

How to “read” wordless books:

Wordless picture books present stories whose narratives are told through sequenced illustrations and contain little or no text at all. These books rely on active and creative participation on the reader’s part. Because these books are not dependent on reading level, wordless picture books cross age boundaries and are not limited to pre-readers. In fact, some wordless books will be more appropriate for older or more experienced readers.

The benefits of reading a wordless picture book are multiple and complex. Each time a wordless picture book gets read, more details can be added, expressed by adjectives and adverbs or other fun words that build vocabulary. Maybe the story can be retold from the perspective of a different character. Children learn to pay attention to details, follow a sequence of events, make inferences, and enjoy the art of storytelling.

Benefits of wordless picture books:

- ◆ Encourage conversation
- ◆ Express individuality & creativity
- ◆ Build vocabulary & parts of speech
- ◆ Teach left-to-right reading patterns
- ◆ Promote comprehension of sequence
- ◆ Teach understanding of cause & effect
- ◆ Encourage attention to detail
- ◆ Develop verbalization & narrative skills
- ◆ Can be read at any reading skill level

SEARCH TIP for more:

When searching the Library Catalog for wordless picture books that are not included in this list, use “**stories without words**” or “**wordless picture book**” as your Keyword search term. You’ll see that some authors have more than one wordless picture book!



Wordless Picture Books



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WORDLESS PICTURE BOOKS

An * indicates the author has other similar titles.

The Treasure Bath. 2009.

By Dan Andreasen

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Mirror. 2010.

By Jeannie Baker

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Me and You. 2009.

By Anthony Browne

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Beaver is Lost. 2010.

By Elisha Cooper

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Uh-Oh! 2011.

By Mary Newell DePalma

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The Conductor. 2011.

By Laetitia Devernay

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Polo and Lily. 2009.

By Roger Faller*

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Bee & Bird. 2011.

By Craig Frazier

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Ice. 2011.

By Arthur Geisert*

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Gem. 2012.

By Holly Hobbie

E Hob

Cool Cat. 2009.

By Nonny Hogrogian

E Hog

Where Is the Cake Now? 2009.

By T.T. Khing*

E Khi

Leaf. 2008.

By Stephen Michael King

E Kin

Shadow. 2010. **Mirror.** (2003) 2010.

By Suzy Lee*

E Lee

The Secret Box. 2011.

By Barbara Lehman*

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Octopus Soup. 2011.

By Mercer Mayer*

E May

Sea of Dreams. 2011.

By Dennis Nolan

E Nol

The Lion & the Mouse. 2009.

By Jerry Pinkney

E Pin (Caldecott Winner, 2010)

A Ball for Daisy. 2011.

By Chris Raschka (Caldecott Winner, 2012)

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Animals Home Alone. 2009.

By Loes Riphagen

E Rip

The Chicken Thief. 2010.

By Beatrice Rodriguez*

E Rod

Owly & Wormy, Friends All Aflutter! 2011.

By Andy Runton

E Run

Where's Walrus? 2011.

By Stephen Savage

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When Jack Goes Out. 2010.

By Pat Schories

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The Umbrella. (2010) 2011.

By Ingrid & Dieter Schubert

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What If? 2010.

By Laura Vaccaro Seeger

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Chalk. 2010.

By Bill Thomson

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Chicken and Cat Clean Up. 2009.

By Sara Varon*

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The Red Scarf. (1999) 2010.

By Anne Villeneuve

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Yellow Umbrella. 2002.

By Jae Soo Liu

Kit E Liu (with music CD)

The Hero of Little Street. 2012.

By Gregory Rogers*

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