

READING FORUM/LITERATURE CIRCLE

PICTURE BOOK DESCRIPTIONS

Note: **LP** = Literacy Place suggested reading
TG = Teachers Guide available

Aardema – Who's in Rabbit's House? (1977) 25 copies RL 2.8 **LP**

A retelling of a Masai tale with outstanding illustrations by Leo and Diane Dillon.

Aliki - Feelings - (1992) 25 copies RL 3.8

Depicts a wide range of emotions - guilt, fear, sadness, anger, etc. A Reading Rainbow feature book.

Aliki - We Are Best Friends - (1988) 25 copies (TG) RL 2.7

When his best friend Peter moves away, Robert has no one to play with, no one to fight with, and no fun at all. Then he meets Will, and finds he's not the only one who needs a new best friend.

Allard - Miss Nelson Is Back - (1988) 26 copies RL 2.6 **LP**

When their teacher has to go away for a week, the kids in room 207 plan to "really act up."

Allard - Miss Nelson is Missing!(1983) 25 copies TG RL 2.6 **LP**

Miss Nelson, the teacher is missing. Miss Viola Swamp is the new teacher. What has happened to Miss Nelson, the children wondered?

Balian, Loran - Amelia's Nine Lives - RL 2.1 20 copies

Nine of Morays friends and relatives bring her replacement cats after she loses her beloved Amelia, but there is still one surprise in store.

Bang, Molly – The Grey Lady and the Strawberry Snatcher (1981) 25 copies (Wordless)

In this wordless allegory, Molly Bang has created a visual feast full of surprise and wonder.

Barber - Mousehole Cat – RL 2.9 (1992) 26 copies

Mowzer, the cat, lived with an old fisherman named Tom in the fishing village of Mousehole, at the far end of England.

Barrett - Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing (1991)

24 copies RL 2.0

Pictures of animals wearing clothes show why this would be a ridiculous custom for them to adopt.

Barrett - Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs - 24 copies (TG) RL 3.6 **LP**

If food dropped like rain from the sky, wouldn't it be marvelous, or would it?

Bayer - A, My Name Is Alice (1991) 24 copies RL 2.5 **LP**

A funny alphabet book.

Bemelmans, Ludwig - Madeline, (1977) 24 copies RL 3.8 **LP**

Madeline, smallest and naughtiest of the twelve little charges of Miss Clavel, wakes up one night with an attack of appendicitis.

Benchley - Red Fox and His Canoe - 25 copies RL 2.6

A funny surprise ends this tall tale about an Indian boy whose canoe is big but not big enough to hold all the bears, raccoons, and other animals who want to go fishing with him.

- Berenstain - The Berenstain Bears Don't Pollute Anymore (1991) 30 copies RL 3.8
When Bear Country's cubs learn pollution's a fact, they help grownups learn to clean up their act.
- Berenstain - Berenstain Bears and the Sitter (1984) 23 copies RL 2.5
Mom, Dad, Gramps and Gran are all going out. Who will stay home with the cubs? Just anyone won't do.
- Berenstain - Berenstain Bears Forget Their Manners - (1988)
25 copies RL 3.1
Mamma Bear decides to start a Bear Family Politeness Plan, with a set of simple rules and penalties.
- Berenstain - Berenstain Bears Go To School 25 copies RL 3.2
The bear children have a wonderful time learning, and playing, and making things in school.
- Berger - Germs Make Me Sick (1986) 25 copies RL 2.0
Bacteria and viruses, the most common causes of getting sick, are explained in simple terms. (Reading Rainbow)
- Bishop - The Five Chinese Brothers - (1982) 25 copies RL 2.0
Once upon a time there were five Chinese brothers, and they all looked exactly alike. This book will keep you laughing.
- Blume - Freckle Juice - (1986) 24 copies RL 2.0
This convincing small boy adventure proceeds smoothly to a satisfying conclusion. The conniving little girl, understanding teachers, and freckleless boy are amusingly depicted in the story which is especially suited for reading aloud to second and third graders.
- Blume – The One in the Middle Is the Green Kangaroo – 25 copies RL 2
Freddy Dissel is tired of being nothing more than the middle child. Then the school play gives him the chance to be recognized for himself.
- Blume - The Pain and the Great One - 24 copies RL 1.7
"The Pain" and "The Great One" are a brother and sister, and each thinks the other is the most loved by their parents in these two stories.
- Bond - Poinsettia and Her Family (1991) 25 copies RL 1.6
Poinsettia Pig thinks the house she lives in would be perfect without her noisy, messy, always-in-the-way brothers and sisters.
- Bonsall - The Day I Had To Play With My Sister - (1988)
24 copies (Early-I-Can-Read-Book) RL 1
A little boy decides to play hide-and-seek with his baby sister. She tries, but isn't sure how to hide and gets too sleepy to seek.
- Bottner - Dumb Old Casey Is A Fat Tree - (1992) 25 copies
Casey's determination to be a ballet dancer teaches her a valuable secret about hard work.
- Bourgeois – Franklin Has a Sleepover (1996) 25 copies RL 2.6
Franklin can't wait for his best friend, Bear to arrive. It's time for their first sleepover!
- Bourgeois – Franklin & the Tooth Fairy(1996) 24 copies RL 2.0
Franklin's friends are losing their teeth, but Franklin doesn't have any teeth to lose. Will the tooth fairy visit Franklin anyway?

- Bourgeois – Franklin Plays the Game (1995) 24 copies RL 2.8
Franklin loves to play soccer, but he has trouble kicking the ball. In this book, Franklin discovers the rewards of practice and teamwork.
- Boynton - Priscilla Alden and the First Thanksgiving, (1990) 25 copies RL 2
Describes how Priscilla Alden came to the New World with the other Pilgrims, helped settle the colony of New Plymouth, and celebrated the first Thanksgiving.
- Branley - Air Is All Around You - (1987) 25 copies RL 2
Information about the air that we breathe; what it weighs and how it benefits us.
- Branley - Beginning of the Earth - (1992) 25 copies RL 2.5
- Branley – Flash, Crash, Rumble, and Roll - 25 copies RL 2.2
Big, dark clouds form in the sky. The rain falls fast and hard. Lighting flashes again and again, and you hear the thunder crash, rumble, and roll. But what makes a thundercloud? What is a bolt of lighting? Inside this book find out not only why all these thing happen, but how you can stay safe in the storm.
- Branley - Is There Life in Outer Space? - (1988) 25 copies RL 2.5
A light-hearted yet serious introduction to the concept of life on other planets. It stretches the imagination.
- Branley - Journey Into a Black Hole -(1988) 22 copies RL 2.5
Stars seem to last forever, but they don't. They are born, they last a long time, and then they die. Some stars become black holes after they collapse and die. The gravity of a black hole is so strong that nothing can escape from it, not even light.
- Branley - The Moon Seems to Change - (1988) 24 copies RL 2.5
The moon seems to change, but it doesn't really. It looks that way because the moon revolves around the Earth, and as it revolves we can see only certain parts of it.
- Branley - Planets in our Solar System(1988) 23 copies RL 2.3
Our planet Earth takes 365 days to go around the sun. Discover all there is to know about our solar system and the planets in it.
- Branley - Rockets and Satellites - (1988) 24 copies RL 2
A satellite cannot leave the ground by itself. Sometimes it rides into space on the nose of a rocket. Once in space, satellites can do many jobs, from bringing us television programs from around the world to sending weather pictures back to Earth.
- Brett - Annie and the Wild Animals -(1991) 25 copies RL 2
When Annie's cat disappears, she attempts friendship with a variety of unsuitable woodland animals, but with the emergence of spring, everything comes right.
- Bridwell - Clifford's Family - (1991)(TG) 25 copies RL 2.0
More with Clifford, the big red dog, and his dog family. **LP**
- Bridwell - Clifford's Puppy Days – (1991) 26 copies RL 1.4
Story of Clifford, his days as a small, small puppy. **LP**
- Brinckloe - Fireflies (1992) 24 copies RL 2
Children everywhere chase fireflies, and through her sensitive story Julie Brinckloe captures the sweetness of that special time.

- Brown, M. - Arthur's Eyes - (1988) 25 copies RL 2.3
Glasses meant being teased until Arthur discovers that four eyes are better and more fun than two.
- Brown – Flat Stanley (1992) 26 copies RL 3
Stanley Lambheop is a nice, average boy. He leads a nice, ordinary life. Then one day a bulletin board falls on him and suddenly Stanley is flat.
- Brown - Once A Mouse (1992) Caldecott 25 copies RL 3
Younger readers will take special delight in seeing changes take place in the dramatic picturing of the tiger's fall from grace. Older boys and girls will read more meaning into the text.
- Brown, M. - Stone Soup - (1988) 25 copies (TG) **LP** RL 2.4
When hungry soldiers get a chilly reception in the village, they use a trick to get a meal.
- Bulla - Daniel's Duck - (1990) 25 copies RL 2
All winter Daniel has been busy carving a duck to exhibit at the fair, but people laughed at his duck. He soon learns that there are different ways of laughing and different ways of learning too.
- Burton - Animals Keeping Clean - (1991) 24 copies RL 2.3
Children will be amused and delighted to learn how good habits make good sense for creatures of all kinds, including themselves.
- Burton - The Little House - (1987) 25 copies (TG) RL 3
This engaging picture book cleverly presents a wealth of information - the changing seasons in the country, the advancement in architecture and transportation, growth in population, and the accelerating tempo of city life.
- Cannon – Verdi (1997) 25 copies RL 2
When Verdi's mother tells him to grow up big and green, Verdi can't imagine why. All the big green snakes seem lazy, boring, and rude. Besides, he really loves his bright yellow skin and sporty stripes. So Verdi decides he simply won't turn green which is why he finds himself in a heap of trouble.
- Carle – From Head to Toe – 25 copies RL 2
I can do it! is the confidence building message of this fun-filled interactive picture book. A variety of familiar animals, depicted in colorful collages, invites young children to copy their antics as they wiggle, stomp, thump, and bend.
- Carle – The Grouchy Ladybug – 25 copies RL 2
A grouchy ladybug, looking for a fight, challenges everyone she meets regardless of their size or strength.
- Carle - The Mixed-Up Chameleon - (1988) 25 copies RL 2
A surprise visit to the zoo makes this wishful lizard realize it can change its shape and size as easily as its color, and it ends up wanting to be like all the animals in the zoo at once.
- Carle - Very Hungry Caterpillar - (1988) 24 copies (TG) RL 2.6 **LP**
Follows the progress of a hungry little caterpillar as he eats his way through a large quantity of food (right through the pages) then wraps a cocoon around himself and goes to sleep.
- Carlstrom - I'm Not Moving, Mama - (1992) 25 copies RL 1.9
This story is based on the author's own experience, not as a child, but as an adult. Mother Mouse gives her child a lot of reasons why she doesn't want to leave the child behind when they move.

- Coerr - Big Balloon Race - (1988) 20 copies RL 2
Ariel almost causes her famous mother to lose a balloon race and then helps her win it.
- Cohen, Miriam - It's George! - 30 copies RL 2.4
George, who's not a good speller or the best partner to work on a project, can always be trusted to care for the pet hamster and feed the fish. Then one day, George doesn't come to school, he becomes a hero instead!
- Cohen - Molly's Pilgrim (1990) 24 copies & TG RL 3
Molly and her family have moved to America from Russia. Her mother says they moved to find freedom. But the other kids in Molly's third-grade class make fun of her accent and clothes--and that doesn't seem like freedom to Molly at all. A doll brought to school at Thanksgiving made something wonderful happen to Molly and her classmates learn the true meaning of Thanksgiving.
- Cohen - Starring First Grade - (1992) 25 copies **LP**
The engaging group of multiracial children are fun to be around as they strive to put on the play "The Three Billy Goats Gruff."
- Cohen - Will I Have A Friend? - (1992) 25 copies RL 2.2
The other children in kindergarten are scary strangers to Jim. An enjoyable book showing the diverse and completely real antics of a kindergarten classroom.
- Cole - Magic School Bus Inside the Human Body 1991 26 copies RL 3.8 **LP**
When Ms. Frizzle takes their third field trip, it is inside Arnold's body.
- Cole - The Magic School Bus, Lost in the Solar System, (1990) 23 copies RL 3.6 **LP**
There's only one way to drive to Mars--in the Magic School Bus with Ms. Frizzle at the Wheel!
- Cole - Magic School Bus at the Waterworks -(1991) 25 copies RL 3.9 **LP**
Blends fiction and non-fiction to convey facts about water supply while telling an amusing story about a wacky field trip.
- Cooney - Miss Rumphius (1991) 26 copies RL 2.8
Great-aunt Alice Rumphius was once a little girl who loved the sea, longed to visit faraway places, and wished to do something to make the world more beautiful.
- Cowcher - Rain Forest (1992) 24 copies RL 3
Full of lush vegetation and exotic animals, the rain forest is a peaceful place. But then one day something powerful threatens this beautiful world and the creatures know that change is coming. A pictorial plea for the South American forests that are so rapidly being destroyed.
- Cox - Crazy Alphabet - (1993)(Emer. Reader) 25 copies RL 1.5
A cumulative alphabet starting with an apple and ending with a Yowie who eats everything and burps, leaving zero.
- Crews – School Bus (1990) 25 copies (Wordless) **LP**
- Crews - Truck -(1990) 25 copies (Wordless) **LP**
A wordless book about trucks, road signs and travels.
- Dalgilesh - Bears on Hemlock Mountain - (1988) 25 copies RL 3
Jonathan was the only member of his family who believed there were bears on Hemlock Mountain.

- DeBeer – Little Polar Bear, Take Me Home 25 copies RL 3.6
A delightful story where an often lost polar bear cub helps a lost Siberian tiger find his way home.
- DePaola - Michael Bird-Boy - (1992) 24 copies **LP** RL 1.2
A captivating picture book - the hero is charming, fanciful Michael - an excellent book for a lead-in to a group discussion on pollution.
- DePaola - Pancakes for Breakfast (1990) 23 copies (Wordless)
A wordless book about a story of a little woman, her cat and dog and all the adventures of trying to make pancakes for breakfast.
- Donnelly - Dinosaur Day (1990) 25 copies (Few Words) RL 2
A fresh, funny fantasy and a delight for monster lovers of all ages.
- Duvoisin - Petunia - (1991) 24 copies RL 3
Petunia, the goose, learns that possessing knowledge involves more than just carrying a book around under her wing.
- Embry - Blue-Nosed Witch (1986) 24 copies RL 3
The best Halloween story to come along in several seasons. If Blanche is late for one more midnight flight she will never again be allowed to fly.
- Flourney - The Patchwork Quilt - (1989) 29 copies RL 3
Tanya loved listening to her grandmother talk about the patchwork quilt as she cut and stitched together the pieces of colorful fabric. All the trust and sharing between a young girl and her treasured grandmother is captured in this story.
- Freeman - Corduroy - (1988) TG 26 copies RL 3.2 **LP**
A little girl wants a stuffed bear, but her mother refuses to buy it for her.
- Gackenbach - Harry and the Terrible Whatzit 30 copies RL 2
When his mother goes to the cellar and doesn't return right away, Harry goes down to search for her and confronts the terrible two-headed Whatzit.
- Gackenbach - Hurray for Hattie Rabbit(1991) 18 copies RL 2.8
A young rabbit learns something about mothers and getting along with friends in two fun-filled stories. "Endearing....The pictures of rabbits in high button shoes and pinafores are winning."
- Galdone - Puss In Boots - (1991) 25 copies RL 3
A retelling of the French fairy tale in which a clever cat wins the master a fortune and the hand of a princess.
- Ginsburg - The Chick and the Duckling (Emergent Reader)(1972) 24 copies RL 2 **LP**
The adventures of a chick and duckling. Easy reading.
- Goble - Dream Wolf - (1992) 24 copies RL 3.3
In this retelling of the story of the kindly wolf, the author once again demonstrates his kinship with the Plains Indians through his ability to recreate their legends.
- Goble - Girl Who Loved Wild Horses - (1992) 25 copies RL 2
Story of a Native American girl's love of horses.
- Greenfield – Mary McLeod Bethune – (1977) 25 copies RL 3 **LP**

These are the words of Mary McLeod Bethune. She worked her whole life to make the world a better place. As a child, she loved to read. As a woman, she loved to teach. She started a school; she founded a hospital. Everywhere she saw a need, she searched for a solution.

Greenfield - Nathaniel Talking - (1991) 25 copies RL 3

Nathaniel B. Free, a spunky 9-year-old poet, raps and rhymes about his world, his education, and his family.

Gwynne - King Who Rained – 25 copies RL 3

A little girl pictures the things her parents talk about, such as a king who rained, bear feet, and the foot prince in the snow.

Haley - Jack and the Bean Tree - 20 copies RL 3.5

The classic tale of the boy who sold his cow for three magic beans is a favorite among Appalachian storytellers.

Hall - Ox-Cart Man (1986) 24 copies (Reading Rainbow) (Caldecott Medal) RL 3.9

The stunning combination of text and illustrations recreates the mood of 19th century rural New England.

Hargreaves - Little Miss Neat - (1987) 25 copies RL 2

A story about Miss Neat and Mr. Muddle

Harness - Three Young Pilgrims – 24 copies RL 2

History comes alive in the richly detailed pages of Plymouthtown.

Henwood - Earthworms - (1992) 25 copies RL 3

A nature series that shows in close-up color photographs and simple text how to care for small creatures.

Henwood - Spiders - (1992) 25 copies RL 3

A nature series.

Hillert - Friend for Dear Dragon - (1990) 25 copies RL 1.2

A boy and Dear Dragon get new friends when new neighbors move in.

Hillert - It's Circus Time, Dear Dragon(1986) 25 copies RL1.2

A boy and his dragon go to the circus where the dragon performs some unexpected tricks on a high wire.

Hillert - Magic Beans - (1986) 26 copies RL 1.3

Delightful illustrations to accompany this favorite tale of Jack and the beanstalk using 44 preprimer words.

Hillert - Three Little Pigs - (1986) 25 copies RL 1.3

The story of the Three Little Pigs using 34 preprimer words.

Hillert - Who Goes to School - (1990) 25 copies RL 1.3

The story of animals and children who go to school using 65 preprimer words.

Hillert - Why we have Thanksgiving - (1990) 23 copies RL 1.3

A story about Thanksgiving using 73 preprimer words.

Hillert - Witch Who Went for a Walk (1986) 25 copies RL 1.5

A Halloween story using 67 preprimer words.

- Hirschi - Ocean - (1992) 25 copies
 Various ocean animals describe their own behavior and physical characteristics and ask the reader to guess what they are.
- Hoban - Arthur's Loose Tooth (1989) 25 copies RL 2.5
 Arthur the chimp is a little worried about losing his loose tooth, until his sister and their baby-sitter show him the real meaning of bravery.
- Hoban - Bargain for Frances -(1987) 24 copies RL 1.6
 Francis the badger foils her friend Thelma's plot to trick her out of a new china tea set. "Explores a situation familiar to childhood with the easy humor that children delight in."
- Hoban - Bedtime for Frances - (1992) 25 copies RL 1.6
 Frances employs every excuse she can think of to put off bedtime until the thought of a spanking makes her sleepy.
- Hoberman – House Is A House For Me – 25 copies RL 3 **LP**
 Lilted, rhythmic rhyme and profuse illustrations put forth the premise that anything that contains something else can be considered a house.
- Hoff - Danny and the Dinosaur - (1988) 24 copies RL 1.7
 Danny spends an unforgettable day in the city with his friend, the museum dinosaur.
- Hoff - Grizzwold - (1988) 25 copies RL 1.7
 Grizzwold must find a new home now that loggers have cut down the forest.
- Hoff - Horse in Harry's Room - (1987) 24 copies RL 1.7
 Harry and his imaginary pet horse have a special understanding all beginning readers will share. "On the early primer level, but with high interest and a very amusing, familiar subject.
- Hoff - Mrs. Brice's Mice - (1992) 27 copies RL 1.5
 Mrs. Brice's mice go with her everywhere and do everything she does. Well, most of them do! Twenty-four mice do what Mrs. Brice does and one very small mouse does everything differently! But when there's trouble, who comes to the rescue?
- Hoff - Oliver (1986) 24 copies RL 1.8
 Oliver the elephant isn't needed at the circus, but what can he do? Maybe if he can dance they will have room for one more elephant.
- Hoff - Santa's Moose - 1988 Early-I-Can-Read 24 copies RL 1.6
 Milton the Moose wants to help pull Santa's sleigh this year, but it isn't easy. The sleigh is so heavy the reindeer themselves are tired. Milton won't give up though, until every present is delivered!
- Hurd, Thacher - Mama Don't Allow 25 copies RL 2.2
 Miles' parents and the whole neighborhood have had enough of Miles' new saxophone. "Why don't you practice outside, dear?" his mother finally says. When Miles teams up with three other musicians to form the Swamp Band, suddenly their music is a demand.
- Hutchins, Pat – Rosie's Walk – 25 copies RL 1 **LP**
 Rosie the hen leaves the chicken coop and sets out for a little walk. Right behind her is the fox, slyly trying to catch up with her.
- Jeffers - Brother Eagle, Sister Sky –(1992) 25 copies RL 3.0
 A squeamish Indian chief describes his people's respect and love for the earth, and concern for its destruction.

- Joyce, William - George Shrinks (1987) 24 copies RL 1.2
One day, while his father and mother were out, George dreamt he was small, and when he woke up he found it was true.
- Keats - Peter's Chair - (1992) 25 copies **LP** RL 1.4
Featured in Reading Rainbow
- Keats - The Snowy Day – (1962) 26 copies **LP** RL 1.8
- Kennedy - Time For Bed - 24 copies RL 1.3
Baby prolongs his bedtime preparations as he attends to the "needs" so similar to his own, of each of his stuffed animals.
- Krasilovsky - The Cow Who Fell in the Canal - 1988 25 copies
Hendrika the cow lived on Mr. Hofstra's farm. She ate to please Mr. Hofstra, to give him creamy white milk to sell at the market. But Hendrika was unhappy just eating, she wanted to see the city. One day she wandered too far and fell into the canal!
- Kraus - Leo the Late Bloomer - (1992) 24 copies RL 1.9
Leo, a young tiger, finally blooms under the eyes of very anxious parents. **LP**
- Leaf - Safety Can Be Fun, 25 copies RL 2
Humorous story of a lot of people who are always getting hurt one way or another. The ones who get hurt because they are foolish are nicknamed "nitwits" and the book is full of them.
- Lewis - Emma's Lamb - (1992) 26 copies RL 1.5
Young children will savor the detailed farm scenes and the gentle tensions of this tender story.
- Lewis – Floss (1992) 25 copies RL 1.8
Nose kicks, passes, springs in the air – Floss is a young Border collie who really knows how to play ball! But when she's sent to a distant farm to become a sheepdog, there's so much work to be done that Floss has little time for fun. Will she ever get the chance to play ball again?
- Lewis - Hill of Fire - (1987) 25 copies (TG) RL 2.4
The exciting story of the eruption of Paricutin-the volcano in Mexico that burst from a farmer's field and changed the lives of the people who lived nearby. "Will give readers understanding of a people and a good story based on fact."
- Lewis - The Shepherd Boy - (1992) 25 copies RL 1.8
This story follows James through a full year of watching the fascinating cycle of life on a sheep farm. Glorious full-color scenes of farm life illustrate this heartwarming story of a small child whose dearest wish comes true.
- Littledale - Elves and the Shoemaker (1982) 19 copies RL 2
When the clock struck twelve, in came two little elves. Tap-tap went their hammers. Snip-snap went their scissors.
- Lobel - The Book of Pigericks - (1988) 25 copies RL 3
What this old pig creates are Pigericks-original limericks about a varied and portly population of pigs in all manner of improbable situations.
- Lobel - Fables - (1986) 25 copies (TG) RL 3.5
A book with 20 animal fables.
- Lobel - Frog and Toad are Friends - (1988) 26 copies RL 1.4 (TG) **LP**

The friendship of Frog and Toad and their adventures in the woods.

Lobel - Grasshopper On the Road - (1986) 25 copies RL 2.8

Grasshopper sets out on a journey, going wherever the road takes him, and along the way meets some very foolish stick-in-the-muds who wonder why he isn't more like them.

Lobel - Lucille -(1986) 18 copies (I-Can-Read) RL 2

Lucille, a hard-working farm horse, yearns to be an elegant lady of leisure.

Lobel - Ming Lo Moves the Mountain - 25 copies RL 3.7

Ming Lo and his wife try many ways to get the mountain to move until one finally works.

Lobel - Mouse Soup - 23 copies (I-Can-Read) RL 2.5

An inventive mouse escapes from a weasel's soup pot by telling four marvelous stories. "An artistic triumph, with enough suspense, humor and wisdom to hold any reader."

Lobel - Owl at Home - (1988) 25 copies I-Can-Read **LP** RL 2.9

Five humorous tales about Owl and his house.

Lunn - One Hundred Shining Candles - (1992) 26 copies RL 3

Lucy and Dan make a special gift for their mother at Christmas. This moving story about the true meaning of Christmas giving will warm the heart all year long.

Lyon - Come A Tide 27 copies RL 2.4

It's been raining for days and the river is rising. "It'll come a tide," says Grandma and it does. After the rain, how friends were made "with a shovel".

Lyon - Together, (1989) 25 copies RL 1

An illustrated poem about friendship and togetherness

Lyon - A Regular Rolling Noah (1991) 20 copies RL 1.3

It's the first train trip for any of them: horse, cow, calf, pig, goat, guinea fowl, chickens, or boy. The boy tells about it, a smile in his voice, a new world in his eyes.

Lyon - Who Came Down That Road 25 copies RL 2

Many have traveled down the road, Union soldiers, pioneers, Indians, buffalo, mammoth, all connected in some way.

McCloskey- Blueberries for Sal (1989) **LP** 25 copies (TG)RL 3.8

In fresh and captivating pictures the author-artist tells what happens on a summer day in Maine when a little girl and a bear cub, wandering away from their blueberry-picking mothers, each mistake the other's mother for its own.

McCully - First Snow - (Wordless Book) (1991) 25 copies

A timid little mouse discovers the thrill of sledding in the first snow of the winter.

McDermott - Arrow To the Sun - (1986) 25 copies RL 3.0

A Pueblo Indian tale.

MacLaughlin - All the Places to Love 25 copies RL 3.3

Beautifully illustrated story about love of home and family.

McKissack - Flossie & the Fox (1989) 25 copies RL 2.7

Big Mama sends Flossie Finley on an errand with a warning. There's a sly, egg-poaching fox on the loose! This jaunty folktale, peppered with the rich Black language of the rural South, sparkles with saucy wit and humor.

- McPhail - Pig Pig Grows Up - (1988) 24 copies RL 2
Pig Pig's fascination with frogs while at camp turns his vacation into something else.
- McPhail - Snow Lion 26 copies RL 2.3
Lion, finding the jungle too hot for comfort, visits the mountains and falls in love with the cold fluffy white snow that covers the ground there.
- Macaulay - Black and White (1991) 26 copies RL 3
Four brief "stories" about parents, trains, and cows, or is it really all one story?
- Marshall - George and Martha Rise and Shine - (1992) 25 copies RL 2.8
"The appeal of this whimsical hippo couple who tame snakes, watch scary movies, and plan surprises increases with acquaintance...they unobtrusively instill an understanding of true companionship."
- Marshall - Fox On the Job - (1988) 26 copies RL 2.2 **LP**
Mom insists on Fox getting a job for a new bike. Will fox ever find a job that's just right?
- Martin - Barn Dance - (1991) 25 copies RL 2.7
Unable to sleep on the night of a full moon, a young boy follows the sound of music across the fields and finds an unusual barn dance in progress. (Stories in rhyme).
- Martin - Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? - 1991 **LP** 25 copies RL 1.6
Zoo animals from polar bear to walrus make their distinctive sounds for each other, while children imitate the sounds for the zookeeper.
- Martin - Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? - (1991) 25 copies (TG) RL 1.6
A pictorial representation of a question and answer game played by a teacher and her group.
- Martin - Chicka Chicka Boom Boom (1989) 25 copies RL 1.6
In this lively alphabet rhyme, all the letters of the alphabet race each other up the coconut tree. Will there be enough room? Oh, no--Chicka Chicka Boom! Boom!
- Mayer - All By Myself (1988) 25 copies RL 1.1
Little Critter thinks about all the things he can do all by himself and the one thing he cannot do.
- Mayer - I Was So Mad - (1991) 24 copies RL 2.6
Little Critter, though quite mad about the things he is not allowed to do, puts off running away to play with his friends.
- Mayer - There's a Nightmare In My Closet 1987 24 copies (TG) RL 2.8
A young boy decides to face his nightmares and gains compassion for them.
- Mayer - What Do You Do With A Kangaroo?(1992) 25 copies RL 2.5
Uproariously funny picture book about a little girl with a kangaroo in her bed, a llama in her blue jeans, animals everywhere. **LP**
- Mazur - The Salamander Room (1994) 25 copies RL 2.8
A boy finds a salamander in the woods and imagines the many things he can do to turn his room into a perfect salamander home.
- Minarik - Little Bear's Visit - (1984) 20 copies RL 2.3
Charmingly depicts Little Bear's delight in visiting his grandparents.
- Minarik - No Fighting, No Biting - (1987) 24 copies RL 2.7

The merry adventures of two scrapping alligator children and of Rosa and Willy, their human counterparts.

Monjo,, F. N., The Drinking Gourd 50 copies TG RL 2.0

A story of one stop of the Underground Railroad, of runaway slaves, about courage, the drinking gourd and the true meaning of "love for one's fellow man". The story also shows a determination of a group of people as they struggle to overcome all odds and move from the south to the north in search of freedom.

Mosel, Arlene - Funny Little Woman - (1986) 25 copies (Caldecott Award) RL 3.7

Tale set in Old Japan.

Mosel - Tikki Tikki Tembo - (1992) 24 copies RL 3.3

Charming Chinese folktale about a boy named Chang and his speech difficulties.

Ness - Sam, Bangs and Moonshine (1988) 25 copies (TG) RL 3.4

It takes a near tragedy for Sam (short for Samantha) to understand the difference between telling the truth or talking "Moonshine."

Numeroff - If You Give A Moose A Muffin - (1991) 25 copies RL 2.4

Chaos can ensue if you give a moose a muffin and start him on a cycle of urgent requests.

Numeroff - If You Give A Mouse A Cookie - (1991) 25 copies RL 2.1

Relating the cycle of requests a mouse is likely to make after you give him a cookie takes the reader through a young boy's day.

Parish - Amelia Bedelia - (1983) 24 copies (TG) RL 3.1

Somebody told Amelia Bedelia to put out the lights. This is how she did it!

Parish - Amelia Bedelia Helps Out (1988) 24 copies RL 3

Amelia and her niece Effie Lou set out to help Miss Emma for the day with hilarious results.

Parish - Dinosaur Time - (1992) RL 2 24 copies

Introduction to eleven different dinosaurs.

Peet - Whingdingilly - (1991) 25 copies RL 3

A fun story illustrating the old maxim that the grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.

Peet - The Wump World - (1992) 24 copies RL 3

A clever parable built on the subject of pollution and the waste of natural resources.

Plister – Rainbow Fish – (1992) 25 copies RL 3.3

Rainbow-colored foil stamping glitters on every page of this unique book about a beautiful fish that learns to make friends by sharing his most prized possessions – his shimmering scales.

Polacco – Chicken Sunday – (1992) 25 copies **LP** RL 3.7

To thank old Eula for her wonderful Sunday chicken dinners, the children sell decorated eggs and buy her a beautiful Easter hat.

Raffi - Songs to Read- Down By The Bay 25 copies RL 1 (Emergent Book)

Two friends are making up silly rhymes for the song Down By the Bay.

Raffi - Songs to Read, Five Little Ducks, 25 copies RL 1 (Emergent Book)

When her five little ducks disappear one by one, Mother Duck sets out to find them.

Raffi – Songs to Read, Wheels on the Bus 25 copies RL 1

As the rickety old bus collects an odd assortment of passengers in a quaint little town, the reader may join in with the sounds of the bus and motions of the driver and passengers.

Rey - Curious George Learns the Alphabet - (1988) 25 copies
A fun way to learn the alphabet. **LP** RL 1.7

Rey, H.A. - Curious George Rides a Bike - (1982) 24 copies **LP** RL 1.7
Curious George gets in and out of trouble faster than you can say "monkey business."

Robins, J. Addie Meets Max (1988) 25 copies RL 2.0
Addie discovers that the new boy next door, Max, and his dog are not so terrible when she helps Max bury his newly lost tooth.

Rylant - When I Was Young In the Mountains – 24 copies(1992) (Reading Rainbow/Caldecott Honor Book) RL 3.7
Story of an Appalachian childhood which evokes a love of a place, a family and a way of life.

Say - The Bicycle Man - (1992) 39 copies RL 3.8
A gentle story of a group of Japanese children meeting two American soldiers a year after the war.

Schubert- Where's My Monkey? (Wordless Book)_1988 19 copies
The little boy and his monkey are best friends. In this delightful, wordless story children will cheer as Monkey's misadventures lead to a most satisfying conclusion.

Schwartz - Bea and Mr. Jones - (1988) 25 copies RL 3
Bea is tired of kindergarten, and Mr. Jones is fed up with being chained to a desk all day, so they decide to change places.

Scieszka – True Story of the Three Little Pigs, By A. Wolf (1989) 25 copies **LP** RL 2.2
The wolf gives his own outlandish version of what really happened when he tangled with the three little pigs.

Sendak, Maurice - Chicken Soup With Rice - (1990) 25 copies (Emergent Reader) RL 2
A Book of Months

Sendak - Where the Wild Things Are - 25 copies (TG) RL 2.9
Caldecott Award-winning fantasy about a small boy who dreams up a small forest where the "wild things" are, and he becomes king of the forest.

Seuss, Dr. Green Eggs and Ham - (1991) 24 copies RL 2.6
It takes much effort before Sam-I-am can convince another person to try green eggs and ham.

Shannon, George – Dance Away – 25 copies RL 2.2
Rabbit's dancing saves his friends from becoming Fox's supper.

Sharmat - Gregory, the Terrible Eater (1987) 25 copies (TG) RL 3.3
Gregory the goat is a terrible eater by goat standards. He prefers fruits and vegetables to tin cans, etc. The doctor advises Gregory's parents to introduce one new food per day until Gregory learns to eat like he should.

Sharmat - Nate the Great - (1982) 25 copies RL 2.3
Nate the Great, boy detective, solves a mystery and tracks down the culprit. In the process he also discovers the whereabouts of Super Hex, the missing cat.

Sharmat - Nate the Great and the Phony Clue (1982) 27 copies RK 2.3

Early one morning, a torn slip of paper with the mysterious letters VITA appears on Nate the Great's doorstep. He and his faithful dog, Sludge, set off to solve this latest mystery. Against ferocious cats, hostile adversaries, and a sly phony clue, Nate struggles to prove, once again, that he is Nate the Great.

Sharmat - Nate the Great and the Snowy Trail(1988) 25 copies RL 2.1

Nate the Great, super sleuth, has his work cut out for him when Rosamond loses his birthday present.

Shaw, Charles – It Looked Like Spilt Milk – 25 copies RL 1

Even though the white pictures on the blue background are different on every page, it's not until the reader gets to the last page that the answer is revealed.

Siebert - Truck Song - (1992) 25 copies RL 2

A rolling ballad of a driver and his truck on a cross-country trip.

Silverstein - The Giving Tree - (1991) 34 copies RL 1.6

An apple tree shares all it has to share with a boy from the time he is very young until he is very old.

Slobodkina, E. Caps for Sale - (1988) 24 copies RL 2.4 **LP**

Plot, drama, suspense, humor, warmth, and simplicity-this bright picture book, the international best-seller fashioned from an old folktale, has what all young children love best.

Steig - Doctor De Soto - (1992) 25 copies RL 2.9 **LP**

Dr. DeSoto, a dentist mouse, and his wife, were not in the habit of treating animals that could be threatening to mice, so when a fox with a very painful toothache showed up at their office, they had quite a decision to make.

Steig - Sylvester and the Magic Pebble(1991) 25 copies RL 2.6

In a moment of fright, Sylvester the donkey asks his magic pebble to turn him into a rock but then cannot hold the pebble to wish himself back to normal again.

Step toe - Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters - (1992) 25 copies Caldecott Honor Book **LP** RL 2.9

Two beautiful daughters, one bad-tempered, one kind and sweet, go before the king, who is choosing a bride.

Stevens – Tops and Bottoms 25 copies RL 2.0

A trickster tale of a lazy bear and a smart rabbit. The bear learns a valuable lesson about not being so lazy.

Stevenson - The Moon - (1987) 19 copies

A story based on the poem "The Moon". Illustrations provide the imagination with thoughts of a little girl on a fishing trip with her father seeing a moonlit world usually seen only by day.

Tafari - Have You Seen My Duckling? (1984) 25 copies RL 1

A mother duck leaders her brood around the pond as she searches for one missing duckling.

Turkle - Deep in the Forest - (1988) 39 copies (Wordless)

A small bear wanders into a human house and gets into the porridge, chairs, and beds.

Van Allsburg - Jumanji - (1991) 24 copies RL 3.5

Two children play a dice game, Jumanji, that must be played to the very end.

Van Allsburg - Two Bad Ants (1991) 24 copies RL 3.9

Superb illustrations complement a text concerning two naughty ants and a kitchen adventure,

- Viorst - Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day - (1987) 22 copies (TG) RL 3.5
It was a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad day. Nothing at all went right. From waking up with gum in his hair to Lima beans for supper and kissing on TV. Why?
- Viorst - Rosie and Michael - (1992) 24 copies RL 2.5
Two friends tell what they like about each other - even the bad things.
- Waber - Ira Sleeps Over - (1982) 25 copies (TG) RL 2.8
Ira is going on his first sleepover. His friend Reggie invited him. Wait until you see what happens!
- Ward - The Biggest Bear - (1992) 25 copies RL 3.4
Johnny sets out to kill a big bear and befriends him instead.
- Wells - McDuff Moves In - 25 copies RL 2.5
There was a little white dog who needed something to eat. He needed a place to sleep. So he went looking - and found something he hadn't expected. He found a home.
- Wells - Max's Dragon Shirt - 25 copies RL 2.5
Max needed a new pair of pants, but he wanted a dragon shirt. After shopping with his sister, Ruby, Max tries on the dragon shirt and gets it dirty. Ruby buys the dragon shirt for Max.
- Wilder - Going to Town - My First Little House Series 25 copies RL 3.3
Laura, Mary and Carrie take their first trip into town.
- Wildsmith - All Fall Down - (1993) 25 copies RL 1
I see a bee, butterfly, bird, rabbit, seal, ball - all fall down. (Illustrated)
- Wildsmith - Apple Bird - (1988) 20 copies (Wordless Book)
The apple bird watches an apple fall to the ground, inspects then eats it, and rolls into a big ball for a nap in this Wordless book.
- Wildsmith - Animal Seasons - (1992) 25 copies RL 1.7
In spring the wild flowers bloom. In summer the sun grows hotter in the sky. In autumn the leaves turn gold. And in winter the snow covers the ground.
- Wildsmith - A Cat on the Mat - (1993) 25 copies RL 1
Animals on a mat (illustrated)
- Williams - I Went Walking 25 copies RL 1
A young boy's exciting adventure with a menagerie of colorful animals; and by the end of the walk, he has a zany parade following him.
- Williams - A Chair for My Mother - (1988) 30 copies (TG) RL 2.5
When the family's possessions are lost in a fire, a small girl helps save money to buy her mother a new chair.
- Winter - Bear and the Fly - (1988) 40 copies (Wordless Book)
Three bears are having dinner when a pesky fly enters the scene and the rest is mayhem!
- Wood - King Bidgood's In the Bathtub - 1991 50 copies RL 1.5
Despite pleas from his court, a fun-loving king refuses to get out of his bathtub to rule his kingdom.
- Wood - Napping House - (1991) 24 copies RL 3.0
In this cumulative tale, a wakeful flea atop a number of sleeping creatures causes a commotion, with just one bite.

- Wood - Under the Sea – (1991) 24 copies RL 2.5
This book takes you on a submarine voyage down into the deepest depths of the sea to explore its many wonders, dangers, and secrets.
- Yashima - Crow Boy – 25 copies (1992) RL 3.5
A shy mountain boy in Japan leaves his home at dawn to go to the village school and return at sunset.
- Yolen, Jane - Owl Moon - (1990) 20 copies RL 2.9
A gentle, poetic story that depicts the special companionship of a young child and her father as well as human-kind's close relationship to the natural world.
- Yorinks - Hey Al! - (Kentucky Bluegrass Award) (1990) 25 copies RL 3.8
Al, a janitor, and his faithful dog, Eddie, live in a single room on the West Side. They eat together, they work together, they do everything together. So what's the problem? You name it. Their tiny home is crowded and cramped: their life is an endless struggle. Al and Eddie are totally miserable until a large and mysterious bird offers them a change of fortune.
- Yorinks - Louis the Fish - (1988) 25 copies RL 3.7
Louis, the butcher, turns into a salmon in this Reading Rainbow book.
- Young - Lon Po Po - (Caldecott 1990) 25 copies LP RL 3.9
A Red-Riding Hood Story from China. Three sisters staying home alone are endangered by a hungry wolf who is disguised as their grandmother.
- Zemach - Duffy and the Devil - (1988) 24 copies (Caldecott Medal) RL 3
A Cornish version of the old Rumpelstiltskin folktale.
- Zion - Harry the Dirty Dog - (1991) 25 copies RL 2.3
Harry gets so dirty playing that the family doesn't recognize him until he takes a bath.

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