

# Big Books and Literature for Transition Kindergarten

***NOTE: TITLES IN BOLD MAY BE DRAMATIZED (at least one per theme)***

THEME	LITERATURE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER
<b><u>MYSELF – SEPTEMBER</u></b>			
<b>Big Books:</b>			
	All I Am	Eileen Roe	Scholastic
	<b>Goldilocks and the Three Bears</b>	Paul Galdone	H. Mifflin
	Hairy Bear	Joy Cowley	Wright Group
<b>Theme Books:</b>			
	<b>From Head to Toe</b>	Eric Carle	
	Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten	Joseph Slate	
	New Bear at School	Carrie Weston and Tim Warnes	
	Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come	Nancy Carlson	
	<b>I Like Me</b>	Nancy Carlson	
	<b>My Five Senses</b>	Aliki	
	Leo the Late Bloomer	Robert Kraus	
	Chicka Chicka Boom Boom	Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault	
	The Body Book	Shelley Rotner	
	<b>Here Are My Hands</b>	Bill Martin J. and John Archambault	
	If You Take a Mouse to School	Laura Numeroff	
	Time for School, Mouse	Laura Numeroff	
	When I Was Little	Jamie Lee Curtis	
	Brown Rabbit’s Shape Book	Alan Baker	
	Gray Rabbit’s Odd One Out	Alan Baker	
<b>Trade Books to Support Zoophonics</b>			
A:	Annabelle Swift, Kindergartener	Amy Schwartz	
	Alphabears	Kathleen Hague	
	The Apple Pie Tree	Zoe Hall and Shari Halpern	
	Apples, Apples, Apples	Nancy Elizabeth Wallace	
	Anno’s Counting Book	Mitsumasa Anno	
	Ant Cities	Arthur Darros	
	Anansi and the Moss Covered Rock	Eric A. Kimmel	
	Anansi the Spider	Gerald McDermott	
	ABC I Like Me	Nancy Carlson	
B:	Blueberries for Sal	Robert McCloskey	
	Brown Bear, Brown Bear	Bill Martin Jr.	
	Bugs, Bugs, Bugs	Bob Barner	
	Bunny Money	Rosemary Wells	
	Boat Book	Gail Gibbons	
	Bicycle Book	Gail Gibbons	
	Going on a Bear Hunt		
	Barn Dance	Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault	

## **COLORS – OCTOBER**

### **Big Books:**

Freight Train	Donald Crews	Scholastic
<b>Three Billy Goats Gruff</b>	Traditional	Scholastic
<b>Dan, the Flying Man</b>	Joy Cowley	Wright Group

### **Theme books:**

#### **Five Little Pumpkins**

#### **Very Busy Spider**

I Went Walking

Brown Bear, Brown Bear

Where the Wild Things Are

Cat's Colors

Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf

Mouse Paint

White Rabbit's Color Book

Mary Wore Her Red Dress

My Crayons Talk

Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse

Planting a Rainbow

Harold and the Purple Crayon

A Color of His Own

A Rainbow of My Own

Miss Mary Mack

Pumpkin Day, Mouse

The Deep Blue Sea

Eric Carle

Sue Williams

Eric Carle

Maurice Sendak

Jane Cabrera

Lois Ehlert

Ellen Stoll Walsh

Alan Baker

Merle Peek

Patricia Hubbard

Steve Henke

Lois Ehlert

Robert Kraus

Leo Lionni

Donald Freeman

Mary Ann Hoberman

Laura Numeroff

Audrey Wood

### **Trade Books to Support Zoophonics:**

C: Very Clumsy Click Beetle	Eric Carle
<b>Who Stole the Cookie from the Cookie Jar</b>	Bonnie Lass and Philemon Sturges
Mixed Up Chameleon	Eric Carle
Have You Seen My Cat?	Eric Carle
1.2.3 To the Zoo: A Counting Book	Eric Carle
Hungry Caterpillar	Eric Carle
House for Hermit Crab	Eric Carle
Curious George	H. A. Rey
I Love Colors	Han Wilhelm
Clap Your Hand: Finger Rhymes	Sarah Hayes
Count and See	Tana Hoban
If You Give a Cat a Cupcake	Laura Numeroff
Caps for Sale	Esphyr Slobodkina
City Mouse, Country Mouse	Jan Brett

D:	Dandelions	Eve Bunting
	Barnyard Dance	Sandra Boynton
	Go, Dog, Go	Dr. Seuss
	If You Give a Dog Donut	Laura Numeroff
E:	Horton Hatches an Egg	Dr. Seuss
	Seven Eggs	Merdith Hooper
	Happy Easter Mouse	Laura Numeroff
	The Earth and I	Frank Asch
F:	Rainbow Fish	Marcus Pfister
	Ferdinand	Munro Leaf
	Fish Eyes	Lois Ehlert
	<b>Five Little Monkey Sitting in a Tree</b>	Eileen Christelow
	<b>Five Little Monkey Jumping on a Bed</b>	Eileen Christelow
	<b>There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly</b>	Simms Taback
	Very Lonely Firefly	Eric Carle
	Hello Red Fox	Eric Carle
	Alice the Fairy	David Shannon

## **FAMILY – NOVEMBER**

### **Big Books:**

Grandpa, Grandpa	Joy Cowley	Wright Group
<b>Sing a Song</b>	Joy Cowley	Wright Group
<b>Pizza Party</b>	Grace Maccaronne	Scholastic

### **Theme Books:**

<b>Three Little Pigs</b>	Traditional
Katy No-Pocket	Emmy Payne
Are You My Mother?	Keiko Kazo
Are You My Mother?	P. D. Eastman
Peter's Chair	Ezra Jack Keats
Does Kangaroo Have a Mother, Too?	Eric Carle
Owen	Kevin Henkes
Noisy Nora	Rosemary Wells
Where Are You Going, Little Mouse?	Robert Kraus
The Mother's Day Mice	Eve Bunting
Jonathan and His Mommy	Irene Smalls
The Relatives Came	Cynthia Rylant

### **Trade Books for Zoophonics:**

G:	One Gorilla	Atsuko Morozumi
	Good Night Gorilla	Peggy Rathmam
	Good Night Moon	Margaret Wise Brown
	What Grandmas Do Best/What Grandpas Do Best	Laura Jaffe Numeroff
H:	A House for Hermit Crab	Eric Carle
	One Hungry Monster	Susan Heyboer O'Keefe
	Hello, Red Fox	Eric Carle
	A House is a House for Me	Mary Ann Hoberman
	Happy Birthday Mouse	Laura Numeroff
	Horrible Harry	Judith Viorst
I:	Inch by Inch	Leo Lionni
	Imogene's Antlers	David Small
	The Important Book	Margaret Wise Brown

## **FRIENDS – DECEMBER**

### **Big Books:**

<b>The Jigaree</b>	Joy Cowley	Wright Group
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie	Laura Numeroff	Scholastic
<b>Swimmy</b>	Leo Lionni	Scholastic

### **Theme Books:**

Gingerbread Man	Traditional
Ira Sleeps Over	Bernard Waber
Friends	Elaine Scott
Chester's Way	Kevin Henkes
Friends	Helme Heine
A Rainbow of Friends	P. K. Hallinan
A Letter to Amy	Ezra Jack Keats
If You Take a Mouse to the Movies	Laura Numeroff
Merry Christmas Mouse	Laura Numeroff
Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge	Mem Fox

### **Trade Books for Zoophonics:**

J:	Jamberry	Bruce Degan
	Jack and the Beanstalk	Traditional
	Bread and Jam for Francis	Francis Hoban
	Jellies: The Life of a Jellyfish	Twig C. George
	The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash	Trinka Hakes Noble and Steven Kellogg
	Julius, the Baby of the World	Kevin Henkes
	Jessica	Kevin Henkes
K:	Katy No-Pocket	H. A. Rey
	Kangaroos (Nature Walk Series)	Denise Burt
	Does a Kangaroo Have a Mother Too?	Eric Carle
	What Do You Do With a Kangaroo	Mercer Meye
	The Kissing Hand	Audrey Penn
L:	Lizard Song	George Shannon
	Very Grouchy Ladybug	Eric Carle
	Ladybug	Joy Cowley
	Latkes, Latkes Good to Eat: Hannukah	Naomi Howland
	Leo the Late Bloomer	Robert Kraus
	Lilly's Purple Purse	Kevin Henkes
	Lilly's Big Day	Kevin Henkes
	Lilly's Chocolate Heart	Kevin Henkes

## NUMBERS – JANUARY

### Big Books:

#### Yuck Soup

Three Little Ducks  
My River  
Good Night Owl

Joy Cowley  
Joy Cowley  
Shari Halpern  
Pat Hutchins

Wright Group  
Wright Group  
Scholastic  
Scholastic

### Theme Books:

Ten, Nine, Eight  
Ten Red Apples  
I Went Walking  
The Button Box  
Ten Apples Up on Top  
Three Little Kittens  
Ten Rosy Roses  
Rooster's Off to See the World  
Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed  
Five Little Ducks  
Over in the Meadow  
Millions of Cats  
How Many Stars in the Sky  
More, Fewer, Less  
Let's Count  
10 Little Rubber Ducks  
The Soup Stone  
One Hunter  
Mouse Count

Molly Bang  
Pat Hutchins  
Sue Williams  
Margarette S. Reid  
Theo LeSieg  
Paul Galdone  
Eve Merriam  
Eric Carle  
Eileen Christelow  
Pamela Papparone  
John Langstaff  
Wanda Gag  
Lenny Hort  
Tana Hoban  
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Eric Carle  
Iris Van Rynbach  
Pat Hutchins  
Ellen Stoll Walsh

### Trade Books for Zoophonics:

M:	If You Give a Mouse ...	Laura Numeroff
	Happy Birthday, Moon	Frank Asch
	Mooncake	Frank Asch
	Moongame	Frank Asch
	Moondance	Frank Asch
	Mouse Magic	Ellen Stoll Walsh
	Good Night Moon	Margaret Wise Brown
	Manner	Aliki
	Papa, Please Get the Moon for ME	Eric Carle
N:	The Napping House	Audrey Wood
	Noisy Nora	Rosemary Wells
	Night at the Fair	Donald Crews
	In November	Cynthia Rylant
	Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible No-good Day	Judith Viorst

Nobody Here But Me

Judith Viorst

- O: Owen  
Olivia  
Olivia and the Fairy Princesses  
My Very Own Octopus  
Oscar Otter  
An Octopus is Amazing  
Over in the Meadow
- P: Polar Bear Polar Bear, What Do You Hear?  
Panda Bear Panda Bear, What Do You See?  
If You Give a Pig a Pancake  
If You Give a Pig a Party  
Popcorn  
Piggies  
Tacky the Penguin  
The Greedy Python

Kevin Henkes  
Ian Falconer  
Ian Falconer  
Bernard Most  
Nathaniel Benchly  
Patricia Lauber  
John Langstaff  
Eric Carle  
Eric Carle  
Laura Numeroff  
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Frank Asch  
Audrey and Don Wood  
Helen Lester and Lynn Munsinger  
Eric Carle

**WEATHER – FEBRUARY****Big Books:****Snowy Day**

Caps, Hats, Socks, Mittens

Pair of Socks

Ezra Jack Keats

Louise Borden

Stuart J. Murphy

Scholastic

Scholastic

Scholastic

**Theme Books:**

Rain

It Looked Like Spilt Milk

Little Cloud

What Will the Weather Be Today?

Katy and the Big Snow

A Rainbow of My Own

Amy Loves Rain

One Hot Summer Day

The Wind Blew

April Showers

Can You See the Wind?

Rain Talk

White Snow, Bright Snow

The Jacket I Wear in the Snow

Wet World

Robert Kalan

Charles G. Shaw

Eric Carle

Paul Rogers

Virginia Burton

Donald Freeman

Julia Hoban

Nina Crews

Pat Huchins

George Shannon

Allan Fowler

Mary Serfozo

Alvin R. Tresselt

Shirley Neitzel

Nora Simon Candlewick

**Trade Books for Zoophonics:**

Q: Quick as a Cricket

The Quilt

Please Be Quiet

The Very Quiet Cricket

R: The Little Red Hen

Rain Rain Go Away

Rooster's Off to See the World

Little Red Riding Hood

S: Sand Cake

Sheilia Reye the Brave

Slowly, Slowly Said the Sloth

Snowballs

Sun Up, Sun Down

Shake My Sillies Out

The Snail's Spell

I Love Spiders

Stellaluna

T: Tikki Tikki Tembo

Tops and Bottoms

Today I Feel Silly: And Other Moods

Audrey Wood

Ann Jonas

Mary Murphy

Eric Carle

Paul Galdone

Faye Robinson

Eric Carle

James Marshall

Frank Asch

Kevin Henkes

Eric Carle

Lois Ehlert

Gail Gibbons

Raffi

Joanne Ryder and Lynne Cherry

John Parker

Janell Cannon

Arlene Mosel

Janet Stevens

Jamie Lee Curtis



Titch  
Tigers (Zoobooks series)

Pat Hutchins

## WHEELS/COMMUNITY – MARCH

### Big Books:

Sheep in a Jeep	Nancy Shaw	H. Mifflin
In the Diner	Christine Loomis	Scholastic
Coco Can't Wait	Taro Gomi	Scholastic

### Theme Books:

Wheels on the Bus	Rosanne Lizinger
Little Engine That Could	Watty Piper
The Diggers	Margaret Wise Brown
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel	Virginia Lee Burton
Curious George Rides a Bike	H. A. Rey
Duck in the Truck	Jez Alborough
Down by the Station	Will Hillenbrand
Mama Zooms	Jane Cowen-Fletcher
Train Song	Diane Siebert
School Bus	Donald Crews

### Trade Books for Zoophonics:

U:	Up, Up! It's Apple-picking Time	Jody Fickes Shipiro
	Umbrella	Taro Yashima
	Ugly Duckling	Hans Christian Andersoh
	Huggles	Joy Cowley
	Hugs	Jez Alborough
V:	Happy Valentine's Day Mouse	Laura Numeroff
	Over in the Meadow	
	Valentine Bears	Eve Bunting
W:	Water	Frank Asch
	Wemberly Worried	Kevin Henkes
	A Weekend with Wendell	Kevin Henkes
	What Do You Do with a Tail Like This"	Steve Jenkins and Robin Page
	Whistle for Willie	Ezra Jack Keats
	Willy Can count	Anne F. Rockwell
	Wake Up Farm	Alvin Tresselt
	Where the Wild Things Are	Marice Sendak

**FARM – APRIL****Big Books:****Mrs. Wishy-Washy**

Joy Cowley

Wright Group

**Rosie's Walk**

Pat Hutchins

Scholastic

Farm Concert

Joy Cowley

Wright Group

Hattie and the Fox

Mem Fox

Aladdin Paperbacks

**Theme Books:**

Old McDonald Had a Farm

Carol Jones

Big Red Barn

Margaret Wise Brown

Big Fat Hen

Keith Baker

Pigs in the Mud

Lynn Plourde

Midnight Farm

Reeve Lindbergh

The Pig's Wedding

Christopher Gunson

Time for Bed

Mem Fox

Little Red Hen

Lucinda McQueen

Henny Penny

Paul Galdone

**Trade Books for Zoophonics:**

- X. Fox in Socks  
Hello Red Fox  
Jessica's XRay
- Y. Yo! You?  
Little Blue and Little Yellow  
Yum, Yum Yummy
- Z. Zin, Zin a Violin  
Zeely Zebra  
Dear Zoo  
If I Ran the Zoo  
Zoo  
1.2.3 To the Zoo  
Curious George Visits the Zoo  
How the Zebra Got Its Stripes

Dr. Seuss  
Eric Carle  
Pat Zonta  
Christopher Raschka  
Leo Lionna  
Martin Wadell  
Lloyd Moss and Marjorie Priceman  
Barbara Derubertis  
Rod Campbell  
Dr. Seuss  
Gail Gibbons  
Eric Carle  
H. A. Ray  
Ron Fontes

**SPRING AND ANIMALS – MAY/JUNE****Big Books:****Jump, Frog, Jump**

Robert Kalan

Scholastic

**I Can Jump**

Joy Cowley

Wright Group

The Carrot Seed

Ruth Krauss

Scholastic

Growing Vegetable Soup

Lois Ehlert

Silver Burdett Ginn

Is Your Mama a Llama

Deborah Guarino

Scholastic

Big and Little

Joy Cowley

Wright Group

**Theme Books:**

Tadpole to Frog

Melvin and Gilda Berger

Hop Jump

Ellen Stoll Walsh

Mother's Day Mice

Eve Bunting

Curious George Flies a Kite

H. A. Rey

Here Comes Spring Summer Winter and Fall

Mary Murphy

Happy Day

Ruth Krauss Harper

The Caterpillar and the Polliwog

Jack Kent

The Easter Egg Farm

Mary Jane Auch

It's Mine

Leo Lionni

Frogs

Gail Gibbons

When Spring Comes

Robert Maas

Tiny Seed

Eric Carle

Henny Penny

Paul Galdone

Tops and Bottoms

Janet Stevens

From Seed to Plant

Gail Gibbons

Seeds, Seeds, Seeds

Nancy Elizabeth Wallace

From Seed to Sunflower

Gerald Legg

Flower Garden

Eve Bunting

Sunflower House

Eve Bunting