

Books Your Child Should Hear Before Kindergarten



This is a suggested list of books, these books DO NOT have to be read in order to participate in the program. All of these books are available in the B&ECPL System and can be ordered from other libraries if they are not currently available on our shelf. Happy Reading!

- **Where's My Teddy** by Jez, Alborough
- **Happy Birthday, Moon** by Frank Asch
- **Juna's Jar** by Jane Bahk
- **Ten, Nine, Eight** by Molly Bang
- **Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing** by Judi Barrett
- **The Three Bears** by Byron Barton
- **A Visitor for Bear** by Bonny Becker
- **Madeline** by Ludwig Bemelmans
- **The End (Almost)** by Jim Benton
- **Bear's Busy Family** by Stella Blackstone
- **Little Gorilla** by Ruth Bornstein
- **The Mitten** by Jan Brett
- **Stone Soup** by Marcia Brown
- **Goodnight Moon** by Margaret Wise Brown
- **The Story of Babar, the Little Elephant** by Jean de Brunhoff
- **Mr. Gumpy's Outing** by John Burningham
- **Mike Mulligan and his Steam Shovel** by Virginia Lee Burton
- **Dear Zoo** by Rod Campbell
- **Stellaluna** by Janell Cannon
- **Biscuit Loves the Library** by Alyssa Capucilli
- **The Very Hungry Caterpillar** by Eric Carle
- **Hair Love** by Matthew Cherry
- **Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed** by Eileen Christelow
- **Mixed: A Colorful Story** by Arree Chung

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- **Fred Stay with Me by Nancy Coffelt**
- **Freight Train by Donald Crews**
- **Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type by Doreen Cronin**
- **Good Dog, Carl by Alexandra Day**
- **Jamberry by Bruce Degen**
- **Abuela by Arthur Dorros**
- **Are You My Mother? by PD Eastman**
- **Feathers for Lunch by Lois Ehlert**
- **Go Away, Big Green Monster! by Ed Emberley**
- **Olivia by Ian Falconer**
- **Bark, George by Jules Feiffer**
- **Ask Mr. Bear, by Marjorie Flack**
- **Mama Cat Has Three Kittens by Denise Fleming**
- **Where is the Green Sheep? by Mem Fox**
- **Not Quite Snow White by Ashley Franklin**
- **Corduroy by Don Freeman**
- **Millions of Cats by Wanda Gag**
- **The Three Little Pigs by Paul Galdone**
- **The Man Who Walked Between the Towers by Mordicai Gerstein**
- **The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses by Paul Goble**
- **Is your Mana a Llama? by Deborah Guarino**
- **Kitten's First Full Moon by Kevin Henkes**
- **Where's Spot? by Eric Hill**
- **Eyes That Kiss in the Corners by Joanna Ho**
- **Hush! A Thai Lullaby by Minfong Ho**
- **Bread and Jam for Frances by Russell Hoban**
- **Is it Red? Is it Yellow? If is Blue? An Adventure in Color by Tana Hoban**
- **Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman**
- **Angelina Ballerina by Katherine Holabird**
- **Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins**
- **What Do You Do With a Tail Like This? by Steve Jenkins**
- **Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson**

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- **The Hello, Goodbye Window by Norton Juster**
- **The Wolf's Chicken Stew by Keiko Kasza**
- **The Snowy Day by Ezra Keats**
- **The Teddy Bears' Picnic by Jimmy Kennedy**
- **The Caterpillar and the Polliwog by Jack Kent**
- **Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock by Eric Kimmel**
- **Whose Mouse are You? by Robert Kraus**
- **The Carrot Seed by Ruth Kraus**
- **Baghead by Jarrett Krosoczka**
- **The Story of Ferdinand by Munro Leaf**
- **A is for Salad by Mike Lester**
- **Little Blue and Little Yellow by Leo Lionni**
- **On Market Street by Anita Lobel**
- **Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel**
- **Froggy Gets Dressed by Jonathan London**
- **Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin**
- **Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin**
- **Frog Goes to Dinner by Mercer Mayer**
- **Guess How Much I Love You by Sam McBratney**
- **Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey**
- **Widget by Lyn McFarland**
- **Goin' Someplace Special by Pat McKissack**
- **Gone Wild: An Endangered Animal Alphabet by David McLimans**
- **I Stink! by Kate & Jim McMullan**
- **Pigs Aplenty, Pigs Galore by David McPhail**
- **Martha Speaks by Susan Meddaugh**
- **I am Abraham Lincoln by Brad Meltzer**
- **Bruno Munari's ABC by Bruno Munari**
- **The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash by Trinka Noble**
- **If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by Laura Numeroff**

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- **Fancy Nancy by Jane O'Connor**
- **The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn**
- **Shades of Black by Sandra Pinkney**
- **The Little Engine that Could by Watty Piper**
- **The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter**
- **Good Night, Gorilla by Peggy Rathmann**
- **Curious George by HA Rey**
- **My Friend Rabbit by Eric Rohman**
- **We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen**
- **I Love You Through and Through by Bernadette Rosetti-Shustak**
- **The Relatives Came by Cynthia Rylant**
- **Grandfather's Journey by Allen Say**
- **Cars and Trucks and Things That Go by Richard Scarry**
- **First the Egg by Laura Seeger**
- **Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak**
- **Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss**
- **The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss**
- **Duck on a Bike by David Shannon**
- **It Looked Like Spilt Milk by Charles Shaw**
- **Come Along, Daisy! by Jane Simmons**
- **The Stray Dog by Marc Simont**
- **Fire Truck by Peter Sis**
- **Caps for Sale by Esphyr Slobodkina**
- **There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly by Simms Taback**
- **Noisy Nora by Rosemary Wells**
- **The Lady with the Alligator Purse by Nadine Westcott**
- **The Three Pigs by David Wiesner**
- **Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus by Mo Willems**
- **Buzz by Janet Wong**
- **The Napping House by Audrey Wood**
- **How do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight? by Jane Yolen**
- **Owl Moon by Jane Yolen**
- **Seven Blind Mice by Ed Young**
- **Harry, The Dirty Dog by Gene Zion**