

Ten Top-Ten Lists

Collections for Ages 5–8

- Give Yourself to the Rain*, Margaret Wise Brown
All Together Now, Sonja Dunn
First Verses, John Foster (ed.)
See Saw Saskatchewan, Robert Heidbreder (also *Eenie Meenie Manitoba*)
Talking Like the Rain: A first book of Poems, X.J. Kennedy and Dorothy Kennedy (eds.)
Moon, Have You Met My Mother?, Karla Kuskin
Bubblegum Delicious, Dennis Lee (also *Alligator Pie; Garbage Delight; The Ice Cream Store; Jelly Belly*)
Nothing a Beats A Pizza, Loris Lesynski (also *Dirty Dog Boogie*)
The Random House Book of Poetry, Jack Prelutsky (ed.)
Here's A Little Poem, Jane Yolen and Andrew Fusek Peters (eds.)

Collections for Ages 8–12

- Peace Begins with Me*, Jill Bennett (ed.)
Til All the Stars Have Fallen, David Booth (ed.)
Nathaniel Talking, Eloise Greenfield
A Kick in the Head: An everyday guide to poetic forms, Paul B. Janeczko
I Gave My Mom a Castle, Jean Little (also *Hey World, Here I Am!*)
I Never Told and other poems, Myra Cohn Livingston
The 20th Century Children's Poetry Treasury, Jack Prelutsky (ed.)
Rimshots, Charles R. Smith (also *Hoop Kings; Hoop Queens*)
Popcorn, James Stevenson (also *Sweet Corn; Cornflakes Candy Corn*)
Hey You! C'mere: A poetry slam, Elizabeth Swados

Collections for Ages 12+

- Poems from Homeroom*, Kathi Appelt
When I Dance, James Berry
Earth Magic, Dionne Brand

- You Hear Me? Poems and writing by teenage boys*, Betsy Franco (ed.)
The Dream Keeper and other poems, Langston Hughes
Seeing the Blue Between: Advice and Inspiration for Young Poets, Paul B. Janeczko (also *The Place My Words are Looking For*)
Here in Harlem: Poems in many voices, Walter Dean Myers
This Same Sky, Naomi Shihab Nye (ed.)
The Raven by Edgar Allen Poe; Ryan Price (ill.)
Remember the Bridge: Poems of a people, Carole Boston Weatherford

Nursery Rhymes

- The Charles Addams Mother Goose*, Charles Addams
A Child's Treasury of Nursery Rhymes, Kady MacDonald Denton
Mother Goose Numbers on the Loose, Leo and Diane Dillon
Michael Foreman's Mother Goose, Michael Foreman
Favourite Nursery Rhymes from Mother Goose, Scott Gustafson
The Random House Book of Mother Goose, Arnold Lobel
I Saw Esau, Iona and Peter Opie; Maurice Sendak (ill.)
The Movable Mother Goose, Robert Sabuda
Monster Goose, Judy Sierra
My Very First Mother Goose, Iona Opie and Rosemary Wells

Ha! Ha! Ha!

- Doctor Knickerbocker and other rhymes*, David Booth (ed.)
Murphy the Rat: Tales of a Tough City, Paul Duggan
Laugh-eteria, Douglas Florian (also *Bing, Bang, Boing*)
Sky in the Pie, Roger McGough (also *Strictly Private*)
There's An Awful Lot of Weirdos in Our Neighbourhood, Colin McNaughton
Gargling with Jelly, Brian Patten (also *Juggling with Gerbils*)
It's Raining Pigs and Poodles, Jack Prelutsky (also *The New Kid on the Block; A Pizza the Size of the Sun; Something Big Has Been Here*).
For Laughing Out Loud: Poems to tickle your funny bone, Jack Prelutsky (ed.)
Walking the Bridge of Your Nose, Michael Rosen (ed.)
Where the Sidewalk Ends, Shel Silverstein (also *Falling Up; A Light in the Attic*)

Animals and Nature

In for Winter, Out for Spring, Arnold Adoff

The EcoDiary of Kirin Singer, Sue Ann Alderson

Images of Nature, David Booth (ed.) (also *Voices on the Wind*)

Aska's Animals, David Day; Warabe Aska (ill.) (also *Aska's Sea Creatures; Seasons*)

Joyful Noise: Poems for Two Voices, Paul Fleischman (also *I Am Phoenix*)

Autumnblings, Douglas Florian (also *Summersaults; Handsprings; Winter Eyes*)

Zoo's Who, Douglas Florian (also *Insectlopedia; Mammalabilia*)

Creatures of Earth, Sea and Sky, Georgia Heard

The Beauty of the Beast, Jack Prelutsky (ed.)

How to Cross a Pond: Poems about water, Marilyn Singer (see also *Turtle in July, Quiet*)

Curriculum Connections

Come to the Great World, Wendy Cooling (ed.)

Comets, Stars, The Moon, and Mars, Douglas Florian

Marvelous Math: A book of poems, Lee Bennett Hopkins (ed.)

A World of Wonders: Geographic Travels in Verse and Rhyme, J. Patrick Lewis

Arithme-tickle, J. Patrick Lewis

Space Songs, Myra Cohn Livingston

Eh? To Zed: A Canadian ABeCedarium, Kevin Major

Science Verse, Jon Scieszka

The Blood-Hungry Spleen: and other poems about our parts, Allan Wolf

Sacred Places, Jane Yolen

Poems as Picture Books

Life Doesn't Frighten Me, Maya Angelou; Jean-Michel Basquiat (ill.)

The Song Within My Heart, David Bouchard; paintings by Allen Sapp

Jabberwocky, Lewis Carroll; Christopher Myers (ill.)

There Were Monkeys in the Kitchen, Sheree Fitch; illustrated by Marc Mongeau

Prayer for the Twenty-first Century, John Marsden

The Highwayman, Alfred Noyes; Murray Kimber (ill.)

Trail, David Pelham

The Wizard, Jack Prelutsky; Brandon Dorman (ill.)

The Cremation of Sam McGee, Robert Service; Ted Harrison (ill.)

Casey at the Bat, Ernest Lawrence Thayers; Christopher Bing (ill.)

Novels as Poems

Home of the Brave, Katherine Applegate

Frenchtown Summer, Robert Cormier

Love that Dog, Sharon Creech (also *Heartbeat*)

Spinning Through the Universe, Helen Frost

Out of the Dust, Karen Hesse (also *Aleutian Sparrow; Witness*)

Crazy Man, Pamela Porter

Ludie's Life, Cynthia Rylant (also *Boris*)

The Way a Door Closes, Hope Anita Smith

Amber Was Brave, Essie Was Smart, Vera B. Williams

Locomotion, Jacqueline Woodson

A Fitch List

I Am Small

If I Had A Million Onions

If You Could Wear My Sneakers

Mable Murple

Merry-Go-Day

No Two Snowflakes

Pocket Rocks

Sleeping Dragons All Around

There's a Mouse in My House

Toes in My Nose