

Ready to read? Look for your favorite characters!

The transition from picture books to beginning readers can be a tough one for some children. To help with this transition, some publishers and authors have recently been producing early reader books featuring some of children's favorite picture book characters. These books are written with new readers in mind, using simple language and illustrations featuring familiar characters throughout.

[Beach Day](#) by Rosemary Wells

Max and Ruby build a sandcastle at the beach.

[Bears in the Night](#) by Stan and Jan Berenstain

The Berenstain Bears investigate a strange sound.

[Fancy Nancy and the Too-Loose Tooth](#) by Jane O'Connor

Fancy Nancy is determined to lose her first tooth at school.

[Pete the Cat: Pete's Big Lunch](#) by James Dean

A silly story in which Pete the Cat makes a gigantic sandwich!

[Pinkalicious and the Pinkatastic Zoo Day](#) by Victoria Kann

A monkey causes trouble for Pinkalicious during a visit to the zoo.

[Splat the Cat Sings Flat](#) by Chris Strathearn

Splat the Cat has stage fright!

[Trouble in the Tunnel](#) by W. Awdry

Thomas the Tank Engine finds himself on a mysterious island, and he's not sure how to get home.