

Most Popular Picture Books of 2017

The following is a list of picture books that circulated the most in 2017. Check them out and see for yourself why they are so popular. These titles are shelved in the Picture Book section by the first three letters of the author's last name. Need help? Ask a librarian!

Anstee, Ashlyn. [No, No, Gnome!](#) (E ANS)

Gnome cannot wait to help his friends harvest the school garden! But his eagerness and excitement get him into trouble, leaving them all saying 'No, no, Gnome!



Arnold, Tedd. [A Pet For Fly Guy.](#) (E ARN)

In this first Fly Guy picture book, Buzz tries to help Fly Guy find the right pet.

Austin, Mike. [Fire Engine No. 9.](#) (E AUS)

Follows a fire engine and its crew through a very busy day, using mainly sound words.



Bijsterbosch, Anita. [Everyone is Yawning.](#) (E BIJ)

It's time for bed! The kitten yawns. Look. I think it is tired. All the little animals yawn. And the little kid? Does the little kid yawn too? You'll find out as you lift-the-flaps in this surprising book.



Brosgol, Vera. [Leave Me Alone.](#) (E BRO)

Grandmother wants so badly to be left alone to finish the knitting for her grandchildren that she leaves her tiny home and her big family to journey to the moon and beyond to find peace and quiet to finish her knitting.

Bruel, Nick. [Poor Puppy and Bad Kitty.](#) (E BRU)

When Bad Kitty won't play with him, Poor Puppy has to amuse himself with an alphabetical list of toys and dreams of playing in an alphabetical list of countries. (Also [Bad Kitty](#))

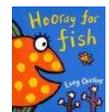


Burach, Ross. [There's a Giraffe in My Soup.](#) (E BUR)

Each time a waiter returns with a new bowl of soup to satisfy a customer's complaint, a different animal appears in the soup.

Clanton, Ben. [It Came In the Mail.](#) (E CAN)

After Liam writes to his mailbox, asking for more mail, he gets his wish, but soon he realizes that sending mail is even more fun than receiving it.



Cousins, Lucy. [Hooray for Fish!](#) (E COU)

Little Fish has all sorts of fishy friends in his underwater home, but loves one of them most of all. (Also [Hooray for Birds](#), [Count With Maisy, Cheep, Cheep, Cheep!](#))

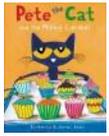
Cyrus, Kurt. [Billions of Bricks.](#) (E CYR)

A counting book that leads readers through the day in the life of a construction worker building with bricks.

Daywalt, Drew. [The Day the Crayons Came Home.](#) (E DAY)

One day, Duncan is happily coloring with his crayons when a stack of postcards arrives in the mail from his former crayons, each of which has run away or been left behind, and all of which want to come home. (Also [The Day the Crayons Quit](#), [The Legend of the Rock Paper Scissors](#))





Dean, James. [Pete the Cat and the Missing Cupcakes](#). (E PET)

Pete the Cat and his friends are busy as can be baking cupcakes for a cupcake party, and Pete can't wait to perform with his groovy band. But some of the cupcakes have gone missing.

(Also [Five Little Ducks](#), [Pete the Cat and the Bedtime Blues](#), [Pete the Cat and the Cool Cat Boogie](#))

Dewdney, Anna. [Llama Llama Time to Share](#). (E DEW)

Llama Llama doesn't want to share his toys with his new neighbors. But when fighting leads to broken toys and tears, Llama learns that it's better to share.

(Also [Llama Llama and the Bully Goat](#), [Llama Llama Home With Mama](#), [Nelly Gnu and Daddy Too](#))

DiTerlizzi, Angela. [Some Bugs](#). (E DIT)

From butterflies and moths to crickets and cicadas, a rhyming exploration of backyard-bug behavior.

Doyle, Eugenie. [Sleep Tight Farm](#). (E DOY)

It is December, and there are many things for the family to do around the farm to get it ready for winter.



Escoffier, Michaël. [The Day I Lost My Superpowers](#). (E ESC)

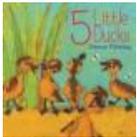
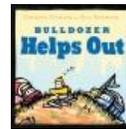
When a young superhero-in-training gets hurt, she discovers that mothers have superpowers, too.

Falconer, Ian. [Olivia the Spy](#). (E FAL)

Listening in on her mother's conversations hoping to discover the secret plan for her upcoming birthday, Olivia instead hears her mother talking about her poor behavior and becomes concerned she'll be sent to military school.

Fleming, Candace. [Bulldozer Helps Out](#). (E FLE)

Bulldozer proves that he can help on the construction site.



Fleming, Denise. [5 Little Ducks](#). (E FLE)

Each day, Papa Duck goes out with his ducklings but on Monday only four come back, on Tuesday only three, but on Saturday all return when he calls and on Sunday, they stay home and rest.

Frost, Helen. [Wake Up!](#) (E FRO)

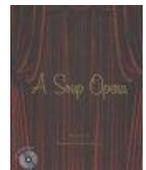
Simple poetic language and close-up photographs invite readers to explore all the baby animals.

Gibbs, Edward. [I Spy on the Farm](#). (E GIB)

An interactive introduction to farm animals invites youngsters to make animal noises and practice color and letter recognition while peeping through a spy hole on every page.

Gill, Jim. [A Soup Opera](#). (E GIL)

This is a richly illustrated story of a man, a bowl of soup and the man's operatic and frustrating quest to eat it.



Glass, Calliope. [Star Wars ABC-3PO](#). (E GLA)

Learn the ways of the Force in this alphabet book featuring Star Wars characters.

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Graff, Lisa. [It Is Not Time for Sleeping.](#) (E GRA)

Bedtime is near, but from the end of dinner until lights are turned off, it is not really time for sleeping until a child receives a special good night wish.



Gravett, Emily. [Little Mouse's Big Book of Beasts.](#) (E GRA)

A mouse goes through a list of beasts that he's afraid of and works to make them a little less scary.



Heapy, Teresa. [Very Little Sleeping Beauty.](#) (E HEA)

It is time for bed, but Very Little Sleeping Beauty is not tired and does not want to go to bed.

Hill, Eric. [Spot Goes to the Farm.](#) (E HIL)

Spot searches for new babies among the farm animals, each with its own distinctive noise.

Idle, Molly. [Flora and the Peacocks.](#) (E IDL)

In this wordless book with interactive flaps, a little girl named Flora forms a friendship with two peacocks as the three learn to dance together.

Jarvis, Peter. [Alan's Big, Scary Teeth.](#) (E JAR)

Ian is very scary. He says things like 'I'm big, scary Alan! Fear my razor-sharp teeth!' But all is not as it seems. Alan, you see, has a very BIG (not-so-scary) secret.



Kang, Anna. [I Am \(Not\) Scared.](#) (E KAN)

Two fuzzy creatures go to an amusement park and discover that being frightened may not be as scary as one thinks.

Kann, Victoria. [Aqualicious.](#) (E KAN)

At the beach, Pinkalicious and her brother help a tiny mermaid, a merminnie, to go back home. (Also [Pinkalicious](#), [Silverlicious](#))



Klassen, Jon. [We Found a Hat.](#) (E KLA)

Two turtles have found a hat. The hat looks good on both of them. But there are two turtles. And there is only one hat...

Litwin, Eric. [The Nuts: Bedtime at the Nuts House.](#) (E LIT)

Mama Nut says it's bedtime, but Hazel Nut and Wally Nut just aren't quite ready to stop the fun and go to bed. (Also [The Nuts: Sing and Dance in Your Polka-dot Pants](#))



Lomp, Stephan. [Papasaurus.](#) (E LOM)

Babysaurus loves to play hide-and-seek in the jungle with his Papasaurus, but one day Papasaurus hides and Baby cannot find him--so he asks the other dinosaurs for help finding his father.

Long, Ethan. [Pug.](#) (E LON)

After seeing his friend Peg getting a walk outside in the snow Pug must be persistent to convince his teenaged master to take him out for a walk as well.

Long, Loren. [Otis and the Kittens](#). (E LON)

When Otis the tractor becomes trapped in a burning barn, after rescuing kittens, his animal friends and local firefighters come to his aid.



Matheson, Christie. [Plant the Tiny Seed](#). (E MAT)

Plant a seed to watch it grow. Press on the cloud to make it rain. Jiggle the book to scatter the seeds.

McMullen, Kate. [Mama's Kisses](#). (E MCM)

A mother panda bear, elephant, leopard and orangutan follow their rambunctious little ones through the jungle as they try to corral them for bedtime



Messer, Claire. [Grumpy Pants](#). (E MES)

Penguin is having a grumpy day. No matter what he does, he just can't shake it! Sometimes the only thing left to do is wash the grumpy day away and start over.

Murphy, Mary. [Good Night Like This](#). (E MUR)

In rhyming text, baby animals and their parents wish each other good night.

Murray, Alison. [Princess Penelope and the Runaway Kitten](#). (E MUR)

In Royaltown Palace one long lazy day, Princess Penelope wanted to play. But Daddy was reading and Mommy was knitting, so she thought she'd make friends with the mischievous kitten. But then off he ran, with a swish of his tail, leaving behind him a pink woolly trail!

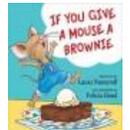


Novak, B.J. [The Book With No Pictures](#). (E NOV)

In this book with no pictures, the reader has to say every silly word, no matter what!

Numeroff, Laura. [If You Give a Mouse a Brownie](#). (E NUM)

If you give a mouse a brownie, he's going to ask for some ice cream to go with it. When you give him the ice cream, he'll probably ask you for a spoon. He'll start drumming on the table. (Also [If You Give a Dog a Donut](#))

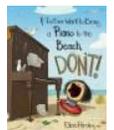


O'Leary, Sara. [A Family is a Family is a Family](#). (E OLE)

When a teacher asks the children in her class to think about what makes their families special, the answers are all different in many ways but the same in the one way that matters most of all.

Parsley, Elise. [If You Ever Want to Bring a Piano to the Beach, Don't!](#) (E PAR)

Magnolia is a little girl with a big idea, determination, and one very heavy upright piano that she insists on taking with her. (Also [If You Ever Want to Bring a Circus to the Library, Don't!](#))



[Pawsome Puppy Adventures](#). (E PAW)

Ryder and his team of dogs describe their characteristics, abilities, favorite activities, and vehicles.

Perez, Monica. [Margret & H.A. Rey's Curious George and the Sleepover](#). (E REY)

George is excited to attend his first sleepover, but he doesn't anticipate how worried he will feel, and luckily, his friends are there to help him overcome his homesickness.

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Pilkey, David. [The Dumb Bunnies](#). (E PIL)

The Dumb Bunnies have a very active day, during which they do many things backwards or wrong.

Redeker, Kent. [Don't Splash the Sasquatch!](#) (E RED)

Senior Sasquatch wants to relax beside Mr. Blobule's pool without getting wet, but he is thoroughly splashed by the other guests, who then pitch in to dry his "squizzilefied" fur.

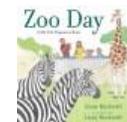


Rex, Adam. [XO, Ox: a Love Story](#). (E REX)

The hilarious tale of an ox who is in love with a gazelle, told in correspondence.

Rockwell, Anne. [Zoo Day](#). (E ROC)

A little boy visits the zoo with his family and marvels at all of the wonders it offers.



Scanlon, Elizabeth. [Bob, Not Bob!](#) (E SCA)

When a young boy gets a cold, he just wants his mommy. But his stuffy nose makes it difficult for him to call out to his mom--not 'Bob,' who happens to be the family dog

Schwartz, Corey Rosen. [Hensel and Gretel, Ninja Chicks](#). (E SCH)

Ninja sisters Hensel and Gretel must rescue their parents from the cornbread cottage of a wily fox. (Also [The Three Ninja Pigs](#), [Ninja Red Riding Hood](#))

Shannon, David. [Duck on a Tractor](#). (E SHA)

Pleased with his success in riding a bike, Duck decides to drive the farm tractor, and invites all the other farm animals along for the ride--all the way to town.



Shaskan, Stephen. [Max Speed](#). (E SHA)

Max goes on the imagined adventure after cleaning his room--over hot lava, through shark-infested waters --until he finds his way back home to his mom and the mess he made of his bedroom.

Shaw, Nancy. [Sheep Go to Sleep](#). (E SHA)

At the end of the day, tired sheep return to their shed but none can sleep until the collie arrives, giving a hug, a drink of water, and more until all have begun to snore.

Smith, Lane. [A Perfect Day](#). (E SMI)

A perfect day, in the warmth of the summer sun, means different things to different animals in Bert's backyard.



Soman, David. [Ladybug Girl and the Best Ever Playdate](#). (E SOM)

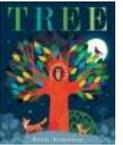
Lulu is excited to play with the toy that her best friend Finny brings over, but when the toy loses a wheel and fixing it becomes a game in itself, Lulu realizes that it's even better to play with Finny.

Taltec, Olivier. [Who What Where?](#) (E TAL)

Simple text asks the readers a series of questions about the characters on each page, and the child must decipher the visual clues to find the answer.

Teckentrup, Britta. [Tree: a Peek-Through Picture Book](#). (E TEC)

A book with peek-through holes that let a child view the changes in a tree throughout the four seasons. (Also [Bee: a Peek-Through Picture Book](#), [Don't Wake Up the Tiger](#), [Get Out of My Bath](#))



Thomas, Jan. [Is That Wise, Pig?](#) (E THO)

Mouse and Cow are making soup, but Pig keeps trying to add strange ingredients.



Tupera, Tupera. [Polar Bear's Underwear](#). (E TUP)

Polar Bear has lost his underwear and he asks his friend, Mouse, to help him find it.

Usher, Sam. [Rain](#). (E USH)

It's raining, but one little boy can't wait to go outside for an adventure with his granddad.

Veldkamp, Tjibbe. [Sam and the Construction Site](#). (E VEL)

Sam enters the construction site on a dare, and ends up saving the day.



Venable, Colleen. [Mervin the Sloth is About to do the Best Thing in the World](#). (E VEN)

Mervin the Sloth very, very slowly reveals the best thing in the world--sharing good times with good friends.



Verde, Susan. [The Water Princess](#). (E VER)

The story of one young girl's quest to bring clean drinking water to her African village.

Ward, Jennifer. [What Will Grow?](#) (E WAR)

Seeds can be big or small, round or pointy, and all sorts of colors. But all seeds have one thing in common--inside each is a new plant life waiting to emerge. What kind of plant will bloom?

Willems, Mo. [Elephant and Piggie Books](#), [Pigeon Books](#), [That is Not a Good Idea](#), [Nanette's Baguette](#). (E WIL)

This celebrity children's book author had nearly 30 titles on the list of most popular picture books. Check them all out and see why.



Wilson, Karma. [Big Bear, Small Mouse](#). (E WIL)

A big bear and a small mouse discover all of the opposites between their animal friends. (Also [Bear's New Friend](#), [Bear Counts](#), [Bear Feels Sick](#), [Bear Sees Colors](#), [Bear's Loose Tooth](#))



Won, Brian. [Hooray For Today!](#) (E WON)

Owl wakes up and is ready to play, but all his friends are sleeping.



Yeh, Kat. [The Friend Ship](#). (E YEH)

A lonely hedgehog sets out on an adventure to find friendship.



Yolen, Jane. [How Do Dinosaurs Stay Friends?](#) (E YOL)

A young dinosaur shows how to stay friends even after having a terrible fight with his very best friend.