



Classic books

***Handa's Surprise* by Eileen Browne**

Watch carefully as Handa's basket of delicious fruits, carried on her head, is nibbled from above as she walks to her friend's village.

***The Shopping Basket* by John Burningham**

Another basket, another walk, another world, more animal encounters.

***Dear Zoo* by Rod Campbell**

If you want a pet why not write to the zoo? Who knows what they will choose for you.

***So Much* by Trish Cooke, illustrated by Helen Oxenbury**

So many visitors, so much attention, so much excitement for one much loved baby.

***The Blue Balloon* by Trish Cooke**

The day after a party doesn't have to be dull. Not if you are lucky enough to find magic in the garden.

***There's No Such Thing As A Dragon* by Jack Kent**

Oh yes there is!

***The Tiger Who Came To Tea* by Judith Kerr**

Stock up on tiger food just in case something big, furry, stripy and very hungry should drop by.

***Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?* by Bill Martin, illustrated by Eric Carle**

Turn the pages very slowly to guess what the animals can see and absorb the colours at the same time.

***Peace At Last* by Jill Murphy**

Even bears can suffer from sleepless nights. It doesn't help when you are surrounded by night time noises.

***My Cat Likes To Hide In Boxes* by Eve Sutton, illustrated by Lynley Dodd**

It's surprising just how cats around the world spend their time. But my cat sticks with boxes.

***The Elephant And The Bad Baby* by Elfreda Vipont, illustrated by Raymond Briggs**

You too can go 'rumpeta, rumpeta, rumpeta, all down the road' with this tale of mayhem through the town, collecting goodies as you go.



***Owl Babies* by Martin Waddell, illustrated by Patrick Benson**

The ultimate owl story – words and pictures perfection. Is there anyone who doesn't dissolve while reading or listening to the ending?

***Peepo* by Janet and Allan Ahlberg**

This looking-game book is set in the past, with a big pram and loads of washing. Questions encourage you to examine each picture and for babies to look 'inside' and see how the small picture in the hole and the big picture fit together. Everyone loves joining in with the 'Peepo!' response!

***The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle**

How can the hungry caterpillar change into a butterfly? By eating as much food as it can! Little fingers can follow it through all of the holes that it makes as it munches.

***The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson, pictures by Axel Scheffer**

Bold little mouse sets off on a stroll through the deep, dark forest. Little does he know, Fox, owl, and snake see him as a tasty snack! How can he keep himself safe? This is a brilliant rhyming book about trickery and cunning.