



## Seymour's Kindergarten and School Themed Booklist

*Reading books can help prepare your rising Kindergartner for big school and alleviate some anxiety. Here are some of Seymour's favorites in ABC order by author:*

Ahlberg, Janet. *Starting School*

Humorous descriptions of the first day at school, then the first week, and up to Christmas.

Carlson, Nancy. *Henry's 100 Days of Kindergarten*

On his first day of kindergarten, Henry learns that his teacher will add a jelly bean to a special jar every day until they reach 100 days of school.

Carlson, Nancy. *Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come*

Enthusiastic Henry can hardly wait to start kindergarten. But will he still feel that way when he gets there?

Carlstrom, Nancy White. *It's Your First Day of School, Annie Claire*

Annie Claire asks questions that reflect her anxieties about starting school. Mom provides reassuring responses to quell her fears.

Davis, Katie. *Kindergarten Rocks!*

Dexter already knows everything there is to know about kindergarten. His big sister, Jessie, went there too, and she's told him all about it. So Dexter is not scared. Not even a little bit. Nope. Not at all.

DePaola, Tomie. *Bill and Pete*

William Everett Crocodile learns to write his name with the help of Pete, his toothbrush.

Gantos, Jack. *Back to School for Rotten Ralph*

Sarah's jealous and humorously rotten cat, Ralph, hatches a plan to keep her from making friends at school.

Henkes, Kevin. *Chrysanthemum*

At school, kids tease Chrysanthemum about her name until the teacher intervenes. and *Jessica*: Ruthie's imaginary friend has to be left behind when she starts school, but she soon makes a real friend.

London, Jonathan. *Froggy Goes To School*

Froggy's nightmare about school does not come true, and he ends up having a good first day.

McGhee, Alison. *Countdown to Kindergarten*

An about-to-be kindergartner's anxiety dissolves when she finds other kids had the same fears.

Penn, Audrey. *The Kissing Hand*

This popular story suggests a way to deal with the separation of going to school.

Schwartz, Amy. *Annabelle Swift, Kindergartner*

Spunky Annabelle's older sister gives her some unusual tips for her first day of school.

Shannon, David. *David goes to School*

After an intense day of exuberant misbehaving, David finds affirmation.

Slate, Joseph. *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready For Kindergarten*

In verse, this book shows kindergarten from the teacher's perspective.

Sturges, Philemon. *I Love School!*

This rhyming book makes all of the school activities look like fun.

Wing, Natasha. *The Night Before Kindergarten*

Verses in the manner of *The Night Before Christmas* encourage the reader who may be anxious about kindergarten.

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