

Books for four and five year olds

JE Fiction

JE BAK

Where the Forest Meets the Sea

by Jeannie Baker

This Australian author/illustrator respects children's abilities to grasp complex ideas. In this story, the threatened ancient forest reveals its history to a child in beautiful collage illustrations. Also by Baker, **Home** and **The Hidden Forest**.



JE BAR

Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing

by Judi Barrett

Pictures of animals wearing clothes show why this would be a ridiculous custom for them to adopt.

JE BLO

A Splendid Friend, Indeed,

by Suzanne Bloom

When a studious polar bear meets an inquisitive goose, they learn to be friends.



JE CAR

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

by Eric Carle

A modern classic, this story blends the days of the week, colourful illustrations, and the life cycle of a butterfly. Carle has produced many other fine books, including **A House for Hermit Crab**, **The Very Busy Spider** and **Slowly, Slowly, Slowly Said the Sloth**.

JE HUG

The "Alfie and Annie Rose" books

by Shirley Hughes

Alfie and his little sister face all the important preschool problems and fun in their warm, jumbled English household. **Alfie Gets In First** and **Alfie Gives a Hand** are just two of her wonderful books.



JE JOY

A day with Wilbur Robinson

by William Joyce

While spending the day in the Robinson household, Wilbur's best friend joins in the search for Grandfather Robinson's missing false teeth and meets one wacky relative after another.

JE MAR

The "George and Martha" books

by James Marshall

Two hippo friends have adventures, feuds and fun just like human children. The droll sense of humour will also appeal to adults.



JE MAR

Chicka Chicka Boom Boom

by Bill Martin

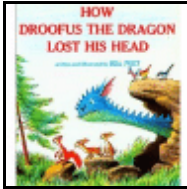
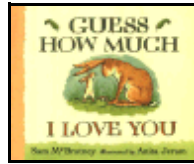
Both upper and lower case letters of the alphabet run into big trouble with a coconut tree in this lively rhyming romp.

JE MCB

Guess how much I love you

by *Sam McBratney*

During a bedtime game, every time Little Nutbrown Hare demonstrates how much he loves his father, Big Nutbrown Hare gently shows him that the love is returned even more.



JE PEE

by *Bill Peet*

Strong, imaginative plots are told in rhyme with cartoon-like pictures. Peet's books are longer than the usual picture book, and will stretch attention spans. Many also double as fables: try **Big Bad Bruce**, **Cowardly Clyde** and **The Gnats of Knotty Pine**.

JE PIL

The "Dragon" books

by *Dav Pilkey*

Dragon is a loveable, naïve fellow who never gets things quite right. The books have short chapters and lively illustrations. Dragon gets scared by the sound of his own tummy rumbling, accidentally creates a really scary jack-o-lantern, and tries to make friends with an apple in **Dragon's Fat Cat**, **A Friend for Dragon**, **Dragon Gets By**, etc. Other Pilkey favourites are **Kat Kong** and **Dogzilla**.



JE SEU

Dr. Seuss

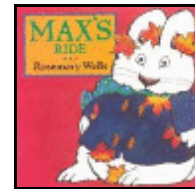
Every child should go to school knowing the good doctor's books. The Cat in the Hat creates mayhem, and then **The Cat in the Hat Comes Back**. **The Sneetches** learn a lesson about tolerance, and **Great Day for UP**. **Hop on Pop** and see a **Fox in Socks**.

JE WEL

The "Max and Ruby" books

by *Rosemary Wells*

Max is bossed by big sister Ruby, but always manages to even the score. **Bunny Cakes**, **Max Cleans Up**, and **Bunny Money** are family must-reads.



JE WIL

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!

by *Mo Willems*

Whatever you do, don't let the pigeon take control! He will wheedle and beg and bribe, but don't give in.... He's back in **The Pigeon Finds a Hot Dog**, **Don't Let The Pigeon Stay Up Late!** and **The Pigeon Wants A Puppy**. In **Knuffle Bunny** and **Knuffle Bunny Too**, Willems captures the importance of a beloved stuffed toy. His new **Elephant** and **Piggie Reader** series are funny for both parent and child.

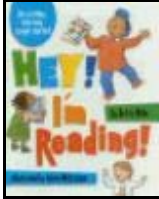
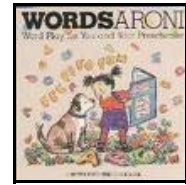
JE Non-Fiction

JE 372.61 ALL

Wordsaroni

by *Linda Allison*

A treasure trove of ideas for parents and children to do together, celebrating word play and helping pre-reading skills. Also in this terrific series are **Pint-Size Science** (JE 372.3 ALL), and **Razzle Dazzle Doodle Art** (JE 372.5 ALL).



JE 372.41 MIL

Hey! I'm Reading: A How-to-Read Book for Beginners

by *Betty Miles*

This is a very clever introduction to the reading process for four and five-year olds, reaffirming what they already know about reading and teaching them skills to start the next step in the process.

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