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| Contemporary Fict | Contemporary Fiction | | |
| Aliens Love Underpants Clare Freedman | This zany, hilarious tale is delightfully brought to life by Ben Cort's vibrant illustrations. With a madcap, rhyming text by award-winning Claire Freedman, this is sure to enchant and amuse the whole family! Perfect for joining in, this story is fantastically fresh and funny - you'll laugh your pants off! | Great maths links- superb for exploring pattern First in a series including Pirates, Monsters and Dinosaurs Rhyming narrative | |
| Ssh! We Have a Plan Chris Haughton | A picture book about a beautiful bird, four friends and plans gone wrong The friends are out for a walk. Suddenly, they spot it – a beautiful bird perched high in a tree! They simply <i>must</i> have it and – <i>ssh!</i> – they have a <i>plan</i> . But, at the turn of the page, we find a ridiculous bunch of very tangled characters and a blissfully oblivious bird, flying away. One hilarious foiled plan after another and it's clear that this goofy gang <i>cannot</i> catch that elusive birdie! | Simple story with repetitive structure and language- great for children to learn by heart Good teaching point for capital letters and full stops- as they're often missing in this text Good for early inference | |
| Supertato Sue Hendra | Meet Supertato! He's always there for you when the chips are down. He's the superhero with eyes everywhere - but now there's a pea on the loose. A very, very naughty pea. Has Supertato finally met his match? | Superhero theme with a strong structure Problem solving Sequels available: 'Veggies Assemble', 'Run Veggies, Run', 'Evil Pea Rules' and 'Veggies in the valley of Doom' | |
| The Foggy, Foggy Forest Nick Sharratt | Who's lurking in the foggy forest? Look through the trees and guess the shapes to find out! What can that be in the foggy, foggy forest? Take a trip through the mysterious misty landscape – hilarious fairy-tale fun lies around every corner. | Good for visual literacy- encourages young children to look and make sense of silhouettes they can see Good for developing early prediction skills Repetitive question throughout for children to join in with. | |

| how Many Legs? Kes Gray | From the award winning creators of <i>Oi</i> <i>Frog!</i> comes a hilarious counting picture book about our four-legged - and two- legged and eight-legged - friends! How many legs would there be if a polar bear came for tea? How high would the leg count go if a squid rode in on a buffalo? As more and more animals join in the fun, count along if you can! | Great Maths links – excellent for counting and addition- you could support with manipulatives too Rhyming text Links to a topic on animals |
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| Naughty Bus Bughty Bus Jan and Jerry Oke | A young boy receives a toy bus as a present and has great fun exploring the world with his new toy which turns out to be quite a naughty bus – or is it the boy being naughty? This is a very unusual picture book with a story told through close up photography and mainly narrated by the toy bus. | Photographs rather than illustrations Playful font types that help to show the meaning of words Good for early inference |
| Scaredy Squirrel Scaredy Squirrel Melanie Watt | The first book in the Scaredy Squirrel series is a comical story of an endearing squirrel who learns what can happen when he's brave enough to take a risk. Scaredy Squirrel never leaves his nut tree. It's way too dangerous out there. He remains prepared with an emergency kit which includes antibacterial soap, Band-Aids and a parachute. But one day, his worst nightmare comes true! | Challenging vocabulary Links to PSED Models lists very well Links with Maths through days of the week and time Routine Simple instructions Rich in humour |
| Ito 20, Arinals Aplenty Ito 20, Animals Aplenty Statie Viggers | Fun to read and educational, <i>1 to 20,</i> <i>Animals Aplenty</i> shows each number both numerically and as a quantity, which is the key to teaching children not only to count but also the building blocks of mathematical skills. All this education is disguised by Katie's adorable, detailed creatures, who romp through the numbers with unexpected and frequently silly propsand it all rhymes! | A simple yet stunning counting book which Rhyming text Clear layout for counting |

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| The Queen's Knickers Nicholas Allan | It's a busy year for the Queen - she has lots of important events to attend. Meanwhile, a little girl is wondering what knickers Her Majesty will choose to wear on a school visit! Will they be her 'at home' knickers - adorned with corgis - or her 'garden party' knickers, or perhaps her woolly Balmoral ones? | Rich in humour Good for vocabulary Simplistic text written mostly in present, rather than past tense. |
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| Everyone Can Learn to Ride a Bicycle Chris Raschka | In this simple yet emotionally rich "guide," a father takes his daughter through all the steps in the processfrom choosing the perfect bicycle to that triumphant first successful ride. Using very few words and lots of expressive pictures, here is a picture book that not only shows kids how to learn to ride, but captures what it <i>feels</i> like to fall get up fall again and finally "by luck, grace, and determination" ride a bicycle! | Growth Mindset Resilience Minimal words Evocative illustrations Good as a stimulus for writing simple instructions and/or lists |
| Lost and Found Oliver Jeffers | There once was a boy and one day a penguin arrives on his doorstep. The boy decides the penguin must be lost and tries to return him. But no one seems to be missing a penguin. So, the boy decides to take the penguin home himself, and they set out in his row boat on a journey to the South Pole. But when they get there, the boy discovers that maybe home wasn't what the penguin was looking for after all. | Ideal for Mantle of the Expert Explores themes of friendship and belonging Simple storyline about amending mistakes One of four stories with the boy as the central character Links to homes/habitats |
| BEAUTIFUE BEAUTIFUE DODDO ERREY SALTERS Barney Saltzberg | Every mistake can lead to a beautiful new adventure: That's the lovely life lesson behind this inspiring board book full of pop- ups, pull-the-flaps, and pretty amazing not to mention surprising feats of paper engineering. | Growth Mindset Links to Expressive Arts and Design Teaches resilience when mistakes are made Helps develop imagination Lift the flaps book |

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| Merve Tulle | Press Here is an award winning invitation to push the yellow button on the cover and trigger a magical journey of colour, imagination, and virtual interactivity. All the more remarkable that this adventure has all occurred on the flat surface of the simple, printed page, especially in today s digital age. Simple instructions are given on each page for the child to follow and interact with the book. | Not a story, but a series of fun commands/instructions Great for colour recognition, positional language and following instructions One of four interactive books by the same author Some opportunity to practice 1:1 correspondence |
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| A CONSULATION OF CONS | Imagine you could go anywhere, meet anyone and do anything. Where would you live? Where would you sleep? Who would be your friends? What games would you play? Go on <i>you</i> choose! With the help of Nick Sharratt's wonderfully detailed illustrations, Pippa Goodhart explores a whole range of scenarios where choosing is made fun! This is a timeless classic which children will love to return to again and again - and there's something new to find on every read! | Recommended for Reception Not a book to read- but a book to discuss Illustrations provide prompts Great for oracy and vocabulary development Can be used as stimulus for writing. PSED links |
| Frog is a Hero Max Velthuijs | When the rains come and the river bursts its banks, Frog, Duck, Pig and Hare are stranded. It is Frog who is a hero when he risks his life to help his friends. | Well placed in Reception Good for vocabulary development A good starting point for children to rework a plot to create their own simple story with a big problem. |
| Superkid Claire Freedman | There's a boy quite ordinary, He looks like me or you, but in secret he is SUPERKID - There's nothing he can't do! With x-ray vision, super speed and bravery by the bag- load, Superkid is always on hand to save the day! He can spot bullies trying to steal your bubble-gum, he knows just what to do with a plateful of broccoli, and he can make even pirates surrender. An encouraging message about every child's potential to be a hero. | Recommended for Reception Rhyming text Familiar setting of classroom Superhero theme |

| Room on the Broom Julia Donaldson | 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. Luckily, they are retrieved by a dog, a bird and a frog, who are all keen for a ride on the broom. A very funny story of quick wits and friendship, <i>The Room on the Broom</i> is another smash hit from the unparalleled picture-book partnership of Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, creators of <i>The Gruffalo</i> . | Rhyming text with repetitive language patterns Enticing illustrations- animation available We also recommend 'The Gruffalo', 'Squash and a Squeeze' and 'Charlie Cook's Favourite Book' by the same author. |
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| Marvin More More Joseph Theobald | Marvin is not happy. <i>Why</i> are the other sheep bigger than him? And <i>why</i> are they faster than him? And WHY can they jump higher than him? Something has to change, and Marvin knows <i>exactly</i> how to change it by EATING! Because if he's bigger than the other sheep, then surely, he will be better, too. A brilliantly funny picture book about a brilliantly greedy sheep! | Recommended for Nursery Great for PSED and understanding the world Promotes sharing Cultural aspects Tactile versions available |
| The Hairy Toe Daniel Postgate | In this spine-tickling traditional tale, an old woman finds a hairy toe – and soon the owner comes looking for it! While out picking beans, an old woman finds a hairy toe – and soon wishes she hadn't – especially when its owner comes looking for it Humorously illustrated by Daniel Postgate, this spine-tickling traditional tale is perfect for Halloween and shouts to be read out loud! | Spooky story- good for exploring atmosphere Encourages anticipation Simplistic text Engaging cartoon-style illustrations Good for vocabulary development Repetitive elements to join in with Ideal to write a class sequel |
| Shifty McGifty and Slippery Sam Tracey Corderoy | Shifty McGifty and Slippery Sam are robbers. The trouble is they are not very good at it and keep coming away empty handed. The two hapless robbers, realising the error of their ways, decide to turn away from their life of crime and find a new career as café owners as their cake making proves such a hit. An amusing story with appealing characters and wonderfully detailed illustrations. The rhyming text makes it memorable and easy to join in with. | Links to PSED Use to discuss stereotypes Excellent for vocabulary development Writing opportunities- particularly descriptions Rhyming text Other books with same characters are available |

| Where's My TeddyJez Alborough | Yikes! Eddie's in for the surprise of his life when he discovers that his teddy bear has grown much too big to cuddle! But there's fun in store when Eddie meets up with a real bear who's got just the opposite problemhis lost teddy bear has shrunk to a size that's much too small for such an enormous bear to cuddle. Could it be a case of mistaken identity? This fast-paced comedy of errors, illustrated with Jez Alborough's quirky artwork, is guaranteed to have childrenand bears alikereaching for their teddies! | Rhyming text Links to Maths through size, measures and ordering Engaging illustrations which encourage anticipation |
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| FLIGHT SCHOOL Flight School Lita Judge | A persevering penguin is determined to fly in this adorably inspiring picture book from the creator of <i>Red Hat</i> and <i>Red Sled</i> . Although little Penguin has the soul of an eagle, his body wasn't built to soar. But Penguin has an irrepressible spirit, and he adamantly follows his dreams to flip, flap, fly! Even if he needs a little help with the technical parts, this penguin is ready to live on the wind. | Growth mindset Themes of perseverance, resilience, friendship and recognising achievement Simple storyline with some challenging vocabulary to explore |
| THE Kiss that Missed David Melling | The king is in a hurry and blows his son a bedtime kiss but it misses. The kiss flies out of the window and a brave knight is sent on a fairytale quest to bring it back. Since this classic picture book was published over 10 years ago, it has sold over 300,000 copies and become a favourite bedtime story for boys and girls everywhere. | Knight fantasy adventure Good for vocabulary development Good for sequencing events Good to compare settings within the text |
| Open Very Carefully: A Book With Bite Dook With Bite Nick Bromley | This very grumpy crocodile has ended up in totally the wrong book, so he proceeds to eat his way out. He tries to escape a storybook that is all wrong for him, but is great fun for the reader! "What is he doing now? He's chewing the pictures! And he's eating the letters too! I think his favourites are O and S." | Begins as a very ordinary looking fairy- tale but soon becomes something different! Actual bite holes in pages which help bring the story to life Rich in humour Instructions for children to follow Identification of letters |

| On Sudden Hill Linda Sarah | Birt and Etho are best friends, they play on Sudden Hill, making marvellous contraptions out of cardboard boxes. But then a new boy, Shu, wants to join in too. Birt isn't sure that he wants Shu to join them. Eaten up with jealousy, he goes home and refuses to come out to play. Until Etho and Shu come to his house with the most marvellous cardboard contraption so far | PSED links- jealousy in friendship and how to overcome it Bright, summery images Great for early inference Non-rhyming story book about the joy of imagination |
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| Sam's Sandwich David Pelham | When Samantha wants a really special sandwich, her brother Sam offers to make her an unforgettable treat, filled with everything she wants and a few not-so- delicious extras. Unfold the lettuce, tomato and cheese fillings in this sandwich-shaped book and guess which creepy-crawly rhyming surprise Sam has added to each layer for his greedy sister. | Lift the flap book Full of humour Rhyming text We also recommend 'Sam's Hamburger' by the same author |
| SHERE OFFICE UTTOR Shere I Shere Sally Grindley | Shhh! You are about to enter a giant's castle. Can you get through the book without waking up the enormous scary giant? What will you do if he wakes up? Why shut the book of course! An interactive retelling of a classic fairy tale with flaps and peepholes that will keep children hooked! 'This book is FANTASTIC for story time with a group of children. It's great to read it with inflection, pretending to be scared of the giant and telling the kids to SHHH!' | A lift the flap book Book takes a route through a giant's castle A scary but enjoyable adventure Text encourages children to be quiet throughout The reader has to close the book to keep the giant from escaping! |
| BISCUIT BEAR Fiscuit Bear Mini Grey | When Horace bakes a biscuit in the shape of a bear, little does he know that his edible treat is going to turn into Biscuit Bear! For in the middle of the night, when all is quiet, that is exactly what happens, and Biscuit Bear decides that it is time he made some friends of his own. So, with flour, sugar and butter he does just that. In fact, he makes a whole circus of friends and the fun begins | Detailed illustrations with lots to talk about Ideal as a class focus text Good as a prompt for writing lists/ instructions A lovely excuse to make some biscuits! |

| NOT A STICK BY ANTOINETTE PORTIS | A beautifully designed book, celebrating the power of the imagination to transform even the most ordinary of objects into something magical. A stick is just a stick unless it's not a stick. From fishing rod to dragon-taming sword a small pig shows that a stick will go as far as the imagination allows. Antoinette Portis captures the thrill of when pretend feels so real that it actually becomes reality. Her simple, spare text and illustrations show that seeing truly depends on the ability to believe in the possibilities. | We also recommend 'Not a Box' by the same author This is not a story- more of a list book Great insight for adults about how children play Relatable for children- promotes open-ended play Links well with 'Sudden Hill' |
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| Beware of the Bears Alan MacDonald | When the three bears' house is wrecked, there is only one suspect, Goldilocks. The three bears take revenge by going to Goldilocks' cottage and causing havoc. But when Goldilocks returns, the three bears find they have made a terrible mistake. | An alternative version of Goldilocks and the three Bears Links to PSED- through character dilemmas and choices Link to drama and role play/small world settings in continuous provision |
| Where's (khere's) | Find the whale, the clownfish and the starfish on every page - until the piles of rubbish start to make it much too difficult. Both a Where's Wally-style spotting game and a striking work of art, this almost wordless tale puts the power back in the hands (or fins) of the natural world, with a boldly beautiful twist ending. | Wordless picture book Covers prominent current topic of ocean plastic Look and find book Great for vocabulary development Great to share in a small group or 1:1 |
| Barry the Fish with Fingers Sue Hendra | Fish come from all over the ocean to see Puffy the Puffer Fish's amazing bubbles. Big bubbles, small bubbles, square bubbles they've never seen anything quite so amazing, that is until Barry arrives on the scene. Barry is a fish with fingers and he's going to put them to good use. The fish are amazed. Life under the sea will never be the same again | Themes of differences, friendship and co- operation PSED links- Dealing with jealousy Fits with an 'Under the Sea' topic Great to share as a whole class Non-rhyming narrative A short read |

| Flora and the Peacocks Molly Idle | Dancing Flora is back, and this time she's found two new friends: a pair of peacocks! Flora realises that the push-and-pull between three friends can be a delicate dance. Will this trio find a way to get back in step? In the third book featuring Flora and her feathered friends, Molly Idle's gorgeous art combines with clever flaps to reveal that no matter the challenges, true friends will always find a way to dance, leap, and soar—together. | Completely wordless book which allows children themselves to provide the narrative/explain what's happening Lift the flap book We also recommend the other Flora books in the series; flamingo, ostrich, penguin |
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| The Big Wide-Mouthed Frog Ana Martín Larrañaga | "I'm a big wide-mouthed frog and I eat flies," says the chirpy big wide-mouthed frog to the kangaroo, the koala, the possum and the emu. "Who are you, and what do you eat?" Then the big wide-mouthed frog meets a crocodile - and finds out that sometimes it's better to keep your big wide mouth closed! Fortunately, this is a lesson he learns quickly and says, "I'm just a small narrow-mouthed frog and I'm off!" And away he hops. | Traditional Tale/fable Good for mathematical vocabulary Links to animals- and what they eat. |
| THROUGH THE MIRROR MIRROR Anthony Browne Through the Magic Mirror Anthony Browne | Toby is fed up. Fed up with books, fed up with toys, fed up with everything. But when he walks through the magic mirror, things are amazingly different. Toby can hardly believe his eyes! Anthony Browne's first book is full of the surreal details and visual humour that have made him one of the world's most popular and acclaimed picture book artists. | Exceptional picture book which helps to teach children to look for hidden clues in the images Explores fantasy and surrealism in a familiar setting Non-rhyming narrative |
| Image: state stat | Meet the red triangles, the yellow squares and the blue circles, who have a great idea for a game: together, they want to see if they can make a brand new shape! Hopping and bouncing and – bump! – sometimes colliding, they soon realize that they can be <i>anything</i> they want to be! A little house or a speedy car, an apple tree or a runaway train, the possibilities are endless they might even be out of this world! | We also recommend 'Shapes Reshape' by the same author. Maths in the environment Exploring how triangles, squares and circles can be found all around us. |

| THE STORM WHALE Register of the storm whale Benji Davies | Noi and his father live in a house by the sea, his father works hard as a fisherman and Noi often has only their six cats for company. So when, one day, he finds a baby whale washed up on the beach after a storm, Noi is excited and takes it home to care for it. He tries to keep his new friend a secret, but there's only so long you can keep a whale in the bath without your dad finding out. | Non-rhyming narrative Beautiful illustrations Link to 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers Simplistic language Short read |
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| For Can't take an public take an under take an under take an under take an elephant on the Bus | You can't take an elephant on the bus It would simply cause a terrible fuss! Never put a camel in a sailing boat, or a tiger on a train, and don't even THINK about asking a whale to ride a bike 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. | Rhyming text Will appeal to children who like transport/vehicles and animals Full of humour Fun and a little bit silly- children will love it |
| Rob BiddulphBlown AwayRob Biddulph | Come on an unexpected journey with a fearless blue penguin. It's a windy day, and he has a brand new kite – but where's he going on this maiden flight? Penguin Blue and his friends go on a gloriously illustrated adventure full of good ideas, homesickness and the perils of kites. | Rhyming text Themes of adventure and friendship Explore Antarctica and the Jungle We also recommend 'Odd Dog Out', 'GRRRRR', 'Sunk!' and 'Kevin' by the same author |
| The Lion Who Wanted to Love Giles Andreac & David Wejtweyez The Lion Who Wanted to Love Giles Andreae | Leo isn't like other lion cubs. Instead of chasing zebras and antelopes, he wants to make friends with them. But can a lion who's so different ever fit in with the rest of his pride? Learn how Leo's kindness brings happiness to the jungle in this colourful picture book story. Winner of the Red House Children's Book Award. (Same author as 'Giraffe's Can't Dance') | Rhyming text Good for language development- some challenging vocabulary PSED links Themes of difference, individuality and kindness |

| CLARE FOGES & AL MURPHY Kitchen Disco Clare Foges | At night when you are sleeping There's a party in your house, It's a pumping, jumping, funky bash When all the lights go out When the sun goes down, the Kitchen Disco starts up - and all the fruit in the fruit bowl come out to play. There are lemons who break-dance, tangerines who twirl and some very over-excited apples. | Rhyming text Rich in humour Holographic foil spread in middle of book We also recommend 'Bathroom Boogie' by the same author. |
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| ONLY ONE You Linda Kranz | There's only one you in this great big world. Make it a better place. Adri's mama and papa share some of the wisdom they have gained through the years with their eager son. Their words, simple and powerful, are meant to comfort and guide him as he goes about exploring the world. This exquisitely illustrated book explodes with colour and honest insights. | Ideal for transition Shows that every individual is unique Lovely artwork that can be imitated by children easily Teaches acceptance |
| Oliver's Vegetables Oliver's Vegetables Vivian French | Do you like chips? Oliver does. In fact, he won't eat anything else - until he plays a game with his grandpa. Whatever vegetable Oliver finds in the garden, he must eat. On Monday, he pulls up carrots, on Tuesday, it is spinach An excellent book for parents with slightly fussy children, which also introduces the days of the week. | Great for getting children to think about where their food comes from Non-rhyming text 'Oliver's Milkshake' and 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' by the same author |
| bogs Don't Do Ballet Anna Kamp | My dog is not like other dogs. He doesn't do dog stuff like weeing on lampposts or scratching his fleas, or drinking out of the toilet. No, my dog likes moonlight and music and walking on his tiptoes. You see, my dog doesn't think he's a dog. My dog thinks he's a ballerina! A fabulous feel-good book about a small dog with a big personality and even bigger dreams. | Themes of acceptance and self confidence Full of humour Beautiful hand drawn illustrations |

| Loves Makes a Family Sophie Beer | Whether you have two mums, two dads, one parent, or one of each, there's one thing that makes a family a family and that's LOVE. | Visual representations of different families Suitable for younger early years children Vibrant illustrations |
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| It's OK to be Different Todd Parr | It's Okay to Be Different cleverly delivers the important messages of acceptance, understanding and confidence in an accessible, child-friendly format featuring Todd Parr's trademark bold, bright colours and silly scenes. | Promotes emotional intelligence Celebrates multiculturalism Encourages acceptance |
| Mummy, Mama and Me Leslea Newman and Carol Thompson | Share the loving bond between same-sex parents and their children in this heart- warming story of family. Illustrations with universal appeal show a toddler spending the day with its mommies. From hide-and-seek to dress-up, then bath time and a kiss goodnight, there's no limit to what a loving family can do together. | Rhythmic text A gentle and nurturing story Small in size-perfect for little hands! |
| The River Tom Percival | Rowan loves the river; it's just like he is. On some days, it's quiet and calm, on others it's light and playful, and then there are the days when it roars along, wild and angry. But when Rowan goes through a particularly difficult winter, the river freezes – just like Rowan. Can Rowan find a way to release his frozen feelings, and allow the river to flow freely once more? | Thought provoking Supports children to identify emotions Also, by the same author, Ruby's Worry |
| We Are Together Britta Teckentrup | On our own, we're special, and we can chase our dream. But when we join up, hand in hand, together, we're a team. Celebrate the power of love and friendship in this beautiful book by award-winning illustrator and author Britta Teckentrup. With vibrant artwork and peek-through pages, this is a picture book to treasure. | Themes of togetherness and belonging Similar themes by the same author include Under the Same Sky and Kindness Grows |
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| So Much Trish Cooke | Mum and baby are home alone when – DING DONG! – Auntie and then Uncle and Nannie and Gran-Gran and the cousins come to visit. And they all want to hug and kiss and squeeze and eat the baby right up because everybody loves the baby SO MUCH! So Much is a celebration of family life. Helen Oxenbury's characteristically warm, funny illustrations, paired with Trish Cooke's rhythmic, cumulative story capture the joy of being a baby in a large extended family – a baby who knows that he is absolutely, utterly adored. | Rhythmic text to excite and engage young children Supports discussions about families A warm and sensitive story |
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| Figure 1Figure 2Figure 2Fi | From Guatemala to Bhutan, seventeen vibrantly coloured photographs embrace our global diversity and give glimpses into the daily life, traditions, and clothing of babies from around the world. Simple text in Spanish and English teaches the littlest readers that everywhere on earth, babies are special and loved. Babies love to look at babies and this bright collection of photos is a ticket to an around- the-world journey. Part of the proceeds from this book's sales will be donated to the Global Fund for Children to support innovative community-based organizations that serve the world's most vulnerable children and youth. | Suitable for babies and toddlers Vibrant photographs Text in English and Spanish |
| <image/> <image/> <text></text> | Mum works really hard, but today there is no money left and no food in the cupboards. Forced to visit the local foodbank, Mum feels ashamed that they have to rely on the kindness of others, but her young daughter can still see all the good in her day like reading and drawing, and even the foodbank. Maybe one day things will be different but for now together they brighten up even the darkest of days. A moving insight into the sad rise and necessity of foodbanks from the perspective of society's most vulnerable, and an essential book to help develop empathy in younger readers. | Deals with themes of disadvantage An optimistic tone given to a challenging topic Themes of positivity, growth mind set and aspiration |

| Susan Laughs Jenny Willis | Susan laughs, she sings. she rides, she swings. She gets angry, she gets sad, she is good, she is bad This story follows Susan through a series of familiar activities. She swims with her father, works hard in school, plays with her friends and even rides a horse. Lively, thoughtfully drawn illustrations reveal a portrait of a busy, happy little girl with whom younger readers will identify. Not until the end of the story is it revealed that Susan uses a wheelchair. | Insightful and sensitively written Told in rhyme Supports children to see disability in a positive light |
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| Specs for Rex Yasmeen Ismail | Rex has new glasses and he HATES them! He does NOT want to wear them to school, and he tries to hide them - in the strangest places! But it's pretty tricky hiding specs that are so big, and round and RED It's funny how things turn out, though, because Rex's specs end up winning him a gold star, and a new friend. Even better, he can SEE properly. | A charming story promoting positivity and self confidence Themes of individuality and acceptance |
| Grandma's Tiny House JaNay Brown-Wood | This sweet, rhyming counting book introduces young readers to numbers one through fifteen as Grandma's family and friends fill her tiny house on Brown Street. Neighbours, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and grandkids crowd into the house and pile it high with treats for a family feast. But when the walls begin to bulge and nobody has space enough to eat, one clever grandchild knows exactly what to do. | Themes include families, food and joyous gatherings A counting book to support development of early number sense Promotes sharing and togetherness |
| James Catchpole Karen Corpe What Happened to YOU? What Happened to You? James Catchpole | What happened to you? Was it a shark? A burglar? A lion? Did it fall off? Every time Joe goes out the questions are the same what happened to his leg? But is this even a question Joe has to answer? A ground-breaking, funny story that helps children understand what it might feel like to be seen as different. | Supports children to talk about disability Questions that represent the directness and curiosity of young children Encourages empathy |

| Little People, BIG DREAMS: Treasury: 50 Stories from Brilliant Dreamers Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara and Lisbeth Kaiser | This empowering series offers inspiring messages to children of all ages, in a range of formats. The board books are told in simple sentences, perfect for reading aloud to babies and toddlers. The hardback versions present expanded stories for beginning readers. Boxed gift sets allow you to collect a selection of the books by theme. Paper dolls, learning cards, matching games and other fun learning tools provide even more ways to make the lives of these role models accessible to children. | Beautifully written biographies, accompanied by a timeline, featuring extra information, important dates and real photos Inspiring stories perfect for curious minds who always want to know more! |
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| Literary Heritage | Γ | Γ |
| The Bad-Tempered Ladybird Eric Carle | A classic picture book by Eric Carle: <i>The</i> <i>Bad-Tempered Ladybird.</i> 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 beautifully illustrated pages of this entertaining book demonstrate the sizes of the different animals and the sun's path across the sky as time passes. | Non-rhyming text with lots of character dialogue Different sized pages within for children to explore Time sequencing using o'clock Links beautifully with a minibeast topic PSED links- sharing |
| Pass the Jam, Jim Kaye Umansky | A rhyming picture book in which a group of children prepare for a party. The bright, action-packed illustrations feature all kinds of delicious food. | Rhyming text with a repeated pattern the children can join in with Strong rhythm in the language Great for modelling expression and intonation Links with celebration theme |
| Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy Lynley Dodd | Hairy Maclary goes off for a walk in town, followed by a few friends. All is uneventful until they meet Scarface Claw, the toughest tom in town, and run for home. The story is told by a brilliant, cumulative rhyming text and terrific pictures. | Strong example of rhythm in language First in a series of books by the same author Great illustrations to use as a stimulus for exploring describing words |

| Farmer Duck Martin Wadell | A hardworking duck is rescued from life with a lazy farmer in this award-winning picture book classic. This book tells the story of a hardworking duck, who has the very bad luck of living with a lazy farmer. The duck cooks and cleans, tends the fields and cares for the other animals on the farm – and all while the famer lies in bed! That is until the day the animals decide to take action and come to the rescue with a simple, but heroic plan | Non-rhyming narrative Themes of roles and responsibilities. Great for role play |
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| Meanies Weanies Meanies Joy Cowley | In this classic silly book, we meet the Meanies who have some very odd habits like drinking bath water and mud and sleeping in rubbish bins. Lots of opportunity for interaction and an excellent choice for emergent readers and read aloud lesson. | Great for language learners as there is lots of repetition in the text. We also recommend 'The Meanies Came to School One Day' as a sequel and 'Don't Open this Book' by the same author |
| We're Going on a Bear Hunt Michael Rosen | We're going on a bear hunt. We're going to catch a big one. Will you come too? For a quarter of a century, readers have been swishy-swashying and splash-sploshing through this award-winning favourite. 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! | Ideal text for children to learn by heart using actions Repetitive language throughout Strong rhythm- no rhyme. |
| The Little Red Hen Debra Messing | The lazy rooster and mischievous mouse can't be bothered to help the Little Red Hen tend her ear of wheat. They can't be bothered to help her take it to the miller either, or bake it into bread. But when her loaf of warm, fragrant bread is ready, the Little Red Hen is not at all inclined to share it with them. The rooster and the mouse soon mend their ways! This is a modern retelling of a traditional tale. | A lovely repetitive text for children to join in with or learn by heart. Non-rhyming Good for vocabulary development Engaging illustrations that would be lovely to inspire children to make their own pictures in a similar collage style |

| Dear Zoo Fod Campbell Bear Zoo Rod Campbell | Rod Campbell's classic lift-the-flap book Dear Zoo has been a firm favourite with toddlers and parents alike ever since it was first published in 1982. Young children will love lifting 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? | Recommended for Nursery Lift the flap book Ideal for children to join in with Repetitive language |
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| There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly Pam Adams | Forty years after its first publication this much-loved Child's Play classic is as popular as ever. Ingenious die-cut holes bring this iconic nursery rhyme to life, and Pam Adams' fabulous illustrations lend humour and vibrancy to the proceedings. Bouncy images, innovative die cutting and favourite rhymes make Books with Holes a must for every child. Available in three formats, suitable for babies, toddlers, pre-schoolers and the nursery or classroom. | Great for singing along to the traditional tune. Lovely, colourful engaging illustrations Peep-holes through to the next page to spy the animals she has swallowed! |
| PETER RABBIT Image: Constrained and the second | There aren't many stories about naughty rabbits. That's because rabbits usually know how to behave themselves. But not this one. This is the story of a very naughty little rabbit who becomes quite poorly after sneaking under a gate, and stumbling into a huge vegetable patch. This lovely picture book introduces a new generation of readers to the escapades of the most famous rabbit ever! There is so much fun to be had reading this book, with lots of giggles and surprises for 1-5 year olds. | A beautiful retelling of Beatrix Potter's original tale. Exquisite illustrations that will captivate young readers Links well to growing- you may want to grow some of your own vegetables for Peter to eat and make signs for your veg patch. |
| The Very Hungry Caterpillar Eric Carle | <i>The Very Hungry Caterpillar,</i> Eric Carle's world-famous simple, hopeful story has become the most read children's book in Britain. Its vivid and colourful collage illustrations are iconic, and it is a must have picture book for children. The bright and bold paperback makes it the ideal bedtime book for toddlers, with its die-cut pages and finger-sized holes, children can play and read along. | A beautiful text which illustrates beautifully the change from caterpillar to butterfly. Link with 'Tadpole's Promise' by Jeanne Willis Days of the Week and counting can be explored through this text. |

| Jack and the Beanstalk Anna Milbourne | Jack and his mother are so poor that they don't have anything to eat. Their hope is fading, until Jack meets a strange little man with a handful of magic beans. But what will be the price that Jack must pay? This classic fairytale is retold for young children and illustrated throughout with the bright artwork of Lorena Alvarez. | Read as many different versions of this as possible. Nick Sharratt's lift-the-flap version is also recommended Links to measures in maths |
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| Each Peach, Pear Plum Janet and Allan Ahlberg | <i>Each Peach Pear Plum</i> is a timeless picture book classic. Each beautifully illustrated page encourages young children to interact with the picture to find the next fairy tale and nursery rhyme character. This board book edition is perfect for little hands. | An excellent choice for dialogic book talk- detailed good quality illustrations to explore I Spy game throughout the text to develop children's visual literacy Children may be able to learn this text by heart Rhyming text Familiar characters |
| The Train Ride June Crebbin Neurosty Stephen Lambert The Train Ride June Crebbin | Climb aboard for a rhythmic train ride through the country. There's lots to see and someone very special waiting at the end! A little girl and her mother board the train in town and set off on a journey through the countryside. As they travel, the girl looks out of the window, asking "What shall I see? What shall I see?" And what does she see? Sheep, cows, horses and much more! | Great for exploring rhythm in language Try introducing instruments or creating a soundscape as you read this book with the children Musical accompaniment versions available on YouTube for children to sing along with |
| Dr. Seuss GREER EGGGS Former Eggs and Ham Dr Seuss | The much-loved Dr. Seuss classic about the charmingly persistent Sam-I-Am gets a brand new look, introducing his rhyming fun to a new generation of readers. The classic story from the one and only Dr. Seuss, now with a brand new look! When Sam-I-am persists in pestering a grumpy grouch to eat a plate of green eggs and ham, perseverance wins the day, teaching us all that we cannot know what we like until we have tried it! The perfect book for early readers, the new style brings an old favourite to a whole new generation. | A ridiculously fun text- written by Dr Seuss as a result of a challenge to write a book using no more than 50 words. Tongue-twister qualities when reading aloud |

| Where's Spot? Vhere's Spot Eric Hill | In Spot's first adventure children can join in the search for the mischievous puppy by lifting the flaps on every page to see where he is hiding. The simple text and colourful pictures will engage a whole new generation of pre-readers as they lift the picture flaps in search of Spot. A No.1 bestseller since it was first published in 1980, this interactive favourite has stayed in the charts ever since. | Recommended for Nursery Lift-the-flap text Explore the characters- look closely- can your children tell the difference between Spot and Sally. Watch the author read this text online. |
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| Own Babies Martin Waddell | Three baby owls, Sarah, Percy and Bill, wake up one night in their hole in a tree to find that their mother has gone. So, they sit on a branch and wait Darkness gathers and the owls grow anxious, wondering when their mother will return. But, at last, she does and they bounce up and down with joy, welcoming her home. | Useful during transition periods to reassure children that their parents will return at the end of the day. Beautiful illustrations |
| Ø Janet & Allan Ahlberg FUNNYBONES Image: State of the state o | In this, the first ever <i>Funnybones</i> book of all, we are introduced to the wonderful humour and fun of the much-loved series. The Funnybones books are a must for children just starting to learn to read - these funny skeletons are definitely not the scary sort! | Good for exploring how suspense can be created Lots of repetition Learn and perform the skeleton song too Humorous book your class will find funny Longer text than most aimed at this age group |
| Figurated Traditional Stories Sara Gianassi Rapunzel (Once Upon a World) Chloe Perkins | This wonderful collection contains seventeen beautifully illustrated tales from around the world - thrilling stories of giants and genies, witches and fairies and a little gingerbread man running for his life. | A lovely compilation of stories from around the world. Ideal for sharing together as a class over the year. |

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| The Princess and the Pea Rachel Isadora | When a prince sets out to find a princess to marry, he soon discovers this is not a simple task. There is no shortage of so-called princesses, but how can he tell whether or not they are what they claim to be? Then one night a great storm rages, there comes a knock on the palace gate - and the prince's life is never the same again. | An innovative interpretation of a timeless tale Plenty of traditional and rich language accessible to young children |
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| Poetry | | |
| Eadybird Favourite Nursery Rhymes Julia Patton | This beautiful hardback Ladybird treasury of favourite nursery rhymes is a beautifully illustrated introduction to many well-loved rhymes that are perfect for sharing with young children from 3+. With more than 100 rhymes including favourites such as Three Blind Mice, The Owl and the Pussy-cat, Humpty Dumpty and Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes, there is a rhyme for everyone in this collection of animal, action, story, food, counting and bedtime rhymes. | Anthology of nursery rhymes Build in 'Rhyme Time' into your daily routine and explore one rhyme each day. |
| The Wheels on the Bus Paul Ozelinsky | In this novelty book of a favourite children's song, the music of the song is also included at the end. | Pop-up book which will engage children straight away Sing words along to the traditional tune. Link to role play |
| Image: Advender's Blue Kathleen Lines | A definitive collection of nursery rhymes, beautifully designed and illustrated by the influential artist, Harold Jones. This facsimile edition has been lovingly produced to recreate the look and feel of the first printing of this much-loved book, which was originally published in 1954. | An anthology of classic poems and nursery rhymes Very traditional, old fashioned feel- nice links to the past/history Hardback book |

| Kanley's Stick Neal Layton | Stanley's Stick is a teaming-up of hefty talents - glorious poet John Hegley and award-winning illustrator Neal Layton. Stanley's stick is not just a stick. With a stick in hand, Stanley's options are endless - he flies to the moon, writes in the sand, goes fishing, plays a whistle and rides a dinosaur - and his imagination takes over and the magic begins. | One simple poem written across the book/rhyming text Lovely to use as a compare/contrast with 'Not A Stick' by Antoinette Portis |
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| Julia Donaldson + Nick Sharrott Toddle Vocality Toddle Waddle Julia Donaldson | Follow-the-leader has never been so much fun! There's a hullabaloo at the seaside when wobbly toddler takes a walk and is soon joined by a joyful troop of human and animal friends. They wander happily along with a <i>clip clop, hurry scurry, flip flop, toddle</i> <i>waddle</i> , but where will they go and who else will they meet along the way? Jaunty rhymes and bright, bold pictures ensure that even the youngest child will love this simple, playful story, a wonderful introduction to onomatopoeia. | A good choice for children to join in with and even learn by heart One simple poem written across the book Great for exploring onomatopoeia |
| CILD MIKAMBA MADA FACHEL ISADOR FACHEL ISADOR MIKAMBA Had a Farm Rachel Isadora | Old Mikamba had a farm, E-I-E-I-O. And on this farm he had a giraffe, a baboon and an elephant! The classic children's song 'Old MacDonald' is set on the plains of Africa, where Old Mikamba watches over a variety of animals on his game farm - from roaring lions and chirping ostriches to bellowing rhinos and honking wildebeests. Providing a wonderful introduction to African wildlife, this truly unique rendition of a much loved song gives children a whole new set of fun animal sounds to try out as they enjoy the collage-style artwork. | Retelling of the traditional 'Old Macdonald has a Farm' but in an African setting. Great for supporting phonics activities linked to environmental/animal sounds |
| <image/> | In this exuberant compilation, Michael Rosen invites children to joyfully celebrate sounds and the infinite possibilities of language. Nonsense verses with the feel of classic nursery rhymes tickle the ear and set feet tapping while expressive illustrations by Chris Riddell illuminate the larger-than- life characters. With subject matter that runs the gamut of a child's emotional range from hungry and angry to wiggly and giggly, these thirty-six clever poems will delight little listeners. | Anthology of poems A chunky and beautifully illustrated book that is a joy to hold Available in hardback |

| Animal Boogie Debbie Harter | Can you boogie? Down in the Indian jungle, the children and animals are learning about actions like leaping, stomping, shaking and flapping while meeting different jungle creatures. The accompanying enhanced animated singalong CD continues the interactive fun! | Anthology of songs to perform CD included Links beautifully to an animals or jungle theme |
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| Gervase Phinn What I Like Gervase Phinn | This entertaining volume of verse for the very young is the perfect introduction to poetry. It includes poems about everything that is important to children: animals, family, food - and some very good jokes. Jane Eccles' humorous and wacky illustrations perfectly complement this lively and amusing collection. | Anthology of poems Child friendly jokes included |
| SEASIDE POEMS POEMS Seaside Poems Jill Bennett | Let's do the flip-flop frolic and splash into the sea! Playing on the sand, looking at starfish, going to the funfair, imagining mermaids, or listening to the wind and waves-this book is full of poems about what children love to do at the seaside. Illustrated by Nick Sharratt, the collection includes poems by Judith Nicholls, Margaret Mahy, and Richard Edwards. | Anthology of poems about the seaside Fully illustrated colour pages 'Tasty Poems' is also available by the same author |
| Outside Your Window Nicola Davies and Mark Hearld | The buzz of bees in summertime. The tracks of a bird in the winter snow. This beautiful book captures all the sights and sounds of a child's interactions with nature, from planting acorns or biting into crisp apples to studying tide pools or lying back and watching the birds overhead. Children will be inspired to explore the world around them. | Hardback book Poetry with a sprinkling of facts and fun things to do Lovely to dip in to all year as the seasons change. |
| Figure Rest Bits Rest Anywhere Farm Phyllis Root | When a little girl decides to create an "anywhere farm", she tenderly plants a seed in a tiny patch of soil in an empty yard. As the seedling grows, so does the community. Her neighbours are inspired to plant their own seeds. An uplifting tale that celebrates the joys and pleasures of growing not just food and flowers, but also friendships and communities. | Rhyming text with a narrative- as much information as a poem Links beautifully to growing theme Presents advice on how to grow anywhere |

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| I am the Music Man Debra Potter | Peer through the die-cut windows in each page of this interactive book to find out who is playing what. Anyone can be the Music Man in this joyful adaptation of the classic nursery song, and everyone can join in making music together! All children love this traditional rhyme and singing along will help to develop number skills. | Available in three formats, suitable for babies, toddlers, pre- schoolers and reception children Filled with familiar and popular rhymes |
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| FormationPoems Out Loud: First Poems to Read and PerformLaurie Stansfield & Various Poets | Perfect for young children, these poems can be performed out loud, shared with others or simply read in your head. Featuring award-winning poets, brand new voices, hip-hop artists and spoken-word performers, this is a wonderfully fresh, diverse and relevant new anthology that will get children laughing, thinking, sharing and performing! With gorgeous illustrations by Laurie Stansfield, and an accompanying CD that features performances from the poets themselves. | A wonderfully diverse range of songs and rhymes Lots of opportunity to children to join in as they become familiar with the rhythm and rhyme of each verse |
| Collected by Mine Mirturk Rhymos from reached the Denielle wright Rhymos from Around the World Danielle Wright & Mique Moriuchi | My village that I love My village, my sweet home Where my father, mother and family live It's not easy to forget it It's so hard to be away My peaceful, friendly village I miss it every day A collection of nursery verses for young children (and the young at heart). From Iran to Iceland, Samoa to Switzerland, readers can delight in quirky, touching and funny verses from 22 different countries, brought to life by the artwork from exciting young illustrator, Mique Moriuchi, who captures each verse with a uniquely beautiful and child's-eye focus. | Introduces children to different cultures from around the world Opportunities to explore and play with language Brightly coloured collage illustrations |
| Mad About Dinosaurs! Giles Andreae & David Wojtowycz | Silly Diplodocus, fierce T-Rex, Brontosaurus, Stegosaurus and more They're all here in this bright, bold book! With a short lively rhyme on each page, fun facts and colourful pictures (plus handy pronunciation guides) this is perfect for young dinosaur fans everywhere. | A colourful, rhyming picture book Also, from the same author, Giraffes Can't Dance! A great book for dinosaur enthusiasts! |

Non-Fiction

| An Alphabet of Alphabets Allan Sanders | Take a ride through 26 fully-illustrated alphabets, each one an A to Z of things to spot. From an A to Z of Birds (A is for Albatross, B is for Bluebird), to an A to Z of Zoo (A is for Aardvark, B is for Baboon), this is an alphabet of alphabets. Jam-packed full of funny things to spot and plenty of Where's Wally-style humour, this the best way to learn your ABCs and lots of new words as well! | Look and find book, with gorgeous colourful illustrations. Brilliant for vocabulary development around a particular topic, e.g. vehicles, birds, home Great for visual literacy Good for capital letter recognition Useful for alphabetical order |
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| First Atlas Phillip Steele | This brightly illustrated atlas, containing over 20 maps, provides a perfect introduction to world geography, enabling young readers to explore and discover with the help of appealing, contemporary artwork. Each spread covers a particular region of the world and contains a clearly labelled, colourful map. | Simple, engaging illustrations that are a perfect introduction to maps and atlas for very young children. Animals and landmarks are placed onto maps in a larger-than-life way |
| White Face What You See on the Face | From clucking hens in the henhouse to apples and pears in the orchard and lots of farm scenes in-between, this look-and-say book for little ones is a great way to start learning about nature on a farm. The spot- and-find aspect is perfect for the youngest of readers to become absorbed in the fascinating nature details. What can you see in the pig sty? Can you find the rake in the tool-shed? There's so much to recognise in each landscape in this beautiful interactive book for the very young. | Also available: in the City, in the Country Ideal for reading with a grown up or an older reading buddy to generate conversation and vocabulary |
| Discovering Dinosaurs (Layer by Layer) Anne Rooney | From early dinosaurs to creatures of the deep, land dinosaurs to wetland dinosaurs and prehistoric flying creatures, learn about how dinosaurs lived in the Mesozoic era. Lift the flaps, layer by layer, to discover everything you ever wanted to know about dinosaurs - and hear how the different dinosaurs sounded! Listen to the sounds of the prehistoric world as you lift the final flap on each page to activate the sound effect and bring each scene to vivid life! | A noisy lift-the-flap book Also available: Under the Sea, Into the Wild |

| Golden Domes and Silver Solden Solder Book of Silver Lanterns: A Muslim Book of Colours Hena Khan | With breath-taking illustrations and informative text, Golden Domes and Silver Lanterns magnificently captures the world of Islam, celebrating its beauty and traditions for even the youngest readers. Sure to inspire questions and observations about world religions and cultures, this entrancing volume is equally at home in the classroom as it is being read to a child on a parent's lap. | Rhyming text that explores the significance of colours and different elements of Islam Beautifully illustrated |
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| How do Flowers Grow? Katie Daynes | This stylish, highly illustrated, interactive book is perfect for sharing with little children, and introduces nature and science using a friendly lift-the-flap format. Text is kept to a minimum. A brilliant introduction to one of the fundamental themes of biology, perfect for curious young minds. | We also recommend 'What is sleep?' and 'Why Do We Need Bees?' from the same author Lift the flap format to engage children |
| Under The Sea Kate Riggs | Sneaking an early grammar lesson into a book about animals, <i>Under the Sea</i> offers up a fun, foundational introduction to both sea life and pairs of directional words. Introduces creatures and their surroundings by placing them in relative positions to each other. | Great for early prepositional language Board book Simple rhythmic text Detailed illustrations provide a colourful backdrop of the ocean scene |
| Fole - out A-1 fole - out A-1 out VER SEFFERS An Alphabet Fold-out A-Z Oliver Jeffers | Exquisitely illustrated by award-winning, bestselling picture book creator, Oliver Jeffers, this irresistible board book gloriously brings the alphabet to life. | Great for children to expand out and explore the letters of the alphabet Use as a frieze for children to develop mark marking/letter formation |

| Little Kids' First Book of Things that Go Karen de Seve | This charming reference book takes a closer look at the different ways people move from place to place, whether it is in a car, subway, hang glider, or submarine. More than 100 colourful photos are paired with text that explains how race cars, bicycles, rockets, and so many other modes of transportation work. This book inspires kids to be curious, ask questions, and explore the world around them. | Great photographs for the children to examine independently or with friends. Full of facts for an adult/able reader to share with others Includes a vast array of different transport |
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| BUGS BUGS Start a lifetime of learning First Facts Bugs | Find out facts about the incredible world of creepy crawlies in this first children's book about bugs. Discover why bees make honey, how ants work as a team, and how some beetles actually glow in the dark! Then see what insects eat, and how they help to keep our planet healthy. | Simple text Short entries Clear, detailed photographs Other titles available in the 'First Facts' series include: |
| ANDY GOLDSWORTHY INFORMATION A Collaboration with Nature Andy Goldsworthy | Illustrates outdoor sculptures created with a range of natural materials, including snow, ice, leaves, rock, clay, stones, feathers, and twigs. | A coffee-table book full of the art/photography of Andy Goldsworthy Ideal to inspire children to create works of art using natural materials around them |
| The Skies Above My Eyes, by Charlotte Guillain | Have you ever looked up and wondered what's going on high up in the skies above your eyes? Take a journey up into the air, through the atmosphere, way out into space, and back down to Earth. Readers will zoom past the technology that fills our skies, from helicopters, fighter jets, weather balloons, and satellites, hanggliders and hot-air balloons. They'll also discover the insects and animals that whizz through the skies, explore the layers of the atmosphere, and travel through the solar system and out to the galaxies far beyond. | By the same author, The Street Below My Feet A richly illustrated concertina book Perfect for inquisitive young minds |

| Baby's First Words Stella Blackstone | Spend the day with a busy baby and her two dads, and learn the words for things you do and see along the way! This innovative first- words book features labels for objects, actions and sound effects, as well as a fun seek-and-find element. | Ideal for babies and toddlers with vibrant images and accompanying labels Supports early reading and early language development |
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| bogs in Space: The Amazing True Story of Belka and Strelka Victoria Southgate | Meet Belka and Strelka, the two dogs who changed the face of space history and became international celebrities in the process! The incredible true story of these heroic strays. Selected from a number of potential canine cosmonauts, Belka and Strelka are put through their paces on the ground, as they practice rocket simulations and wearing spacesuits, before being launched into outer space as the first ever living creatures to successfully orbit the Earth. Miraculously, the dogs survive the mission and upon their return embark on a tour of the USSR, clad in their carefully tailored jumpsuits - one red, one green - becoming international celebrities. | A quirky and delightful picture book An inspiring true story Introduces young children to themes of aspiration an overcoming adversity |
| 199 Jobs IP9 Jobs Hannah Watson | Which jobs do people do at a hospital, on a building site or in a school? Find out in this appealing book, containing 199 illustrations of jobs people do. The book is organised into themed pages, showing people who care for us, all sorts of scientists, emergency services and lots more. Great for developing vocabulary and language skills. | Supports discussions about different jobs and roles in the community Encourages early language development an acquisition of new vocabulary |
| Curious Creatures Glowing in the Dark Zoe Armstrong | These books will not only teach amazing animal facts but will relate them back to everyday scenarios, so children can really connect with the content they're learning about. | Extraordinary stories from nature to intrigue young readers Lyrical prose, intertwined with stunning illustrations |

| We all Celebrate! We All Celebrate Chitra Soundar | We all celebrate birthdays and friendships, the onset of seasons, religious events and national holidays. Our celebrations are full of colour, specially prepared food and good cheer. We All Celebrate introduces some less mentioned celebrations from around the world to children, among those that are well known and bring good memories. | Beautiful, untold, and unique celebrations from around the world Engaging and insightful text and illustrations |
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| With Bobs are ALTERATIVE Jawesomet Do You Love Bugs? Matt Robertson | Crawly! Hairy! Maybe a bit scary? Snails slime upside down. Eeek! Worms can somersault and butterflies smell like cake. YUM. Wait, don't eat them Because bugs are truly BRILLIANT! Find out how honey bees make their honey, why moths always fly around lamps and how bombardier beetles protect themselves from hungry predators. There's something new to learn about each bug. Did you know that stick insects can dance? Or that butterflies can smell like cake? And guess what? A grasshopper will spit on you if it gets angry! | Quirky text and sweet yet hilarious illustrations show exactly why minibeasts can be truly awesome in their own unique way Educational and fun, great for fans of all things creepy and crawly! |
| The Big Book of the UK: Facts, folklore and fascinations from around the United Kingdom Imogen Russell Williams | In this BIG book you can: - Learn about the sport of "dwile flonking" - Find out where black diamonds come from - Meet the supernatural animal that haunts the Scottish Highlands - Discover the British sweets that helped Hillary and Tenzing scale Everest. | Filled with facts about wildlife, food, sports, geography, language and some very silly place names Uncover national secrets and unearth local legends from England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland |
| CHARGE storts with us storts with us Sophie Beer | From saving water to ditching the car, there are many small changes we can make to help save our BEAUTIFUL PLANET. | A gentle introduction to ways in which children can help care for their community Promotes care and consideration for the natural world |

| Hats of Faith Medeia Cohan-Petrolino | This book is a beautifully illustrated introduction to the shared custom of head covering. Using accurate terminology and brightly coloured imagery, Hats of Faith helps educate and prepare young children for our culturally diverse modern world. Encouraging an early and open dialogue between parents and children. | Introduces children to different religions Encourages acceptance and inclusion Both vibrant and educational |
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