The days are longer, the air is warmer, and it’s time to think about vacations. Whether or not you leave your home, you can go an adventure when you open a book! Try several of the suggestions here – some books are funny, others fantastic; some authors find the stories in real life – and tell them in pictures and words.

**For kids 0–3 years old**
- *Have You Seen Duck?* by Janet Holmes & Jonathan Bentley
- *Hello, Baby Beluga* by Darrin Lunde
- *I Like Vegetables* by Lorena Siminovich
- *I Spy with My Little Eye* by Edward Gibbs
- *Kitten’s Summer* by Eugenie Fernandes
- *My Farm Friends* by Wendell Minor
- *Oliver* by Christopher Franceschelli
- *One, Two, Buckle My Shoe: A Counting Nursery Rhyme* by Slaina Yoon
- *The Rain Train* by Elena de Roo
- *Shout! Shout It Out!* by Denise Fleming

**For kids 3–6 years old**
- *Bats at the Ballgame* by Brian Lies
- *Bee & Bird* by Craig Frazier
- *The Bear Who Shared* by Catherine Rayner
- *Bring on the Birds* by Susan Stockdale
- *The Cazuela That the Farm Maiden Stirred* by Samantha Vamos
- *Clink* by Kelly DiPucchio & Matthew Myers
- *Cloudette* by Tom Lichtenfield
- *Jam & Honey* by Melita Morales
- *Just Fine the Way They Are: From Dirt Roads to Rail Roads to Interstates* by Connie Nordhielm Wooldridge
- *The Loopy Coop Hens* by Janet Morgan Stoeke
- *Max & Ruby’s Bedtime Book* by Rosemary Wells
- *Me…Jane* by Patrick McDonnell
- *My Wild Sister & Me* by Iris Wewer
- *New Red Bike!* by James Ransome
- *Perfect Square* by Michael Hall
- *Pirate vs. Pirate: The Terrific Tale of a Big, Blustery Maritime Match* by Mary Quattlebaum
- *Silly Lilly in What Will I Be Today?* by Agnes Rosenstiehl
- *This Is the Game* by Diane Shore & Jessica Alexander
- *Three Hens and a Peacock* by Lester Laminack
- *Where’s Walrus?* by Stephen Savage
- *While You Are Sleeping* by Durga Bernhard
Especially for kids 6–9 years old

**Almost Zero: A Dyamonde Daniel Book** by Nikki Grimes

**Birds of a Feather** by Jane Yolen

**Calendar Mysteries: June Jam** by Ron Roy

**Daisy Dawson at the Beach** by Steve Voake

**Guyku: A Year of Haiku for Boys** by Bob Raczka

**I Feel Better with a Frog in My Throat: History’s Strangest Cures** by Carlyn Beccia

**If I Never Forever Endeavor** by Holly Meade

**Inkblot: Drip, Splat, and Squish Your Way to Creativity** by Margaret Peot

**Keena Ford and the Secret Journal Mix-up** by Melissa Thomson

**Labracadabra** by Jessica Nelson & Karen Leigh Hopkins

**Magic at the Bed and Biscuit** by Joan Carris

**Orlando, FL: Cool Stuff Every Kid Should Know** by Kate Boehm Jerome

**Polar Bears** by Mark Newman

**Seabird in the Forest: The Mystery of the Marbled Murrelet** by Joan Dunning

**Stink and the Ultimate Thumb-Wrestling Smackdown** by Megan McDonald

**The Trouble with Chickens** by Doreen Cronin

**Watch Me Grow! A Down-to-Earth Look at Growing Food in the City** by Deborah Hodge

**The Yellow House** by Blake Morrison

**Zapato Power: Freddie Ramos Springs into Action** by Jacqueline Jules

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**Audio books**

There are lots of audio books in many formats that are just right to take along on a family vacation. Regardless of the format you listen to them in, audio books can be stories shared. Try these to get started!

**26 Fairmont Avenue** written and read by Tomie dePaola

**Emily's Fortune** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, read by Lee Adams

**Freckle Juice and The One in the Middle Is a Green Kangaroo** by Judy Blume, read by Laura Hamilton

**The Invention of Hugo Cabret** by Brian Selznick, read by Jeff Woodman

**The Mercy Watson Collection: Volume 1** by Kate DiCamillo, read by Ron McLarty

**Magic Tree House Collection: Books 1-8** written and read by Mary Pope Osborne

**Nate the Great Collected Stories: Volume 1** by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat, read by John Lavelle

**Rabbit Ears Treasury of World Tales, Volume Two: The White Cat and The Fool and the Flying Ship** by Rabbit Ears, read by Robin Williams & Emma Thompson

**Stink: Solar System Superhero** by Megan McDonald, read by Nancy Cartwright

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