

# Favorite Pre-K Books

AR = Accelerated Reader

PW = Pathways Book

TB = Theme Book

**School Name:** \_\_\_\_\_**Three letter school code:** \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Actual size.* **Jenkins, Steve. Gr. Pre-K** – "Fascinating science meets gorgeous collage art in Jenkins's book about measuring creatures big and small. An unusual, unusually effective tool for connecting children to nature's astonishing variety."--Booklist, starred review. \$5.19 AR 9780547512914
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Alphabet adventure.* **Wood, Audrey. Gr. Pre-K** – A best-selling author collaborates with her son on this ABC book that tells the story of an alphabet setting off to teach a young student his letters. But along the way, the lowercase letter "i" loses her dot. Readers can look back through the pages to find the dot hidden in every illustration. \$10.19 AR 9780439080699
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Anansi and the moss-covered rock.* **Kimmel, Eric A. Gr. Pre-K** – Anansi the Spider uses a strange moss-covered rock in the forest to trick all the other animals, until Little Bush Deer decides he needs to learn a lesson. \$4.52 AR 9780823407989
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Barnyard banter.* **Fleming, Denise. Gr. Pre-K** – From pasture to hayloft, cows moo, kittens mew, hens cluck, and pigs muck. But Goose is hiding. An energetic text filled with rhyming barnyard noises invites young readers to chime in. Children will also enjoy playing hide-and-seek with Goose, who appears on every spread. \$5.19 AR 9780805055818
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Brown bear, brown bear, what do you see?* **Martin Jr., Bill. Gr. Pre-K** – A big happy frog, a plump purple cat, a handsome blue horse, and a soft yellow duck all parade across the pages of this delightful book. Combined with Martin's sing-song text, Carle's boldly colored collages create unforgettable images of these endearing animals. \$10.19 PW 9780805017441
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Caps for sale: A tale of a peddler, some monkeys and their monkey business.* **Slobodkina, Esphyr. Gr. Pre-K** – A timeless classic, this easy-to-read story about a peddler and a band of mischievous monkeys is filled with warmth, humor, and simplicity. Now available in a paperback edition with CD. \$6.49 AR 9780061215124
- \_\_\_\_\_ *A cat and a dog.* **Masurel, Claire. Gr. Pre-K** – A cat and a dog live in the same house, but they are not friends. They fight all the time, about everything. Then disaster strikes. Dog's beloved ball bounces up into a tree and is stuck. Cat's precious stuffed mouse falls into the pond. Dog can't climb. Cat can't swim. What are they to do? Claire Masurel's simple text and Bob Kolar's bright, bold illustrations combine in this charming picture book for the very young, a humorous look at the age-old battle of cats and dogs that demonstrates how a simple act of kindness can turn an enemy into a friend. \$5.17 AR 9780735817807
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Chicka chicka boom boom.* **Martin Jr., Bill. Gr. Pre-K** – In a rhythmic alphabet chant, all the letters race one another up the coconut tree. Young readers and their parents can joyfully recite the familiar rhythmic refrain. \$5.19 9780689835681
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Cookie's week.* **Ward, Cindy. Gr. Pre-K** – One of illustrator Tomie dePaola's most popular picture books about a mischievous cat named Cookie. \$3.89 AR 9780698114357
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Corduroy.* **Freeman, Don. Gr. Pre-K** – "A winning, completely childlike picture book in which a stuffed bear waiting hopefully in a toy department finds a home with a little girl. Endearing, brightly colored pictures."--Booklist. \$4.54 AR 9780140501735

- \_\_\_\_\_ *David gets in trouble.* **Shannon, David. Gr. Pre-K** – Caldecott Honor artist David Shannon presents the further antics of a little boy named David who can't seem to stay out of trouble. \$10.19 9780439050227
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Does a kangaroo have a mother, too?* **Carle, Eric. Gr. Pre-K** – This classic and beloved picture book by the bestselling author and illustrator is now available for the first time in paperback. \$4.54 PW TB 9780064436427
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Don't let the pigeon drive the bus!* **Willems, Mo. Gr. Pre-K** – In this hilarious picture book debut, the popular cartoonist ("Sesame Street, Sheep in the City") perfectly captures a preschooler's temper tantrum in the guise of a pigeon who pleads, wheedles, and begs his way through the story. \$9.59 AR 9780786819881
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Each peach pear plum.* **Ahlberg, Allan. Gr. Pre-K** – The classic children's game book. Thousands of children have enjoyed the Ahlbergs' pictorial guessing game--not only because the game is fun, but also because the pages contain action and humor and a sense of beauty. ALA Notable Children's Book. \$3.89 9780140506396
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Fritz and the beautiful horses.* **Brett, Jan. Gr. Pre-K** – Fritz, a pony excluded from the group of beautiful horses within the walled city, becomes a hero when he rescues the children of the city. "Brett has created magnificent paintings that glorify her simple but engaging story."--Publishers Weekly. \$4.54 AR 9780395453568
- \_\_\_\_\_ *From head to toe.* **Carle, Eric. Gr. Pre-K** – Whimsical, colorful illustrations and simple text take readers into a world of movements and invites youngsters to mimic animal actions. \$4.54 AR 9780064435963
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Good day.* **Henkes, Kevin. Gr. Pre-K** – The Caldecott Medal-winning artist ("Kitten's First Full Moon") returns with a masterful new picture book that looks at a single day from five points of view. \$10.19 AR 9780061140181
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Great Gracie chase: Stop that dog!* **Rylant, Cynthia. Gr. Pre-K** – Gracie has always been a good dog, but when some noisy painters arrive, she barks at them for raising a racket and is put outside. When Gracie decides to go for a walk, the painters, the neighbors, and the garbage man all run after her. She can't figure out why, so she keeps running, causing the whole town to join in the chase. \$10.79 AR 9780590100410
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Knuffle Bunny: A cautionary tale.* **Willems, Mo. Gr. Pre-K** – Trixie, Daddy, and Knuffle Bunny take a trip to the neighborhood Laundromat. But the exciting adventure takes a dramatic turn when Trixie realizes somebunny was left behind... Using a combination of muted black-and-white photographs and expressive illustrations, this stunning book tells a brilliantly true-to-life tale about what happens when Daddy's in charge and things go terribly, hilariously wrong. \$10.19 AR 9780786818709
- \_\_\_\_\_ *May I bring a friend?* **de Regniers, Beatrice Schenk. Gr. Pre-K** – Aladdin Books presents a handsome new edition of a Caldecott Medal winner. "Absurdities and contrasts are so imaginatively combined in a hilarious comedy of manners that the merriment can be enjoyed on several levels."--The Horn Book. \$5.19 AR 9780689713538
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Mitten.* **Brett, Jan. Gr. Pre-K** – Brett creates a dramatic picture book with the story of Nicki, a young boy who has lost a mitten in the snow and the animals who try to make a home of it. \$10.19 AR 9780399219207
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Napping house.* **Wood, Audrey. Gr. Pre-K** – A colorful riot of a bedtime story about sleepy people and animals napping in a cozy bed. "Booklist" Editors' Choice; Golden Kite Award; IRA/CBC Children's Choice; NCTE Teachers' Choice; "New York Times" Best Illustrated Children's Book of the Year. \$10.79 AR PW TB 9780152567088
- \_\_\_\_\_ *On Earth.* **Karas, G. Brian. Gr. Pre-K** – With poetic text and gorgeous illustrations, Karas illuminates the Earth and its cycles, making the concepts of rotation and revolution understandable even to the youngest readers. \$5.19 AR 9780142410639

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Owl babies.* Waddell, Martin. Gr. Pre-K** – Three baby owls awake one night to find their mother gone. They start to get worried and hear strange noises all night long. But when Mom returns, she has something they all want. \$4.54 AR 9780763617103

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Rainbow fish.* Pfister, Marcus. Gr. Pre-K** – Rainbow-colored foil stamping is used throughout this unique book to enhance the story's gentle message: the best possessions are the ones that are shared. "A delightful tale."--Parade. \$11.37 AR 9781558580091

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Rumble in the jungle.* Andreae, Giles. Gr. Pre-K** – Join this rhyming safari and meet everything from the elphing elephant to the gangly giraffe, and maybe even the terrible tiger. \$5.17 AR 9781589253674

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Sheep in a Jeep.* Shaw, Nancy E. Gr. Pre-K** – A flock of hapless sheep drive through the country in this rhyming picture book. "The bright-colored pencil drawings and lean text make this a great choice for preschool storytimes, as well as for beginning readers who want a funny story."--School Library Journal. \$4.54 AR 9780395470305

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Snow.* Shulevitz, Uri. Gr. Pre-K** – As snowflakes slowly come down, one by one, people in the city ignore them and only a boy and his dog think that the snowfall will amount to anything. A Caldecott Honor Book. \$4.54 AR 9780374468620

\_\_\_\_\_ ***There's a nightmare in my closet.* Mayer, Mercer. Gr. Pre-K** – "Childhood fear of the dark and the resulting exercise in imaginative exaggeration are given that special Mercer Mayer treatment in this dryly humorous fantasy."--School Library Journal. \$5.19 AR 9780140547122

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Tikki Tikki Tembo.* Mosel, Arlene. Gr. Pre-K** – Now available in paperback, this classic Chinese legend tells the story of a boy who nearly drowns in a well because his brother cannot pronounce his very, very long name fast enough for an old man to save him. The lovely drawings capture the beauty of rural China. \$4.52 AR 9780312367480

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Umbrella.* Brett, Jan. Gr. Pre-K** – This tropical companion to Brett's bestselling "The Mitten" is a walk through the Costa Rican cloud forest--a cheerful tale of escalation that will have readers poring over every illustration. \$10.19 AR 9780399242151

\_\_\_\_\_ ***What color is your underwear?* Lloyd, Sam. Gr. Pre-K** – This hilarious lift-the-flap features animals and the underwear they wear! Kids will roar with laughter as they lift each flap and reveal boxers on a horse, furry undies on a crocodile, leafy green bloomers on a sheep, and more. We save the best for last, though--on the final spread, an elephant is hiding behind a large leaf...for good reason. He forgot to put on any underwear! This is a fun way to teach colors...and the importance of wearing your drawers! \$5.39 9780439576765

\_\_\_\_\_ ***When Mama comes home tonight.* Spinelli, Eileen. Gr. Pre-K** – In lilting, rhyming text, Spinelli celebrates the nighttime rituals shared between a working mother and her child. Simple and reassuring, the book is sure to speak to young children and to anyone who comes home to a child at night. \$8.97 AR 9780689810657

\_\_\_\_\_ ***Who is the beast?* Baker, Keith. Gr. Pre-K** – Baker has created a simple, rhyming text in the form of a riddle and stunning full-color illustrations to tell the story of animals fleeing from a beast. Children will know who the beast is before the tiger does--and can join the adventure as they read. "A handsome book with an appealing story and a gentle, implicit message."--Kirkus Reviews. \$5.20 AR 9780152001223