

# Summer Reading List

**Actual Size**  
by Steve Jenkins  
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2004,  
ISBN: 9780618375943.

In this book, animals and parts of animals are depicted life-size, from the smallest fish to the largest land animal. Foldout sections get readers up close and personal with some of the world's most amazing animals.

**Big Red Lollipop**  
by Rukhsana Khan,  
illustrated by Sophie Blackall  
Viking, 2010, ISBN:  
9780670062874.

What is a big sister to do when she has to take her little sister along to the very first birthday party she has been invited to in the United States?

**Boot and Shoe**  
by Maria Frazee  
Simon & Schuster/Beach Lane Books, 2012, ISBN:  
978144242476.

This is a charming and very funny story of two dogs who share their daily routine until a squirrel mixes things up.

**Chicka Chicka Boom Boom**  
by Bill Martin Jr. and John Archambault, illustrated by Lois Ehlert  
Simon & Schuster, 1989, ISBN:  
9780671679491

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

**Chirchir Is Singing**  
by Kelly Cunnane, illustrated by Jude Daly  
Random House/Schwartz & Wade, 2011, ISBN:  
9780375861987.

Chirchir, who lives in rural Kenya, wants to be helpful to her family, but nothing ever seems to go right!

**Chu's Day**  
by Neil Gaiman, illustrated by Adam Rex  
HarperCollins, 2013, ISBN:  
978062017819.

Chu goes on outings with his mother and father, who continually worry that he might sneeze.

**Duck! Rabbit!**  
by Amy Krouse Rosenthal,  
illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld

Chronicle Books, 2009, ISBN:  
9780811868655.  
Is it a duck or a rabbit? It depends on how you look at it!

**The Eagles Are Back**  
by Jean Craighead George,  
illustrated by Wendell Minor  
Dial, 2013, ISBN:  
9780803737716.

A young boy helps a ranger feed and watch over one of the last pairs of bald eagles in the Hudson Valley region, and many years later, he brings his son back to see the population thriving.

**Interrupting Chicken**  
by David Ezra Stein  
Candlewick Press, 2010, ISBN:  
97807763641689.

The little red chicken cannot help but interrupt her favorite bedtime stories.

**It's a Tiger!**  
by David LaRochelle,  
illustrated by Jeremy Tankard  
Chronicle Books, 2012, ISBN:  
9780811869256.

A young boy runs away from a tiger hiding in every scene.

**I Want My Hat Back**  
by Jon Klassen  
Candlewick Press, 2011, ISBN:  
9780763655983.

A bear asks all of the animals he encounters if they have seen his hat.

**Ling & Ting: Not Exactly the Same!**  
by Grace Lin

Little, Brown, 2010; ISBN:  
9780316024525.  
Two identical twins share many traits, but each one is unique. Fun abounds as the sisters have silly mishaps.

**Luke on the Loose**  
by Harry Bliss  
TOON Books, 2009, ISBN:  
9781935179009.

Pigeons don't stand a chance when fast-moving Luke gets them in his sights. Beware, birdies!

**Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match/Marisol McDonald no combina**  
by Monica Brown, illustrated by Sara Palacios

Children's Book Press, 2011,  
ISBN: 9780892392353.

Marisol is Peruvian, Scottish, and American. She has brown skin and red hair and loves peanut butter and jelly burritos in her lunch box!

**More Bears!**  
by Kenn Nesbitt, illustrated by Troy Cummings

Sourcebooks/Jabbenwocky, 2010, ISBN: 9781402238952.  
The author of this book makes one thing clear: he wants absolutely NO BEARS in the story! But the reader may have a thing or two to say about that.

**Nighttime Ninja**  
by Barbara DaCosta,  
illustrated by Ed Young  
Little, Brown, 2012; ISBN:  
9780316203845.

A young ninja goes on a secret mission at night when everyone else is asleep.

**Panda Kindergarten**  
by Joanne Ryder,  
photographs by Katherine Feng  
HarperCollins, 2009, ISBN:  
9780060578503.

Meet the sixteen panda cubs who live at the Wolong Nature Reserve in China.

**Penny and Her Song**  
by Kevin Henkes  
Greenwillow Books, 2012, ISBN:  
9780062081957.

Penny is so excited to share her new song with her parents, but they are too busy with her baby twin siblings. Waiting is so difficult!

**Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes**  
by Eric Litwin, illustrated by James Dean

HarperCollins, 2010, ISBN:  
9780061906220.  
Pete the Cat is a real cool feline who loves his brand-new shoes.

**Red-Eyed Tree Frog**  
by Joy Cowley, photographs by Nic Bishop  
Scholastic, 2006, ISBN:  
9780439782210 (PB).

Follow the adventures of one rain forest frog as it escapes from dangerous predators, searches for food, and finally goes to sleep.

**Scaredy Squirrel**  
by Mélanie Watt  
Kids Can Press, 2006, ISBN:  
9781553379591.

Scaredy Squirrel is afraid to leave his tree, but one day he leaps into the great unknown!

**Shark vs. Train**  
by Chris Barton; illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld  
Little, Brown, 2010; ISBN:  
9780316007627.

Two boys with two toys have a series of contests to see which toy is better.

**Ugly Fish**  
by Kara LaReau, illustrated by Scott Magoon  
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2006,  
ISBN: 9780152050825.

Ugly Fish is content to live by himself in his tank, no matter how many fish try to join him.

**The Watcher: Jane Goodall's Life with the Chimps**  
by Jeanette Winter & Wade, 2011, ISBN:  
9780375867743.

This picture-book biography tells the story of the famous zoologist Jane Goodall, whose gift of observation led to years of studying chimpanzees.

**We Are in a Book!**  
by Mo Willems  
Hyperion, 2010, ISBN:  
9781423133087.

Elephant and Piggie find out that being a reader and being read are fun, but what happens when the book ends?

