

**Alejandro's Gift** By Richard E. Albert

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Lonely in his house beside a road in the desert, Alejandro builds an oasis to attract the many animals around him.

**Flowers For Mommy** By Susan Anderson

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Aliya's search for flowers for her mother brings her in contact with the many animals in her backyard.

**Stay Awake, Bear!** By Gavin Bishop

Ju E Bis

Old Bear and his friend Brown Bear decide that sleeping all winter is a waste of time, so they stay awake planning a warm summer vacation and then sleep through the whole trip.

**Stellaluna** By Janelle Cannon

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After she falls headfirst into a bird's nest, a baby bat is raised like a bird until she is reunited with her mother.

**The Very Hungry Caterpillar**

By Eric Carle

Ju E Carle

Follows the progress of a hungry little caterpillar as he eats his way through a varied and very large quantity of food until, full at last, he forms a cocoon around himself and goes to sleep.

**Raven and River**

By Nancy White Carlstrom

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Raven and the other animals try to awaken the frozen river to the coming Alaskan springtime.

**The Boy Who Didn't Believe in Spring**

By Lucille Clifton

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Two skeptical city boys set out to find spring which they've heard is "just around the corner."

**Waiting for Wings** By Lois Ehlert

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Simple text and bright pictures show how butterflies use flowers and identify several types of butterflies.

**Miss Penny and Mr. Grubbs**

By Lisa Campbell Ernst

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With the help of cooperative and hungry rabbits, jealous Mr. Grubbs sabotages the prize-winning garden of Miss Penny.

**Muncha, Muncha, Muncha**

By Candace Fleming

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After planting the garden he has dreamed of for years, Mr. McGreely tries to find a way to keep some persistent bunnies from eating all his vegetables.

**A Rainbow of My Own** By Don Freeman

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A small boy imagines what it would be like to have his own rainbow to play with.

**Possum and the Peeper** By Anne Hunter

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When Possum is awakened on the first day of spring by a loud noise that won't stop, he and all the other animals, who have also had their winters' sleep disturbed, set out to discover who is making all the racket.

**What Do You Do When Something Wants To Eat You?** By Steve Jenkins

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Describes how various animals, including an octopus, a bombardier beetle, a puff adder, and a gliding frog, escape danger.

**North Country Spring** By Reeve Lindbergh

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Rhyming verse and illustrations describe the arrival of spring in the north, including animal behavior.

**Country Road** By Daniel San Souci

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A walk with Dad along the old country road one day in spring brings sightings of a hawk, fox tracks, a school of trout, and other signs of nature.

**Lily and Trooper's Spring**

By Jung-Hee Spetter

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A little girl and her dog spend a spring day outdoors with the birds, cows, sheep, pigs, and ducks.

**The Gardener** By Sarah Stewart

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A series of letters relating what happens when, after her father loses his job, Lydia Grace goes to live with her Uncle Jim in the city but takes her love for gardening with her.

**The Garden of Happiness** By Erika Tamar

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Marisol and her neighbors turn a vacant New York City lot into a lush community garden.

**The Plant Sitter** By Gene Zion

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Tommy's new business almost becomes too much for him to handle.

**Miss Natalie Reads**

**Nature and  
Spring**



**Grades K-3**

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