### Books for Preschoolers

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<th>Author</th>
<th>Title</th>
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<td>Hort, Lenny</td>
<td>The Seals on the Bus</td>
<td>Holt, 2000</td>
<td>Seals, tigers, geese, monkeys and others make their own sounds as they take a bus ride all around the town.</td>
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<td>Prince, April</td>
<td>What Do Wheels Do All Day?</td>
<td>Houghton Mifflin, 2006</td>
<td>Striking paper collage illustrations show all kinds of wheels in action.</td>
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<td>Stuve-Bodeen, Stephanie</td>
<td>Mama Elizabeti</td>
<td>Lee &amp; Low, 2000</td>
<td>An African girl discovers the difficulties of caring for her impish younger brother. Also: Elizabeti's Doll.</td>
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<td>Aston, Dianna</td>
<td>An Egg Is Quiet</td>
<td>Chronicle, 2005</td>
<td>More than sixty different eggs are beautifully depicted and accompanied by brief facts.</td>
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<td>Ehlert, Lois</td>
<td>Growing Vegetable Soup</td>
<td>Harcourt, 1987</td>
<td>A father and child plant a vegetable garden and make a delicious homemade soup. (also available in Spanish) Also: Eating the Alphabet.</td>
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<td>Shahan, Sherry</td>
<td>Spicy Hot Colors = Colores Picantes</td>
<td>August House, 2004</td>
<td>Bold pictures and rhyming text introduce basic colors in English and Spanish. Also: Cool Cats Counting.</td>
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<td>Thong, Roseanne</td>
<td>Round Is a Mooncake: A Book of Shapes</td>
<td>Chronicle, 2000</td>
<td>A Chinese American girl observes circles, squares and rectangles in her home and neighborhood.</td>
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### Recent Research on Early Literacy Skills
Recent research has shown there are six early literacy skills that children must master in order to learn to read. Parents and caregivers can help their preschoolers learn important skills now, so they will become good readers later.

#### Print Motivation
- Find books that speak to your child’s interests.
- Let your child see that you enjoy reading too!

#### Vocabulary
- Read together every day! When you talk about the story and pictures, your child hears and learns new words.

#### Phonological Awareness
- Have fun saying rhymes and make up your own silly, nonsense rhymes together.

#### Letter Knowledge
- Help your child learn the names of letters, the shapes of letters and the sound each letter makes.

#### Print Awareness
- Point out words and ask questions about the story and pictures.

#### Narrative Skills
- Tell stories together, encourage pretend play and let your child be a storyteller.

It's never too early or too late to start reading to your child!

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*The books listed are a sampling of the titles available. Ask your Children’s Librarian for further suggestions and tell us which are your favorites.*
Who Am I? I Am Somebody!

JPS AME
Ajmera, Maya and John D. Ivanko. To Be A Kid. Charlesbridge, 1999. Color photographs of children taken around the world provide a playful look at universal childhood activities.

JPS BANG

JPS CHOD
Chodos-Irwin, Margaret. Ella Sarah Gets Dressed. Harcourt, 2003. Despite pressure from her family, a young girl is determined to dress herself in clothes she has chosen. Also: Best Best Friends.

JPS CURT
Curtis, Jamie Lee. Tell Me Again About the Night I Was Born. Illus. by Laura Cornell. HarperCollins, 1996. A little girl, who obviously knows the story by heart, asks her parents to describe once again her birth and adoption. (also available in Chinese)

JPS JOOS
Joosse, Barbara M. Papa, Do You Love Me? Illus. by Barbara Lavallee. Chronicle, 2005. An inquisitive Masai boy finds out just how much he is loved. Also: Mama, Do You Love Me?

JPS JUST

JPS KEAT
Keats, Ezra Jack. Whistle For Willie. Viking, 1964. A boy practices and practices until at last he can whistle. (also available in several languages) Also: Peter's Chair. The Snowy Day.

JPS PHAM

JPS SHAN
Shannon, David. No, David! Blue Sky. 1998. A mischievous little boy is repeatedly admonished for misbehaving, but he does earn a reassuring hug at the end of the day. (also available in Spanish)

New 4th and Old Favorites

JPS BLDO

JPS FEIF

JPS HENK
Henkes, Kevin. Chrysanthemum. Greenwillow, 1991. Chrysanthemum loves her name until all the kids at school make fun of it. (also available in Chinese and Spanish)

JPS KASZ
Kasza, Keiko. The Wolf’s Chicken Stew. Putnam, 1987. A hungry wolf is outmaneuvered by the chicken he planned to eat. (also available in Spanish)

JPS NUME

JPS POTT
Potter, Beatrix. The Tale of Peter Rabbit. Warner, 1902. The beloved story of a disobedient little rabbit that ventures into Mr. McGregor’s garden. Ask for other books in this series. (also available in several languages)

JPS RICH

JPS SLOB

JPS SLOB2

Look, Listen and Imagine

JPHAM
Pham, LeUyen. Big Sister, Little Sister. Hyperion, 2005. A heartwarming story of the ups, downs and joys of sisterhood as told by the little sister. (also available in several languages)

JPS HILE

JPS DEDW

JPS FOX

JPS HILL

JPS NEIS

JPS ORDN
Domor, Arthur. Arabella. Illus. by Elsa Kleven. Dutton, 2001. While riding on a bus with her grandmother, a girl imagines that they are carried up into the sky above New York City. (also available in Spanish)

JPS PELL

JPS POTT
Potter, Beatrix. The Tale of Peter Rabbit. Warner, 1902. The beloved story of a disobedient little rabbit that ventures into Mr. McGregor’s garden. Ask for other books in this series. (also available in several languages)

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JPS BLAC

JPS HOBAN