

## BOOKLIST FOR PRESCHOOL

### PICTURE BOOKS

**Asch, Frank.** *Baby Bird's First Nest.* (Pic Bk A)

When Baby Bird takes a tumble from her sleeping Mama's nest in the middle of the night, she finds a friend in Little Frog.

**Asch, Frank.** *Happy Birthday, Moon.* (Pic Bk A)

When a bear discovers that the Moon shares his birthday, he buys the Moon a beautiful hat as a present.

**Baker, Keith.** *Big Fat Hen.* (Pic Bk B)

Big Fat Hen counts to ten with her friends and all their chicks.

**Bang, Molly.** *Ten, Nine, Eight.* (Pic Bk B)

Numbers from ten to one are part of this lullaby which observes the room of a little girl going to bed.

**Bang, Molly.** *One Fall Day.* (Pic Bk B)

At bedtime, a sleepy child listens as her mother describes the events of the day.

**Barbot, Daniel.** *A Bicycle for Rosaura.* (Pic Bk B)

A woman has difficulty finding a bicycle for her pet hen Rosaura.

**Barton, Byron.** *The Three Bears.* (Pic Bk B)

While three bears are away from home, Goldilocks ventures inside their house, tastes their porridge, tries their chairs, and finally falls asleep in Baby Bear's bed.

**Barton, Byron.** *Trucks.* (Pic Bk B)

Brief text and illustrations present a variety of trucks and what they do.

**Bornstein, Ruth.** *Little Gorilla.* (Pic Bk B)

Little Gorilla's family and friends try to help him overcome his special growing pains.

**Brown, Marc Tolon.** *Arthur's Eyes.* (Pic Bk B)

Arthur is teased by his friends when he gets glasses, but he soon learns to wear them with pride.

**Brown, Marc Tolon.** *Arthur Goes to Camp.* (Pic Bk B)

Arthur is not looking forward to Camp Meadowcroak. When mysterious things start happening there, he decides to run away.

**Brown, Margaret Wise.** *Goodnight Moon.* (Pic Bk B)

Before going to sleep, a little rabbit says goodnight to his bedroom.

**Brown, Margaret Wise.** *Big Red Barn.* (Pic Bk B)

Rhymed text and illustrations introduce the many different animals that live in the big red barn.

**Bunting, Eve.** *Flower Garden.* (Pic Bk B)

Helped by her father, a young girl prepares a flower garden as a birthday surprise for her mother.

**Blumenthal, Nancy.** *Count-a-saurus.* (Pic Bk B)

Groups of dinosaurs and other prehistoric creatures are involved in different activities ranging from one Stegosaurus standing in the sun to ten Hadrosaurids sporting funny hats. Additional text in the back provides more information about each species.

**Bloom, Suzanne.** *The Bus for Us.* (Pic Bk B)

Tess is excited about riding the school bus on her first day of school and wonders what the bus looks like. As each vehicle passes by the bus stop, Tess asks her friend Gus if it is the bus.

**Butler, John.** *Whose Baby Am I?* (Pic Bk B)

Beautiful babies are presented in a guessing game format. Guess who each baby belongs to.

**Carle, Eric.** *The Very Hungry Caterpillar.* (Pic Bk C)

Follows the progress of a hungry little caterpillar as he eats his way through a varied and very large quantity of food until, full at last, he forms a cocoon around himself and goes to sleep.

**Carle, Eric.** *Little Cloud.* (Pic Bk C)

A little cloud becomes all sorts of things, for example a sheep, an airplane, trees, and a hat. Then the little cloud joins other clouds and form one big cloud that rains.

**Carle, Eric.** *The Very Busy Spider.* (Pic Bk C)

The farm animals try to divert a busy little spider from spinning her web, but she persists and produces a thing of both beauty and usefulness.

**Carlstrom, Nancy White.** [\*Jesse Bear, What Will You Wear?\*](#) (Pic Bk C)

Rhymed text and illustrations describe Jesse Bear's activities from morning to bedtime.

**Crebbin, June.** [\*Cows in the Kitchen\*](#). (Pic Bk C)

While Tom Farmer is asleep under the haystack, the cows, ducks, pigs, hens, and sheep make quite a mess in the farmhouse.

**Crews, Donald.** [\*School Bus\*](#). (Pic Bk C)

Follows the progress of school buses as they take children to school and bring them home again.

**Crews, Donald.** [\*Freight Train\*](#). (Pic Bk C)

Brief text and illustrations trace the journey of a colorful train as it goes through tunnels, by cities, and over trestles.

**Christelow, Eileen.** [\*Five Little Monkeys Sitting in a Tree\*](#). (Pic Bk C)

Five little monkeys sitting in a tree discover that it is unwise to tease Mr. Alligator.

**Day, Alexandra.** [\*Good Dog, Carl\*](#). (Pic Bk D)

Lively and unusual things happen when Carl the dog is left in charge of the baby.

**Ehlert, Lois.** [\*Color Farm\*](#). (Pic Bk E)

The rooster, dog, sheep, cow, pig, and other animals on a farm are made up of colorful shapes such as square, circle, rectangle, and triangle.

**Ehlert, Lois.** [\*Color Zoo\*](#). (Pic Bk E)

A magical manipulation of shapes turns a lion into a goat, an ox into a monkey, and a tiger into a mouse.

**Ehlert, Lois.** [\*Snowballs\*](#). (Pic Bk E)

Pull on your mittens and head outside for a snowball day. Grab some snow and start rolling. With a few found objects and a little imagination, you can create a whole family out of snow.

**Falwell, Cathryn.** [\*Feast for 10\*](#). (Pic Bk F)

Numbers from one to ten are used to tell how members of a family shop and work together to prepare a meal.

**Feiffer, Jules.** [\*Bark, George\*](#). (Pic Bk F)

Each time George's mother tells him to bark, he makes a different animal sound. So she takes him to the vet to find out what this puppy is up to.

**Fleming, Denise.** [\*Barnyard Banter\*](#). (Pic Bk F)

All the farm animals are where they should be, clucking and mucking, mewing and cooing, except for the missing goose.

**Fleming, Denise.** [\*Lunch\*](#). (Pic Bk F)

A very hungry mouse eats a large lunch comprised of colorful foods.

**Galdone, Paul.** [\*Three Little Kittens\*](#). (Pic Bk G)

Three little kittens lose, find, soil, and wash their mittens.

**Hale, Sarah Josepha Buell.** [\*Mary Had a Little Lamb\*](#). (Pic Bk H)

This is a contemporary interpretation of the well-known nineteenth-century nursery rhyme about a lamb that goes to school.

**Hall, Zoe.** [\*The Surprise Garden\*](#). (Pic Bk H)

After sowing unmarked seeds, three youngsters wait expectantly for their garden to grow.

**Hoban, Tana.** [\*A Children's Zoo\*](#). (Pic Bk H)

Color photographs of animals are accompanied by several descriptive words, e.g. tall, spotted, silent giraffe.

**Hort, Lenny.** [\*The Seals on the Bus\*](#). (Pic Bk H)

Different animals including seals, tigers, geese, rabbits, monkeys, and more make their own sounds as they ride all around town on a bus.

**Inkpen, Mick.** [\*Kipper's Snowy Day\*](#). (Pic Bk J)

Kipper the dog spends the day enjoying the snow with his best friend Tiger.

**Joose, Barbara.** [\*Mama, Do You Love Me?\*](#) (Pic Bk J)

A child living in the Arctic learns that a mother's love is unconditional.

**Kasza, Keiko.** [\*A Mother for Choco\*](#). (Pic Bk K)

A lonely little bird named Choco goes in search of a mother.

**Keats, Ezra Jack.** [\*Peter's Chair\*](#). (Pic Bk K)

When Peter discovers his blue furniture is being painted pink for a new baby sister, he rescues the last unpainted item, a chair. When he sits on it, he realizes that it is now too small for him and is willing to donate it to the baby.

**Keats, Ezra Jack.** [\*The Snowy Day\*](#). (Pic Bk K)

The adventures of a little boy in the city on a very snowy day.

**Lester, Helen.** [\*Hooway for Wodney Wat\*](#). (Pic Bk L)

All his classmates make fun of Rodney because he can't pronounce the r's in his name, but it's Rodney's speech impediment that drives away the class bully.

**Lewis, Kevin.** [\*Chugga-Chugga Choo-Choo\*](#). (Pic Bk L)

A rhyming story about a toy freight train's day, from loading freight in the morning to retiring to the roundhouse after the day's work is done.

**Lionni, Leo.** [\*Swimmy\*](#). (Pic Bk L)

Swimmy, a small black fish, finds a way to protect a school of small red fish from their enemies.

**Martin, Bill.** [\*Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?\*](#) (Pic Bk M)

Children see a variety of animals, each one a different color, and a teacher looking at them.

**Martin, Bill.** [\*Chicka Chicka Boom Boom\*](#). (Pic Bk M)

An alphabet rhyme/chant that relates what happens when the whole alphabet tries to climb a coconut tree.

**Mannis, Celeste A.** [\*One Leaf Rides The Wind: Counting In A Japanese Garden\*](#). (Pic Bk M)

In this collection of haiku poems, a young girl walks through a Japanese garden and discovers many delights, from one leaf to ten stone lanterns.

**McDonnell, Flora.** [\*I Love Animals\*](#). (Pic Bk M)

A girl names all the animals she likes on her farm, from Jock the dog to the pig and her piglets.

**McDonnell, Flora.** [\*Splash!\*](#) (Pic Bk M)

When the jungle animals are hot, a baby elephant has a good solution involving the squirting and splashing of water at the water hole.

**Meeker, Clare Hodgson.** [\*Who Wakes A Rooster?\*](#) (Pic Bk M)

The animals on a farm stay asleep until the sun rouses the rooster whose crowing wakes up everyone else.

**Miller, Margaret.** [\*Whose Hat?\*](#) (Pic Bk M)

Presents color photographs of hats that represent various occupations.

**Miller, Margaret.** [\*Whose Shoe?\*](#) (Pic Bk M)

Illustrates a variety of footwear and matches each wearer with the appropriate shoe.

**Miranda, Anne.** [\*To Market, To Market\*](#). (Pic Bk)

A funny shopper makes several trips to the store while trying to control unruly animals that run amok, evades capture and prevents her from cooking lunch. Eventually, she solved the problem of cooking lunch.

**Most, Bernard.** [\*ABC T-Rex\*](#). (Pic Bk M)

A young T-Rex loves his ABCs so much that he eats them up, experiencing on each letter a word that begins with that letter.

**Most, Bernard.** [\*Cock-A-Doodle Moo!\*](#) (Pic Bk M)

When the rooster loses its voice and must ask the cow for help to wake everybody, the resulting sound provides a hearty laugh for the farmer and his animals.

**Numeroff, Laura Joffe.** [\*What Mommies Do Best/What Daddies Do Best\*](#). (Pic Bk N)

Mothers and fathers participating in everyday activities show their love for their children in very similar ways.

**Numeroff, Laura Joffe.** [\*What Grandmas Do Best/What Grandpas Do Best\*](#). (Pic Bk N)

One side of this upside-down book celebrates all the things Grandma's do for their grandchildren. Turning the book over and around produces a similar celebration of Grandpas.

**Pfister, Marcus.** *[The Rainbow Fish](#)*. (Pic Bk P)

The most beautiful fish in the entire ocean discovers the real value of personal beauty and friendship.

**Rathmann, Peggy.** *[10 Minutes till Bedtime](#)*. (Pic Bk R)

A boy's hamster leads an increasingly large group of hamsters on a tour of the boy's house, while his father counts down the minutes to bedtime.

**Shannon, David.** *[No, David!](#)* (Pic Bk S)

A young boy does a variety of naughty things for which he is repeatedly admonished, but finally he gets a hug.

**Shannon, David.** *[Duck on a Bike](#)*. (Pic Bk S)

A duck decides to ride a bike and soon influences all the other animals on the farm to ride bikes too.

**Simmons, Jane.** *[Come Along, Daisy!](#)* (Pic Bk S)

Daisy the duckling becomes so engrossed in playing with dragonflies and lily pads that she temporarily loses her mother.

**Stephoe, John.** *[Baby Says](#)*. (Pic Bk S)

A little boy figures out how to get along with his baby brother.

**Stoeke, Janet.** *[A Hat for Minerva Louise](#)*. (Pic Bk S)

Minerva Louise, a snow-loving chicken, mistakes a pair of mittens for two hats to keep warm.

**Taback, Simms.** *[Joseph Had a Little Overcoat](#)*. (Pic Bk T)

A very old overcoat is recycled numerous times into a variety of garments.

**Taback, Simms.** *[There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Fly](#)*. (Pic Bk T)

Expanding die-cut holes show exactly what is happening in the old lady's stomach as she swallows an assortment of creatures, beginning with a small fly, and ending with a fatal horse.

**Tafari, Nancy.** *[Spots, Feathers, and Curly Tails](#)*. (Pic Bk T)

Questions and answers highlight some outstanding characteristics of farm animals.

**Tafari, Nancy.** *[What the Sun Sees, What the Moon Sees](#)*. (Pic Bk T)

Shows how the world is viewed in sunlight and in moonlight.

**Waddell, Martin.** *[Farmer Duck](#)*. (Pic Bk W)

A kind and hardworking duck suffers at the hands of a lazy farmer. When he nearly collapses from over work, the rest of the animals come to his aid.

**Walsh, Ellen Stoll.** *[Mouse Count](#)*. (Pic Bk W)

Ten mice outsmart a hungry snake.

**Walsh, Ellen Stoll.** *[Mouse Paint](#)*. (Pic Bk W)

Three white mice discover jars of red, blue, and yellow paint and explore the world of color.

**Walsh, Melanie.** *[My Nose, Your Nose](#)*. (Pic Bk W)

Youngest readers join in this celebration of all our unique, funny traits, from color of skin to types of hair to shapes of noses! While everyone's unique, humans all share similarities as well.

**Walsh, Melanie.** *[My Beak, Your Beak](#)*. (Pic Bk W)

Looks at what pairs of animals have in common, despite their obvious differences, such as sharks swimming in the deep ocean and goldfish swimming in a bowl both blowing bubbles.

**Waring, Richard.** *[Hungry Hen](#)*. (Pic Bk W)

A greedy fox watches a hungry hen growing bigger every day, knowing that the longer he waits to eat her, the bigger she will be.

**Williams, Sue.** *[I Went Walking](#)*. (Pic Bk W)

During the course of a walk, a young boy identifies animals of different colors.

**Yaccarino, Dan.** *[Good Night, Mr. Night](#)*. (Pic Bk Y)

Mr. Night puts the world to bed and helps children fall asleep.

**Yolen, Jane.** *[How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night?](#)* (Pic Bk Y)

Mother and child ponder the different ways a dinosaur can say goodnight, from slamming his tale and pouting to giving a big hug and kiss.

**Yolen, Jane.** [\*How Do Dinosaurs Get Well Soon?\*](#) (Pic Bk Y)

Describes what a young dinosaur should do in order to quickly get over being sick.

**Young, Ruth.** [\*Golden Bear\*](#). (Pic Bk Y)

Golden Bear and his human companion learn to play the violin, talk to a ladybug, make mudpies, wish on stars, and dream together.

**Ziefert, Harriet.** [\*I Swapped My Dog\*](#). (Pic Bk Z)

A fickle farmer searches for the right pet, swapping himself into a series of mishaps.

## **MOTHER GOOSE**

**Edited By Iona Opie.** [\*Here Comes Mother Goose\*](#). (Pic Bk H)

Presents more than sixty traditional nursery rhymes accompanied by illustrations of various animals.

**Edited By Iona Opie.** [\*My Very First Mother Goose\*](#). (Pic Bk M)

A collection of more than sixty nursery rhymes.

## **BOARD BOOKS**

**Ahlberg, Janet.** [\*Peek-a-boo!\*](#) (Board Bk A)

Brief rhyming clues invite the reader to look through holes in pages for a baby's view of the world from breakfast to bedtime.

**Oxenbury, Helen.** [\*Pippo Gets Lost\*](#). (Board Bk O)

Tom is very worried when he searches the house and can't find Pippo.

**Oxenbury, Helen.** [\*Tom and Pippo Read a Story\*](#). (Board Bk O)

Tom likes his father to read to him and his toy monkey, Pippo, but when his father gets tired Tom "reads" to Pippo himself.

**Wells, Rosemary.** [\*Goodnight Max\*](#). (Board Bk W)

It's time for bed, but Max can't fall asleep.

**Wells, Rosemary.** [\*Max's New Suit\*](#). (Board Bk W)

Despite Ruby's careful instructions, Max has his own ideas about how to wear his hated new suit.

**Wells, Rosemary.** [\*Max's First Word\*](#). (Board Bk W)

Max learns a more sophisticated word than the ones his sister tries to teach him.