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ABC COMPLEMENTARY BOOK LIST

*Available in Spanish

The books on this list complement the ABC program. Principals, teachers, ABC volunteers, noon supervisors, fun visors, day-care providers, etc. can select from the books listed to continue the conversation started during ABC reading or to reinforce tools students have learned. Please preview the books to make sure that they will be appropriate for your audience.

Books from this list are not intended to be read in place of ABC books.

Asset Year 1

**Have You Filled a Bucket Today?* and *Growing Up with a Bucketful of Happiness* by Carol McCloud

- *Bucket Filling is as Easy as A to Z, The Key to Being Happy* by Carol McCloud
- *Will You Fill My Bucket?* by Carol McCloud and Karen Wells
- *How Full is Your Bucket? for Kids* by Tom Rath and Mary Reckmeyer
- *The Original Warm Fuzzy Tale* by Claude Steiner

Simon's Hook by Karen Gedig Burnett

- **Just Kidding* by Trudy Ludwig
- *Bully on the Bus* by Carl W. Bosch
- *Choose Your Life* by Karen Gedig Burnett (6th to High school)

Say Something by Peggy Moss

- *A Tale of Sir Dragon: Dealing with Bullies for Kids* by Jean E. Pendziwol
- *The Juice Box Bully: Empowering Kids to Stand Up* by Bob Sornson and Maria Dismundy
- *Dare!* by Erin Frankel

**Mr. Peabody's Apples* by Madonna

- *The Student from Zombie Island: Conquering the Rumor Monster* by Michael J. Morrehead
- *Bully* by Patricia Polacco

Nobody Knew What to Do by Becky Ray McCain

- *Don't Squeal Unless It's a Big Deal* by Jeanie Franz Ransom and Jackie Urbanovic
- *Zachary and the Magic Spectacles* by Rachel Freiermiller Sivek
- *Tough!* by Erin Frankel
- *Just Kidding* by Trudy Ludwig
- *Dorie Witt's Guide to Surviving Bullies* by Brigitte Berman

**Empty Pot* by Demi

- *The Greatest Power* by Demi
- *A Teaspoon of Courage for Kids* by Bradley Trevor Greive
- *A Day's Work* by Eve Bunting
- *Engine Number Ten, A Nearly True Tale Told* by Rose Ann Woolpert
- *Try and Stick With It* by Cheri Meiners (K-2)

**Chrysanthemum* by Kevin Henkes

- *Trouble Talk* by Trudy Ludwig
- *The Name Jar* by Yangsook Choi
- *I'm Gonna Like Me* by Jamie Lee Curtis and Laura Cornell
- *Nora the Mind Reader* by Orit Gidali

Recess Queen by Alexis O'Neill

- *King of the Playground* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
- *Join In and Play* by Cheri Meiners (K-2)
- *Bullies are a Pain in the Brain* by Trevor Romain

Building Year 2

Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell

- *Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun: Having the Courage to Be Who You Are* by Kimberly Shaw Peterson
- *I Like Me* by Jamie Lee Curtis
- *Big Mean Mike* by Michelle Knudsen

One by Kathryn Otoshi

- *Zero* by Kathryn Otoshi
- *Juice Box Bully : Empowering Kids to Stand Up* by Bob Sornson and Maria Dismundy
- *Tough* by Erin Frankel
- *Bully Blockers Club* by Teresa Bateman
- *Ally Oops* by Janice Levy

Don't Laugh at Me by Steve Seskin or *If the World Were Blind* by Karen Gedig Burnett

- *Odd Velvet* by Mary Whitcomb
- *One Green Apple* by Eve Bunting
- *The Only One Club* by Jane Naliboff
- *Birds of a Different Feather* by Matthew Beasley
- *The Skin You Live In* by Michael Tyler
- *Understand and Care* by Cheri Meiners (K-2)

*The Blue Day Book **for Kids*** by Bradley Trevor Greive or *Today I Feel Silly* by Jamie Lee Curtis

- *My Many Colored Days* by Dr. Seuss
- *Grandpa Bear's Fantastic Scarf* by Gillian Heal
- *Michael Rosen's Sad Book* by Michael Rosen and Quentin Blake.
- *See How I Feel* by Julie Aigner-Clark

- *What is a Thought? (A Thought is a Lot)* by Jack Pransky and Amy Kahofer
- *Silly Billy* by Anthony Browne

Salt in His Shoes by Deloris Jordan or *Long Shot* by Chris Paul

- *Dream, A Tale of Wonder, Wisdom and Wishes* by Susan V. Bosak
- *Inch and Miles, The Journey to Success* by Coach John Wooden

**My Secret Bully and Confessions of a Former Bully* by Trudy Ludwig

- *Trouble Talk* by Trudy Ludwig
- *Weird!* by Erin Frankel
- *Bully* by Patricia Polacco
- *Cliques, Phonies, & Other Baloney* by Trevor Romain

Enemy Pie by Derek Munson

- *The English Roses* by Madonna
- *Something Else* by Kathryn Cave
- *My Big Lie* by Bill Cosby
- *Dear Ichiro* by Jean Davies Okimoto

The OK book by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

- *If I Never Forever Endeavor* by Holly Meade
- *Howard B. Wigglebottom Listens to His Heart* by Howard Binkow
- *Beautiful Oops* by Barney Saltzberg

Champion Year 3

*Friends to the End **for Kids*** by Bradley Trevor Greive

- *The Blue Ribbon Day* by Katie Couric
- *Making Friends is an Art* by Julia Cook
- *Friends of a Feather* by Bill Cosby
- *How to Lose All Your Friends* by Nancy Carlson
- *Being Friends* by Karen Beaumont.
- *Best Friends for Francis* by Russell Hoban.
- *Since We're Friends: An Autism Picture Book* by Celeste Shally and David Harrington

Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae

- *Somebody Loves You Mr. Hatch* by Eileen Spinelli
- *Snail and the Whale* by Julia Cook
- *The Brand New Kid* by Katie Couric
- *Blue Ribbon Day* by Katie Couric

BIG by Colleen Praetore

- *Each Kindness* by Jacqueline Woodson
- *A Little Peace* by Barbara Kerley
- *One Smile* by Cindy McKinley
- *Ordinary Mary's Extraordinary Deed* by Emily Pearson
- *Lessons From A Street Kid* by Craig Kielburger

- *One Hen, How one small loan can make a big difference* by Katie Smith Milway
- *Reach Out and Give* by Cheri Meiners (K-2)

When Sophie Gets Angry – Really, Really Angry by Molly Bang

- *Sometimes I’m Bambaloo* by Rachel Vail
- *What is a Thought? (A Thought is a Lot)* by Jack Pransky and Amy Kahofer

Through My Eyes by Ruby Bridges, *Ruby Bridges Goes to School* by Ruby Bridges

- *Oliver Button is a Sissy* by Tommie dePaola
- *White Socks* by Evelyn Coleman
- *The Other Side* by Jacqueline Woodson

How do I Stand in your Shoes? by Susan DeBell, Ph.D.

- *The Sandal Artist* by Kathleen T. Pelley
- *Understand and Care* by Cheri Meiners (K-2)
- *Stand in my Shoes: Kids Learning About Empathy* by Bob Soreson

Sebastian’s Roller Skates by Joan de Deu Prats

- *The Exclamation Point* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal
- *Only One You* by Linda Krantz
- *Howard B. Wigglebottom Listens to His Heart* by Howard Binkow
- *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds
- *A Bad Case of Stripes* by David Shannon
- *Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge* by Mem Fox

Thank You, Mr. Falker by Patricia Polacco

- *Junkyard Wonders* by Patricia Polacco
- *Your Fantastic Elastic Brain* by JoAnn Deak Ph.D
- *You’re Smarter Than You Think-A Kid’s Guide to Multiple Intelligences* by Thomas Armstrong

All School Years

*Who Moved My Cheese **for Kids*** by Dr. Spencer Johnson & Christian Johnson

- *Who Moved MY Cheese for Teens* by Dr. Spencer Johnson (May be Appropriate for 6th grade and up)
- *Choose Your Life* by Karen Burnett

Supplemental

**Just Kidding* by Trudy Ludwig

- *Sorry* by Trudy Ludwig