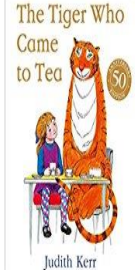




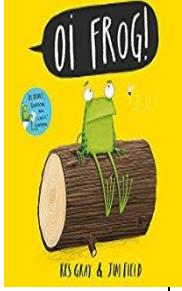


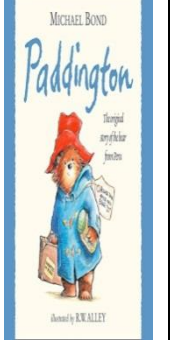
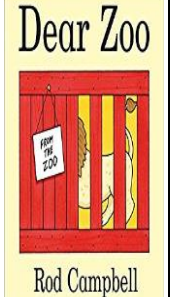


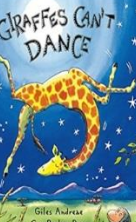





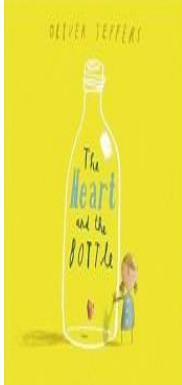
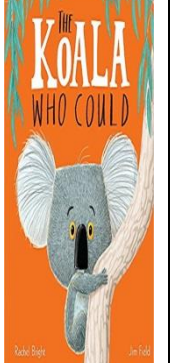
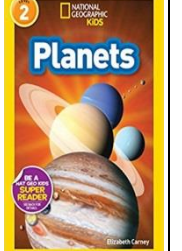
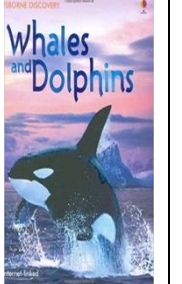
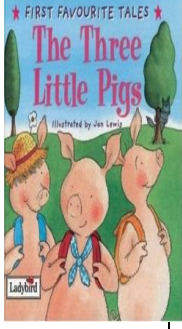
40 Recommended Reading Books for Reception

We have carefully selected books that will capture your imagination. This list contains some descriptions so you can choose books that relate to your personal interests.

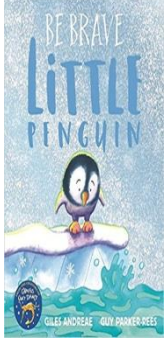
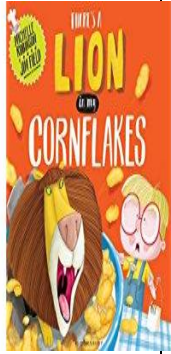
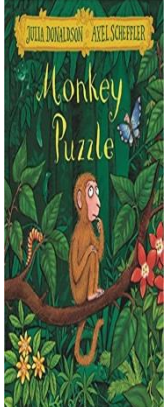
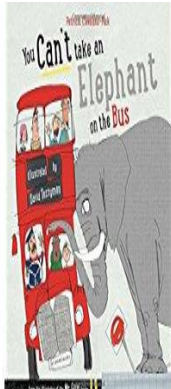
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| The Tiger who came to tea. Classic story |  | Judith Kerr | This classic story of Sophie and her extraordinary teatime guest has been loved by millions of children. The doorbell rings just as Sophie and her mummy are sitting down to tea. Who could it possibly be? | | |
| The Hungry Caterpillar Classic story |  | Eric Carle | A much loved classic about a hungry caterpillar that goes through the life cycle changes into a beautiful butterfly eating lots of adventurous foods along the way. | | |
| The Bad Tempered Ladybird Classic story |  | Eric Carle | The bad-tempered ladybird picks fights with every animal he meets, but soon learns the importance of friends and turns into a far nicer, happier bug. | | |
| The Gorilla Fiction story |  | Anthony Browne | Hannah loves gorillas but has never seen one. Her father's too busy to take her to the zoo – or for anything else come to that. For her birthday, Hannah asks her father for a gorilla – but is disappointed when she discovers that the gorilla she's got is just a toy one. But then something extraordinary happens ... | | |
| We're Going on a Bear Hunt Fiction story |  | Michael Rosen | Follow and join in the family's excitement as they wade through the grass, splash through the river and squelch through the mud in search of a bear. What a surprise awaits them in the cave on the other side of the dark forest! | | |

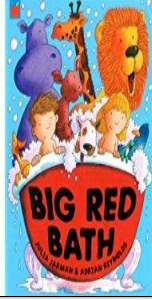

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| <p>Oi Frog</p> <p>Rhyming story</p> |  | <p>Kes Gray and Jim Field</p> | <p>Cats sit on mats, hares sit on chairs, mules sit on stools and gofers sit on sofas, but Frog does not want to sit on a log! Jam-packed with animals and silliness, this original rhyming story will have young children in fits of laughter.</p> | | |
| <p>Oi Dog</p> <p>Rhyming story</p> |  | <p>Kes Gray and Jim Field</p> | <p>Frog's had enough, he's the changing the status quo! Cat insists that there are rules - only mules sit on stools, no one but hares should sit on chairs and however irritating, dogs MUST sit on frogs.</p> | | |
| <p>Oi Cat</p> <p>Rhyming story</p> |  | <p>Kes Gray and Jim Field</p> | <p>According to Frog ... Cats sit on gnats, Dogs sit on logs, Raccoons sit on macaroons, Armadillos sit on pillows and Chicks sit on bricks. But wait! Cat doesn't like sitting on gnats, they keep biting his bottom! Will Frog and Dog help him change the rules?</p> | | |
| <p>Paddington Bear</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Michael Bond</p> | <p>Paddington Bear travelled all the way from Peru when the Brown family first met him on Paddington Station. Since then their lives have never been the same... for ordinary things become quite extraordinary when a bear called Paddington is involved.</p> | | |
| <p>Dear Zoo</p> <p>Classic storybook</p> |  | <p>Rod Campbell</p> | <p>Lift the flaps to discover the animals the zoo has sent - a monkey, a lion and even an elephant! But will they ever manage to send the perfect pet?</p> | | |


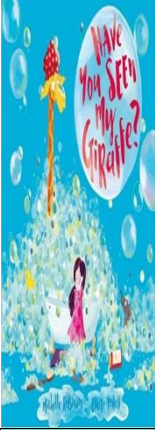


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| <p>Funny Bones</p> <p>Classic storybook</p> |  | <p>Allan Ahlberg and Janet Ahlberg</p> | <p>In a dark dark house, in a dark dark cellar lived some skeletons. What will they get up too?</p> | | |
| <p>Goldilocks and the Three Bears</p> <p>Traditional Tale</p> |  | <p>Mara Alperin</p> | <p>When Goldilocks sneaks into the three bears' cottage, no one seems to be home. But the bears soon return from their walk... Will they catch that little girl?</p> | | |
| <p>Giraffes can't Dance</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Giles Andreae</p> | <p>Gerald the tall giraffe would love to join in with the other animals at the Jungle Dance, but everyone knows that giraffes can't dance . . . or can they?</p> | | |
| <p>Never Tickle a Tiger</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Pamela Butchart</p> | <p>Izzy is always shuffling, jiggling, squirming and twitching. She just can't keep still! So when Izzy's school go on a trip to the zoo, her teacher warns her to behave. She must never wriggle, she must never fidget and she must certainly NEVER TICKLE A TIGER! But does Izzy listen?</p> | | |
| <p>10 Little Dinosaurs</p> <p>Number book</p> |  | <p>Mike Brownlow</p> | <p>Ten little dinosaurs set off in search of adventure. But what will the ten little dinosaurs do when they meet a grumpy triceratops? And a stomping diplodocus? And a HUNGRY t-rex?</p> | | |
| <p>How to Catch a Star</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Oliver Jeffers</p> | <p>There once was a boy who loved stars so much that he wished he had one of his very own. Every night he watched the stars in the sky from his bedroom window and dreamed of how he could be their friend and how they could play hide-and-go-seek together.</p> | | |

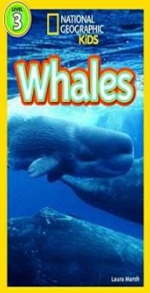
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| <p>The Heart and the Bottle</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Oliver Jeffers</p> | <p>Once there was a girl whose life was filled with wonder at the world around her... Then one day something happened that made the girl take her heart and put it in a safe place. However, after that it seemed that the world was emptier than before. But would she know how to get her heart back?</p> | | |
| <p>The Koala who Could</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Rachel Bright</p> | <p>Sometimes change comes along whether we like it or not . . . but if you let it, change can be the making of you. Kevin the Koala discovers this and more</p> | | |
| <p>Planets</p> <p>Non-Fiction</p> |  | <p>Elizabeth Carney</p> | <p>Introduces children to our solar system, including all of the planets and dwarf planets, and lots of fascinating fun facts. This reader helps cultivate the explorers of tomorrow!</p> | | |
| <p>Whales and Dolphins</p> <p>Non-Fiction</p> |  | <p>Susanna Davidson</p> | <p>Visually exciting and highly informative this book presents facts about Whales and Dolphins in a fun and accessible way.</p> | | |
| <p>The Three Little Pigs</p> <p>Traditional Tale</p> |  | <p>Jan Lewis</p> <p>Traditional Tale</p> | <p>Three little pigs set off to build new homes for themselves. But someone big and bad soon comes looking for a tasty piggy snack . . . Can the pigs outwit the wicked wolf?</p> | | |

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| <p>Little Red Riding Hood</p> <p>Traditional Tale</p> |  | <p>Mandy Ross</p> <p>Traditional Tale</p> | <p>Little Red Riding Hood is sent on a journey by her mother to visit her grandma and she meets someone along the way who will try to trick her? Will she fall for his trap?</p> | | |
| <p>Jack and the Beanstalk</p> <p>Traditional Tale</p> |  | <p>Ronne Randall and Gavin Scott</p> <p>Traditional Tale</p> | <p>When Jack climbs up an enormous beanstalk, he discovers a giant's castle high up in the clouds. But the giant likes to eat little boys... However will Jack escape?</p> | | |
| <p>Quick Quack</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Kes Gray</p> | <p>Quentin was a duck with a very quick quack. 'QUACK!' said Quentin. 'What's wrong with me? 'Quentin's quack has lost its A. Do any of the other animals have one to spare? APES don't want to be PES. SNAKES don't want to be SNKES. Will Quentin be stuck with a very quick QUACK?!</p> | | |
| <p>The Lion Inside</p> |  | <p>Rachel Bright</p> <p>Rhyming story</p> | <p>A rhyming story about one little mouse trying to make himself heard and discovering along the way that even the smallest of us has the heart of a lion.</p> | | |
| <p>Elmer</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>David McKee</p> | <p>Elmer is an adorable patchwork elephant who sends a subtle message that it is ok to be different which resonates with children across the world.</p> | | |

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| <p>Brave Little Penguin</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Giles Andreae</p> | <p>Little Penguin Pip-Pip would love to join in with all his friends swimming in the sea, but there's just one problem . . . he's scared of water. Can Pip-Pip overcome his fears and finally take the plunge? This irresistible story shows that sometimes all it takes is a little bit of encouragement.</p> | | |
| <p>There's a Lion in my Cornflakes</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Michelle Robinson</p> | <p>Dan and his brother decide to collect 100 coupons so that they can have their very own lion; they assume the task will be easy enough. How wrong can you be?! A wild story where anything can happen.</p> | | |
| <p>Monkey Puzzle</p> <p>Story book</p> |  | <p>Julia Donaldson</p> | <p>It's not too much fun being lost in the jungle and little monkey wants his mummy. Kindly butterfly is keen to help, but they don't seem to be having much luck as the well-meaning butterfly misunderstands monkey's descriptions and leads him to all sorts of unsuitable animals!</p> | | |
| <p>You Can't take an Elephant on the Bus</p> <p>Rhyming book</p> |  | <p>Patricia Cleveland-Peck</p> | <p>This riotous picture book is filled with animals causing total disaster as they try to travel in the most unsuitable vehicles. A real romp of a book, with hilarious rhyming text and spectacular illustrations.</p> | | |

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| <p>The Big Red Bath</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Julia Jarman</p> | <p>Ben and Bella are having such a lovely, splashy time in the big red bath that soon everyone wants to join in the fun! But will there be room for all the animals . . . even Hippopotamus?</p> | | |
| <p>The Day the Crayons Quit</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Drew Daywalt and Oliver Jeffers</p> | <p>Oliver Jeffers team up to create a colourful solution to a crayon-based crisis in this playful, imaginative story. Poor Duncan just wants to colour in. But when he opens his box of crayons, he only finds letters, all saying the same thing: We quit.</p> | | |
| <p>Your Called What?!</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Kes Gray</p> | <p>A unique and rip-roaringly funny, tongue-twisting story full of weird and wonderful real creatures and facts at the end that will amaze.</p> | | |
| <p>What the Ladybird Heard on Holiday</p> <p>Rhyming book</p> |  | <p>Julia Donaldson</p> | <p>Those two bad men, Lanky Len and Hefty Hugh, are back! They may be in the city instead of the farm, but they haven't changed their thieving ways. In fact, they're even more ambitious. They're planning to steal a monkey from the zoo and use it to pinch the Queen's crown.</p> | | |
| <p>The Squirrels' Who Squabbled</p> <p>Rhyming book</p> |  | <p>Rachel Bright</p> | <p>Two greedy squirrels squabble and learn how to share in this rhyming adventure.</p> | | |

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| <p>There's a Tiger in my Garden</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Lizzy Stewart</p> | <p>When Grandma says she's seen a tiger in the garden, Nora doesn't believe her. She's too old to play Grandma's silly games! Everyone knows that tigers live in jungles, not gardens.</p> | | |
| <p>Have you seen my Giraffe</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Michelle Robinson</p> | <p>Did you know that they don't give away goldfish at the fairground anymore? You can win a giraffe instead. So much better! Although, you might come across a few problems when you bring your cute new pet home. Giraffes tend to be big and clumsy, so here is a handy guide of all the best places to hide them...</p> | | |
| <p>The Bear who Stared</p> <p>Storybook</p> |  | <p>Duncun Beedie</p> | <p>Bear doesn't mean to be rude he's just curious but too shy to say anything. Nobody likes being stared at and it soon gets Bear into trouble.</p> | | |
| <p>Bugs and Insects</p> <p>Non-Fiction</p> |  | <p>Anthony Wooton</p> | <p>This non-fiction book makes perfect companions for enthusiasts keen to discover the many fascinating aspects of the natural world with full-colour illustrations of around 100-200 different species.</p> | | |

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| <p>Whales</p> <p>Non-Fiction</p> |  The image shows the cover of a National Geographic Kids book titled 'Whales'. The cover features a vibrant blue background with a close-up of a blue whale's head and tail. The title 'Whales' is written in a large, bold, orange font with a white outline. At the top left, there is a green circular logo with the number '3'. The National Geographic logo is at the top center, and the text 'NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC KIDS' is written below it. At the bottom right, the author's name 'LARRY MARSH' is visible. | <p>National geographic</p> | <p>This high interest, educationally vetted series for beginning readers featured the magnificent images of National Geographic.</p> | | |
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