

Rising Kindergarteners



Fiction

I Love Saturdays y domingos by Alma Flor Ada

E Fic & PB; also available in Spanish

A girl has fun every Saturday with Grandpa and Grandma and cada domingo con Abuelito y Abuelita.

When Sophie Gets Angry—Really, Really Angry... by Molly Bang E Fic & PB; Audiobook

When Sophie gets angry, watch out!

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton E Fic & PB; Audiobook; also available in Spanish

Can Mike's steam shovel, Mary Anne, really dig as much in a day as a hundred men can dig in a week?

Get Up and Go! by Nancy Carlson E Fic & PB

It doesn't matter if you are short or tall, skinny or round. Jumping and playing tag are fun—and good exercise, too.

Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come! by Nancy L. Carlson E Fic & PB; also available in Spanish

Henry's first day of school is finally here. He is ready to go. Look out kindergarten!

Jamela's Dress (or other *Jamela* books) by Niki Daly E Fic & PB; Audiobook

Jamela didn't mean to ruin the cloth Mama bought to make a new dress. It was an accident, but everyone is cross with her and she is cross with herself.

Go, Dog, Go! by P.D. Eastman EFB; also available in Spanish

Big dogs and little dogs, yellow dogs and green dogs—there are dogs everywhere.

Corduroy by Don Freeman E Fic & PB; Audiobook; also available in Spanish and Spanish Audiobook

Corduroy, the bear, lives at the store with the other toys. He would like a home and a friend to hug him.

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes E Fic; Audiobook; also available in French and Spanish

Lilly's teacher says she must wait until recess or sharing time to show everyone her new purple purse. She doesn't want to wait. That is a big problem for Lilly.

26 Letters and 99 Cents by Tana Hoban E Fic & PB

Two books in one—oh, what fun!

Kipper's A to Z: An Alphabet Adventure by Mick Inkpen E Fic & PB

A is for ant and Z is for zebra. Join Kipper and Arnold as they frolic through the alphabet.

Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keats E Fic & PB; Audiobook; also available in Spanish

Peter wishes that he could whistle. He practices all day to make his wish come true.

I Stink! by Kate McMullan E Fic & PB; Audiobook

The garbage truck is big and noisy. It loves to gobble up stinky trash from all over town.

Max Found Two Sticks by Brian Pinkney E Fic & PB

Buckets and boxes, bottles and cans—Max can tap out a beat on anything. How about you?

Down by the Bay (or other *Raffi Songs to Read* books) by Raffi E Fic & PB

Did you ever see a moose kissing a goose or a fly wearing a tie? Try singing these silly rhymes; then, make up some of your own.

Good Night, Gorilla by Peggy Rathmann E Fic & PB; Audiobook; also available in Spanish

The zookeeper says good night to all of the animals. They are not ready to go to sleep. Don't tell!

Caps for Sale by Esphyr Slobodkina E Fic & PB; Audiobook; also available in Spanish and Spanish Audiobook

Those naughty monkeys steal all of the peddler's caps. How can he get them back?

Doctor De Soto by William Steig E Fic & PB; Audiobook; also available in Spanish and Spanish Audiobook

It isn't nice of the fox to want to eat the dentist and his wife after they cured his toothache, even if they are mice.

Where Are You Going, Manyoni? by Catherine Stock E Fic

What a long walk for Manyoni. Oh, the things she sees. Can you guess where Manyoni is going?

I Love School! by Philemon Sturges E Fic & PB

Here are some of the things to love about going to kindergarten. Can you think of any more?

My Kindergarten by Rosemary Wells E Fic

From September to June, kindergarten is full of great things to do together.

Apple Pie Fourth of July by Janet S. Wong E Fic & PB

The girl thinks that no one will want to buy Chinese food from her restaurant on the Fourth of July. She just might be surprised.

Harry, the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion E Fic & PB; Audiobook; also available in Spanish and Braille

Harry, the white dog with black spots, does not want to take his bath. He runs away from home and gets so dirty that he becomes a black dog with white spots!

Nonfiction

Lots of Feelings by Shelley Rotner E 152.4

Sometimes our faces show how we are feeling inside—sad, grumpy, curious, or serious. The children in this book have lots of feelings and you do, too!

Strega Nona: An Original Tale by Tomie De Paola

E 398.2; Audiobook; also available in Spanish and Spanish Audiobook

When Strega Nona goes to visit her friend, she warns Big Anthony to stay away from the magic pasta pot.

The Gingerbread Boy by Paul Galdone E 398.2

The little Gingerbread Boy is running away from everyone in town. If he runs as fast as he can, will they ever catch him?

The Neighborhood Mother Goose by Nina Crews E 398.8

Rhyme along with Little Miss Muffet, Georgie Porgie, Jack Be Nimble and all of the neighborhood kids.

ABC for You and Me by Margaret Gurnis E 411

Have fun with the alphabet.

Exactly the Opposite by Tana Hoban E 428

Push and pull. Open and shut. Look at the pictures to find the opposites.

Fish Eyes by Lois Ehlert E 511

Have you ever wished that you were a fish? Even if you haven't, take a look at this book and count all the swimmers.

We All Went on Safari: A Counting Journey Through Tanzania by Laurie Krebs E 513.2

Moja, mbili, tatu. One, two, three. Count the animals from one to ten in English and Swahili.

Lemons Are Not Red by Laura Vaccaro Seeger E 535.6

If lemons are not red, what color are they? See if you can guess all the colors in the book.

Spicy Hot Colors=Colores Picantes by Sherry Shahan E 535.6

You know your colors. Learn how to say them in Spanish.

About Reptiles: A Guide for Children (or other animal books) by Cathryn Sill E 597.9

They have dry, scaly skin. Some have no legs at all. Their babies hatch from eggs. What are they?

May I Pet Your Dog? by Stephanie Calmenson E 636.7

Say hello to dogs named Harry, Twigs and Chester. They will help you know the best way to make friends with dogs you meet.

From Milk to Ice Cream by Stacy Taus-Bolstad (or other *Start to Finish* books) E 637.4

Read how milk ends up flavored, frozen and sitting on an ice cream cone. Two scoops of chocolate, please!

The Tortilla Factory by Gary Paulsen E 641.82

Tortillas! They start out as corn that grows in the earth and end up yummy in your tummy.

Can You See What I See? Cool Collections (or others) by Walter Wick E 793.73

I spy a butterfly hiding in the buttons. Can you see what I see?

Dinosaurs Galore! by Giles Andreae E 811

Twelve poems about twelve different dinosaurs—have you heard of them all?

Kindergarten Kids by Stephanie Calmenson E 811.54

Are you ready for a fun-filled frolic full of rhymes, riddles and songs? Join the kindergarten kids.

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