



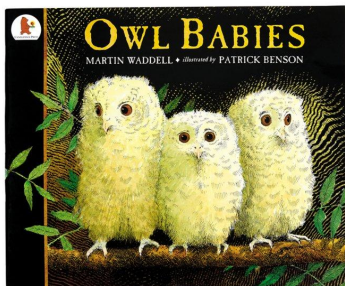
## Core Books

At Kay Rowe Nursery School we have '**core books**' which we want our children to know well by the time they leave nursery. These books are the type of books that can be re-visited again and again, on different levels to support language development. The idea is that children will develop language and increase vocabulary in addition to gaining a love of books and will become very familiar with these known texts so that they can remember and re-tell them. We have chosen fun, repetitive books, which are easy for the children to join in with, so that the experience of reading becomes interactive and the children begin to learn the story as they are read to. In each book there is lots to discuss so that the children understand the vocabulary as well as what is happening.

All of our core books have pictures, which support the text but also complement and add to it. We discuss the pictures and what is happening in them as much as the text. We find our children learn the books word for word after a while, which can give them great confidence as early readers in terms of fluency when reading.

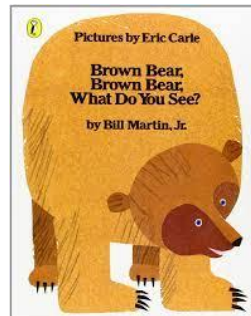
We have explained under the icon of each book some of the reasons we have chosen it. We have also added a link to where you can see a video of the book being read.

Love my books. This is a great Free reading resources for Parents, it has lots of suggested activities you can do with your child around the books listed below and other great books for under fives. [Lovemybooks](http://www.lovemybooks.com)



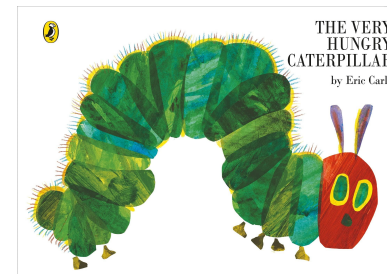
Separation, repeated phrase, memory skills, emotions

▶ [Owl Babies](#) [Picture Book Animation](#)



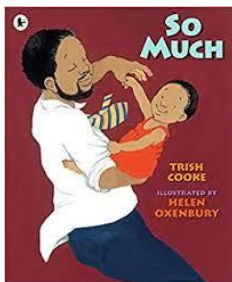
Repetition of a key phrase, interesting illustrations, animal names, colours

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p\\_iKiqRX7gI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p_iKiqRX7gI)



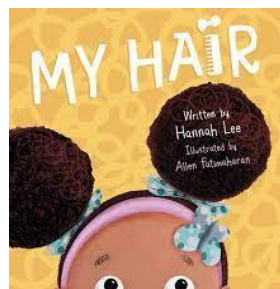
Days of the week, life cycles, change, healthy choices, favourite food, fruit names

▶ [The Very Hungry Caterpillar - Animated Film](#)



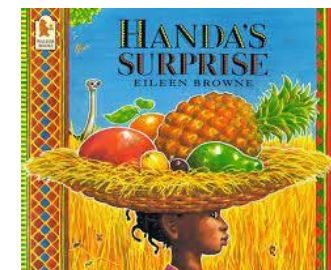
Family relationship, diversity, rhythmic language,

▶ So Much! - Give Us A Story!



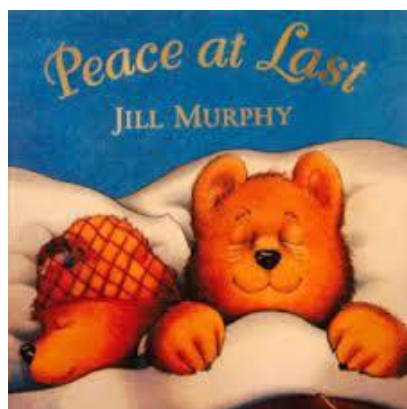
Diversity, differences, identity interesting vocabulary

▶ Time for Storytime: My Hair with Hannah Lee



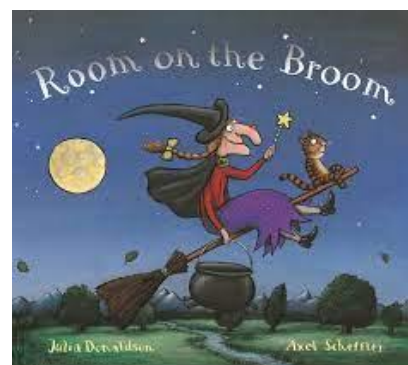
Interesting vocabulary, maths, understanding of the world, quantity, descriptive language

▶ Handas Surprise | Eileen Browne | Rea...



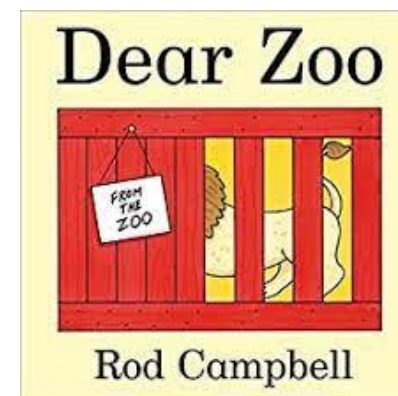
Environmental Sounds, repeated refrains, light and dark, emotions, routines

▶ Peace at Last



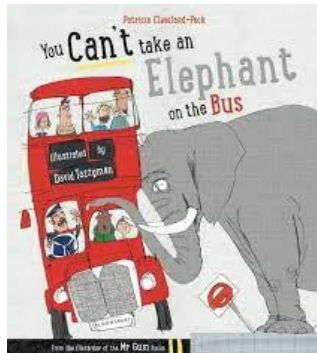
Rhyming language, night time vocabulary, repetition, descriptive language,

▶ ROOM ON THE BROOM | Read aloud | Ch...



Animal names, repetition phrase, introduction of adjectives

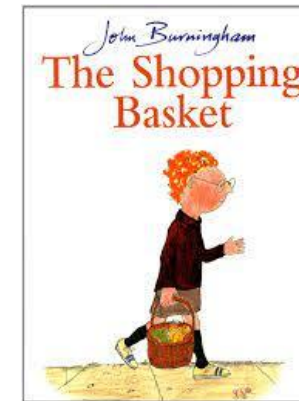
▶ Dear Zoo (Share a Story Corner)



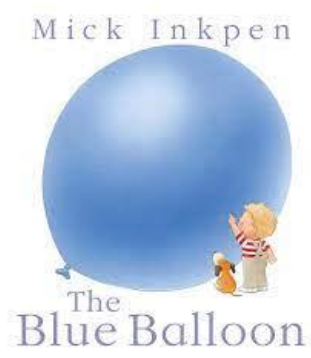
Size, shape, descriptive language, animal names, prediction, rhyming words  
 ▶ Story Time with Miss Gray - You can't take ...



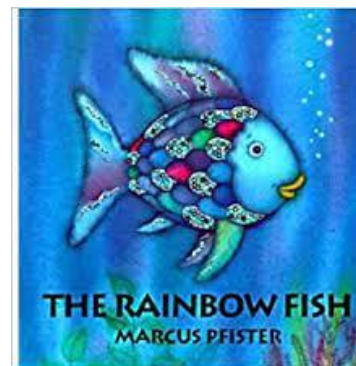
Making good choices, emotions, self regulations  
 ▶ Oh No, George! - By Chris Haughton



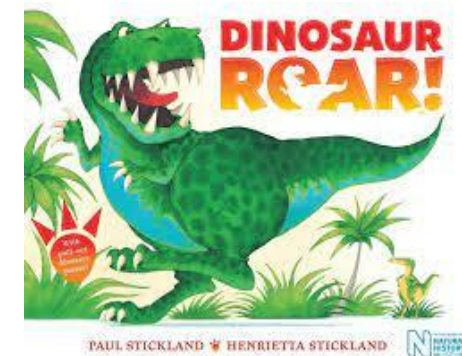
Memory, imaginative language, counting, recognition of groups when counting,  
 ▶ The Shopping Basket John Burningham St...



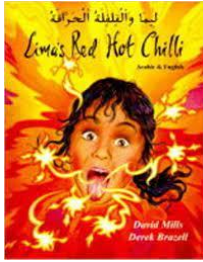
Size, shape, anticipation, science  
 ▶ YouTube



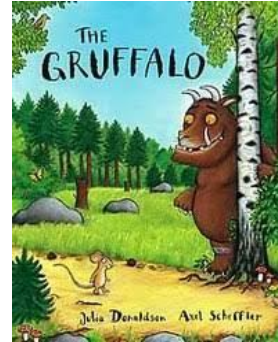
Friendships, under the sea, sea creatures, emotions, moral, loneliness  
 ▶ The Rainbow Fish read by Ernest Borgnine



Descriptive vocabulary, size, rhyme  
 ▶ Dinosaur Roar! - Bedtime stories for kids, c...



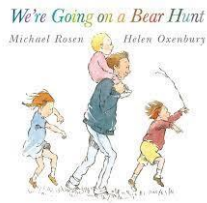
Repetitive, food, family, moral, descriptive, bilingual, diversity  
 ▶ Lima's Red Hot Chili



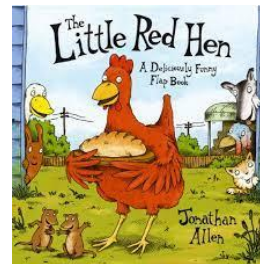
Repetition, anticipation, descriptive language, animal names, excitement  
 ▶ THE GRUFFALO Story Time for kids Bedti...



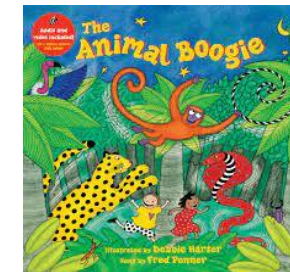
Diversity, identity, new vocabulary, understanding of the world. Cultural, great illustrations  
 ▶ Story Time with Nur: The Swirling Hijaab



Repetition, emotions, journeys different environments, family, descriptive vocabulary, prediction  
 ▶ We're Going on a Bear Hunt

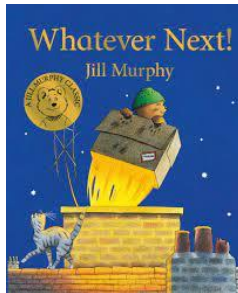


Traditional tale, moral, repeated refrains,  
 ▶ The Little Red Hen



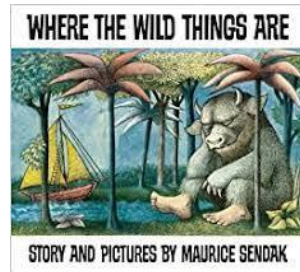
Tuneful rhyme, dance and movement, musical, colourful illustrations, jungle theme  
 ▶ The Animal Boogie | Barefoot Books Singal...





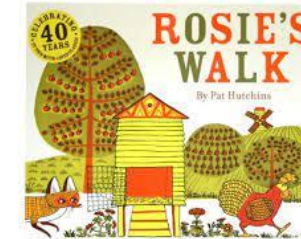
Space, exploration, adventure, environmental, journeys,

▶ [Whatever Next by Jill Murphy](#)



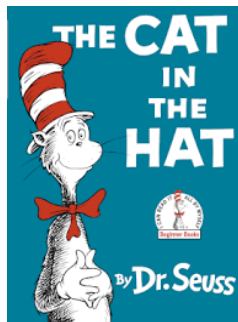
Imaginative vocabulary, lovely illustrations, journeys, adventure

▶ [Children's book read aloud." WHERE T...](#)



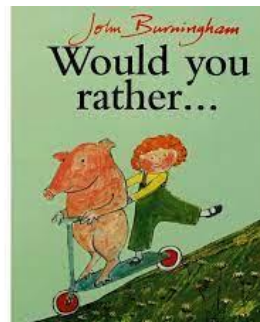
Farm, positional language, maps, anticipation Landmarks, prediction

▶ [Rosie's Walk](#)



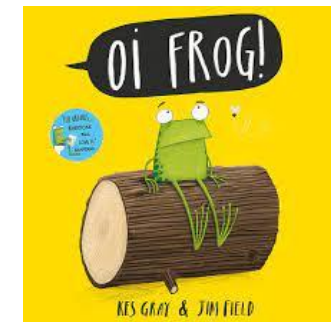
Rhyming, repetition, letters and sounds,

▶ [The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss I Read Alo...](#)



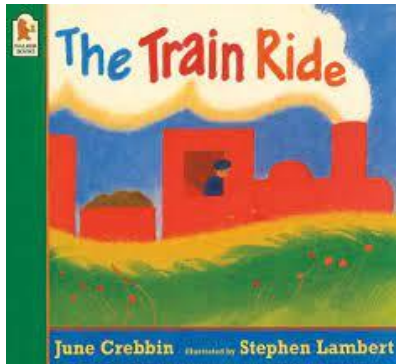
Prediction, high order thinking, imaginative vocabulary, making choices

▶ [Would You Rather...](#)



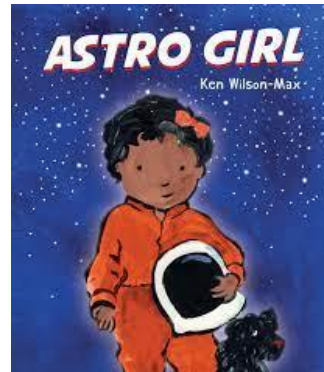
Rhyme, humour, animal names, speech bubbles

▶ [Oi Frog! - Books Alive! Read Aloud book for...](#)



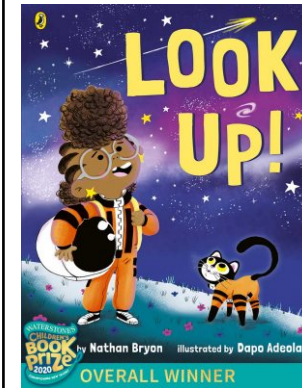
Journey, repetitive language, rhyming, maps, family, naming different roles, landmarks

[The Train Ride by June Crebbin. Illustrated by Stephen Lambert](#)



Challenges gender stereotypes, information about astronauts, science

▶ [Astro Girl](#)



Aspirational book  
Challenges gender stereotypes, information about astronauts, science

▶ [Look Up! by Nathan Bryon and Dap...](#)