

# PLAYING PRESCHOOL YEAR 1

## Unit 1: Apples

- [Hello, World! How Do Apples Grow?](#) By Jill McDonald
- [An Apple's Life](#) by Nancy Dickmann
- [Apple Picking Day](#) by Candice Ransom
- [Apples Apples Apples](#) by Nancy Elizabeth Wallace
- [How Do Apples Grow?](#) By Betsy Maestro
- [The Mouse's Apples](#) by Frances Stickley

## Unit 2: Colors

- [Freight Train](#) by Donald Crews (red)
- [Mouse Paint](#) by Ellen Stoll Walsh (orange and yellow)
- [Green](#) by Laura Vaccaro Seeger (green)
- [The Rainbow Fish](#) by Marcus Pfister (blue)
- [Harold and the Purple Crayon](#) by Crockett Johnson (purple)
- [Ten Black Dots](#) by Donald Crews (black)
- [Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes](#) by Eric Litwin (white)
- [Brown Bear Brown Bear](#) by Bill Martin Jr / Eric Carle (brown)

## Unit 3: Nursey Rhymes

- [The Real Mother Goose](#) by Blanche Fisher Wright
- [The Neighborhood Mother Goose](#) by Nina Crews

## Unit 4: Clothing

- [Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons](#) by Eric Lithow
- [Caps for Sale](#) by Esphyr Slobodkina
- [Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing](#) by Judi Barrett
- [Red Shoes](#) by Karen English
- [Fancy Nancy](#) by Jane O'Connor
- [The Runaway Shirt](#) by Kathy MacMillan

## Unit 5: Food

- [Hot Pot Night](#) by Vincent Chen
- [Right This Very Minute: A Table-to-Farm Book About Food and Farming](#) by Lisl H. Detlefsen
- [Stone Soup](#) by Marcia Brown
- [Growing Vegetable Soup](#) by Lois Ehlert
- [The Very Hungry Caterpillar](#) by Eric Carle
- [The Little Red Hen](#) by Diane Muldrow
- [From Grass to Milk](#) by Stacy Taus-Bolstad
- [Cookies: Bite-Size Life Lessons](#) by Amy Krouse Rosenthal

## **Unit 6: The Five Senses**

- [My 5 Senses](#) by Aliki
- [Look, Listen, Taste, Touch and Smell](#) by Pamela Hill Nettleton
- [Squeak, Rumble, Whomp! Whomp! Whomp!](#) by Wynton Marsalis
- [The Listening Walk](#) by Paul Showers
- [I Can Hear a Pickle](#) by Rachel Isadora
- [Fuzzy Yellow Ducklings](#) by Matthew Van Fleet

## **Unit 7: Teddy Bears**

- [Goldilocks and the 3 Bears](#) adapted by Mara Alperin
- [Where's My Teddy](#) by Jez Alborough
- [We're Going on a Bear Hunt](#) by Michael Rosen
- [Corduroy](#) by Don Freeman
- [Share Some Kindness, Bring Some Light](#) by Apryl Stott
- [The Teddy Bear Picnic](#) by Jimmy Kennedy

## **Unit 8: Things That Go Together**

- [We Belong Together](#) by Joyce Wan
- [We Go Together](#) by Link Dyrdaahl
- [Friends](#) by Helme Heine
- [We are Best Friends](#) by Roger Priddy
- [When Pencil Met Eraser](#) by Karen Kilpatrick
- [Peanut Butter and Cupcake](#) by Terry Border

## **Unit 9: Community Helpers**

- [Helpers in My Community](#) by Bobbi Kalman
- [National Geographic Readers: Helpers in Your Neighborhood](#) by Shira Evans
- [Whose Hat is This?](#) by Sharon Katz Cooper
- [Tinyville Town Gets to Work](#) by Brian Biggs
- [Let's Meet a ...](#) (Cloverleaf Books)
- [ABCs of What I Can Be](#) by Caitlin McDonagh

## **Unit 10: Transportation**

- [Truck](#) by Donald Crews
- [The Little Engine the Could](#) by Watty Piper
- [Boats Float!](#) by George Ella Lyon
- [The Old Truck](#) by Jerome Pumphrey and Jarrett Pumphrey
- [The Airport Book](#) by Lisa Brown
- [The Little Red Caboose](#) by Marian Potter

## **Unit 11: On the Farm**

- [Farming](#) by Gail Gibbons
- [Big Red Barn](#) by Margaret Wise Brown
- [Farm](#) by Heather Alexander
- [Farm Animals](#) from Nat'l Geographic
- [Mrs. Wishy Washy's Farm](#) by Joy Cowley
- [Acoustic Rooster and the Barnyard Band](#) by Kwame Alexander

## **Unit 12: Weather**

- [All About Weather](#) by Huda Harajli
- [Shapes in the Sky](#) by Josepha Sherman
- [In the Rain \(In the Weather\)](#) by Elizabeth Spurr
- [Hello, World! Weather](#) by Jill McDonald
- [Goodbye Winter, Hello Spring](#) by Kenard Pak
- [A Rainbow of My Own](#) by Don Freeman

## **Unit 13: Eggs**

- [Chickens Aren't the Only One](#) by Ruth Heller
- [Guess What's Growing Inside This Egg](#) by Mia Posada
- [An Egg is Quiet](#) by Dianna Hutts Aston
- [Hattie Peck](#) by Emma Levey
- [The Odd Egg](#) by Emily Gravett
- [The Golden Egg](#) by Margaret Wise Brown

## **Unit 14: Plants**

- [How a Seed Grows](#) by Helene J. Jordan
- [Lola Plants a Garden](#) by Anna McQuinn
- [If You Plant a Seed](#) by Kadir Nelson
- [The Tiny Seed](#) by Eric Carle
- [Plants Feed Me](#) by Lizzie Rockwell
- [Who Will Plant a Tree?](#) by Jerry Pallotta

## **Unit 15: Construction**

- [Builders and Breakers](#) by Steve Light
- [Busy Busy Construction Site](#) by Richard Scarry
- [The Construction Alphabet](#) by Jerry Pallotta
- [Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site](#) by Sherri Diskey Rinker
- [Building a House](#) by Byron Barton
- [Brick by Brick](#) by Heidi Woodward Sheffield

**Unit 16:**  
**Pets**

- My Pet Wants a Pet by Elise Broach
- Not Norman by Kelly Bennett
- Strictly No Elephants! by Lisa Mantchev
- Some Pets by Angela DiTerlizz
- How Do Dinosaurs Love Their Dogs by Jane Yolen
- Alfie the Turtle that Disappeared by Thyra Heder

**Unit 17:**  
**Opposites**

- The Opposite Zoo by Il Sung Na
- A World of Opposites by Gray Malin
- Big Bear, Small Mouse by Karma Wilson
- You and Me: We're Opposites by Harriet Ziefert
- Olivia's Opposites by Ian Falconer
- Opposites by Sandra Boynton

**Unit 18:**  
**Fairy Tales  
and Folk  
Tales**

- Goldy Luck and the Three Pandas by Natasha Yim
- Strega Nona by Tomie dePaola

**Unit 19:**  
**Water**

- I Get Wet by Vicki Cobb
- Water is Water by Miranda Paul
- Hey, Water! by Antoinette Portis
- Wet by Carey Sookocheff
- Water Can Be... by Laura Purdie Salas
- Rain by Linda Ashman