

# 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

## Book List Preschool

Unless otherwise noted, all books are shelved in the Picture Book section under the author's last name.

Adler, David A.

*Get a Hit, Mo!*

P ADL (BEGINNER)

Ahlberg, Jessica

*Fairy Tales for Mr. Barker:  
A Peek-Through Story*

Alexie, Sherman

*Thunder Boy Jr.*

Allen, Elanna

*Poor Little Guy*

Anstee, Ashlyn

*No, No, Gnome!*

Arena, Jen

*Marta! Big & Small*

Atkinson, Cale

*Explorers of the Wild*

Aziz, Susannah

*Halal Hot Dogs*

Bahk, Jane

*Juna's Jar*

Baines, Rebecca

*Planets*

J 523.2 BAI

Banks, Kate

*Max's Math*

Barner, Bob

*Ants Rule: The Long and  
Short of It*

J 530.8 BAR

Barrow, David

*Have You Seen Elephant?*

Beaty, Andrea

*Aaron Slater, Illustrator*

Beaumont, Karen

*Shoe-La-La!*

P BEA (BEGINNER)

Becker, Bonny

*A Visitor for Bear*

Biggs, Brian

*Tinyville Town Gets  
to Work!*

BooydeGraaff, Wendy

*Salad Pie*

Bowles, David

*My Two Border Towns*

Breen, Steve

*Woodpecker Wants  
a Waffle*

Brett, Jan

*The Mitten: A Ukrainian  
Folktale*

Bright, Rachel

*The Lion Inside*

Brocket, Jane

*Stickiest, Fluffiest,  
Crunchiest: Super  
Superlatives*

J 415.5 BRO

Brown, Lisa

*The Airport Book*

Brown, Monica

*Marisol McDonald  
Doesn't Match*

Burton, Virginia Lee

*Mike Mulligan and His  
Steam Shovel*

Camper, Cathy

*Ten Ways to Hear Snow*

Cannon, Janell

*Stellaluna*

JF CAN (EASY-J)

Capucilli, Alyssa Satin

*Biscuit Loves the Library*

P CAP (BEGINNER)

Caswell, Deanna

*Guess Who, Haiku*

Child, Lauren

*Absolutely One Thing:  
Featuring Charlie and Lola*

Chin, Jason

*Your Place in the Universe*

J 520 CHI

Chitra, Soundar

*Farmer Falgu Goes on  
a Trip*

Christie, R. Gregory

*Mousetropolis*

Chung, Arree

*Ninja!*

Clarke, Maxine Beneba

*When We Say Black Lives  
Matter*

Coffelt, Nancy

*Fred Stays with Me*

Coh, Smiljana

*The Seven Princesses*



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Cornwall, Gaia  
*Jabari Jumps*

Cronin, Doreen  
*Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type*

Crow, Kristyn  
*Hello, Hippo!*  
*Goodbye, Bird!*

Cyrus, Kurt  
*Billions of Bricks: A Counting Book About Building*

Dahl, Michael  
*Good Morning, Superman!*

Dalton, Angela  
*Ruby's Reunion Day Dinner*

Davies, Stephen  
*All Aboard for the Bobo Road*

Dean, James  
*Pete the Cat's Got Class*

dePaola, Tomie  
*When Andy Met Sandy*  
P DEP (BEGINNER)

De Seve, Randall  
*A Fire Truck Named Red*

Doi, Kaya  
*Chirri & Chirra, The Rainy Day*

Dopirak, Kate  
*Snuggle Bunny*  
P DOP (BEGINNER)

Dorros, Arthur  
*Abuela*

Eastman, P. D.  
*Are You My Mother?*

P EAS (BEGINNER)  
Edwards, Michelle  
*A Hat for Mrs. Goldman: A Story About Knitting and Love*

Elliott, David  
*The Two Tims*

Erskine, Kathryn  
*All of Us*

Escoffier, Michael  
*Have You Seen My Trumpet?*

Falconer, Ian  
*Olivia*

Farmer, Bonnie  
*Oscar Lives Next Door: A Story Inspired by Oscar Peterson's Childhood*

Ferry, Beth  
*Pirate's Perfect Pet*

Fischer, Scott M.  
*Jump!*

Freeman, Don  
*Corduroy*

Frith, Nicholas John  
*Hector and Hummingbird*

Funk, Josh  
*Dear Dragon*

Galdone, Paul  
*Three Little Pigs*  
P THR

Galindo, Renata  
*My New Mom and Me*

Gall, Chris  
*NanoBots*

Garoché, Camille  
*The Snow Rabbit*

Gerstein, Mordicai  
*Dear Hot Dog: Poems About Everyday Stuff*  
J 811 GER

Gibbons, Gail  
*Frogs*  
J 597.8 GIB

Gillingham, Sara  
*How To Grow a Friend*

Goble, Paul  
*The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses*

Gomez, Blanca  
*Bird House*

Gorbachev, Valeri  
*Pizza-Pie Snowman*

Gorman, Amanda  
*Change Sings: A Children's Anthem*

Grant, Jacob  
*Cat Knit*

Hall, Michael  
*Wonderfall*

Haughton, Chris  
*Oh No, George!*

Henkes, Kevin  
*Kitten's First Full Moon*

Higgins, Ryan T.  
*Be Quiet!*

Higgins, Ryan T.  
*Mother Bruce*

Higuera, Donna Barba  
*El Cucuy Is Scared, Too!*

Hoffman, Mary  
*Amazing Grace*

Hohn, Nadia L.  
*Malaika's Costume*

Holabird, Katharine  
*Angelina Ballerina*

Hooks, Gwendolyn  
*Music Time*  
P HOO (BEGINNER)

Hughes, Emily  
*The Little Gardener*

Hunter, Anne  
*Cricket Song*

Hutchins, Pat  
*Rosie's Walk*

Ikegami, Aiko  
*Friends*

Isadora, Rachel  
*I Hear a Pickle (And Smell, See, Touch, and Taste It, Too!)*

Jackson, Richard  
*In Plain Sight: A Game*

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Jackson, Tom  
*The Magic School Bus  
Presents Volcanoes and  
Earthquakes*  
J 551.21 JAC

Jenkins, Steve  
*What Do You Do If You  
Work at the Zoo?*  
J 590.73 JEN

John, Jory  
*Penguin Problems*

John, Jory  
*Quit Calling Me a  
Monster!*

Juster, Norton  
*The Hello,  
Goodbye Window*

Kang, A. N.  
*The Very Fluffy Kitty,  
Papillon*

Kasza, Keiko  
*The Wolf's Chicken Stew*

Keane, David  
*Who Wants a Tortoise?*

Keller, Joy  
*Frankenslime*

Kim, Aram  
*Cat on the Bus*

Kimmel, Eric A.  
*Anansi and the Moss-  
Covered Rock*

Kitamura, Satoshi  
*The Smile Shop*

Kleber, Dori  
*More-igami*

Kuhlmann, Torben  
*Moletown*

LaMarche, Jim  
*Pond*

Lambert, Megan Dowd  
*Real Sisters Pretend*

Leroy, Jean  
*Stripes the Tiger*

Lewin, Ted  
*Can You See Me?*  
J 591.734 LEW

Light, Steve  
*Have You Seen  
My Monster?*

Litten, Kristyna  
*Blue & Bertie*

Llanos, Mariana  
*Run, Little Chaski! An Inka  
Trail Adventure*

Lobel, Arnold  
*On Market Street*

Lobel, Arnold  
*Frog and Toad Are Friends*  
P LOB (BEGINNER)

Magee, Ann  
*Branches of Hope: The  
9/11 Survivor Tree*

Maillard, Kevin Noble  
*Fry Bread: A Native  
American Family Story*

Manley, Curtis  
*The Summer Nick Taught  
His Cats to Read*

Mann, Jennifer K.  
*Sam and Jump*

Mantchev, Lisa  
*Strictly No Elephants*

Marsalis, Wynton  
*Squeak! Rumble! Whomp!  
Whomp! Whomp!  
A Sonic Adventure*

Martin, David  
*Shh! Bears Sleeping*

Martin, Emily Winfield  
*The Littlest Family's  
Big Day*

Martin, Jacqueline Briggs  
*Creeksfinding: A True Story*  
J 577 MAR

Matthies, Janna  
*Two Is Enough*

Maturana, Andrea  
*Life Without Nico*

McAnulty, Stacy  
*Beautiful*

McAnulty, Stacy  
*Excellent Ed*

McClintock, Barbara  
*Emma and Julia Love  
Ballet*

McClure, Nikki  
*Waiting for High Tide*

McMullan, Kate  
*I Stink!*

Meddaugh, Susan  
*Martha Speaks*

Miller, Pat Zietlow  
*The Quickest Kid in  
Clarksville*

Miyakoshi, Akiko  
*The Storm*

Miyares, Daniel  
*Float*

Morales, Yuyi  
*Bright Star*

Newman, Leslea  
*Ketzel, the Cat Who  
Composed*

Noble, Trinka Hakes  
*The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate  
the Wash*

Numeroff, Laura Joffe  
*If You Give a Mouse  
a Cookie*

O'Connor, Jane  
*Fancy Nancy*

Pak, Kenard  
*Goodbye Summer,  
Hello Autumn*

Parr, Todd  
*Teachers Rock!*

Parsley, Elise  
*If You Ever Want to Bring a  
Piano to the Beach, Don't!*

Paul, Miranda  
*Little Libraries, Big Heroes*  
J 027 PAU

Perkins, Lynne Rae  
*Frank and Lucky  
Get Schooled*

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Pierce, Terry  
*My Busy Green Garden*

Pinkney, Jerry  
*The Lion & the Mouse*

Piper, Watty  
*The Little Engine  
That Could*

Plourde, Lynn  
*Bella's Fall Coat*

Preston-Gannon, Frann  
*Sloth Slept On*

Rankin, Laura  
*My Turn!*

Raúl the Third  
*Training Day*  
P RAU (BEGINNER)

Rex, Adam  
*School's First Day of School*

Reynolds, Aaron  
*President Squid*

Richards, Doyin  
*What's the Difference?*

Robbins, Dean  
*Two Friends:  
Susan B. Anthony and  
Frederick Douglass*

Roeser, Matt  
*Oh No, Astro!*

Rohmann, Eric  
*My Friend Rabbit*

Rosen, Michael  
*We're Going on a  
Bear Hunt*

Rosen, Sybil  
*Carpenter's Helper*

Rosenberg, Liz  
*What James Said*

Rosenthal, Amy Krouse  
*I Wish You More*

Ryder, Joanne  
*Panda Kindergarten*  
J 599.789 RYD

Rylant, Cynthia  
*The Relatives Came*

Sandall, Ellie  
*Everybunny Dance!*

Sauer, Tammi  
*Mary Had a Little Glam*

Say, Allen  
*Grandfather's Journey*

Sayres, Brianna Caplan  
*Where Do Steam Trains  
Sleep At Night?*

Scarry, Richard  
*Richard Scarry's Cars and  
Trucks and Things That Go*

Schulz, Heidi  
*Giraffes Ruin Everything*

Schwartz, Amy  
*I Can't Wait!*

Sehgal, Kabir  
*The Wheels on the Tuk Tuk*

Shante, Angela  
*When My Cousins Come  
to Town*

Sierra, Judy  
*Make Way for Readers*

Silvestro, Annie  
*Bunny's Book Club*

Smiley, Jane  
*Twenty Yawns*

Smith, Alex T.  
*Little Red and the Very  
Hungry Lion*

Stead, Philip Christian  
*Samson in the Snow*

Stead, Philip Christian  
*A Sick Day for  
Amos McGee*

Stein, Peter  
*The Runaway No-Wheeler*

Sullivan, Deirdre  
*Ming Goes to School*

Swanson, Matthew  
*Everywhere, Wonder*

Tabor, Corey R.  
*Fox and the Jumping  
Contest*

Thomson, Bill  
*The Typewriter*

Velasquez, Eric  
*Looking for Bongo*

Verde, Susan  
*The Water Princess*

Vernick, Audrey  
*I Won a What?*

Walsh, Liam Francis  
*Fish*

Wiesner, David  
*The Three Pigs*  
P THR

Wilson, Karma  
*Big Bear, Small Mouse*

Winter, Jeanette  
*The Watcher:  
Jane Goodall's Life  
with the Chimps*  
J B GOODALL

Wood, Audrey  
*The Napping House*

Yarlett, Emma  
*Orion and the Dark*

Yolen, Jane  
*Owl Moon*

Yoo, Paula  
*Lily's New Home*  
P YOO (BEGINNER)

Yoon, Salina  
*Be a Friend*

Zion, Gene  
*Harry the Dirty Dog*

Ask a library staff  
member for more  
suggestions.