

Book List



Recommended Books for Preschool Children

Bee-bim Bop! by Linda Sue Park (Clarion Books). A little girl is anxious to help her mom cook her favorite meal—Korean bee-bim bop. Readers will be able to make it themselves with the recipe provided! (*fiction*)

Hooray for Today! by Brian Won (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt). Owl wakes up and is ready to play with her friends—except it is nighttime! After asking her friends to play, she is disappointed to find out they are all ready for bed. (*fiction*)

We Found a Hat by Jon Klassen (Candlewick Press). Two turtles are out together and they fall in love with the same hat. Since there is only one hat, the turtles decide not to get it ... but that doesn't stop each of them from dreaming about it! (*fiction*)

Dooby Dooby Moo by Doreen Cronin (Atheneum Books for Young Readers). Duck gathers the animals on the farm to compete in a talent show. Without Farmer Brown knowing what is happening, the animals secretly prepare for their time to shine on stage. (*fiction*)

The Octopuppy by Martin McKenna (Scholastic Press). Instead of the dog that he desperately wants, Edgar has Jarvis, an octopus, for a pet. Jarvis doesn't act like a dog, especially not during the big dog show. Finally, Edgar decides that enough is enough with Jarvis—until he realizes the benefits that Jarvis brings to his life. (*fiction*)

The Seals on the Bus by Lenny Hort (Henry Holt and Company). In this take on the classic “Wheels on the Bus” song, animals take over the bus! Sing along about the different creatures that are along for the ride. (*fiction*)

I Will Chomp You! by Jory John (Random House). A dinosaur warns readers of this book not to keep turning the pages—or else! After a few attempts to chomp on the reader, the dinosaur reveals the real reason he's so protective of the book. (*fiction*)



Olive and the Big Secret by Tor Freeman (Templar Books). When Molly tells Olive a secret, all Olive can do to keep it to herself. She ends up telling just one person, who in turn tells one more person (*fiction*)

I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomato by Lauren Child (Candlewick Press). Lola is a very picky eater who doesn't like very many foods—especially tomatoes. So her big brother Charlie devises a plan to get her to eat the foods she deems the yuckiest. (*fiction*)

One Bear Lost by Karen Hayles (Parragon Books). Ten bears are up for fun in this counting book, but one by one they disappear. Will they ever be reunited? (*fiction*)

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Grandma Lena's Big Ol' Turnip by Denia Lewis Hester (Albert Whitman & Company). Grandma Lena sets out to grow big purple turnips. Everyone in the family watches as she tends to the plants—especially the one giant turnip! It will take more than Grandma Lena to pull that enormous purple prize out of the ground! (*folktale*)

Fanny & Annabelle by Holly Hobbie (Little, Brown and Company Books for Young Readers). On a rainy afternoon, Fanny decides to write a story about her favorite doll, Annabelle. In the story, Annabelle has an exciting adventure that includes making a very hard decision. (*fiction*)

Grandma in Blue with Red Hat by Scott Menchin (Abrams Books for Young Readers). A young boy learns about what makes art unique and realizes his grandma meets all of the requirements: she is beautiful, different, tells a story and makes him feel good. When he learns that his grandma can't be in an art exhibit at the museum, he decides to create his own exhibition. (*fiction*)

A Was Once an Apple Pie by Edward Lear (Orchard Books). Suse MacDonald's cutout illustrations accompany Edward Lear's alphabet poem. The book is full of tongue twisters, rhymes and colorful pictures that will delight young readers. (*poetry*)

Mavis and her Marvelous Mooncakes by Dar Hosta (Brown Dog Books). The moon isn't made of cheese; rather, it's made of delicious cake! All of Mavis' friends ask her what her favorite baked treat is—and it's her special mooncake. Slice by slice, Mavis adds to her mooncakes as the reader is introduced to the phases of the moon. (*fiction*)

Shoe Baby by Joyce Dunbar (Candlewick Press). When a shoe is your vehicle, there are countless adventures to be had. One baby uses his shoe to go to the ocean, the castle and the zoo, greeting everyone with a "How do you do?" (*fiction*)

Have I Got a Book for You! by Mélanie Watt (Kids Can Press). Mr. Al Foxword is trying to sell a really great book ... and to do so, he pulls out all the stops! Can he ultimately make the sale? (*fiction*)

Nanette's Baguette by Mo Willems (Hyperion Books for Children).

Nanette's mother gives her a very important job—getting the bread for her family. Nanette is sure she is up to the task ... until she sets out to get the baguette from the bakery. (*fiction*)

A Squiggly Story by Andrew Larsen (Kids Can Press). A little boy looks up to his sister who loves to read and write all kinds of words. He decides to write his own story, using a combination of symbols, drawings and letters. As the boy continues to write, his sister reminds him that he's in charge of where his story goes! (*fiction*)

Baby Bear Sees Blue by Ashley Wolff (Beach Lane Books). When Baby Bear wakes up in his den, his Mama teaches him about things in the world around him, like the yellow sun and green leaves. (*fiction*)

Chick-o-Saurus Rex by Lenore Jennewein (Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers). The other animals at the farm tell Little Chick that he isn't fierce enough to be their friend. But when Little Chick learns about his ancestors, he realizes that he is fierce enough ... and just in time to save the others. (*fiction*)

