



Family Literacy Tip Sheets

Wordless Picture Books

Wordless picture books are great for sharing with your child. A good wordless book lets you create the story just by looking at the pictures. They are also great for engaging reluctant readers and writers. Have them tell the story or write their version.

Tips for sharing wordless books:

- Make the story interactive – you tell the story on one page and your child continues with the next page.
- You can talk about the pictures in any language.
- The story can change with each reading.

A Boy, a Dog, and a Frog. Mercer Mayer (and others in the Frog series)

Chalk. Bill Thomson

Changes, Changes. Pat Hutchins

Deep in the Forest. Brinton Turkle

Flotsam. David Wiesner

Fossil. Bill Thomson

Good Dog, Carl. Alexandra Day

Good Night, Gorilla. Peggy Rathmann

Have You Seen My Duckling? Nancy Tafuri

Home. Jeannie Baker

Hug. Jez Alborough

Is it Red? Is it Yellow? Is it Blue. Tana Hoban (and other titles by her)

Moonlight. Jan Ormerod

Owly & Wormy. Andy Runton (and others in the series)

Pancakes for Breakfast. Tomie de Paola

Picnic. Emily Arnold McCully

Rain. Peter Spiers

Rainstorm. Barbara Lehmann

Rosie's Walk. Pat Hutchins

The Line. Paula Bossio

The Red Book. Barbara Lehman

The Silver Pony. Lynd Ward

The Snowman. Raymond Briggs

Time Flies. Eric Rohman

Truck. Donald Crews

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Numeracy

Books, songs, and nursery rhymes are a great way to introduce numeracy to children. When there are things to count or numbers are a part of the story or song, take the opportunity to bring numeracy to life. Numeracy includes:

- the ability to understand and work with numbers
- developing a sense of what numbers mean – understanding that the *word* one is the same as the *number* 1 and it represents one *object*
- understanding the *vocabulary* of numeracy (more, less, bigger, smaller, groups, etc)
- sorting by colour, size, type or shape
- problem solving.

1, 2, 3, to the Zoo. Eric Carle

A Frog in the Bog. Karma Wilson

Actual Size. Steve Jenkins

Big Sarah's Little Boots. Paulette Bourgeois

Carry Me Mama. Monica Devine

I am Small. Emma Dodd

I Spy Book Series. Jean Marzello

Inch by Inch. Leo Lionni

Leo's Tree. Debora Pearson

Lots of Dots. Craig Frazier

My Little Sister Ate One Hare. Bill Grossman

Nightgown Countdown. Frank B. Edwards (others in the series)

One Moose, Twenty Mice. Clare Beaton

Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons. Eric Litwin

Ship Shapes. Stella Blackstone

Tall. Jez Alborough

Ten Dots. Donald Crews

The Greedy Triangle. Marilyn Burns

The Hungry Caterpillar. Eric Carle

Who Took the Cookies from the Cookie Jar? Bonnie Las

Zero. Kathryn Otoshi (others in the series)

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