



2015 2x2 Reading List

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Arena, Jen. **Besos for Baby**. Illustrated by Blanca Gómez. Little, Brown Kids. ISBN 978-0316230377. \$6.99. Ages 0-3. Baby loves kisses and everyone loves baby! Count along 1, 2, 3 to mucho besos!

Aylesworth, Jim. **My Grandfather's Coat**. Illustrated by Barbara McClintock. Scholastic Press. ISBN 978-0439925457. \$17.99. Ages 5-8. When grandfather came to America, he made a new coat. It was recycled into many other items of clothing as the story tells of many generations creating memories

together.

Bently, Peter. **Meet the Parents**. Illustrated by Sara Ogilvie. Simon & Schuster. ISBN 978-1481414838. \$17.99. Ages 4-8. Parents are not just for nagging; they come in handy as horses, tent poles, donkeys and horses. Humorous illustrations depict the varied roles parents play for their children.

Brown, Peter. **My Teacher is a Monster! (No, I Am Not.)** Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-0316070294. \$18.00. Ages 5-8. Robert thinks his teacher is a fang-toothed, mean green monster until he runs into her in the park one day and comes to the rescue. Then he sees her in a new light...most of the time.

Burningham, John. **The Way to the Zoo**. Candlewick Press. ISBN 978-0763673178. \$15.99. Ages 3-6. What would happen if you found a secret door leading from your very own bedroom to the zoo? You'd invite the animals over of course...leading to mixed results!

Campbell, Scott. **Hug Machine**. Atheneum Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-1442459359. \$16.99. Ages 4-8. Nothing stops the hug machine! He hugs people, dogs, rocks, and even porcupines and once exhausted, he accepts hugs from others because he's always up for H-U-G-S.

DiPucchio, Kelly. **Dog Days of School**. Illustrated by Brian Biggs. Disney-Hyperion. ISBN 978-0786854936. \$16.99. Ages 4-8. Charlie went to bed one night dreading the thought of going to school. If only he could be lucky like his dog Norman and stay home. Chaos is created when they wake up to find that they have switched places!

DiTerlizzi, Angela. **Some Bugs**. Illustrated by Brendan Wenzel. Beach Lane Books. ISBN 978-1442458802. \$17.99. Ages 2-5. This beautifully illustrated book will encourage your budding entomologist to go outside and discover that an entirely new and exciting world exists in the backyard.

Gall, Chris. **Dog vs. Cat**. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-0316238014. \$17.00. Ages 5-8. When owners bring home a dog and a cat on the same day and put them in the same room, they discover that they are opposites in everything that they do. When a new baby comes to the home, dog and cat realize that maybe they can work together!

Hale, Shannon and Dean. **The Princess in Black**. Illustrated by LeUyen Pham. Candlewick Press. ISBN 978-0763665104. \$14.99. Ages 5-8. Join Princess Magnolia in her adventures as she throws off her pink attire, to slip on black and a secret identity: the Princess in Black.

Hall, Michael. **It's an Orange Aardvark!** Greenwillow Books. ISBN 978-0062252067. \$17.99. Ages 4-8. During a thunderstorm, after drilling holes, five carpenter ants speculate about what colorful thing could be outside their stump home.

Harrison, Hannah E. **Extraordinary Jane**. Dial Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-0803739147. \$16.99. Ages 4-8. Jane's family is extraordinary and plays integral roles in the circus. What could Jane do? She wasn't graceful or mighty or daring. She was "just Jane." Finally, Jane finds her place in the circus...being "Just Jane."

Judge, Lita. **Flight School**. Atheneum. ISBN 978-1442481770. \$16.99. Ages 4-8. At Flight School, they teach birds to fly. Even a penguin with a heart to soar and a soul of an eagle who was hatched to fly learns that perseverance and hard work will lead to success.

Krensky, Stephen. **I Am So Brave!** Illustrated by Sara Gillingham. Abrams Appleseed. ISBN 978-1419709371. \$6.95. Ages 1-3. New experiences can be scary! This brave little boy will show readers that they too can conquer their fears and discover that they are brave as well.

Nichols, Lori. **Maple**. Nancy Paulsen Books. ISBN 978-0399160851. \$16.99. Ages 3-6. Maple's maple tree is her playmate, planted by her parents in her honor before she was born. As they grow, she sings and dances with it, and even throws snowballs to it. One season, something surprising happens--a willow sapling appears. And soon, so does her baby sister!

Pett, Mark. **The Girl and the Bicycle**. Simon & Schuster. ISBN 978-1442483194. \$15.99. Ages 4-8. In this wordless picture book that is worth more than a thousand words, readers find that if you want something bad enough, hard work is required and it pays off.

Salas, Laura Purdie. **Water Can Be...** Illustrated by Violeta Dabija. Millbrook Press. ISBN 978-1467705912. \$17.95. Ages 5-8. Seasonal imagery and playful words help readers discover all that water can be—"picture catchers" and "otter feeders," "garden soakers" and "rainbow jewelers," and so much more.

Saltzberg, Barney. **Chengdu Could Not, Would Not Fall Asleep**. Disney-Hyperion. ISBN 978-1423167211. \$16.99. Ages 2-5. Even hanging upside down doesn't help Chengdu the panda bear fall sleep in the bamboo grove. So he climbs up and up to the perfect spot. But, who is wide-eyed and awake now?

Yoon, Salina. **Found**. Walker Books for Young Readers. ISBN 978-0802735591. \$14.99. Ages 3-6. Unclaimed after Bear searches and posts flyers, a lost toy bunny becomes his new buddy. Then Moose happens upon his old toy, Floppy. What will become of the bunny now that he is found?

Yuly, Toni. **Early Bird**. Feiwel and Friends. ISBN 978-1250043276. \$15.99. Ages 2-4. Follow a bright red bird on a journey across, through, over, and under to get a worm. Bold colors and simple text give new meaning to the phrase "the early bird gets the worm."