

# Predictable Books: Cumulative Story

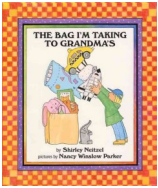
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## **Predictable Books: Cumulative Story**

These books are examples of cumulative stories.

"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 Bi)

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### **The Bag I'm Taking To Grandma's**

#### **Shirley Neitzel**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ne)

In cumulative verses and rebuses a young boy and his mother have different views on how to pack a bag for a trip to Grandma's.

### **Benny's Pennies**

#### **Pat Brisson**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Br)

Benny sets off in the morning with five shiny new pennies to spend and eventually buys something for his mother, brother, sister, dog, and cat.

### **The Great Big Enormous Turnip**

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#### **Aleksey Tolstoy**

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 398.2 Turnip Tol)

The mouse added just the necessary weight to the line formed by all those trying to pull up the giant turnip.



### **Hattie and the Fox**

#### **Mem Fox**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Fo)

Hattie, a big black hen, discovers a fox in the bushes, which creates varying reactions in the other barnyard animals.



### **Here Is the Coral Reef**

#### **Madeleine Dunphy**

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 577.78 Du)

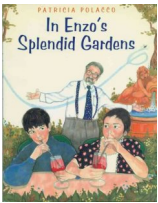
Poetically cumulative text and illustrations capture the relationships between plants and animals in the ecology of the Great Barrier Reef.

### **"I Don't Care!" Said the Bear**

#### **Colin West**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej We)

The big brown bear has no fear of a bad-tempered goose, a big pig, or even a wolf, but something very small causes him to run scared.

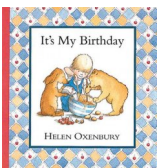


### **In Enzo's Splendid Gardens**

#### **Patricia Polacco**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Po)

A cumulative rhyme describes the uproarious chain of events that ensue when a waiter trips over a book dropped by a boy watching a bee.



### **It's My Birthday**

#### **Helen Oxenbury**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ox)

The birthday child's animal friends bring ingredients and help make a birthday cake.

### **It's Too Noisy!**

#### **Joanna Cole**

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 398.2 It Could Col)

Unable to stand his noisy and overcrowded home any longer, a farmer goes to the Wise Man for advice.



## **Jack's Garden**

### **Henry Cole**

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 635 Co)

Cumulative text and illustrations depict what happens in Jack's garden after he plants his seeds.

## **Knock, Knock, Teremok! : A Traditional Russian Tale**

### **Katya Arnold**

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 398.2 Knock Arn)

In this cumulative tale, a fly, a mouse, a frog, a duck, a hare, a fox, a pig, and a wolf come to live together, until a bear comes along.



## **Little Pink Pig**

### **Pat Hutchins**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Hu)

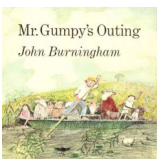
When it is time for bed, a little pink pig lags behind as his mother asks the horse, cow, sheep, and hens to help her find her child.

## **Mike's Kite**

### **Elizabeth MacDonald**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Mac)

On a windy day, Mike's kite blows away, pulling him and all the many people who try to help him.



## **Mr. Gumpy's Outing**

### **John Burningham**

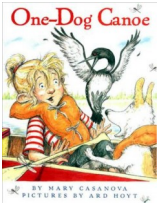
(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Bu)

Mr. Gumpy accepts more and more riders on his boat until the inevitable occurs.

## **The Old Woman and Her Pig**

### **Paul Galdone**

(Juvenile Picture Books Nonfiction - Ej 398.8 Ga)



### **One-Dog Canoe**

#### **Mary Casanova**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Ca)

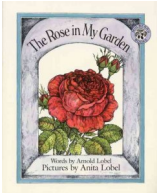
A girl and her dog set out in their canoe one morning, only to be insistently joined by a series of animals, large and small.

### **The Pig In The Pond**

#### **Martin Waddell**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Wa)

An overheated pig who doesn't swim, throws himself into a pond, throwing the farmyard into an uproar.



### **The Rose in My Garden**

#### **Arnold Lobel**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej Lo)

A variety of flowers grows near the hollyhocks that give shade to the bee that sleeps on the only rose in a garden.

### **Rum Pum Pum : a Folk Tale from India**

#### **Maggie Duff**

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 398.2 Rum Pum Duf)

Aided by others who have suffered at the hands of the king, a blackbird seeks revenge on the monarch who has stolen his wife.

### **The Story of Chicken Licken**

#### **Jan Ormerod**

(Juvenile Nonfiction - J 398.2 Henny Orm)

"Chicken Licken" is retold with illustrations of school children performing the story as a play on stage.

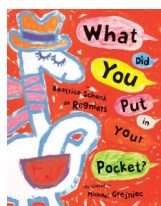


### **Today is Monday**

## **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.



## **What Did You Put In Your Pocket?**

## **Beatrice Schenk de Regniers**

(Juvenile Picture Books - Ej De)

Two groups of animals tell each other about the food and other things that they put in their pockets.

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