

## ? More Children Staff Picks

### Too-Good-to-Miss Books: Kindergarten

Staff recommendations for children at a kindergarten reading level.

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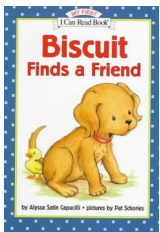


#### Accident

#### **Andrea Tsurumi**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Tsu)

When a clumsy armadillo named Lola knocks over a glass pitcher, she sets off a silly chain of events, encountering chaos wherever she goes.

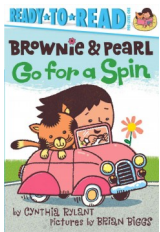


#### Biscuit Finds a Friend

#### **Alyssa Capucilli**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Cap)

Biscuit the puppy helps a little duck find its way home to the pond and makes a friend along the way.

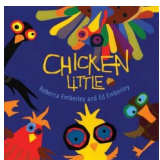


#### Brownie and Pearl Go for a Spin

#### **Cynthia Rylant**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Ryl)

When Brownie and her cat go for a spin in her car, neither one is ready for it to end.

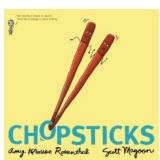


#### Chicken Little

#### **Rebecca Emberley**

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 398.2 Henny Emb)

A retelling of the classic tale Chicken Little, who has an acorn fall on his head and runs in a panic to tell his friends that the sky is falling!

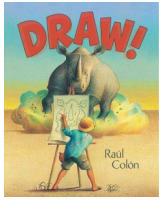


## Chopsticks

### **Amy Krouse Rosenthal**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ros)

When a pair of chopsticks get separated, after some traumatic moments the two friends eventually learn to stand on their own.

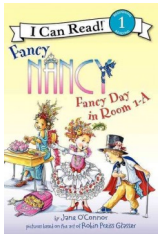


### **Draw!**

### **Rau?l Colo?n**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Col)

In this wordless picture book, a boy who is confined to his room fills his sketch pad with lions and elephants, then imagines himself on a safari.



### **Fancy Nancy in Room 1-A**

### **Jane O'Connor**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Oco)

Series: Fancy Nancy

To cheer up her classmates after a gloomy week, Nancy thinks of a new celebration, Fancy Day, but when the day arrives Ms. Glass shows up without her fancy dress, and the class must think of a way to make her as elegant as everyone else.

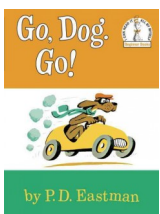


### **First the Egg**

### **Laura Seeger**

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 571.8 see)

Using simple text and illustrations with cutouts, shows how animals and objects change, including tadpoles to frogs and seeds to flowers.

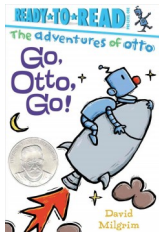


### **Go, Dog, Go!**

### **P. D. Eastman**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Eas)

A classic romp with some very busy dogs!



### Go, Otto, Go!

**David Milgrim**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Mil)

Series: Adventures of Otto; 6

Since landing on Earth, Otto has made many friends, but what Otto wants most is to visit his family. Will Otto's spaceship take him up, up, up, so he can go, go, go?

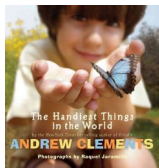


### Green is a Chile Pepper

**Roseanne Thong**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Tho)

A little girl discovers all the bright colors in her Hispanic American neighborhood.

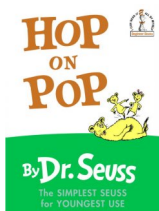


### The Handiest Things in the World

**Andrew Clements**

(Juvenile Picture Book Nonfiction - Ej 612.97 Cle)

Celebrates in verse, accompanied by photographs, the many things hands can do -- and all the tools made for hands.

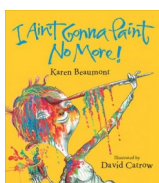


### Hop on Pop

**Dr. Seuss**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Seu)

Pairs of rhyming words are introduced and used in simple sentences, such as "Day. Play. We play all day. Night. Fight. We fight all night."



### I Ain't Gonna Paint No More!

**Karen Beaumont**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Bea)

In the rhythm of a familiar folk song, a child cannot resist adding one more dab of paint in surprising places and makes a delicious mess!

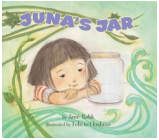


### A is for Awesome

**Dallas Clayton**

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 411 Cla)

Alliterative and rhyming words of wisdom fill this energetic alphabet book bursting with color.

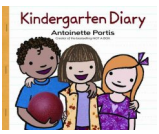


### Juna's Jar

**Jane Bahk**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Bah)

After her best friend, Hector, moves away, Juna's brother Minho tries to make her feel better by finding things to put in her special kimchi jar, and each night, whatever is in the jar takes her on a magical journey in search of Hector.

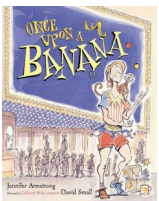


### Kindergarten Diary

**Antoinette Portis**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Por)

Annalina's diary entries reflect her feelings and experiences as she goes from being afraid to go to kindergarten to loving it during her first month of school.

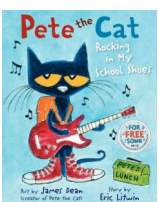


### Once Upon a Banana

**Jennifer Armstrong**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Arm)

Everyday signs serve as captions for this pictorial tale of what happens after a man tosses a banana peel into the garbage can and misses.



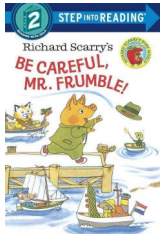
### Pete the Cat: Rocking in my School Shoes

**Eric Litwin**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Pete Lit)

Series: Pete the cat

Pete the cat wears his school shoes when visiting the library, the lunchroom, the playground, and more while singing his special song.



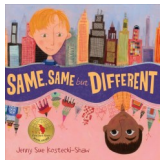
### **Richard Scarry's Be Careful, Mr. Frumble!**

**Richard Scarry**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Sca)

Series: Richard Scarry's Busy World.

Mr. Frumble's plan to go for a walk is directed by the wind, which carries his hat off from one place to another causing many near-disasters.

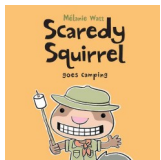


### **Same, Same, but Different**

**Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Kos)

Pen pals Elliott and Kailash discover that even though they live in different countries?America and India?they both love to climb trees, own pets, and ride school buses.



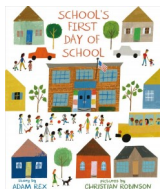
### **Scaredy Squirrel Goes Camping**

**Me?lanie Watt**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Watt)

Series: Watt, Me?lanie, 1975- Scaredy Squirrel ; 7.

Scaredy Squirrel takes a trip through the campground and finds out the wilderness is meant to be enjoyed up close.

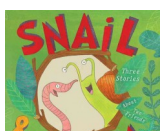


### **School's First Day of School**

**Adam Rex**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Rex)

The school has a rough start, but as the day goes on, he soon recovers when he sees that he's not the only one going through first-day jitters.

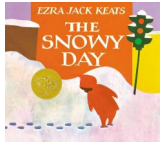


## Snail & Worm

### **Tina Ku?gler**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Kug)

Snail and Worm are best friends who support each other during a silly game of tag, through Snail's adventure up a flower stalk, and when Worm's pet goes missing.

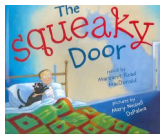


### **The Snowy Day**

### **Ezra Jack Keats**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Kea)

The adventures of a little boy in the city on a very snowy day.

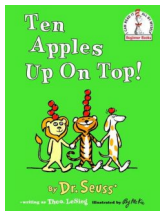


### **The Squeaky Door**

### **Margaret Read MacDonald**

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 398.2 Squeaky Door Mac)

When Little Boy is frightened by a squeaky bedroom door, his grandmother brings in various animals to help him feel secure enough to sleep.

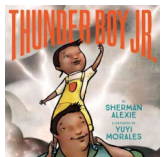


### **Ten Apples Up on Top!**

### **Theo LeSieg**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Le)

A lion, a dog, and a tiger balance apples on their heads.

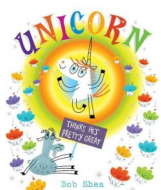


### **Thunder Boy, Jr.**

### **Sherman Alexie**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ale)

Little Thunder wants a name that separates him from his father, Big Thunder, and considers such options as "Touch the Sky" and "Drums, Drums, and More Drums" before his father helps him find the perfect alternative.

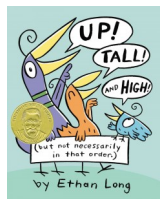


## Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great

### **Bob Shea**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej She)

Feeling overshadowed by newcomer Unicorn, who is able to fly to school and turn rain into cupcakes, Goat reluctantly shares a piece of pizza with his rival and learns that being a unicorn is more challenging than expected, a finding that leads to admiration and unexpected friendship.

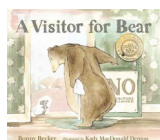


### Up, Tall and High

### **Ethan Long**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Lon)

Through illustrations and simple text, birds demonstrate the meanings of the words up, tall, and high.

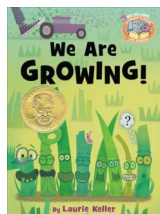


### A Visitor for Bear

### **Bonny Becker**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Bec)

Bear's efforts to keep out a visitor to his house are undermined by a very persistent mouse.

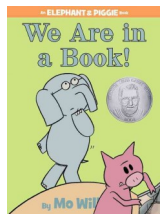


### We Are Growing!

### **Laurie Keller**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Kel)

Walt is not the tallest or the curliest or the pointiest or even the crunchiest. A confounded blade of grass searches for his 'est' in this hilarious story about growing up.



### We Are in a Book!

### **Mo Willems**

(Juvenile Early Readers - J-ER Wil)

Best friends Gerald and Piggie discover the joy of "being read." But what will happen when the book ends?



## Windows

### **Julia Denos**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Den)

Walking his dog at dusk, one boy catches glimpses of the lives around him in this lovely ode to autumn evenings, exploring your neighborhood, and coming home.

by Anna Kang illustrated by Christopher Wozniak

You Are  
(Not) Small



### **You Are (Not) Small**

### **Anna Kang**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Kang)

Two fuzzy creatures can't agree on who is small and who is big, until a couple of surprise guests show up, settling it once and for all!



### **You and Me Together: Moms, Dads, and Kids Around the World**

### **Barbara Kerley**

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 306.874 Ker)

From a park in China to a campfire in Australia, loving moms, dads, and kids share their lives.

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