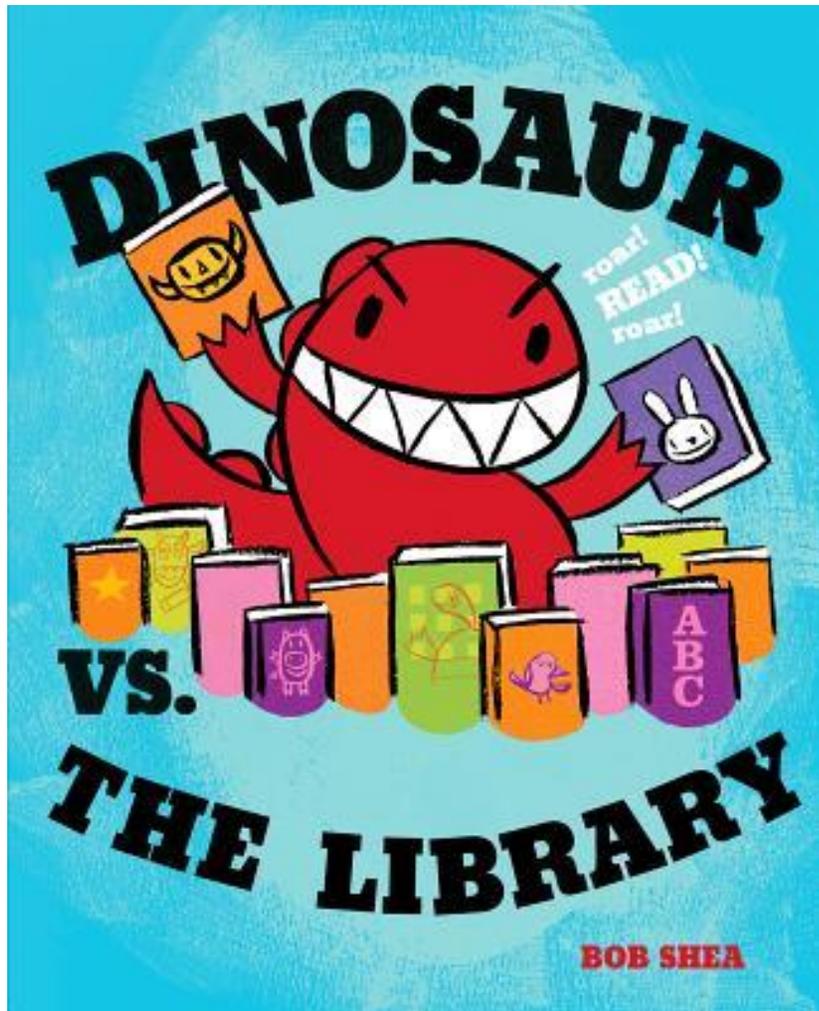


## Recommended Picture Books



For beginning readers  
and read-alouds

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### Extra Yarn

By Mac Barnett

**XJ BARNETT NEW**

With a supply of yarn that never runs out, Annabelle knits for everyone and everything in town until an evil archduke decides he wants the yarn for himself.

### King Jack and the Dragon

By Peter Bently

**XJ BENTLY**

Jack, Zack, and Caspar build a castle fort, then spend a day fighting dragons and beasts, but at day's end giants carry away first Sir Zack, then Caspar, and King Jack is left to face night creatures alone.

### Llama Llama Home with Mama

Anna Dewdney

**XJ DEWDNEY**

Llama Llama's mother takes good care of him when he has to stay home from school because he is sick, but when Mama Llama begins to feel sick, too, Llama Llama knows how to take care of her.

### Gideon

By Olivier Dunrea

**XJ DUNREA NEW**

Gideon is a small gosling who likes to play so much that he will not stop to take a nap.

### The Rumor

By Monique Félix

**XJ FELIX NEW**

News travels quickly through a small village when a wolf is seen in the hills, compelling animal friends to warn one another and, in the process, turn hearsay into an increasingly inaccurate rumor.

### Blue Chicken

By Deborah Freedman

**XJ FREEDMAN**

An enterprising chicken attempts to help an artist paint the barnyard and accidentally turns the whole picture blue.

### Corduroy

By Don Freeman

**XJ FREEMAN**

A toy bear in a department store wants a number of things, but when a little girl finally buys him he finds what he has always wanted most of all.

**Orange Pear Apple Bear**

By Emily Gravett

**XJ GRAVETT**

Explores concepts of color, shape, and food using only five simple words, as a bear juggles and plays.

**Anansi and the Talking Melon**

Retold by Eric A. Kimmel

**XJ KIMMEL**

A clever spider tricks Elephant and some other animals into thinking the melon in which he is hiding can talk.

**E-mergency!**

By Tom Lichtenheld

**XJ LICHTENHELD *NEW***

The letter E has fallen and injured herself-- which letters will replace her and how will words be spelled without her?

**George and Martha**

By James Marshall

**XJ MARSHALL**

Relates several episodes in the friendship of two hippopotamuses.

**Chicka Chicka Boom Boom**

By Bill Martin, Jr.

**XJ MARTIN**

An alphabet rhyme/chant that relates what happens when the whole alphabet tries to climb a coconut tree.

**Mama, is it Summer Yet?**

By Nikki McClure

**XJ MCCLURE**

As spring slowly turns to summer, a little boy builds a fort and plants a garden in impatient anticipation.

**If You Give a Dog a Donut**

By Laura Numeroff

**XJ NUMEROFF**

Chaos might ensue if you were to give a dog a donut.

**Higher! Higher!**

By Leslie Patricelli

**XJ PATRICELLI**

One child. One swing. An obliging dad. The inevitable plea to go "Higher! Higher!" How high can it go? Higher than a giraffe? Taller than a mountain?

**Where the Wild Things Are**

By Maurice Sendak

**XJ SENDAK**

A naughty little boy, sent to bed without his supper, sails to the land of the wild things where he becomes their king.

**Dinosaur vs. the Library**

By Bob Shea.

**XJ SHEA**

Dinosaur is going to one of his favorite places, the library, and on the way he encounters a series of animals, including a cow, baby chicks, a turtle, and an owl, and shares his roars with each.

**Caps for Sale: a Tale of a Peddler, Some Monkeys, and their Monkey Business**

By Esphyr Slobodkina

**XJ SLOBODKINA**

A band of mischievous monkeys steals every one of a peddler's caps while he takes a nap under a tree.

**The Monster at the End of This Book**

By Jon Stone

**XJ STONE**

Grover worries page by page about meeting the monster at the end of this book.

**The Duckling Gets a Cookie!?**

By Mo Willems

**XJ WILLEMS *NEW***

Pigeon is very angry when the duckling gets a cookie just by asking politely.

**Piggins and the Royal Wedding**

By Jane Yolen

**XJ YOLEN**

Piggins, the butler at the Reynard household, solves the mystery of the missing royal wedding band.

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