Stories come alive when they are shared. And there is no better time than during the holidays to make memories by sharing stories. They come in lots of formats — as physical books, eBooks, recordings and more. Take a look, find a story of fact or of fiction, and make a memory.

Happy holidays from Reading Rockets!

For children 4–5 years old

- *Bear Has a Story to Tell* by Philip Stead
- *Bird Talk: What Birds Are Saying and Why* by Lita Judge
- *Birds of a Feather* by Bernadette Gervais & Francesco Pittau
- *Chloe and the Lion* by Mac Barnett
- *Cock-a-Doodle-Doo, Creak, Pop-Pop, Moo* by Jim Aylesworth
- *Count Me In! A Parade of Mexican Folk Art* by Cynthia Weill
- *Extra Yarn* by Mac Barnett
- *Goldilocks and the Three Dinosaurs* by Mo Willems
- *A Home for Bird* by Philip Stead
- *I Am So Handsome* by Mariou Ramos
- *Into the A, B, Sea* by Deborah Lee Rose
- *The Island* by Marjie & Ronald Tolman
- *Lemonade in Winter* by Emily Jenkins
- *More* by I.C. Springman
- *Nighttime Ninja* by Barbara DaCosta
- *Oh, No!* by Candace Fleming
- *Olive and the Big Secret* by Tor Freeman
- *Oliver* by Judith Rossell
- *Seahorses* by Jennifer Curtis
- *This Is Not My Hat* by Jon Klassen
- *Z Is for Moose* by Kelly Bingham
- *Zephyr Takes Flight* by Steve Light

See the next page for books for kids 6–7 years old and 8–9 years old, as well as audio books.
Books as Gifts

For children 6–7 years old

- **Body Actions** by Shelley Rotner & David White
- **Everything Goes in the Air** by Brian Biggs
- **Laundry Day** by Maurie Manning
- **Let’s Go for a Drive** by Mo Willems
- **Look! Another Book** by Rob Staake
- **Penny and Her Song** by Kevin Henkes
- **Saving Yasha: The Incredible True Story of an Adopted Moon Bear** by Lia Kvatum
- **The Sneaky Snow Fox** by Patricia Reilly Giff
- **There’s a Fly Guy in My Soup** by Tedd Arnold
- **Who Has This Tail?** by Laura Hulbert

To read with children 6–7 years old

- **Abe Lincoln’s Dream** by Lane Smith
- **Dreaming Up** by Christy Hale
- **Hello! Hello!** by Matthew Cordell
- **Jangles: A Big Fish Story** by David Shannon
- **Just Ducks!** by Nicola Davies
- **Land of Milk and Honey** by Joyce Carol Thomas
- **Magical Life of Mr. Renny** by Leo Timmers
- **Ostrich and Lark** by Marilyn Nelson
- **Seed by Seed: The Legend and Legacy of John “Appleseed” Chapman** by Esme Codell
- **The World’s Greatest Lion** by Ralph Helfer
- **Unspoken: A Story from the Underground Railroad** by Henry Cole

For children 8–9 years old

- **Meat-Eating Plants: Toothless Wonders** by Ellen Lawrence
- **Ringtale: Miner’s Cat** by Joyce Markovics
- **Snakes** by Nic Bishop

To read with children 8–9 years old

- **The Arrow Finds Its Mark: A Book of Found Poems** by Georgia Heard
- **Hide & Seek** by David Carter
- **I Have a Dream** by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- **The One and Only Ivan** by Katherine Applegate
- **Moby Dick: Chasing the Great White Whale** by Eric Kimmel
- **Return to the Willows** by Jacqueline Kelly
- **A Strange Place to Call Home: The World’s Most Dangerous Habitats and the Animals That Call Them Home** by Marilyn Singer
- **Starry River of the Sky** by Grace Lin
- **Tilly’s Moonlight Garden** by Julia Green

Audio Books and Games

- **Charlotte’s Web** by E.B. White, read by the author
- **Cheshire Cheese Cat: A Dickens of a Tale** by Carmen Agra Deedy & Randall Wright, read by Katherine Kellgren & Robin Sachs
- **Dumpling Days** by Grace Lin, read by Angela Lin
- **Malcolm at Midnight** by W. H. Beck, read by Charlotte Parry
- **Wonderful Wizard of Oz** by L. Frank Baum, read by Brooke Shields & Paul Rudd
- **A Steve Light Storybox, Hansel and Gretel** by Guidecraft

For children 8–9 years old

- **A Place for Bats** by Melissa Stewart
- **The Boy Who Cried Alien** by Marilyn Singer
- **Dinosaurs Before Dark** by Mary Pope Osborne
- **Halfway to Perfect** by Nikki Grimes
- **The Hero of Little Street** by Gregory Rogers
- **The Legend of Diamond Lil: A J.J. Tully Mystery** by Doreen Cronin
- **Make Your Mark: The Drawing Book for Children** by Sarah Richardson

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