

Scieszka, Jon - **The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs**

The wolf gives his own outlandish version of what really happened when he tangled with the three little pigs.

Smith, Lane - **Grandpa Green**

A child explores the ordinary life of his extraordinary great-grandfather, as expressed in his topiary garden.

Stead, Philip C. - **A Sick Day for Amos McGee**

Zookeeper Amos McGee always makes time to visit his friends who live at the zoo until the day he stays home because he is sick.

Thomson, Bill - **Chalk**

A wordless picture book about three children who go to a park on a rainy day, find some chalk, and draw pictures that come to life.

Tullet, Herve - **Press Here**

Instructs the reader on how to interact with the illustrations to create imaginative images.

Wilhelm, Hans - **I Can Help**

Puppy wants to help. But he only makes a mess. Will he give up?

Willems, Mo - **City Dog, Country Frog**

Through the seasons, whenever City Dog visits the country he runs straight for Country Frog's rock to play games with him, but during the winter things change for them both.

Willems, Mo - **Leonardo, the Terrible Monster**

Leonardo is a terrible monster -- he can't seem to frighten anyone. When he discovers the perfect nervous little boy, will he scare the lunch out of him? Or will he think of something better?

Wells, Rosemary - **Max & Ruby Play School (All Aboard Reading Picture Reader)**

Ruby wants to play school, but her brother Max is only interested in playing with his cars.

These are just a few of the books that kindergarteners enjoy. Ask your librarian for further suggestions.

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Aliki - **My Five Senses**

A child's world is one filled with the discovery of sensations, such as licking ice cream, petting a bunny and hearing a fire engine.

Baker, Keith - **LMNO Peas**

Busy little peas introduce their favorite occupations, from astronaut to zoologist.

Banks, Kate - **Max's Words**

Max's brothers have grand collections that everyone makes a big fuss over. Benjamin collects stamps and Karl collects coins, and neither one will share with their little brother. So Max decides to start a collection of his own. He's going to collect words.

Barton, Chris - **Shark vs. Train**

A shark and a train compete in a series of contests on a seesaw, in hot air balloons, bowling, shooting baskets, playing hide-and-seek, and more, as two boys play.

Black, Michael Ian - **A Pig Parade is a Terrible Idea**

Explains precisely why, although it may sound like a good idea, gathering hundreds of pigs to march in a parade through one's hometown is inadvisable.

Bliss, Harry - **Bailey**

Although he is a dog, Bailey goes to school, where his canine abilities enliven an ordinary day.

Brown, Peter - **Children Make Terrible Pets**

When Lucy, a young bear, discovers a boy lost in the woods, she asks her mother if she can have him as a pet, only to find him impossible to train.

Capucilli, Alyssa Satin - **Biscuit (series)**

A little yellow dog wants ever one more thing before he'll go to sleep.

Davies, Nicola - **One Tiny Turtle**

The loggerhead turtle swims the sea for thirty years, swimming thousands of miles as she hunts for food.

DePaolo, Tomie - **Strega Nona**

When Strega Nona leaves him alone with her magic pasta pot, Big Anthony is determined to show the townspeople how it works.

Dodd, Emma - **I Love Bugs!**

Easy-to-read text celebrates the many kinds of bugs that can be found in a backyard.

Emberley, Rebecca - **Chicken Little**

A retelling of the classic story of Chicken Licken, who has an acorn fall on his head and runs in a panic to his friends Henny Penny, Lucky Ducky, and Loosey Goosey, to tell them the sky is falling.

Feiffer, Jules - **Bark, George**

When George the dog makes every animal noise except a bark, his mother takes him to the vet who reaches deep down inside the dog and pulls out one animal after the next!

Fox, Mem - **Magic Hat**

A whirling, magical hat sweeps into a bustling park, transforming each adult on whom it alights into a fun-loving animal.

Hall, Michael - **Perfect Square**

A perfect square that is perfectly happy is torn into pieces, punched with holes, crumpled, and otherwise changed but finds in each transformation that it can be something new, and just as happy.

Hayes, Geoffrey - **Benny and Penny in the Big No-No!**

Two mice meet their new neighbor and discover that she is not as scary as they feared in this beginning graphic novel.

Hill, Tad - **How Rocket Learned to Read**

A little yellow bird teaches Rocket the dog how to read by first introducing him to the "wondrous, mighty, gorgeous alphabet."

Hoberman, Mary Ann - **You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Fables to Read Together**

Retells thirteen of Aesop's fables, with each short poem inviting two readers to read their own parts, and then read the passage in the central column together.

Jenkins, Steve - **Sisters & Brothers**

Explores the world of animal siblings, from armadillos who are always quadruplets, to termites who have millions of brothers and sisters.

Katz, Susan - **Oh Theodore!**

Poems about guinea pigs.

Marshall, James - **George and Martha (series)**

Two lovable hippos teach the meaning of friendship in five separate vignettes.

McMullan, Kate - **I'm Dirty!**

A busy backhoe loader describes all the items it hauls off a lot and all the fun it has getting dirty while doing so.

McMullan, Kate - **Pearl and Wagner: Two Good Friends (series)**

A cat's quiet life is disrupted one day when a window is broken, and after several frustrating attempts to find a suitable place, he winds up in the perfect spot.

Murray, Allison - **Apple Pie ABC**

A story about a girl baking an apple pie and a puppy observing the activities teaches the letters of the alphabet.

Neubecker, Robert - **Wow! School!**

Izzy finds many things to be excited about on the first day of school.

Parr, Todd - **Reading Makes You Feel Good**

Targeted to those first beginning to read, this book invites children to read the main text as well as all the funny signs, labels, and messages hidden in the pictures. Reading isn't something that just happens at school or at home - it can happen anywhere!

Penn, Audrey - **The Kissing Hand**

Chester Raccoon seeks love and reassurance from his mother as he ventures out into the world to attend his very first day of school.

Rocco, John - **Blackout**

When a busy family's activities come to a halt because of a blackout, they find they enjoy spending time together and not being too busy for once.

Rosenthal, Amy Krause - **Duck! Rabbit!**

Two unseen characters argue about whether the creature they are looking at is a rabbit or a duck.

Rylant, Cynthia - **Puppy Mudge Takes a Bath (series)**

When his puppy Mudge gets dirty, Henry has some trouble giving him a bath.

Sakai, Kamako - **Snow Day**

A little rabbit enjoys having a day off from kindergarten and spending time with his mother during a snowstorm, but his father's flight home is cancelled until the snow stops falling.

Schubert, Leda - **Feeding the Sheep**

In pictures and rhythmic text, a mother relates to her daughter all the steps involved in making her a snug, woolly sweater, starting at the very beginning with feeding the sheep.

Schwartz, David M. - **Where in the Wild? Camouflaged Creatures Concealed...and Revealed**

Combines stunning photographs, poetry and facts about these hidden creatures.