

STORIES FOR reading out loud

Science has proven there are numerous social, familial, neurological and psychological benefits of reading aloud, especially for parents and children (of all ages). So what books do you read? Here are some suggestions.

BEDTIME

Goodnight Moon by Margaret Wise Brown, illustrated by Clement Hurd The Bear in the Book by Kate Banks, illustrated by Georg Hallensleben The Prince Won't Go to Bed! by Dayle Ann Dodds, illustrated by Krysten Brooker Power Down, Little Robot by Anna Staniszewski, illustrated by Tim Zeltner

BEING KIND

Gorilla! Gorilla! by Jeanne Willis, illustrated by Tony Ross The Hundred Dresses by Eleanor Estes, illustrated by Louis Slobodkin The Wild Girl by Chris Wormell Wolf in the Snow by Matthew Cordell

CONCEPT BOOKS (COUNTING, COLOURS, OPPOSITES)

Before After by Anne-Margot Ramstein & Mathias Arégui Cockatoos by Quentin Blake Ducks Away! by Mem Fox, illustrated by Judy Horacek Llamaphones by Janik Coat

LENGTHIER STORIES FOR YOUNG LISTENERS

Ash Road by Ivan Southall

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo, illustrated by Bagram Ibatoulline

The Inquisitor's Tale by Adam Gitwitz, illustrated by Hatem Alv

STRONG FEELINGS

Brave Martha by Margot Apple **Grumpy Bird** by Jeremy Tankard Maybe a Bear Ate It! by Robie H Harris, illustrated by Michael Emberley

WITTY WORDPLAY

The Alphabet Thief by Bill Richardson, illustrated by Roxana Bikadoroff Betty's Burgled Bakery by Travis Nichols

Take Away the A and Where's the Baboon? by Michael Escoffier, illusrtrated by Kris di Giacamo

CLASSIC NOVELS AND NOVELLAS

Animal Farm by George Orwell **Emma** by Jane Austen The Great Gatsby by F Scott Fitzgerald True Grit by Charles Portis



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