c2000.  
Explains how apples were brought to America, how they grow, their traditional uses and cultural significance, and some of the varieties grown. Enjoy several other informative nonfiction titles by Gail Gibbons.
- Gibbons, Gail. Marge's diner. New York : Thomas Y. Crowell, c1989.  
Focuses on a small town diner where Marge and her workers prepare and serve meals to hungry customers twenty-four hours a day.
- Gibbons, Gail. My soccer book. New York : HarperCollins Publishers, 2000.  
Briefly describes the equipment, terminology, rules, positions, and plays of one of the world's most popular games.
- Grey, Mini. The adventures of the dish and the spoon. 1st American ed. New York : Alfred A. Knopf, 2006.  
Having run away together, the Dish and the Spoon from the nursery rhyme "The Cat and the Fiddle" become vaudeville stars before turning to a life of crime.
- Grey, Mini. Traction Man is here! 1st American ed. New York : Knopf : , 2005.  
Traction Man, a boy's courageous action figure, has a variety of adventures with Scrubbing Brush and other objects in the house. Enjoy other titles by Mini Grey.
- Hall, Donald, 1928-. Ox-cart man. New York : Viking Press, 1979.  
Describes the day-to-day life throughout the changing seasons of an early 19th-century New England family.
- Henkes, Kevin. Julius, the baby of the world. 1st ed. New York : Greenwillow Books, c1990.  
Lilly is convinced that the arrival of her new baby brother is the worst thing that has happened in their house, until Cousin Garland comes to visit. Enjoy the many other picture books by Kevin Henkes.
- Henkes, Kevin. Wemberly worried. 1st ed. [New York] : GreenWillow Books, c2000.  
A mouse named Wemberly, who worries about everything, finds that she has a whole list of things to worry about when she faces the first day of nursery school.

- Here's a little poem : a very first book of poetry. 1st U.S. ed. Cambridge, Mass : Candlewick Press, 2007.  
A collection of poems for children with the various themes of self, family, going outside, and when it is time for bed.
- Hills, Tad. Duck & Goose. 1st ed. New York : Schwartz & Wade Books, c2006.  
Duck and Goose learn to work together to take care of a ball, which they think is an egg.
- Hoban, Russell. A baby sister for Frances. New York : Harper & Row, 1964.  
When things change around the house after her baby sister is born, Frances decides to run away-but not too far.
- Hoban, Russell. Bedtime for Frances. New York, : Harper, [1960].  
Frances finds it difficult to go to sleep with the strange noises and menacing shapes that seem to fill her room after dark.
- Howe, James, 1946-. Horace and Morris but mostly Dolores. 1st ed. New York : Atheneum Books for Young Readers, c1999.  
Three mice friends learn that the best clubs include everyone.
- Hurst, Carol Otis. Rocks in his head. 1st ed. [New York] : Greenwillow Books, c2001.  
A young man has a lifelong love of rock collecting that eventually leads him to work at a science museum.
- Hutchins, Pat, 1942-. The doorbell rang. 1st ed. New York : Greenwillow Books, c1986.  
Each time the doorbell rings, there are more people who have come to share Ma's wonderful cookies. Look for many other wonderful Pat Hutchins books.
- Hutchins, Pat, 1942-. The surprise party. [New York] : Macmillan, [1969].  
Rabbit confides to Owl that he is planning a party, but as the message is passed from animal to animal it gets more and more confused.
- Jenkins, Steve, 1952-. Actual size. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c2004.  
Discusses and gives examples of the size and weight of various animals and parts of animals.
- Jenkins, Steve, 1952-. Prehistoric actual size. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 2005.  
Profiles primary characteristics of primitive creatures, such as the giant millipede and terror bird, including dinosaurs such as the velociraptor.
- Jenkins, Steve,, 1952-. What do you do with a tail like this? Boston, MA : Houghton Mifflin Company, c2003.
- Johnson, Stephen, 1964-. Alphabet city. New York : Viking, 1995.  
Illustrations of objects in an urban setting present the letters of the alphabet.
- Juster, Norton, 1929-. The hello, goodbye window. 1st ed. [New York] : Hyperion Books for Children, 2005.  
A little girl loves going to her Nanna and Poppy's house because their kitchen window is a magical portal to a world of discovery and imagination, in a delightful story that celebrates childhood and the love of family.
- Kalman, Maira. What Pete ate from A-Z. New York : Putnam's, 2001.  
In this alphabet book, a child relates some of the unusual things eaten by Pete the dog, including an accordion, a lucky quarter, and Uncle Norman's underpants.
- Kasza, Keiko. The dog who cried wolf. New York : G.P. Putnam's Sons, 2005.  
Tired of being a house pet, Moka the dog moves to the mountains to become a wolf but soon misses the comforts of home.
- Keats, Ezra Jack. Whistle for Willie. [New York] : Puffin Books, c1977.  
A little boy wishes so much he could whistle.
- Keller, Holly. Farfallina & Marcel. 1st ed. [New York] : Greenwillow Books, c2002.  
A caterpillar and a young goose become great friends, but as they grow up they undergo changes which separate them for awhile.
- Kraus, Robert, 1925-. Leo the late bloomer. New York : Windmill :, c1971.  
Leo, a young tiger, finally blooms under the anxious eyes of his parents.
- Krauss, Ruth. The carrot seed. New York : Harper & Row, c1945.  
Despite everyone's dire predictions, a little boy has faith in the carrot seed he plants.

- LaRochelle, David. The best pet of all. 1st ed. New York : Dutton Children's Books, c2004.  
A young boy enlists the help of a dragon to persuade his mother to let him have a dog as a pet.
- Lester, Helen. Listen, Buddy. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, 1995.  
A lop-eared rabbit named Buddy finds himself in trouble with the Scruffy Varmint because he never listens.
- Lester, Helen. Me first. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c1992.  
Pinkerton the pig always manages to be first until he rushes for a sandwich and it turns out to be not the edible kind.
- Lionni, Leo, 1910-. It's mine! New York : Knopf : , c1986.  
Three selfish frogs quarrel over who owns their pond and island, until a storm makes them value the benefits of sharing. Look for the many wonderful other Lionni titles.
- Lionni, Leo, 1910-. Little blue and little yellow : a story for Pippo and Ann and other children. New York, N.Y. : Mulberry Books, 1995.  
A little blue spot and a little yellow spot are best friends, and when they hug each other they become green.
- Lobel, Arnold. Frog and toad are friends. New York : HarperCollins Publishers, c1970.  
Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends--Frog and Toad. Enjoy all in this series and other titles by Arnold Lobel.
- MacDonald, Suse. Alphabatics. Bradbury, [c1986].
- Martin, Bill, 1916-2004. Chicka chicka boom boom. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c1989.  
An alphabet rhyme/chant that relates what happens when the whole alphabet tries to climb a coconut tree.
- McNulty, Faith. If you decide to go to the moon. 1st ed. New York : Scholastic Press, 2005.  
Presents a children's book for early readers that describes what a trip to the moon would be like for a would-be astronaut.
- Meddaugh, Susan. Martha speaks. Boston : Houghton Mifflin, c1992.  
Problems arise when Martha, the family dog, learns to speak after eating alphabet soup. Look for other titles about Martha the talking dog.
- Minarik, Else Holmelund. Little bear. New York : Harper, [1957].  
Little Bear's four adventures include taking a trip to the moon and having a birthday party. Enjoy other Little Bear titles.
- Neubecker, Robert. Wow! City! 1st ed. New York : Hyperion, c2004.  
Two-year-old Izzy takes her first trip from her mountain top home to the big city.
- Neubecker, Robert. Wow! school! 1st ed. New York : Hyperion Books for Children, c2007.  
Izzy finds many things to be excited about on the first day of school. Also enjoy Wow! America!
- Newman, Marjorie. Mole and the baby bird. 1st U.S. ed. New York : Bloomsbury Children's Books : , 2002.  
Mole rescues a baby bird, cares for it, and loves it, until the day he realizes it is because he loves it that he must set it free.
- Numeroff, Laura Joffe. If you take a mouse to the movies. [New York] : Laura Geringer Book, c2000.  
Taking a mouse to the movies can lead to letting him do other things, such as making a snowman, listening to Christmas carols, and decorating the Christmas tree. Enjoy all the "If you..." titles.
- Perkins, Lynne Rae. Pictures from our vacation. 1st ed. New York, N.Y : Greenwillow Books, c2007.  
Given a camera that takes and prints tiny pictures just before leaving for the family farm in Canada, a young girl records a vacation that gets off to a slow start, but winds up being a family reunion filled with good memories
- Polacco, Patricia. The bee tree. New York : Philomel Books, c1993.  
To teach his granddaughter the value of books, a grandfather leads a growing crowd in search of the tree where the bees keep all their honey.
- Polacco, Patricia. G is for goat. New York, N.Y. : Philomel Books, c2003.  
A rhyming celebration of goats and their antics, from A to Z.

- Portis, Antoinette. Not a box. 1st ed. New York, NY : HarperCollins, c2006.  
To an imaginative bunny, a box is not always just a box.
- Rathmann, Peggy. 10 minutes till bedtime. New York : G.P. Putnam's Sons, c1998.  
A boy's hamster leads an increasingly large group of hamsters on a tour of the boy's house, while his father counts down the minutes to bedtime.
- Rathmann, Peggy. Good night, Gorilla. New York : Putnam, 1996, c1994.  
An unobservant zookeeper is followed home by all the animals he thinks he has left behind in the zoo. On board pages.
- Rathmann, Peggy. Officer Buckle and Gloria. New York : Putnam's, c1995.  
The children at Napville Elementary School always ignore Officer Buckle's safety tips, until a police dog named Gloria accompanies him when he gives his safety speeches.
- Rodman, Mary Ann. My best friend. New York : Viking, 2005.  
Six-year-old Lily has a best friend all picked out for play group day, but unfortunately the differences between first-graders and second-graders are sometimes very large.
- Rohmann, Eric. Clara and Asha. 1st ed. New Milford, Conn. : Roaring Brook Press, c2005.  
Young Clara would rather play with her imaginary giant fish, Asha, than settle down to sleep.
- Rohmann, Eric. A kitten tale. 1st ed. New York : Alfred A. Knopf, 2008.  
As four kittens who have never seen winter watch the seasons pass, three of them declare the reasons they will dislike snow when it arrives, while the fourth cannot wait to experience it for himself.
- Rohmann, Eric. Time flies. 1st ed. New York : Crown, c1994.  
A wordless tale in which a bird flying around the dinosaur exhibit in a museum has an unsettling experience when it finds itself back in the time of living dinosaurs.
- Rylant, Cynthia. The eagle. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2004.  
Two mice that live in a lighthouse along with a dog, a cat, and another mouse, lose their compass while exploring the forest, and learn to use their instincts before being rescued by an eagle. Look for the Turtle, the Whale also.
- Rylant, Cynthia. The lighthouse family. 1st ed. New York : Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, c2005.  
Whistler and Lila, two of the mice children who live in a lighthouse, meet a young octopus when they visit the beach during low tide.
- Rylant, Cynthia. Mr. Putter & Tabby stir the soup. 1st ed. San Diego : Harcourt, c2003.  
Mr. Putter and Tabby go to their neighbor's house to make soup, but Zeke the dog makes it very difficult for them. Enjoy the many titles about Mr. Putter and Tabby.
- Rylant, Cynthia. Mr. Putter & Tabby write the book. Orlando, Fla : Harcourt, 2004.  
During a big snow, Mr. Putter decides to write a mystery novel, but what he ends up with is entirely different.
- Sayre, April Pulley. The bumblebee queen. Watertown, MA : Charlesbridge, c2005.
- Sayre, April Pulley. Stars beneath your bed : the surprising story of dust. 1st ed. [New York] : Greenwillow Books, c2005.  
Explains what dust is and the diverse matter that it contains, including bits of stars and traces of extinct dinosaurs; and tells how it moves, where it is found, and some of the effects it creates.
- Schwartz, Amy. Annabelle Swift, kindergartner. New York : Orchard Books, 1988; .  
Although some of the things her older sister taught her at home seem a little unusual at school, other lessons help make Annabelle's first day in kindergarten a success.
- Seeger, Laura Vaccaro. Black? white! day? night! : a book of opposites. 1st ed. New Milford, Conn : Roaring Brook Press, 2006.
- Seeger, Laura Vaccaro. Dog and Bear : two friends, three stories. 1st ed. New Milford, Conn : Roaring Brook Press, 2007.  
Bear in the chair -- Play with me! Play with me! -- Dog changes his name. Contains three easy-to-read stories that reveal the close friendship between Dog and Bear.
- Seeger, Laura Vaccaro. Lemons are not red. 1st ed. Brookfield, Conn : Roaring Brook Press, c2004.  
Uses clever cut-outs to introduce young readers to different colors.
- Sendak, Maurice. In the night kitchen. [New York] : Harper & Row, [1970].  
A little boy's dream-fantasy in which he helps three fat bakers get milk for their cake batter.

- Sendak, Maurice. Where the wild things are. [New York] : Harper & Row, c1963.  
A naughty little boy, sent to bed without his supper, sails to the land of the wild things where he becomes their king.
- Shannon, David, 1959-. Too many toys. New York : Blue Sky Press, c2008.  
Although he finally agrees that he has too many toys and needs to give them away, there is one toy that Spencer absolutely cannot part with.
- Shannon, David, 1959-. Duck on a bike. New York : Blue Sky Press, c2002.  
A duck decides to ride a bike and soon influences all the other animals on the farm to ride bikes too.
- Shannon, David, 1959-. Good boy, Fergus! New York : Blue Sky Press, c2006.  
Except for his bath, Fergus experiences the perfect doggy day, from chasing cats and motorcycles to being scratched on his favorite tickle spot.
- Shannon, David, 1959-. No, David! New York : Blue Sky Press, c1998.  
A young boy is depicted doing a variety of naughty things for which he is repeatedly admonished, but finally he gets a hug. Enjoy the other "David" titles also.
- Shannon, George. Tippy-toe chick, go! 1st ed. [New York] : Greenwillow Books, c2003.  
When a mean dog blocks the path to the garden where a delicious breakfast awaits, Little Chick shows her family how brave and clever she is.
- Shannon, George. Tomorrow's alphabet. New York : Greenwillow Books, c1996.  
Introduces items that eventually become things that start with each letter of the alphabet, such as O is for acorn, which becomes tomorrow's oak tree.
- Shannon, George. White is for blueberry. 1st ed. New York : Greenwillow Books, c2005.  
Encourages the reader to look at objects in nature from another perspective, observing their colors in a new way.
- Sierra, Judy. Wild about books. 1st ed. New York : Knopf, 2004.  
A librarian named Mavis McGrew introduces the animals in the zoo to the joy of reading when she drives her bookmobile to the zoo by mistake.
- Silverman, Erica. Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa. 1st ed. Orlando, Fla : Harcourt, c2005.  
Cowgirl Kate and her cowhorse Cocoa, who is always hungry, count cows, share a story, and help each other fall asleep.
- Slate, Joseph. Miss Bindergarten gets ready for kindergarten. 1st ed. New York : Dutton Children's Books, c1996.  
Introduces the letters of the alphabet as Miss Bindergarten and her students get ready for kindergarten.
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