

Getting Ready to Read at OC Public Libraries Books with Rhyme and Poetry

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Be Glad Your Nose Is on Your Face and Other Poems written by Jack Prelutsky; illustrated by Brandon Dorman. Greenwillow Books, 2008.

Collects more than 100 of the popular author's poems, spanning his forty-five year career as a master funny-bone tickler. Features a CD with classic performances by the poet himself.

XP 811.54

Chicken Soup with Rice written and illustrated by Maurice Sendak. HarperCollins, 1991.

A little boy imagines how he will cook, serve, or eat chicken soup with rice in every month of the year.

XFICP Sendak

Green Eggs and Ham written and illustrated by Dr. Seuss. Random House, 1988.

The classic story follows Sam-I-am as he tells of the virtues of green eggs and ham, in verse.

XFICP Seuss

How Do You Wokka-Wokka? written by Elizabeth Bluemle. Candlewick Press, 2009.

A young boy who likes to "wokka-wokka, shimmy-shake, and shocka-shocka" gathers his neighbors together for a surprise celebration. XFICP Bluemle

Insectlopedia: Poems and Paintings written and illustrated by Douglas Florian. Harcourt Brace, 1998.

Short poems about insects such as the inchworm, termite, cricket, and ladybug. XP 811.54

Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten written by Joseph Slate and illustrated by Ashley Wolff. Dutton Children's Books, 1996.

Miss Bindergarten and her students get ready for kindergarten in this rhyming alphabet book.

XFICP Slate

Rhyming Dust Bunnies written and illustrated by Jan Thomas. Beach Lane Books, 2009.

As three dust bunnies, Ed, Ned, and Ted, are demonstrating how much they love to rhyme, a fourth, Bob, is trying to warn them of approaching danger. XFICP Thomas

Sheep in a Jeep written by Nancy E. Shaw; illustrated by Margot Apple. Houghton Mifflin, 1986.

A story about the misadventures of a group of sheep that go riding in a jeep. XFICP Shaw

Such a Silly Baby! written by Richard and Steffanie Lorig; illustrated by Amanda Shepherd. Chronicle Books, 2007.

Rhyming text and illustrations follow the adventures of a baby who, on excursions to the zoo, the circus, or the farm, manages to get switched with an animal. XFICP Lorig

Sylvia Long's Mother Goose written and illustrated by Sylvia Long. Chronicle Books, 1999.

A beautifully illustrated collection of familiar nursery rhymes. XI 398.3

Toes Have Wiggles, Kids Have Giggles written by Harriet Ziefert; illustrated by Rebecca Doughty. Putnam, 2002.

Rhyming text presents the characteristics of things which are frequently experienced or observed in the lives of children. XFICP Ziefert

Where the Sidewalk Ends written and illustrated by Shel Silverstein. HarperCollins, 1974.

A boy who turns into a TV set and a girl who eats a whale are only two of the characters in a collection of humorous poetry illustrated with the author's own drawings. XI 811.54