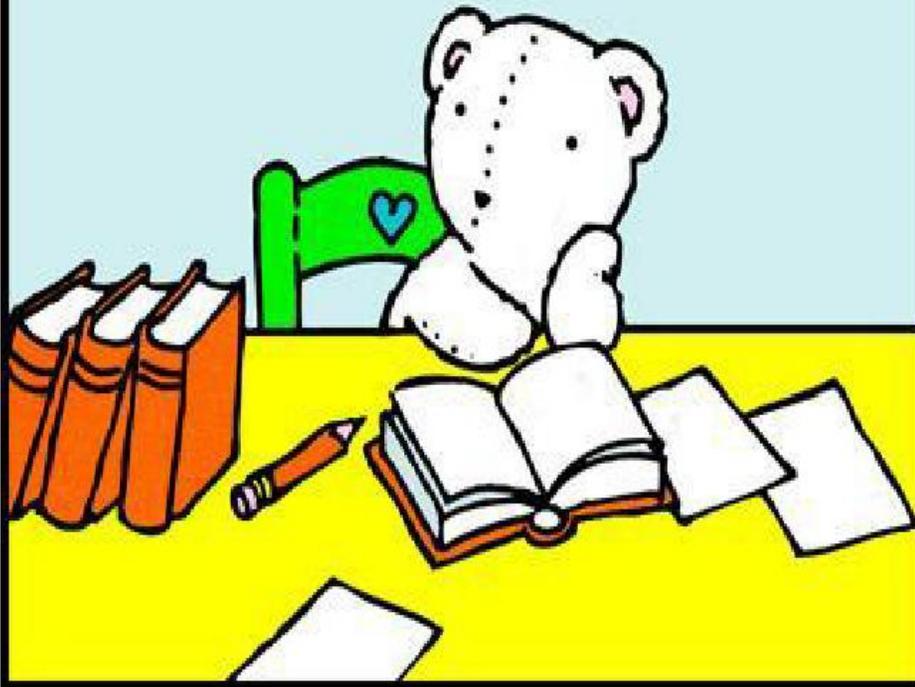


Recommended Picture Books For Young Children

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(All titles can be found in the Picture Book Section)

Alborough, J. Fix-it Duck

Duck's attempts to deal with various minor disasters only lead to more problems.

Allard, H. Miss Nelson is Missing!

The kids in Room 207 take advantage of their teacher's good nature until she disappears and they are faced with a vile substitute.

Barry, F. Big Yellow Sunflower

Learn how a little seed grows into a sunflower, in a book where the pages fold out to form a large sunflower.

Barton, B. The Three Bears

A warm retelling of the classic story of Goldilocks and the three bears.

Bunting, E. Flower Garden

Helped by her father, a young girl prepares a flower garden as a birthday surprise for her mother.

Calmenson, S. Perfect Puppy

A little puppy wants to be perfect so that his owner will always love him, and even though he makes mistakes, he learns that he is loved anyway.

Carle, E. Papa, Please Get the Moon for Me

Monica's father fulfills her request for the moon by taking it down after it is small enough to carry, but it continues to change in size.

DePaola, T. Strega Nona: An Old Tale

When Strega Nona leaves him alone with her magic pasta pot, Big Anthony is determined to show the townspeople how it works.

Ernst, L. Walter's Tail
The disasters caused by Walter's wagging tail make him and his owner unwelcome in town until Walter wags an heroic rescue.

Falconer, I. Olivia
Whether at home getting ready for the day, enjoying the beach, or at bedtime, Olivia is a feisty pig who has too much energy for her own good.

Henkes, K. Chrysanthemum
Chrysanthemum loves her name, until she starts going to school and the other children make fun of it.

Kimmel, E. I Took My Frog to the Library
A young girl brings her pets to the library-- with predictably disastrous results.

Kirk, D. Miss Spider's Tea Party
When lonely Miss Spider tries to host a tea party, the other bugs refuse to come for fear of being eaten!

Lionni, L. Little Blue and Little Yellow
A story of two colors who were such close friends they each turned green.

Numeroff, L. If you Give a Moose a Muffin
Chaos can ensue if you give a moose a muffin and start him on a cycle of urgent requests.

Reid, R. Comin' Down the Storytime
Storytime! That's all the little barnyard animals need to hear to send them flocking to their librarian, who has some rip-roaring, song-singing, nursery-rhyming, snack-timing fun in store for them! You've never seen a storytime quite like this...and reading has never been such fun!.

Sendak, M. Where the Wild Things Are
After Max was sent to bed for misbehaving, he escapes by imagining that he sails away to a wild land full of monsters.

Silverstein, S. The Giving Tree
A young boy grows to manhood and old age experiencing the love and generosity of a tree which gives to him without thought of return.

Slobodkina, E. Caps for Sale
A band of mischievous monkeys steals every one of a peddler's caps while he takes a nap under a tree.

Taback, S. Simm Taback's Safari Animals
There are interesting clues for you to guess about the animal under the flaps, as you open each fold.

Van Allsburg, C. Polar Express
A magical train ride on Christmas Eve takes a boy to the North Pole to receive a special gift from Santa Claus.

Wells, R. McDuff Comes Home
McDuff the little white dog gets lost while chasing a bunny and needs help finding his way home.

Wood, A. Jubal's Wish
Jubal Bullfrog wishes for happiness for his animal friends and finds that sometimes wishes come true in an unexpected way.

Wood, A. The Napping House
In this cumulative tale, a wakeful flea atop a number of sleeping creatures causes a commotion, with just one bite.

Williams, S. Library Lil
A librarian makes readers not only out of the once resistant residents of her small town, but out of a tough-talking, television-watching motorcycle gang as well.