

Before Entering Kindergarten

Read Alouds

Aylesworth: *Naughty Little Monkeys* c2003 *alphabet*

Twenty-six monkeys get into mischief when their parents go out for the evening in this rhyming alphabet book.



Bang: *When Sophie Gets Angry - Really, Really Angry...* c1999 *character*
Sophie expresses her anger when she must surrender a toy to her sister.



Crews: *The Neighborhood Mother Goose* c2004 *nursery rhymes, diversity*
This collection of nursery rhymes features the familiar and unfamiliar, all set in the city.



Ehlert: *Pie in the Sky* c2004 *family fiction*

As a father and his child view the cherry tree in their back yard, they refer to it as a pie tree. Includes a recipe.



Kimmel: *The Gingerbread Man* c1993 *fairy tale*

This familiar fairy tale features a gingerbread man who runs away from the woman who bakes him and meets other animals along the way, including a clever fox.

Penn: *The Kissing Hand* c1993 *family life*

Chester Raccoon is afraid to attend kindergarten until his mother shows him a special way to take her love along.



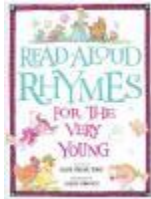
Pfister: Rainbow Fish *animal stories*

The most beautiful fish in the ocean with the shimmering silver scales discovers the beauty of sharing.



Pinkney: The Lion & the Mouse *c2009 wordless, fairy tale*

Wordless retelling of an Aesop fable, an adventuresome mouse proves that even small creatures are capable of great deeds when he rescues the King of the Jungle.



Prelutsky: Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young *c1986 poetry*

This collection of 200 short poems is designed for young children and includes illustrations that correlate with the poems.



Rosen: We're Going on a Bear Hunt *c2003 animals, fiction*

Brave bear hunters go through grass, a river, mud and other obstacles before the inevitable encounter with the bear forces a headlong retreat.



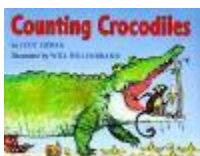
Rosenthal: Duck! Rabbit! *c2009 animals*

Two unseen characters argue about whether the creature they are looking at is a rabbit or a duck.



Shannon: David Goes to School *c1999 humor*

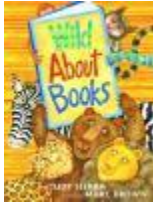
David's school behavior needs to be improved.



Sierra: Counting Crocodiles *c1997 counting, rhyming*

A monkey outsmarts ten crocodiles that stand between her and a banana tree by

using her ability to count.



Sierra: *Wild About Books* c2004 *animals, humor*

A librarian accidentally drives her bookmobile to the zoo and subsequently reads a Dr. Seuss book to the animals.



Slate: *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten* c2003 *school*

Introduces the letters of the alphabet as Miss Bindergarten and her students get ready for kindergarten.



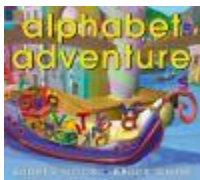
Taback: *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat* c1999 *diversity*

Joseph starts out with an overcoat and ends with a button.



Thompson: *Little Quack* c2003 *animals*

Mama Duck encourages her four ducklings to leave the nest. The youngest and smallest, Little Quack, proves to be the most reluctant.



Wood: *Alphabet Adventure* c2001 *alphabet*

The letters of the alphabet join the search to help "i" find her dot in order to continue their journey in this colorful alphabet book.



Wood: *The Napping House* c1984 *sleep, fiction*

While a number of creatures sleep, a flea causes a commotion among them with just one bite.