

Predictable Books: Familiar Sequence

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These books are examples of stories that make use of familiar sequences, such as days of the weeks, months of the year, and sequences of numbers.

Predictable books are those which, by virtue of the book's pattern, children can successfully anticipate the next word or next sentence. Their predictability encourages participation and engages children's minds. Often, these books make heavy use of rhyme or repetition. - Ready for Reading (Juvenile Parent/Teacher Resource Room - J 372.58 B)

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Time Sequences



Chicken Soup with Rice : A Book of Months

Maurice Sendak

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Se)

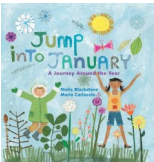
January to December, anytime is the right time to eat chicken soup with rice.

Cookie's Week

Cindy Ward

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Wa)

Cookie the cat gets into a different kind of mischief every day of the week.



Jump Into January

Stella Blackstone

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej B)

A short verse for each month of the year encourages the reader to find objects hidden in the pictures that depict that month's activities, such as ear muffs and pine trees in January, or scooters and a picnic bench in June.

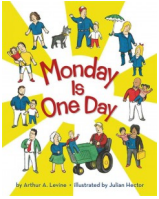


A Kitten's Year

Nancy Raines Day

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Da)

A kitten peeks at January, toys with February, stalks March, and eventually sniffs November and dreams December as it grows into a cat through the course of a year.

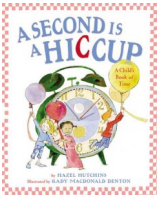


Monday Is One Day

Arthur A. Levine

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Lev)

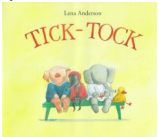
A rhyming countdown of the days of the week as a father and child find ways to spend time together while waiting for the weekend.



A Second is a Hiccup : A Child's Book of Time

Hazel Hutchins

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 529 Hut)



Tick Tock

Lena Anderson

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 529.7 An)

Clocks play a prominent role in the busy day that a hedgehog, duck, elephant, and pig spend with Uncle John.



Today Is Monday

Eric Carle

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 782.42164 Ca)

Each day of the week brings a new food, until on Sunday all the world's children can come and eat it up.

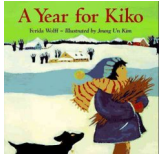


Twelve Hats for Lena : A Book of Months

Karen Katz

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ka)

Lena Katz creates hats appropriate for each month of the year.



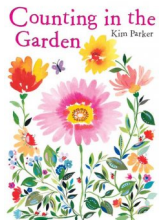
A Year For Kiko

Ferida Wolff

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Wo)

Each month of the year brings different activities for a young girl, including catching snowflakes in January, planting a seed in May, and calling to geese in September.

Number Sequences

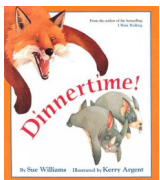


Counting in the Garden

Kim Parker

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 510 Pa)

Invites the reader to count the inhabitants of a garden, from one to ten, such as four bunnies and nine inchworms.



Dinnertime!

Sue Williams

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Wi)

One by one, six little rabbits escape a hungry fox.



How Many Mice?

Michael Garland

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Gar)

Ten hungry mice set out on a mission to find some food, facing hazards and dangers along the way.

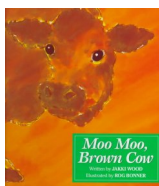


Let's Go Visiting

Sue Williams

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Wi)

A counting story in which a boy visits his farmyard friends, from one brown foal to six yellow puppies.

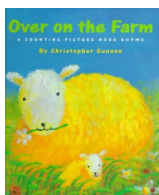


Moo Moo, Brown Cow

Jakki Wood

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 510 Wo)

Readers learn about numbers and colors as a lively kitten visits the barnyard asking mother animals about their babies.

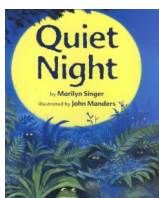


Over on the Farm : A Counting Picture Book Rhyme

Christopher Gunson

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Gu)

Mother animals instruct their little ones to stretch, scratch, or snuggle as the reader counts the babies while wandering through farm, forest, and fields.

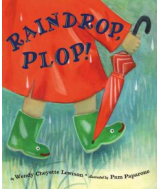


Quiet Night

Marilyn Singer

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Si)

One frog, two owls, three geese are joined by increasingly larger numbers of different animals that keep ten campers from falling asleep in their tent.

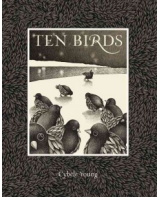


Raindrop, Plop!

Wendy Cheyette Lewison

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Le)

A young girl and her dog find many things to count on a rainy day, both as they play outside and after they come home to a warm, dry house.

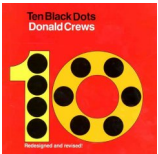


Ten Birds

Cybe?le Young

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej You)

Ten birds are trying to figure out how to get to the other side of the river. Will the simplest solution be the best?

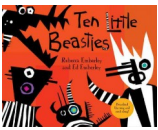


Ten Black Dots

Donald Crews

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej 510 Cr)

A counting book which shows what can be done with ten black dots--one can make a sun, two a fox's eyes, or eight the wheels of a train.



Ten Little Beasties

Rebecca Emberley

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Emb)

One by one, ten little monsters appear and then disappear from the page.

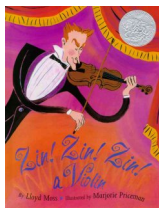


Ten, Nine, Eight

Molly Bang

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 510 Ba)

Numbers from ten to one are part of this lullaby which observes the room of a little girl going to bed.



Zin! Zin! Zin! : A Violin

Lloyd Moss

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Mo)

Ten instruments take their parts one by one in a musical performance.

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