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Language: Stories in Rhyme



[**Whose Knees are These?**](#) by Jabari Asim (2006).

Simple, playful rhyming text takes a loving look at a child's knees.

[**Two Little Trains**](#) by Margaret Wise Brown (2020).

Two little trains make their way West with rhyming text that offers opportunities for making fun sounds.

[**Room on the Broom**](#) by Julia Donaldson (2017).

A witch finds room on her broom for all the animals that ask for a ride in this rhyming, repetitive romp.

[**In the Small, Small Pond**](#) by Denise Fleming (2013).

Illustrations and rhyming text describe the activities of animals living in and near a small pond as spring progresses to autumn.

[**Where Is the Green Sheep?**](#) by Mem Fox (2004).

A story about many different sheep, and one that seems to be missing.

[**I Can Build It!**](#) by Kelly Greenawalt (2020).

In rhyming text Princess Truly, super girl, uses her magic curls to build things.

[**Hush! A Thai Lullaby**](#) by Minfong Ho (1996).

A rhyming lullaby which asks animals such as a lizard, monkey, and water-buffalo to be quiet and not disturb the sleeping baby. XP 811.54 HO

[**Joy**](#) by Yasmeen Ismail (2020).

Rhythmic language and playful rhymes tell the adventures of a kitten and her mother.

[**Squeak! Rumble! Whomp! Whomp! Whomp!**](#) by Wynton Marsalis (2012).

Takes readers on a rollicking, clanging, clapping tour through the many sounds that fill a neighborhood.

[**Chicka Chicka Boom Boom**](#) by Bill Martin Jr.

(1989). An alphabet chant that relates what happens when the whole alphabet tries to climb a tree.

[**Big Green Crocodile: Rhymes to Say and Play**](#) by Jane Newberry (2020).

These original play-rhymes entertain and delight children and build their vocabulary and cognitive skills. XP 398.8 NEW

[**All Are Welcome**](#) by Alexandra Penfold (2018).

Illustrations and simple, rhyming text introduce a school where diversity is celebrated.

[**Construction Site Mission: Demolition!**](#) by Sherri Dusky Rinker (2020).

In rhyming text, the vehicles of the construction crew set to work demolishing an old rickety building.

[**Ninja Red Riding Hood**](#) by Cory Rosen Schwartz (2014).

In this rhyming twist on "Little Red Riding Hood," a wolf and Red train to be ninjas.

[**Sheep in a Jeep**](#) by Nancy Shaw (1986).

Records the misadventures of a group of sheep that go riding in a jeep.

[**Digger, Dozer, Dumper**](#) by Hope Vestergaard (2013).

Rhymes and colorful illustrations invite young readers to meet their favorite trucks and vehicles face-to-face. 811.6 VES

[**Hello Hello**](#) by Brendan Wenzel (2018).

In simple text a set of animals greet and interact with one another.

[**People Don't Bite People**](#) by Lisa Wheeler (2018).

Humorous illustrations and rhyming text urge children to use their teeth for only biting food.

[**Blue on Blue**](#) by Dianne White (2014).

Rhyming text and illustrations depict the swell and quieting of a storm.

[**Silly Sally**](#) by Audrey Wood (1992).

A rhyming story of Silly Sally, who is joined by various animals as she travels to town--backwards and upside down.

[**Trashy Town**](#) by Andrea Zimmerman (1999)

picture book, 2018 board book). This rhythmic, repetitive book will have children chanting along as Mr. Gilly, the trash man, cleans up his town.

