



Rising Kindergarteners

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

I Love Saturdays y domingos by Alma Flor Ada

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

When Sophie gets angry, watch out!

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton

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 L. Carlson

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

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

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

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

Corduroy by Don Freeman

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

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

Two books in one—oh, what fun!

Kipper's A to Z: An Alphabet Adventure by Mick Inkpen

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

Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson

One night before bed, Harold decides to go for a walk with a big purple crayon in his hand. What an adventure he has!

Whistle for Willie by Ezra Jack Keats

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

My Day (or other *We Both Read* books) by Sindy McKay

Kids and parents can take turns reading this story together. If this one is fun, why not try others in the *We Both Read* series?

I Stink! by Kate McMullan

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

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

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

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

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

Doctor De Soto by William Steig

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

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

I Love School! by Philemon Sturges

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

My Kindergarten by Rosemary Wells

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

Apple Pie Fourth of July by Janet S. Wong

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

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

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.

Bread Comes to Life by George Levenson E 641.815

Loaves and rolls and pizza too—bread comes in all shapes, sizes and flavors.

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

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

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?