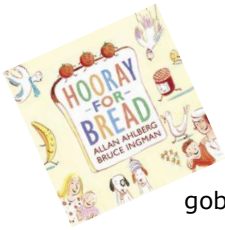


Marilu Burden's Young Readers List for December 2013



Allan Ahlberg [Hooray for bread](#)

Three cheers for bread, HIP-HIP-HOORAY! Early in the morning the baker bakes a lovely loaf of bread. So lovely, in fact, that by the time the sun goes down it's been gobbled up! Every. Last. Slice. Who eats it all? This picture book celebrates bread, whether it's a yummy cheese and ham sandwich or some buttery toast.

Nicholas Allan [The royal nappy](#)

Meet the Royal Baby and of course, Nanny, who looks after the Royal Baby and the all-important royal nappy cabinet! A funny, warm look at the royal nappy through history from Henry VIII to the present day and a very special new arrival.

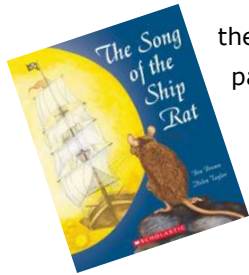
Pamela Allen [Bertie \(New Zealand\)](#)

When Bertie is grumpy, EVERYONE gets grumpy! This book for toddlers can be read from front to back, or from back to front.



Mac Barnett [Count the monkeys](#)

Kids will giggle as they count all the animals that have frightened the monkeys off the pages. Full of fun reader interactions and keeps readers guessing until the very last page!



Ben Brown [The song of the ship rat \(New Zealand\)](#)

Unfurl the flag, my sea-worn souls... the ship rat has come home. But where has he been? What sights has he seen?

Peter Brown [Mr. Tiger goes wild](#)

Mr. Tiger knows exactly how you feel. Fed up of tea parties, top hats and talking about the weather, he astounds his friends when he decides to go wild. But does he go too far? After all, the wilderness can get pretty lonely.

John Burningham [Picnic](#)

One day Boy and Girl go out for a picnic. They meet all sorts of creatures along the way - some come with them and some chase them, but, whatever happens, today will be a day for adventure!

Lucy Cousins [Peck, peck, peck](#)

Little woodpecker has just learnt how to peck and ooh! Yippee! What fun it is! Off he goes, on his first big pecking adventure, and he peck peck pecks his little heart out. Real holes in the pages add to the fun.

Drew Daywalt [The day the crayons quit](#)

Poor Duncan just wants to color in. But when he opens his box of crayons, he only finds letters, all saying the same thing: We quit! Beige is tired of playing second fiddle to Brown, Blue needs a break from coloring in all that water, while Pink just wants to be used. The battle lines have been drawn. What is Duncan to do?

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Julia Donaldson [Stick Man's first words](#)

This sturdy, colorful board book is the perfect way for Stick Man's youngest fans to learn their first words with numbers, colors, animal sounds and more!

Gareth Edwards [The disgusting sandwich](#)

One day, a boy drops his sandwich in a sandpit, and the race is on! A very hungry badger wants it, but he's just not quick enough. The sandwich is dropped, squashed and slithered over by everyone from a squirrel, to a fox, to a band of slugs. Will the badger ever get his paws on that sandwich? And will it be too disgusting?

Ed Emberley [Nighty night, Little Green Monster](#)

With the turn of every die-cut page, see Little Green Monster's face gradually appear. Then, as the stars come out, get ready to say good night!

Julie Fogliano [If you want to see a whale](#)

Advises the reader about what to do, and not do, in order to successfully spot a whale, such as wrapping up in a not-too-cozy blanket and being patient.

Mem Fox [Yoo-hoo, Ladybug!](#)

Search for Ladybug, who loves to hide in a variety of familiar locations.

Libby Gleeson [Banjo and Ruby Red](#)

A funny and touching story of antagonism and love. Banjo is a hard-working farm dog, Ruby Red is a haughty chicken, and they never see eye to eye. Can they ever be friends?

Yvonne Morrison [The Three Bears, sort of \(New Zealand\)](#)

A humorous adaptation of the classic tale 'The Three Bears' is told to a cheeky child who constantly interrupts with questions. Don't the bears prefer salmon to porridge? Why are they living in a cottage anyway? And how come they can talk?

Diana Noonan [The teddy bear's promise \(New Zealand\)](#)

When Dad discovers a mysterious, dusty box in Gran's attic, and brings it home to Max, the scene is set for a poignant and intriguing family tale.

What could be inside the box, and why is it so important that Max hear Dad's story

before he's allowed to open it?

David Wiesner [Mr. Wuffles!](#)

A cat named Mr. Wuffles doesn't care about toys. He's much more interested in playing with a little spaceship full of actual aliens — but the ship wasn't designed for this kind of rough treatment. Between motion sickness and damaged equipment, the aliens are in deep trouble.

Mo Willems [That is not a good idea!](#)

A surprising lesson about the importance of listening to one's inner gosling ensues when a very hungry fox issues a dinner invitation to a very plump goose. Inspired by the evil villains and innocent damsels of silent movies.

Jeanne Willis [Prince Charmless](#)

Since the day he was born, nothing was good enough for Prince Charmless. One day all the royal servants decided they had enough of his complaining and packed their bags. The pampered prince was left to fend for himself, with some unexpected results.

