BOOKS FOR BEGINNING READERS



FICTION Find these titles in the Beginning to Read section, organized by author's last name.

Don't Throw It to Mo!

David A. Adler (EADL)

Mo is teased by the kids on the rival football team for being a 'butterfingers' who's too tiny to catch the ball, but Mo's coach has a plan up his sleeve to turn Mo's little size into a big win.

Young Cam Jansen and the Dinosaur Game

David A. Adler (EADL)

When 8-year-old sleuth Cam Jansen and her friend Eric go to a birthday party, she uses her photographic memory to solve the puzzle of the dinosaur count.

Dusty Flies High

Susan Amerikaner (EAME)

Dusty dreams of being a racer, but can he fly high enough to win the big race?

Make a Trade, Charlie Brown!

Darice Bailer (EBAI)

Team manager Charlie Brown is so desperate to win a baseball game that he tries to trade Lucy, his worst player, but he ends up trading Snoopy, his best player.

Football Fumble

Karen Barss (EBAR)

The football team's coach goes missing before the final game! Can Martha save the day before the Wagstaff dogs end up in the doghouse?

Martha Go, Go, Goes Green!

Karen Barss (EBAR)

Martha and Helen want to enter Wagstaff City's Go Green Go-Cart Race, but first they must visit the junkyard to find what they need to build a solar-powered cart.

The Berenstain Bears and the Shaggy Little Pony

Jan Berenstain (EBER)

Brother and Sister offer to help care for Oscar the pony in exchange for riding lessons from Farmer Ben.

Bears on Wheels

Stan and Jan Berenstain (E BER)

An acrobatic act begins with one bear on a unicycle and ends with 21 bears and 16 wheels flying through the air.

Biscuit Plays Ball

Alyssa Satin Capucilli (ECAP)

Biscuit is excited to be at the ball game, but no dogs are allowed to play. Can the determined puppy find a way to join in the fun?

The Dog That Pitched a No-Hitter

Matt Christopher (E CHR)

Mike's telepathic dog Harry is able to send him secret signals about the opposing players on the baseball field, but Mike's weak pitching arm requires them to find another plan to save the game.

The Big Balloon Race

Eleanor Coerr (E COE)

Ariel almost causes her famous mother to lose a balloon race and then helps her win it.

Baseball Ballerina

Kathryn Cristaldi (ECRI)

A baseball-loving girl worries that the ballet class her mother forces her to take will ruin her reputation with the other members of her baseball team.

Pete the Cat: Play Ball

James Dean (E PET DEA)

Pete the Cat is ready to play baseball! Pete's team, the Rocks, is playing the Rolls. But when the game doesn't go Pete's way, what will Pete do?

A Team Stays Together!

Tony Dungy (EDUN)

While the Dungy family is getting snacks at halftime during brother Eric's football game, Jordan gets separated from his parents and other siblings.

Mia and the Dance for Two

Robin Farley (E FAR)

Mia and her friends are excited to learn a new dance, but on class day Mia finds herself without a partner.

Mia and the Tiny Toe Shoes

Robin Farley (E FAR)

Mia gets to be teacher for the day in the little girls' class! But when the tiny dancers can't seem to learn the steps, Mia needs a new plan. Can Mia save the day — and the dance?

Dixie Wins the Race

Grace Gilman (EGIL)

When Emma falls, Dixie runs the race for her so they both win!

The Trail Ride

Cathy Hapka (EHAP)

Meg, Jill and Annie know how to ride their ponies. But when they decide to go out on the trail alone, will they be able to find their way home?

I Spy: A Game to Read and Play

Caitlin Haynes (E HAY)

The popular rhyming nursery game comes to Sesame Street, inviting the youngest readers to identify familiar characters and objects and explore early-learning concepts such as colors, shapes and sizes.

The Ball Book

Margaret Hillert (E HIL)

People play a variety of games involving balls on the big ball that is Earth.

Pinky and Rex and the Spelling Bee

James Howe (EHOW)

Excited about holding onto his position as the best speller in the second grade, Pinky has an embarrassing accident, but is cheered up by his best friend Rex.

Splat the Cat: The Name of the Game

Lin Amy Hsu (E HSU)

Splat the Cat is excited to play games with his friends — until he loses every game! Will Splat find a way to have fun?

Pinkalicious: Soccer Star

Victoria Kann (EKAN)

Pinkalicious and her soccer team, the Pinksters, play their first game against the Ravens. When the ball is kicked off the field, Pinkalicious chases it and is picked up by Goldilicious for a trip around the world.

Pinkalicious: Tutu-rrific

Victoria Kann (EKAN)

When a mix-up causes her to be placed in the big kids' ballet class rather than her best friend Alison's, Pinkalicious tries to hold her own.

I Can Ride!

Lynn Maslen Kertell (E KER)

Jack is learning how to ride a bike with his dad's help. Will Jack be able to do it?

Big Bird Says: A Game to Read and Play

Sharon Lerner (ELER)

Sesame Street Muppet characters play a game in which they obey commands from Big Bird.

Softball Practice

Grace Maccarone (EMACC)

Although they are left at the wrong park, two friends manage to have their own softball practice.

The Juggle Puzzle

Sindy McKay (EMACK)

Dean can juggle a tiger, a goat and a pot of stew! He is good at juggling, but when he has to cross a river, he has to solve a puzzle. How can he get across the river without the tiger eating the goat or the goat eating the stew?

Just a Special Day

Mercer Mayer (EMAY)

When Mom and Little Sister go to town, Little Critter and his dad share a day of fun involving playing games, meeting new friends and preparing a special surprise for their return home.

A Fairy Treasure Hunt

Daisy Meadows (E MEA)

Queen Titania sends the Jewel Fairies on a special treasure hunt in Fairyland.

Fancy Nancy and the Mean Girl

Jane O'Connor (E OCO)

Feeling bad about last year's Field Day, in which her slow running cost the relay team a victory, Nancy finds herself facing another Field Day and another relay race with a mean classmate.

Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia

Peggy Parish (EPAR)

Amelia Bedelia, who knows very little about baseball, stands in for a sick player during a game.

Mr. Putter & Tabby Dance the Dance

Cynthia Rylant (ERYL)

Reluctantly, Mr. Putter and his cat, Tabby, agree to go ballroom dancing with Mrs. Teaberry and her dog, Zeke.

Mr. Putter & Tabby Drop the Ball

Cynthia Rylant (ERYL)

Mr. Putter and his cat Tabby take time off from napping to play on the Yankee Doodle Dandies baseball team.

Martha Speaks: Play Ball!

Marcy Goldberg Sacks (ESAC)

Martha helps her friend Truman develop his baseball skills.

LEGO Friends: Let's Go Riding

Catherine Saunders (E LEG SAU)

Join Mia and her horse pal Bella on their most fun adventure yet.

Green Eggs and Ham

Dr. Seuss (E SEU)

A "chef" tries to get a mouse, a fox and a goat to try his new cuisine.

Paddywack

Stephanie Spinner (ESPI)

Paddywack is a spunky pony who jumps, trots and walks beautifully, as long as his rider remembers his treats.

Loose Tooth

Anastasia Suen (E SUE)

Peter can't decide if he wants his loose tooth to fall out. If it falls out, he will have a gap in his smile for the school pictures, but money from the tooth fairy will help him buy a new basketball.

Curious George: Home Run

Erica Zappy (E CUR ZAP)

Curious George goes to his first baseball game and discovers that he needs to know about numbers to keep score.



NONFICTION

Find these titles in Easy Nonfiction, organized by call number, then author's last name.

Record Breakers: The Most Dangerous

Philip Steele (E591.65 STE)

This is a no-holds-barred look at some of the most perilous situations in the world including deadly animals, extreme sports, daredevil stunts and large-scale natural hazards.

Robots

Melissa Stewart (E629.892 STE)

Discover robots of today and tomorrow in this photo-packed easy reader.

Can You See What I See?

Walter Wick (E793.73 WIC)

Read the words and find the hidden objects in the brain-teasing picture puzzles.

Soccer!

Dev Ross (E796.334 ROS)

Learn how games like soccer have been played for thousands of years and about Pele and Mia Hamm, two of the best soccer players in history!