

# “Utilizing Picture Books in the Intermediate Grades”

## Bibliography

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### **Math**

#### Division

*Divide and Ride* – Stuart Murphy

*The Doorbell Rang* – Pat Hutchins

*How Hungry are You?* – Donna Napoli

*A Remainder of One* – Elinor J. Pinczes

#### **Fractions**

*Eating Fractions* – Bruce McMillian

*Fraction Action* – Loreen Leedy

*Fraction Fun* – David Adler

*Gator Pie* – Louise Matthews

*Hershey's Fraction Book* – Pat Hutchins

*Skittles Riddles* – Barbara McGrath

#### **Estimation**

*Betcha!* – Stuart Murphy

#### **Geometry**

*A Cloak for the Dreamer* – Aileen Friedman

*The Greedy Triangle* – Marilyn Burns

*The King's Chessboard* – David Burch

*Sir Cumfrance and the Dragon of Pi* – Cindy Neuschwander

*Sir Cumference and the First Round Table* – Cindy Neuschwander

*Sir Cumference and the Great Knight of Angleland: A Math Adventure* – Cindy Neuschwander

*Spaghetti and Meatballs for All: A Mathematical Story* – Marilyn Burns

#### **Graphing**

*Lemonade for Sale* – Stuart Murphy

*Tiger Math* – Ann Whitehead Nagda

#### **Math Concepts:**

*A Dozen Dozens* – Harriet Ziefert

*Anno's Math Games* – Mitsumasa Anno

*Anno's Magic Seeds* – Mitsumasa Anno

*The Best Vacation Ever* – Stuart Murphy

*Counting of Frank* – Rod Clement

*A Dollar for Penny* – Julie Glass

*The Fly on the Ceiling: A Math Myth* – Julie Glass

*G is for Google* – Stephen Kellogg

*The Grapes of Math* – Greg Tang

*Is a Blue Whale the Biggest Thing There Is?* – Robert Wells

*Knots on a Counting Rope* – Bill Martin & John Archambault

*Marvelous Math: A Book of Poems* – Lee Bennett Hopkins

*Math Curse* – Jon Scieszka

*Math Riddles* – Harriet Ziefert

*More M&M's Brand Chocolate Candies Math* – Barbara McGrath

*Mother Goose Math* – Harriet Ziefert

*Oh, Beyond a Million: An Amazing Math Journey* – David Schwartz

*One Grain of Rice* – Demi

*One Hundred Hungry Ants* – Elinor Pinczes

#### **Measurement**

*How Tall, How Short, How Far Away* – David Adler

*Room for Ripley* – Stuart Murphy

*Super Sandcastle Saturday* – Stuart Murphy

*Twelve Snails to One Lizard: A Tale of Mischief and Measurement* – Susan Hightower

#### **Multiplication**

*Amanda Bean's Amazing Dream* – Cindy Neuschwander

*The Amazing Pop-Up Multiplication Book* – Kate Petty  
*Anno's Mysterious Multiplying Jar* – Mitsumasa Anno  
*Bats on Parade* – Kathi Appelt  
*The Hershey's Milk Chocolate Multiplication Book* – Jerry Pallotta (not yet published – Jan. 2002)

### **Percentages**

*Twizzlers Percentages Book* – Jerry Pallotta (not yet published – Nov. 2001)

### **Probability**

*Jumanji* – Chris Van Allsburg  
*Probably Pistachio* – Stuart Murphy

### **Tangrams**

*Grandfather Tang's Story* – Ann Tompert

## **Language Arts**

### **Character Analysis**

*Amazing Grace* – Mary Hoffman  
*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters* – John Steptoe

### **Conflict/Resolution**

*Agatha's Featherbed* – Carmen Agra Deddy

### **Creative Writing**

*A Boy, a Dog, and a Frog* – Mercer Mayer  
*A Boy, a Dog, A Frog and A Friend* – Mercer Mayer  
*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day* – Judith Viorst  
*The First Forest* – John Gile  
*Flying Saucer Full of Spaghetti* – Fernando Krahn  
*Freefall* – David Wiesner  
*Frog Goes to Dinner* – Mercer Mayer  
*Frog on His Own* – Mercer Mayer  
*Frog Where are You?* – Mercer Mayer  
*Fortunately* – Reny Charlip  
*The Fortune Tellers* – Lloyd Alexander  
*The Important Book* – Margaret Wise Brown  
*The Mysteries of Harris Burdick* – Chris Van Allsburg  
*The Paper Bag Princess* – Robert Munsch  
*The Relatives Came* – Cynthia Rylant  
*Squids will be Squids* – Jon Scieszka  
*Time Flies* – Chris Van Allsburg  
*Tuesday* – David Wiesner

### **Letter Writing**

*Dear Children of Earth: A Letter from Home* – Schim Schimmel  
*Dear Dragon...and Other Useful Letter Forms for Young Ladies and Gentlemen Engaged in Everyday Correspondence* – Sesyle Joslin  
*Dear Mr. Blueberry* – James Simon  
*The Jolly Christmas Postman* – Janet and Allan Ahlberg  
*The Jolly Postman, of Other People's Letters* – Janet and Allan Ahlberg  
*The Teacher from the Black Lagoon* – Mike Thaler

### **Parody**

*The Book that Jack Wrote* – Jon Scieszka  
*The Frog Prince Continued* – Jon Scieszka  
*Slender Ella and Her Fairy Hogfather* – Vivian Sathre  
*The Stinky Cheese Man* – Jon Scieszka

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### **Parts of Speech**

*Behind the Mask: A Book About Prepositions* – Ruth Heller  
*A Cache of Jewels and Other Collective Nouns* – Ruth Heller  
*Fantastic! Wow! and Unreal!: A Book About Interjections and Conjunctions* – Ruth Heller  
*Hairy, Scary, Ordinary: What is an Adjective?* – Brian Cleary  
*Kites Sail High: A Book About Verbs* – Ruth Heller  
*Many Luscious Lollipops: A Book About Adjectives* – Ruth Heller  
*Merry-Go-Round: A Book About Nouns* – Ruth Heller

*Mine, All Mine: A Book About Pronouns* – Ruth Heller  
*Up, Up and Away: A Book About Adverbs* – Ruth Heller

### **Personification**

*Stella Luna* – Janell Cannon

### **Play on Words (Vocabulary)**

*A Chocolate Moose For Dinner* – Fred Gwynne  
*Crash, Bang, and Boom* – Peter Spier  
*Fingers are Always Bringing Me News* – May O’Neil  
*Miss Alaineus: A Vocabulary Distaster* – Debra Frasier  
*Ounce Dice Trice* – Alastar Reid  
*The King Who Rained* – Fred Gwynne  
*The Sixteen Hand Horse* – Fred Gwynne  
*What is that Sound* – May O’Neil  
*What is that Thing? Whose Stuff if This?* – John Gile

### **Poetry**

*The Book Worms Feast: A Potluck of Poems* – Lewis  
*Honey, I Love and Other Love Poems* – Eloise Greenfield  
*In a Spring Garden* – Richard Lewis  
*My Man Blue* – Nikki Grimes  
*Pass it On: An African American Poetry for Children* – Wade Hudson  
*Poetry for Young People: Carl Sandburg* – Frances Bolin (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Edgar Allan Poe* – Brod Bagert (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Emily Dickinson* – Frances Schoonmaker (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Henry Wadsworth Longfellow* – Frances Schoonmaker (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Lewis Carroll* – Edward Mendelson (ed.)  
*Poetry for Young People: Robert Browning* – Eileen Gillooly (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Robert Frost* – Gary Schmidt (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Robert Lewis Stevenson* – Frances Schoonmaker (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Rudyard Kipling* – Eileen Gillooly (ed)  
*Poetry for Young People: Walt Whitman* – Jim Burke (ed)  
*Popcorn* – James Stevenson

### **Point of View**

*Encounter* – Jane Yolen  
*Morning Milking* – Linda Morris  
*Piggie Pie!* – Margie Palatini  
*Something Beautiful* – Sharon Wyeth  
*The Three Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig* – Eugene Trivizas  
*The True Story of the Three Little Pigs* – Jon Scieszka

### **Reading Motivation/Literacy**

*Amber on the Mountain* – Tony Johnston  
*Aunt Chip and the Triple Creek Dam Affair* – Patricia Polacco  
*Book* – George Ella Lyon  
*The Girl Who Hated Books* – Manjusha Pawagi  
*I Can Read with My Eyes Shut* – Dr. Seuss  
*Library Lil* – Suzanne Williams

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*Oh, How I Wished I Could Read* – John Gile  
*Oh, the Places You’ll Go!* – Dr. Seuss  
*Oh, the Thinks You Can Think* – Dr. Seuss  
*More Than Anything Else* – Marie Bradby  
*Papa’s Stories* – Delores Johnson  
*Read to Me Momma* – Vashanti Rahaman  
*Richard Wright and the Library Card* – William Miller  
*Thank You, Mr. Faulker* – Patricia Polacco  
*Wednesday Surprise* – Eve Bunting  
*Wolf* – Becky Bloom

### **Setting**

*The Three Little Javelina’s* – Susan Lowell

## **Symbolism**

*Fly Away Home* – Even Bunting

*The Roosters Gift* – Pam Conrad

## **Social Studies**

### **African American History**

*Amistad: A Long Road to Freedom* – Walter Dean Myers

*At the Crossroads* – Rachel Isadora

*Black Snowman* – Jacob Miller

*Chicken Sunday* – Patricia Polacco

*Christmas in the Big House/Christmas in the Quarters* – Patricia McKissack

*Cornrows* – Camille Yarbrough

*From Slave Ship to Freedom Road* – Rod Brown

*Follow the Drinking Gourd* – Jeanete Winter

*Harlem* – Walter Dean Myers

*Smoky Night* – Eve Bunting

*The Sound that Jazz Makes* – Carole Boston Weatherford

*Sweet Clara and the Freedom Quilt* – Deborah Hopkinson

*Tar Beach* – Faith Ringgold

*Through My Eyes* – Ruby Bridges

*The Wagon* – Tony Johnston

### **Ancient Civilizations**

*Hieroglyphs from A to Z* – Peter Der Manuelian

*Look at the Moon* – May Garelick

### **Asian American History**

*Grandfather's Journey* – Allen Say

*Stranger in the Mirror* – Allen Say

### **Biographies**

*Amelia and Elanor Go for a Ride* – Pam Munoz Ryan

*Bard of Avon: The Story of William Shakespeare* – Diane Stanley

*Charles Dickens: The Man Who Had Great Expectations* – Diane Stanley

*Cleopatra* – Diane Stanley

*Coming Home: From the Life of Langston Hughes* – Floyd Cooper

*Duke Ellington* – Andrea Davis Pikney

*Eleanor* – Barbara Cooney

*Good Queen Bess: The Story of Elizabeth I of England* – Diane Stanley

*Joan of Arc* – Diane Stanley

*Leonardo Da Vinci* – Diane Stanley

*Michelangelo* – Diane Stanley

*Minty: A Story of Young Harriet Tubman* – Alan Schroeder

*My Dream of Martin Luther King* – Faith Ringgold

*Peter the Great* – Diane Stanley

### **Civil Rights Movement**

*Freedom School, Yes!* – Amy LittleSugar

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*I Have a Dream* – Martin Luther King, Jr.

*If a Bus Could Talk: The Story of Rosa Parks* – Faith Ringgold

### **Civil War**

*Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky* – Faith Ringgold

*Diary of a Drummer Boy* – Marlene Brill

*Pink and Say* – Patricia Polacco

*The Promise Quilt* – Candice Ransom

### **Colonial America**

*The First Thanksgiving* – Jean Craighead George

*On the Mayflower* – Kate Waters

*Samuel Eaton's Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Boy* – Kate Waters

*Sarah Morton's Day: A Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Girl* – Kate Waters

*The Thanksgiving Story* – Alice Dalgliesh

### **Depression Era**

*The Gardener* – Sarah Stewart

*Potato* – Kate Lied

*Something Permanent* – Cynthia Rylant

## **Immigration**

*A Day's Work* – Eve Bunting  
*How Many Days to America?* – Eve Bunting  
*Immigrant Kids* – Russell Freedman  
*Peppe the Lamplighter* – Elisa Bartone  
*The Memory Coat* – Elvira Woodruff  
*My Grandmother's Journey* – John Cech  
*Watch the Stars Come Out* – Riki Levinson  
*When I First Came to This Land* – Harriet Ziefert

## **Native American History**

*Abuelita's Heart* – Amy Cordova  
*Children of the Earth and Sky* – Stephen Krensky  
*Hiawatha* – Henry Wadsworth Longfellow  
*Knots on a Counting Rope* – Bill Martin Jr. & John Archambault  
*The Legend of the Indian Paintbrush* – Tomie dePaola  
*Love Flute* – Paul Goble

## **Religions**

*Hanukkah* – Miriam Nerlove  
*Just Plain Fancy* – Patricia Polacco  
*Mrs. Katz and Tush* – Patricia Polacco  
*Tikvah Means Hope* – Patricia Polacco  
*The Trees of the Dancing Goats* – Patricia Polacco  
*What is Hanukkah?* – Harriet Ziefert

## **Revolutionary War**

*Boston Tea Party* – Pamela Edwards  
*Paul Revere's Ride* – Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

## **Vietnam**

*Grandfather's Dream* – Holly Keller  
*Journey Home* – Lawrence McKay  
*Sweet Dried Apples: A Vietnamese Wartime Childhood* – Rosemary Breckler  
*The Wall* – Eve Bunting

## **War/Conflict**

*All Those Secrets of the World* – Jane Yolen  
*The Butter Battle Book* – Dr. Seuss  
*The Cello of Mr. O* – Jane Cutler  
Westward Expansion  
*Going West* – Jean Van Leeuwen  
*Gold Fever* – Verla Kay  
World War II/Holocaust  
*Baseball Saved Us* – Ken Mochizuki  
*The Bracelet* – Yoshiko Uchida  
*The Butterfly* – Patricia Polacco  
*The Faithful Elephants* – Yukio Tsuchiya  
*Hiding from the Nazis* – David Adler  
*Let the Celebrations Begin* – Margaret Wild  
*The Lily Cupboard: A Story of the Holocaust* – Shulamith Oppenheim  
*One Yellow Daffodil* – David Adler  
*Pearl Harbor Child* – Dorinda Nicholson  
*Rose Blanche* – Roberto Innocetti  
*Star of Fear, Star of Hope* – Jo Hoestlandt  
*Terrible Things: An Allegory of the Holocaust* – Eve Bunting

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## **Science**

### **Animals**

*Animals Nobody Loves* – Seymour Simon  
*Big Cats* – Seymour Simon  
*Bird Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*Butterfly Alphabet* – Kjell Sandved  
*The Butterfly Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*Crocodiles and Alligators* – Seymour Simon  
*The Freshwater Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*Frog Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta

*Furry Animal Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*Gorillas* – Seymour Simon  
*How to Hide a Crocodile* – Ruth Heller  
*How to Hide a Parakeet* – Ruth Heller  
*The Icky Bug Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*They Walk the Earth: The Extraordinary Travel of Animals on Land* – Seymour Simon  
*Saving Endangered Birds! Ensuring a Future in the Wild* – Thane Maynard  
*Snakes* – Seymour Simon  
*Wolves* - Seymour Simon  
*Yucky Reptile Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta

### **Biography**

*Starry Messenger* – Peter Sis  
*Talking with Adventurers* – Pat Cummings

### **Climates**

*Antarctic Diary* – Trish Hart  
*The Desert Alphabet Book* - Jerry Palotta  
*Deserts* – Seymour Simon  
*Icebergs and Glaciers* - Seymour Simon

### **Ecology/Nature**

*Earth Keeper* – Joan Anderson  
*Everglades* – J. C. George  
*The Great Kapok Tree* – Lynn Cherry  
*Just a Dream* – Chris Van Allsburg  
*Loon Lake* – Ron Hirschi  
*Marshes and Swamps* – Gail Gibbons  
*Wildfires* - Seymour Simon  
*Vanishing Habitats* – Noel Simon  
*Volcanoes* – Seymour Simon

### **Experiments/Observations**

*The Grouchy Ladybug* – Eric Carle  
*Peanuts, Popcorn, Ice Cream, Candy and Soda Pop – How They Began* – Solveig Russell  
*June 29, 1999* – David Wiesner

### **Human Body**

*Bones: Our Skeletal System* – Seymour Simon  
*The Brain: Our Nervous System* – Seymour Simon

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*The Heart: Our Circulatory System* – Seymour Simon  
*Muscles: Our Muscular System* – Seymour Simon  
*Stephen Biesty's Incredible Body* – S. Richard Platt

### **Planets and Space**

*Comets, Meteors, and Asteroids* - Seymour Simon  
*Destination: Jupiter* - Seymour Simon  
*Destination: Mars*– Seymour Simon  
*Galaxies* – Seymour Simon  
*Mars* – Seymour Simon  
*Mercury* – Seymour Simon  
*Neptune* – Seymour Simon  
*Nova's Ark* – David Kirk  
*Our Solar System* – Seymour Simon  
*Saturn* – Seymour Simon  
*Stars* – Seymour Simon  
*Sun* – Seymour Simon  
*The Universe* - Seymour Simon  
*Uranus* – Seymour Simon  
*Venus* - Seymour Simon

### **Plants**

*The Flower Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*The Tiny Seed* – Eric Carle

### **Sea Life**

*Dory Story* – Jerry Pallotta  
*The Ocean Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*Oceans* – Seymour Simon

*Out of the Ocean* – Debra Frasier  
*Sea Songs* – Myra Livingston  
*Sharks* - Seymour Simon  
*They Swim the Seas: The Mysteries of Animal Migration* – Seymour Simon  
*The Underwater Alphabet Book* – Jerry Pallotta  
*Whales* - Seymour Simon

**Weather**

*Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* – Jui Barrett  
*Earthquakes* - Seymour Simon  
*Lightening* – Seymour Simon  
*Storms* - Seymour Simon  
*Snowflake Bentley* – Jacqueline Martin  
*Tornadoes* - Seymour Simon  
*Weather* - Seymour Simon

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