

Books for Four and Five Year Olds



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The books listed here are excellent examples of the types of topics and formats that are appropriate for children ages four and five. Books can go out of print quickly; if you are unable to find some of these books, ask your librarian to recommend similar titles.

- Alborough, Jez. *Where's My Teddy?* Candlewick, 1992. (Several others in the series)
- Anderson, Peggy Perry. *Chuck's Truck*. Houghton Mifflin, 2006. (Also *Chuck's Band*)
- Axtell, David. *We're Going on a Lion Hunt*. Henry Holt, 2000.
- Aylesworth, Jim. *Old Black Fly*. Henry Holt, 1992. (Several others by the same author)
- Baker, Keith. *1-2-3 Peas*. Beach Lane, 2012. (Also *LMNO Peas*)
- Barrett, Judi. *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*. Atheneum, 1978. (Several others by the same author)
- Bemelmans, Ludwig. *Madeline*. Viking, 1958. (Several others in the series)
- Beaumont, Karen. *I Ain't Gonna Paint No More!* Harcourt, 2005. (Several others by the same author)
- Cabrera, Jane. *The Wheels on the Bus*. Holiday House, 2011. (Several other song picture books by this author)
- Carle, Eric. *Today Is Monday*. Philomel, 1993.
- Carle, Eric. *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*. Philomel, 1994. (Several others by the same author)
- Christelow, Eileen. *Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed*. HMH, 1989. (Several others in the series)
- Craig, Lindsey. *Farmyard Beat*. Knopf, 2011. (Also *Dancing Feet*)
- dePaola, Tomie. *Strega Nona*. Simon & Schuster, 1975. (Several others by the same author)
- Donaldson, Julia. *The Gruffalo*. Dial, 2005.
- Durango, Julia. *Cha-Cha Chimps*. Simon & Schuster, 2006.
- Ehlert, Lois. *RRRalph*. Beach Lane, 2011. (Also *Waiting for Wings*, *Leaf Man*, and several others by the same author)
- Emberley, Rebecca and Adrian Emberley. *There Was an Old Monster*. Orchard, 2009. (Several others by the same authors)
- Falconer, Ian. *Olivia and the Fairy Princesses*. Atheneum, 2012. (Several others in the series)
- Faulkner, Keith. *The Wide-Mouthed Frog*. Dial, 1998. (Several others by the same author)
- Feiffer, Jules. *Bark, George*. HarperCollins, 1999. (Several others by the same author)
- Fleming, Denise. *Mama Cat Has Three Kittens*. Henry Holt, 1998. (Several others by the same author)
- Fox, Mem. *Two Little Monkeys*. Beach Lane, 2012. (Several others by the same author)
- Frazee, Marla. *Boot & Shoe*. Beach Lane, 2012. (Several others by the same author)
- Freeman, Don. *Corduroy*. Viking, 1968. (Several others in the series)
- Gag, Wanda. *Millions of Cats*. Putnam, 1952.
- Galdone, Paul. *Henny Penny*. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2013. (Other folktale books by the same author)
- Gall, Chris. *Dinotrux*. Little, Brown, 2009. (Several others by the same author)
- Geist, Ken. *The Three Little Fish and the Big Bad Shark*. Cartwheel, 2007.
- Gorbachev, Valeri. *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. NorthSouth, 2001. (Several others by the same author)
- Henkes, Kevin. *Lily's Purple Plastic Purse*. Greenwillow, 2006. (Several others by the same author)
- Hillenbrand, Will. *Spring Is Here*. Holiday House, 2011. (Several others by the same author)
- Hillenbrand, Will. *Mother Goose Picture Puzzles*. Marshall Cavendish, 2011.
- Horáček, Petr. *Butterfly Butterfly*. Candlewick, 2007. (Several others by the same author)
- Hort, Lenny. *The Seals on the Bus*. Henry Holt, 2000.
- Isadora, Rachel. *There Was a Tree*. Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012. (Several other folktale books by this author)
- Johnson, Paul Brett. *Little Bunny Foo Foo*. Scholastic, 2004.

- Johnson, Paul Brett. *On Top of Spaghetti*. Scholastic, 2006. (Several others by the same author)
- Kalan, Robert. *Jump, Frog, Jump!* William Morrow, 1995.
- Kohuth, Jane. *Duck Sock Hop*. Dial, 2012.
- Lewis, Kevin. *My Truck Is Stuck!* Hyperion, 2002.
- Lionni, Leo. *Swimmy*. Knopf, 1963. (Several others by the same author)
- Litwin, Eric. *Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes*. HarperCollins, 2010. (Several others in the series)
- Martin Jr., Bill. *Baby Bear, Baby Bear, What Do You See?* Henry Holt, 2007. (Several others in the series)
- Martin Jr., Bill. *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*. Simon & Schuster, 1989.
- Martin Jr., Bill. *Ten Little Caterpillars*. Beach Lane, 2011. (Several others by the same author)
- McBratney, Sam. *Guess How Much I Love You*. Candlewick, 2008. (Several others in the series)
- McCloskey, Robert. *Make Way for Ducklings*. Viking, 1941.
- McMullan, Kate. *I Stink!* Joanna Cotler Books, 2002. (Several others by the same author)
- Norman, Kim. *I Know a Wee Piggy*. Dial, 2012.
- Numeroff, Laura. *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie*. HarperCollins, 2010. (Several others in the series)
- Philpot, Lorna and Graham Philpot. *Find Anthony Ant*. Boxer Books, 2006.
- Polacco, Patricia. *Oh, Look!* Philomel, 2004. (Several others by the same author)
- Potter, Beatrix. *Peter Rabbit: The Tale of a Naughty Little Rabbit*. Warne, 2011.
- Raschka, Chris. *Five for a Little One*. Atheneum, 2006. (Several others by the same author)
- Rey, H.A. *Curious George*. HMH, 1973. (Several others in the series)
- Sayre, April Pulley. *Rah, Rah, Radishes!* Beach Lane, 2011. (Several others in the series)
- Schachner, Judy. *Skippyjon Jones*. Dutton, 2003. (Several others in the series)
- Scieszka, Jon. *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs*. Viking, 1989. (Several others by the same author)
- Scotton, Rob. *Splat the Cat*. HarperCollins, 2008. (Several others in the series)
- Sedaka, Neil. *Waking Up Is Hard to Do*. Imagine, 2010. (Several others by the same author)
- Seeger, Laura Vaccaro. *Dog and Bear*. Roaring Brook Press, 2007. (Several others by the same author)
- Sendak, Maurice. *Where the Wild Things Are*. Anniversary ed. HarperCollins, 2012.
- Shannon, David. *David Gets in Trouble*. Blue Sky Press, 2002. (Several others in the series)
- Shea, Bob. *Dinosaur vs. The Library*. Disney–Hyperion, 2011. (Several others in the series)
- Sherry, Kevin. *I'm the Biggest Thing in the Ocean*. Dial, 2007. (Several others in the series)
- Shulman, Lisa. *Old MacDonald Had a Woodshop*. Putnam, 2002.
- Slobodkina, Esphyr. *Caps for Sale*. HarperCollins, 2008.
- Stead, Philip C. *A Sick Day for Amos McGee*. Roaring Brook Press, 2010.
- Steig, William. *Sylvester and the Magic Pebble*. Simon & Schuster, 2005.
- Taback, Simms. *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat*. Viking, 1999. (Several others by the same author)
- Thomas, Jan. *Rhyming Dust Bunnies*. Beach Lane, 2009. (Several others by the same author)
- Urbanovic, Jackie. *Duck Soup*. HarperCollins, 2008. (Several others in the series)
- Walsh, Ellen Stoll. *Mouse Shapes*. Harcourt, 2007. (Also *Mouse Paint* and *Mouse Count*)
- Warhola, James. *If You're Happy and You Know It: Jungle Edition*. Orchard, 2007.
- Whippo, Walt. *Little White Duck*. Little, Brown, 2000.
- Williams, Suzanne. *Ten Naughty Little Monkeys*. HarperCollins, 2007.
- Willems, Mo. *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* Hyperion, 2003. (Several others in the series)
- Willems, Mo. *Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs*. Balzer + Bray, 2012.
- Yolen, Jane. *How Do Dinosaurs Say Good Night?* Scholastic, 2000. (Several others in the series)
- Zimmerman, Andrea and David Clemesha. *Trashy Town*. HarperCollins, 1999.
- Zion, Gene. *Harry the Dirty Dog*. HarperCollins, 2002.