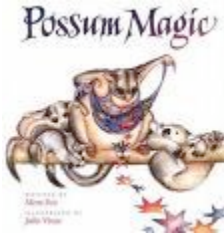
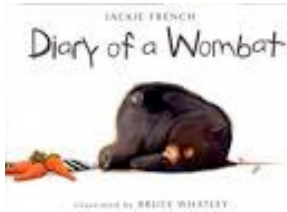


Bubs About Town's Top 10 Picture Books



Possum Magic
Mem Fox

Grandma Poss makes bush magic and her best trick of all is making Hush invisible so he will be safe from snakes. But the adventures begin when Hush wants to become visible again and he and Grandma Poss set off to find the magic that will make Hush visible again. Grandma Poss and Hush visit the cities of Australia sampling many culinary delights along the way.



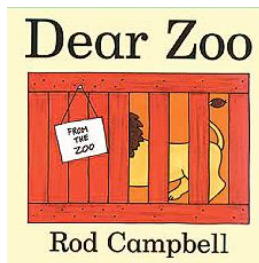
Diary of a Wombat
Jackie French

This wombat wrestles unknown creatures, runs her own digging business, and most difficult of all – trains her humans. She teaches them when she would like carrots, when she would like oats and when she would like both at the same time. But these humans are slow learners. Find out how one wombat – between scratching, sleeping and eating – manages to fit the difficult job of training humans into her busy schedule.



The Very Hungry Caterpillar
Eric Carle

This book follows a caterpillar as it munches its way through a variety of foods such as ice cream, salami, watermelon, one slice of Swiss cheese and a lollipop before it begins the next phase of a caterpillar life cycle. The story teaches counting to 5, the days of the week and obviously the life cycle of a caterpillar from egg to butterfly.



Dear Zoo
Rod Campbell

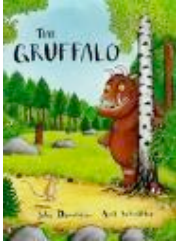
Lift the flaps and see what the zoo has sent: the perfect pet – in the end! It could be a roaring lion, or an elegant giraffe; will it be an animal to suit you? They are too heavy (the elephant), too grumpy (the camel), or too naughty (the monkey). At last, they send the perfect pet! This bestselling book delights toddlers and young children.



Dr. Dog
Babette Cole

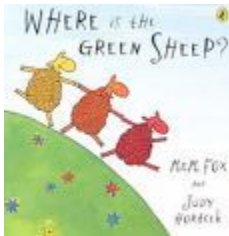
The Gumboyles' pet beagle, Dr. Dog, teaches his family that smoking hurts their lungs and that germs can attack tonsils, and that nits live in hair. The coup de grace, however, is Granddad's gastrointestinal problem from eating too many baked beans and drinking too much beer; "...he farted so hard he blew the roof right off the house!"

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The Gruffalo
Julia Donaldson

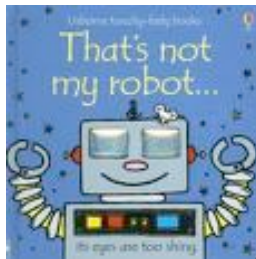
A mouse is taking a stroll through the deep, dark wood when along comes a hungry fox, then an owl, and then a snake. The mouse is good enough to eat but smart enough to know this, so he invents . . . the gruffalo! As Mouse explains, the gruffalo is a creature with terrible claws, and terrible tusks in its terrible jaws, and knobbly knees and turned-out toes, and a poisonous wart at the end of its nose. But is the gruffalo just a figment of mouse's imagination?



Where is the Green Sheep?
Mem Fox

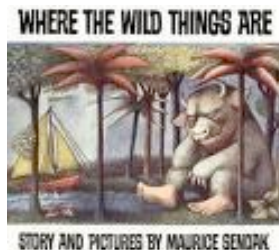
Here is the blue sheep, and here is the red sheep. Here is the bath sheep, and here is the bed sheep. But where is the green sheep?

A book full of rhymes and opposites, this book is sure to please. It holds plenty of opportunities for language and discussion with older children while at the same time appealing to younger children with hilarious illustrations.



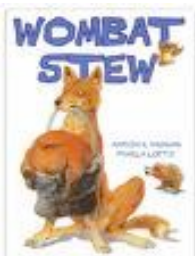
That's Not My....Series
Usborne Touchy Feely

These bright and colourful touchy feely books are a must have for any family household. With a wide range of titles from *That's not my fairy* to *That's not my dragon* they are sure to appeal to all. These very durable and easily wipe clean books follow a little mouse searching for something she has lost. The use of repetition and structure make these the perfect literary introduction for toddlers.



Where the Wild Things Are
Maurice Sendak

The book tells the story of Max, who is punished by his mum for chasing the dog so is sent to bed without supper. In his room, a mysterious, wild forest grows out of his imagination, and Max journeys to the land of the Wild Things. The Wild Things are fearsome-looking monsters, but Max conquers them "by staring into their yellow eyes without blinking once," and he is made "the King of all Wild Things." An amazing imaginative tale.



Wombat Stew
Marcia Vaughan

A delightful romp of a story with a unique cast of characters from the Australian outback. Wily, wild Dingo dog catches a poor, woebegone Wombat and decides to make Wombat stew. But the other animals try to save Wombat by insisting that the stew will not be complete without a variety of revolting ingredients. Much to the animals' delight, the concoction tastes so terrible that Dingo runs away, never again to sing about "yummy, chewy, Wombat stew."