Children’s Book List

10 Fat Turkeys
by Tony Johnston
This book counts down from 10 as each of a group of goofy turkeys leaves the fence in a different way.
Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0395945986

Aaargghhh! Spider!
by Lynda R. & Van S. Phillips
This book chronicles a spider’s quest to become the pet of the family whom she inhabits.
Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0818735710

About Anarchids: A Guide for Children
by Cathryn Sill
This book features 15 creatures in the archacid class of arthropods. It lists shared characteristics and includes natural history facts about each.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 9781561453641

All About Deer
by Jim Arnosky
This book features the deer that inhabit North and Central America, including information about their life cycles, eating habits, and habitats.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0439043360

All About Turkeys (All About Series)
by Bobbie Kalman
This book describes the different life cycles of different animals and the physical changes they undergo as they grow up.
Non-fiction, Ages 7-9
ISBN-10: 0737722783

All About Animals: The Most Extreme Predators (All Animal Extreme Animals Series)
by Discovery Channel
This book features 10 extreme animal predators from the dragonfly to the tiger. It detail how each animal adapts in its environment in order to eat and to survive.
Non-fiction, Ages 9-12
ISBN-10: 087736664X

All About Animals: The Animal World
by Arthur Dorros
Readers follow animal tracks across the desert, the North American woodland, and the streamside wetlands.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0590433660

All About Bugs
by Jim Arnosky
This book includes information about owl behavior and behavior. The focus is on North American owl species.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 043905852X

All About Butterflies
by Jim Arnosky
This book explores different types of butterflies, grouping them as mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, insects, and those with soft bodies and shells.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0516263382

Anansi the Spider: A Tale from the Ashanti
by Gerald McDermott
Father Anansi has six spider sons. When Anansi sets out on a dangerous journey, each son does one thing to help and all their efforts together save their father.
Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0805003118

Animal Life Cycles: Growing and Changing
by Bobbie Kalman
This book depicts the different life cycles of different animals and the physical changes they undergo as they grow up.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0823414779

Ant Cities (Let’s Read and Find Out Science 2)
by Arthur Dorros
This book features the inhabitants of ants. Also includes unusual facts about them and their nests.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0863617101

Are You a Grasshopper? (Backyard Books)
by Judy Allen and Tudor Humphries
This book describes a variety of grasshoppers and the different ways they eat, and how they vary in different parts of the world.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0756601940

Are You a Lady Bug? (Backyard Books)
by Judy Allen and Tudor Humphries
This book introduces the Bald Eagle. It explains the life cycle of the eagle from egg to adult and back again, and then provides more detailed information for older readers.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0606279730

Big Bad Bears (Peterson Field Guides for Young Naturalists)
by Jonathan Lawmer and Karen Stay Naffing
This field guide helps readers identify 20 backyard birds common to most parts of the U.S. and Canada. The birds are grouped into chapters by predominant color.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0397527263

Birds (The World of Nature)
by Alan Lind
This book describes a variety of birds, nuts, and seeds that might be found on a backyard walk. Includes identification information.
Non-fiction, Ages 7-10
ISBN-10: 1595715721

Big Al
by Andrew Clements
Big Al just wants friends, but he’s a big, scary-looking fish and the little fish fear him. One day they get caught by a fishing net and Big Al proves what a friend he can be.
Fiction, Ages 4-7
ISBN-10: 0869917223

Blueberries for Sal
by Robert McCloskey
A tale of a little girl and a baby bear hunting for blueberries one bright summer day.
Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 014050169X

Bur Bur’s Fishing Adventure: Learn Fun Things About Fishing and What to Bring! (Bur Bur & Friends)
by Joanne Pastel, Kakie Fitzsimmons, and Bill Dunias
Bur Bur goes on his first fishing expedition with his dad and catches his first fish.
Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0977712133

Cactus Hotel
by Brenda Anderson
The plant’s 200-year life cycle is presented chronologically, clearly demonstrating plant development and adaptations for survival in a desert habitat.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 080508228X
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From Poppy to Dog: Following the Life Cycle by Joanne S. Stare
This book explains the life cycle of a goldenrod plant. It also includes a chart, fun facts and a glossary for young readers.
Non-fiction, Ages 5-7
ISBN-10: 1404649289

From Seed to Plant (Rookie Read-About Science) by Allen Fowler
This book describes the development of a seed into a plant by means of pollination, fertilization, and seed dispersal.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0516237038

A Fruit is a Suitcase for Seeds by Jean Richards
On each page, one or two short lines of text appear beneath a large painting, introducing seeds and their purpose and growth.
 Fiction, Ages 4-9
ISBN-10: 0823410250

The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein
Thisparable about the gift of giving is told through the life of a boy who grows into a man and the tree that selflessly gives him the fruit.
 Fiction, Ages 4-9
ISBN-10: 0060256466

Golden Guides by Various Authors
This series includes beginner's guides to natural history for all ages.
Non-fiction, All Ages
ISBN-10: 1582381364 (Butterflies and Moths), 1582381291 (Butterflies and Moths), 1582381291 (Insects), 1582381444 (Mammals), 1582381312 (Reptiles and Amphibians), 1582381169 (Birds and Their Tails), 1582381333 (Trees), 1582381607 (Weeds); and 1582381623 (Wildflowers)

Garbage Collectors by Paulette Bourgeois
Garbage Collectors Sam and Mabel teach children about recycling, reusing and environmental stewardship.
 Fiction, Ages 4-9
ISBN-10: 1500748262

The Great Kapok Tree: A Tale of the Amazon Rain Forest by Lynne Cherry
A man is sent into the rainforest to chop down a kapok tree but when he fails asleep the rainforest animals surround him and spare his home.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0515262142

The Great Race: The Chinese Zodiac by Dawn Casey
The Jade Emperor decides to hold a race to determine the order of the years. Thirteen creatures maneuver for position but the clever rat wins first place.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0763622378

How Many Ants? (Rookie Readers) by Karen Kaufman Orloff
Ants increase by multiples of ten as they march up a large hill towards a tasty cake.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0516241511

How to Hide a Meadow Frog and Other Amphibians by Ruth Heller
This book describes the life of a group of young turtles from infancy to adulthood.
 Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 1563979330

A House for Hermit Crab by Eric Carle
Hermit Crab must move to a bigger shell because he is too big for his. He still wants to remain near the sea and other sea creatures help him to decorate it.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 1415609707

I Can Save the Earth! One Little Monster Learns to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle by Alkon Inches
This book teaches children about environmental awareness and how they can become more eco-friendly.
 Fiction, Ages 4-6
ISBN-10: 1118670893

I Love Animals: Wild, Scary, Cute or Cuddly, We Love Them All! by Kaye Piedfort
This book has big colorful pictures of animals from around the world with informative text about each animal.
Non-fiction, Baby-Preschool
ISBN-10: 1332495116

I Need a Snake by Lynne Jonell
Rabbit wants a snake. His mother reads him a book about reptiles, takes him to a museum and a pet store, but he won’t get his wish.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0399327375

I Read Symbols by Tara Hoban
Symbols are everywhere and we don’t need to be able to read to understand them. How do these 27 wordless signs can you read?
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0848616492

I Wannaigua by Karen Kaufman Orloff
A boy tries to convince his mother to let him adopt a friend’s baby iguana in a series of notes.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0399327317

I Want a Pet by Laura Child
A girl wants a pet but her family keeps coming up with reasons why she can’t have a lion, a sheep, a whale or an octopus, or a boa constrictor.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 1582462380

I Wonder Why the Sea is Salty: And Other Questions About the Oceans by Anita Ganeri
This book answers questions pertaining to the ocean in an easy to learn format for children.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0753565617

The Icky Bug Alphabet Book by Jerry Pallotta
This book shows why famous like the praying mantis, how the water spider and the monarch butterfly can be much more eco-friendly.
Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0881104656

If I Were an Ant (Rookie Readers) by Amy Moses
A poem that explains how much larger things such as crumbs, puddles, trees, and levitating barge would seem to an ant.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0516420119

If You Were My Baby. A Wildlife Lucky (Sharing Nature With Children Book) by Fran Hodgkins
A story of baby wild animals learning about their environments through their parents.
 Fiction, Ages 3-7
ISBN-10: 1584690747

I’m a Seed (Hello Reader) by Jean Manganini
Two seeds discuss the changes that take place as they grow. One becomes a moss piglet and the other becomes a pumpkin plant.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0590265865

In a Nutshell (Sharing Nature With Children Book) by Joseph Anthony
An acorn drops from an oak tree and grows over weeks. It eventually grows taller in the forest, while the acorn shrivels and changes below.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 1883220998

In My Backyard by Denise Fleming
Counting from one to ten, familiar backyard animals are introduced by baby and family group name. Includes what they eat, how they change and how they live.
 Non-fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0779747218

In My Backyard by Margaret Ruus
Paper sculptures introduce us to our own backyard.
 Fiction, Ages 4-8
ISBN-10: 0883778753

In the Small, Small Pond by Denise Fleming
A child observes the animals and insects that live on and in a freshwater pond as they wiggie, waddle, hover, skitter and swim.
 Fiction, Ages 2-4
ISBN-10: 0805095830
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Plants and the Environment

**First Step Nonfiction**

- Jennifer Bennett, introductor
  - This guide introduces the ways plants interact with people and animals.

**Non-fiction**, Ages 4-8

- ISBN: 0822586037

**Fiction**, Ages 4-8

- ISBN: 098367235X

**Precious Water**
by Brigitte Wenninger

- A fable that tells how water is found on earth and how necessary it is to all living things. She gives water to her plants, puts it in the cat's bowl, and drinks it as a glass.

**Fiction**, Ages 4-8

- ISBN: 0783515153

**Rabbits and Raindrops**
by Jackie Gaffney

- Five baby rabbits follow their mother's advice for the first time, tasting clover and meeting grasshoppers. When it rains they go under a hedge and reveal more seeds.

**Fiction, Baby-Prechool**

- ISBN: 1550742000

**Rabbits, Squirrels, and Chipmunks**
(Take-Along Guide)
by Mel Boring

- This book has colorful pictures, short explanations of each animal, their habitats, eating habits, and popular anecdotes.

**Non-fiction**, Ages 4-8

- ISBN: 1595715790

**The Racing Worm Brothers**
by Gary Baron

- Aaron and Ryan adapt a pair of worms and teach them to count, take them on a walk, and provide them with sleeping arrangements. When they face them, the worms disappear.

**Fiction**, Ages 4-8

- ISBN: 1550375407

**Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf**
by Lois Lenski

- Follow the life of a sugar maple tree from the point of view of a young child. Seeds fall from a maple tree.

**Fiction**, Ages 4-8

- ISBN: 0515616712

**Reusing and Recycling (Help the Environment)**
by Charlotte Guillain

- This book is a part of a series designed to make children aware of the effect they have on the environment. Photographs provide visual reinforcement of learning.

**Non-fiction**, Ages 4-8

- ISBN: 068902725X

**Strange Scarry’s The Early Bird (Step into Reading)**
by Richard Scarry

- Early Bird is searching for a worm to play with. A frog and a mouse help out but cannot find any worms either. Then Early Bird finds Wiggle Worm without a full belly.

**Fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0679889825

**Salmon Stream (Sharing Nature with Children Book)**
by Carole G. Jones

- This book follows the life cycle of a salmon from hatching to the fishery, the ocean, and ultimately the birchplace.

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0823410811

**A Seed Grows: My First Look at a Plant’s Life Cycle**
by Pamela Hoekman

- Children plant a vegetable garden, watch it grow, harvest fruits and vegetables, and put them open to reveal more seeds.

**Fiction, Baby-Prechool**

- ISBN: 1550742000

**A Seed is Sleepy**
by Dianna Hutts Ashton

- Each spread is devoted to the seed’s many attributes, the text building on these descriptions with interesting facts.

**Fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0818659201

**The Skeleton Inside You (Let’s-Read-and-Find-Out Science 2)**
by Philip Balestrino

- Your skeleton helps you leap, somersault, and touch your toes – learn all about what a skeleton can do!

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0666450872

**Sometimes It’s Turkey, Sometimes Not**
by Lorna and LeCia Ballan

- Mrs. Guinea pig and turkey egg and raises it, intending to eat him for Thanksgiving. But when it’s time, she decides she’d rather share her meal with the turkey than eat it.

**Fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 1932026415

**Songs About Insects, Bugs, and Spiny Bugs**
by Richard Scarry

- Tracks on this audio CD include: I Love Bugs; Bug’s Instinct: Patty’s Pet Python; Monarch Butterfly; Grasshopper; Bees In the Hive; Tiny Things; Make a Snake; The Bee Boo; Praying Mantis; Hi, Hi; Firefly; Ants on Parade; Spunky Spider; and Partners in Nature.

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 1563440335

**Spiders**
by Gail Gibbon

- This book shows how spiders are different from insects and provides insight into their behaviors and environments.

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0823410811

**Sun Dance Water Dance**
by Jonathan London

- This book features the story of a group of good friends having fun in the sun dance on a hot summer day.

**Fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0525466827

**Swimmy**
by Leo Lionni

- A little fish is the lone survivor of a school of fish swirled by a tuna. When he discovers more little fish, they band together to scare off bigger fish.

**Fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0394826205

**A Swim Through the Sea**
by Mel J. Fichter

- An alphabet book looks at ocean life as seen through the eyes of Seamus the seahorse.

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0881096932

**Tame and Wild (Spyglass Books)**
by Alison J. Auch

- This book compares and contrasts domestic and wild animals, such as cats and lions, guinea pigs and voles, and hogs and wild boars.

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0764022628

**Tell Me, Tree! All About Trees for Kids**
by Karen Hartley

- Watercolor pictures illustrate this book and the parts of a tree and their functions, and uses for trees.

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0316309036

**Ten Little Fish**
by Audrey Wood

- This counting book features a school of colorful tropical fish as they quarrel from one to one.

**Fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0394356491

**There’s an Opossum in My Backyard**
by Gail Gibbons

- A baby opossum falls off her mother’s back and finds herself in a suburban back yard. She learns to sneak food from the dog’s bowl, avoid capture by an owl, and makes friends.

**Fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 1597909136

**Too Much Garbage**
by Fulvia Testa

- Tony and Bill go for a walk and notice all the garbage being thrown everywhere but find a flower of the earth coming through. “Wasted less garbage and more flowers.”

**Non-fiction, Baby-Prechool**

- ISBN: 073581452X

**The Tortilla Factory**
by Diane C. Ihle

- Paintings and prose show how corn grows, it is harvested, is ground into flour, is sent to the tortilla factory, and is eaten by those who will be planting the corn.

**Non-fiction, Ages 4-8**

- ISBN: 0152016988
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