

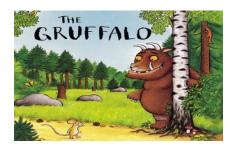
Owl babies: Walker Books Ltd; (8 Sep 1994) ISBN-10: 0744531675 ISBN-13: 978-0744531671

Three baby owls, Sarah, Percy and Bill, wake up one night in their hole in a tree to find that their mother has gone. So they sit on a branch and wait. Darkness gathers and the owls grow anxious, wondering when their mother will return. But, at last, she does, and they bounce up and down with joy, welcoming her home.



Stick Man: Publisher: Alison Green Books (7 Sep 2009) ISBN-10: 1407108824 ISBN-13: 978-1407108827

"Stick Man lives in the family tree With his Stick Lady Love and their stick children three." But it's dangerous being a Stick Man. A dog wants to play with him, a swan builds her nest with him. He even ends up on a fire! Will he ever get back to the family tree?

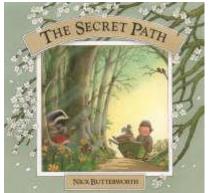


The Gruffalo and The Gruffalo's Child: Macmillan Children's Books (27 Aug 1999) ISBN-10: 0333710932 ISBN-13: 978-0333710937

"A mouse took a stroll through the deep dark wood.

A fox saw the mouse and the mouse looked good."

Walk further into the deep dark wood, and discover what happens when the quick-thinking mouse comes face to face with an owl, a snake and a hungry gruffalo . . .



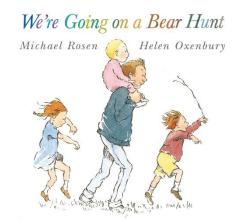
Percy the Park Keeper series: HarperCollins Children's Books

Any one of the books in the series has opportunities for links with Forest School sessions. See one review below.

Percy the Park Keeper goes on a rescue mission with his animal friends in this engaging story from highly-regarded, best-selling author-illustrator Nick Butterworth. Includes a surprise fold-out page!

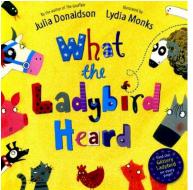
Percy the park keeper is having a day off. It is a perfect day for doing nothing. But Percy's peaceful picnic is disturbed when a

little rabbit meets with a nasty tumble into an old well. All the animals gather together with a huge rope to help pull the rabbit out. But all they tug from the well is the branch of a tree. But the rabbit has already found her own way out...through a passage under the ground and she's at the end of the line with the other animals lending a hand!



We're going on a Bear Hunt: Walker Books Ltd (16 Sep 1993) ISBN-10: 0744523230 ISBN-13: 978-0744523232

Follow the family's excitement as they wade through the grass, splash through the river and squelch through the mud in search of the bear. What a surprise awaits in the cave on the other side of the dark forest.

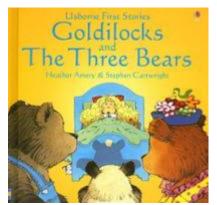


What the ladybird heard: Macmillan Children's Books; (5 Mar 2010) ISBN-10: 0230706509 ISBN-13: 978-0230706507

"Oink!" said the cats . . .

With all the MOOing and HISSing and BAAAing and CLUCKing, the farmyard is full of noise. But when Hefty Hugh and Lanky Len hatch a plot to steal the fine prize cow, it's the quietest animal of all who saves the day!

Spot the glittery ladybird on every page of this wonderful rhyming tale from the creators of the bestselling THE PRINCESS AND THE WIZARD and SHARING A SHELL.



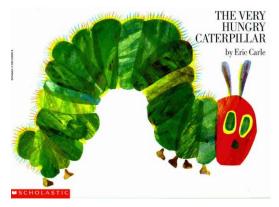
Goldilocks: Many versions of this classic story are available

The well-loved tale of the golden haired intruder in the bear's cottage in the woods.



Hansel and Gretel: Michael Morpurgo Walker (1 Nov 2010) ISBN-10: 1406326208

ISBN-13: 978-1406326208 No child ever forgets the story of the witch, the breadcrumb trail and the gingerbread house in the forest. Former Children's Laureate Michael Morpurgo takes the Brothers Grimm classic to a new level, weaving from these themes a rich fairytale tapestry of hunger and hope, cruelty and courage. With breathtaking illustrations by the celebrated Emma Chichester Clark, this edition of Hansel and Gretel will grip the imagination of a whole new generation of children.



The Very Hungry Caterpillar: Puffin; New Ed edition (28 Nov 2002) ISBN-10: 0140569324 ISBN-13: 978-0140569322

Eric Carle's classic and much loved picture book, *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*.

The classic edition of the bestselling story written for the very young. A newly hatched caterpillar eats his way through all kinds of food, getting bigger and bigger, until eventually he turns into a beautiful

caterpillar. One of the most popular picture books of all time, no nursery bookshelf is complete without a copy.



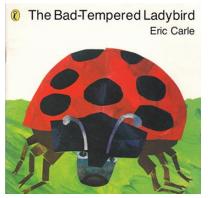
The Very Busy Spider: Eric Carle: Puffin (2 Jun 2011) ISBN-10: 0141338326 ISBN-13: 978-0141338323

A classic picture book from Eric Carle - The Very Busy Spider.

Early one morning a little spider begins to spin her web on a fencepost and she doesn't stop until it is finished . . .

Alongside the visual excitement of Eric Carle's vibrant collages of familiar animals is the tactile experience of feeling the spider's web as it grows from a simple line into a complex and beautiful creation -a perfect story for reading aloud and sharing.

Eric Carle is an internationally bestselling and award-winning author and illustrator of books for very young children.



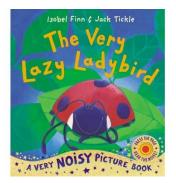
across the sky as time passes.

The Bad Tempered Ladybird: Eric Carle; Puffin; Re-issue edition (5 Aug 2010) ISBN-10: 0141332034 ISBN-13: 978-0141332031

A classic picture book by Eric Carle: The Bad-Tempered Ladybird.

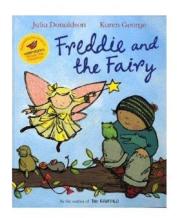
The bad-tempered ladybird picks fights with every animal he meets, but soon learns the importance of friends and turns into a far nicer, happier bug.

The beautifully illustrated pages of this entertaining book demonstrate the sizes of the different animals and the sun's path



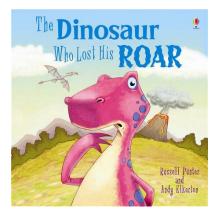
The Lazy Ladybird: Little Tiger Press; 10th Anniversary edition (30 April 2011) ISBN-10: 1848952201 ISBN-13: 978-1848952201

The Lazy Ladybird likes to sleep all day and all night. And because she sleeps all day and all night, she doesn't know how to fly. So when she wants to find somewhere new to sleep she decides to catch a lift on a passing animal ...A new format with sound to celebrate the 10th anniversary of this much loved book.



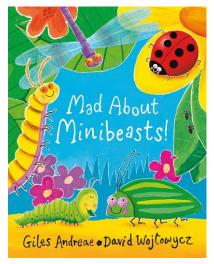
Freddie and the Fairy: Julia Donaldson: Macmillan Children's Books; Illustrated edition (1 April 2011) ISBN-10: 0330511181 ISBN-13: 978-0330511186

Freddie is desperate for a pet, so when he rescues Bessie-Belle and she offers to grant his wishes he knows just what to ask for. The only problem is that Bessie-Belle can't hear very well, and Freddie tends to mumble. Whatever can they do? Luckily the Fairy Queen is on hand to explain . . . A delightful tale full of Julia Donaldson's trademark rhyme and wit, with a subtle message about hearing impairments.



The Dinosaur Who Lost His ROAR: Usborne Publishing Ltd (1 Aug 2012) ISBN-10: 1409550273 ISBN-13: 978-1409550273

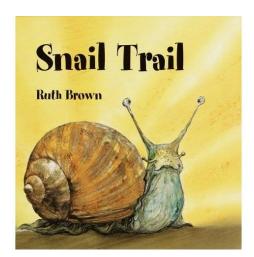
This is a new, picture book version of one of the most popular titles in the "First Reading" series. Sid the dinosaur likes scaring his friends with his ear-splitting roar. But what would happen if he lost his voice? He's about to find out. This title comes now with rhyming text to add an extra level of interest and enjoyment. It features bright, animated, contemporary illustrations that bring the story to life.



Mad about Minibeasts: Orchard Books (6 Oct 2011) ISBN-10: 1408309475

ISBN-13: 978-1408309476

This brilliantly beastly bouncy rhyming romp from Giles Andreae and David Wojtowycz will delight the many fans of this bestselling duo. From slugs and snails to bustling beetles and beautiful butterflies, these rhymes are full of humour and great to read aloud. The bright, distinctive artwork is full of child appeal.

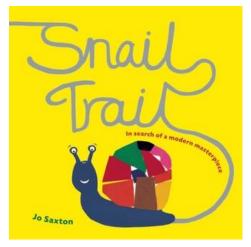


Snail Trail: Ruth Brown; Andersen (4 Nov 2010) ISBN-10:

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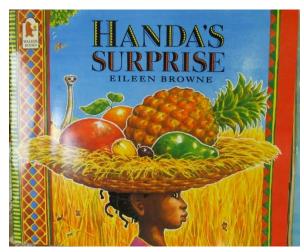
ISBN-13: 978-1849392525

Slimy Snail sets out on a trail. But where exactly does he go? Up a hill, over a bridge, down a slope . . . Things are not always as they seem in this delightful outdoor adventure by the acclaimed Ruth Brown.



Snail Trail: In Search of a Masterpiece: Frances Lincoln Children's Books; PB Reissue edition (2 May 2013) ISBN-10: 1847804233 ISBN-13: 978-1847804235

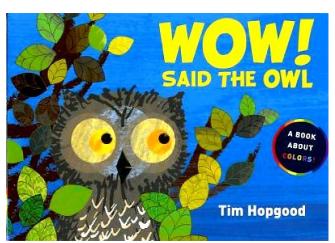
A colourful snail asks you to help him look for his favourite painting. Follow his silver trail through a selection of famous modern paintings by an exciting range of modern artists including Pollock, Rothko, Mondrian, Dali, Picasso and Matisse in search of a piece of art that represents him.



Handa's Surprise: Eileen Browne; Scholastic / Walker Books (24 July 2006) ISBN-10: 0744536340 ISBN-13: 978-0744536348

Handa puts seven delicious fruits in a basket to take to her friend, Akeyo. But as she walks, carrying the basket on her head, various creatures steal her fruits. A monkey takes the banana, an ostrich the guava, a zebra the orange, an elephant the mango, a giraffe the pineapple, an antelope the avocado and a parrot the passion fruit. Handa walks on, wondering which of the fruits her friend will like best, oblivious to the fact that her basket

is now empty. But then, behind her, a goat charges into a tangerine tree and fills Handa's basket with the fruit. "Hello, Akeyo," she greets her friend. "I've brought you a surprise." But when she lifts off her basket, it's Handa who gets the biggest surprise. Akeyo, meanwhile, is delighted, because tangerines are her favourite fruit!

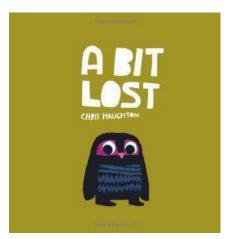


Wow said the Owl: Macmillan Children's Books; Illustrated edition (7 Jun 2012)

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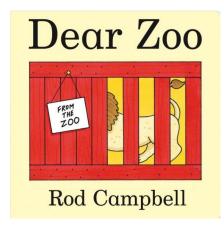
At night, when we are feeling tired and ready for bed, owls are just waking up. But this curious little owl decides to stay awake all day, instead of all night, and discovers a world bursting with colour! But when the night-time comes around again, the stars above her head are still the most beautiful sight of all. An engaging book about colours

from the winner of the Best Emerging Illustrator, Booktrust Early Years Award 2008.



A Bit Lost: Chris Haughton: Walker (7 Feb 2013) ISBN-10: 1406344257 ISBN-13: 978-1406344257

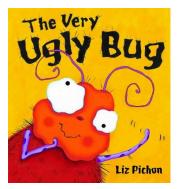
Little Owl must be more careful when he is sleeping... Uhoh! He has fallen from his nest, and with a bump he lands on the ground. Where is his mummy? With the earnest assistance of his new friend Squirrel, Little Owl sets off in search of her, and meets a sequence of other animals. Yet while one might have his mummy's BIG EYES, and another her POINTY EARS, they are simply not her. Chris Haughton's striking colour illustrations follow Little Owl on his quest. Which of his new friends will lead him back to his mummy?



Dear Zoo: Rod Campbell: Macmillan Children's Books; Illustrated edition (2 July 2010) ISBN-10: 0230747728 ISBN-13: 978-0230747722

I wrote to the zoo to send me a pet . . .

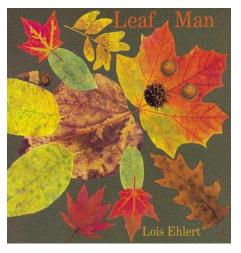
This classic lift-the-flap book has been a favourite with toddlers ever since it was first published in 1982. Now reissued as a sturdy casebound board book, perfect for little hands!



The Very Ugly Bug: Liz Pichon; Little Tiger Press (7 Jun 2004) ISBN-10: 1845060172 ISBN-13: 978-1845060176

There once was an ugly bug. A very ugly bug. Spotty red bug has teeny tiny eyes so she can hide in the berries. Skinny green bug has a shiny green back so he can hide in the leaves. But the very ugly bug has big boggly eyes and a horrible hairy back. How will she hide when a huge hungry bird comes looking for a tasty bug snack? A funny, clever story about being happy with who you are! Successful illustrator, Liz Pichon, has had many picture books published. Glossy

spot lamination on the paperback cover.



Leaf Man: Lois Ehlert; Publisher: Non Basic Stock Line (1 Sep 2005) ISBN-10: 0152053042 ISBN-13: 978-0152053048

A man made of leaves blows away, traveling wherever the wind may take him. With illustrations made from actual fall leaves and die-cut pages on every spread that reveal gorgeous landscape vistas, here is a playful, whimisical and evocative book that celebrates the natural world and the rich imaginative life of children. Ages 4-8. Full description

THERE'S AN ALLIGATOR UNDER MY BED



written and illustrated by MERCER MAYER

There is an Alligator Under the Bed: Mercer Mayer; Penguin Books Ltd (25 April 1991) ISBN-10: 0803703740 ISBN-13: 978-0803703742

Mercer Mayer's young hero from "There's A Nightmare In My Cupboard" is back again with another night-time adventure story. The small boy with a vivid imagination cannot convince his parents that there is an alligator under his bed. He decides to lure it out to the garage with a trail of peanut butter sandwiches. His successful capture of the reptile ensures that both he and the reader have a good night's sleep. The author's has illustrated "The Pied Piper of Hamelin", "The Ugly Duckling", Favourite Tales From Grimm" and "Beauty and the Beast".

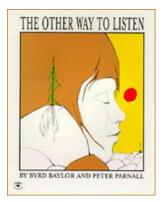


The Tiger Who Came to Tea: Judith Kerr; Harper Collins Children'sBooks; New Ed edition (6 Feb 2006) ISBN-10: 0007215991 ISBN-13: 978-0007215997

This classic story of Sophie and her extraordinary tea-time guest has been loved by millions of children since it was first published over 30 years ago. Now a new generation will enjoy this beautiful reformatted edition!

The doorbell rings just as Sophie and her mummy are sitting down to tea. Who could it possibly be? What they certainly don't expect to see at the door is a big furry, stripy tiger!

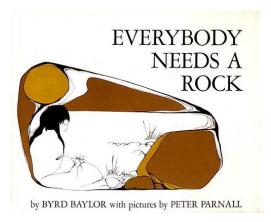
This modern classic picture book is perfect for reading aloud, or for small children to read to themselves time and again. All artwork has been re-originated and a fresh design approach has been used for this reformatted edition.



The other way to listen: Prentice Hall & IBD; Library Binding edition (1 Dec 1978)

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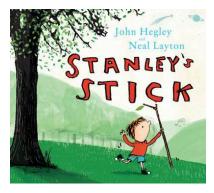
After hoping and trying, the narrator is finally able to hear the hills singing.



Everybody Needs a Rock: Prentice Hall & IBD; Library Binding edition (1 Aug 1974)

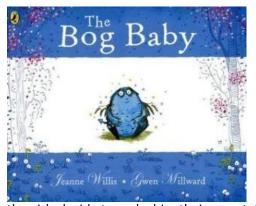
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Describes the qualities to consider in selecting the perfect rock for play and pleasure.



Stanley's Stick: John Hegley; Hodder Children's Books; Reprint edition (5 April 2012) ISBN-10: 0340988193 ISBN-13: 978-0340988190

Stanley's Stick is a teaming-up of hefty talents - glorious poet John Hegley and award-winning illustrator Neal Layton. Stanley's stick is not just a stick. With a stick in hand, Stanley's options are endless - he flies to the moon, writes in the sand, goes fishing, plays a whistle and rides a dinosaur - and his imagination takes over and the magic begins.

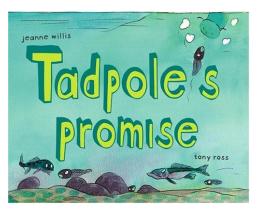


The Bog Baby: Puffin (1 May 2008) ISBN-10: 0141500301 ISBN-13: 978-0141500300

The Bog Baby is a magical story by Jeanne Willis and Gwen Millward

When two small sisters go fishing to the magic pond, they find something much better than a frog or a newt. They find a bog baby. Small and blue with wings like a dragon, the girls decide to make him their secret. I won't tell if you won't.

But the bog baby is a wild thing, and when he becomes poorly, the girls decide they must tell their mum. And she tells them the greatest lesson: if you really love something, you have to let it go.



Tadpole's Promise: Jeanne Willis; Andersen; New Ed edition (17 Mar 2005) ISBN-10: 1842704265 ISBN-13: 978-1842704264

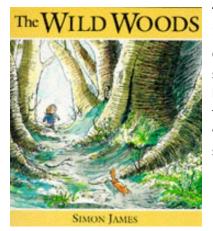
Tadpole loves his rainbow friend, the caterpillar, and she tells him she loves everything about him. "Promise that you will never change," she says. But as the seasons pass and he matures, his legs grow, and then his arms - and what happens to his beautiful rainbow friend? As he sits on his lily pad, digesting a butterfly, Tadpole little realises that now he will never know!

Follow the predictable changes of a tadpole and a caterpillar to their natural conclusion in this award winning picture book.



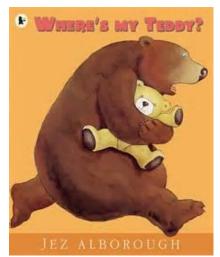
The King of Tiny Things: Jeanne Willis; Puffin (4 Feb 2010) ISBN-10: 014150238X ISBN-13: 978-0141502380

When two little girls visit their grandparents, it seems like a brilliant idea to camp outside for the night. But then the dark comes and it doesn't seem such a good idea after all! Until a most unexpected visitor arrives - the King of Tiny Things. He is the shepherd of creepy crawlies, bugs and grubs and shows the girls that, in fact, the night is bright with magic.



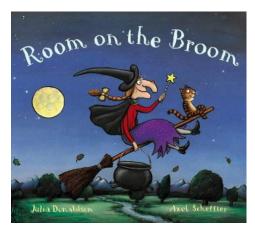
The Wild Woods: Simon James; Walker (1 Sep 2008) ISBN-10: 1406308455 ISBN-13: 978-1406308457

Grandad and Jess are walking together in the woods when they see a squirrel pass by. Jess wants to take it home with her as a pet, but Grandad says that you can't tame a squirrel. As Jess follows the creature deeper into the woods, she discovers more natural wonders and comes to understand that her Grandad is right – the squirrel's proper home is the wild woods.



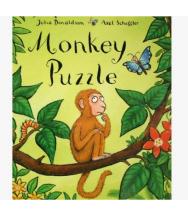
Where's my Teddy?: Jez Alborough; Walker Books Ltd; New edition edition (6 Dec 2004) ISBN-10: 1844284816 ISBN-13: 978-1844284818

Little Eddy loses his toy bear and has to go looking for him in the dark, horrible woods - where he's in for a gigantic surprise.



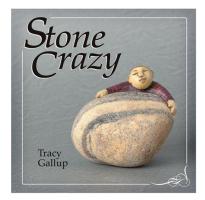
Room on the Broom: Julia Donaldson; Macmillan Children's Books; Illustrated edition (20 Sep 2002) ISBN-10: 0333903382 ISBN-13: 978-0333903384

The witch and her cat fly happily over forests, rivers and mountains on their broomstick until a stormy wind blows away the witch's hat, bow and wand. They are retrieved by a dog, a bird and a frog, and each animal asks for a ride on the broom. They climb on, one after the next, until the broom is so heavy that it snaps in two! What will happen next as they tumble into a bog and meet a greedy dragon?



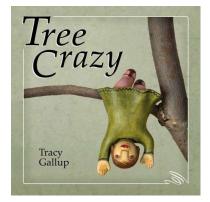
Monkey Puzzle: Publisher: Macmillan Children's Books; New Ed edition (11 Aug 2000) ISBN-10: 0333720016 ISBN-13: 978-0333720011

This very clever, funny story from the author/illustrator team that brought you the prize-winning THE GRUFFALO.



Stone Crazy: Gallup, T. (2007). Stone Crazy. Traverse City, MI: Mackinac Island Press. ISBN-10: 1934133132 ISBN-13: 978-1934133132

Some people are crazy about stones. For them, a simple stone can be an object of profound beauty, and treasured for the mystery it holds inside.



Tree Crazy: Mackinac Island Press (4 Oct 2010) ISBN-10: 1934133272 ISBN-13: 978-1934133279

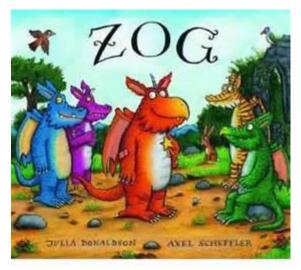
Some people are crazy about trees. These magnificent living wonders enrich our lives with their majesty and beauty. In TREE CRAZY, a girl cultivates a friendship with a mysterious talking tree and finds her role in the circle of life and renewal.

Gracing each page is one of Tracy Gallup's handmade figures that tells a compelling story that will capture the hearts of children and adults alike. Do trees speak to you? Are you tree crazy?



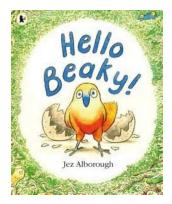
Five little Fiends: Sarah Dyer: Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2001

Five little fiends live in their own little statues on top of a hill. Every day the five little fiends come out to marvel at the world. Each fiend covets and takes home a different thing: the moon, sea, earth, land and wind are all taken home. However, the fiends soon realise that one thing is nothing without the whole, and they put it all back again, learning about sharing on the way.



Zog: Alison Green Books (1 Sep 2011): Julia Donaldson: ISBN-10: 1407115596 ISBN-13: 978-1407115597

Zog is the keenest dragon in school. He's also the most accident-prone. Luckily, a mysterious little girl always comes by and patches up his bumps and bruises. But will she be able to help him with his toughest test: capturing a princess? A wonderfully funny new story from the creators of The Gruffalo and Stick Man.

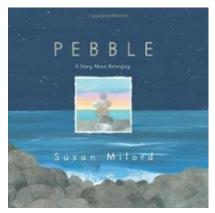


Hello Beaky: Walker Books Ltd: J. Alborough (2 Feb 1998) ISBN-10: 0744554861

An egg tumbles down through the leaves and branches and shatters into pieces on the rain forest floor. Out pops Beaky, a creature with a bright blue beak, furry flaps and a curly orange tail. But what is he? A frog? A snake? A fish? Beaky is determined to find out.

Roxaboxen: McLerran, A. (1991). Roxaboxen. (B. Cooney, Illus.). New York, NY: HarperCollins.

Roxaboxen celebrates the imagination of children who, no matter the time or place, can create whole worlds out of what they find around them--here, rocks and boxes, cacti and sand. Marian and her friends find a "special place" in the desert where in time-honored fashion, they play the games that will prepare them for their grown-up lives. They make houses, drive pretend cars, bake bread, ride stick ponies, fight their wars and bury their dead. Drawn from her mother's reminiscences, McLerran's gentle text is both particular and universal, as she fondly tells this evocative story--"Of course, if you broke the speed limit you had to go to jail. The jail had cactus on the floor to make it uncomfortable, and Jamie was the policeman." With its gently rolling terrain, blossoming ocotillos and cacti, and vast skies of ever-changing hues, Cooney's (Hattie and the Wild Waves; Island Boy) desert is a wondrous and beauteous place. The doll-like children in their knickers and sailor dresses emphasize the timelessness of this place where "seasons changed, and the years went by but Roxaboxen was always there." Ages 5-8.



Pebble: Milord, S. (2007): a story about belonging. New York, NY: Harper Collins Publishers.

One small, smooth pebble is searching for something but doesn't know what it is that it wants. Through storms and sunny days, the pebble is yearning for a purpose. If it was larger it could be used to build a foundation. If it was smaller, it could become a sandcastle. A boy goes to the beach with his family and is searching for the perfect souvenir of his day. He passes up beach glass, feathers, and shells until he discovers the perfect small, round, smooth pebble. It is warm in his hand and can be carried

in his pocket. The pebble realizes this is what it has been looking for also. The pebble represents us as we look for our purpose on our journey through life. This is a picture book with muted colours, and easy to read text on each page. This would be a good book to pair with a nonfiction title about rocks.