

**PICTURE THIS!**  
**Using Picture Books**  
**To Introduce or Teach Skills**

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## MATH

### Counting - Simple:

*Grapes of Math* – Tang (math riddles, higher level counting) 793.7  
*King's Commissioners* – Friedman (by 2's, 5's, etc.)  
*Leaping Lizards* - Murphy  
*M&M's Counting Book* – McGrath  
*Spots: Counting Creatures from Sky to Sea* – Lesser 513.2  
*Warthogs in the Kitchen* – Edwards

### Add/Subtract:

*Ready, Set, Hop*- Murphy (also teaching ideas in back of book) 513.2

### Multiplication:

*Anno's Magic Seeds* – Anno 513  
*Anno's Mysterious Multiplying Jar* – Anno 512  
*Arctic Fives Arrive* – Pinczes  
*Bats on Parade* - Appelt  
*One Grain of Rice* – Demi 398.2 U  
*Two Ways to Count to Ten* – Dee 398.2

### Division:

*Divide and Ride* - Murphy (teaching ideas in back of book) 513.2  
*Doorbell Rang* - Hutchins  
*Great Divide* – Dodds  
*King's Commissioners* – Friedman  
*One Hundred Hungry Ants* - Pinczes  
*Remainder of One* - Pinczes  
*Two Ways to Count to Ten* – Dee 398.2

### Fractions:

*Doorbell Rang* - Hutchins  
*Fraction Fun* – Adler 513.2  
*Give Me Half!* - Murphy (teaching ideas in back of book) 513.2  
*Piece=Part=Portion: Fractions=Decimals=Percents* –Gifford 513.2

### Measurement:

*Counting on Frank* - Clement  
*How Tall, How Short, How Faraway* – Adler 530.8  
*Twelve Snails to One Lizard* - Hightower

### Circumference:

*Librarian Who Measured the Earth* – Lasky 921 Era  
*Sir Cumference and the Great Knight of Angleland* – Neuschwander 516

### Area & Perimeter:

*Spaghetti and Meatballs for All!* – Burns

**Capacity & Liquid Measurement:**

*Room for Ripley* – Murphy 530.8

**Large Numbers:**

*Is a Blue Whale the Biggest Thing There Is?* – Wells

*Million Fish...More or Less* - McKissack

*On Beyond a Million* –Schwartz 513.5

**Estimation:**

*Betcha!* – Murphy 519.5

**Geometry:**

*Elephants on Board* – MacDonald

*Grandfather Tang's Story* (Tangrams) - Tompett

*Greedy Triangle* – Burns

*Hamster Champs* – Murphy (Angles) 516

*Sir Cumference and the First Round Table* – Neuschwander 516

*Sir Cumference and the Great Knight of Angleland* – Neuschwander 516

**Time:**

*Pigs on a Blanket* - McGinley-Nally (teaching ideas in back of book)

**Critical Thinking:**

*Anno's Hat Tricks* - Anno

**Problem Solving:**

*Arithme-Tickle* – 513 Lew

*Grapes of Math* – Tang 793.7

*Math Curse* – Scieszka

*Safari Park* – Murphy (finding the **missing element**) 512.9

**Money; Economics:**

*Alexander, Who Used to be Rich Last Sunday* – Viorst

*If You Made a Million* – Schwartz 332.042

*Jelly Beans for Sale* – McMillan 332.4

*Market Days* – Jaffrey 381

*Markets* – Bendick 380.1

*Pigs Will Be Pigs* - Axelrod

**Probability:**

*No Fair!* - Holtzman (teaching ideas in back of book)

**Ratio and/or Proportion:**

*If Dogs Were Dinosaurs* – Schwartz 513.2

*If You Hopped Like a Frog* – Schwartz 513.2

**General math:**

*Marvelous Math: a Book of Poems* – Hopkins 811

*G is for Googol* – Schwartz 510

*Only One* – Harshman 513.2

**Graphs:**

*Great Graph Contest* - Leedy

## MORE MATH (Pre-K – 3)

### **Addition & Subtraction:**

*Animals on Board* – Murphy, Stuart J. (PreK-2)  
*Domino Addition - Long, Lynette* (K-3)  
*Each Orange Had 8 Slices* – Giganti, Paul (PreK-3)  
*Elevator Magic* – Murphy (K-3)  
*Fair Bear Share* – Murphy (K-3) (addition, regrouping)  
*Monster Musical Chairs* – Murphy (PreK-2)  
*One Guinea Pig is Not Enough* – Duke, kae (PreK-2)  
*Shark Swimathon* – Murphy (2-4) (subtracting 2-digit)  
*Twenty is Too Many* – Duke, Kate (K-3)

### **Multiplication and Division:**

*Amanda Bean's Amazing Dream: A Mathematical Story* – Neuschwander & Burns (2-4)  
*Best of Times* – Tang, Greg (2-5)  
*Double the Ducks* – Murphy (K-3)  
*Too Many Kangaroo Things to Do* – Murphy (2-4) (addition, multiplication)

### **Geometry:**

*Let's Fly a Kite* – Murphy (1-3) (symmetry)  
*My Full Moon is Square* – Pinczes, Elinor (K-3)  
*Shape Up! Fun with Triangles and Other Polygons* – Adler, David (K-3)  
*Wing on a Flea: A Book about Shapes* – Emberley, Ed (K-3)  
*When a Line Bends...a Shape Begins* – Greene, Rhonda (K-3)  
*What's Your Angle, Pythagoras?* – Ellis, Julie (3-6)

### **Fractions:**

*Apple Fractions* – Pallotta, Jerry (2-4)  
*Jump, Kangaroo, Jump* – Murphy (2-4)  
*Polar Bear Math: Learning about Fractions from Klondike and Snow* – Nagda, Ann (3-5)

### **Measurement:**

*Bigger, Better, Best* – Murphy (2-4) (area)  
*How Tall, How Short, How Faraway?* – Adler, David (K-3)  
*Inchworm and a Half* – Pinczes, Elinor (PreK-2)  
*Inch by Inch* – Lionni, Leo (PreK-2)  
*Mighty Maddie* – Murphy (PreK-1) (weights)  
*Millions to Measure* – Schwartz, David (1-4)  
*Racing Around* – Murphy (1-4) (perimeter)

### **Number Concepts:**

*100 Days of Cool* – Murphy (1-3)  
*Button Box* – Reid, Margarett (PreK-1) (patterning )  
*Earth Day – Hooray!* – Murphy (2-4) (place value)  
*Every Buddy Counts* – Murphy (K-1) (counting)

**(Number Concepts cont'd)**

*Just Enough Carrots* – Murphy (K-2) (counting)

*Little Numbers and Pictures That Show Just How Little They Are* – Packard, Edward  
(2-6)

*Missing Mittens* – Murphy (K-2) (odd and even numbers)

*Pair of Socks* – Murphy (K-2) (patterns)

*Teeth, Tails, and Tentacles: An Animal Counting Book* – Wormell, Christopher (1-4)

*Place for Zero* – Murphy (K-3)

**Problem Solving and Riddles:**

*Five Creatures* – Jenkins, Emily (K-3)

*Riddle-iculous Math* – Holub, Joan (3-6)

**Telling Time:**

*Bunny Day: Telling Time from Breakfast to Bedtime* – Walton, Rick (PreK-K)

*Cluck O'Clock* – Gray, Kes (PreK-2)

*Game Time* – Murphy (1-4)

*How Long?* – Dale, Elizabeth (PreK-K)

*It's about Time!* – Murphy (K-3)

*It's about Time, Max!* – Richards, Kitty (1-3)

*Little Rabbits' First Time Book* – Baker, Alan (PreK-K)

*Me Counting Time from Seconds to Centuries* – Sweeney, Joan (K-2)

*Mouse Tells the Time* – Moon (PreK-1)

*Telling Time* – Older, Jules (2-5)

*Telling Time with Big Mama Cat* – Harper, Dan (K-3)

*What Time Is It, Mr. Crocodile?* – Sierra, Judy (PreK-2)

**Probability:**

*Probably Pistachio* – Murphy (K-3)

**Percentages:**

*Grizzly Gazette* – Murphy (2-4)

**Estimation/Rounding:**

*Coyotes All Around* – Murphy (1-4)

**Money/Negative Numbers:**

*Less than Zero* – Murphy (2-4)

## SCIENCE

### **General:**

*Science Verse* – Scieszka & Smith

### **Weather:**

*Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* – Barrett

*Feel the Wind* – Dorros 551.5 DOR

*Geoffry Groundhog Predicts the Weather* – Koscielniak (Groundhog Day)

*It's Up to You, Griffin* – Pickford (Groundhog Day)

*River Friendly, River Wild* – Kurtz (poems, flood in SD)

*Snowflake Bentley* - Martin

*The Storm* – Harshman

*The Storm Book* – Zoloto

*Thunder Cake* – Polacco

### **Plants:**

*Old Elm Speaks, Tree Poems* – George

*Pumpkin Circle: Story of a Garden* - Levenson

*Reason for a Flower* - Heller (in Big Book form also)

*Sky Tree* – Locker

*A Tree is Growing* – Dorros

*Trees: The First Forest* – Giles

### **Spiders:**

*Like Jake and Me* - Jukes

### **Bats:**

*Stellaluna* - Cannon

### **Snakes:**

*Verdi* -Cannon

### **Pigs:**

*Pigs* -Gibbons

### **Food Chains/Food Webs:**

*Sierra* - Siebert

### **Space:**

*Call Me Ahnighio* - Conrad (about a famous meteorite)

### **Dust:**

*Stars Beneath Your Bed: the Surprising Story of Dust* - Sayre

## SOCIAL STUDIES

### **Early Exploration:**

*The Discovery of the Americas* - Maestro  
*Encounter* - Yolen

### **Native Americans:**

*Annie and the Old One* – Miles  
*Beyond the Ridge* – Goble  
*Gift of the Sacred Dog* – Goble  
*Girl Who Loved Wild Horses* – Goble  
*Her Seven Brothers* – Goble 398.2  
*Knots on a Counting Rope* - Martin  
*Legend of the Indian Paintbrush* – De Paola 398.2  
*Many Nations, An Alphabet of Native America* – Bruchac  
*Mystic Horse*- Goble 398.2  
*Story of Jumping Mouse* – Steptoe 398.2  
*Thunder on the Plains* – Robbins 599.64

### **Pilgrims:**

*Courage of Sarah Noble* (1707)- Dalglish (short chapter book, 58pages)  
*Molly Bannaky* (1603) - McGill  
*On the Mayflower, Voyage of the Ship's Apprentice & a Passenger Girl* - Waters  
*Pilgrims of Plimoth* - Sewall  
*Stranded at Plimoth Plantation* - Bowen  
*Three Young Pilgrims* – Harness

### **Colonial:**

*A Picture Book of George Washington* - Adler  
*Baker's Dozen, A Colonial American Tale* – Forest  
*Our Colonial Year* – Harness 973.2

### **Revolutionary War:**

*Dangerous Crossing* – Krensky  
*George Did It* – Jurmain 921  
*Great Big Wagon That Rang, How the Liberty Bell Was Saved* - Slate  
*Hand in Hand: An American History Through Poetry* – Hopkins  
*John, Paul, George & Ben* - Smith  
*Katie's Trunk* – Turner  
*Let it Begin Here! Lexington & Concord* – Fradin 973.3  
*Paul Revere's Ride* – Longfellow  
*Redcoats & Petticoats* - Kirkpatrick  
*Samuel's Choice* – Berleth  
*This Time, Tempe Wick?* - Gauch  
*Which Way to the Revolution? A Book about Maps* – Barner

### **1793/1913:**

*A Penny in the Road* – Precek

**Lewis and Clark Expedition:**

*I Am Sacajawea, I Am York* – Murphy 920

*Lewis and Clark and Me; A Dog's Tale* - Myers (short fiction read-aloud, 63 pages)

**Gold Rush:**

*Gold Fever* - Kay

**Railroad Race (1863-1869):**

*Iron Horses* - Kay

**Civil War:**

*A. Lincoln and Me* – Borden

*Blue and the Gray* - Bunting

*Cecil's Story* - Lyon

*Ghosts of the Civil War* - Harness

*Pink and Say* - Polacco

*Red Legs, a Drummer Boy of the Civil War* - Lewin

*Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt* – Fleming

**Slavery:**

*Nettie's Trip South* - Turner

*Selina and the Bear Paw Quilt* -Smucker

*Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt* - Hopkinson

**Westward Movement:**

*Cassie's Journey, Going West in the 1860's* - Harvey

*Dandelions* - Bunting

*Grandmother Essie's Covered Wagon* – Williams (Missouri)

*Prairie Primer A-Z* – Stutson     *Prairie Alphabet* – Moore (modern times)

*Red Flower Goes West* – Turner

*Season's Sewn: a year in Patchwork* - Paul

*Selina and the Bear Paw Quilt* - Smucker

*Wagons West*- Gerrard

**Orphan Trains (1850's-1920's)**

*Train to Somewhere* - Bunting

**Dust Bowl/Depression:**

*Dust Bowl* - Booth

*Leah's Pony* - Friedrich

*The Babe & I* - Adler

**Complete History of One Location:**

*Barn* - Atwell

*Heron Street* - Turner

*House on Maple Street* - Pryor

*River Ran Wild* - Cherry

*Tree in the Trail* - Holling



**Effects of “Progress”:**

*Heron Street* - Turner

*Letting Swift River Go* - Yolen

**Map Skills / Geography:**

*Armadillo from Amarillo* - Cherry

*Around the World, Who’s Been Here?* - George

*Geography From A to Z* – Knowlton

*Mapping Penny’s World* – Leedy Fic Lee

*Picture Book of the U.S.A.* – Goodman

*Scrambled States of America* – Keller

**Economics:**

*Anno’s Magic Seeds* – Anno 513

*Lemons and Lemonade: a Book about Supply and Demand* – Loewen 338.5

*Ox-Cart Man* – Hall

**Government:**

*Ghosts of the White House* - Harness

*House Mouse, Senate Mouse* – Barnes

*Marshall, the Courthouse Mouse* - Barnes

*So You Want to Be President* – St. George

*Woodrow For President* – Barnes

*Woodrow, the White House Mouse* – Barnes

**WWII:**

*Baseball Saved Us* – Mochizuki

*The Bracelet* - Uchida

*Cello of Mr. O* – Cutler

*Unbreakable Code* - Hunter (Navajo code talkers)

*Yellow Star, The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark* - Deedy

*In My Pocket* - Sim

**Missouri:**

*Heartland* – Siebert

*How to Draw Missouri’s Sights and Symbols* - Kuedee

*The Great Shaking* – Carson

*S is for Show Me: a Missouri Alphabet* – Young

*Grandma Essie’s Covered Wagon* – Williams

**Famous Quotes:**

*Who Said That? Famous Americans Speak* - Burleigh

**Newspaper Headlines:**

*Dateline: Troy* – Fleischman

**Symbols of America:**

*Uncle Sam and Old Glory, Symbols of America* – West

# LANGUAGE ARTS

## **Similes/Metaphors:**

*Brave as a Mountain Lion* - Scott  
*Grandma Essie's Covered Wagon* - Williams  
*Knots on a Counting Rope* – Martin  
*Like Jake and Me* - Jukes  
*Old Jake's Skirts* - Slonim  
*Owl Moon* – Yolen  
*Quick as a Cricket* - Wood  
*Song and Dance Man* - Ackerman  
*Swamp Angel* – Zelinsky  
*The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses* - Goble

## **Personification:**

*Call Me Ahnighito*- Conrad  
*Giving Tree* – Silverstein  
*If You Give a Pig a Pancake* – Numeroff  
*Officer Buckle and Gloria* – Rathmann  
*Sylvester and the Magic Pebble* – Steig  
*Velveteen Rabbit* - Williams

## **Onomatopoeia:**

*Heron Street* – Turner  
*That's Good! That's Bad!* - Cuyler  
*ZZZng! ZZZng! ZZZng! A Yoruba Tale* - Gershator 398.24

## **Symbolism:**

*Fly Away Home* – Bunting  
*Keeping Quilt* – Polacco

## **Flashback:**

*Alexander; Who Used to be Rich Last Sunday* – Viorst  
*Miss Rumphius* - Cooney

## **Alliteration:**

*Absolutely Awful Alphabet* – Gerstein  
*Animalia* - Base  
*Dinorella* - Edwards  
*Faint Frogs Feeling Feverish* - Obligado  
*Four Famished Foxes* - Edwards  
*Some Smug Slug* - Edwards  
*Wacky Wedding* - Edwards  
*What Pete Ate from A – Z* – Kalman  
*Worrywarts* - Edwards

**Idioms:**

*Amelia Bedelia* - Parish

*Dog Breath* - Pilkey

*In a Pickle, and Other Funny Idioms* - Terban 428.1

*My Momma Likes to Say* – 398.9 Bre

**Homonyms:**

*Eight Ate, A feast of Homonym Riddles* – Terban 818

*Why the Banana Split* - Walton

**Oxymorons:**

*Who Ordered the Jumbo Shrimp? And other Oxymorons* – Agee 818

**Palindromes:**

*Go Hang a Salami! I'm a Lasagna Hog!* – Agee 793.73

*Too Hot to Hoot* – Terban 818

**Homophones:**

*A Chocolate Moose for Dinner* – Gwynne 428.1

**Anagrams:**

*Elvis Lives! And Other Anagrams* – Agee 793.734

**READING SKILLS:****Main Idea:**

*Chair for my Mother* - Williams

*Fables* - Lobel

*Frog Prince Continued* - Scieszka

*Great Kapok Tree* – Cherry

*The Important Book* - Brown

*Keeping Quilt* – Polacco

**Vocabulary:**

*Miss Alaineus: a Vocabulary Disaster* – Frasier

**Plot:**

*Ming Lo Moves the Mountain* – Lobel

*Three Little Javelinas* - Lowell

*Three Little Pigs*

Other fairy tales: traditional vs. modern version

**Cause & Effect:**

*Across the Stream* - Ginsburg

*Comet's Nine Lives* - Brett

*Encounter* – Yolen

*If Up Take a Mouse to the Movies* - Numeroff

*If You Give a Moose a Muffin* – Numeroff

*If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* – Numeroff

*If You Give a Pig a Pancake* – Numeroff

*Napping House* – Wood  
*River Friendly, River Wild* – Kurtz  
*Sierra* – Siebert  
*That's Good! That's Bad!* - Cuyler  
*Where the Wild Things Are* - Sendak  
*Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears* – Aardema 398.2  
*Why the Chicken Crossed the Road* - Macaulay

**Point of View:**

*Black and White* - Macaulay  
*Call Me Ahnighito* – Conrad  
*Great Kapok Tree* – Cherry  
*Great Shaking* –Carson  
*Pain and the Great One* – Blume  
*Something to Tell the Grandcows* - Spinelli  
*Through Grandpa's Eyes* – MacLachlan  
*Tight Times* – Hazen  
*True Story of the Three Little Pigs* - Scieszka/Smith  
*Two Bad Ants* – Van Allsburg  
*Voices in the Park* - Browne  
*When I Was Young in the Mountains* – Rylant  
*Barn* – Atwell

**Story Sequence:**

*Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain* - Aardema  
*Jumanji* - Van Allsburg  
*King Bidgood's in the Bathtub* – Wood  
*The Mitten* – Brett 398.2  
*Where the Wild Things Are* – Sendak

**Drawing conclusions/ Inferences:**

*Wreck of the Zephyr* - Van Allsburg

**Fact/Fiction:**

*Like Jake and me* – Jukes  
*Perfect Puppy for Me* – O'Connor & Hartland  
*Popcorn Book* - de Paola 641.6  
*Rattlesnake Dance: True Tales, Mysteries, and Rattlesnake Ceremonies* – Dewey 597.96  
*Stellaluna* – Cannon  
*Verdi* – Cannon

**GENRES:**

**Autobiography:**

*Don't You Know there's a War On?* – Stevenson, James  
*Through My Eyes* – Bridges, Ruby

**Biography:**

*Wilma Unlimited* – Krull (Wilma Rudolph) 921 Rud  
*American Boy, the Adventures of Mark Twain* – Brown 921 Twa

**Fantasy:**

*Rootabaga Stories* – Sandburg 808.8

**Historical fiction:**

*Pink and Say* – Polacco (Civil War)  
*Train to Somewhere* – Bunting (Orphan Train)  
(See Social Studies section for more.)

**Mystery:**

*Grandpa's Teeth* – Clement

**Realistic fiction:**

*Lady in the Box* - McGovern  
*Your Move* – Bunting

**Science fiction:**

*Mission Ziffoid* – Rosen  
*Nova's Ark* – Kirk

**Tales:** (See final two pages of Language Arts )

**PARTS OF SPEECH:****Nouns:**

*A Cache of Jewels* – Heller 428.1  
*A Mink, a Fink, a Skating rink, What is a Noun?* - Cleary, Brian 428.2

**Pronouns:**

*I and You and Don't Forget Who* – Cleary, Brian 428.2  
*Mine, All Mine* – Heller 428.2s

**Verbs:**

*Kites Sail High* – Heller 428.2  
*Old Black Fly* - Aylesworth  
*Prairie Dogs Kiss and Lobsters Wave: How Animals Say Hello* – Singer 591.59  
*Pumpkin Soup* – Cooper  
*To Root, to toot, to Parachute; What is a Verb?* - Cleary, Brian 428.2  
*Zzzng! Zzzng! A Yoruba Tale* – Gershator 398.24

**Adjectives:**

*Hairy, Scary, Ordinary; What is an Adjective?* - Cleary, Brian 428.2  
*Old Black fly* – Aylesworth  
*Many Luscious Lollipops* – Heller 428.2  
*That's Good! That's Bad!* - Cuyler  
*Things that are Most in the World* – Barrett

**Adverbs:**

*Dearly, Nearly, Insincerely What is an Adverb?* –Cleary, Brian 428.2

*Faint Frogs Feeling Feverish* – Obligado

*Z Was Zapped* - Van Allsburg 411

**Prepositions:**

*Behind the Mask* – Heller 428.2

*Under, Over, by the Clover; What is a Preposition?* – Cleary, Brian 428.2

**Superlatives:**

*Things that are Most In the World* –Barrett

**Interjections and Conjunctions:**

*Fantastic! Wow! And Unreal!* – Heller 425

**Grammar:**

*Harvey Potter's Balloon Farm* – Nolen

*Old Jake's Skirts* – Slonim

**Alliteration, Nouns, Verbs, & Adjectives:**

*Absolutely Awful Alphabet* – Gerstein 428.1

**Compound Words:**

*Once there was a Bull... (frog)* – Walton

**WRITING SKILLS:****Letter Writing:**

*Armadillo from Amarillo* – Cherry

*Around the World, Who's been Here?* – George

*Message in the Mailbox* – Leedy 395

*Stringbean's Trip to the Shining Sea* – Williams

**Acrostic Poems:**

*Autumn, an Alphabet Acrostic* – Schnur 793.73

**Punctuation:**

*Punctuation takes a Vacation* - Pulver

**Vocabulary:**

*Miss Alaineus: A Vocabulary Disaster* – Frasier

**Jokes & Riddles:**

*Funny You Should Ask: How to Make Up Jokes and Riddles with Wordplay* – Terban 808

**ABC Books:**

*A is for Salad* – Lester

*Absolutely Awful Alphabet* – Gerstein 428.1  
*Animalia* – Base  
*Antics* – Hepworth 421  
*Many Nations, An Alphabet of Native Americans* – Bruchac 970  
*Miss Spider's ABC* - Kirk  
*Old Black Fly* – Aylesworth  
*Prairie Alphabet* - Bannatyne-Cugnet 421  
*Prairie Primer A-Z* – Stutson  
*Tomorrow's Alphabet* – Shannon 411  
*Wacky Wedding* – Edwards  
*What Pete Ate A-Z* - Kalman

**Memorable Language:**

*Fireflies!* – Brinckloe  
*Home Place* – Dragonwagon  
*Jumanji* – Van Allsburg  
*Letting Swift River Go* – Yolen  
*Memory Box* – Shanley  
*Midnight in the Mountains* – Lawson  
*My Mama Had a Dancing Heart* – Gray  
*Nothing Ever Happens on 90<sup>th</sup> Street* – Schotter  
*Owl Moon* – Yolen  
*The Relatives Came* – Rylant

**Word Choice:**

*Amos & Boris* – Steig  
Chris Van Allsburg's books  
*Home Place* – Dragonwagon  
Patricia Polacco's books

**Character Traits:**

*Amazing Grace* – Hoffman  
*Amos & Boris* – Steig  
*Chrysanthemum* – Henkes  
*Crow Boy* – Yashima  
*Miss Rumphius* – Cooney  
*My Great Aunt Arizona* – Houston 921 Hug  
*Song and Dance Man* - Ackerman

**Literacy:**

*Aunt Chip and the Great Triple Creek Dam Affair* - Polacco  
*Thank You, Mr. Falker* - Polacco

**Fairy Tales:**

*Chickerella* - Auch  
*Cindy Ellen, a Wild Western Cinderella* - Lowell 398.2  
*Cowboy and the Black-Eyed Pea* - Johnston  
*Egyptian Cinderella* – Climo 398.2

*Fanny's Dream* - Buehner  
*Frog Prince Continued* - Scieszka  
*Gift of the Crocodile, A Cinderella Story* - Sierra 398.2  
*Jim and the Beanstalk* - Briggs 398.2  
*Kate and the Beanstalk* – Osborne 398.2  
*Little Red Cowboy Hat* - Lowell 398.2  
*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters* -Steptoe  
*Paper Bag Princess* - Munsch  
*Petite Rouge, A Cajun Red Riding Hood* – Artell 398.2  
*Princess Furball* - Huck  
*Squids Will Be Squids* – Scieszka  
*Stinky Cheese Man* – Scieszka  
*Three Cool Kids* Emberley – 398.2  
*True Story of the Three Little Pigs* –Scieszka  
*Yours Truly, Goldilocks* - Ada

**Fables:**

*Blind Men and the Elephant* – Backstein 398.21  
*Fables* – Lobel, Arnold  
*Tortoise and the Hare: an Aesop Fable* – Stevens 398.2

**Nursery Rhymes:**

*And the Dish Ran Away With the Spoon* - Stevens  
*Here Comes Mother Goose* – Opie 398.8  
*Itsy Bitsy Spider* - Trapani

**Cumulative Tales:**

*Book that Jack Wrote* - Scieszka  
*Napping House* - Wood (also in Big Book form)  
*No More Jumping on the Bed* - Arnoco  
*Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly* - Taback  
*Old Woman and Her Pig* - Kimmel  
*Shoes From Grandpa* - Fox

**Modern Tales:**

*Gruffalo* – Donaldson  
*My Sister's Rusty Bike* – Aylesworth (tall tale)

**Wordless books:**

*Free Fall* - Wiesner  
*Sector 7* – Wiesner

**Quotations:**

*Quotations for Kids* – Senn 082  
*A World of Words, An ABC of Quotations* – Tobias & Malone 811



## MULTICULTURAL

### **Egypt:**

*The Day of Ahmed's Secret* - Heide

### **Appalachia:**

*Appalachia: The Voices of Sleeping Birds* - Rylant

*My Great-Aunt Arizona* - Houston

*Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree* - Houston

### **Black History:**

*A Band of Angels* - Hopkinson

*Duke Ellington* - Pinkney

*The Story of Ruby Bridges* - Coles

*The Story of Stagecoach Mary Fields* – Miller

*Vision of Beauty: The Story of Sarah Breedlove Walker* - Lasky

### **Amish:**

*An Amish Christmas* - Ammon

*Just Plain Fancy* - Polacco

*Raising Yoder's Barn* - Yolen

### **Russian:**

*The Keeping Quilt* - Polacco

### **Japanese:**

*Baseball Saved Us* – Mochizuki

*The Bracelet* - Uchida

*Grandfather's Journey* - Say

### **Irish:**

*O'Sullivan Stew* – Talbott

### **Arab:**

*The Storytellers* – Lewin

### **Mexican:**

*Uncle Rain Cloud* – Johnston

### **African:**

*Village of Round and Square Houses* – Grifalconi

### **Chinese:**

*Coolies* – Yin

### **Argentina:**

*Gauchada* – Lamm

## **PREJUDICE / TOLERANCE**

*Blind Men and the Elephant* - Backstein  
*Friday Night at Hodges' Café* - Eagam  
*Widow's Broom* – Van Allsburg

### Black:

*Band of Angels: a Story Inspired by the Jubilee Singers* – Hopkinson  
*Other Side* - Woodson  
*Teammates* – Golenbock  
*Through My Eyes* – Bridges, Ruby  
*Vision of Beauty: the Story of Sarah Breedlove Walker* – Hannaway

### Jewish:

*Molly's Pilgrim* - Cohen

### Physically Handicapped:

*The Storm* - Harshman (wheelchair)

### Mentally Handicapped:

*Be Good to Eddie Lee* - Fleming (Down's Syndrome)

### Japanese:

*The Bracelet* – Uchida (WWII internment camp)  
*So Far from the Sea* - Bunting (WWII internment camp)

### Homeless:

*Fly Away Home* - Bunting  
*Lady in the Box* – McGovern  
*Uncle Willy's Soup Kitchen* – DiSalvo-Ryan

## **GETTING ALONG**

*Bad Case of Stripes* - Shannon (being yourself)  
*Chrysanthemum* - Henkes  
*Gershon's Monster: A Story for the Jewish New Year* – Kimmel  
*Hey Little Ant* – Hoose (respect; not looking down on others)  
*Hooway for Wodney Wat* – Lester (acceptance)  
*Lizzie's Invitation* – Keller (being left out)  
*Stephanie's Pony Tail* - Munsch  
*Summer Wheels* - Bunting  
*When Sophie Gets Angry* - Bang (controlling anger)  
*Wings* - Myers (being yourself, acceptance of others)

## **GRANDPARENTS / ELDERLY**

*Emma* - Kesselman  
*Aunt Flossie's Hats* – Howard  
*Grandfather's Journey* -Say  
*Grandpa's Face* –Cooper  
*Grandpa's Soup* - Kadano  
*Homeplace* – Shelby  
*Hundred Penny Box* - Mathis  
*I Go With My Family To Grandma's* - Levinson  
*Knots on a Counting Rope* - Martin  
*Miss Rumphius*- Cooney  
*Not the Piano, Mrs. Medley!* - Levine  
*Old Henry* - Blos  
*Old Jake's Skirts* – Slonim  
*Old Woman Who Named Things* - Rylant  
*Papa Lucky's Shadow* - Daly  
*Song and Dance Man* - Ackerman  
*Sunday Outing* - Pinkney  
*Thunder Cake* – Polacco  
*Two of Them* - Alik  
*Tom* - de Paola  
*Wednesday Surprise* – Bunting  
*When I Was Young in the Mountains* - Rylant  
*Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge* – Fox

## **DEATH**

*Everett Anderson's Goodbye* – Clifton  
*Two of Them, The* - Alik

## **ECOLOGY**

*Great Kapok Tree* – Cherry  
*Great Trash Bash* - Leedy  
*Heron Street* - Turner  
*Just a Dream* - Van Allsburg  
*Legend of the Indian Paintbrush* – dePaola  
*Letting Swift River Go* - Yolen  
*Miss Rumphius* – Cooney  
*Owl Moon* – Yolen  
*River Ran Wild* - Cherry  
*Sierra* - Siebert (effects of removal of a link in the food chain/web)  
*Three Days on a River in a Red Canoe* – Williams

## **MUSIC**

*Blues of Flats Brown* – Myers

*Fiddlin' Sam* – Dengler

*Froggy Plays with the Band* – London

*Flute Player: an Apache Folktale* - Lacapa

*M is for Melody: a Music Alphabet* – Wargin

*Remarkable Farkle McBride* – Lithgow

*Wood-hoopoe Willie* – Kroll

## **ART**

*Art Lesson* – De Paola

*Katie Meets the Impressionists* – Mayhew

*Linnea in Monet's Garden* – Bjork

*No Good in Art* – Cohen

# CHARACTER EDUCATION

## **BULLYING**

### **Picture Books:**

*Just One Flick of a Finger* - Lorbiecki (serious book about guns)

*Nobody Knew What to Do: A Story About Bullying* - McCain

*Recess Queen* – O’Neill

*Say Something* - Moss

### **Read-Aloud Chapter Books:**

*18<sup>th</sup> Emergency* - Byars

*Bad Girls* - Wilson

*Berenstain Bears and the Bully* - Berenstain

*Bullies Are a Pain in the Brain*- Romain 302.3

*Bully of Barkham Street*- Stolz

*How to Be Cool in the Third Grade* - Duffey

*Jake Drake, Bully Buster*- Clements

*Joshua T. Bates Takes Charge* -Shreve

*Surviving Brick Johnson* - Myers

*Veronica Ganz* - Sachs

### **Professional Books:**

*Bully Free Classroom: Over 100 Tips and Strategies for Teachers K-8* –Beane 371.102

*Bully Proofing Your School* – Garrity, et al. 372.17 Bul

*How to Handle Bullies, Teasers and Other Meanies* – Cohen-Posey 303.6

*The Bully, the Bullied, and the Bystander* – Coloroso 371.7

## **SELF-WORTH**

### **Picture Books:**

*Bad Case of Stripes* - Shannon

*Children’s Book of Virtues* –Bennett 808.8 Chi

*Chrysanthemum* - Henkes

*Gumbo goes Downtown* - Talley

*I’m Gonna Like Me*- Curtis

*Just Like Mike* - Herman

*Odd Velvet*- Whitcomb

*Otis* – Bynum

*Ruby the Copycat* - Rathmann

*Thank You, Mr. Falker* - Polacco

*Your Move* - Bunting (pressure to be in a gang)

### **(Self-Worth)**

### **Read-Aloud Chapter Books:**

*Bad Girls* - Wilson

*Freckle Juice* - Blume

*Girl With 500 Middle Names* - Haddix

*The Girls* - Koss  
*Lizzie at Last* - Mills  
*Star Girl* - Spinelli  
*There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom* - Sachar  
*Winners Take All* - Bowen  
*Zach's Lie* – Smith

## **RESPONSIBILITY**

### **Picture Books:**

*Amos and Boris* - Steig  
*Apple Picking Time* - Slawson  
*Berenstain Bears and the Blame Game* - Berenstain  
*Brave Irene* - Steig  
*Children's Book of Virtues* - Bennett 808.8 Chi  
*Farmer Duck* - Waddell  
*Full Belly Bowl* - Aylesworth  
*Hana's Year* - Talley  
*I Did It, I'm Sorry* - Buehner  
*It's Up to You Griffin* - Pickford  
*Sachiki Means Happiness* - Sakal  
*Song and Dance Man* - Ackerman  
*Swimmy* - Lionni  
*Tops and Bottoms* - Stevens  
*Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge* - Fox

### **Read-Aloud Chapter Books:**

*Dog on Barkham Street* - Stolz  
*Family Under the Bridge* - Carlson  
*Light at Tern Rock* - Sauer  
*Marvin Redpost, Alone in His Teacher's House* - Sachar  
*Night Swimmers* - Byars  
*On My Honor* - Bauer  
*One-Eyed Cat* - Fox  
*Sign of the Beaver* - Speare  
*Stone Fox* - Gardiner  
*Summer Wheels* - Bunting

## **RESPECT**

### **Picture Books:**

*Amos & Boris* - Steig  
*Arthur's Eyes* - Brown  
*Arthur's Nose* - Brown  
*Chicken Sunday* - Polocca  
*Crow Boy* - Yashima  
*Frog and Toad Together* - Lobel  
*Great Kapok Tree* - Cherry  
*Hey Little Ant* - Hoose  
*Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse* - Henkes

*No Good in Art* - Cohen  
*Quarreling Book* - Zolotow  
*Richard Wright and the Library Card* - Miller  
*Ruby the Copycat* - Rathmann  
*Sachiko Means Happiness* - Sakai  
*Smoky Night* - Bunting  
*Stellaluna* - Cannon  
*Strega Nona* - De Paola  
*Two of Them* - Aliko  
*Ugly Duckling* - Anderson

**Read-Aloud Chapter Books:**

*Bully of Barkham Street* - Stolz  
*Hundred Penny Box* - Mathis  
*Nothing's Fair in the Fifth Grade* - DeClements  
*Zucchini* - Dana

**COURAGE**

**Picture Books:**

*Amber was Brave, Essie was Smart* - Williams  
*Brand New Kid* - Couric (courage to accept someone different)  
*Brave as a Mountain Lion* – Scott  
*Brave Irene* - Steig  
*Cello of Mr. O* - Cutler  
*Children's Book of Virtues* - Bennett 808.8 Chi  
*Courage* - Waber  
*Little Polar Bear and the Brave Little Hare* - DeBeer  
*Thunder Cake* - Polacco  
*Very First Last Time* - Andrews

**Courage Read-Aloud Chapter Books:**

*Call It Courage* - Sperry  
*Courage of Sarah Noble* - Dalgliesh  
*Drinking Gourd* - Monjo  
*Hatchet* - Paulsen  
*Helen Keller* - Keller 921 Kel  
*Sarah, Plain and Tall* - MacLachlan  
*Sign of the Beaver* - Speare  
*Snow Treasure* - McSwigan  
*Whipping Boy* - Fleischman

**CARING/COMPASSION**

**Picture Books:**

*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day* - Viorst  
*Big Al* - Clements  
*Chair for My Mother* - Williams

*Children's Book of Virtues* – Bennett 808.8 Chi  
*Crow Boy* - Yashima  
*How Many Days to America?*- Bunting  
*Mean Soup* - Everitt  
*Owl Moon* - Yolen  
*Rainbow Fish* - Pfister  
*Sachiko Means Happiness* - Sakai  
*Smoky Night* - Bunting  
*Three Questions* - Muth  
*Uncle Willie and the Soup Kitchen* - DiSalvo-Ryan  
*Under the Lemon Moon* - Fine  
*Wednesday Surprise* - Bunting

**Read-Aloud Chapter Books:**

*Best Christmas Pageant Ever* - Robinson  
*Hundred Dresses* - Estes  
*Molly's Pilgrim* - Cohen  
*Pinballs* - Byars (Lit Set)  
*Randall's Wall* - Fenner  
*Secret Life of the Underwear Champ* - Miles

**HONESTY**

**Picture Books:**

*Children's Book of Virtues* - Bennett 808.8 Chi  
*Day's Work* - Bunting  
*Empty Pot* - Demi 398.2  
*Gold Coin* - Ada  
*Honest to Goodness Truth* - McKissack  
*I Did It, I Am Sorry* - Buehner  
*Plato's Journey* - Talley  
*Sam, Bangs and Moonshine* - Ness  
*Smoky Night* - Bunting  
*The Summer My Father Was Ten* - Brisson  
*Too Many Tamales* - Soto

**Read-Aloud Chapter Books:**

*The Cheat* - Koss  
*Death at Devil's Bridge* - DeFelice  
*Nothing But the Truth* - Avi  
*On My Honor* - Bauer

**COOPERATION**

**Picture Books:**

*Berlioz the Bear*- Fic Brett  
*Farmer Duck* - Waddell  
*Story of Jumping Mouse* - Steptoe 398.2



*Swimmy* – Lionni  
*Uncle Jed's Barbershop* - Mitchell  
*Wild Christmas Reindeer* - Brett

## **PERSEVERANCE**

### **Picture Books:**

*Alexander and the Terrible, No Good, Very Bad Day* - Viorst  
*Amazing Grace* - Hoffman  
*Apple Picking Time* - Slawson  
*Brave Irene* - Steig  
*Chair for My Mother* - Williams  
*Empty Pot* - Demi 398.2  
*Galimoto* - Williams  
*How Many Days to America* - Bunting  
*Knots on a Counting Rope* – Martin (Perseverance - continued on next page)  
*Ox-Cart Man* - Hall  
*Pumpkin Runner* – Arnold  
*Rocks in His Head* - Hurst  
*Story of Jumping Mouse* - Steptoe 398.2  
*Swimmy* - Lionni  
*Tortoise and the Hare* - Stevens  
*Uncle Jed's Barbershop* - Mitchell  
*Wagon Wheels* - Brenner  
*Wednesday Surprise* - Bunting  
*Wilma Unlimited: How Wilma Rudolph became the World's Fastest Woman* – Krull 921

### **Perseverance Read-aloud Chapter Books:**

*Jason's Gold* - Hobbs  
*Helen Keller* – Keller 921  
*Hatchet* - Paulsen  
*There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom* - Sachar

## **INTEGRITY**

### **Picture Books:**

*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible...-* Viorst  
*Children's Book of Virtues* - Bennett 808.8 Chi  
*Ruby the Copycat* - Rathmann

### **Read-aloud Chapter Books:**

*Death at Devil's Bridge* - DeFelice

## **ANGER**

*Alexander, Who's Not (Do You Hear Me? I Mean It!) Going to Move* - Viorst  
*Amazing Millika* - Parkison

*Andrew's Angry Words* - Lachner  
*I'm Furious* - Crary  
*Quarreling Book* - Zolotow  
*Smoky Night* - Bunting  
*Uncle Rain Cloud* - Johnston  
*When Sophie Gets Angry* - Bang

## Picture Book Biographies

*Snowflake Bentley* – Martin  
*Revolutionary John Adams* – Harness  
*Fossil Girl, Mary Anning's Dinosaur Discovery* – Brighton  
*Daring Nellie Bly, America's Star Reporter* – Christensen  
*Story of Ruby Bridges* – Coles  
*Seeker of Knowledge, the Man Who Deciphered Egyptian Hieroglyphs* – Rumford  
*Librarian who Measured the Earth* – Hawkes  
*Amazing Life of Benjamin Franklin* – Giblin  
*Galileo* – Fisher  
*Lou Gehrig, the Luckiest Man* – Adler  
*Dinosaurs of Waterhouse Hawkins* – Kerley  
*Uncommon Traveler, Mary Kingsley in Africa* – Brown  
*Hero and the Holocaust, the story of Janusz Korczak and His Children* – Adler  
*Ruth Law Thrills a Nation* – Brown  
*Leonardo Da Vinci* – Stanley  
*Lindbergh* – Demarest  
*Michelangelo* – Stanley  
*When Esther Morris Headed West* – Wooldridge  
*Shooting for the Moon, the Amazing Life and Times of Annie Oakley* – Krensky  
*Bill Pickett, Rodeo-Ridin' Cowboy* – Pinkney  
*They Called Her Molly Pitcher* – Rockwell  
*Promises to Keep, How Jackie Robinson Changed America* – Robinson, Sharon  
*Norman Rockwell, Storyteller with a Brush* – Gherman  
*Voice from the Wilderness, Story of Anna Howard Shaw* – Brown  
*Vision of Beauty, the Story of Sarah Breedlove Walker* – Lasky  
*Duke Ellington* – Pinkney  
*Story of Stagecoach Mary Fields* – Miller

## Cinderella Variations

*Bubba, the Cowboy Prince* – Kettelman  
*Chickerella* - Auch  
*Cindy Ellen, a Wild Western Cinderella* – Lowell  
*Dinorella* – Edwards  
*Egyptian Cinderella* – Climo  
*Fanny's Dream* – Buehner  
*Gift of the Crocodile, a Cinderella Story* – Sierra  
*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters* – Steptoe  
*Princess Furball* – Huck  
*Rough-face Girl* – Martin

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