

AWARD WINNING EASY READERS

Title: *Amanda Pig and the Really Hot Day* (2005)

Author: Van Leeuwen, Jean.

EMC Picture Book: Va

Amanda Pig and her family and friends try to find different ways to beat the heat.

Title: *Benjamin Banneker: Pioneering Scientist* (2003)

Author: Wadsworth, Ginger

EMC Non-Fiction 921.B219w

A biography of African-American scientist Benjamin Benneker (1731-1806), who was an astronomer, and inventor, a surveyor, and a writer of an almanac.

Title: *Bony-Legs* (1983)

Author: Cole, Joanna Cole

EMC Nonfiction 398.21.C689b

When a terrible witch vows to eat her for supper, a little girl escapes with the help of a mirror and comb given to her by the witch's cat and dog.

Title: *Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa* (2005)

Author: Silverman Kate

EMC Picture Book: Si

Cowgirl Kate and her cowhorse Cocoa, who is always hungry, count cows, share a story, and help each other fall asleep.

Title: *Days with Frog and Toad* (1979)

Author: Lobel, Arnold

EMC Picture Book: Lo

Frog and Toad spend their days together, but find sometimes it's nice to be alone.

Title: *Down in the Boondocks* (1977)

Author: Gage, Wilson [i.e. M. Q. Steele]

EMC Picture Book: St

Relates in rhyme what happens when a thief decides to rob a deaf farmer.

Title: *Emma's Yucky Brother* (2000)

Author: Little, Jean

EMC Picture Book: Li

Emma finds out how hard it is to be a big sister when her family adopts a four-year-old boy named Max.

Title: *Fast Friends* (1979)

Author: Stevenson, James

EMC Picture Book: St

In the first of two easy-to-read stories a turtle and a snail make some friends with the help of a skateboard. In the second a mouse and a snail learn, through trial and error, how to be friends.

Title: *Father Bear Comes Home*

Author: Minarik, Else Holmelund

EMC Picture Book: Mi

Describes the adventures of Little Bear in which he goes fishing, has the hiccups, looks for a mermaid, and welcomes Father Bear home from the sea.

Title: *Five Brilliant Scientists* (2000)

Author: Jones, Lynda

EMC Non Fiction: 920 S77f

Describes the early lives and notable achievements of five black scientists, Susan McKinney Steward, George Washington Carver, Ernest Everett Just, Percy Lavon Julian, and Shirley Ann Jackson.

Title: *Four on the Shore* (1985)

Author: Edward Marshall

EMC Fiction: Ma

Hoping to scare away Spider's little brother, Willy, Lolly Spider, and Sam each tell a spooky story--but then Willy has a story of his own to tell.

Title: *Frog and Toad All Year* (1976)

Author: Lobel, Arnold

EMC Picture Book: Lo

Two friends share experiences in each season of the year.

Title: *Frog and Toad Are Friends* (1970)

Author: Lobel, Arnold

EMC Picture Book: Lo

Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends - Frog and Toad.

Title: *Frog and Toad Together* (1972)

Author: Lobel, Arnold

EMC Picture Book: Lo

Five further adventures of two best friends as they share cookies, plant a garden, and test their bravery.

Title: *George and Martha* (1972)

Author: Marshall, James

EMC Picture Book: Ma

Relates several episodes in the friendship of two hippopotamuses.

Title: *George and Martha One Fine Day* (1978)
Author: Marshall, James
EMC Picture Book: Ma
Five new episodes in the friendship of the two hippopotamuses.

Title: *Good Night, Good Knight* (2000)
Author: Thomas, Shelley Moore
EMC Picture Book: Th
When the Good Knight hears roars in the forest he goes to investigate. He finds three little dragons who ask for glasses of water, stores, songs, and kisses before bed.

Title: *Grasshopper on the Road* (1978)
Author: Lobel, Arnold
EMC Picture Book: Lo
As Grasshopper sets out to follow a road, he meets some unusual characters.

Title: *Gus and Grandpa at Basketball* (2001)
Author: Mills, Claudia
EMC Picture Book: Mi
Gus is good at basketball, but during the games, with his parents and the fans watching, he makes mistakes. His grandfather helps him to concentrate during the game.

Title: *Harry and Shellburt* (1977)
Author: Van Woerkom, Dorothy
EMC Picture Book: Va
Harry and Shellburt, two good friends, rerun the classic race between the tortoise and the hare.

Title: *Harry's Visit* (1983)
Author: Porte, Barbara
EMC Picture Book: Po
Expecting he won't have a good time, Harry visits his parents' friends.

Title: *Henry and Mudge and the Great Grandpas* (2005)
Author: Rylant, Cynthia Rylant
EMC Picture Book: Ry
When Henry and his dog Mudge go with Henry's parents to visit Great-Grandpa Bill in the home with lots of other grandpas, they lead them all on a wonderful adventure.

Title: *Henry and Mudge and the Happy Cat* (1990)
Author: Rylant, Cynthia
EMC Picture Book: Ry
Henry's family takes in a stray cat, the ugliest cat they have ever seen, and an amazing relationship blossoms between it and their big dog Mudge.

Title: *Hi! Fly Guy* (2005)

Author: Arnold, Tedd

EMC Picture Book: Ar

When Buzz captures a fly to enter in the Amazing Pet Show, his parents and the judges tell him that a fly cannot be a pet, but Fly Guy proves them wrong.

Title: *In a Dark, Dark Room and Other Scary Stories* (1984)

Author: Schwartz, Alvin

EMC Picture Book: Sc

Seven scary stories to tell at night in front of a fire or in the dark, based on traditional stories and folktales from various countries.

Title: *Iris and Walter* (2000)

Author: Guest, Elissa Haden

EMC Picture Book: Gu

When Iris moves to the country, she misses the city where she formerly lived; but with the help of a new friend named Walter, she learns to adjust to her new home.

Title: *A Kiss for Little Bear* (1968)

Author: Minarik, Else Holmelund

EMC Picture Book: Mi

Little Bear's thank-you kiss from grandmother gets passed on to him by many animals and greatly aids the skunk's romance.

Title: *Little Prince* (2000)

Author: de Saint-Exupery, Antoine

EMC Fiction: Sa

An aviator whose plane is forced down in the Sahara Desert encounters a little prince from a small planet who relates his adventures in seeking the secret of what is important in life.

Title: *Little Rat Sets Sai* (2002)

Author: Bang-Campbell

EMC Picture Book: Ba

Little Rat is afraid of water and sailing, but her parents have signed her up for sailing lessons. As her gentle instructor teaches her about sailing, her fear diminishes, and she considers sailing alone next year.

Title: *Llama in the Family* (1994)

Author: Hurwitz, Johanna

EMC Fiction: Hu

Because Adam hopes that the "big surprise" waiting for him at home has two wheels and pedals, he is unprepared for the unusual addition to his Vermont family.

Title: *Lost* (2000)

Author: Johnson, Paul Brett Johnson & Lewis, Celeste

EMC Fiction: Jo

Because she never gives up hope that her beagle, lost in the desert, will be found, the young girl keeps something special in her pocket for her dog.

Title: *Magid Fasts for Ramadan* (1996)

Author: Matthews, Mary

EMC Fiction: Ma

Magid, an eight-year-old Muslim boy living in Cairo, is determined to celebrate Ramadan by fasting, despite the opposition of family members who feel that he is not yet old enough to fast.

Title: *Maria's Comet* (1999)

Author: Hopkinson, Deborah

EMC Picture Book: Ho

As a young girl, budding astronomer Maria Mitchell dreams of searching the night sky and some day finding a new comet.

Title: *Marigold and Grandma on the Town* (1994)

Author: Calmenson, Stephanie

EMC Picture Book: Ca

When they go to town together two bunnies, Marigold and Grandma, buy a special hat, eat lunch, and make funny faces in the photo booth.

Title: *Marvin Redpost: a flying birthday cake?* (1999)

Author: Sachar, Louis

EMC Fiction: Sa

Two days after Marvin sees a glowing green thing like a flying birthday cake in the night sky, his third-grade class is joined by a mysterious new boy with peculiar behavior.

Title: *Marvin Redpost: why pick on me?* (1993)

Author: Sachar, Louis

EMC Fiction: Sa

A small incident during recess threatens to turn nine-year-old Marvin into the outcast of the third grade.

Title: *Maisy Goes to School* (1992)

Author: Cousins, Lucy

EMC Picture Book: Co

By lifting flaps and pulling tabs the reader shares a young mouse's experiences at school.

Title: *Maybe Yes, Maybe No, Maybe Maybe* (1993)

Author: Patron, Susan

EMC Fiction: Pa

When her hard-working mother decides to move, eight-year-old PK uses her imagination and storytelling to help her older and younger sisters adjust.

Title: *Me Tarzan* (2000)

Author: Byars, Betsy

EMC Fiction: By

When Dorothy gets the part of Tarzan in the class play, her tremendous yell attracts the attention of increasingly larger and wilder animals

Title: *Mr. Putter and Tabby Bake the Cake* (1994)

Author: Rylant, Cynthia

EMC Picture Book: Ry

With his fine cat Tabby by his side, Mr. Putter bakes a Christmas cake for his neighbor Mrs. Teaberry.

Title: *Mr. Putter & Tabby Feed the Fish* (2001)

Author: Rylant, Cynthia

EMC Picture Book: Ry

After Mr. Putter buys three goldfish and takes them home, he discovers that his cat Tabby has a serious problem with them.

Title: *Mr. Putter and Tabby Fly the Plane* (1997)

Author: Rylant, Cynthia

EMC Picture Book: Ry

Mr. Putter's love of toys is almost as strong as his affection for his cat-but are he and she too old to play with a toy airplane?

Title: *Mr. Putter and Tabby Pick the Pears* (1995)

Author: Rylant, Cynthia

EMC Fiction: Ry

When he gets too old to climb up the ladder, Mr. Putter and his cat Tabby figure out an ingenious way to pick pears for pear jelly.

Title: *Mr. Putter and Tabby Row the Boat* (1997)

Author: Rylant, Cynthia

EMC Picture Book: Ry

On a hot day, Mr. Putter, his cat, Tabby, their neighbor, Mrs. Teaberry, and her dog, Zeke, go for a picnic and a rowboat ride.

Title: *My Brother Ant* (1996)

Author: Byars, Betsy

EMC Picture Book: By

In four separate stories, Ant's older brother gets rid of the monster under Ant's bed, forgives Ant for drawing on his homework, tries to read a story and helps Ant write a letter to Santa.

Title: *My Life Among the Aliens* (1996)

Author: Gauthier, Gail

EMC Fiction: Ga

Two brothers begin to wonder if it is their mother's unusual cooking that is attracting the aliens that have begun showing up at their house.

Title: *My Name is Maria Isabel* (1993)

Author: Ada, Alma Flor

EMC Fiction: Ad

Third grader Maria Isabel, born in Puerto Rico and now living in the U.S., wants badly to fit in at school; and the teacher's writing assignment "My Greatest Wish" gives her that opportunity.

Title: *New Neighbors for Nora* (1991)

Author: Hurwitz, Johanna

EMC Fiction: Hu

Describes the further adventure of a seven-year-old and her neighbors in a New York City apartment building. Sequel to *Busybody Nora*.

Title: *No, David* (1998)

Author: Shannon, David

EMC Picture Book: Sh

A young boy is depicted doing a variety of naughty things for which he is repeatedly admonished, but finally he gets a hug.

Title: *Nora and Mrs. Mind-Your-Own-Business* (1991)

Author: Hurwitz, Johanna

EMC Fiction: Hu

Because Nora and her brother live in an apartment, personal privacy, making friends and finding places to play are sometimes a problem.

Title: *The Not-Anywhere House* (1991)

Author: Hendry, Diana

EMC Fiction: He

At first Hannah dislikes the idea of moving from Dungee Farm Cottage to a house in the city, but she soon finds the new house friendly, and learns how to talk to the big tree outside her window.

Title: *The Outside Dog* (1993)

Author: Pomerantz, Charlotte

EMC Picture Book: Po

Marisol, who lives in Puerto Rico, wants a dog very much, but her grandfather will not let her have one until a skinny mutt wins him over.

Title: *Peacebound Trains* (1996)

Author: Balgassi, Haemi

EMC Fiction: Ba

Sumi's grandmother tells the tale of her escape from Seoul during the Korean War, while they watch the trains which will eventually bring her mother back from military service.

Title: *Pleasing the Ghost* (1996)

Author: Creech, Sharon

EMC Fiction: Cr

Nine-year-old Dennis, whose father and uncle died within a year of one another, is visited by the ghost of his uncle and together they settle some unfinished business.

Title: *Philipok* (2000)

Author: Spirin, Gennady

EMC Picture Book: Sp

Philipok's mother has told him that he is too young to go to school, but one day he sets out to go on his own.

Title: *Poppleton Everyday* (1998)

Author: Rylant, Cynthia

EMC Picture Book: Ry

Poppleton the pig goes stargazing, tries out a new bed before he buys it, and goes sailing for the first time.

Title: *The Puppy Sister* (1995)

Author: Hinton, S. E.

EMC Fiction: Hi

A young boy is astonished when his puppy begins to change into a human girl who says to him "I love you, Brother."

Title: *Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf* (1991)

Author: Ehlert, Lois

EMC Picture Book: Eh

A child describes the growth of a maple tree from seed to sapling.

Title: *Runaway Radish* (2001)

Author: Haas, Jessie

EMC Fiction: Ha

When Radish the pony grows too big for the girls who own him, he goes to live at a horse camp where there are always new children for him to train.

Title: *Sable* (1994)

Author: Hesse, Karen

EMC Fiction: He

Tate Marshall is delighted when a stray dog turns up in the yard one day, but Sable, named for her dark, silky fur, causes trouble with the neighbors and has to go.

Title: *The Sacrifice* (1998)

Author: Matcheck, Diane

EMC Fiction: Ma

When her father's death leaves her orphaned and an outcast among her Apsaalooka (Crow) people, a fifteen-year-old sets out to avenge his death and prove that she, not her dead twin brother, is destined to be the Great One.

Title: *Seven Brave Women* (1997)

Author: Hearne, Betsy

EMC Picture Book: He

A young girl recounts the brave exploits of her female ancestors, including her great-great-great grandmother who came to America in a wooden sailboat.

Title: *The Seven Treasure Hunts* (1991)

Author: Byar, Betsy

EMC Fiction: By

Two boys make up a series of treasure hunts for each other with hilarious and disastrous results.

Title: *The Skirt* (1992) Gary Soto

Author: Soto, Gary

EMC Fiction: So

When Miata leaves on the school bus the skirt she is to wear in a dance performance, she needs all of her wits to get it back without her parents finding out that she lost something yet again.

Title: *Skylark* (1994)

Author: MacLachlan, Patricia

EMC Fiction: Ma

When a drought tests the commitment of a mail-order bride from Maine to her new home on the prairie, her stepchildren hope they will be able to remain a family. Sequel to Sarah, Plain and Tall.

Title: *The Smallest Cow in the World* (1991)

Author: Paterson, Katherine

EMC Picture Book: Pa

Though Rosie is the meanest cow in the herd, five-year-old Marvin is inconsolable when she is sold and he and his family move to another dairy farm.

Title: *Solo Girl* (1997)

Author: Pinkney, Andrea Davis

EMC Fiction: Pi

Although she is good at math, Cass wishes that she could jump rope as well as the group she watches in her new neighborhood.

Title: *Spinning Spiders* (2003)

Author: Berger, Melvin

EMC Non Fiction: 595.4 B496s

Describes the characteristics of spiders and the methods they use to trap their prey in webs.

Title: *Splendid Friend, Indeed* (2005)

Author: Bloom, Suzanne

EMC Picture Book: B1

When a studious polar bear meets an inquisitive goose, they learn to be friends.

Title: *Stories Huey Tells* (1995)

Author: Cameron, Ann

EMC Fiction: Ca

Huey's imagination takes him far and wide in the stories he tells his big brother Julian.

Title: *Swing Otto Swing!* (2004)

Author: Milgrim, David

EMC Picture Book: Mi

A robot named Otto learns to swing like a money.

Title: *Tamika and the Wisdom Rings* (1994)

Author: Yarbrough, Camille

EMC Fiction: Ya

Tamika finds strength in her family, her friends, and herself as she struggles with the murder of her father by drug dealers.

Title: *Three Stories You Can Read to Your Cat* (1997)

Author: Miller, Sara

EMC Picture Book: Mi

A cat hears three stories about a dull rainy day, a yummy bug, and a good day of destruction in the house.

Title: *Three Stories You Can Read to Your Dog* (1995)

Author: Miller, Sara

EMC Picture Book: Mi

Stories addressed to dogs and written from a dog's point of you, concerning such topics as bones, burglars, and running free.

Title: *Turtle Dreams* (1997)

Author: Bauer, Marion Dane

EMC Picture Book: Ba

Turtle talks to different animals about the coming winter, trying to find a dream that will fit her and prepare her for the long cold season of darkness.

Title: *Two Mice in Three Fables* (1995)

Author: Reiser, Lynn

EMC Picture Book: Re

Three stories featuring various animal characters, present simple lessons for life.

Title: *Who's in the hall? A Mystery in Four Chapters* (2000)

Author: Hearne, Betsy

EMC Picture Book: He

Three children, two babysitters, two dogs, a rat, and a janitor finally get together and put an end to some confusion.

Title: *Whose Mouse are You?* (2000)

Author: Kraus, Robert

EMC Picture Book: Kr

A lonely little mouse has to be resourceful in order to bring his family back together.

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