Good books last. They are truly the gift that is remembered long after the holiday or celebration is over. In fact, a book that connects with a young reader will grow with them as it is shared countless times. These books were chosen with just one criterion in mind — good literature that’s so engaging that your child, grandchild, niece, nephew, or student will gladly turn off the TV and put away the Gameboy. Give books as gifts and watch kids read.

Happy holidays from Reading Rockets!

*All of Baby Nose to Toes* by Victoria Adler
*Birds* by Kevin Henkes
*Dog and Bear: Three to Get Ready* by Laura Vaccaro Seeger
*Dog Wants to Play* by Christine McDonnell
*Have You Ever Tickled a Tiger?* by Betsy Snyder
*How Do Dinosaurs Say I Love You?* by Jane Yolen
*The Little Dump Truck* by Margery Cuyler
*Hello Baby!* by Mem Fox
*Maisy’s Animals/Los Animales de Maisy* by Lucy Cousins
*My Little Polar Bear* by Claudia Rueda
*One, Two, Buckle My Shoe* by Jane Cabrera
*Peek-a-Boo What?* published by Begin Smart
*Pouch!* by David Ezra Stein
*Truckery Rhymes* by Jon Scieszka
*Wow! Said the Owl* by Tim Hopgood