

Bedford Free Library
Children's Room

Books for Beginning Readers



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Picture Books for Beginning Readers

Language Patterns: Repetitive Words, Phrases, Questions

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Dark Dark Tale	Brown
Dear Zoo	Campbell
Do You Want to Be My Friend?	Carle
Have You Seen My Cat?	Carle
The Very Busy Spider	Carle
The Very Quiet Cricket	Carle
The Very Lonely Firefly	Carle
Mama Cat Has Three Kittens	Fleming
In the Tall Tall Grass	Fleming
In the Small Small Pond	Fleming
Barnyard Banter	Fleming
Greetings Sun	Gershator
The Chick and the Duckling	Ginsburg
Good Morning, Chick	Ginsburg
Little White Dog	Godwin
Where's Spot?	Hill
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?	Martin
Z-Z-Zoink!	Most
Sheep in a Jeep	Shaw
Have You Seen My Duckling?	Tafari
Farmer Duck	Waddell
I Went Walking	Williams
Let's Go Visiting	Williams

Familiar Sequences: Numbers, Days of the Week, Months, Hierarchies

TITLE	AUTHOR
The Three Billy Goats Gruff	Asbjornsen
The Very Hungry Caterpillar	Carle
Today Is Monday	Carle
Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed	Christelow
Ten Rosy Roses	Merriam
One Duck Stuck	Root
More Than One	Schlein
Chicken Soup with Rice	Sendak (JE)
Day by Day a Week Goes Round	Shields
One Monday Morning	Shulevitz

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Repetitive Story Patterns

TITLE	AUTHOR
The Teeny Tiny Teacher: A Teeny Tiny Ghost Story, Adapted a Teeny Tiny Bit	Calmenson
The Little Red Hen	Galdone
Is Your Mama a Llama?	Guarino
The Carrot Seed	Krauss
Splash Splash	Sheppard

Predictable Plots

TITLE	AUTHOR
Goodnight Moon	Brown
Mr. Gumpy's Outing	Burningham
Good-Night, Owl!	Hutchins
Happy Birthday, Sam	Hutchins
You'll Soon Grow Into Them, Titch	Hutchins
Benny Bakes a Cake	Rice
Sam Who Never Forgets	Rice

Cumulative Tales

TITLE	AUTHOR
Jack's Garden	Cole
Drummer Hoff	Emberley (Caldecott 1968)
The Gingerbread Boy	Galdone
There Was a Bold Lady Who Wanted a Star	Harper
This Is the Bear	Hayes
There Was a Tree	Isadora
The Lot at the End of My Block	Lewis
The Bag I'm Taking to Grandma's	Neitzel
House that Jack Built	Peppe
Twelve Days of Kindergarten	Rose
Great Gracie Chase: Stop That Dog	Rylant
The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything	Williams
The Napping House	Wood

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Familiar Songs and Rhymes

TITLE	AUTHOR
I Ain't Gonna Paint No More	Beaumont
Do Your Ears Hang Low	Church
She'll Be Coming Round the Mountain	Emmett
Hush Little Baby	Frazee
Down by the Station	Hillenbrand
Miss Mary Mack	Hoberman
This Old Man	Jones
Farmer in the Dell	JP FAR
Hush Little Baby	JP HUS
This Old Man	JP THI
A-Hunting We Will Go	Kellogg
In a Cabin in the Wood	McNally
Balancing Act	Peek
Roll Over! A Counting Song	Peek
Down By the Bay: Songs to Read	Raffi
Spider on the Floor	Raffi
If You're Happy	Sayre
Joseph Had a Little Overcoat	Talback
Peanut Butter and Jelly: A Play Rhyme	Westcott
Skip to My Lou	Westcott (Board)

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Books That Call Attention to Sounds

TITLE	AUTHOR
Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears	Aardema
Old Black Fly	Aylesworth
Cock-a-Doodle-Do	Brandenberg
The Quiet Noisy Book	Brown
The Very Busy Spider	Carle
The Very Quiet Cricket	Carle
One Red Rooster	Carroll
Who Hoots?	Davis
Mice Squeak, We Speak	DePaola
Noisy Airplane Ride	Downs
Zippering, Zapping, Zooming Bats	Earle (J 399.4 EAR)
City Sounds	Emberley
Barnyard Banter	Fleming
Cow Who Clucked	Fleming
In the Small, Small Pond	Fleming
Noises at Night	Glass
I Hear a Noise	Goode
Barnyard Song	Greene
Black Crow, Black Crow	Guy
Does a Cow Say Boo?	Hindley
Seals at the Bus	Hort
Snow Sounds	Johnson
Paddle Said the Swan	Kamen
Oink Moo How Do You Do?	Maccarone
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom	Martin
Listen to the Rain	Martin
Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear?	Martin
The Happy Hippopotami	Martin
Farm Noises	Miller
The Cow That Went Oink	Most
Ms. MacDonald Had a Class	Ormerod
Yo! Yes?	Raschka
Rain Talk	Serfozo
The Listening Walk	Showers (J 534 SHO)
Old MacDonald	Souhami
Crash! Bang! Boom!	Spier
Early Morning in the Barn	Tafari
Do Monkeys Tweet?	Walsh
Noisy Nora	Wells
It Could Always Be Worse	Zemach