

- Rosenthal, A. *Little Pea*
- Rylant, Cynthia. *The Relatives Came*
- Seeger, L. *First the Egg*
- Seuss, Dr. *Green Eggs and Ham*
- Sendak, M. *Where the Wild Things Are*
- Shannon, D. *Duck on a Bike*
- Shaw, Charles. *It Looked Like Spilt Milk*
- Silverstein, S. *The Giving Tree*
- Slobodkina, E. *Caps for Sale*
- Waddell, M. *Owl Babies*
- Walsh, Ellen. *Mouse Paint*
- Willems, Mo. *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus*
- Wilson, Karma. *Bear Snores On*
- Wood, Audrey. *The Napping House*
- Yolen, Jane. *How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight?*
- Yolen, Jane. *Owl Moon*
- Zimmerman, A. *Trashy Town*
- Zion, Gene. *Harry the Dirty Dog*

Early literacy is the foundation upon which a reader is built!

You are your child's first and best teacher. You know more about your child than anyone else does. Learning to read starts before children go to school. If you *talk, sing, read, write, and play* together, your child will be ready to read when she or he starts school.



Talk: *Children need to receive and create language to learn it.*

Sing: *Singing is a great way to learn about language. When we sing, the sounds that make up words become more evident.*

Read: *Share books together!*

Write: *Scribble, draw and make tactile art.*

Play: *Children experience the world through play while developing fine and gross motor skills, cognitive concepts, language, and social skills.*



Books to Hear Before Kindergarten

Recommended books for children ages 0-5.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ahlberg, Janet. <i>Each Peach
Pear Plum</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Cronin, Doreen. <i>Click, Clack, Moo:
Cows that Type</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Keats, Ezra J. <i>The Snowy Day</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alborough, Jez: <i>Where's My Teddy?</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Degan, Bruce. <i>Jamberry</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Krauss, Ruth. <i>The Carrot Seed</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aardema, Verna. <i>Why Mosquitoes
Buzz in People's Ears</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> DePaola, T. <i>Strega Nona</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Litwin, Eric. <i>Pete the Cat and His
Four Groovy Buttons</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asch, Frank. <i>Happy Birthday,
Moon</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Dewdney, A. <i>Llama, Llama, Red
Pajama</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> London, J. <i>Froggy Gets
Dressed</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baker, Keith. <i>Big Fat Hen</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Dorros, Arthur. <i>Abuela</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Martin, Bill. <i>Brown Bear, Brown
Bear, What Do You See?</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bang, Molly. <i>Ten, Nine, Eight</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Eastman, P.D. <i>Are You My Mother?</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Martin, Bill. <i>Chicka Chicka
Boom Boom</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barrett, Judi. <i>Animals Should
Definitely Not Wear Clothing</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Ehler, Lois. <i>Feathers for Lunch</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Matheson, C. <i>Tap the Magic Tree</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barton, Byron. <i>Little Red Hen</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Falconer, Ian. <i>Olivia</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> McCloskey, R. <i>Blueberries for Sal</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barton, Byron. <i>The Three Bears</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Feiffer, Jules. <i>Bark George</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Meddaugh, S. <i>Martha Speaks</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bemelmans, L. <i>Madeline</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Fleming, D. <i>Barnyard Banter</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Numeroff, L. <i>If You Give a Mouse
a Cookie</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brett, Jan. <i>The Mitten</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Fox, Mem. <i>Where is the Green
Sheep?</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> O'Connor, Jane. <i>Fancy Nancy</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brown, Marcia. <i>Stone Soup</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Freeman, Don. <i>Corduroy</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Parr, Todd. <i>It's Okay to be
Different</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brown, M. <i>Goodnight Moon</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Gravett, E. <i>Monkey and Me</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Pfister, M. <i>The Rainbow Fish</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bruel, Nick. <i>Bad Kitty</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Henkes, Kevin. <i>Kitten's First Full
Moon</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Piper, W. <i>The Little Engine
That Could</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cabrera, Jane. <i>Row, Row, Row Your
Boat</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Henkes, Kevin. <i>Lilly's Purple Plastic
Purse</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Rathmann, P. <i>Good Night, Gorilla</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carle, Eric. <i>The Very Hungry
Caterpillar</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Hoban, Russell. <i>Bread and Jam for
Frances</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Rey, H.A. <i>Curious George</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christelow, Eileen: <i>Five Little Monkeys
Jumping on the Bed</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Hutchins, Pat. <i>The Doorbell Rang</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Rohmann, Eric. <i>My Friend Rabbit</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crews, Donald. <i>Freight Train</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Johnson, C. <i>Harold and the
Purple Crayon</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Rosen, Michael. <i>We're Going on a
Bear Hunt</i> |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Kasza, Keiko. <i>Wolf's Chicken Stew</i> | |