

Symbolised Text Booklist

A selection for children

Fiction

BLATHWAYT Benedict

A colourful counting book on a farmyard theme. It counts from 1 to 12 and follows the farm through the seasons.

One Farm

BEARDSLEY Martyn

A simple rhyming and counting story showing the five little kittens getting into mischief!

Five Naughty Kittens

BROWN Ruth

Spooky and atmospheric with a repetitive text, there's a surprise at the end!

A dark, dark tale

BROWN Ruth

An extended version of the well known nursery rhyme.

Ladybird, Ladybird

BROWN Ruth

A simple creepy haunting ghost story about a white dog. It's very atmospheric.

One Stormy Night

BROWN Ruth

A powerful book about the destruction of the environment based on the well known rhyme "The house that Jack Built".

The world that Jack Built

BROWNE Anthony

A cheeky chimp's introduction to the joy of books! Cheerful illustrations that is full of allusive detail.

I like books

BROWNE Anthony

A witty and warm tribute to the authors own dad and to dads everywhere. Boldly illustrated in the authors own inimitable style.

My Dad

BROWNE Anthony

A gentle tale extolling the virtues of mums everywhere

My Mum

BROWNE Anthony**Things I like**

The fun-loving chimps back – this time sharing the things he loves most in the world.

BRYANT Ann**Jack's Party**

Jack's friends want to play pass the parcel at his birthday party. Through a misunderstanding he tries to stop the game as he thinks they will not like the prize. A simple tale where all ends well.

BRYANT David**My dog Jessie**

A colourful look at Jessie the dog and how she behaves.

BURNINGHAM John**Seasons**

The author's evocative illustrations help to create a unique book.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**Jack the carpenter**

A simple introduction to the world of work as portrayed by ten jolly characters.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**Jasper's beanstalk**

Jasper the cute main character finds a bean, plants it and watches it grow. Bright and cheerful illustrations compliment this simple story.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**Jill the farmer**

An introduction to Jill and her friends, looking at what they do and the tools of their trades.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**Just like Jasper**

What will Jasper choose when he spends his birthday money in the toyshop? A warm and funny story with an endearing main character.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**My Dad is brilliant**

A bold and lively text that celebrates the versatility of a fantastic dad.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**My Grandma is wonderful**

A tribute to grans everywhere and the wonderful things they say and do.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**My Grandpa is amazing**

A warm cosy tale of two children proudly boasting of all the amazing things their grandfather can do.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**My Mum is fantastic.**

A cheery and heart-warming tale extolling the virtues of a fantastic mum.

BUTTERWORTH Nick**Opposites**

The classic theme of opposites has been given a witty boost!

BUTTERWORTH Nick**Tigger**

A fun book about a tabby kitten that imagines he has the characteristics of a real scary tiger

CARLE Eric

From head to toe

A playful rhythmic question and answer text that introduces the reader to simple body movements.

CASEY Patricia

My cat Jack

Patricia Casey's excellent illustrations and text captures the activities of that most loved of domestic creatures, the cat!

CASEY Patricia

Quack,quack

A farmyard tale with simple text and illustrations in colour wash.

CASSIDY Anne

A bunch of balloons

A bright fun book about Joe who is having a birthday party. But will he have any balloons ?

CASSIDY Anne

Jasper and Jess

Jasper the dog and Jess the cat are enemies but when Jess gets stuck on the roof Jasper comes to her rescue.

CASSIDY Anne

Jumping Josie

Josie the frog loves jumping. One day she jumps too far into the wrong garden. How can she get back?

CASSIDY Anne

Toby's Trousers

Toby the clown wears old trousers and he really needs some new ones. Finding them proves to be difficult.

CLAIRE James

The zoo rap

Join Bob and Emma who are off to the zoo. This simple tale encourages you to join in their fun by counting and rapping with them

COUSINS Lucy

Maisy makes gingerbread

Maisy the mouse is busy in her kitchen preparing delicious gingerbread for tea.

COUSINS Lucy

Maisy's colours

Maisy the popular mouse is up to her usual cheery antics in this 'colourful' tale.

CREBBIN June

Dinnertime rhymes

A lively tale about children and their favourite foods.

DALE Penny

Bet you can't

A story of dares that ends in a bit of a mess! Excellent for discussion.

DODD Lynley

Hedgehog Howdedo

Set in winter this counting rhyme tells the story of a girl discovering lots of hedgehogs.

DODDS Siobhan

This is my day

A bright and cheerfully illustrated book that follows a boy through his day and daily routines.

DONALDSON JULIA

Hippo has a hat

A fun rhyming story about a group of animals trying on different clothes to wear to a party

DUNBAR Joyce

Baby bird

A delightfull cumulative story written in the style of 'this is the house that Jack built'.

Repetitive text with expressive illustrations.

DUQUENNOY Jacques

Phantom feast

Join in the fun when Freddy invites his friends to a lively and 'colourful' phantom feast.

Humorous illustrations enhance this fun story.

FRIEL Maeve

Felix on the move

Felix the cat becomes sad when he thinks his owners are leaving him behind but all ends well .

GARLAND Sarah

Doing the washing

A familiar setting with a busy mum 'helped' by a lively toddler plus family dog! Great for sharing.

GARLAND Sarah

Ellie's breakfast

A sharing book that follows Ellie and her dad feeding the farm animals before they sit down to their own breakfast.

GARLAND Sarah

Going shopping

Further antics in this popular series. The 'joys' of shopping with young children portrayed in a humorous and realistic story.

GARLAND Sarah

going swimming

Another tale in this popular series. This time it's baby's first time in the water.

GARLAND Sarah

What am I doing?

A mixture of realism and fantasy that perfectly captures a child's unique view of the world.

GREJNIEC Michael

What do you like?

A stimulating story that stirs the imagination and provokes many questions and answers about the world around us.

GRAVES Sue

Oh George!

George likes to paint everything including his sister! Dad has a plan to stop him.

HANSON Dave

We're going camping

Ben and Jack use their imaginations to discover all the exciting places in the world they can visit .

HARVEY Damian

A Gift for the King

A fun tale about the king's birthday and the unexpected present he receives.

HARVEY Damian

Make way for the Queen!

A simple and humorous tale about a town that is expecting a visit from the Queen. The Queen turns out to be an ant!

HARVEY Damian**Oggy and the dinosaur**

The story of how Stone Age Oggy meets a baby dinosaur and then meets the dinosaur's mother !

HAYES Sarah**This is the bear**

Simple text with humorous asides from the characters. It's set to the rhythm of 'The house that Jack built'.

HEAP Sue**Princess Dress**

Lively illustrations enhance this tale of a princess who cannot decide what to wear.

HUTCHINS Pat**Rosie's walk**

The classic tale of how Rosie the hen is followed through the farmyard by the sly fox.

HUTCHINS Pat**Titch**

The tale of the youngest in the family outshone by his older siblings

HUTCHINS Pat**The wind blew**

Gale force winds create havoc in the town! The anxiety is vividly portrayed in the stylised illustrations and rhyming language.

LAVIS Steve**Cock-a-doodle-doo**

With animals to count and noises to make, young and old alike will enjoy sharing this romp through the farmyard.

McDONNELL Flora**I love animals**

A visual feast of farmyard animals with simple bold text.

McDONNELL Flora**I love boats**

A bold and jolly book with lively pictures of all sorts of seafaring vessels.

MARIS Ron**Hello baby badger**

A humorous tale of friendship when badgers walk in the country results in a surprise meeting.

MARIS Ron**Is anyone home?**

A lift-the-flap book to see who is behind each door. A simple and charming story.

MARK Jan**Fur**

Thin kitty grows fat, she's making a nest for her kittens – hence the fur! Bold illustrations and full of cattish charm.

MARTIN Bill**Brown bear, brown bear, what do you see?**

On each page a different tissue paper collage animal has a question to ask. A perennial favourite picture book.

MASUREL Claire**Two Homes**

A simple book that could be used for discussion. The main character is Alex and it describes the similarities of life in the two homes of his divorced parents.

MILLER Virginia**Get into bed**

An acutely observed snippet of toddler life as portrayed by Bartholomew the bear.

MOCKFORD Caroline**Cleo the cat**

Join a small inquisitive cat called Cleo as she sets out to find a home and a friend.

MONKS Lydia**I wish I were a dog**

A likeable story of Kitty the cat who thinks that dogs have more fun!

MOORE Maggie**The three little pigs**

A favourite traditional tale that has nice repetition and format.

NASH Margaret**The fox and the stalk**

The old tale of fox inviting stork to dinner and then eating it all himself. How can stork teach him a lesson?

NASH Margaret**Hetty's new hat**

Hetty the hen is proud of her new hat. Disaster strikes when the wind blows it away and she gives chase.

POWELL Jillian**The naughty puppy**

Barney the naughty puppy misbehaves at the dog show but when the judge's hat blows away he saves the day.

PRATER John**On Friday something funny happened**

Chaotic excitement reigns all week until Friday when all is peaceful. Large print is used with a single sentence for each day of the week.

SHARRATT Nick**The green queen**

Follow the green queen and all the colours in her world

SHARRATT Nick**Mrs Pirate**

A lively rhyme about Mrs Pirate and all the things she buys on her shopping trip

SHARRAT Nick**My mum and dad make me laugh**

An entertaining story of a Mum who likes spots and a Dad who likes stripes. Illustrated in a bright, zany style, it's a good introduction to maths too!

SHARRATT Nick**Pointy – hatted princesses**

Princess Trudy and the other princesses are really moody. Can anything brighten their day?

SHARRAT Nick**Smart aunties**

Colourful with a lively rhyme, here are some of the smartest aunties you could ever meet.

STEINER Joan**Amazing look- a-likes**

Spot the amazing disguised objects that create this fascinating series of pictures.

STICKLAND Paul & H**Dinosaur roar**

A beautifully illustrated book with witty rhyming text that is perfect for every young dinosaur lover.

STIMSON Joan

Sing – song mum

Mike's mum never stops singing. To save his embarrassment can he stop her when his friend Dave comes to play ?

WADE Barrie

Cinderella

The traditional tale retold in a bold and appealing format.

WADE Barrie

My birthday party

Shows all the preparations, excitement and events of a little girl celebrating her seventh birthday party.

WADE Barrie

The three Billy Goats Gruff

A traditional retelling of what happens to the three Billy Goats Gruff when they meet the wicked Troll that tries to stop them crossing the bridge to eat the sweet grass on the other side.

WALLACE Karen

Where are my shoes?

Jack is cross when he can't find his shoes. When he conjures up some magic all is resolved.

WALSH Melanie

Do monkeys tweet?

Simple illustrations enhance this question and answer book based on animal sounds.

WALSH Melanie

Do pigs have stripes?

Another question and answer book, this time focusing on animal identification.

WATANABE Shigeo

How do I eat it?

Little Bear finds eating a tricky business! Follow this endearing character's humorous antics.

WATANABE Shigeo

How do I put it on?

A simple tale of a little bear that usually gets it wrong. This time it's about how to get dressed.

WHY I LOVE CHRISTMAS

Portrayed by animals and written in children's own words this book reflects all the good things about Christmas

NON-FICTION

BRYANT -MOLE Karen

At the beach

A simple introduction to the seaside.

BRYANT - MOLE Karen

Autumn

A simple introduction to this colourful season.

BRYANT – MOLE Karen

Games

A simple introduction to a wide variety of indoor and outdoor games.

~~BRYANT~~– MOLE Karen

Materials

A simple introduction to materials.

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A book with photographs of many different textures that we see in everyday life.

BRYANT – MOLE Karen

Toys

A simple introduction to toys.

BRYANT – MOLE Karen

Winter

A simple introduction to the winter season.

CHANCELLOR Deborah

Camping Trip

Yasmin and Kaya are going camping, so all the preparation has to be done. Well illustrated through photographs.

CRAWFORD Tracey

Bears

Brief facts about bears

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Fish

Brief facts about fish

CRAWFORD Tracey

Frogs

Brief facts about frogs

CRAWFORD Tracey

Monkeys

Brief facts about monkeys

CRAWFORD Tracey

Snakes

Brief facts about snakes

EASTERLING Lisa

Clothing

A look at clothing around the world

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Families

A look at families around the world

GIBBS B

Butterflies

A colourful look at the butterfly and its life cycle.

GORE Sheila

My Shadow

Simple science activities with everyday objects to help children understand shadows and light.

GLOVER David

The workshop

An insight into the processes and tools used in a workshop.

HOOPER Meredith

The feast

A description about medieval banquets.

HUGHES Monica

Cats

A look at both domestic and wild cats.

HUMPREY Paul

This title shows children how to make decisions about spending their money.

My Money**JENKINS Rhonda**

An outline of edible plants, how they grow and how they can be recognised.

Eating plants**KERLEY Barbara**

This title highlights in stunning photographs and captions the need for water and how people use it in different countries.

A cool drink of water**LLEWELLYN Claire**

A first look at sound and hearing using the 'best ears in the world'.

The Best Ears in the world**MACKINNON Debbie**

A simple 'peep-hole' book. Read the clue and peep through the page to guess the answer.

Eye spy colour**MAYER Cassie**

Simple brief facts about caves

Caves**MAYER Cassie**

A look at farming around the world

Farming**MAYER Cassie**

Simple brief facts about islands

Islands**MAYER Cassie**

Simple brief facts about mountains

Mountains**Mayer Cassie**

Simple brief facts about volcanoes

Volcanoes**MICKLETHWAIT Lucy**

A version of the I spy game using each letter of the alphabet and great works of art

I spy an alphabet in art**MICKLETHWAIT Lucy**

A counting book with a difference! Magnificent works of art are used with great effect.

I spy numbers in art**MITCHELL Melanie**

Simple brief facts about planet earth

Earth**MITCHELL Melanie**

Simple brief facts about the moon

Moon**MITCHELL Melanie**

Simple brief facts about the stars

Stars**MITCHELL Melanie**

Simple brief facts about the sun

Sun

MOON Cliff**Toys now and then**

A simple comparison between the toys grandpa played with and the toys of today.

MOON Cliff**Weather**

A simple look at weather conditions.

NELSON Robin**Float and sink**

A simple introduction to the concepts of floating and sinking.

NELSON Robin**Freezing and melting**

An introduction to the concepts of freezing and melting. Includes a simple experiment

NELSON Robin**Gases**

A look at all types of gases

NELSON Robin**Gravity**

A simple introduction to gravity and forces.

NELSON Robin**Magnets**

A simple look at magnets and magnetism

NELSON Robin**Push and pull**

A simple look at forces

NELSON Robin**Soil**

A simple look at soil

NELSON Robin**The water cycle**

A simple introduction to water and the water cycle

NELSON Robin**We use water**

Explores the uses of water in our everyday lives in a simple way.

NELSON Robin**Way things move**

A simple introduction to movement and forces

NELSON Robin**What is water?**

A general introduction to water and its properties

NELSON Robin**Where is water?**

A simple geographical guide to water in our lives and globally

Nunn Daniel**Eyes**

A look at all types of eyes and how they differ from animal to animal

Nunn Daniel**Mouths**

A look at all types of mouths and how they differ from animal to animal

Nunn Daniel**Noses**

A look at all types of noses and how they differ from animal to animal

PRAGOFF Fiona **Autumn**
Classic photo images of the season of plenty.

PRAGOFF Fiona **Spring**
Classic photo images of the season of new growth.

PRAGOFF Fiona **Summer**
Classic photo images of the season of sunshine.

PRAGOFF Fiona **Winter**
Classic photo images of the winter season.

RIVERA Sheila **Desert**
A simple introduction to the features and flora and fauna of the desert

RIVERA Sheila **Forest**
A simple introduction to the features and flora and fauna of the forest

RIVERA Sheila **Ocean**
A simple introduction to the features and flora and fauna of the ocean

ROOT Betty **Animal homes**
A look at British wild animals and where they live.

ROOT Betty **When Gran was a girl**
An historical comparison between Gran's daily routines and those of today.

SHONE Venice **Wheels**
A first book of vehicles to recognise and talk about.

STEWART Ross **Big J**
A light-hearted look at the life and times of Julius Caesar and the reasons for his demise .

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STEWART ROSS **Clever Cleo**
A light hearted look at the life and times of Queen Cleopatra.

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STEWART Ross **Don't say no to Flo!**
A light hearted look at the life of Florence Nightingale.

STEWART Ross **Hal the Hero**
The amazing story of King Henry VIII, his 6 wives and how he fell out of favour with the English people.

STEWART Ross **The Little Queen**
The life story of Queen Victoria retold in a light hearted way.

STEWART Ross**Will's Dream**

How William the Conqueror came to England to fight Harold at the Battle of Hastings to realise his dream of becoming King of England.

STEWART Ross**William's Words**

An enlightening look at William Shakespeare's life and work during the Elizabethan era.

SWAIN Gwenyth**Bedtime!**

A look at how children's bedtime routines vary around the world.

SWAIN Gwenyth**Carrying**

This title takes you around the world to find out what people carry.

SWAIN Gwenyth**Celebrating**

A multi-cultural look at celebrations around the world

SWAIN Gwenyth**Eating**

A celebration of food around the world.

SWAIN Gwenyth**Get Dressed!**

A colourful look at children's clothes and costume around the world.

SWAIN Gwenyth**Smiling**

This title takes you around the world to find out what makes people smile

SWAIN Gwenyth**Tidy Up!**

A look at how people make things neat and tidy around the world.

SWAIN Gwenyth**Washing!**

A multi-cultural view of how people get clean

THEODOROU Rod**Dinosaurs**

A simple look at dinosaurs and their world.

WADE Barry**Frog**

The life cycle of the frog explained through photographs.

WADE Barry**My day**

Simple rhymes depict a young child's activities through the day.

SENTENCE COMPLETION TITLES

The following titles by **Kim Merry** contain a repetition of questions and a vocabulary practice of eight key words that aid pupils word finding and vocabulary skills.

How are you?
What are you eating?
What food don't you like?
How do you go home?
What don't you like doing?
What is the lady buying ?
What work do you like ?
What can you see?
Who is in the park?
What are you doing?

BIG BOOKS

BROWN Richard **I went to school this morning**
(*Fiction*) An humorous account of a child's mischievous adventures whilst on her way to school.

BROWNE Eileen **Handa's surprise**
(*Fiction*) Luscious artwork makes the fruits that Handa is carrying to her friend Akeyo look almost edible.

CUMMINGS Phil **Monster, monster big and hairy**
(*Fiction*) The antics of each character and creature are depicted in rhyming pattern.

FLEMING Denise **In the tall, tall grass**
(*Fiction*) A visual feast of animals in the tall grass portrayed in vibrant colours and simple rhyme.

GRAHAM Amanda **So what**
(*Fiction*) Two children boast about their mothers. The repetitive storyline ends with a twist.

HUGHES Monica **This week**
(*Non-fiction*) Photographs and simple text illustrates a child's typical week.

HUNT Roderick **Bad day, good day**
(*Fiction*) A child's good and bad days portrayed in rhymes with a patterned and predictable structure.

JENKINS Rhonda **My bean diary**
(*Non-fiction*) A photographic account describing the growth and development of a bean.

LACOMBE Julie

Walking through the jungle

(Fiction) Spot the animals and sounds as you venture through the jungle. Has some jaunty jungle rhymes!

McDONNELL Flora

I love animals

(Fiction) A visual feast of farmyard animals with simple bold text.

MCKEE David

Not now, Bernard

(Fiction) The humorous tale of Bernard, the monster and the parents who never listen.

PRATER John

Wayne's box

(Fiction) A fantasy world story of how Wayne's new friend shows him how to fly.

QUINN Pat

Bumble bee

(Non-fiction) A vivid photographic text on the life of the bumble bee.

STOTT-THORNTON Janet

Waves

(Fiction) Atmospheric and with stunning artwork, follows a boy's adventures on the beach.

WADE Barry

My day

(Non-fiction) Photographs and a simple text recount a child's typical day.