

PICTURE BOOKS TO USE WITH OLDER CHILDREN

The following books have been selected for their potential use with children in grades 1 and up. Picture book storytelling shouldn't be limited to preschoolers or even to children in the early grades. Several titles, such as Chris Van Allsburg's, have unlimited age appeal. The books on this list have been selected for a variety of reasons. In some cases the characters are school age. Many of the stories have longer texts than most picture books; in others you will find subtle and complex themes or sophisticated humor often lost on younger children. For further suggestions see the companion bibliography, "Folktales in Picture Book Format."

Abdullah, Queen Rania Al & Kelly DiPucchio. *The Sandwich Swap*. Illustrated by Tricia Tusa. Hyperion, 2010.

Adler, David. *America's Champion Swimmer: Gertrude Ederle*. Illustrated by Terry Widener. Harcourt, 2000; Sandpiper, 2005. (pap.)

Ahlberg, Allan. *Previously*. Illustrated by Bruce Ingman. Candlewick, 2007; Candlewick, 2011. (pap.)

Allard, Harry & James Marshall. *Miss Nelson Is Missing*. Houghton, 1977; Sandpiper, 1985. (pap.)

Arnold, Caroline. *The Terrible Hodag and the Animal Catchers*. Illustrated by John Sandford. Boyds Mills, 2006.

Bang, Molly. *The Paper Crane*. Greenwillow, 1985; Greenwillow, 1987. (pap.)

Barnett, Mac. *Extra Yarn*. Illustrated by Jon Klassen. Balzer & Bray, 2012.

Barrett, Judi. *Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs*. Illustrated by Ron Barrett. Atheneum, 1978; Atheneum, 1982.

Bean, Jonathan. *Building Our House*. FSG, 2013.

Beaty, Andrea. *Iggy Peck, Architect*. Illustrated by David Roberts. Abrams, 2007.

Bee, William. *Beware of the Frog*. Candlewick, 2008; Walker, 2009. (pap.)

Bliss, Harry. *Bailey at the Museum*. Scholastic, 2012.

Briggs, Raymond. *Jim & the Beanstalk*. Putnam, 1997. (pap.)

Bruss, Deborah. *Book! Book! Book!* Illustrated by Tiphonie Beeke. Scholastic, 2001.

Bunting, Eve. *Night of the Gargoyles*. Illustrated by David Wiesner. Clarion, 1994; Sandpiper, 1999. (pap.)

Cabatingan, Erin. *A is For Musk Ox*. Illustrated by Matthew Myers. Roaring Brook, 2012.

Calhoun, Mary. *Cross Country Cat*. Illustrated by Erick Ingraham. HarperCollins, 1986. (pap.)

Catchpool, Michael. *The Cloud Spinner*. Illustrated by Alison Jay. Knopf, 2012.

Chamberlin, Mary & Rich Chamberlin. *Mama Panya's Pancakes*. Illustrated by Julia Cairns. Barefoot, 2006 (pap.).

Cooke, Lucy. *A Little Book of Sloth*. McElderry, 2013.

Cooney, Barbara. *Miss Rumphius*. Viking, 1982; Puffin, 1985. (pap.)

Cowley, Joy. *Chameleon, Chameleon*. Photography by Nic Bishop. Scholastic, 2005.

Cronin, Doreen. *Diary of a Worm*. Illustrated by Harry Bliss. Joanna Cotler, 2003.

Cronin, Doreen. *The Trouble With Chickens*. Illustrated by Kevin Cornell. Balzer & Bray, 2011.

Crow, Kristyn. *Cool Daddy Rat*. Illustrated by Mike Lester. Putnam, 2008.

Cutbill, Andy. *The Cow That Laid an Egg*. Illustrated by Russell Ayto. HarperCollins, 2008.

Cyrus, Kurt. *Tadpole Rex*. Harcourt, 2008.

Czekaj, Jef. *Hip Hop, Don't Stop!* Hyperion, 2010.

Dormar, Frank. *The Obstinate Pen*. Holt, 2012.

Emmett, Jonathan. *The Princess and the Pig*. Illustrated by Poly Bernatene. Walker, 2011.

Fleischman, Paul. *Weslandia*. Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes. Candlewick, 2002; Candlewick, 2002. (pap.)

Fox, Mem. *Whoever You Are*. Illustrated by Leslie Staub. Harcourt, 1997; Sandpiper, 2006. (pap.)

Fox, Mem. *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge*. Illustrated by Julie Vivas. Puffin, 1992.

French, Jackie. *Diary of a Wombat*. Illustrated by Bruce Whatley. Clarion, 2003; Sandpiper, 2009. (pap.)

Gerstein, Mordicai. *The Man Who Walked Between the Towers*. Roaring Brook, 2003; Square Fish, 2007. (pap.)

Gilani-Williams, Tawzia. *Nabeel's New Pants*. Illustrated by Proiti Roy. Two Lions, 2010.

Grey, Mini. *Three By the Sea*. Knopf, 2011.

Grey, Mini. *Traction Man is Here!* Knopf, 2005; Dragonfly, 2012. (pap.)

Haas, Irene. *The Maggie B*. McElderry, 1975; Aladdin, 1997. (pap.)

Hale, Bruce. *Snoring Beauty*. Illustrated by Howard Fine. Harcourt, 2008.

Hanlon, Abby. *Ralph Tells a Story*. Two Lions, 2012.

Hansen, Amy S. *Bugs and Bugsicles*. Illustrated by Robert C. Kray. Boyds Mills, 2010.

Hodgesenson, Leigh. *Goldilocks and Just One Bear*. Nosy Crow, 2012.

Holmes, Mary Tavener & John Harris. *A Giraffe Goes to Paris*. Illustrated by Jon Cannell. Marshall Cavendish, 2010.

Hopkinson, Deborah. *Abe Lincoln Crosses a Creek*. Illustrated by John Hendrix. Schwartz & Wade, 2008.

Hosford, Kate. *Infinity and Me*. Illustrated by Gabi Swiatkowski. Carolrhoda, 2012.

Hurd, Thacher. *Art Dog*. HarperCollins, 1996; HarperCollins, 1997. (pap.)

Isaacs, Anne. *Swamp Angel*. Illustrated by Paul O. Zelinsku. Dutton, 1994; Puffin, 2000. (pap.)

Jeffers, Oliver. *This Moose Belongs to Me*. Philomel, 2012.

Jenkins, Emily. *Lemonade in Winter*. Illustrated by G. Brian Karas. Schwartz & Wade, 2012.

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Kinsey-Warnock, Natalie & Helen Kinsey. *The Bear That Heard Crying*. Illustrated by Ted Rand. Puffin, 1997. (pap.)

Knudsen, Michelle. *Library Lion*. Illustrated by Kevin Hawkes. Candlewick, 2006.

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- London, Jonathan. *The Eyes of Gray Wolf*. Illustrated by Jon Van Zyle. Chronicle, 2004. (pap.)
- Long, Loren. *Otis and the Tornado*. Philomel, 2011.
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- Manders, John. *The Really Awful Musicians*. Clarion, 2011.
- McCloskey, Robert. *Burt Dow: Deep Water Man*. Puffin, 1989. (pap.)
- McCully, Emily Arnold. *Wonder Horse: The True Story of the World's Smartest Horse*. Holt, 2010.
- McDonnell, Patrick. *Me...Jane*. Little, Brown, 2011.
- McElligott, Matthew. *The Lion's Share*. Walker, 2009.
- McKissack, Patricia. *Flossie and the Fox*. Illustrated by Rachel Isadora. Dial, 1986.
- McLerran, Alice. *Roxaboxen*. Illustrated by Barbara Cooney. Lothrop, 1991; HarperCollins, 2004. (pap.)
- Meddaugh, Susan. *Martha Blah Blah*. Houghton, 1998. (pap.)
- Meng, Cece. *Bedtime is Cancelled*. Illustrated by Aurelie Neyret. Clarion, 2012.
- Nolen, Jerdine. *Big Jabe*. Illustrated by Kadir Nelson. Amistad, 2003. (pap.)
- Nolen, Jerdine. *Harvey Potter's Balloon Farm*. HarperCollins, 1994; HarperCollins, 1998. (pap.)
- O'Malley, Kevin. *Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude*. Illustrated by Kevin O'Malley, Carol Heyer, & Scott Goto. Walker, 2005.
- O'Malley, Kevin. *Straight to the Pole*. Walker, 2006. (pap.)
- Palatini, Margie. *Piggie Pie*. Illustrated by Howard Fine. Clarion, 1995; Sandpiper, 1997. (pap.)
- Pilkey, Dav. *Dog Breath: The Horrible Trouble with Hally Tosis*. Blue Sky, 1994; Scholastic, 2004. (pap.)
- Pinkwater, Daniel. *Bad Bears in the Big City: An Irving and Muktuk Story*. Illustrated by Jill Pinkwater. Sandpiper, 2006. (pap.)

Polacco, Patricia. *Chicken Sunday*. Philomel, 1992; Puffin, 1998. (pap.)

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Priceman, Marjorie. *How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World*. Dragonfly, 1996. (pap.)

Ramos, Mario. *I Am So Handsome*. Gecko, 2012.

Rash, Andy. *Are You a Horse?* Levine, 2009.

Rathmann, Peggy. *Officer Buckle and Gloria*. Putnam, 1995.

Reid, Barbara. *Perfect Snow*. Whitman, 2011.

Reynolds, Aaron. *Creepy Carrots*. Illustrated by Peter Brown. S & S, 2012.

Ringgold, Faith. *Tar Beach*. Crown, 1991; Dragonfly, 1996. (pap.)

Rocco, John. *Blackout*. Hyperion, 2011.

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Schertle, Alice. *Down the Road*. Illustrated by E.B. Lewis. Harcourt, 1995; Sandpiper, 2000. (pap.)

Scieszka, Jon. *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!* Illustrated by Lane Smith. Viking, 1989; Puffin, 1996. (pap.)

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