

# 2024 Summer Reading, Entering PreK & Kindergarten

During early childhood, the emphasis is on reading to your child and sharing the joy of stories. These read-alouds are suggestions; feel free to pick and choose based on your child's interests. Share with your child as you make memories that prepare them for life!

## Resource Lists and Websites

- Notable Children's Books 2024: <http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>
- Texas 2x2 Books 2024: <https://txla.org/tools-resources/reading-lists/2x2/current-list/>
- Lee and Low Books: <https://www.leeandlow.com/>
- We Need Diverse Books: <https://diversebooks.org/>
- Geisel Award: <http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/geiselaward>
- Branches Books: <http://www.scholastic.com/branches/>

## Fiction

*Jabari Tries*, Gaia Cornwall  
*Amira's Picture Day*, Reem Faruqi  
*Big*, Vashti Harrison  
*Have You Seen My Invisible Dinosaur?*,  
Helen Yoon  
*How to Count to One*, Caspar Salmon  
*Catside Up, Catside Down*, Anna  
Hrachovec  
*Papa's Magical Water-Jug Clock*, Jesus  
Trejo  
*When You Can Swim*, Jack Wong  
*Nell Plants a Tree*, Anne Wynter  
*If I Was a Horse*, Sophie Blackall  
\**Swashby and the Sea*, Beth Ferry  
*Fire Chief Fran*, Linda Ashman

## Early Chapter Books

*Fly Guy* series, Ted Arnold  
\**Katie Woo/Pedro* series, Fran Manushkin  
*Haggis and Tank Unleashed*, Jessica Young  
\**Chick and Brain* series, Cece Bell  
*Mercy Watson* series, Kate DiCamillo  
\**Yasmin* series, Saadia Faruqi  
\**Worm and Caterpillar Are Friends*, Kaz  
Windness

## Nonfiction

*Jumper: A Day in the Life of a Backyard Jumper Spider*, Jessica Lanan  
*The Animal Toolkit: How Animals Use Tools*, Steve  
Jenkins  
*The Only Way to Make Bread*, Cristina Quintero  
*Plants On the Move*, Emilie Vast  
*The Shark Book*, Steve Jenkins  
*Hello Puddle!*, Anita Sanchez  
*Happy Sloth Day!*, April Pulley Sayre  
*The Goldilocks Zone*, Drew Sheneman  
\**Dogs: A History of our Best Friends*, Lita Judge  
*Pizza! A Slice of History*, Greg Pizzoli

## Early Readers

*Adventures of Otto* series, David Milgrim  
*Elephant and Piggie Like Reading!* series, misc.  
*Fox the Tiger Series*, Corey Tabor  
*Nothing Fits a Dinosaur*, Jonathan Fenske  
*See the Cat: Three Stories about a Dog*, David LaRochelle  
\**Ty's Travels*, Kelly Starling Lyons

## Mindfulness

*Puppy in My Head: A book about Mindfulness*,  
Elise Gravel  
*My Magic Breath: Finding Calm Through Mindful  
Breathing*, Nick Ortner

\* Available as an ebook on [www.Mackinvia.com](http://www.Mackinvia.com)