



Rising First Graders



Titles may be available on audiobook or in large print. Many also come in Spanish. Some are meant for an adult to read to a child and some are for the beginning reader.

Fiction

Hi, Fly Guy! (or other *Fly Guy* books) by Tedd Arnold
Buzz has a new pet. It can say his name!

We're Going on a Lion Hunt by David Axtell
Travel through the African savannah with two brave sisters looking for a lion.

Old Black Fly by Jim Aylesworth
Follow a pesky old black fly through the alphabet and through a "very busy bad day."

Bears in the Night by Stan Berenstain
What a mysterious sound! The bears creep out of bed and up Spook Hill to find out what is making that noise.

Sid and Sam by Nola Buck
Sometimes things get silly when two good friends are having fun.

Biscuit (or other *Biscuit* books) by Alyssa Capucilli
It's time for bed, but puppy Biscuit would rather play.

Bigmama's by Donald Crews
The best summers are spent playing, swimming and fishing with cousins at Bigmama's place.

¡Perros! ¡Perros! Dogs! Dogs! by Ginger Fogelson Guy
"¡Muchos perros! Lots of dogs!...¿A dónde van? Where are they going?"

Tooth Fairy (or other *My First Reader* books) by Kirsten Hall
Going to bed is more fun when you are expecting the tooth fairy.

The Doorbell Rang by Pat Hutchins
Each time the doorbell rings, more friends arrive to share Ma's wonderful cookies. What will they do when they run out of goodies?

Two Feet Up, Two Feet Down by Pamela Love
"Two feet up. Two feet down. Swing the jump rope round and round."

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom by Bill Martin
What happens when all of the letters of the alphabet race to the top of the coconut tree?

Messy Bessey (or other *Messy Bessey* books) by Pat McKissack
There's gum on the ceiling and jam on the floor, so Bessey gets busy cleaning her room.

SuperHero ABC by Bob McLeod

There is a superhero for every letter of the alphabet starting with Astro-man who is “always alert for an alien attack.”

Martha Calling (or other *Martha* books) by Susan Meddaugh

Martha the talking dog goes to a No Dogs Allowed hotel disguised as Grandma. When she orders a big meal from room service, she nearly causes a riot!

Joshua James Likes Trucks by Catherine Petrie

He likes big trucks and little trucks, trucks that go up and down. “Joshua James just likes trucks.”

Mice and Beans by Pam Muñoz Ryan

Rosa María works all week to get ready for her granddaughter’s birthday party. She doesn’t realize that she has some helpers.

Duck on a Bike by David Shannon

The barnyard will never be the same after Duck learns to ride a bike.

Hop on Pop by Dr. Seuss

Can you read some of the words in this silly book?

Wild About Books by Judy Sierra

Molly the librarian starts something big when she drives the bookmobile to the zoo.

Baa-Choo! by Sarah Weeks

Sam the lamb starts to sneeze but can’t finish. He has the ahhh, but not the choo! Maybe his friends can help.

I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly by Nadine Bernard Westcott

Have you ever been hungry enough to eat a fly, a spider, or a bird? Sing along with this funny song about a lady who just can’t stop!

There Is a Bird on Your Head! (or other *Elephant and Piggie* books) by Mo Willems

Elephant is not happy when some birds decide that his head is a good place for their nest.

A Chair for My Mother by Vera B. Williams

A young girl, her mother and her grandmother save their coins to buy a beautiful, comfy armchair after their furniture is destroyed in a fire.

Nonfiction

Who’s in Rabbit’s House?: A Masai Tale by Verna Aardema E 398.2

The Long One, who eats trees and tramples on elephants, is in Rabbit’s house. How will she get it to leave?

Adelita: A Mexican Cinderella Story by Tomie de Paola E 398.2

“Hace mucho tiempo—a long time ago in a village in Mexico...” So begins a favorite story set in a new place.

Uno, Dos, Tres=One, Two, Three by Pat Mora E 468.1

Practice your counting in Spanish and English.

Splash! by Ann Jonas E 513.21

Try to keep track of all of the animals as they jump in and out of the pond. Splash!

A Second Is a Hiccup by Hazel Hutchins E 529.7

It takes a second to kiss your mom and a minute to sing a little song. In a month or a year a lot more can happen.

Pop! A Book About Bubbles by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley E 530.42

Do you like to blow bubbles? Did you ever wonder why they are round?

How a Seed Grows by Helene J. Jordan E 582

Plant a seed and see what happens.

Grandma Elephant's in Charge by Martin Jenkins E 599.6

"The most important member of an elephant family is...Grandma!"

The Tooth Book: A Guide to Healthy Teeth and Gums by Edward Miller E 617.6

Have you and your friends started losing teeth? What a good thing you're growing new ones because without teeth, it would be hard eat, talk or learn to whistle.

If You Decide to Go to the Moon by Faith McNulty E 629.45

Three, two, one, BLAST OFF! Take an imaginary trip to the moon.

Today Is Monday by Eric Carle E 782.42

Do you like string beans on Monday, spaghetti on Tuesday, or a treat later in the week? Come and eat it up!

Take Me Out to the Ballgame by Jack Norworth E 811

When you sing along with this old favorite, you'll feel like you're there in the crowd eating peanuts and cheering your favorite baseball team.

Honey, I Love by Eloise Greenfield E 811.54

This girl loves the way her cousin talks. She loves cool water from a hose on a hot and icky day. She loves lots of things.

Me on the Map by Joan Sweeney E 912.014

"...in rooms, in houses, on streets, in towns, in countries all over the world, everybody has their own special place on the map."

Johnny Appleseed by Patricia Demuth E Bio Appleseed

The next time you bite into a juicy apple, think of John Chapman who traveled around the country planting apple trees.

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