Summer 2014, Pre K - Kindergarten Reading List



1) Shark vs. Train by Chris Barton (E BAR)

A shark and a train compete in a series of contests on a seesaw, in hot air balloons, bowling, shooting baskets, playing hide-and-seek, and more.

2) Journey by Aaron Becker (E BEC)

Using a red marker, a young girl draws a door on her bedroom wall and through it enters another world where she experiences many adventures, including being captured by an evil emperor.

3) Honey...Honey...Lion! A Story from Africa by Jan Brett (E BRE)

After working together to obtain honey, the African honey badger always shares it with his partner, the honeyguide bird, until one day when the honey badger becomes greedy and his feathered friend decides to teach him a lesson.

4) *Mr. Tiger Goes Wild* by Peter Brown (E BRO)

Bored with city life and the proper behavior it requires, Mr. Tiger has a wild idea that leads him to discover his true nature.

5) Bad Kitty by Nick Bruel (J BRU)

When a kitty discovers there is no cat food in the house, she decides to become very, very bad.

6) The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt (E DAY)

When Duncan arrives at school one morning, he finds a stack of letters, one from each of his crayons, complaining about how he uses them.

7) Clara Lee and the Apple Pie Dream by Jenny Han (J HAN)

Korean American fourth-grader Clara Lee longs to be Little Miss Apple Pie, and when her luck seems suddenly to change for the better, she overcomes her fear of public speaking and enters the competition.

8) Old Mikamba Had a Farm by Rachel Isadora (E ISA)

The inhabitants of Old Mikamba's farm in Africa, including a baboon, an elephant, and a lion, are described, verse by verse. Includes facts about African animals.

9) This Moose Belongs to Me by Oliver Jeffers (E JEF)

A young boy learns that moose do not always follow the rules of proper pet behavior.

10) **Big Red Lollipop** by Rukhsana Khan (E KHA)

Having to take her younger sister along the first time she is invited to a birthday party spoils Rubina's fun, and later when that sister is asked to a party and baby sister wants to come, Rubina must decide whether to help.

11) *I Want My Hat Back* by Jon Klassen (E KLA)

A bear almost gives up his search for his missing hat until he remembers something important.

12) Ling & Ting: Not Exactly the Same! by Grace Lin (E LIN)

Ling and Ting are identical twins that people think are exactly the same, but time and again they prove to be different.

13) Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? by Bill Martin Jr. (E MAR)

Children see a variety of animals, each one a different color, and a teacher looking at them.

14) There's an Alligator under My Bed by Mercer Mayer (E MAY)

The alligator under his bed makes a boy's bedtime hazardous operation, until he lures it out of the house and into the garage.

15) **There's a Nightmare in My Closet** by Mercer Mayer (E MAY)

At bedtime a boy confronts the nightmare in his closet and finds him not so terrifying after all.

16) The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister (E PFI)

The most beautiful fish in the entire ocean discovers the real value of personal beauty and friendship.

17) *Creepy Carrots!* by Aaron Reynolds (E REY)

The carrots that grow in Crackenhopper Field are the fattest and crispiest around and Jasper Rabbit cannot resist pulling some to eat each time he passes by, until he begins hearing and seeing creepy carrots wherever he goes.

18) **Panda Kindergarten** by Joanne Ryder (J599.789 RYD)

A day in the life of pandas at the China Conservation and Research Center for the Giant Panda at Wolong Nature Preserve.

19) A Bad Case of Stripes by David Shannon (E SHA)

In order to ensure her popularity, Camilla Cream always does what is expected, until the day arrives when she no longer recognizes herself.

20) David Gets in Trouble by David Shannon (E SHA)

When David gets in trouble, he has excuses right up until bedtime, when he realizes he really is sorry.

21) **Sheep in a Jeep** by Nancy E. Shaw (E SHA)

Records the misadventures of a group of sheep that go riding in a jeep.

22) *Unicorn Thinks He's Pretty Great* by Bob Shea (E SHE)

Envy turns to admiration and finally to friendship for Goat and Unicorn.

23) Caps for Sale: A Tale of A Peddler, Some Monkeys, and Their Monkey Business by Esphyr Slobodkina (E SLO)

A band of mischievous monkeys steals every one of a peddler's caps while he takes a nap under a tree.

24) *Ol' Mama Squirrel* by David Ezra Stein (E STE)

Ol' Mama Squirrel has raised many babies and kept them all safe from predators, but she may have met her match when a determined grizzly bear threatens to eat her entire family tree.

25) **Part-Time Princess** by Deborah Underwood (E UND)

A girl escapes her annoying little brother and the drudgery of school and home life when she travels to a magical kingdom each night and embarks on a series of adventures.

26) Scaredy Squirrel by Mélanie Watt (E WAT)

Meet Scaredy Squirrel, a squirrel who never leaves his nut tree because he's afraid of the unknown "out there." But then, something unexpected happens that may just change his outlook.

27) A Bia Guy Took My Ball! by Mo Willems (E WIL)

Piggie is upset because a whale took the ball she found, but Gerald finds a solution that pleases all of them.

28) Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! by Mo Willems (E WIL)

When the bus driver has to leave for a little while, the pigeon pleads to drive the bus.

29) The Pigeon Finds a Hot Dog! by Mo Willems (E WIL)

Pigeon learns about sharing when a curious duckling keeps asking questions about the hot dog Pigeon has found.

30) The Watcher: Jane Goodall's Life with the Chimps by Jeanette Winter (JB GOO)

Acclaimed picture book biographer Jeanette Winter has found her perfect subject: Jane Goodall, the great observer of chimpanzees. Follow Jane from her childhood in London watching a robin on her windowsill, to her years in the African forests of Gombe, Tanzania, invited by brilliant scientist Louis Leakey to observe chimps, to her worldwide crusade to save these primates who are now in danger of extinction, and their habitat. Young animal lovers and Winter's many fans will welcome this fascinating and moving portrait of an extraordinary person and the animals to whom she has dedicated her life. The Watcher was named a Best Book of the Year by the Boston Globe , Kirkus Reviews , Booklist , and the Bank Street College of Education. From the Hardcover edition.

