

Great Picture Books to Share

Make time for books in your family, share stories together and give your child a great start with reading. Look out for these great picture books, free to borrow from your local library, Children's BookBus and Children, Young People and Families Centres.

Time to Read

Time to Read (formerly Booktime) is a Book Trust initiative to gift every four-year-old in England a free book to enjoy and share in autumn 2016. In Leicester, this programme is delivered by Leicester Libraries through city schools to Foundation Stage 2 children. BookTrust is the largest reading charity in the UK. It works with primary schools and libraries in England and Wales to generate excitement about books and cultivate long-lasting positive attitudes towards reading. booktrust.org.uk/programmes/primary/time-to-read

Join the library

All ages are welcome to join Leicester Libraries. It's free with no forms to fill in, just name, address and date of birth are required. No charges if you accidentally lose, damage or return books late (for 0-15 year olds).

Join in the free and fun Toddler Time activity sessions for under-fives and their parents/ carers in all Leicester Libraries. These are drop-in sessions to introduce your child and you to the excitement of shared language and play activities including stories and rhymes. You don't need to be a library member, just turn up and enjoy together.

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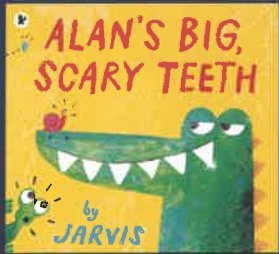
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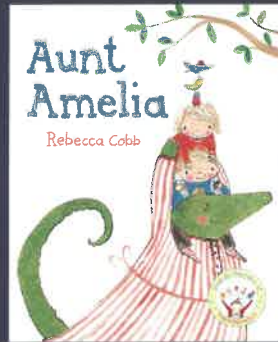
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Alan's Big Scary Teeth
by Peter Jarvis

Walker Books

This is Alan. Alan is very scary. But all is not as it seems; Alan has a very big secret.



Aunt Amelia
by Rebecca Cobb

Macmillan Children's Books

Aunt Amelia is coming to stay. You'd better get ready for some serious fun, because you've never met an auntie quite like Amelia!



Beep Beep Beep Time for Sleep
by Claire Freedman

Simon & Schuster

'Beep, beep, beep' call the tired machines after a busy day on the building site. A perfect bedtime story for machine-mad boys and girls.



Follow Me
by Ellie Sandall
Hodder Children's Books
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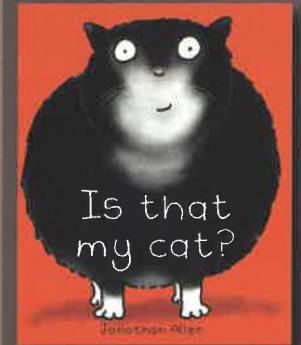
It's time to wake up! Come down from the tree. Follow the lemurs on their adventure through the jungle.



Gorilla Loves Vanilla
by Chae Strathie

Scholastic Press

What's your favourite ice-cream? There's blue cheese sundae for Mouse and a worm cornet for Hen, but what does Gorilla want?



Is That My Cat?
by Jonathan Allen

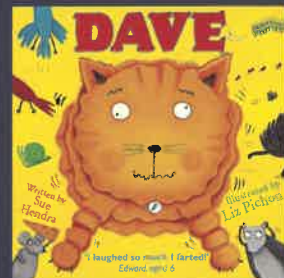
Boxer Books

Something's up with a rather large kitty. She used to fit through the cat door, climbed trees fearlessly and always wanted to play. What's going on?



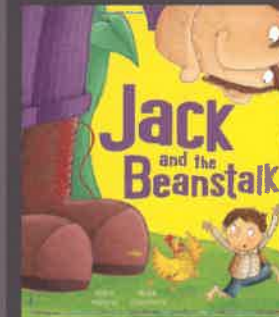
Blue and Bertie
by Kristyna Litten
Simon & Schuster

Bertie has always been part of the herd. Same breakfast, same stroll, same nap under the same tree. But when Bertie oversleeps and is left behind his life takes some very unexpected turns...



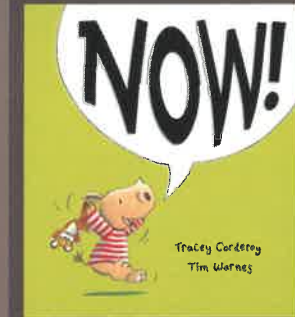
Dave
by Sue Hendra
Hodder Children's Books
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Dave is a great big ol' greedy guts. One unfortunate day, he gets stuck in the cat flap. How will he escape?



Jack and the Beanstalk
by Mara Atperin
Little Tiger Press

When Jack climbs up an enormous beanstalk, he discovers a giant's castle high up in the clouds. But the giant likes to eat little boys... How will Jack escape?

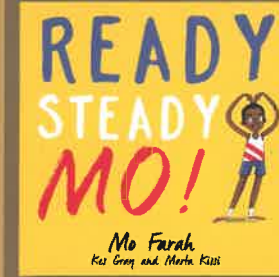


Now!
by Tracey Corderoy
Little Tiger Press

Archie finds waiting a little bit hard. There are SO many fun things to do. And he wants to do them all NOW!



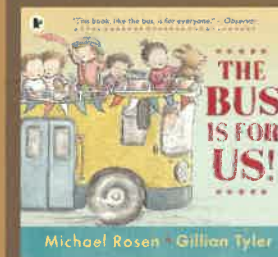
Rain
by Sam Usher
Templar Publishing
There are good things and bad things about the rain. Sam and Grandpa make the most of the weather in this imaginative tale.



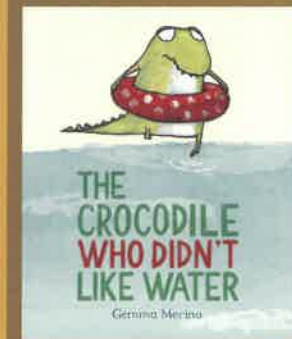
Ready Steady Mo!
by Mo Farah and Kes Gray
Hodder Children's Books
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What are you waiting for? Warm up, do the MOBOT, and then... RUN!



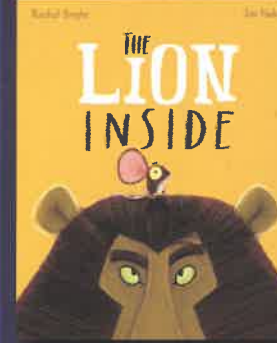
Ten Little Dinosaurs
by Mike Brownlow
Orchard Books
Meet the dinosaurs – a grumpy triceratops, a stomping diplodocus and a HUNGRY t-rex – look out little dinosaurs!



The Bus is for Us!
by Michael Rosen
Walker Books
You can travel by bicycle, car, boat or plane, but the bus is the best – the bus is for us!

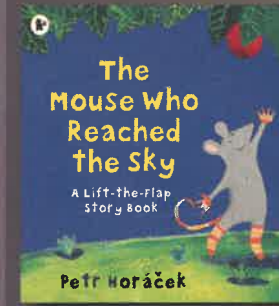


The Crocodile Who Didn't Like Water
by Gemma Merino
Macmillan Children's Books
Everybody knows that crocodiles love water. Well not this one. In fact he prefers climbing trees.



The Lion Inside
by Rachel Bright
Orchard Books

It looks like teatime for lions when mouse climbs up the big rocks, but in this tale 'if you want things to change, you first have to change you'.



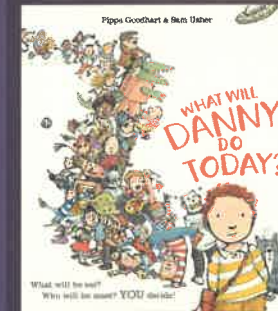
The Mouse Who Reached the Sky
by Petr Horacek
Walker Books

What is that beautiful red, shiny thing hanging from the tree? Little Mouse thinks it's a marble, but Mole is sure it's a balloon and Rabbit says it's a ball. They can't reach it by themselves so how will they find out what it is?



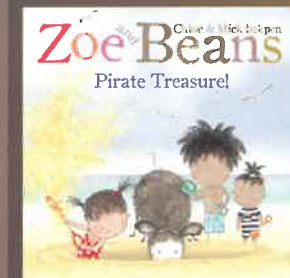
This is Not a Bedtime Story
by Will Mabbitt
Puffin [Random House]

This is NOT a bedtime story. This book is exciting and eye-popping, hair-raising and hilarious. Bedtime will never be the same again.



What Will Danny Do Today?
by Pippa Goodhart
Egmont UK Ltd

Help Danny choose – juice or jelly for breakfast, travel to school on the bus or in a spaceship, create a robot or a skyscraper?



Zoe and Beans: Pirate Treasure!
by Chloe and Mick Inkpen
Macmillan Children's Books

Zoe and her friends are looking for pirate treasure! Everyone dig!