

40 Recommended Reading Books for Reception

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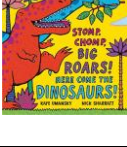

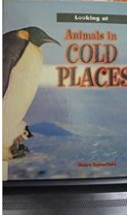
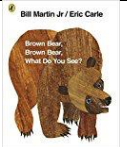
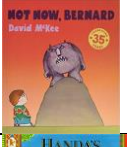

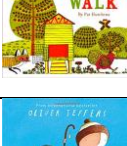

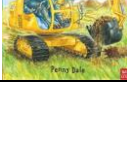
We have carefully selected books that will hopefully capture your child's imagination. This list contains books you can read together and colour-bands, with and a description of the book so that you and your child are able to choose your favourites according to your child's reading level and interests.

Title	Image	Author	ISBN	Overview	Book Band	Date Read
One Snowy Night		Nick Butterworth	978-0007146932	Percy the Park Keeper helps his animal friends in this popular story from highly-regarded, best-selling author-illustrator Nick Butterworth.	Read together	
The Incredible Book Eating Boy		Oliver Jeffers	978-0007182312	Henry loves books... but not like you and I. He loves to EAT books! This exciting story follows the trials and tribulations of a boy with a voracious appetite for books.	Read together	
Come to School too, Blue Kangaroo		Emma Chichester Clark	978-0007258680	Lily and Blue Kangaroo - a friendship forever! The eighth title in this hugely popular series featuring Lily and her loveable soft toy sees the inseparable duo starting at a new school with surprising results.	Read together	
The Enormous Crocodile		Roald Dahl	978-0141501765	The Enormous Crocodile is a horrid greedy grumptious brute who loves to guzzle up little boys and girls.	Read together	
The Tiny Seed		Eric Carle	978-0140557138	When the tiny seed is blown away from its parent plant, it travels a very long way - overseas, deserts and mountains.	Read together	
The Very Hungry Caterpillar		Eric Carle	978-0140569322	The classic edition of the bestselling story written for the very young. A newly hatched caterpillar eats his way through all kinds of food.	Read together	
Man on the Moon, A Day in the Life of Bob		Simon Bartram	978-1840113693	The everyday story of an ordinary man? Well, sort of, Bob is the man on the moon, and he has a very special job, looking after the moon, cleaning it up, showing visitors around and selling souvenirs.	Read together	
We're Going on a Bear Hunt		Michael Rosen	978-0744523232	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.	Read together	
Meet the Parents		Peter Bently	978-0857075826	You may think your parents just boss you around and tell you what to do. And there's no getting away from it - they do have to do quite a lot of that!	Read together	
The Snail and the Whale		Julia Donaldson	978-0333982242	One tiny snail longs to see the world and hitches a lift on the tail of a whale.	Read together	

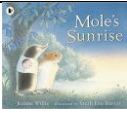
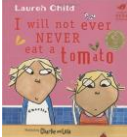


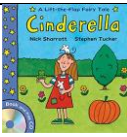
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Room on the Broom		Julia Donaldson	978-0333903384	The witch and her cat fly happily over forests, rivers and mountains on their broomstick until a stormy wind blows away the witch's hat, bow and wand.	Read together	
The Gruffalo		Julia Donaldson	978-0333710937	Walk further into the deep dark wood, and discover what happens when the quick-thinking mouse comes face to face with an owl, a snake and a hungry gruffalo . . .	Read together	
Charlie Cook's Favourite Book		Julia Donaldson	978-1509830428	Charlie Cook is reading a book about a pirate captain, who is reading a book about Goldilocks, who is reading about a knight, who is reading about a frog...	Read together	
What the Ladybird Heard		Julia Donaldson	978-0230706507	With all the MOOing and HISSing and BAAing and CLUCKing, the farmyard is full of noise.	Read together	
Croc and Bird		Alexis Deacon	978-0091893323	Side by side on the sand sat two eggs. With a crack and a rip, the brothers hatch, and out comes a bird and a ... crocodile! But they can't be brothers - can they?	Read together	
The Selfish Crocodile		Faustin Charles & Mike Terry	978-0747541936	Every morning a very large and very snappy crocodile shouts this selfish message: 'Stay away from my river! It's MY river! If you come in my river, I'll eat you all!'	Read together	
The Princess and the Pea		Hans Christian Andersen (Mini Grey)	978-0099432333	Once upon a time there was an enchanting fairy-tale about a prince who was looking for a real princess to be his bride.	Read together	
The Lion Who Wanted to Love		Giles Andreae	978-1860399138	Leo isn't like other lion cubs. Instead of chasing zebras and antelopes, he wants to make friends and hug them.	Read together	
Princess Smartypants		Babette Cole	978-0140555264	Princess Smartypants does not want to get married. She enjoys being a Ms.	Read together	
The Rainbow Fish		Marcus Pfister	978-1558580091	The award-winning book about a beautiful fish who finds friendship and happiness when he learns to share.	Read together	
Owl Babies		Martin Waddell and Patrick Benson	978-0744531671	A gentle tale of three baby owls reassures young children that Mummy will always come home.	Read together	
The Bog Baby		Jeanne Willis	978-0141500300	When two small sisters go fishing to the magic pond, they find something much better than a frog or a newt. They find a bog baby.	Read together	

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Over on the farm		Christopher Gunson	978-0385406338	A counting, rhyming picture book based on a familiar nursery rhyme with educational elements which include information about animal activities	Read together	
We completely must go to London		Lauren Child	978-0141342924	Charlie has this little sister Lola. Today they are visiting London on a school trip. Lola says, "London is extremely huge and very BUSY...I can't wait!"	Read together	
My Two Grannies		Floella Benjamin	978-1847800343	Alvina has two grannies who she loves with all her heart.	Read together	
Stomp, Chomp, Big Roars! Here come the Dinosaurs		Kaye Umansky	978-0140569353	This is the way we stomp our feet, Stomp! Stomp! Stomp!	Read together	
Q Pootle 5 in Space		Nick Butterworth	978-0007119738	A high-speed space-chase unfolds as QPootle5 and his friend, Oopsy, flee from three hungry bladder monsters.	Read together	
Looking at Animals in cold Places		Moira Butterfield	978-0739801116	From the icy waters of the Arctic to the snowy plains of the Antarctic, this book looks at 12 different weird and wonderful animals describing how they keep warm.	Read together	
Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?		Bill Martin Jr, Eric Carle	9780140502961	Exuberantly coloured artwork and favourite animals make this rhythmic story the perfect introduction to looking and learning about colours.	Red	
Not Now Bernard		David McKee	978-1783442904	Bernard's got a problem. He's found a monster in the back garden but his mum and dad are just too busy to notice.	Red	
Handa's Surprise		Eileen Browne	978-0744536348	A modern classic named one of the best culturally diverse picture books in the UK, this is the story of Handa, who's part of the Luo tribe in south-west Kenya.	Yellow	
Rosie's Walk		Pat Hutchins	978-1862308060	Rosie's walk around the farmyard, pursued by the hungry but clumsy fox, has become a beacon in the world of children's picture books.	Yellow	
Lost and Found		Oliver Jeffers	978-0007150366	There once was a boy... and one day a penguin arrives on his doorstep.	Blue	
Dinosaur Dig!		Penny Dale	978-0857630940	Dinosaur Dig! has everything that gets small boys excited - diggers, dinosaurs and dirt plus a bit of counting thrown in for good measure.	Blue	

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Mole's sunrise		Jeanne Willis	978-1406337785	When his good friends, Vole, Rabbit, Squirrel and Sparrow take him down to the lake to show him the sunrise.	Blue	
I Took the Moon for a Walk		Carolyn Curtis	978-1846862007	I Took the Moon for a Walk is ideal for shared reading, or sampling the pleasures of verse and imaginative language in the classroom, at key stage 1' - Times Educational Supplement.	Blue	
I Will Not Ever Never Eat a Tomato		Lauren Child	978-1846168864	Lola will not eat peas. In fact, she won't eat carrots, potatoes, mushrooms, eggs, sausages, cauliflower, cabbage or baked beans.	Blue	
Where the Wild Things Are		Maurice Sendak	0099408392	One night Max puts on his wolf suit and makes mischief of one kind and another, so his mother calls him 'Wild Thing' and sends him to bed without his supper.	Blue	
Hansel and Gretel		Ladybird First Favourite Tales	978-0723270690	A perfect introduction to the classic story <i>Hansel and Gretel</i> . Find out what happens when the brother and sister get lost in the woods!	Blue	
Cinderella		Stephen Tucker & Nick Sharratt	9780141322407	The story of Cinderella and her ugly stepsisters retold in glorious rhyme that's perfect for reading aloud.	Blue	

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