

The 2026 100 Picture Book List





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- [Loops](#) by Jashar Awan
- [The Future Book](#) by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Shawn Harris
- [Rumpelstiltskin](#) by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Carson Ellis
- [Forest Bath](#) by Jen Barton, illustrated by Felishia Henditirto
- [Cat's New Book](#) by Nathalie Belhassen
- [A Bear, a Man, and a Donut Van](#) by Daniel Bernstrom, illustrated by Brandon James Scott
- [Aya Has Never Seen a Bear](#) by Gerelchimeg Blackcrane, illustrated by Jiu'er
- [The Moving Book](#) by Lisa Brown
- [Dropbear](#) by Philip Bunting
- [How Not to Make a Jelly Sandwich](#) by Ross Burach
- [Mungo on His Own](#) by Matthew Burgess
- [Baseball for Breakfast: A \(Mostly\) True Story](#) by Judy Campbell-Smith, illustrated by Maggie Carroll
- [Tiny Worlds](#) by Brittany Cicchese
- [Ra Pu Zel and the Stinky Tofu](#) by Ying Chang Compestine
- [The Rare Bird](#) by Elisha Cooper
- [Jayden Noticed](#) by Carolyn Crimi, illustrated by Shamar Knight-Justice
- [Zip Zap Wickety Wack](#) by Matthew Diffie
- [Time to Split](#) by Daniel Fehr, illustrated by Raphaël Kolly
- [Plenty of Pancakes](#) by Carrie Finison, illustrated by Brianne Farley
- [The Everything Trail](#) by Meg Fleming
- [Because of a Shoe](#) by Julie Fogliano
- [Found You!](#) by Jane Godwin, illustrated by Sylvia Morris
- [When Cherry Blossoms Fall](#) by Katrina Goldsaito, illustrated by Yas Imamura
- [Arctic Adventure](#) by Jyoti Rajan Gopal, illustrated by Alexandra Cook
- [Leaving 4B](#) by Chambræ Griffith, illustrated by Amélie Videlo
- [Let's Be Bees](#) by Shawn Harris
- [There is Not Usually a Hole](#) by Daisy Hirst
- [The Flame Burns On: Lighting the Yahrzeit Candle](#) by Richard Ho, illustrated by Carmel Ben Ami
- [Bear and the Three Goldilocks](#) by Patrick Horne, illustrated by Dan Yaccarino
- [Going Home with Dad](#) by Simon Howe
- [Sarang Saves the School](#) by Korena Di Roma Howley, illustrated by Joowon Oh
- [Hello Baby, It's s Me, Alfie](#) by Maggie Hutchings, illustrated by Dawn Lo
- [Bear Loves His Home](#) by Karen Jameson, illustrated by Ishaa Lobo
- [Mister Norton's New Truck](#) by Huw Lewis Jones, illustrated by Corey Egbert
- [Hummingbird's Big Trip](#) by G. Brian Karas
- [Rhea's Rodeo](#) by Laekan Zea Kemp, illustrated by Raissa Figueroa
- [Another Word for Neighbor](#) by Angela Pham Krans, illustrated by Thai My Phuong
- [More Than a Tree](#) by Sarah Kurpiel
- [César's Cerulean Surprise](#) by Jenny Lacika, illustrated by Laura Sandoval Herrera



- [A Cat Like That](#) by Lester Laminack
- [Miles Ahead](#) by Mihn Le, illustrated by Lynnor Bontigao
- [Gwei the Hungry Ghost](#) by Emeline Lee, illustrated by Basia Tran
- [Navigating Night](#) by Julie Leung, illustrated by Angie Kang
- [Cat Nap](#) by Brian Lies
- [Ling & Ting's Lunar New Year: Two Times Lucky](#) by Grace Lin
- [Crouton](#) by Christine A. Lombardi
- [Itty Bitty Betty Blob](#) by Constance Lombardo, illustrated by Micah Player
- [Dive, Dive into the Night Sea](#) by Thea Lu
- [Vampire Jam Sandwich](#) by Casey Lyall, illustrated by Nici Gregory
- [A Door Is to Open](#) by Kyo Maclear, illustrated by Julie Morstad
- [Noodles on a Bicycle](#) by Kyo Maclear, illustrated by Gracey Zhang
- [Bread is Love](#) by Pooja Makhijani, illustrated by Lavanya Naidu
- [The Great Escape](#) by Deborah Marcer
- [A Fluffle of Bunnies](#) by Christie Matheson
- [How to Read a Very Serious Book](#) by Mireille Messier, illustrated by Kelly Collier
- [Sun, Moon and Star: A Folktale from Korea](#) by Nancy So Miller
- [When You Find a Question](#) by Allie Millington, illustrated by Anne Lambelet
- [String Ball](#) by Chris Monroe
- [Ant Party](#) by Ross Montgomery, illustrated by Sarah Warburton
- [Springtime Storks: A Migration Love Story](#) by Carol Joy Munro, illustrated by Chelsea O'Byrne
- [Goldfinches](#) by Mary Oliver, illustrated by Melissa Sweet
- [Outside Mom, Inside Mom](#) by Jane Park, illustrated by Lenny Wen
- [Axl the Axolotl is Not a Frog](#) by Benj Pasek, Justin Paul, and John Paul Brammer, illustrated by Vanessa Morales
- [I am NOT Happy!](#) by Caroline Perry
- [My Best Friend is a Lion](#) by Deb Pilutti
- [Maya's World](#) by Andrea Pippins
- [When the Sun Goes Down](#) by Greg Pizzoli
- [This is Orange](#) by Rachel Poliquin
- [To Activate Space Portal Lift Here](#) by Antoinette Portis
- [Tuck Me In](#) by Nathan W. Pyle
- [Bob is the Biggest, Strongest and Smartest](#) by Jean Reidy, illustrated by Amy Jindra Hodgson
- [Shoes Off, Please](#) by Helena Ku Rhee, illustrated by Myo Yim
- [Hot Food Nice!](#) by Michael Rosen
- [Judgy Bunny and the Terrible Beach](#) by Scott Rothman, illustrated by Linzie Hunter
- [Bored](#) by Felicita Sala
- [Miss Leoparda](#) by Natalia Shaloshvili
- [Ruthie](#) by Esme Shapiro
- [Don't Trust Fish](#) by Neil Sharpson, illustrated by Dan Santat
- [How the Forest Feels](#) by Wendi J. Silvano
- [Gus Upstairs](#) by Carey Sookocheff



- [Coco and Stephen, Together Forever](#) by Beth Stern and Margaret McNamara, illustrated by Joanie Stone
- [Gilbert and the Ghost](#) by Heather Pierce Stigall
- [Cranky, Crabby Crow \(Saves the World\)](#) by Corey R. Tabor
- [The Sweater: A Story of Community](#) by Larissa Theule, illustrated by Teagan White
- [I Quit](#) by Kristen Tracy
- [Tenacious Won't Give Up](#) by Pam Vaughan, illustrated by Leanne Hatch
- [The Museum of Shapes](#) by Sven Völker
- [The Little Chefs](#) by Rosemary Wells
- [Yulu's Linen](#) by Cao Wenxuan, illustrated by Suzy Lee
- [Tulip's Mess](#) by Anden Wilder
- [It's My Bird-Day!](#) by Mo Willems
- [Nani and the Lion](#) by Alicia D. Williams, illustrated by Anna Cunha
- [The Big Green](#) by Ken Wilson-Max
- [I Want to Be Spaghetti](#) by Kiera Wright-Ruiz, illustrated by Claudia Lam
- [Jeong is Jeong](#) by Jessica Yoon, illustrated by Michelle Lee
- [Go, Sloth, Go!](#) by Toni Yuly
- [Isabel's Birthday Surprise](#) by Debbie Zapata, illustrated by Gabriella Galvez