

# Preschool Fiction, Fairy Tales & Fun

Grade: Preschool | Ages: 3-4

## Instructor's Guide



### Sonlight Preschool Instructor's Guide

Lykosh & Evely. "Teaching" your toddler is easy and rich. Let this guide help you fuel your children's imagination, encourage you, and keep simple track of your progress.

## Bible

### Family-Time Bible in Pictures

Taylor. Introduce your young ones to the Bible with this beautiful collection of 128 stories from Scripture. Not too many words per page. Rich, full-color illustrations and thoughtful questions tell stories from both Old and New Testaments. Great for family reading time. Keepsake worthy. Hb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 3-6

## Read-Alouds

### A Big Quiet House

Forest. What should you do when you live in a very small house filled with children -- and lots of clutter? In this retelling of a classic Yiddish folktale, one family gets some very odd advice...that turns out to be exactly right. Full-color. Hb.

### The Bee Tree

Polacco. A book that encourages a love of books? Yes, please! One of our hopes at Sonlight is to introduce children to a range of quality authors. You can find more of Patricia Polacco's picture books at the library, for further reading. Bright colors and vivid patterns. Full-color. Pb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 3-A

### George and Martha

Marshall. George and Martha do everything together. Along the way, they learn things like: privacy is important, practical jokes can sometimes backfire, and pouring soup into your shoes to spare the chef's feelings is not a great idea. Illustrated content. Hb. **RA:** P-3; **R:** 3-4

### Go, Dog. Go!

Eastman. Words cannot convey the delight this book brings. Single-syllable words in rhythmic repetition and bold illustrations have made this a favorite of children since 1961. How could a random collection of dogs be so charming? Because of the big pink cake at the end? Who knows! Marvelously enjoyable. Hb. **RA:** P-3; **R:** 1-3

### Hans Christian Andersen's Fairy Tales

Biro, ed. These eight stories are not often found in fairy tale collections. Includes very short retellings of *The Ugly Duckling*, *The Emperor's New Clothes*, and six more. Simple storytelling at its best. Hb. **RA:** P-3; **R:** 2-4

### Harper Collins Treasury of Picture Book Classics

Tegan, ed. Twelve marvelous picture books, including such classics as *Caps for Sale*, *Goodnight Moon*, and *Harold and the Purple Crayon*, plus modern classics such as *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* and *From Head to Toe*. Outstanding. Oversize; full-color. Hb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 3-A

### Horton Hatches the Egg

Seuss. A classic story of faithfulness, with an end so stunning, so right, it defies description. Whimsical illustrations showcase Seuss at his best. Hb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 2-A

### Ian and the Gigantic Leafy Obstacle

Miller. A missionary prays a ridiculous prayer, and it gets answered in a surprising way. True story of God at work in the world. Pb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 3-A

### Last Stop on Market Street

De La Peña. This award-winning modern classic must-have for every child's home library; an inclusive ode to kindness, empathy, gratitude, and finding joy in unexpected places, and celebrates the special bond between a curious young Black boy and his loving grandmother.

### Look Inside your body

Stowell. From brains and blood to senses and skin -- children will love exploring the ins-and-outs of the human body with this fantastic interactive book. Illustrated content. Hb.

### Make Way for McCloskey

McCloskey. Of the eight picture books McCloskey illustrated, he won two Caldecott medals (for best illustrated book) and two Caldecott honors. This collection includes them all. Experience the wonder of *Make Way for Ducklings*; *Blueberries for Sal*; *Lentil*; *Time of Wonder*; *One Morning in Maine*; *Burt Dow*, *Deep-Water Man*. Also includes excerpts from *Homer Price* and *Centerburg Tales*. Marvelous. Oversized. Hb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 3-A

### Mike Mulligan and More

Burton. A glorious, unabridged, full-format anthology of Virginia Lee Burton's four most famous books including *Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel* and the Caldecott Medal-winning *The Little House*. Perennial delights. Full-color. Hb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 2-A

### Mother Goose

Fujikawa. Beautiful collection of classic nursery rhymes, decorated with a mix of line drawings and color illustrations. Adorable animals, children of different ethnicities, cultural literacy ... this is a book to treasure and revisit repeatedly. Delightful. Illustrated Content. Hb.

### My First Spanish word Board Book

A first word-and-picture board book that helps children develop essential vocabulary in two languages—English and Spanish. Includes audio files with correct pronunciation. Hb.

### Nana Upstairs & Nana Downstairs

DePaola. By a Caldecott winning author with a distinctive style. This lovely picture book tells the story of a 4-year-old boy and his 94-year-old great grandmother. A touching, tender tribute. This book deals with loss, beautifully and gently. Full-color. Pb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 3-6

### Noah's Ark

Spier. Caldecott Medal. Almost wordless, this picture book presents Noah as you've not seen him before. How

did Noah feed the animals? Do the laundry? A thoughtful, creative gem that you will delight to study in detail over and over again. Full-color. Pb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** P-A

### Our Animal Friends at Maple Hill Farm

Provensen. Follow the antics of the farm animals: the sheep who faints from fear when her wool is shorn, the naughty goat who eats the roses (thorns and all), the geese who pinch, and many more, all illustrated by a Caldecott-winning couple. Delightful. Oversize, full-color. Pb. **RA:** P-A; **R:** 3-A

### Richard Scarry's What Do People Do All Day?

Scarry. Clothed animals show vignettes of various workers: bakers, home builders, farmers, construction workers, and many more. A favorite title from a favorite illustrator. Oversize, Hb. **RA:** P-3; **R:** 3-6

### The Tall Book of Nursery Tales

Ivanov. Twelve well-told nursery tales, such as *The Gingerbread Man*, *Chicken Little*, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, and *The Three Little Pigs*. Delightful illustrations. Hb. **RA:** P-3; **R:** 2-4

## Resources

### Supply Kit for Preschool

This preschool supply kit includes the needed supplies to complete the activities in the preschool program.

Includes:

- 11 sandpaper numbers (0-10)
- 26 sandpaper lower case print letters
- 10 plastic geometric shapes with knobs and frames (insets are blue, frames are pink. Includes: circle, triangle, square, rectangle, oval, ellipse, curvilinear triangle, pentagon, trapezoid, and quatrefoil)
- large number flash cards 1-10 with written number and dots to indicate the amount
- nylon knife
- bingo markers
- 12 colored pencils with grip
- 6"x9" clipboard
- child safety scissors

All of the supplies are in one convenient, sturdy cardboard box.