STELLALUNA
by Janell Cannon (E CANNON)
After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother. *Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.*

THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR
by Eric Carle (E CARLE)
A colorful, clever book about the caterpillar who eats his way through a series of delectable dishes. On the way, the book demonstrates counting to five, the days of the week, and how a caterpillar becomes a butterfly. *Audience: Preschool – Gr. 1*

I LOVE YOU, BLUE KANGAROO!
by Emma Chichester Clark (E CLARK)
When Lily's relatives give her lots of new stuffed animals, Blue Kangaroo fears that he will be replaced in her affections.
Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.

DOUBLE TROUBLE IN WALLA WALLA
by Andrew Clements (E CLEMENTS)
It's an ordinary morning in Walla Walla until Lulu, her teacher, the school nurse, and the principal are all infected by a word warp which makes them reduplicate everything they say.
Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.

CLEVER CROW
by Cynthia De Felice (E DE FELI)
Angry at Crow for flying off with her mother's keys, Emma tries to trick the wily bird. *Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.*

STREGA NONA
by Tomie De Paola (E DE PAOL)
When Strega Nona leaves him alone with her magic pasta pot, Big Anthony is determined to show the townspeople how it works.
Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.

BARK, GEORGE
by Jules Feiffer (E FEIFFER)
George's mother is distressed when George won't bark like other dogs, so she takes him to the vet, where they are all in for a big surprise!
Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.

MILLIONS OF CATS
by Wanda Gag (E GAG)
An old man sets off to find a pet, but he brings home hundreds of cats, thousands of cats, millions and billions and trillions of cats, because he can't decide. *Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.*

BEDTIME FOR FRANCES
by Russell Hoban (E HOBAN)
One of a gentle, funny series that also includes *A Bargain for Frances* and *A Baby Sister for Frances.* In this episode, Frances tries to avoid bedtime in the ways that all children use.
Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.

COSMO ZOOMS
by Arthur Howard (E HOWARD)
Cosmo the dog discovers a special talent when he accidentally takes a nap on a skateboard.
Audience: *Preschool – 2nd grade*

ROUND TRIP
by Ann Jonas (E JONAS)
Black and white illustrations and text record the sights on a day trip to the city and back home again to the country. The trip to the city is read from front to back and the return trip from back to front, upside down.
Audience: Kindergarten – 4rd gr.

THE MYSTERIOUS TADPOLE
by Steven Kellogg (E KELLOGG)
Louis' uncle in Scotland sends Louis a tadpole he finds in Loch Ness. (It does not become a frog.)
Audience: Preschool – 4th gr.

ANANSI AND THE MOSS-COVERED ROCK
by Eric Kimmel (E KIMMEL)
Anansi the Spider uses a strange moss-covered rock in the forest to trick all the other animals, until Little Bush Deer decides he needs to learn a lesson. *Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.*

FREDERICK
by Leo Lionni (E LIONNI)
Frederick, a tiny gray field mouse, gathers the colors, stories and dreams that are as necessary as food to sustain his family in the dreary winter months. *Audience: Preschool and up.*

FROG AND TOAD ARE FRIENDS
by Arnold Lobel (E LOBEL)
Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends, Frog and Toad. *Audience: Pre-school – K*
See also: *Ming Lo Moves the Mountain*

BROWN BEAR, BROWN BEAR, WHAT DO YOU SEE?
by Bill Martin, Jr. (E MARTIN)
"I see a red bird looking at me," children soon learn to answer. And so it goes with delightful interactive text illustrated by Eric Carle's boldly colored animals. *Audience: Toddler – 1st gr.*

WIDGET
by Lyn Rossiter McFarland (E MCFARLA)
A small stray dog is accepted into a household full of cats by learning to "fit in", but when his mistress is hurt, he demonstrates that being a dog is not all bad. *Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.*

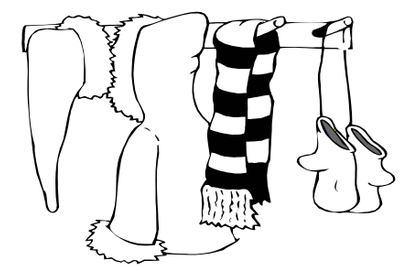
TOO MUCH NOISE
by Ann McGovern (E MCGOVER)
Peter complains his house is too noisy so the wise man advises him to obtain some rather unusual house guests.
Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.

BLUEBERRIES FOR SAL
by Robert McCloskey (E MCCLOSK)
Little Sal and her mother go blueberry picking. On the other side of the mountain, so do Little Bear and his mother. That leads to a very entertaining mix-up of children and mothers.
Audience: Toddler – K

MARTHA SPEAKS
by Susan Meddaugh (E MEDDAUG)
Problems arise when Martha, the family dog, learns to speak after eating alphabet soup.
Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.

RAINBABIES
by Laura K. Melmed (E MELMED)
When the moon gives twelve tiny babies to a childless couple, the new parents take great care of their charges and eventually receive an unexpected reward. *Audience: 2nd – 4th gr.*

LITTLE BEAR
by Else Holmelund Minarik (E MINARIK)
Illustrated by Maurice Sendak, this is one of a series which treats the elements of childhood (clothes, birthdays, playing) with a cozy warmth, and is easy to read as well.
Audience: Preschool – 1st gr.



THOMAS' SNOWSUIT
by Robert Munsch (E MUNSCH)
His mother, teacher, and principal have a hard time trying to convince Thomas to wear his snowsuit. *Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.*

READING TOGETHER

Picture Books to Share

IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE
by Laura Numeroff (E NUMEROF)

Relating the cycle of requests a mouse is likely to make after you give him a cookie takes the reader through a young child's day.
Audience: Preschool – 1st gr.

DOGZILLA
by Dav Pilkey (E PILKEY)

A monstrous mutt terrorizes the residents of Mousopolis. *Audience: Preschool – 5th gr.*

THE BIG ORANGE SPLOT
by Daniel PInkwater (E PINKWAT)

"My house is me and I am it. My house is where I like to be, and it looks like all my dreams," Mr. Plumbean tells his complaining neighbors, who soon change their look-alike houses to fit their dreams. Childlike drawings display this remarkable neighborhood.
Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.

PIGGY IN THE PUDDLE
by Charlotte Pomerantz (E POMERAN)

"See the piggy. See the puddle. See the muddy little puddle. See the piggy in the middle of the muddy little puddle." A happy, rollicking rhyme.
Audience: Presschool – 3rd gr.

WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE
by Maurice Sendak (E SENDAK)

A naughty little boy, sent to bed without his supper, sails to the land of the wild things where he becomes their king.
Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.

HURRAY FOR DIFFENDOOFER DAY!
by Dr. Seuss (E SUESS)

The students of Diffendoofer School celebrate their unusual teachers and curriculum, including Miss Fribble who teaches laughing, Miss Bonkers who teaches frogs to dance, and Mr. Katz who builds robotic rats. *Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.*

IMOGENE'S ANTLER'S
by David Small (E SMALL)

One Thursday Imogene wakes up with a pair of antlers growing out of her head and causes a sensation wherever she goes.
Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.

SYLVESTER AND THE MAGIC PEBBLE
by William Steig (E STEIG)

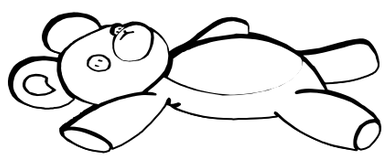
Sylvester finds a magic pebble that transforms him into a stone. His grieving parents search and mourn through the winter, at last giving him up for lost. But spring brings a joyous – and funny – reunion in this most satisfying story of family love. A Caldecott Award winner.
Audience: Preschool – 4th gr.

JUMANJI
by Chris Van Allsburg (E VAN ALL)

Left on their own for an afternoon, two bored and restless children find more excitement than they bargained for in a mysterious and mystical jungle adventure board game.
Audience: K – 3rd gr.

ALEXANDER AND THE TERRIBLE, HORRIBLE, NO GOOD, VERY BAD DAY
by Judith Viorst (E VIORST)

On a day when everything goes wrong for him, Alexander is consoled by the thought that other people have bad days too.
Audience: Preschool – 1st gr.



IRA SLEEPS OVER
by Bernard Waber (E WABER)

Ira struggles with whether to bring his teddy bear to sleep over at a friends house – his first, ever, night away from home.
Audience: Preschool – 4th gr.

OWL BABIES
by Martin Waddell (E WADDELL)

Three owl babies whose mother has gone out in the night try to stay calm while she is gone.
Audience: Preschool – 1st gr.

A CHAIR FOR MY MOTHER
by Vera B. Williams (E WILLIAM)

Rosa and her mother and grandmother determinedly and lovingly save their loose change in a glass jar to buy an easy chair for the mother to collapse in after waitressing each day.
Audience: K – 3rd gr.

WOLF WATCH
by Kay Winters (E WINTERS)

After spending their first few weeks being cared for in the safety of their den, four wolf pups emerge to face a world full of wonder and danger. *Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.*

KING BIDGOOD'S IN THE BATHTUB
by Audrey Wood (E WOOD)

Despite pleas from his court, a fun-loving king refuses to get out of his bathtub to rule his kingdom. *Audience: Preschool – 3rd gr.*

CROW BOY
by Taro Yashima (E YASHIMA)

A shy little boy is taunted and ignored by his classmates until a special teacher recognizes his unique gifts. *Audience: K – 4th gr.*

HOW DO DINOSAURS SAY GOODNIGHT?
by Jane Yolen (E YOLEN)

Mother and child ponder the different ways a dinosaur can say goodnight, from slamming his tail and pouting to giving a big hug and kiss.
Audience: Preschool – 1st gr.

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MISS NELSON IS MISSING
by Harry Allard (E ALLARD)

Miss Nelson is a kind, beautiful teacher who cannot control her classroom. Then, one day she is missing, replaced by the horrible Miss Swamp.
Audience: Preschool – 2nd gr.

MUCKY MOOSE
by Jonathan Allen (E ALLEN)

Mucky, the smelliest moose in the forest proves that smelling bad has its advantages when trying to outwit a fierce wolf. *Audience: K – 3rd gr.*

GOODNIGHT MOON
by Margaret Wise Brown (E BROWN)

Goodnight to each of the objects in the great green room: goodnight chairs, goodnight comb, goodnight air. *Audience: Toddler - Preschool*