2023 2X2 Annotated Reading List

The 2X2 Committee’s charge is to produce a list of 20 recommended books for children, age two to grade two.

Dominguez, Angela. *I'm Hungry!/Tengo Hambre!* Henry Holt and Company. ISBN 9781250779960. $18.99. Dinosaur is hungry, but thankfully Bird is here to help! Does Dinosaur want… plátanos? pescado? pan? Bird and Dinosaur go back and forth in English and Spanish before settling on a delicious treat for both of them.

Fleming, Meg. *I Was Born a Baby.* HarperCollins. ISBN 9780063157217. $17.99. From human kids to goat kids, animals find that some are born with unique names while some are the same. With fun rhymes and the enchanting refrain, "No way! No how! That can't be!" readers won't be able to help but chant along.

Forsythe, Matthew. *Mina.* Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman Books. ISBN 9781481480413. $17.99. Mina the mouse doesn’t usually worry about all the weird things her father brings home, until one day he brings her a BIG surprise: a squirrel that looks suspiciously like a cat.


Goade, Michaela. *Berry Song.* Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. ISBN 9780316494175. $18.99. Written and Illustrated by Caldecott Medalist Michaela Goade, Berry Song is an ode to the land where her family has foraged for berries and salmon for many seasons and invites readers to find their own connection with the land and the gifts it provides.

McGinty, Alice B. *Bathe the Cat.* Illustrated by David Roberts. ISBN 978-1452142708. $17.99. Grandma Marge is coming soon! Quick, someone grab the broom! Dad, Daddy, Sarah and Bobby have a long list of chores to get done, but their meddling house cat has other plans.
Monsen, Avery. *Chester Van Chime Who Forgot How to Rhyme*. Illustrated by Abby Hanlon. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers. ISBN 9780759554825. $17.99. Chester Van Chime wakes up one morning, and forgets how to…..make words sound the same. This hilarious story will have children and adults shouting the words to help poor Chester find the rhyme.

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Snyder, Laurel. *Endlessly Ever After: Pick Your Path to Countless Fairy Tale Endings!* Illustrated by Dan Santat. Chronicle Books. ISBN 9781452144825. $18.99. Little Red Riding Hood or Rosie as her mama calls her, is on her way to grandma’s house but what if she can choose which path to take and what to do? This interactive story allows the reader to choose what happens next in the story and it just may take an interesting turn meeting other fairy tale characters.


Syed, Anoosha. *That's Not My Name!* Viking Books for Young Readers. ISBN 9780593405178. $17.99. Mirha has a beautiful name that means happiness in Arabic but when she starts school all her friends and teachers have a hard time pronouncing her name.


Van Dusen, Chris. *Big Truck Little Island.* Candlewick. ISBN 9781536203936. $17.99. When a big truck gets stuck, the youngest members of an island community work together to find a solution. Inspired by a true story from an island community near the coast of Maine.

Weill, Cynthia. *¡Vámonos!* Cinco Puntos Press. ISBN 9781947627604. $19.95. Buses, tricycles, cars, and more! Where is everyone headed? The library, of course! Vibrant and colorful modes of transport hold fanciful animals on the move in this bilingual celebration of Oaxacan folk art. ¡Vámanos! Let’s go!