Books Your Child Should Hear Before Kindergarten

- Alborough, Jez: Where’s My Teddy?
- Aranton, John-Ruben M., Jr.: What Treat Can Ruben Eat?
- Asch, Frank: Happy Birthday, Moon
- Ballock-Dixon, Saige J.: Chilean Mines
- Bang, Molly: Ten, Nine, Eight
- Barrett, Judi: Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing
- Barton, Byron: The Three Bears
- Bauer, Marion: How Do I Love You?
- Becker, Bonny: A Visitor for Bear
- Bergen, Lara: Dora’s Sleepover
- Bemelmans, Ludwig: Madeline
- Benton, Jim: The End (Almost!)
- Blackstone, Stella: Bear’s Busy Family
- Borghese, Mark: 1000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Bornstein, Ruth: Little Gorilla
- Brett, Jan: The Mitten
- Brown, Marcia: Stone Soup
- Brown, Margaret Wise: Goodnight Moon
- Brunhoff, Jean de: The Story of Babar, the Little Elephant
- Burningham, John: Mr. Gumpy’s Outing
- Burton, Virginia Lee: Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel
- Campbell, Rod: Dear Zoo
- Cannon, Janell: Stellaluna
- Capucilli, Alyssa Satin: Biscuit Loves the Library
- Carle, Eric: The Very Hungry Caterpillar
- Christelow, Eileen: Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed
- Chung, Arree: Ninja!
- Coffelt, Nancy: Fred Stays with Me
- Crews, Donald: Freight Train
- Cronin, Doreen: Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type
- Day, Alexandra: Good Dog, Carl
- Degen, Bruce: Jamberry
- Dorros, Arthur: Abuela
- Eastman, P.D.: Are You My Mother?
- Ehlerl, Lois: Feathers for Lunch
- Emberley, Ed: Go Away, Big Green Monster!
- Falconer, Ian: Olivia
- Feiffer, Jules: Bark, George
- Flack, Marjorie: Ask Mr. Bear
- Fleming, Denise: Mama Cat Has Three Kittens
Fox, Mem: Where is the Green Sheep?
Freeman, Don: Corduroy
Gag, Wanda: Millions of Cats
Galdone, Paul: The Three Little Pigs
Gerstein, Mordicai: The Man Who Walked Between the Towers
Goble, Paul: The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses
Guarino, Deborah: Is Your Mama a Llama?
Henkes, Kevin: Kitten’s First Full Moon
Hill, Eric: Where’s Spot
Ho, Minfong: Hush!: A Thai Lullaby
Hoban, Russell: Bread and Jam for Frances
Hoffman, Mary: Amazing Grace
Holabird, Katherine: Angelina Ballerina
Hutchins, Pat: Rosie’s Walk
Jenkins, Steve: What do you do with a tail like this?
Johnson, Crockett: Harold and the Purple Crayon
Juster, Norton: The Hello, Goodbye Window
Kasza, Keiko: The Wolf’s Chicken Stew
Keats, Ezra Jack: The Snowy Day
Kennedy, Jimmy: The Teddy Bears’ Picnic
Kent, Jack: The Caterpillar and the Polliwog
Kimmel, Eric: Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock
Kraus, Robert: Whose Mouse are You?
Kraus, Ruth: The Carrot Seed
Krosoczka, Jarrett: Baghead
Landers, Ace: I Am An Ice Cream Truck
Leaf, Munro: The Story of Ferdinand
Lester, Mike: A is for Salad
Lionni, Leo: Little Blue and Little Yellow
Lobel, Anita: On Market Street
Lobel, Arnold: Frog and Toad Are Friends
London, Jonathan: Froggy Gets Dressed
Martin, Bill: Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?
Martin, Bill: Chicka Chicka Boom Boom
Mayer, Mercer: Frog Goes to Dinner
McBratney, Sam: Guess How Much I Love You
McCloskey, Robert: Make Way for Ducklings
McFarland, Lyn: Widget
McKissack, Pat: Goin’ Someplace Special
McLimans, David: Gone Wild: An Endangered Alphabet
McMullan, Kate and Jim: I Stink!
McPhail, David: Pigs Aplenty, Pigs Galore
Meddaugh, Susan: Martha Speaks
- Meltzer, Brad: I am Abraham Lincoln
- Munari, Bruno: Bruno Munari’s ABC
- Noble, Trinka: The Day Jimmy’s Boa Ate the Wash
- Numeroff, Laura: If You Give a Mouse a Cookie
- O’Connor, Jane: Fancy Nancy
- Penn, Audrey: The Kissing Hand
- Pinkney, Sandra: Shades of Black
- Piper, Watty: The Little Engine that Could
- Potter, Beatrix: The Tale of Peter Rabbit
- Rathmann, Peggy: Good Night, Gorilla
- Rey, H.A.: Curious George
- Rohman, Eric: My Friend Rabbit
- Rosen, Michael: We’re Going on a Bear Hunt
- Rossetti-Shustak, Bernadette: I Love You Through and Through
- Rylant, Cynthia: The Relatives Came
- Say, Allen: Grandfather’s Journey
- Scarry, Richard: Cars and Trucks and Things that Go
- Seeger, Laura Vaccaro: First the Egg
- Sendak, Maurice: Where the Wild Things Are
- Seuss, Dr.: Green Eggs and Hams
- Seuss, Dr.: The Cat in the Hat
- Shannon, David: Duck on a Bike
- Shaw, Charles: It Looked Like Split Milk
- Simmons, Jane: Come Along Daisy
- Simont, Marc: The Stray Dog
- Sis, Peter: Fire Truck
- Slobodkina, Esphyr: Caps for Sale
- Taback, Simms: There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly
- Walter, Virginia: Hi, Pizza Man!
- Wells, Rosemary: Noisy Nora
- Westcott, Nadine: The Lady with the Alligator Purse
- Wiesner, David: The Three Pigs
- Willems, Mo: Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus
- Wong, Janet: Buzz
- Wood, Audrey: The Napping House
- Yolen, Jane: How do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight?
- Yolen, Jane: Owl Moon
- Young, Ed: Seven Blind Mice
- Zimmerman, Andrea: Trashy Town
- Zion, Gene: Harry, The Dirty Dog
- Zschock, Martha Day: Hello, America!