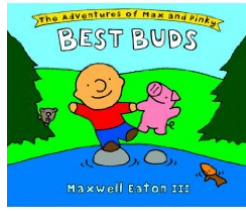
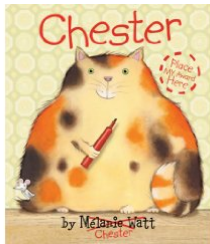


For Students Entering Grades 1-2



The Adventures of Max and Pinky, Best Buds

Max, a young boy, and Pinky, a pig, capture the imagination of young readers. This book is very easily read by children, but teachers and parents will also enjoy reading this story in class or at home. The book has the engaging universal theme of friendship. Check out the Max and Pinky website, <http://www.maxandpinky.com/>, for all kinds of fun stuff!



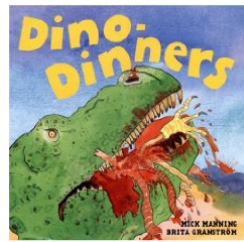
Chester

“Once upon a time,” a huge cat named Chester took a red marker and rewrote Watt’s story about a “boring” mouse. Chester’s editing delights young readers as his humorous revisions make him the star of the book.



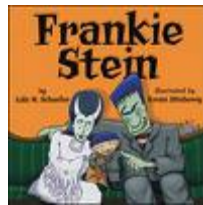
Deep in the Swamp

Young readers engage with poetry, information, and counting practice as they learn combined facts about swamps and the animals that live there. Illustrations are bright and entertaining.



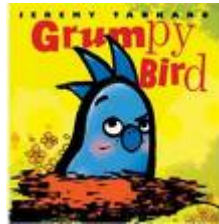
Dino Dinners

In this colorful informational picture book about dinosaurs, sidebars provide interesting facts about each dinosaur, what it ate, and how it ate. Also included is information on how scientists have drawn conclusions about each dinosaur’s diet.



Frankie Stein

Frankie Stein is a cute baby, but his parents fear he will never be as scary as they are until they learn to see him for the unique Stein that he is in this humorous story.



Grumpy Bird

This story is about a bird that wakes up grumpy. It takes some animal friends to help brighten his day by joining him on a walk. Children will easily make a text to self connection to the bird and his grumpy feelings.



How to Be a Baby, by Me the Big Sister

Big sister explains things that you CAN’T do as a baby and things you CAN do as an older child. The humorous story and illustrations help other children appreciate their accomplishments while gaining a better understanding of younger siblings.



The Perfect Nest

This is a story about Jack, a cat who builds the perfect nest to attract the perfect egg for his omelet. However, Jack winds up with more than he bargained for. Students will enjoy making predictions about what they think will happen next.



Big Bug Surprise

Prunella’s unending knowledge of insects saves her class from disaster. As her class celebrates, Prunella presents her show-and-tell surprise, much to the delight of her classmates.



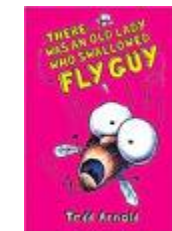
The Three Little Fish and the Big Bad Shark

In this take on the Three Little Pigs, Jim builds a house of seaweed, Tim builds a sand house, and Kim’s wooden ship house saves them all. Easy, patterned language makes this very accessible for early readers.



Tyson the Terrible

Dinosaur children hear the “Boom! Boom!” of the so-called fiercest dinosaur. They hide and hear a tiny tyrannosaurus sobbing and wondering why everyone runs from him. AS they invite him to play, his little brother pops up, surprising everyone.



There Was An Old Lady Who Swallowed Fly Guy

Here’s a creative spin on the classic tale of the old woman who swallowed a fly. It’s highly recommended by first graders; the pictures help students decode words that they otherwise may not know, thereby building their reading confidence.

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