

Pre-Kindergarten Suggested Reading

Open the door to learning and creative thinking by reading with your child every day. Sharing books helps your child's brain develop, increases vocabulary and helps them understand the world they live in.

Make reading fun. Combine our reading list with activities in the **Getting Ready for Kindergarten Calendar.**

Making Changes

I Am Going to Preschool by Marion Cocklico
Preschool, Here I Come by David J. Steinberg
Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown, Clement Hurd, illustrator
If You Take A Mouse to School by Laura Numeroff, Felicia Bond, illustrator
The Three Little Pigs by Paul Galdone

Creative Thinking

The Art Box by Gail Gibbons
Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type by Doreen Cronin
Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson
My Hands by Aliki
I'm NOT Just a Scribble by Diane Alber
The Color Monster by Anna Lienas

Books for Movement

From Head to Toe by Eric Carle
Miss Mary Mack by Mary Ann Hoberman, Nadine Bernard Westcott, illustrator
Quick as a Cricket by Audrey Wood, Don Wood, illustrator
Shake My Sillies Out by Raffi, David Allender, illustrator
Skip to My Lou by Mary Ann Hoberman, Nadine Bernard Westcott, illustrator

Learning About Letters

A My Name is Alice by Jane Bayer, Steven Kellogg, illustrator
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin, Jr. and John Archambault, Lois Ehlert, illustrator
Eating the Alphabet by Lois Ehlert
Jambo Means Hello: Swahili Alphabet Book by Muriel Feelings, Tom Feelings, illustrator
Signs in My Neighborhood by Shelly Lyons

Fun with Numbers and Counting

Count by Denise Fleming
Fish Eyes – A Book You Can Count On by Lois Ehlert
Mouse Count by Ellen Stohl Walsh
Ten, Nine, Eight by Molly Bang
Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons by Eric Litwin

Different Sizes, Different Feelings

Big Dog, Little Dog by P. D. Eastman
The Mitten by Jan Brett
The Three Billy Goats Gruff by Paul Galdone
The Three Bears by Paul Galdone
Listening to My Body by Gabi Garcia
The Way I Feel by Janan Cain





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Rhymes and Words That Sound Alike

Barnyard Banter by Denise Fleming
Jamberry by Bruce Degen
My Very First Mother Goose by Iona Opie, Rosemary Wells, illustrator
The Napping House by Audrey Wood, Don Wood, illustrator
Read-aloud Rhymes for the Very Young by Jack Prelutsky, Arnold Lobel, illustrator
The Random House Book of Mother Goose by Arnold Lobel
Silly Sally by Audrey Wood
There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly by Simms Taback
Tomie dePaola's Mother Goose by Tomie dePaola
The Wheels on the Bus by Maryanne Kovalski

Counting

The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed by Eileen Christelow
Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone
Mr. Gumpy's Outing by John Burningham
Roll Over! A Counting Song by Merle Peek

About Colors and Shapes

A Color of His Own by Leo Lionni
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin, Jr., Eric Carle, illustrator
Little Blue and Little Yellow by Leo Lionni
Mouse Paint by Ellen Stoll Walsh
Mouse Shapes by Ellen Stoll Walsh
Mixed: A Colorful Story by Arree Chung
When I Build With Blocks by Niki Alling

Imagination and Problem Solving

The Carrot Seed by Ruth Kraus, Crockett Johnson, illustrator Growing Vegetable Soup by Lois Ehlert If You Give a Pig a Pancake by Laura Numeroff, Felicia Bond, illustrator What If Everybody Did That? by Ellen Javernick and Colleen Madden

Friends and Family

Are You My Mother? by P.D. Eastman
Ask Mr. Bear by Marjorie Flack
Families are Different by Nina Pellegrini
Happy Birthday Moon by Frank Asch
Peter's Chair by Ezra Jack Keats
The Relatives Came by Cynthia Rylant, Stephen Gammell, illustrator

Going to School

The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn
Timothy Goes to School by Rosemary Wells
My First Day of School by Michelle Medlock Adams
What Should Danny Do? by Adir Levy & Ganit Levy
I Wish You More by Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Tom Lichtenheld



