

Dear Reader: Picture Books and Letter Writing Booklist

Stories in Letters

The Day the Crayons Quit, by Drew Daywalt, illustrated by Oliver Jeffers, Philomel, 2013. Dear Abuelo, by Grecia Hesca Dominguez, illustrated by Teresa Martinez, Reycraft Books, 2019.

Dear Primo: A Letter to My Cousin, by Duncan Tonatiuh, Abrams, 2010.

Eggasaurus, by Jennifer Wagh, illustrated by Hallie Bateman, Simon & Schuster, 2022. *Ice Cream Summer*, by Peter Sis, Scholastic, 2015.

The Jolly Postman, by Allan Ahlberg, illustrated by Janet Ahlberg, Little, Brown, 2001.

Love, Mouserella, by David Ezra Stein, Nancy Paulsen Books, 2011.

Love, Sophia on the Moon, by Anica Mrose Missi, Little, Brown, 2020.

The Mailbox in the Forest, by Kyoko Hara, illustrated by Kazue Takahashi, Museyon, 2021.

Same, Same but Different, by Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw, Henry Holt and Co., 2011.

Toot and Puddle, by Hollie Hobbie, Little, Brown, 2007.

The Thank You Letter, by Jane Cabrera, Holiday House, 2019.

XO, OX: A Love Story, by Adam Rex, illustrated by Scott Campbell, Roaring Brook Press, 2017.

Journey of Words

Dear Juno, by Soyung Pak, illustrated by Susan Kathleen Hartung, Puffin Books, 2001.

How to Send a Hug, by Hayley Rocco, illustrated by John Rocco, Little, Brown, 2022.

I Miss You Every Day, by Simms Taback, Viking Books, 2007.

I Wrote You a Note, by Lizi Boyd, Chronicle Books, 2017.

It Came in the Mail, by Ben Clanton, Simon & Schuster, 2016.

Jones Family Express, by Javaka Steptoe, Lee & Low, 2005.

Knock, Knock: My Dad's Dream for Me, by Daniel Beaty, illustrated by Bryan Collier, Little, Brown, 2013.

A Letter to Amy, by Ezra Jack Keats, Viking Books, 1998.

Nigel and the Moon, by Antwan Eady, illustrated by Gracey Zhang, Katherine Tegen Books, 2022.

Out on a Limb, by Jordan Morris, illustrated by Charlie Mylie, Abrams Books, 2022.

Snail Mail, by Samantha Berger, illustrated by Julia Patton, Running Press Kids, 2018.

The Uncorker of Ocean Bottles, by Michelle Cuevas, illustrated by Erin E. Stead, Rocky Pond Books, 2016.

With Lots of Love, Jenny Torres Sanchez, illustrated by Andre Ceolin, Viking Books, 2022.

Writing for Change

As Fast as Words Could Fly, by Pamela Tuck, Illustrated by Eric Velasquez, Lee & Low, 2018. Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type, by Doreen Cronin, illustrated by Betsy Lewin, Atheneum, 2000.

Dear Mr. Dickens, by Nancy Churnin, illustrated by Bethany Stancliffe, Albert Whitman, 2021.

Dear Reader: A Love Letter to Libraries, by Tiffany Rose, little bee books, 2022.

Exquisite: The Poetry and Life of Gwendolyn Brooks, by Suzanne Slade, illustrated by Cozbi Cabrera, Abrams Books, 2020.

If You Come to Earth, by Sophie Blackall, Chronicle Books, 2020.

Hold Them Close: A Love Letter to Black Parents, by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow, illustrated by Patrick Daugher, HarperCollins, 2022.

A Letter to My Teacher, by Deborah Hopkinson, illustrated by Nancy Carpenter, Schwartz & Wade, 2017.

Letters to a Prisoner, by Jacques Goldstyn, Owlkids, 2017.

The Power of Her Pen: The Story of Groundbreaking Journalist Ethel L. Payne, by Lesa Cline-Ransome, illustrated by John Parra, Paula Wiseman Books, 2020.

Rise Up and Write it: with Real Mail, Posters, and More!, by Nandini Ahuja, illustrated by Anoosha Syed, HarperFestival, 2021.

Walt Whitman: Words for America, by Barbara Kerley, illustrated by Brian Selznick, Scholastic, 2004.

The Word Collector, by Peter H. Reynolds, Orchard Books, 2018.