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Books For Young Children

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Children love to be held on parents' laps and they love to be read to. The parents’ question is, “Which books would be good for my youngster? How do I select them?” Here is a list that can help.

We selected seven sources that recommend books for children. The recommendations in all seven are made and/or supported by authorities in the field of children’s literature. Most of them reflect children’s responses to the books as well as adult reaction.

From the seven sources, we listed all the books that were recommended for children of preschool and kindergarten age. The list included 400 books. To reduce the number to a more manageable and usable size, we selected from that list all the children’s books that had been recommended by at least four out of the seven sources. The final list includes 52 books. Books with a single asterisk (*) were recommended in five of the seven sources. A double asterisk (**) indicates the book was recommended by six or seven of the seven sources.

**RECOMMENDED BOOKS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN**

  Beim, Lorraine and Jerrold Beim, *Two is a Team.* Illustrated by Ernest Crichlow. Harcourt, 1945.
* Dennis, Wesley, *Flip.* Viking, 1941.
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  Viking, 1933.
* Guilfoile, Elizabeth, *Nobody Listens to Andrew*. Illustrated by
  Mary Stevens. Follett, 1957.
Heyward, Du Bose, *The Country Bunny and the Little Gold Shoes,
  as told to Jenifer*. Illustrated by Marjorie Flack, Houghton,
  1939.
* Langstaff, John, *Frog Went A-Courtin!* Illustrated by Feodor
* Langstaff, John, *Over In The Meadow*. Illustrated by Feodor
** Leaf, Munro, *The Story of Ferdinand*. Illustrated by Robert Law-
  son. Viking, 1936.
** McCloskey, Robert, *Make Way For Ducklings*. Viking, 1940.
  McGinley, Phyllis, *All Around the Town*. Illustrated by Helen
* Minarik, Else Holmelund, *Little Bear*. Illustrated by Maurice
** Potter, Beatrix, *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*. Warne, 1903.
* Seuss, Dr., *And To Think That I Saw It On Mulberry Street.*
  Vanguard, 1937.
  Seuss, Dr., *Horton Hatches the Egg*. Random House, 1940.


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