Picture Book Fiction

**Amato, Max. Perfect. 2019**
A fussy eraser tries to keep the pages clean by erasing the scribbles of a mischievous pencil, but soon the eraser discovers what can happen when two opposing forces come together to have fun. E AMATO

**Angleburger, Tom; illustrated by Dan Santat. The Princess and the Pit Stop. 2018**
Join Her Royal Highness in the driver's seat for a mad dash to the finish in this exciting ode to auto racing. With appearances by fairy tale favorites including the Tortoise and the Hare, the Frog Prince, and ALL of the Wicked Witches, this rollicking mash-up of race cars and royalty is a true celebration of both girl power and horsepower. Be sure to include lots of revving and race cars sounds when you read this! E ANGLEBURGER

**Antony, Steve. Good Night, Mr. Panda. 2018**
It is bedtime and Mr. Panda carefully reminds his friends of the things that they need to do like brushing their teeth, and taking a bath before settling down for the night - but sometimes Mr. Panda can be absentminded, and Lemur has to remind him which bed is his. E ANTONY

**Barnett, Mac; illustrated by Jon Klassen. Circle. 2019**
This book is about Circle. This book is also about Circle's friends, Triangle and Square. This book is also about a rule that Circle makes, and how she has to rescue Triangle when he breaks that rule. Barnett and Klassen come full circle in the final chapter of their shapes trilogy. E BARNETT

**Baruch, Ross. The Very Impatient Caterpillar. 2019.**
Ross Burach’s tongue-in-cheek exploration of metamorphosis will make you flutter with glee, while also providing real facts about how caterpillars transform into butterflies. Pair this with Eric Carle’s classic **The Very Hungry Caterpillar** for extra fun! E BARUCH

**Beaty, Andrea. Ada Twist, Scientist. 2016**
Why are there pointy things on roses? Why are there hairs inside your nose? A curious little girl learns that some questions lead not to answers but to more questions, in this inspiring and fun exploration of the scientific method. E BEATY, eBook

**Blackall, Sophie. Hello, Lighthouse. 2018**
The winner of this year's Caldecott medal explores the life of one lighthouse as it beams its message out to sea through shifting seasons, changeable weather, and the tenure of its final keeper. E BLACKALL, eBook
Cummings, Troy. Can I Be Your Dog? 2018
Arfy, a homeless mutt, writes a letter to every person on Butternut Street about what a great pet he’d make. A sweet and satisfying story. E CUMMINGS, eBook

Daywalt, Drew; illustrated by David Spencer. The Epic Adventures of Huggie & Stick. 2018
When cheerful Stick and grumpy stuffed bunny Huggie get thrown from a backpack, the adventure is on. Together this odd couple survives encounters with sea-faring pirates, raging rhinos in Africa, sword-wielding royalty in Europe, stick-eating panda bears in Asia, sharks in Australia, hungry penguins in Antarctica, and piranhas in South America—all before finally making it home to North America. E DAYWALT

de la Pena, Matt. Love. 2018
In this heartfelt celebration of love, Newbery Medal-winning author Matt de la Peña and bestselling illustrator Loren Long depict the many ways we experience this universal bond, which carries us from the day we are born throughout the years of our childhood and beyond. E DE LA PENA, eBook

Doerrfeld, Cori. The Rabbit Listened. 2018
When something sad happens, Taylor doesn’t know where to turn. All the animals are sure they have the answer. The chicken wants to talk it out, but Taylor doesn’t feel like chatting. The bear thinks Taylor should get angry, but that’s not quite right either. One by one, the animals try to tell Taylor how to process this loss, and one by one they fail. Then the rabbit arrives. All the rabbit does is listen, which is just what Taylor needs. E DOERRFELD

Fortenberry, Julie. Lily’s Cat Mask. 2017
A shy little girl makes good use of her cat mask and gets a heart-warming surprise at the end of her first week in Kindergarten. E FORTENBERRY

Freedman, Deborah. Carl and the Meaning of Life. 2019
When a field mouse asks Carl the earthworm why he tunnels through the dirt, Carl doesn’t have an answer, so he sets off to find out. Gentle watercolors illustrate how an ecosystem works. E FREEDMAN

Greene, Rhonda; illustrated by Daniel Kirk. Let’s Go ABC!: Things That Go from A to Z. 2018
The alphabet comes to zooming, vrooming life with vehicles for every letter, A to Z. A big, boxy bus drives up for letter B, a kayak floats by for letter K, and a rocket blasts off for letter R. A fun range of planes, trains, automobiles, and more take readers on a ride through this charming early-learning book. E GREENE

Henkes, Kevin. A Parade of Elephants. 2018
Illustrations and easy-to-read text introduce such basic concepts as adjectives, adverbs, daytime, and nighttime as they follow five elephants marching from dawn to dusk. E HENKES
Higgins, Ryan T. *We Don't Eat Our Classmates!* 2018
From the creator of *Mother Bruce* comes a rambunctious little dinosaur named Penelope Rex on her first day of school. She can't wait to meet her classmates ... but it's hard to make human friends when they're so darn delicious! When the class pet bites Penelope’s finger, she finally understands why she should not eat her classmates, no matter how tasty they are. E HIGGINS, eBook

Hills, Tad. *How Rocket Learned to Read*. 2010
Learn to read with this New York Times-bestselling picture book, starring an irresistible dog named Rocket and his teacher, a little yellow bird. Follow along as Rocket masters the alphabet, sounds out words, and finally learns to read all on his own! E HILLS, eBook

Howes, Katey; illustrated by Elizabeth Vukovic. *Be a Maker*. 2019
How many things can you make in a day? A tower, a friend, a change? Rhyme, repetition, and a few seemingly straightforward questions engage young readers in a discussion about the many things we make – and the ways we can make a difference in the world. E HOWES

John, Jory; illustrated by Lane Smith. *Giraffe Problems*. 2018
Edward the giraffe can't understand why his neck is as long and bendy and, well, ridiculous as it is. He’s tried disguising it, dressing it up, strategically hiding it behind bushes – honestly, anything you can think of, he’s tried. This humorous offering is a companion to John and Lane’s earlier collaboration, *Penguin Problems*. E JOHN

Lê, Minh; illustrated by Dan Santat. *Drawn Together*. 2018
When a young boy visits his grandfather, their lack of a common language leads to confusion, frustration, and silence. But as they sit down to draw together, something magical happens – with a shared love of art and storytelling, the two form a bond that goes beyond words. E LE

Malbrough, Mike. *Marigold Finds the Magic Words: A "Please" and "Thank You" Book*. 2019
Marigold, a feisty cat, plans the best parties, but when party-crashing birds ruin Marigold’s magic act during his otherwise perfect birthday party, he makes all of his guests disappear with a monumental temper tantrum. Can he recall the magic words to bring them back? Can’t get enough of Marigold? Try *Marigold Bakes a Cake*. E MALBROUGH

Maynor, Megan; illustrated by Kate Berube. *The Sandcastle That Lola Built*. 2018
In this unconventional cumulative tale, a little girl builds a sandcastle and makes friends along the way in this modern, summery spin on *The House That Jack Built*. E MAYNOR

Mora, Oge. *Thank You, Omu!* 2018
Everyone in the neighborhood dreams of a taste of Omu’s delicious stew! One by one, they follow their noses toward the scrumptious scent; and one by one, Omu offers a portion of her meal. Soon the pot is empty. Has she been so generous that she has nothing left for herself? This 2019 Caldecott Honor Book also won the Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Illustrator Award. E MORA
Morales, Yuyi. **Dreamers.** 2018
Award-winning author/illustrator Yuyi Morales tells the story of her and her son Kelly's immigration to the United States. Their passage was not easy, and Yuyi spoke no English whatsoever at the time, but together they found an unexpected, unbelievable place: the public library. There, book by book, they untangled the language of this strange new land, and learned to make their home within it. E MORALES, SP J 460 MORALES

Penfold, Alexandra; illustrated by Suzanne Kaufman. **All Are Welcome.** 2018
Illustrations and simple, rhyming text introduce a school where diversity is celebrated and songs, stories, and talents are shared. Follow a group of children through a day in their school, where everyone is welcomed with open arms. A school where kids in patkas, hijabs, and yarmulkes play side-by-side with friends in baseball caps. **All Are Welcome** lets young children know that no matter what, they have a place, they have a space, they are welcome in their school. E PENFOLD

Pizzoli, Greg. **Book Hog.** 2019
The Book Hog loves books - the way they look, the way they feel, the way they smell - and he'll grab whatever he can find. There's only one problem: He can't read! When a kind librarian invites him to join storytime, this literature-loving pig discovers the treasure that books really are. Another sure winner from Geisel Medalist Pizzoli. E PIZZOLI

Sarcone-Roach, Julia. **There Are No Bears in This Bakery.** 2019
Muffin the cat is one tough gumshoe, a feline detective charged with keeping her bakery safe at night. When Muffin hears a suspicious noise one night, his investigation reveals a hungry bear cub. A new picture book from the author-illustrator of **The Bear Ate Your Sandwich,** another tale of a hungry bear in the wrong place at the right time. E SARCOME

Soman, David and Davis, Jackie. **Ladybug Girl and the Rescue Dogs.** 2018
In the newest Ladybug Girl book, Lulu is excited to meet all the rescue dogs when the pet-adoption fair comes to her local farmers' market. She wants to take all of them home - but she already has Bingo, and Mama says one dog is enough for their family. That doesn't mean Lulu can't help, though. It's time for Ladybug Girl and the Bug Squad - her friends Grasshopper Girl and Bumblebee Boy - to step in! E SOMAN

Stein, David Ezra. **Interrupting Chicken and the Elephant of Surprise.** 2018
The interrupting chicken is back in an all new boisterous read aloud! When Little Red Chicken comes home excited about what she learned in school, she explains to Papa that every story has "an elephant of surprise." E STEIN

Twohy, Mike. **Stop, Go, Yes, No!: A Story of Opposites.** 2018
An enthusiastic dog and less-enthusiastic cat illustrate opposites through a chase full of silly and exciting turns, with a heartwarming twist. Don't miss this funny picture book about opposites from celebrated New Yorker cartoonist Mike Twohy. E TWOHY
Willems, Mo; illustrated by Amber Ren. Because. 2019
This moving tale of a young girl’s journey to center stage is a powerful symphony of chance, discovery, persistence and magic. E WILLEMS

Woodson, Jacqueline; illustrated by Rafael López. The Day You Begin. 2018
National Book Award winner Jacqueline Woodson and two-time Pura Belpré Illustrator Award winner Rafael López have teamed up to create a poignant, heartening book about finding courage to connect, even when you feel scared and alone. Other students laugh when Rigoberto, an immigrant from Venezuela, introduces himself but later, he meets Angelina and discovers that he is not the only one who feels like an outsider. E WOODSON, eBook

Yolen, Jane; illustrated by Mark Teague. How Do Dinosaurs Learn to Read? 2018
Told in rhyming text, young dinosaurs learn to read, but only after many mishaps, like chewing their books and throwing them at the cat. In Yolen’s latest “How Do Dinosaurs” book, dinosaurs and children alike will learn to respect their books, and treat them properly. E YOLEN

Nonfiction *

Ahmed, Roda; illustrated by Stasia Burrington. Mae Among the Stars. 2018
When astronaut Mae Jemison was a child, she dreamed of dancing in space. She imagined herself surrounded by billions of stars, floating, gliding and discovering. Little Mae’s curiosity, intelligence, and determination, matched with her parents’ encouraging words, paved the way for her incredible success at NASA as the first African American woman to travel in space, as documented in this picture book biography. J BIO JEMISIN

Bozzo, Linda. I Like Pugs! 2017
Do you like pugs? Is a pug right for you? How do you exercise, feed and groom a pug? “Discover Dogs with the American Canine Association” includes books about bulldogs, golden retrievers, Chihuahuas and more! J 636.7 BOZZO

Gagne, Tammy. Tyrannosaurus Rex. 2019
Take a trip back in time to the Cretaceous Period to learn about Tyrannosaurus Rex! With its sharp teeth, the carnivorous Tyrannosaurus Rex comes to life through immersive, vibrant images. Readers will be enticed to learn more about the dinosaurs’ appearance, behavior, and their prehistoric habitat. Realistic illustrations and easy-to-read text help any young reader find something to enjoy. J 567.9 GAGNE

Hoena, B.A. A Visit to the Fire Station. 2018
Text and photographs take readers on a visit to the fire station, including descriptions of the things and people found there. This book includes a video, which launches via a 4D app. Pebble Plus books are ideal nonfiction books for preschoolers, featuring simple text and full-page photographs. J 363.378 HOENA
Leaf, Christina. **Doctors.** 2018
Developed by literacy experts for students in Kindergarten, this Level 1 Blastoff Reader* introduces young readers to doctors through leveled text and colorful photographs. Try other Level 1 Blastoff Readers for your early readers.  J 610.695 LEAF

Manley, Curtis. **Just Right: Searching for the Goldilocks Planet.** 2019
Follow a young girl as she explores questions about the wondrous search for another Goldilocks planet.  J 523.2 MANLEY

Reynolds, A.M. **Let's Look at Japan.** 2019
Simple text and big illustrations introduce readers to the country of Japan. This is part of the "Let's Look at Countries" series. Pebble Plus* books can be found for most subjects in our nonfiction collection and are just the right level for preschoolers and kindergarteners!  J 952 REYNOLDS

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