

# Books for Kindergarten SLC 2016

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## Picture Books (P)

## Ahlberg, Jessica. Fairy Tales for Mr. Barker.

While Lucy tries to read to her dog Mr. Barker, he runs off and she ends up chasing him through a fairy tale world where she helps Goldilocks, Jack, the Three Little Pigs, and Sleeping Beauty escape from their enemies.

#### Bram, Elizabeth. Rufus the Writer.

Rather than a lemonade stand, Rufus sets up a story stand one summer and makes a series of trades with his friends--a story for a shell, for a kitten, for a surprise, and one more as a special birthday gift for his sister.

## Bright, Rachel. Love Monster and the Last Chocolate.

When Love Monster receives a box of chocolates as a gift, he has second thoughts about sharing them with all of his friends.

#### Brown, Marc Tolon. Monkey: Not Ready for Kindergarten.

Kindergarten is just a week away and Monkey is not ready, but with help and encouragement from family and friends, he begins to get excited.

## Cole, Henry. Spot, the Cat.

In this wordless picture book, a cat named Spot ventures out an open window and through a city on a journey, while his owner tries to find him.

## Cronin, Doreen. Bloom.

When the glass kingdom begins cracking, the king and queen fail in their quest to get help from the fairy Bloom, who can work great magic but was banished because of her muddy boots and messiness, so they send Genevieve, an ordinary girl who will do what it takes to save the day.

#### **Desbordes, Astrid.** Edmond: the Moonlit Party.

Edmond the squirrel shares a tree with George, an owl who loves costumes, and Harry the bear, who throws wonderful parties that turn out even better when Edmond overcomes his shyness and joins in.

## Falatko, Julie. Snappsy the Alligator (Did Not Ask to Be in This Book).

When Snappsy the alligator's ordinary day is interrupted by a meddling narrator making slanderous claims in hopes of making a more exciting story, Snappsy refuses to invite the narrator to his party.

## Fan, Terry. The Night Gardener.

Everyone on Grimloch Lane enjoys the trees and shrubs clipped into animal masterpieces after dark by the Night Gardener, but William, a lonely boy, spots the artist, follows him, and helps with his special work.

#### **Heder, Thyra.** The Bear Report.

Sophie is uninterested in writing a research report on polar bears until a polar bear named Olafur swoops her away to the Arctic, where she learns all about the playful bear's habits and habitat, from glacier mice to Northern Lights.

#### John, Jory. I Love You Already.

All Bear wants is to spend a pleasant day alone, but Duck really wants to hang out.

## Judge, Lita. Hoot and Peep.

Hoot the owl is excited to teach his younger sister all of his wisdom--but much to his annoyance, Peep is more interested in capturing the magic of the world around her than in listening to his advice.

## Katz, Susan B. All Year Round.

Illustrations and short verses introduce shapes associated with each month of the year, such as circles that make up a January snowman, and triangular treats enjoyed in November.

## Kennedy, Anne Victtur. Ragweed's Farm Dog Handbook.

Explore the pitfalls—and opportunities!—of a dog's life on the farm.

#### **Light, Steve.** Swap!

A peg-legged youngster uses his bartering skills to trade for sails, anchors, a ship's wheel and other necessary supplies to fix their ship and make a friend in the process.

## Mantchev, Lisa. Strictly No Elephants.

When the local Pet Club will not admit his tiny pet elephant, a little boy discovers a way to help everyone understand that pets, like all friends, come in many shapes and sizes.

## Miller, Pat Zietlow. The Quickest Kid in Clarksville.

Growing up in the segregated town of Clarksville, Tennessee, in the 1960s, Alta's family cannot afford to buy her new sneakers--but she still plans to attend the parade celebrating her hero Wilma Rudolph's three Olympic gold medals.

#### Moser, Lisa. Stories from Bug Garden.

Take an imaginative glimpse into the secret lives of a garden's unusual insects, from a ladybug who likes making mud angels to a cricket who dreams of grand adventures.

## Thomson, Bill. The Typewriter.

In this picture book with few words, three children find a typewriter on a carousel, and begin an adventure that helps them discover the wonder of words.

## VanSickle, Vikki. If I Had a Gryphon.

Sam's pet hamster is kind of boring. Inspired by her book of mythological creatures, Sam longs for a more exciting pet. But she soon realizes that taking care of these magical beasts might not be as wonderful as she thought.

# **Early Readers (E)**

## Gorbachev, Valeri. Not Me!

While Bear enjoys a day at the beach, Chipmunk, who is not a beach person, does not, suffering one mishap after another all in the interests of spending time with his good friend Bear.

#### Virjan, Emma J. What This Story Needs Is a Pig in a Wig.

Join Pig on an exciting boat ride as she discovers that life is more fun with friends in this fantastic funny read-aloud with cumulative text.

## **Non-Fiction**

## Brocket, Jane. Stickiest, Fluffiest, Crunchiest: Super Superlatives.

Introduces the concept of the superlative by describing the characteristics of different types of foods and inviting young readers to decide which of several choices illustrated has these traits to the greatest extent. (428.1 Br)

## Chrustowski, Rick. Bee Dance.

A honeybee communicates her discovery of a nectar food source to her hive mates by performing a waggle dance and figure-eight pattern, in a comprehensive and vibrantly illustrated introduction to bee life. (595.799 Ch)

#### VanDerwater, Amy Ludwig. Every Day Birds.

After reading Every Day Birds, families can look out their windows with curiosity--recognizing birds and nests and celebrating the beauty of these creatures! (598 Va)