

Year 1 Booklist – Reading for Pleasure

Sharing stories of all kinds including traditional tales and fairy stories, nursery rhymes and action songs help young children develop a love of books and reading. This list includes some examples of the wonderful range of books published for children aged 3 to 6 years. We hope you will enjoy choosing from the suggested authors and poets below.

ADAMS, Georgie	Nanny Fox
AESOP	The fox and the crow; The ant and the grasshopper
AHLBERG, Allan	Funnybones; Peepo!; The Jolly Postman; Chicken, chips and peas
ALBOROUGH, Jez	Play; Where's my Teddy?
ANDERSEN, Hans Christian	The ugly duckling (Usborne First Reading Level 4)
ANDERSON, Laura Ellen	I don't want curly hair
ANDREAE, Giles	Captain Flinn and the pirate dinosaurs
	Sir Scallywag and the deadly dragon poo
ANHOLT, Laurence	Jack and the Giant Spiderweb (and similar funny versions of fairy tales); Ghostshocks and the Three Mummies (Seriously Silly Scary Fairy Tales series);
	Bunnies on a bus; Bunnies in a boat
ARDAGH, Philip	The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch (series)
ARMITAGE, Ronda	Anna Hibiscus Song
ATINUKE	Peter & the wolf
BECK, Ian	Stanley's fire engine
BEE, William	Argh! There's a Skeleton Inside You!
BEN-BARAK, Idan	The Tall man and the small mouse
BERGMAN, Mara	Fangs
BLACKMAN, Malorie	The Weed; The Five of Us; Three Little Monkeys ride again
BLAKE, Quentin	Gnome
BLUNT, Fred	The Whale who wanted more
BRIGHT, Rachel	All about feelings; Fingertrail ABC Board book
BROOKS, Felicity	Handa's Surprise
BROWNE, Eileen	Avocado Baby
BURNINGHAM, John	The Fish who could Wish
BUSH, John	Welcome to our world: a celebration of children everywhere!
BUTTERFIELD, Moira	Love our Earth
CABRERA, Jane	Dear Zoo
CAMPBELL, Rod	From head to toe; The bad-tempered ladybird; The Tiny Seed
CARLE, Eric	You're SO amazing!
CATCHPOLE, James	Mixed: an inspiring story about colour
CHUNG, Arree	Charlie and Lola; Beware of the storybook wolves
CHILD, Lauren	The Tale of the valiant ninja frog
CHISHOLM, Alastair	I love you, Blue Kangaroo!; Bears don't cry!
CLARK, Emma Chichester	You can't take an elephant on the bus
CLEVELAND-PECK, Patricia	Beatrix and her bunnies, The Story of Beatrix Potter
COLBY, Rebecca	The Castle the king built (National Trust)
COLE, Babette	Princess Smartypants

COLTON, Nicola	The Great Cat Cake-Off
COUSINS, Lucy	Maisy's Chinese New Year; Let's play monsters!;
COWLEY, Joy	Song of the River
DAVEY, Sharon	Oh, Sir Bragalot!
DALY, Nicky	Here comes Lolo!
DAVIES, Becky	A firefighter (I want to be... series) Board book
DAVIES, Nicola	A First Book of Animals; Big Blue Whale (Nature storybooks series); My butterfly bouquet; The Day war came
DAYWALT, Drew	The Day the Crayons Quit (series)
DEACON, Alexis	Beegu
DEUTSCH, Georgina	Wide Awake Wolf: Will He Ever Find Sleep?
DODD, Emma	Happy to be me; What matters most
DODD, Lynley	Hairy Maclary
DONALDSON, Julia	The Smeds and the Smoos; Tiddler, the storytelling fish; The Princess and the Wizard
DOYON, Samara Cole	Magic like that
DUDDLE, Jonny	The Jolley-Rogers and the Ghostly Galleon
DUNBAR, Polly	Lulu loves the Library
FABER, Polly	Building a home; All through the Night: People who work while we sleep
FEARNLEY, Jan	Mr Wolf's Pancakes
FOREMAN, Michael	I didn't do it!; One World; Dolphin Boy
FREEDMAN, Claire	Aliens love underpants (series); Oliver and Patch; There's a spider in this book; Monster Max's Shark Spaghetti
FRENCH, Vivian	Oliver's vegetables; Yucky worms
GLIORI, Debi	Stormy Weather
GOODHART, Pippa	Best Test; You Choose!
GRAVETT, Emily	Monkey and Me
GRAY, Kes	The Who's Whonicorn of Unicorns; Oi Frog (series)
GREY, Mini	Toys in Space; The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon
HALLS, Smitra	Stop! That's not my story!
HAUGHTON, Chris	Oh no, George!
HEAP, Sue	Alphabet Ice Cream; Red Rockets and Rainbow Jelly
HEDDERWICK, Mairi	Katie Morag's Island Stories
HEGARTY, Patricia	Crab: a snappy book of colours! Board Book
HENDRA, Sue	Supertato (series); Egg; Christopher Pumpkin; Barry the fish with fingers; I Spy Island (series)
HILL, Eric	Spot goes on Holiday; Spot's slide-and-peek aquarium
HOOD, Morag	Spaghetti hunters
HOPGOOD, Tim	Matisse's Magical Trail
HORACEK, Petr	Puffin Peter; The Last Tiger
HORN, Alice	Penguin's party problems
HUGHES, Hollie	The Girl and the Dinosaur
HUGHES, Shirley	All about Alfie
HUTCHINS, Pat	Rosie's walk
INKPEN, Mick	Kipper (series); Wibbly Pig (series)
JAMES, Simon	Baby Brains; The Boy from Mars

JEFFERS, Oliver	The Way Back Home
JONES, Naomi	The Perfect Fit
JONES, Pip	Madame Squeaker; Squishy McFluff
JONES, Ursula	The Sleeping beauty (magical, feminist retelling)
KERR, Judith	Mog
KLASSEN, Jon	The Rock from the Sky
KRAUSS, Ruth	Growing Story
LLOYD Jones, Anthony	The Nervous Knight
LLOYD, Sam	Captain Sparklebeard; One Banana, Two Banana
LYNCH, Annabelle	Dogs and puppies
MANLEY, Ben	Constance in peril
MARTIN, Bill Jr	Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do you see?
MATTHEWS, Mel (ill.)	Busy recycle (Busy books series)
MAY, Emi-Lou & LEIRE, Martin	Doctorsaurus
MAYO, Margaret	Dig Dig Digging
McBRATNEY, Sam	Guess how much I love you
McKEE, David	Elmer
McKENZIE, Emily	Eric makes a splash
McLAREN, Meg	The station mouse
McNAUGHTON, Colin	Suddenly!
MEDDOUR, Wendy	Lubna and Pebble
MELLING, David	Hugless Douglas
MILBOURNE, Anna	Peep inside snowy places
MITTON, Tony	Twist and hop, minibeast bop; Snow Ghost
MONKS, Lydia	Aaaarrgghh Spider!
MOORE, Inga	Six Dinner Sid
MORPURGO, Michael	It's a dog's life; Snakes and Ladders; Gentle Giant; Owl or Pussycat? Dolphin Boy
MORRIS, Jackie	Mrs Noah's Garden
MORTIMER, Helen & COTTLE, Katie	Omar, the Bees and Me
MUHAMMAD, Ibtihaj	The Proudest Blue
MURPHY, Jill	Just one of those days; On the way home
NICOLL, Helen	Meg and Mog
NICHOLL, Tom	There's nothing faster than a cheetah
NOBLE, Sarah	As Strong as the River
O'BYRNE, Nicola	Open Very Carefully
PENA, Matt De La	Milo imagines the world
PEPPA PIG	Peppa's baking competition (board book); Peppa goes to Hollywood
PERRY, Emma	I don't like books. Never. Ever. The End.
POSKITT, Kjartan	The Runaway Pea washed away! (series)
PORTER, Jane	The Boy who loved everyone
RAY, Mary Lyn	How to have a birthday
RAYNER, Catherine	Arlo the lion who could not sleep
RENTTA, Sharon	Animal Explorers: Toby the Deep-Sea Diver
ROBINSON, Michelle	How to wash a woolly mammoth; When Cucumber loses his cool
ROSEN, Michael	Little Rabbit Foo Foo; We're going on a bear hunt; A Dog's Tale

RYAN, Holly	Never mess with a pirate princess
SCHEFFLER, Axel	Pip and Posy: The big balloon
SEUSS, Dr	The cat in the hat; Horton hatches the Egg
SHARRATT, Nick	Don't put your finger in the jelly, Nelly; Shark in the Park
SIMS, Lesley	Wish fish (Usborne First Reading: level one)
SIRETT, Dawn	Minibeasts (Follow the trail board book series)
SMALLMAN, Steve	Doggy Dance-off
SMITH, Adam	The Plesiosaur's Neck
STEVENS, Georgina	Stella and the Seagull
SWANN, Karen	The Tale of the Whale
TOSDEVIN, Frances	The Bear and Her Book
UMANSKY, Kaye	Pass the Jam Jim;
VERE, Ed	Grumpy Frog
VIPONT, Elfrida & BRIGGS, Raymond	The Elephant and the Bad Baby
VOIGT, Marie	Jazz Dog
WADDELL, Martin	Owl Babies; Farmer Duck; Can't you sleep, Little Bear?
WATT, Fiona	That's not my kangaroo... (Usborne touchy-feely books)
WHYBROW, Ian	Harry and the bucketful of dinosaurs (series); Harry and the Snow King
WILLIS, Jeanne	Cottonwool Colin; Big Bad Bun
WILSON-MAX, Ken	Astro Girl
WYKES, Reece	I Dare You
YARLETT, Emma	Nibbles: the book monster
YATES, Louise	Dog Loves Drawing
Zommer, Yuval	The Wild

Poetry

Bloom, Valerie	Fruits: a Caribbean counting poem
Carter, James	Zim Zam Zoom! Zappy poems to read out loud
Charman, Katrina	Go, go, pirate boat
Coe, Justin	The Dictionary of Dads
Coe, Justin	The Magic of Mums
Conlon, Don	Leap, Hare, Leap! & Wim, Shark, Swim!
Cookson, Paul	There's a crocodile in the house!
Corbett, Pie (compiler)	The King's Pyjamas: A poetry collection
Corbett, Pie (selector)	The Works Key Stage 1: Poems and Rhymes to enjoy, read, perform and learn by heart
Crebbin, June (editor)	The Puffin Book of Fantastic First Poems
Dahl, Roald	Dirty Beasts
Dahl, Roald	Revolting Rhymes
Davies, Nicola	A first book of animals
	A first book of the sea
De la Mare, Walter	Silver
Dodd, Lynley	Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy

Donaldson, Julia	The Further adventures of the owl and the pussycat; Shuffle and squelch
Eliot, T.S.	Macavity
Follereau, Raoul (ill. Hoda Hadadi)	A Smile
Foreman, Michael	Why the animals came to town
Foster, John & Paul, Korky	Fantastic Football Poems
Goodfellow, Matt	Caterpillar cake: read-aloud poems to brighten your day
Hughes, Shirley	Out and About: a first book of poems
Janeczko, Paul B. & Jones, R (ill.)	The proper way to meet a hedgehog and other how-to-poems
Milne, A. A.	Always Pooh and Me: a collection of favourite poems
Moses, Brian	Walking with my Iguana Poems about the Seaside
Payne, Kev	Get moving! Action rhymes and poems to read aloud
Preston-Gannon, Frann	A treasury of nursery rhymes and poems
Rosen, Michael	Chocolate Cake; Jelly Boots, Smelly Boots
Scheffler, Axel	Mother Goose's Nursery Rhymes
Sharratt, Nick	Machine poems
Stansfield, Laurie	Poems out loud! First poems to read and perform
Sutton, Eve	My cat likes to hide in boxes
Umansky, Kaye	Stomp, chomp, big roars! Here come the dinosaurs!
Woollard, Eli	Perfectly Peculiar Pets
Yeoman, John	Old Mother Hubbard's dog dresses up
Zephaniah, Benjamin	Nature trail