



Key Area: Oral Language

Recommended Picture Books for 8 - 9 Year Olds



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Points to remember when choosing a book.

- Stories contain the full story structure.
- The themes in the stories can be relatively complex.
- Stories are typically longer.
- Repetition may still be evident in the texts.

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Ideal for Narrative Retell Tasks

Book Title	Author
Herbert and Harry	Pamela Allen
Grandad's Teeth	Rod Clement
Alexander's Outing	Pamela Allen
The Visitor	Sonja Bougaeva
The Fisherman And The Theefyspray	Paul Jennings
The Best Beak in Boonaroo Bay	Narelle Oliver
Feathers And Fools	Mem Fox
The Terrible Greedy Fossifoo	Charles Fuge
The Magic Rabbit	Annette Le Blanc Cate
Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge	Mem Fox
Arthur	Amanda Graham
The Gruffalo	Julia Donaldson
Wombat Devine	Mem Fox
The True Story Of The Three Little Pigs	Jon Scieszka
Chatterbox	Margaret Wild
Piggybook	Anthony Browne
Diary of a Wombat	Jackie French
Farmer Duck	Martin Waddell
Too Loud Lily	Sofie Laguna
Mutt Dog	Stephen Michael King
Pearl Barley and Charlie Parsley	Aaron Blabey
Russell The Sheep	Rob Scotton
Cuddly Dudley	Jez Alborough
Louisa May Pickett's Best Show And Tell Ever	Rod Clement
The Giving Tree	Shel Silverstein
The Island	John Heffernan
Possum Magic	Mem Fox
The Singing Hat	Tohby Riddle
Arnold Z Jones Could Really Play The Trumpet	Tohby Riddle
Zoo	Anthony Browne
Ella Kazoo Will Not Brush Her Hair	Lee Fox and Cathy Wilcox
Clancy The Courageous Cow	Lachie Hume
The Very Best of Friends	Margaret Wild