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Books About Me

- I Like Me! by Nancy L. Carlson
- I Like to Be Little by Charlotte Zolotow
- Incredible You! 10 Ways to let your greatness shine through by Dr. Wayne Dyer
- Leo the Late Bloomer by Rober Kraus
- My Five Senses by Aliki
- *Owen* by Kevin Henkes
- The Mixed-Up Chameleon by Eric Carle
- When I Get Bigger by Mercer Mayer

Family Stories

- Are you My Mother? by P.D. Eastman
- Guess How Much I Love You by Sam McBratney
- Just Me Books by Mercer Mayer
- My Dad Loves Me! by Marianne Richmond
- Mama, do You Love Me? by Barbara M. Joossee

Predictable Books

- 50 Below Zero by Robert Munsch
- Curious George by H.A. Rey
- Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown
- Gregory the Terrible Eater by Mitchell Sharmat
- The Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone
- *The Mitten* by Jan Brett

Beginning, Middle, and End Concepts

- 3 Billy Goats Gruff by Glen Rounds
- Bony Legs by Jeanna Cole
- *Its' Mine b*y Leo Lionni
- Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins
- The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown

Fabulous Science Books

- Cars and How they Go by Joanna Cole
- Eyewitness Juniors Amazing Frogs and Toads by Barry Clarke

Color and Counting Books

- 26 Letters and 99 Cents by Tana Hoban
- Each Orange Had Eight Slices: A Counting Book by Paul Giganti Jr.
- Fish Eyes by Lois Ehlert
- Inch by Inch by Leo Lionni
- Is it Red? Is it Yellow? Is it Blue? by Tana Hoban
- Press Here by Hereve Tullet
- Ten Little Fish by Audrey Wood

Caldecott Winners and Honor Books

- Color Zoo by Lois Ehleri
- Madeline by Ludwig Bemelmans
- Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey
- *More, More, More, Said the Baby* by Vera B. Williams
- Swimmy by Leo Lionni
- Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens

Mother Goose and Nursery Rhymes

- James Marshall's Mother Goose by James Marshall
- My Very First Mother Goose by Iona Opie and Rosemary Wells
- *Tomie dePaola's Mother Goose* by Tomie dePaola

Folktales and Fairy Tales

- Cinderella by Marcia Brown
- The Hare and the Tortoise by Brian Wildsmith
- The Little Red Hen by Margot Zemach
- The Three Little Bears by Paul Galdone
- Three Little Pigs by James Marshall
- The Ugly Duckling by Hans Christian Anderson



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Fun Books to Share

- And I Mean It, Stanley by Crosby Bonsall
- Arthur series by Marc Brown
- A Bad Case of the Stripes by David Shannon
- Berenstain Bear series by Jan and Stan Berenstain
- Clifford series by Norman Bridwell
- Dinosaur Time by Peggy Parish
- The Eye Book by Theo Lesieg
- Franklin series by Paulette Bourgeois
- Froggy series by Jonathan London
- Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Suess
- Hi! Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold
- How I Became a Pirate by Melinda Long
- Junie B. Jones series by Barabar Park
- Little Critter series by Mercer Mayer
- *Morris the Moose* by Bernard Wiseman
- Nate the Great series by Marjoire Weinman Sharmat
- *The Dot* by Peter Reynolds
- The Jolly Postman by Allan Ahlberg
- The Secret Life of Squirrels by Nancy Rose
- The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle

Learning to Read Series

- Hello Reader!
- I Can Read Books
- Puffin Easy-to-Read
- Step Into Reading Levels 1-4

Alphabet Books

- Animals by Graeme Basese
- The Icky Bug Alphabet Book by Jerry Pallotta
- Z Was Zapped by Chris Van Allsburg

Math in Picture Books

- How Much Is a Million? by David M.
 Schwartz
- Monster Math by Anne Miranda
- One Potato: A Counting Book of Potato
 Prints by Diana Pomeroy
- When Sheep Cannot Sleep by Satoshi Kitamura

Non-Fiction:

• National Geographic Little Kids First Big Book of Animals by Catherine D. Hughes

Caldecott Awards and Honor Books

- Alphabet City by Stephen Johnson
- Click, Clack, Moo by Doreen Cronin
- *The Hello, Goodbye Window* by Norton Juster and Chris Raschka
- *Owen* by Kevin Henkes