



Rising Kindergarten

Summer Reading



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Parents,

It is summertime! We always encourage you to enjoy the outdoors, swim, sleep in late, and be together as a family. We hope you have a wonderful few months ahead of you and that you can create many memories during this time. We also hope you spend some time keeping your child's memory fresh with all the important things they learned this past school year. We've tried to help you in that task by creating a summer activities list for you. You are not expected to follow the list exactly. It is meant to be a guide for exercising your child's mind. The list provides suggested activities and games for each month that are an appropriate follow-up to the school year. Each activity can easily, and enjoyably, be done as a family. We hope you take time each week to enjoy these activities.

We ask that you read aloud every week to your child. We believe this is vital in the education of your upcoming kindergartner and by taking the time to do this each week, you are preparing your child for a great beginning to their kindergarten year!

We pray that you have a fantastic summer. We pray for safe travels and relaxing nights. We pray for your child as they learn and grow. We look forward to seeing you this fall. Until then, enjoy summer!

Sincerely,
The Kindergarten Team



Kindergarten Summer Reading Recommendations

The following books are suggestions by the Kindergarten Team to help your child prepare for the upcoming year. The incentive for summer reading in K is to instill the joy of reading in our students. Reading aloud is one of the most important things parents can do with children; it builds many important foundational skills, introduces vocabulary, provides a model of fluent and expressive reading, and recognizes what reading for pleasure is all about. Happy reading!

Kevin Henkes

Chrysanthemum

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse

Owen

Wemberly Worried

Leo Lionni

Inch by Inch

Swimmy

Cynthia Rylant

The Relatives Came

The Lighthouse Family Series:

The Storm (#1)

The Whale (#2)

The Eagle (#3)

The Turtle (#4)

The Octopus (#5)

The Otter (#6)

The Sea Lion (#7)

The Bear (#8)

Keiko Kaszo

Badger's Fancy Meal

My Lucky Day

The Wolf's Chicken Stew

Ezra Jack Keats

The Snowy Day (Peter, #1)

Whistle for Willie

Peter's Chair

Goggles!

Virginia Lee Burton

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel

The Little House

Katy and the Big Snow

Robert McCloskey

Make Way for Ducklings

Blueberries for Sal

One Morning in Maine

Time of Wonder

Bill Martin Jr.

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

Listen to the Rain

Russell Hoban

Bread and Jam for Frances

Bedtime for Frances

A Baby Sister for Frances



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Mo Willems

Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale (Knuffle Bunny, #1)
The Pigeon Wants a Puppy! (Pigeon Series)
The Duckling Gets a Cookie!? (Pigeon Series)
Elephant & Piggie Series:
Today I Will Fly! (#1)
My Friend is Sad (#2)
I Am Invited to a Party! (#3)
There Is a Bird on Your Head! (#4)
I Love My New Toy! (#5)
I Will Surprise My Friend! (#6)
Are You Ready to Play Outside? (#7)
Watch Me Throw the Ball! (#8)
Elephants Cannot Dance! (#9)
Pigs Make Me Sneeze! (#10)
I am Going! (#11)
Can I Play Too? (#12)
We are in a Book! (#13)
I Broke My Trunk! (#14)
Should I Share My Ice Cream? (#15)
Happy Pig Day! (#16)
Listen to My Trumpet! (#17)
Let's Go for a Drive! (#18)
A Big Guy Took My Ball! (#19)
I'm a Frog! (#20)
My New Friend Is So Fun! (#21)
Waiting is Not Easy! (#22)
I Will Take a Nap! (#23)
I Really Like Slop! (#24)
The Thank You Book (#25)

Eric Carle

The Very Hungry Caterpillar
The Grouchy Ladybug
A House for Hermit Crab
What's Your Favorite Bug?

Dr. Seuss

Green Eggs and Ham
The Cat in the Hat (The Cat in the Hat, #1)
Hop On Pop

Max Lucado

You Are Special (Wemmicksville, #1)
You Are Mine (Wemmicksville, #2)

Jack Prelutsky

The New Kid on the Block
A Pizza the Size of the Sun
It's Raining Pigs and Noodles

Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science

Stage 1 Series

How a Seed Grows by Helene J. Jordan
The Big Dipper by Franklyn Mansfield Branley
The Sun and the Moon by Carolyn Cinami DeCristofano
Dinosaurs Big and Small by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld
From Tadpole to Frog by Wendy Pfeffer
My Five Senses Big Book by Alike
A Nest Full of Eggs by Priscilla Belz Jenkins
Animals in Winter by Henrietta Bancroft
Big Tracks, Little Tracks: Following Animal Prints by Millicent E. Selsam
From Caterpillar to Butterfly by Deborah Heiligman
How Animal Babies Stay Safe by Mary Ann Fraser
Baby Whales Drink Milk by Barbara Juster Esbensen
What Lives in a Shell? by Kathleen Weidner Zoehfeld

Other Great Books

The Hare and the Tortoise by Aesop
Chicken Little by Steven Kellogg
The Little Red Hen by Diane Muldrow
Joseph Had a Little Overcoat by Simms Taback
The Little Engine That Could by Watty Piper
Llama Llama Misses Mama by Anna Dewdney



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Other Great Books Continued

Strega Nona by Tomie dePaola

Owl Moon by Jane Yolen

Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman

Caps for Sale: A Tale of a Peddler, Some Monkeys and Their Monkey Business by Esphyr Slobodkina

Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type (Farmer Brown's Barnyard Tales) by Doreen Cronin

Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann

Song and Dance Man by Karen Ackerman

In the Small, Small Pond by Denise Fleming

May I Bring a Friend? by Beatrice Schenk de Regniers

Have You Seen My Duckling? by Nancy Tafuri

Tar Beach by Faith Ringgold

A Chair for My Mother (The Rosa Books #1) by Vera B. Williams

Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall

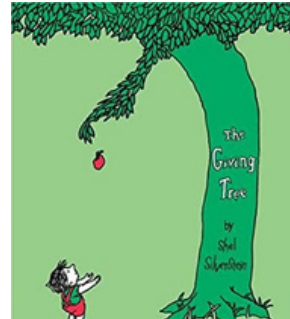
First the Egg by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

Noah's Ark by Jerry Pinkney

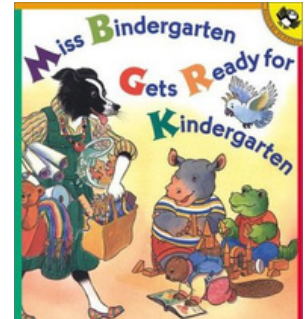
The Word Collector by Peter H. Reynolds

Every Thing on It by Shel Silverstein

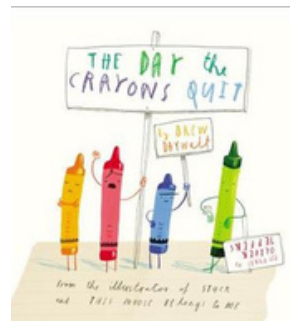
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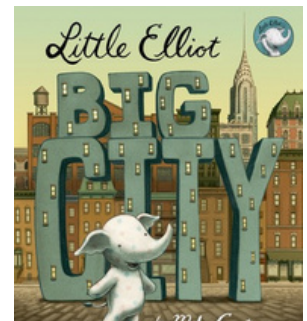
The Giving Tree
by Shel Silverstein



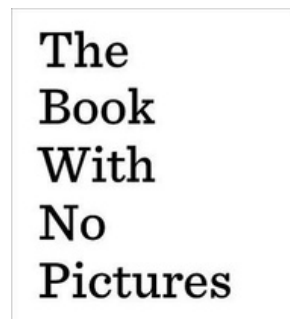
Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten
by Joseph Slate



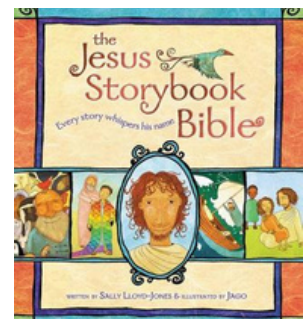
The Day the Crayons Quit
by Drew Daywalt,
Oliver Jeffers



Little Elliot, Big City
(Little Elliot #1)
by Mike Curato



The Book with No Pictures
by B.J. Novak



The Jesus Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His Name
by Sally Lloyd-Jones,
Jago

Please note: These books are simply recommendations, listed in no particular order, for your convenience. We hope you will use these as a starting point to explore many new books together!

