

Great Read-Alouds

Rhyming helps children hear the smaller sounds in words, an important literacy skill.

Fix-it Duck

by Jez Alborough E ALB

Llama, Llama, Red Pajama

by Anna Dewdney E DEW

The Magic Hat

by Mem Fox E FOX

You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: very short stories to read together

by Mary Ann Hoberman & Michael Emberley E HOB

Pete the Cat (series)

by Eric Litwin E LIT

To Market, To Market

by Anne Miranda E MIR

Charlie Parker Played Be Bop

by Christopher Raschka E RAS

Look the Book and Other Silly Rhymes

by Lissa Rovetch E ROV

Foggy Foggy Forest

by Nick Sharratt E SHA

Rhyming Dust Bunnies

by Jan Thomas E THO

How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight?

by Jane Yolen E YOL

Runny Babbit: a Billy Sook

by Shel Silverstein J 811 SIL

Alligator Pie

by Dennis Lee J 819.1 LEE

What Happens Next

Ask children to make predictions as you read and ask them to retell the story when you're finished reading.

The Red Hen

by Rebecca Emberley E EMB

Pigs to the Rescue

by John Himmelman E HIM

This is Not My Hat

by Jon Klassen E KLA

If You Give a Mouse A Cookie

by Laura Numeroff E NUM

Carrot Soup

by John Segal E SEG

The Napping House

by Audrey Wood E WOO

Three Billy Goats Gruff

by Paul Galdone J 398.21 THR

Books About Letters

LMNO Peas

by Keith Baker E BAK

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

by Bill Martin Jr. E MAR

One Boy

by Laura Vaccaro Seeger E SEE

Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten

by Joseph Slate E SLA

Alphabet Mystery

by Audrey Wood E WOO

Runaway Alphabet

by Kari-Lynn Winters J BK CD WIN



Books About Emotions

You can support your child's emotions by reading books that talk about feelings.

When Sophie Gets Angry-Really, Really Angry

by Molly Bang E BAN

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse

by Kevin Henkes E HEN

Wemberly Worried

by Kevin Henkes E HEN

Lost and Found

by Oliver Jeffers E JEF

It's Okay to be Different

by Todd Parr E PAR

Ish

by Peter Reynolds E REY

Boo Hoo Bird

by Jeremy Tankard E TAN

Can You Make a Scary Face?

by Jan Thomas E THO

Owl Babies

by Martin Waddell E WAD

Each Kindness

by Jacqueline Woodson J FF WOO

Books to Expand Vocabulary

Reading books together introduces children to words that don't normally come up in conversation.

Stanley's Party

by Linda Bailey E BAI

Kitty's Cuddles

by Jane Cabrera E CAR

How Rocket Learned to Read

by Tad Hills E HIL

Seven Silly Eaters

by Mary Ann Hoberman E HOB

Fancy Nancy (series)

by Jane O'Connor E OCO

Richard Scarry's ABC Word Book

by Richard Scarry E SCA

Animalia

by Graeme Base J FF BAS

Nonfiction books can also help expand vocabulary. Popular topics include:

Fairytales J 398.2

Dinosaurs J 567.91

Animals J 590-599

Trucks/Trains J 629

Our Favourite Books

Dog's Colorful Day

by Emma Dodd E DOD

The Gruffalo

by Julia Donaldson E DON

The Gruffalo's Child

by Julia Donaldson E DON

Bark, George

by Jules Feiffer E FEI

Diary of a Wombat

by Jackie French E FRE

The Wonderful Pigs of Jillian Jiggs

by Phoebe Gillman E GIL

The Subway Mouse

by Barbara Reid E REI

Shark in the Park

by Nick Sharratt E SHA

Scaredy Squirrel

by Melanie Watt E WAT

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus

by Mo Willems E WIL

Fun Music CD's

Moonlight Express

by Fred Penner J CD 781.63 PEN

Baby Beluga

by Raffi J CD 781.63 RAF

Diamonds and Daydreams

by Charlotte Diamond J CD 782.42 DIA

Oh Lucky Day!

by Lucky Diaz J CD 782.42 DIA

Creepy Crawly Love

by Duke Otherwise J CD 782.42 DUK

Little Seed

by Woodie Guthrie J CD 782.42 GUT

Bob's Favorite Street Songs

by Bob McGrath J CD 782.42 MCG

Barnyard Dance

by Maria Muldaur J CD 782.42 MUL

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