

Under Five



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Alexander's Pretending Day

by Bunny Crumpacker, ill. by Dan Andreasen (Dutton, \$15.99) 0-525-46936-2

No matter what Alexander pretends to be, his mother is there with him. Soft whimsical illustrations. (3-5)

All Around Me I See

by Laya Steinberg, ill. by Cris Arbo (Dawn Publications, P\$8.95) 1-58469-069-0

A young girl shares her view of the world. Warm illustrations. (4-6)

Applebee's Numbers

Applebee's Opposites: A Cat and Mouse Pop-Up Book

written and ill. by David Pelham (Running Press, \$12.95) 0-7624-2551-2, 0-7624-2552-0

Full of surprises, these whimsical, innovative concept books amuse young readers. (3-5)

★Are You Going to Be Good?

by Cari Best, pictures by G. Brian Karas (FSG, \$16.00) 0-374-30394-0

Family members instruct Robert on manners as he prepares for his first grownup party to celebrate Great-Gran's one hundredth birthday. (4-6)

Are You Sleepy Yet, Petey?

by Marie Hodge, ill. by Renée Graef (Sterling, \$12.95) 1-4027-1265-0

A boy tries to get his puppy to go to sleep. Cheerful, large pastels. (3-5)

Baby Brother

written and ill. by Tanneke Wigersma and Nynke Mare Talsma

(Front Street, \$16.95) 1-932425-55-1

Mia writes her grandmother in detail about her pregnant cat. Incidentally, she tells her grandmother about her baby brother. (4-6)

Back into Mommy's Tummy

by Thierry Robberecht,

ill. by Philippe Goossens

(Clarion, \$15.00) 0-618-58106-5

A young child wants to return to mommy's tummy when her mother becomes pregnant. Playful oil illustrations. (4-6)

Because Your Daddy Loves You

by Andrew Clements, ill. by R.W. Alley

(Clarion, \$16.00) 0-618-00361-4

A little girl and her dad enjoy a wonderful beach day together. Appealing pen-and-ink and watercolor illustrations. (3-5)

Bee-bim Bop!

by Linda Sue Park, ill. by Ho Baek Lee

(Clarion, \$15.00) 0-618-26511-2

A young girl helps her mom prepare her favorite Korean dish. Rhymed text and humorous watercolors. Includes the recipe. (4-6)

The Best Time of Day

by Eileen Spinelli, ill. by Bryan Langdo

(Harcourt, \$16.00) 0-15-205051-5

Different perspectives and schedules for the various members of the human and animal community on a farm. Watercolors. (3-6)

Big Little Elephant

written and ill. by Valeri Gorbachev

(Harcourt, \$16.00) 0-15-205195-3

Little elephant discovers that he doesn't have to look exactly like his friends to have fun with them. (3-5)

Carry Me!:

Animal Babies on the Move

written and ill. by Susan Stockdale

(Peachtree, \$15.95) 1-561-45-328-5

Bright, appealing illustrations show how many animals carry their young. (4-6)

Clara and Asha

written and ill. by Eric Rohmann
(Roaring Brook, \$16.95) 1-59643-031-1
A giant fish is just one of Clara's imaginary friends. Rich oil paintings convey a warm story of companionship. (4-6)

Click, Clack, Quackity-Quack: An Alphabetical Adventure

by Doreen Cronin, ill. by Betsy Lewin
(Atheneum, \$12.95) 0-689-87715-3
Duck delivers cow's typed note to various animals as they gather for a picnic. Humorous watercolors. (3-5)

Cornelius P. Mud, Are You Ready for Bed?

written and ill. by Barney Saltzberg
(Candlewick, \$15.99) 0-7636-2399-7
Little pig gets ready for bed—in his own way. Acrylic and pencil illustrations. (2-4)

Cows Going Past

by Bruce Balan, ill. by Scott Nash
(Dial, \$9.99) 0-8037-2902-2
A simply told and humorously illustrated circular car trip awakens readers to imagine the varied activities of cows going past. (4-7)

The Dancing Tiger

by Malachy Doyle, ill. by Steve Johnson and Lou Fancher
(Viking, \$15.99) 0-670-06020-8
A young girl discovers a dancing tiger who appears only when the moon is full. Dreamy, textured oil paintings. (4-6)

The Dog Who Cried Wolf

written and ill. by Keiko Kasza
(Putnam, \$15.99) 0-399-24247-3
The engaging story of a bored housepet who thinks it would be more exciting to be a wolf. (4-6)

• FABULOUS FOLD-OUT FUN

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Maisy's Color Collection

written and ill. by Lucy Cousins
(Candlewick, \$6.99) 0-7636-2655-4,
0-7636-2656-2
Sturdy flip-out pages surprise and delight. (2-4)

★Finklehopper Frog Cheers

by Irene Livingston, ill. by Brian Lies
(Tricycle, \$14.95) 1-58246-138-4
The friendship between Finklehopper Frog and Ruby Rabbit helps them weather disappointments. (4-6)

Firefighters to the Rescue!

by Kersten Hamilton, ill. by Rich Davis
(Viking, \$15.99) 0-670-03503-3
Readers follow firefighters through a day that includes rescuing a pet. (3-5)



first 100 words

written and ill. by Roger Priddy
(Priddy Books, \$8.95) 0-312-49541-2
Vocabulary for a young child with bright, colorful photographs. (1-3)

• FLIP-A-FACE



baby animals

baby talk

SAMi, ill. by Harriet Ziefert
(Blue Apple, \$8.95) 1-59354-104-X,
1-59354-105-8
Boldly colored geometric art encourages communication and games between an adult and young child. Board (1-3)

★The Giant Hug

by Sandra Horning, ill. by Valeri Gorbachev
(Knopf, \$15.95) 0-375-82477-4
When Owen sends a huge hug through the mail to his grandmother, he brings cheer to many. Humorous illustrations. (4-6)

★The Goldfish Yawned

written and ill. by Elizabeth Sayles
(Henry Holt, \$16.95) 0-8050-7624-7
A sleeping young girl dreams of a sailboat voyage. Humorous pastels. (4-6)

★Good Night, Little One

written and ill. by Salina Yoon
(Scholastic, \$6.99) 0-439-66373-3
Where do various animals sleep? Find the answers behind the flaps. (2-5)

Goodnight, My Duckling

written and ill. by Nancy Tafuri
(Scholastic, \$16.95) 0-439-39881-9
Little duckling falls behind his siblings as Mother Duck takes them from the pond—and is rescued by a turtle. (2-4)

Grandpa Loves

by Rebecca Kai Dotlich, ill. by Kathryn Brown (HarperCollins, \$16.89) 0-06-029406-X
The special activities shared by a grandfather and his grandchildren. Detailed double-page illustrations. (4-6)

The Great Blue House

by Kate Banks, ill. by Georg Hallensleben (FSG, \$16.00) 0-374-32769-6
Vivid illustrations and evocative language chronicle the cycle of life in a summer house during the off-season. (4-7)

★The Great Fuzz Frenzy

by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel, ill. by Janet Stevens (Harcourt, \$17.00) 0-15-204626-7
When a tennis ball lands among prairie dogs, it results in a great fuzzy frenzy. Hilarious illustrations. (3-7)

The Gruffalo's Child

by Julia Donaldson, ill. by Axel Scheffler (Dial, \$16.99) 0-8037-3009-8
Adventure in the night-time woods confronting "The Big Mouse." Rhyming text and bold watercolors. (4-6)

★The Hello, Goodbye Window

by Norman Juster, ill. by Chris Raschka (Hyperion, \$15.95) 0-7868-0914-0
A joyous celebration of a little girl's warm relationship with her Nanna and Poppy. Riotous and energetic mixed-media artwork. (3-6)

★Hooray for Fish!

written and ill. by Lucy Cousins (Candlewick, \$14.99) 0-7636-2741-0
Little fish visits his fascinating underwater friends. Bold, gouache illustrations. (2-4)

How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food?

by Jane Yolen, ill. by Mark Teague (Blue Sky, \$15.99) 0-439-24102-2
Dinosaurs learn to eat politely. Humorous illustrations. (3-6)

Hula Lullaby

written and ill. by Erin Eitter Kono (Little, \$15.99) 0-316-73591-4
A lyrical simple text and warm colorful illustrations introduce readers to the music and magic of Hawaii. (4-6)

I Am Dodo: Not a True Story

written and ill. by Kae Nishimura (Clarion, \$15.00) 0-618-33614-1
The unlikely friendship between a professor and a dodo bird. Whimsical text and paintings. (4-6)

I Love Cats

written and ill. by Barney Saltzberg (Candlewick, \$8.99) 0-7636-2588-4
A celebration of cats in rhymed text and playful illustrations. (3-5)



I Love You Through and Through

by Bernadette Rossetti-Shustak, ill. by Caroline Jayne Church (Scholastic, \$8.95) 0-439-67363-1
Unconditional love expressed in simple text and colorful illustrations. (2-4)

I Want My Tooth

written and ill. by Tony Ross (Kane/Miller, P\$4.95) 1-929132-85-9
A princess loses her first tooth. Amusing, with expressive dynamic illustrations. (3-6)

If You Were My Baby: A Wildlife Lullaby

by Fran Hodgkins, ill. by Laura J. Bryant (Dawn Publications, P\$8.95) 1-58469-075-5
Poignant, lyrical text and illustrations highlight the ways a human parent would nurture various animals, including his own child. (3-6)

Igor: The Bird Who Couldn't Sing

written and ill. by Satoshi Kitamura (FSG, \$16.00) 0-374-33558-3
Disheartened by his failure to stay in tune, Igor flies to a distant place where his singing is appreciated. Humorous illustrations. (4-6)

In the Snow

by Sharon Phillips Denslow, ill. by Nancy Tafuri (Greenwillow, \$16.89) 0-06-059684-8
A child's winter bird feeder attracts birds and small animals in this gentle, rhymed story. Warm watercolor illustrations. (2-4)

- **MIKO**

“It was Me, Mom!”

“Mom, Wake Up and Play!”

by Brigitte Weninger,
ill. by Stephanie Roehé
(Penguin, \$10.99) 0-698-40014-3;
0-698-40012-7

Miko, the mouse, finds new adventures with his mom. Humorous illustrations. (4–6)

It’s Quacking Time!

by Martin Waddell, ill. by Jill Barton
(Candlewick, \$15.99) 0-7636-2738-0
Little duck learns about eggs and new baby ducks. Watercolor and pencil illustrations. (2–5)

Jack’s New Boat

written and ill. by Sarah McMenemy
(Candlewick, \$15.99) 0-7636-2477-2
After Uncle Jim makes a toy sailboat for Jack, he waits impatiently for good weather so he can sail it. Collage and gouache illustrations. (3–5)

★Kitten’s Big Adventure

written and ill. by Mie Araki
(Harcourt, \$15.00) 0-15-216738-2
An exciting day for a kitten and a little mouse. Joyful watercolors. (3–5)

- **LEARNING WITH ANIMALS**

The Alphabet with Wild Animals

Colors with Tropical Animals

Numbers with Farm Animals

Opposites with Polar Animals

Shapes with Ocean Animals



written and ill. by Melanie Watt
(Kids Can, \$4.95) 1-55337-829-6,
1-55337-830-X, 1-55337-831-8,
1-55337-833-4, 1-55337-832-6

Learning concepts while meeting animals in various areas of the world. (2–5)

Let’s Sign!: Every Baby’s Guide to Communicating with Grownups

by Kelly Ault, ill. by Leo Landry
(HMC, \$17.00) 0-618-50774-4

Easy directions and child-like illustrations help adults introduce very young children to basic everyday words in sign language. (3–6)

★Little Yoga

by Rebecca Whitford, and Martina Selway
(Henry Holt, \$9.95) 0-8050-7879-7
Explanations include babies and animals in yoga poses with simple, colorful pictures. (2–4)

★Lizette’s Green Sock

written and ill. by Catharina Valckx
(Clarion, \$15.00) 0-618-45298-2
Lizette’s friend Bert helps her solve the problem of “only one.” Simple, cheerful watercolors. (3–5)

★llama llama red pajama

written and ill. by Anna Dewdney
(Viking, \$15.99) 0-670-05983-8
A reassuring tale confirming that even though bedtime is scary, children will be safe. (2–5)

Love That Baby!

written and ill. by Susan Milord
(HMC, \$7.95) 0-618-56323-7
A different condition of a baby’s life is under each of seven flaps such as hunger, sleepiness and fear. (2–5)

The Magic Rabbit

written and ill. by Richard Jesse Watson
(Blue Sky, \$15.95) 0-590-47964-4
A little rabbit, escaped from a hat, uses the hat’s magic, but the results don’t exactly please him. Light-hearted oil paintings. (3–5)

Maisy Goes to the Library

written and ill. by Lucy Cousins
(Candlewick, \$12.99) 0-7636-2669-4
Maisy discovers that the library is not always a quiet place. Amusing illustrations. (4–6)

Matthew’s Truck

by Katherine Ayres, ill. by Hideko Takahashi
(Candlewick, \$8.99) 0-7636-2269-9
Matthew travels with his toy truck to high mountains and deep lakes. Clever imaginative text with bright acrylic illustrations. (3–6)

Mommy, I Want to Sleep in YOUR Bed!

by Harriet Ziefert, ill. by Elliot Krelloff
(Blue Apple, \$15.95) 1-59354-103-1
Charlie learns to sleep in his own bed after his parents explain that he can’t sleep in theirs. (4–6)

My Mom

written and ill. by Anthony Browne
(FSG, \$16.00) 0-374-35098-1
A special mom with the qualifications of all good moms. Warm and funny. (4–6)

Nancy, the Little Gosling

written and ill. by Eve Tharlet,
trans. by Charise Myngheer
(Penguin, \$14.99) 0-698-40008-9
How does a young goose watch butterflies if she doesn't like to swim? Soft, warm illustrations. (4–6)

The Nights of the World

by Corinne Albaut, ill. by Arno
(Kane/Miller, \$18.95) 1-929132-79-4
The nights and days of children in different parts of the world. Moveable illustrations. (4–6)

No Haircut TODAY!

written and ill. by Elivia Savadier
(Roaring Brook, \$15.95) 1-59643-046-X
Dominic won't have his hair cut no matter how bad it looks. Wonderful text design and illustrations. (3–6)



Noisy City Day Noisy City Night

written and ill. by Sara Anderson
(Handprint, \$7.95) 1-59354-054-X,
1-59354-055-8
Whiz-bang poetic and visual mélange of a city's sights, sounds and people. Books with cutouts. (2–5)

Not Norman: A Goldfish Story

by Kelly Bennett, ill. by Noah Z. Jones
(Candlewick, \$15.99) 0-7636-2384-9
What do you do when you get a pet for your birthday—but not the kind you want? (4–6)

Opposites

written and ill. by Robert Crowther
(Candlewick, \$12.99) 0-7636-2783-6
Colorful, realistic and sturdy construction support interactive concepts. (3–5)

Oscar's Half Birthday

written and ill. by Bob Graham
(Candlewick, \$16.99) 0-7636-2699-6
Everyone in the park sings Happy Birthday when Oscar is six months old. (3–6)

Papa, Do You Love Me?

by Barbara M Joosse, ill. by Barbara Lavallee
(Chronicle, \$15.95) 0-8118-4265-7
A young Masai testing the limits of his father's love learns there are none. Gentle watercolor illustrations. (3–5)

Penelope in the Winter

by Anne Gutman, ill. by Georg Hallensleben
(Scholastic, \$12.95) 0-439-67360-7
Mittens and boots, snow and snowballs. Pullout tabs. (2–4)

Piglet and Mama

by Margaret Wild, ill. by Stephen Michael King
(Abrams, \$14.95) 0-8109-5869-4
When Piglet's Mama gets lost, no amount of comfort from friends can assuage his loss. (4–6)

Pirate Girl

by Cornelia Funke, ill. by Kerstin Meyer
(Chicken House, \$15.95) 0-439-71672-1
Captain Firebeard and his dastardly crew capture Molly for ransom, but they have taken on more than they bargained for. (4–6)

Potty Poo-Poo Wee-Wee!

written and ill. by Colin McNaughton
(Candlewick, \$9.99) 0-7636-2781-X
Littlesaurus finds creative uses for his potty while avoiding his family's encouragement to put it to its proper use. (2–4)

Puppies! Puppies! Puppies!

by Susan Meyers, ill. by David Walker
(Abrams, \$15.95) 0-8109-5856-2
Bouncy, rhymed text follows all kinds of puppies in their many adventures. Soft, colorful illustrations. (2–5)

Puppy Mudge Wants to Play

by Cynthia Rylant, ill. by Suçie Stevenson
(S&S, \$14.95) 0-689-83984-7
Puppy Mudge lovingly encourages little Henry to play with him. Simple text and humorous illustrations. (4–6)

Reading Makes You Feel Good

written and ill. by Todd Parr
(Little, \$15.99) 0-316-16004-0
All the wonderful things that happen when you read. (4–6)

Riley and Rose in the Picture

written and ill. by Susanna Gretz

(Candlewick, \$16.99) 0-7636-2681-3

A dog and cat draw together on a rainy day. (4-6)

Rin, Rin, Rin Do, Re, Mi: A Picture Book in Spanish and English

by José-Luis Orozco, ill. by David Diaz

(Orchard, \$16.95) 0-439-64941-2

A lively, charming romp through a young child's day. Vibrant illustrations. Primarily in Spanish with full English translation in the back of the book. (3-5)



Run, mouse, run!

written and ill. by Petr Horáček

(Candlewick, \$5.99) 0-7636-2824-7

Little mouse races wildly to safety from—the cat. Cut-out art. (1-3)

Sakes Alive! A Cattle Drive

by Karma Wilson, ill. by Karla Firehammer

(Little, \$15.99) 0-316-98841-3

Two cows steal their farmers' keys and go on a vehicular adventure. Clever rhyme and humorous, energetic illustrations. (3-6)

Samantha Squid

written and ill. by Hozumi Ichikawa

(Penguin, \$16.99) 0-698-40026-7

Inventive pop-ups and vibrant colors illustrate characteristics that make various marine animals special. (3-5)

School

written and ill. by Emily Arnold McCully

(HarperCollins, \$16.89) 0-06-623857-9

A mouse's first attempt to attend school. Cheerful ink and watercolor illustrations. (4-6)

Siesta

by Ginger Foglesong Guy,

ill. by René King Moreno

(Greenwillow, \$16.89) 0-06-056063-0

Bilingual text teaches colors, while a brother and sister get ready to camp out in their backyard. Vivid, playful pastels and watercolors. (3-5)

Silly Chicken

by Rukhsana Khan, ill. by Yunmee Kyong

(Viking, \$15.99) 0-670-05912-9

On a farm in Pakistan, Rani fears her mother

loves her pet chicken more than her. Folk art. (4-6)

Sleep Tight, Little Bear

by Martin Waddell, ill. by Barbara Firth

(Candlewick, \$15.99) 0-7636-2439-X

Little Bear finds a cave of his own, but when night falls, he misses Big Bear. Soft watercolor and ink illustrations. (4-6)

★Snip Snap! What's That?

by Mara Bergman, ill. by Nick Maland

(Greenwillow, \$15.99) 0-06-077754-0

Three siblings are frightened by an alligator who creeps up the stairs, until they frighten the alligator. (3-6)

Soft House

by Jane Yolen,

ill. by Wendy Anderson Halperin

(Candlewick, \$15.99) 0-7636-1697-4

A big sister and her brother save a rainy day by piling cushions and armloads of blankets to build a soft house. (4-7)

Star Baby

by Margaret O'Hair, ill. by Erin Eitter Kono

(Clarion, \$16.00) 0-618-30668-4

A rhyming text and warm acrylic illustrations explore many things baby can do. (1-3)

The Surprise Visitor

written and ill. by Juli Kangas

(Dial, \$16.99) 0-8037-2989-8

When the wind blows a mysterious blue egg into the garden of Edgar the mouse, he sets out to find its home. Humorous illustrations. (4-6)

Ten Little Sleepyheads

by Elizabeth Provost, ill. by Donald Saaf

(Bloomsbury, \$16.95) 1-58234-838-3

Counting backwards as ten little critters drift off to sleep. (4-6)

Three Feet Small

by Michael J. Rosen, ill. by Valeri Gorbachev

(Harcourt, \$16.00) 0-15-204938-X

A young bear, frustrated by his size, discovers he has been growing, little by little.

Humorous watercolors. (3-6)



Too Many Bunnies

written and ill. by Matt Novak

(Roaring Brook, \$7.95) 1-59644-038-9

Bunnies overcrowded in one hole search for more space and all end up in an empty hole. Clever cut-outs. (3-5)

Tucker's Four-Carrot School Day

written and ill. by Susan Winget
(HarperCollins, \$13.89) 0-06-054643-3
Tucker reluctantly faces his first day of school. (4-6)

Up!

by Kristine O'Connell George,
ill. by Hiroe Nakata
(Clarion, \$15.00) 0-618-06489-3
Boisterous watercolors and cheerful rhymes celebrate the joys of being awake. (3-5)

Upstairs Mouse, Downstairs Mole

written and ill. by Wong Yee
(HMC, \$15.00) 0-618-47313-0
Mouse and Mole are neighbors and good friends—they always try to help each other correct their mistakes. (4-6)

Waddle, Waddle, Quack, Quack, Quack

by Barbara Anne Skalak, ill. by Sylvia Long
(Chronicle, \$14.95) 0-8118-4342-4
The adventures of a curious duck. Delicate sepia illustrations. (4-6)

Waggers

by Philemon Sturges, ill. by Jim Ishikawa
(Dutton, \$16.99) 0-525-47116-2
Whimsical rhyme and illustrations accompany this outrageous read-aloud about why dogs sniff each other's tails. (4-6)

Wait! I Want to Tell You a Story

written and ill. by Tom Willans
(S&S, \$15.95) 0-689-87166-X
A muskrat outwits a strong tiger in an amusing cumulative tale. Colorful illustrations. (4-6)

What Does Bunny See?: A Book of Colors and Flowers

by Linda Sue Park, ill. by Maggie Smith
(Clarion, \$15.00) 0-618-23485-3
Bunny investigates the garden and finds special blossoms and colors. Lively verse and colorful illustrations. (3-5)

What the No-Good Baby Is Good For

by Elise Broach, ill. by Abby Carter
(Putnam, \$15.99) 0-399-23877-8
A wise mother helps her son discover the positive qualities of his younger sibling. Playful watercolors. (4-6)

When an Elephant Comes to School

written and ill. by Jan Ormerod
(Orchard, \$16.95) 0-439-73967-5
Illustrations add humor to an elephant's first day at school. (3-5)

Who's Under That Hat?: A Lift-the-Flap Pop-up Adventure

by Sarah Weeks,
paper engineering by David A. Carter
(Harcourt, \$13.95) 0-15-205467-7
A guessing game with clues in verse. (4-6)

The Witch's Walking Stick

written and ill. by Susan Meddaugh
(HMC, \$16.00) 0-618-52948-9
Little Margaret retrieves and returns the witch's magic stick, but not before making good use of it. Comically illustrated. (4-6)

You Can Do It Too!

by Karen Baicker, ill. by Ken Wilson-Max
(Handprint, \$13.95) 1-59354-080-9
In rhyming text and vibrant, energetic paintings, a sister and toddler brother learn from each other in the playground and at home. (2-4)

You See a Circus. I See...

by Mike Downs, ill. by Anik McGrory
(Charlesbridge, \$14.95) 1-58089-097-0
A look at the wonders of a circus from an insider's perspective. (4-6)

★Yum! Yuck!: A Foldout Book of People Sounds

by Linda Sue Park and Julia Durango,
ill. by Sue Ramá
(Charlesbridge, \$9.95) 1-57091-659-4
The varied way the same feelings are expressed around the world. (3-6)