Recommended Reads Year R 2019-20





Anderson, Laura Ellen - I Don't Want to be Small A small boy who desperately wants to be taller, tries all sorts of things to rescue his teddy, who is trapped in a tree out of reach. A great book to read aloud.

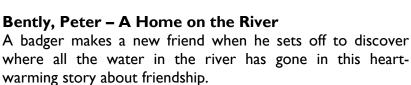
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Antony, Steve - Amazing

A boy and his pet dragon are the very best of friends. They do everything together. A picture book that celebrates friendship and being yourself with a positive message about diversity.

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Biddulp, Rob - Give Peas a Chance

A little dinosaur tries to get out of eating her peas at dinner time. The colourful, detailed artwork and a simple rhyming text makes this an ideal book for reading aloud.

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Braun, Seb - Raj and the Best Holiday Ever!

Raj and his dad are going camping and Raj knows they are going to have an amazing time. Once they get there, however, they find they must contend with wind, rain and a family of very noisy bears.

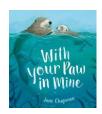




Brownlow, Mike - Meet the Penguins

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Two small penguins want to make friends but find themselves rejected by everyone they approach. The warm illustrations and heart-warming message about inclusion, are delivered with humour.



Champman, Jane - With your Paw in Mine

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When Otter pup Miki is young, she holds tight to her mother's paw each day and night. However, as she grows older she must leave her mother and find her own way in the world. Charming illustrations compliment the story.



Coelho, Joseph - Luna Loves Library Day

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Luna has a day full of imagination when she spends the day at the library with her dad. As she explores the shelves they find books about magic, mystery, mummies and dinosaurs.



Cristaldi, Kathryn - I'll Love You...

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Rhyming verses tell readers they'll be loved until the scenarios described come to pass, and these grow more and more fantastical as the book progresses. A perfect book for sharing



Deutsch, Georgiana - 10, 9, 8... Owls Up Late!

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A rhyming counting story about 10 little owls who refuse to get ready for bed.



Dodd, Emma - Happy to be Me

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A delightful book with bright cheerful illustrations that celebrates bodies in all shapes and forms. It could be used to start discussions on the topic about Ourselves.



Flood, Ciara - There's A Walrus in My Bed!

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Flynn is going to sleep in a proper big bed. But when bedtime rolls around, he just can't get to sleep. The reason? There's a walrus in his bed, of course! Only his parents can't see it.



Hendra, Sue & Linnet, Paul - Snowball

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Snowball wants some excitement so he sets off to town, down a hill and experiences an eventful journey. An enjoyable rhyming adventure.



Hood, Morag - Colin and Lee, Carrot and Pea

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Funny story of two very different friends: a small green pea and a tall orange carrot stick.



Hood, Morag - I Am Bat

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Bat's cherries keep going missing. One by one, the precious red cherries are whisked away by mischievous animal tricksters behind Bat's back in this bold, colourful and very funny book.

UKLA winner for 2019



Lazell, Emma – Big Cat

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Grandma can't find her glasses and when she and her granddaughter find a large cat in their garden they invite it into the house. The big cat eats all the food, reads a newspaper and has a bath. When Grandma does find her glasses, she sees that the big cat was really a tiger! An excellent homage to "The Tiger who came to Tea"



Love, Jessica - Julian is a Mermaid

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In this exuberant picture book, a glimpse of costumed mermaids leaves one boy flooded with wonder and ready to dazzle the world.

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McLaughlin, Eoin - The Hug

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A tale told from two view points as both hedgehog and tortoise wonder why the other animals don't want to get too close to them. That is until a wise owl explains that hedgehog is too spiky and tortoise is too bony. And that's when they find each other!



Newson, Karl - The Same but Different Too

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The children and animals are all very different to each other. Some are big, some are small. Some are gentle, some are rough. Everyone is playful, but who's the best at hiding? The perfect picture book for young children who are just beginning to make sense of their place in the world.



Percival, Tom - The Sea Saw

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When Sofia loses her beloved teddy after a day at the beach, she is heartbroken. But the sea saw it all, and maybe it can bring Sofia and her teddy back together. A gentle story with a happy ending.



Pindar, Heather – Froggy Day

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When the weather woman says it's going to be "very froggy" she means it! There are frogs on the streets, on the bus, in the supermarket and even in school! Great fun.



Whaite, Michael – 100 Dogs

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A rhythmical rhyming story about a hundred different kinds of dogs and their characteristics.

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Y = Picture Book

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