Kathleen T. Pelley's Recommended Read Alouds

The following is a list of *some* of my books to read aloud. Most of them are suitable for children in grades K-6.

Picture Books:

Mole Music by David McPhail

Child of Fairie, Child of Earth by Jane Yolen

Good Griselle by Jane Yolen

The Emperor and the Kite by Jane Yolen

Encounter by Jane Yolen

The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl

The Selfish Giant by Oscar Wilde

The Happy Prince by Oscar Wilde

Martin the Cobbler by Leo Tolstoy

Brother Juniper by Diane Gibfried

The Crane Wife by Odds Bodkin (other version by Katherine Paterson)

The Gardener by Sara Stewart

The Library Lion by Michelle Knudsen

Amos and Boris by William Steig

Sylevester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig

Miss Rumphius by Barbara Cooney

For the Love of Autumn by Patricia Polacco

Emily by Michael Bedard

The Name of the Tree by Celia Barker Lottridge

Somebody loves you, Mr. Hatch by Eileen Spinelli (great for Valentine's day)

Sophie's Masterpiece by Eileen Spinelli

The Lion's Whiskers by Nancy Raines Day

The Silver Cow by Susan Cooper

The Woman who Flummoxed the Fairies by Heather Forest

Orphan Boy by Tololwa Mollel

The Faithful Friend by Robert D San Souci

The Minstrel and the Dragon Pup by Rosemary Sutcliffe

Little Daylight by George MacDonald

Catkin by Antonia Barber

The Clown of God by Tomie de Paola

Christopher the Holy Giant by Tomie de Paola

Crow Boy by Taro Yashima

The Wild Boy by Mordicai Gerstien

Father and Son Nativity by Geraldine McCaughrean

The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey by Susan Wojciechowski

Androcles and the Lion by Denis Nolan

The Rainbabies by Laura Krauss Melmed

Lion and Mouse by Aesop

Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters by John Steptoe

The Greatest Treasure by Demi

Fire on the Mountain by Jane Kurtz
The Hungry Coat by Avi
The Wishing of Biddy Malone by Joy Cowley
Mabela the Clever by Margaret Read MacDonald
How the Manx Cat Lost its Tale retold by Janet Stevens
St. Patrick and the Peddlar by Margaret Hodges
The Man who Loved Books by Jane Fritz (non fiction)
St Francis and the Wolf by Richard Egielski
A Story for Bear by Denis Haseley
The Tale of Three Trees by Angela Elwell Hunt
Dog Heaven by Cynthia Rylant
Cat Heaven by Cynthia Rylant
King Midas: The Golden Touch by Demi
The Happy Lion by Louise Fatio
Peppe the Lamplighter by Elisa Bartone

Chapter Books:

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo

And Here is a List of My Books:

Magnus Maximus, A Marvelous Measurer

A Picture Book by Kathleen T. Pelley Illustrated by S.D. Schindler Published by Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young Readers Hardcover Picture Book, \$16.99 ISBN: 9780374347253 Ages 5-8

Magnus Maximus is a marvelous measurer. He measures wetness and dryness, nearness and farness, and everything in between. When a lion escapes from a traveling circus, Magnus and his trusty measuring tape come to the rescue. Now a hero, all is well until the day Magnus accidentally breaks his glasses, and he sees—for the first time—that he's been missing out

Inventor McGregor

on life's simple pleasures.

A Picture Book by Kathleen T. Pelley Illustrated by Michael Chesworth Published by Farrar Straus Giroux Books for Young Readers Hardcover Picture Book, \$16.00 ISBN: 9780374336067 Ages 4-8

Inventor McGregor can invent most anything that needs inventing, from a barking bag for the postman to bouncing boots for wee Willie. At his home workshop, McGregor never knows when inspiration will hit: while surrounded by his cheery wife and children, singing a song, or painting a picture. ?Just imagine how many more gadgets and gizmos you?ll be able to think up with a clear head and no distractions,? says the president of the Royal Society of Inventors, inviting him to work in the city. So why, in his new laboratory, is McGregor unable to think of a thing?

The Giant King

A Picture Book by Kathleen T. Pelley Illustrated by Maurie J. Manning Published by Child and Family Press Hardcover Picture Book, \$14.95 ISBN: 9780878688807 Ages 6-10

Some say that Rabbie, the carpenter's son, is a dreamer; but Rabbie says he works from his heart, carving not what is, but what could be. When Rabbie goes to a distant town to sell his carvings, he finds the town besieged by a fierce and destructive giant. The townspeople despair, but Rabbie suggests that if the giant were treated like a king, he might behave like one.

Raj, the Bookstore Cat

A Picture Book by Kathleen T. Pelley Illustrated by Paige Keiser Published by Charlesbridge Publishing Hardcover Picture Book, \$14.95 ISBN: 9781580892308 Ages 3-6

Available Spring 2011

When Felicity Fotheringham brings Raj home to live with her, in her attic above the bookstore she owns, he becomes the bookstore tiger. Every day he patrols the storerooms, greets the customers, and, best of all, he gets to join the children for afternoon story time. Life for Raj is as charmed as any fairytale he has ever heard, until one day, Snowball comes on the scene. This cranky cat's snide remarks cause Raj to doubt his own tigerness. So Raj is forced to figure out if he's just an ordinary kitty cat after all... or if, just maybe, it's Snowball who's got it wrong.

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