

Predictable Booklist

Predictable books promote understanding of narrative, enhance comprehension skills, and stimulate creative play. These books are designed to be interactive, encouraging repeated readings where the child can recite familiar words or phrases along with the adult reader. By reading familiar sequences, children can engage in conversation about real-life connections, and develop an ability to detect patterns and anticipate rhymes. Predictable books can be classified into various categories such as chain or circular, cumulative, familiar sequence, pattern, question and answer, repeated phrase, and rhyme. A number of the books below are [A Baker's Dozen](#) selections. Links with additional tips are provided to assist in using these books by children and families.

Chain or Circular

<i>If You Give a Mouse a Cookie</i> by Laura Numeroff	HarperCollins	2015
Don't Copy Me! by Jonathan Allen	Boxer Books	2012
Chalk by Bill Thompson	Marshall Cavendish Children	2010
The Life of a Car by Susan Steggall	Henry Holt	2008
Every Friday by Dan Yaccarino	Henry Holt	2007

Cumulative

<i>This is the Tree We Planted</i> by Kate McMullan	Knopf	2022
<i>This Story is Not About a Kitten</i> by Randall de Sève and Carson Ellis	Random House	2022
<i>Around the Table That Granddad Built</i> by Melanie Heuser Hill	Candlewick	2019
<i>There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly</i> by Simms Taback	Viking	1997
<i>The Napping House</i> by Audrey Wood and Don Wood	HMH	1984

Familiar Sequence

A Visit to Grandad: An African ABC by Sade Fadipe & Shedrach Ayalomeh	Cassava Republic	2019
When Spring Comes by Kevin Henkes	Greenwillow	2016
Alphabet Trucks by Samantha R. Vamos	Charlesbridge	2013
Tille Lays and Egg by Terry Golson	Scholastic	2009
Dog by Matthew Van Fleet	Simon and Schuster/Paula Wiseman	2007
Black? White! Day? Night! A Book of Opposites by Laura Vaccaro Seeger	Roaring Brook	2006
Heave Ho! by Heinz Janisch	NorthSouth	2006

Pattern stories

<u>Shh! We Have A Plan</u> by Chris Haughton	Candlewick	2014
<u>Duck! Rabbit!</u> by Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Tom Lichtenheld	Chronicle	2009
<u>Dinosaur vs. Bedtime</u> by Bob Shea	Hyperion	2008
<u>The Doghouse</u> by Jan Thomas	Harcourt	2008
<u>First the Egg</u> by Laura Vaccaro Seeger	Roaring Brook	2007
<u>How to Be</u> by Lisa Brown	HarperCollins	2006

Question and answer

<u>Who Am I? An Animal Guessing Game</u> by Steve Jenkins & Robin Page	Houghton Mifflin Harcourt	2017
<u>I Want My Hat Back</u> by Jon Klassen	Candlewick	2011
<u>A Closer Look</u> by Mary McCarthy	HarperCollins	2007
<u>Meet the Meerkat</u> by Darrin Lunde	Charlesbridge	2007
<u>Where is the Green Sheep?</u> by Mem Fox	Harcourt	2004
<i>Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?</i> by Bill Martin, Jr.	Henry Holt	1967

Repetition of phrase

<i>A Year of Everyday Wonders</i> by Cheryl B. Klein	Harry N. Abrams	2020
<u>A Perfect Day</u> by Lane Smith	Roaring Brook	2017
<u>A Bird Is a Bird</u> by Lizzy Rockwell	Holiday House	2015
<u>Tip Tip Dig Dig</u> by Emma Garcia	Boxer Books	2007
<u>Clip-Clop!</u> by Nicola Smee	Boxer Books	2006
<i>Goodnight Moon</i> by Margaret Wise Brown	HarperCollins	1947

Rhyme

<u>A Kiss Means I Love You</u> by Eric Futran	Albert Whitman	2012
<u>Rhyming Dust Bunnies</u> by Jan Thomas	Beach Lane	2009
<u>Fabulous Fishes</u> by Susan Stockdale	Peachtree	2008
<u>Friends and Pals and Brothers, Too</u> by Sarah Wilson	Henry Holt	2008
<u>Llama Llama Red Pajama</u> by Anna Dewdney	Viking	2005