Forty Hill recommended book list: Age 0-5

Each Peach Pear Plum

by Janet & Allan Ahlberg Puffin

This classic book from author and illustrator team Janet and Allan Ahlberg is a real favourite with families.

The Jolly Postman or Other People's Letters

by Janet & Allan Ahlberg Puffin

Brilliantly designed with lots of little details to spot, this old favourite will be enjoyed time and time again

The Snowman

by Raymond Briggs Puffin James builds a snowman in the garden, then wakes up in the night to find that it has come to life

Gorilla

by Anthony Browne

Walker Books

Hannah's favourite animals in the whole world are gorillas, but her dad is always too busy to take her to the zoo.

Would You Rather?

by John Burningham Jonathan Cape

Would you rather drink snail squash or eat mashed worms? Help a witch make stew? Tickle a monkey?

Dear Zoo

by Rod Campbell **Campbell Books**

This appealing story, in lift-the-flap, board-book format has been a favourite with toddlers ever since it was first published in 1982.

The Very Hungry Caterpillar

by Eric Carle Puffin

Eric Carle's The Very Hungry Caterpillar deserves its reputation as a much-loved classic.

I Will Not Ever Never Eat a Tomato

by Lauren Child **Orchard Books** Charlie tricks his younger sister, Lola - an extremely fussy eater - into eating all her least favourite foods.

Princess Smartypants

by Babette Cole

Puffin

Princess Smartypants does not want to get married. She enjoys being a Ms. But being a rich and pretty princess means that all the princes want her to become their wife.



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Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy

by Lynley Dodd Puffin

This hilarious rhyming story follows Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy, as he sets off for a walk in town

• Room on the Broom

by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler Macmillan Children's Books

From former Children's Laureate Julia Donaldson and longtime collaborator Axel Scheffler comes this much-loved tale about a witch and her gang of friends.

Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes

by Mem Fox & Helen Oxenbury

Walker Books

This charming first book is perfect for new arrivals.

Little Mouse's Big Book of Fears

by Emily Gravett Macmillan Children's Books

Little Mouse is scared of most things, from creepy crawlies and loud noises, to getting lost.

• Where's Spot?

by Eric Hill Puffin This adorable picture book about Spot the dog is the first in the Spot series

Dogger

by Shirley Hughes Red Fox When Dave loses his favourite toy, Dogger, he is desolate.

Lost and Found

by Oliver Jeffers HarperCollins Children's Books

Once there was a sad, lonely penguin who appeared at the door of a young boy. The boy decided he must be lost, so he set off to find his home.

• The Tiger Who Came to Tea

by Judith Kerr HarperCollins Children's Books

Sophie and her Mummy are having tea in the kitchen when in walks a hungry tiger who asks to stay to tea.

• I Want My Hat Back

by Jon Klassen Walker Books

A bear sets out in search of his hat - he loves his hat and he wants it back















Not now, Bernard

by David McKee

Andersen

The classic tale of Bernard, whose distracted parents fail to notice that their son has been eaten and replaced by a monster.

Meg and Mog

by Helen Nicholl & Jan Pienkowski Puffin

In this the first story about much-loved characters Meg the witch and Mog her cat, the pair go off to a wild Hallowe'en party with all the other witches

• We're Going on a Bear Hunt

by Michael Rosen & Helen Oxenbury Walker Books Follow a father and his family as they go out in search of a bear.

• I Want My Potty!

by Tony Ross Andersen Press

The Little Princess hates nappies, and thinks there must be something better.

Where the Wild Things Are

by Maurice Sendak Red Fox

First published in 1963, this classic picture book will fascinate both children and adults, evoking the fierce intensity of childhood

• The Cat in the Hat

by Dr Seuss

HarperCollins Children's Books

When Sally and her brother are left alone on a rainy day, they think they are in for a dull time - but then the Cat in the Hat appears.

The Elephant and the Bad Baby

by Elfrida Vipont & Raymond Briggs

Puffin

One day, an elephant offers a baby a ride through the town, and the set off on a great adventure.





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