

## **RECOMMENDED BOOKS FOR PARENTS**

Lousie Bates Ames. *Your Four-Year-Old: Wild and Wonderful*

Louise Bates Ames. *Your Five-Year-Old: Sunny and Serene*

V. Susan Bennett-Armistead. *Beyond Bedtime Stories: A Parent's Guide to Promoting Reading, Writing and Other Literacy Skills From Birth to Five*

Laura Backes. *Best Books for Kids Who (Think They) Hate to Read*

Bruno Bettelheim. *The Uses of Fairy Tales*

Catherine Blakemore. *Faraway Places: Your Source for Picture Books that Fly Children to 82 Countries*

Esme Raji Codell. *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading*

Mem Fox. *Reading Magic: Why Reading Aloud to Our Children Will Change Their Lives Forever*

Michael Gurian. *What Stories Does My Son Need? A Guide to Books and Movies that Build Character in Boys*

Lee Bennett Hopkins. *Pass the Poetry, Please!*

Margaret Mary Kimmell and Elizabeth Segel. *For Reading Out Loud! A Guide to Sharing Books with Children*

Eden Ross Lipson, ed. *The New York Times Parent's Guide to the Best Books for Children, 3rd ed.*

Carolyn and John Lima. *A to Zoo: Subject Access to Children's Picture Books*

Kathleen Odean. *Great Books About Things Kids Love: More Than 750 Recommended books For Children 3-14*

Fred Rogers. *Mister Rogers Talks with Parents*

William F. Russell. *Classics to Read Aloud to Your Children*

Anita Silvey. *100 Best Books for Children*

Jim Trelease. *The Read-Aloud Handbook*

Chip Wood. *Time to Teach, Time to Learn*

## **READINGS ON THE WEB**

### **About Children's Books:**

<http://childrensbooks.about.com/>

- Includes authors online, award lists and children's choice lists, stories online, and more.

### **KidsLit: Books and More for Kids and Teens**

<http://kidslit.menashalibrary.org/aboutme.html>

- Updated and informative children's literature blog written by Tasha Saecker, director of the Menasha Public Library.

### **Kids Read:**

[www.kidsreads.com](http://www.kidsreads.com)

- Reviews of new titles, interviews with the coolest authors, trivia games, and other special features on great books.



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## **SUMMER READING Recommendations**



**For students entering  
Pre-Kindergarten**

**2009- 2010**

[www.winchesterthurston.org](http://www.winchesterthurston.org)

## PICTURE BOOKS

Abercrombie, Barbara. *The Show-and Tell Lion*.  
Molly Bang. *When Sophie Gets Angry - Really, Really Angry*  
Bell, Cece. *Sock Monkey Rides Again*.  
Suzanne Bloom. *A Splendid Friend, Indeed*  
Jan Brett. *Town Mouse, Country Mouse*  
Broach, Elise, *When Dinosaurs Came With Everything*  
Eric Carle. *Mr. Seahorse*  
Nancy White Carlstrom. *Climb the Family Tree, Jesse Bear*  
Peter Catalanotto. *Ivan the Terrier*  
Tomie dePaola. *Mice Squeak, We Speak*  
Malachy Doyle. *Cow*  
Jules Feiffer. *Bark, George*  
Denise Fleming. *Beetle Bop*  
Anna Grassnickle. *Daddy Makes the Best Spaghetti*  
Deborah Guarino. *Is Your Mama a Llama?*  
Shelia Hamanaka. *All the Colors of the Earth*  
Charise Mericle Harper. *Itsy Bitsy, the Smart Spider*  
Joanna Harrison. *Dear Bear*  
Iris Hisskey. *I Snack on an Iceberg*  
Harry Horse. *Little Rabbit's New Baby*  
Shirley Hughes. *Out and About*  
Robert Kinerk. *Clorinda*  
Pat Hutchins. *The Wind Blew*  
Crockett Johnson. *Harold and the Purple Crayon*  
Lynne Jonell. *I Need a Snake*  
Robert Kalan. *Jump, Frog, Jump!*  
Barbara Kalin. *Cinderella*  
Holly Keller. *Geraldine's Blanket*

Steven Kellogg. *Chicken Little*  
Eric Kimmel. *The Gingerbread Man*  
Barbara Lehman. *The Red Book*  
Leo Lionni. *Alexander and the Wind Up Mouse*  
Christine Loomis. *Astro Bunnies*  
Susan Lowell. *The Bootmaker and the Elves*  
Bill Martin. *A Beastly Story*  
Jean Marzollo. *Shanna's Ballerina Show*  
Colin McNaughton. *Boo!*  
Matt Novak. *Mouse T.V.*  
Antoinette Portis. *Not a Box*  
Jerry Pinkney. *The Little Red Hen*  
Peggy Rathmann. *Good Night, Gorilla*  
Eric Rohmann. *My Friend Rabbit*  
Savadier, Elivaia. *Will Sheila Share?*  
Dr. Seuss. *If I Ran the Circus*  
Erica Silverman. *Don't Fidget a Feather*  
Bob Strake. *Donut Chef*  
Simms Taback. *There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly*  
Mark Teague. *Pigsty*  
Jeanne Titherington. *Pumpkin, Pumpkin*  
Bernard Waber. *Bearsie Bear*  
Martin Waddell. *Farmer Duck*  
Rosemary Wells. *Shy Charles*  
Ian Whybrow. *Sammy and the Dinosaurs*  
Margaret Wild. *Our Granny*  
Vera Williams. *More, More, More Said the Baby*  
Mo Williams. *Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale*  
Ashley Wolff. *A Year of Beasts*  
Diane Wolkstein. *Little Mouse is Painting*  
Ed Young. *My Mei Mei*

## CONCEPT BOOKS

Jim Aylesworth. *Old Black Fly*  
Molly Bang. *Ten, Nine, Eight*  
Jane Bayer. *A, My Name is Alice*  
Dillon, Leo. *Mother Goose: Numbers on the Loose*  
Lisa Campbell Ernst. *The Turn-around, Upside Down, Alphabet Book*  
Denise Fleming. *Count*  
Saxton Freymann. *One Lonely Sea Horse*  
Anne Ginkel. *I've Got an Elephant*  
Trudy Harris. *Pattern Bugs*  
Ruth Heller. *A Cache of Jewels*  
Tad Hills. *What's Up Duck? A Book of Opposites*  
Susan Ramse Hoguet. *I Unpacked My Grandmother's Trunk*  
Hazel J. Hutchins. *A Second is a Hiccup: A Child's Book of Time*.  
Stephen Johnson. *Alphabet City*  
Ann Jonas. *Color Dance*  
Anita Lobel. *On Market Street*  
Susan MacDonald. *Alphabatics*  
Bruce McMillan. *Puffins Climb, Puffins Rhyme*  
Janet Marshall. *Look Once, Look Twice*  
Bill Martin. *Chicka, Chicka, Boom, Boom*  
Margaret Miller. *Whose Shoe?*  
David Pelletier. *The Graphic Alphabet*  
Chris Raschka. *Five For a Little One*  
Laura Vaccaro Seeger. *Black? White! Day? Night!: A Book of Opposites*  
Maurice Sendak. *Alligators All Around*  
Fulvio Testa. *If You Take a Paintbrush*  
Roseanne Thong. *Round is a Mooncake: A book of Shapes*

## FUN WITH NONFICTION

Carol Arnold. *Mealtime for Zoo Animals*  
Susan Ashley. *Fireflies*  
Edith Baer. *This is the Way We Go to School*  
Byron Barton. *Boats*  
Melvin Berger. *Why I Sneeze, Shiver, Hiccup, and Yawn*  
Franklyn Mansfield Branley. *Shooting Stars*  
Barbara Brenner. *Where is That Insect?*  
Marc Tolon Brown. *Hand Rhymes*  
Collard, Sneed B. *Pocket Babies and Other Marsupials*  
Lois Ehlert. *Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf*  
Allen Fowler. *All the Colors of the Rainbow*  
Gail Gibbons. *The Planets*  
Carol Greene. *Firefighters Fight Fire*  
Zoe Hall. *The Apple Pie Tree*  
Kimiko Kajikawa. *Close to You: How Animals Bond*  
Don Kilby. *At the Construction Site*  
Aubrey Lang. *Baby Penguin*  
John Langstaff. *Over in the Meadow*  
Bruce McMillan. *Going On a Whale Watch*  
Bernard Most. *How Big Were the Dinosaurs?*  
K.C. Olson. *Construction Countdown*  
Neil Philip. *The Fish is Me: Bathtime Rhymes*  
Anne Rockwell. *Becoming Butterflies*  
Elizabeth Ring. *Lucky Mouse*  
Nora Leigh Ryder. *In the Wild*  
Shelley Rotner. *Nature Spy*  
Laura Vaccaro Seeger. *First the Egg*  
Josepha Sherman. *Shapes In the Sky: A Book About Clouds*  
Stockdale, Susan. *Fabulous Fishes*