

Reading Suggestions From Wapiti Regional Library
Top 20 Picks – Best Books for Preschoolers

Title: If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

Author: Numeroff, Laura

Description: Relating the cycle of requests a mouse is likely to make after you give him a cookie takes the reader through a young child's day.

Title: Love You Forever

Author: Munsch, Robert

Description: A young woman holds her newborn son and looks at him lovingly.

Softly she sings to him:

"I'll love you forever

I'll like you for always

As long as I'm living

My baby you'll be."

So begins the story that has touched the hearts of millions worldwide.

Title: No, David!

Author: Shannon, David

Description: A young boy is depicted doing a variety of naughty things for which he is repeatedly admonished, but finally he gets a hug.

Title: Pete the Cat. I love my White Shoes

Author: Litwin, Eric

Description: Pete the Cat goes walking down the street wearing his brand new white shoes. Along the way, his shoes change from white to red to blue to brown to WET as he steps in piles of strawberries, blueberries, and other big messes! But no matter what color his shoes are, Pete keeps movin' and groovin' and singing his song...because it's all good.'

Title: The Kissing Hand

Author: Penn, Audrey

Description: When Chester the raccoon is reluctant to go to kindergarten for the first time, his mother teaches him a secret way to carry her love with him.

Title: The Little Engine that Could

Author: Piper, Watty

Description: Although she is not very big, the Little Blue Engine agrees to try to pull a stranded train full of toys over the mountain.

Title: The Little House

Author: Burton, Virginia Lee

Description: A country house is unhappy when the city, with all its buildings and traffic, grows up around her.

Title: The Napping House

Author: Wood, Audrey

Description: In this cumulative tale, a wakeful flea atop a number of sleeping creatures causes a commotion, with just one bite.

Title: The Rainbow Fish

Author: Pfister, Marcus

Description: The most beautiful fish in the entire ocean discovers the real value of personal beauty and friendship.

Title: Are You My Mother?

Author: Eastman, P.D.

Description: A little bird asks animals, planes, and boats, "Are you my mother?" until he finds his own mother.

Title: The Snowy Day

Author: Keats, Ezra Jack

Description: The adventures of a little boy in the city on a very snowy day.

Title: Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?

Author: Martin, Bill Jr.

Description: Children see a variety of animals, each one a different color, and a teacher looking at them.

Title: The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Author: Carle, Eric

Description: Follows the progress of a hungry little caterpillar as he eats his way through a varied and very large quantity of food until, full at last, he forms a cocoon around himself and goes to sleep and wakes up a butterfly.

Title: Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

Author: Martin, Bill Jr. and Archambault, John

Description: A told B and B told C, "I'll meet you at the top of the coconut tree." When all the letters of the alphabet race one another up the coconut tree, will there be enough room? Of course there is always enough room for this rollicking alphabet chant that has been a children's favorite for more than twenty years!

Title: We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Author: Rosen, Michael

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

Title: Corduroy

Author: Freeman, Don

Description: A tale about a bear in search of a home, and a little girl in search of a friend.

Title: Where The Wild Things Are

Author: Sendak, Maurice

Description: Let the wild rumpus with Max and all the wild things continue as this classic comes to life as never before with new reproductions of Maurice Sendak's artwork.

Title: Goodnight Moon

Author: Brown, Margaret Wise

Description: A little bunny bids goodnight to all the objects in his room before falling asleep.

Title: Harold and the Purple Crayon

Author: Johnson, Crockett

Description: Harold goes for a walk in the moonlight by stepping into the picture he has drawn with his purple crayon.

Title: How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight?

Author: Yolen, Jane and Teague, Mark

Description: Mother and child ponder the different ways a dinosaur can say goodnight, from slamming his tail and pouting to giving a big hug and kiss.