# **PreK Reading List - Fiction & Nonfiction**

# Selections curated by your Shaker School Librarians



### Mel Fell

by Corey R. Tabor A heartwarming celebration of self-

confidence and taking a leap of faith depicts an endearing, courageous kingfisher who

falls down, down, down before learning to fly up, up, up. By the Geisel Award-winning creator of Fox the Tiger. Simultaneous eBook.

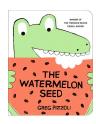


# Thank You, Omu!

by Oge Mora

When her wonderful stew attracts the attention of hungry neighbors, Omu generously shares portion after portion before discovering that she has nothing left to eat herself, a dilemma that culminates in a heartwarming community surprise.

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### The Watermelon Seed

by Greg Pizzoli

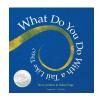
An endearing little crocodile accidentally swallows a watermelon seed and envisions worst-case scenarios, from vines sprouting from his ears to his crocodile skin turning pink.



### **Mother Bruce**

by Ryan T. Higgins Enjoying a life of solitude and delicious hard-boiled eggs, Bruce the bear is surprised when his goose eggs hatch live

goslings who believe he is their mother, require constant care and refuse to fly south.



# What Do You Do with a Tail Like This?

by Steve Jenkins

Young readers can explore the many amazing things animals can do with their ears, eyes, mouths, noses, and feet, in a

beautifully illustrated, interactive guessing book. A Caldecott Honor Book.



# Fry Bread : A Native American Family Story

by Noble Maillard A celebration of the long-cherished Seminole Nation tradition of sharing fry bread during family meals combines

evocative verses with vibrant artwork.



# Somewhere in the Bayou

by Jarrett Pumphrey

Rat, Squirrel, Rabbit, and Mouse want to cross the bayou, but next to the log they are considering as a bridge is a sneaky tail, which may be attached to someone

dangerous--each of the four approach the problem with a different strategy, with varying results.



### **Towed by Toad**

by Jashar Awan

Tow-truck driver Toad, who's always on the move to help others, whether it's a flat tire or engine trouble, learns everyone needs

help sometimes, even him, when his tow truck breaks down. Simultaneous eBook.



## **Perfectly Norman**

by Tom Percival

Norman is thrilled to discover he grew a pair of wings overnight, but his excitement turns to doubt when he realizes he is now different from everyone else, causing him to question whether there is such thing as perfectly normal.

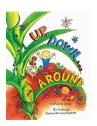


### The King of Kindergarten

by Derrick Barnes

A Newbery Honor-winning author offers an empowering story about a confident little boy who takes pride in his first day of kindergarten, encouraging new students with a reassuring message about this

exciting milestone. Simultaneous eBook.



### Up, Down & Around

by Katherine Ayres

In a rollicking celebration of things that grow, a garden teeming with life produces a variety of edible plants, such as corn that grows up, onions that grow down, and tomato vines that twine all around.



### Eat Like a Bear

by April Pulley Sayre

Follows a bear from the time she emerges from her den in April after four months without food, through months of eating fish, ants, and huckleberries, to midwinter when

the arrival of two cubs interrupts her long winter's rest. Includes facts about brown(grizzly) bears of the Yellowstone National Park/Glacier National Park region.

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### The Sea Hides a Seahorse

by Sara T. Behrman Hidden in the ocean of colorful fish, octopus, kelp, sea sponges, and other sea life is a most unique creature: the seahorse. Featuring different species of seahorses and seadragons across the world, *The Sea Hides a Seahorse* is a subtle seek-and-find

story that journeys underwater to provide a glimpse into the secrets of seahorses as they swim, hide, hunt, court, mate, and more. Included at the back is more information about seahorses and how to support their protection and conservation.



#### Mine!

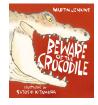
by Candace Fleming
When five furry creatures—Mouse, Hare,
Fox, Deer and Bear—go after one shiny red
apple, which has just fallen to the ground,
they wonder what to do, in this uproarious
picture book that celebrates sharing.
Simultaneous eBook.



### Mix It Up!

by Herve Tullet

Using no special effects other than the reader's imagination, simple directions lead the reader to experiment with mixing and changing colors on the printed page.



# Beware of the crocodile

by Martin Jenkins

An informative, playfully illustrated story about one of the world's most dangerous animals shares lesser-known information about the species, from how they love to nap on warm sandbanks to how crocodile

mothers are very gentle with their babies.



# Zigzag Zooborns! : Zoo Baby Colors and Patterns

by Andrew Bleiman

Calling all animal enthusiasts! It's time to learn about colors and patterns with a crew of irresistible zoo babies. Featuring

adorable animal photos, a zippy text, and a fact-filled glossary, this just might be the cutest concept book ever to hit the shelves!



# Up! Up! Up! Skyscraper

by Anastasia Suen

Young construction enthusiasts are offered a front-row seat to watch a skyscraper grow "up, up, up!" through the diligent efforts of workers who dig, pour, pound and bolt every level, in a picture book that is complemented by informational sidebars.



## Old Macdonald Had a Truck

by Steve Goetz

An update of the classic folk song, "Old MacDonald," featuring farm vehicles like excavator, dump truck, and bulldozer.



# I Am a Dragon! : A Squabble & a Quibble

by Sabina Hahn

Mistaken for a very large frog, a grumpy dragon gets fired up when a group of frogs insist he's the one who's wrong, in this laugh-out-loud picture book about

misunderstandings, imagination, forgiveness and friendship.



### **Bear Came Along**

by Richard T. Morris

A river flowing through a forest becomes aware of its own potential for adventure when it is joined downstream by unlikely companions Froggy, Turtles, Beaver, Raccoons and Duck, who hilariously discover how much they need one another.

Simultaneous eBook.



## Hey, Water!

by Antoinette Portis

The Geisel Honor-winning creator of *Not a Box* presents the story of a spunky little girl who observes how water appears in many different shapes and forms everywhere,

from nature and the weather to her home and her own body.



### The Airport Book

by Lisa Brown

A family making its way through a modernday airport checks their bags, goes through security clearance and waits at the gate before taking off into the air, at the beginning of a journey that is complicated

by the fear that a favorite stuffed toy has gone missing.