**I'm Hungry! ¡Tengo hambre!** by Angela Dominguez (2022)  **Ages: 2-4 years**

When a bluebird comes upon a dinosaur who’s down in the dumps, he asks what’s wrong. “¡Tengo hambre!” says the dinosaur. I’m hungry! Does the dinosaur want a banana? “¿Plátano? No.” Fish? “¿Pescado? No, gracias.” Nothing seems to do the trick! What does dinosaur want to eat? This delightful bilingual picture book is about finding just the right food—and just the right friend.

**I Was Born a Baby** by Meg Fleming (2022)  **Ages: 4-8 years**

I was born a baby and grew into a kid... Soon all the other baby animals can’t help but share what they are called and what they grew up into! Readers will learn about owlettes, pufflings, and more. But when the chick, calf, cub, and pup realize they share their names with several other species, they can’t believe it. “No way! No how! That can’t be true!” becomes a catchy, energetic refrain readers will love chanting.

**Mina** by Ryan T. Higgins (2018)  **Ages: 2-6 years**

Mina and her father live in a hollowed-out tree stump on the edge of a pond on the edge of a forest. Nothing ever bothers Mina, until one day, her father brings home a suspicious surprise from the woods. Should Mina trust her father—or listen to her own instincts?

**Berry Song** by Michaela Goade (2022)  **Ages: 4-8 years**

On an island at the edge of a wide, wild sea, a girl and her grandmother gather gifts from the earth. Salmon from the stream, herring eggs from the ocean, and in the forest, a world of berries. Salmonberry, Cloudberry, Blueberry, Nagoonberry, Huckleberry, Snowberry, Strawberry, Crowberry. Through the seasons, they sing to the land as the land sings to them. Brimming with joy and gratitude, in every step of their journey, they forge a deeper kinship with both the earth and the generations that came before, joining in the song that connects us all.

**Bathe the Cat** by Alice B. McGinty (2022)  **Ages: 3-6 years**

It's cleaning day, but the family cat will do anything to avoid getting a bath. So instead of mopping the floor or feeding the fish, the family is soon busy rocking the rug, vacuuming the lawn, and sweeping the dishes. Bouncy rhyme carries the story headlong into the growing hilarity, until finally Dad restores some kind of order—but will the cat avoid getting his whiskers wet?

**Mermaid and Pirate** by Tracy Baptiste (2023)  **Ages: 3-7 years**

Glub glub... Aargh... Mermaid and Pirate cannot understand each other. They speak different languages and come from different worlds. But they're quick to lend a hand, or a tail, when the sky grows stormy and waters get rough, and a friendship is born. Sometimes kindness and generosity speak louder than words.

**Gold** by David Shannon (2022)  **Ages: 3-7 years**

Max Midas isn’t like the other kids. Instead of trying to make friends, he decides to make millions and spends it all on what he loves best: GOLD. Gold statues. Gold fountains. Piles and piles of gold, and atop them all, a golden castle. But one day, things get lonely inside his shiny castle and Max finally learns that gold isn’t worth anything without friends and family by your side.

**Strega Nona** by Tomie dePaola (1979)  *Ages: 2-6 years*

Strega Nona—"Grandma Witch"—is the source for potions, cures, magic, and comfort in her Calabrian town. Her magical everfull pasta pot is especially intriguing to hungry Big Anthony. He is supposed to look after her house and tend her garden but one day, when she goes over the mountain to visit Strega Amelia, Big Anthony recites the magic verse over the pasta pot, with disastrous results.

**The Book With No Pictures** by B.J. Novak (2014)  *Ages: 4-8 years*

A book with no pictures? What could be fun about that? After all, if a book has no pictures, there's nothing to look at but the words on the page. Words that might make you say silly sounds... In ridiculous voices... Hey, what kind of book is this, anyway? If a kid is trying to make you read this book, the kid is playing a trick on you. You will end up saying silly things and making everybody laugh and laugh! Don't say I didn't warn you...

**Go Away Big Green Monster!** by Ed Emberley (1992)  *Ages: 2-4 years*

As kids turn the die-cut pages of this vibrantly illustrated book, they'll watch the Big Green Monster grow before their very eyes. Then, when they're ready to show him who's in charge, they'll turn the remaining pages and watch him disappear!

**Skippyjon Jones** by Judy Schachner (2003)  *Ages: 4-8 years*

Skippyjon Jones is no ordinary kitten. Oh, no. . . . He's actually El Skippito, a great sword-fighter ready to battle banditos the world over! With a little imagination and a whole lot of fun, this frisky cat dons a mask and cape and takes on a bad bumble-beeto to save the day. And along the way, he'll be sure to steal young reader's hearts, yes indeed-o!

**When You're Older** by Sofie Laguna (2022)  *Ages: 4-8 years*

Baby brother, I can't wait until you're older. Just imagine the adventures that lie ahead... An exquisitely illustrated and deeply joyful celebration of the bond between brothers. Join them as they explore the far reaches of this wild and amazing world, side by side every step of the way. From two highly acclaimed and award-winning creators.

**Only One** by Deborah Hopkinson (2022)  *Ages: 4-8 years*

Join one girl as she leads her friends to a tree-planting ceremony. Along the way, she explains in simple language the value of the universe and Planet Earth. Readers will see the Big Bang, the Milky Way, all the planets in the solar system, as well as Earth's atmosphere, and the life within it: its oceans, trees, bugs, and seven billion human beings. Finally, the girl and her friends plant a tree—doing one small thing to help their one special planet.

**The Best Story** by Eileen Spinelli (2008)  *Ages: 5-8 years*

The library is having a contest for the best story, and the quirky narrator of this book just has to win that rollercoaster ride with her favorite author! But what makes a story the best? Her brother Tim says the best stories have lots of action. Her father thinks the best stories are the funniest. And Aunt Jane tells her that the best stories have to make people cry. A story that does all these things doesn't seem quite right, though, and the one thing the whole family can agree on is that the best story has to be your own.

**How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodbye?** by Jane Yolen (2021)  *Ages: 3-5 years*

Saying goodbye is hard, even for dinosaurs. When they have to part from a loved one, they might cry, or hide in their bedrooms, or even write "DON'T GO!" on the wall. But with a little courage, they can face their fears. They can tell grown-ups how they're feeling and know that time apart can still be filled with love.