

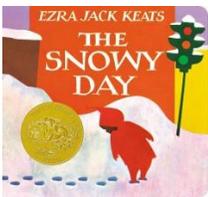
Book Ideas for *The Snowy Day and Other Stories by Ezra Jack Keats*

The Snowy Day celebrates the magic and boundless possibilities of the first snowfall! Follow Peter and his friends as they romp and play, starting snow ball fights and making snow angels in this imaginative play about childhood joys and the challenges of growing up. Using innovative shadow puppetry, Keats' treasured characters come to life in this humorous and fun adaptation of *Whistle for Willie*, *Goggles!*, *A Letter to Amy*, and *The Snowy Day*.

BIG IDEA: Hallmarks of Childhood

All titles on this list are appropriate for children in grades PreK - 2.

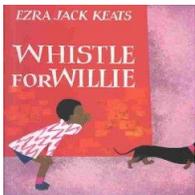
Links are to [goodreads](https://www.goodreads.com)



[The Snowy Day](#) (1962)

by Ezra Jack Keats

The adventures of a little boy in the city on a very snowy day.



[Whistle for Willie](#) (1964)

by Ezra Jack Keats

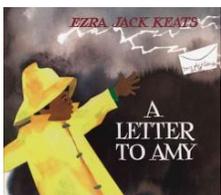
A little boy wishes so much he could whistle.



[Goggles!](#) (1969)

by Ezra Jack Keats

Two boys must outsmart the neighborhood bullies before they can enjoy their new treasure, a pair of lenseless motorcycle goggles.



[A Letter to Amy](#) (1968)

by Ezra Jack Keats

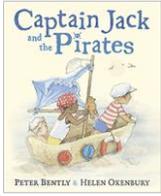
Peter wants to invite Amy to his birthday party but he wants it to be a surprise.



[Rain!](#) (2013)

by Linda Ashman

As an old man grumbles his way through a rainy morning, spreading gloom, his neighbor, a young child, spreads cheer while hopping through puddles in frog-themed rainwear.



[Captain Jack and the Pirates](#) (2016)

by Peter Bently

When brave mariners Jack, Zack and Caspar build a galleon then set off on an imaginary adventure at sea, they face pirates, a storm, and a shipwreck.

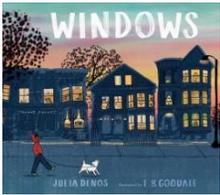
The Grouchy Ladybug
Eric Carle



[The Grouchy Ladybug](#) (1977)

by Eric Carle

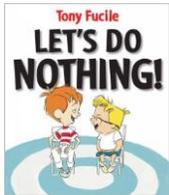
A grouchy ladybug, looking for a fight, challenges everyone she meets regardless of their size or strength.



[Windows](#) (2017)

by Julia Denos

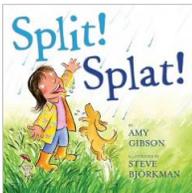
A young African American boy takes his dog for walk one evening and imagines the people and activities behind each window that lights up the night.



[Let's Do Nothing](#) (2009)

by Tony Fucile

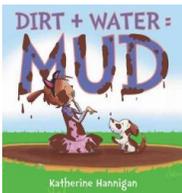
Believing they have done all there is to do, two bored boys come up with a strange new activity to keep them occupied and discover an entirely new way to pass the time by doing--nothing.



[Split! Splat!](#) (2012)

by Amy S. Gibson

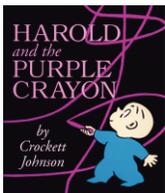
When a little girl ventures out into a spring rain with her dog, singing a simple, plain, pitter-patter rain song, her neighbors soon join her for some muddy-day fun.



[Dirt + Water + Mud](#) (2016)

by Katherine Hannigan

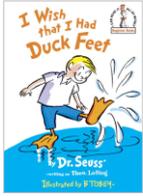
A young girl and her dog spend the day playing in her backyard, where with their imagination--and a few helpful props--anything can happen.



[Harold and the Purple Crayon](#) (1955)

by Crockett Johnson

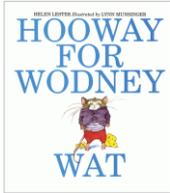
Armed only with an oversized purple crayon, young Harold draws himself a landscape full of wonder and excitement.



[I Wish That I Had Duck Feet](#) (1965)

by Theo LeSieg

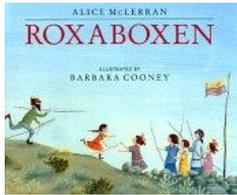
A boy imagines what it would be like if he had such things as duck feet, a whale spout, and an elephant's trunk.



[Hooray for Wodney Wat](#) (1999)

by Helen Lester

All his classmates make fun of Rodney because he can't pronounce his name, but it is Rodney's speech impediment that drives away the class bully.



[Roxaboxen](#) (1991)

by Alice McLerran

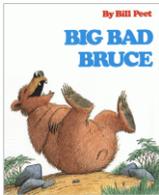
A hill covered with rocks and wooden boxes becomes an imaginary town for Marian, her sisters, and their friends.



[Float](#) (2015)

by Daniel Miyares

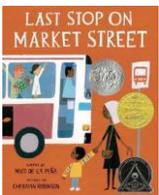
Wordless picture book about a boy who loses his paper boat in the rain.



[Big Bad Bruce](#) (1977)

by Bill Peet

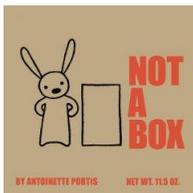
Bruce, a bear bully, never picks on anyone his own size until he is diminished in more ways than one by a small but very independent witch.



[Last Stop on Market Street](#) (2015)

by Matt de la Peña

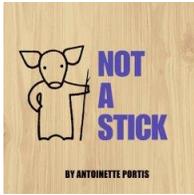
A young boy rides the bus across town with his grandmother and learns to appreciate the beauty in everyday things.



[Not a Box](#) (2007)

by Antoinette Portis

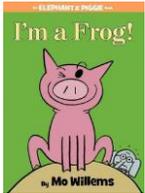
To an imaginative bunny, a box is not always just a box.



[Not a Stick](#) (2008)

by Antoinette Portis

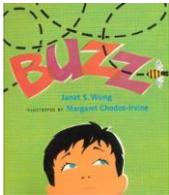
An imaginative young pig shows some of the many things that a stick can be.



[I'm a Frog](#) (2013)

by Mo Willems

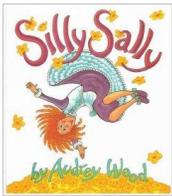
Piggie introduces his reluctant friend, Gerald the elephant, to the wonderful world of pretend.



[Buzz](#) (2000)

by Janet S. Wong

As Mommy and Daddy begin their day and get ready for work, a child observes this morning routine at home as well as the buzzing of a busy bee outside the window.



[Silly Sally](#) (1992)

by Audrey Wood

A rhyming story of Silly Sally, who makes many friends as she travels to town-- backwards and upside down.

