

Summer Reading

The 2010 Big Summer Booklist from Reading Rockets

Books – traditional, audio, or eBooks – tell lots of tales. These stories can be true or imagined; they can be historical or contemporary; they can be illustrated with photographs or with paints. And most important, they can be shared at home, on vacation, in the car, on a plane or boat, here or there – anywhere, actually! Books and stories of fact and fiction make great summer companions for children and are ideal for adults to share with children.

So grab a book, find a comfy place, and enjoy!

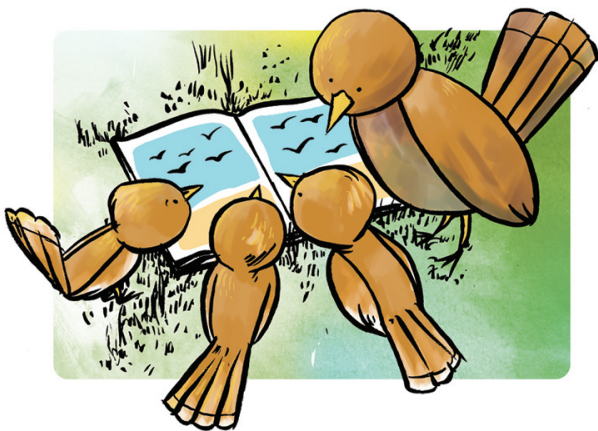
For kids 0–3 years old

Colors, Numbers, Letters by Leo Lionni
Daddy Calls Me Doodlebug by J.D. Lester
Feeding the Sheep by Leda Schubert
Kitten's Spring by Eugenie Fernandes
Let's Save the Animals by Frances Berry
My Little Baby by Begin Smart
Counting Duckies by Begin Smart
Sleepy ABC by Margaret Wise Brown
Sweet Dreams Lullaby by Betsy Snyder
What About Bear? by Suzanne Bloom
What Shapes Do You See? by Begin Smart
What Color Is Your Apple? by Begin Smart

For kids 3–6 years old

Alligators and Crocodiles by Gail Gibbons
A Beach Tail by Karen Lynn Williams
Foo, the Flying Frog of Washtub Pond by Belle Yang
Big Chickens Go to Town by Leslie Helakoski
Easy as Pie by Cari Best
Ella Kazoo Will Not Brush Her Hair
by Laura Krauss Melmed
Forever Friends by Carin Bergen
Hip Hop Dog by Chris Raschka
I Love Bugs by Emma Dodd
Inch by Inch by Leo Lionni
Let's Say Hi to Friends Who Fly! by Mo Willems
Cat the Cat Who Is That? by Mo Willems
Little Rabbit and the Meanest Mother on Earth
by Kate Klise
Looking Closely Around the Pond by Frank Serafina
Love-a-Duck by Alan James Brown
Miss Brooks Loves Books! (And I Don't)
by Barbara Bottner
¡Muu, Moo! Rimas de animales/Animal Nursery Rhymes by Alma Flor Ada & F. Isabel Campoy
My Garden by Kevin Henkes
Roly Poly Pangolin by Anna Dewdney

(list continued on next page)



Summer Reading

For kids 3–6 years old (continued)

Shrek! by William Steig

A Sick Day for Amos McGee by Philip Stead

Tiger and Turtle by James Rumford

Tracks of a Panda by Nick Dowson

The Very Fairy Princess by Julie Andrews & Emma Walton Hamilton

What If? by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

Especially for kids 6–9 years old

Andy Shane Hero at Last by Jennifer Jacobson

Babymouse Burns Rubber by Jennifer Holm and Matthew Holm

Butterflies & Moths by Nic Bishop

Crocodile Safari by Jim Arnosky

Ben and Me: An Astonishing Life of Benjamin Franklin by His Good Mouse Amos by Robert Lawson

Black Jack: The Ballad of Jack Johnson by Charles Smith, Jr.

Calvin Coconut: Dog Heaven by Graham Salisbury

Chester's Masterpiece by Melanie Watt

The Cool Crazy Crickets Club by David Elliott

Cool Crazy Crickets to the Rescue by David Elliott

Everybody Was a Baby Once and Other Poems by Allan Ahlberg & Bruce Ingman

Face to Face with Manatees by Brian Skerry

Face to Face with Butterflies by Darlyne Murawski

Five Children and It by E. Nesbit

Ivy & Bean: Doomed to Dance by Annie Barrows

Mirror Mirror: A Book of Reversible Verse by Marilyn Singer

Muddy as a Duck Puddle & Other American Similes by Laurie Lawlor

Ocean Soup: Tide-Pool Poems by Stephen Swinburne

Especially for kids 6–9 years old (continued)

Once Upon a Time: Traditional Latin American Tales/Habia una vez: Cuentos tradicionales Latino Americanos retold by Reuben Martinez

She Sang Promise: The Story of Betty Mae Jumper Seminole Tribal Leader by Jan Annino

The Shocking Truth About Energy by Loreen Leedy

Sojourner Truth's Step-Stomp Stride by Andrea Davis Pinkney & Brian Pinkney

Weird but True! 300 Outrageous Facts by National Geographic

Zapato Power: Freddie Ramos Takes Off by Jacqueline Jules

Audio books

Don't forget to pack a few audio books. You can borrow or download these and many more from your local library or purchase them online or at your bookstore. Remember, audio books are a great way to share books with others as you "read with your ears!"

Alvin Ho Collection: Books 1 and 2: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things and Allergic to Camping, Hiking, and Other Natural Disasters by Lenore Look, read by Everette Plen

A Dog on His Own by Mary Jane Auch, read by William Dufres

Dominic by William Steig, read by Peter Thomas

Mary Poppins by Pamela Travers, read by Sophie Thompson

Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin, read by Janet Song

For more book lists and video interviews with renowned children's book authors and illustrators, visit our website: www.readingrockets.org