

Recommended Reads Year R 2017

1 DON'T WANT	Anderson, Laura Ellen – I don't want curly hair	Y
CURLY HAZA	A girl with lustrous curly hair is desperate for straight hair. Then she meets a girl with straight hair who wants curly hair. A story that demonstrates that difference can be good and being happy with who you are. Great fun and very expressive illustrations.	
Robins	Barton, Suzanne – Robin's Winter Song	Υ
Winter Song	Robin is starting to get worried about the onset of Winter. All the other animals seem to be moving away or hibernating. Is Winter that bad? But then the snow arrives.	
*	A lovely story about winter with gorgeous illustrations.	
IZ WALA	Bright, Rachel – The Koala who could	Υ
KOALA WHO COULD	Kevin the Koala is a creature of habit – he won't even come down from his tree. But when change is foisted on him, he realises it wasn't as scary as he thought. A reassuring book about change and the joy of friendship.	
Park Park	Byrne, Richard – This Book is out of control	Υ
This book is out of control!	When Ben shows Bella his new remote controlled toy, things don't go according to plan much to the chagrin of Bella's dog. Can the readers help put things back to normal? Lots of fun and just a bit mad.	
The Water S	Emmett, Jonathan – The Best Gift of All	Υ
Jackers (Swell) yama Giles	Mole is concerned that he hasn't seen his friend Rabbit for a while but it has been raining for a week. How can he go and see her without getting wet.	
	A charming story of friendship, ingenuity and showing how we all have gifts to share.	×

Tarytale (Frankse	Gormley, Greg – Fairytale Frankie and the Mermaid Escapade Frankie meets various fairytale characters at the beach but they are all scared of the scary sea monster. Frankie shows them that together they can face their fears. Lots of fun and great illustrations.	Y
OI DOG!	Gray, Kes & Claire – Oi Dog! A follow on to Oi Frog!, this is just as funny and great for rhyming phrases. Frog is confusing everyone with where they need to sit and changing the rules but where does Frog end up. Hilarious and brilliant for reading aloud.	Y
BIG BOX LITTLE BOX Conf. fort. E. Linnic Informat.	Hart, Caryl – Big Box, Little Box A minimal use of text but this is a lovely book looking at shapes and colours as Cat discovers all sorts of boxes. And not all of them are empty. Would read aloud well.	Y
SUPERTATO	Hendra, Sue – Run, Veggies, Run Supertato returns for a third adventure but this time the supermarket vegetables are in training for Sports Day. But a mystery competitor seems to be winning everything, could Evil Pea have any involvement. Very silly but addictive reading.	Y
Petr Horocek THE GREEDY GOAT Face A track to	Horacek, Petr – The Greedy Goat A greedy goat is fed up with her own food so wanders around the farm trying everyone else's food. But it has some dire consequences for her. Not much text but plenty to talk about from this acclaimed writer and illustrator.	Y

Olass One Carmyard Full Anator inventor	Jarman, Julia - Class One Farmyard Fun Class One are off on a school trip to the farm but what happens when they take their eye of a rather angry looking bull.	Y
	A good rhyming story with a resourceful end.	
MRS MOLE	Jarvis – Mrs Mole, I'm Home!	Y
JARVIS JARVIS DESTRUCTION	Morris the Mole is heading home but can't find his glasses. Never mind, he can easily go in the right direction. Or can he!	
	A good read aloud story that could link in with homes and habitats.	
SOFA DOG	Lord, Leoni – Sofa Dog	Υ
Con day, but Lady, but Lad	Sofa Dog loves his sofa when it is shared by him and his human Sophie. But when other people and animals use it too, Sofa Dog is not happy.	
	Great illustrations to share and a very expressive dog.	
Blackbird. Blackbird. What Boyou Doy	McLelland, Kate – Blackbird, Blackbird, What do you do?	Y
	Pip the blackbird is not sure what blackbirds do so he decides to venture out to find the answer. He meets lots of birds who all seem to do something unique but will he discover what blackbirds do?	
Dis for Duck!	Melling, David – D is for Duck!	Υ
Total States	A very enjoyable and madcap jaunt through the alphabet in the company of a duck who is also a magician.	
	Minimal text but the illustrations add lots to the story. Plenty to talk about.	
Eplin Apalty	Monks, Lydia – Mouse's Big Day	Y
G Pro Day	Mouse is about to start her first day at school but she is very nervous. This is a very gentle look at facing big issues and showing how making friends can make all the difference. And school can be great fun too.	

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RESCUE)	Prasadam-Halls, Smriti – Ready, Steady, Rescue! A very noisy story about a boy and his imagination and his toy vehicles. Not much story but would be great for storytimes with plenty of scope for joining in.	Y
Solomon and	Rayner, Catherine – Solomon and Mortimer	Y
Liferry B. 141	Solomon Crocodile is back and with his friend Mortimer is determined to cause trouble. But they are not as subtle as they think they are and the tables are turned in a very satisfactory way.	
	A fun story that begs to be read aloud.	
SUPER STAN	Robertson, Matt – Super Stan Being the big brother to a superhero toddler is tricky; no one seems to notice you. But Jack-proves that even superheroes need their big brothers sometimes.	Y
	A lovely tale about siblings and how we all have a role to play.	
gradapy frog OO	Vere, Ed – Grumpy Frog Frog denies being grumpy but there is a big list of things he doesn't like and he seems grumpy to everyone else (and very stubborn). Can a way be found to cheer him up? Great illustrations and a very endearing (but grumpy) frog.	Y

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T = Younger Teen Reads/T+ = Older Teen Reads

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