



Additional Readings:

WEEK 1

WEEK 2

By the Authors and Illustrators

Falconer, Ian. *Olivia Saves the Circus*. Atheneum, 2001. Olivia tells the tale of how she saved the circus by filling in for the clowns, jugglers, and lion tamers when they were all out sick.

ON LEVEL

Lobel, Arnold. *Owl at Home*. HarperTrophy, 1982. Owl lives alone, but when he goes out for a walk, he makes a friend that follows him all the way home.

ON LEVEL

Related to the Theme

Chodos-Irvine, Margaret. *Ella Sarah Gets Dressed*. Harcourt, 2003. Ella Sarah knows just what she wants to wear, in spite of her family's suggestions.

ON LEVEL

Frazer, Marla. *Roller Coaster*. Harcourt, 2003. The excitement of going on a roller coaster is captured using many descriptive sounds.

ON LEVEL

Dunbar, Polly. *Flyaway Katie*. Candlewick Press, 2004. Katie cheers herself up by dressing up in some bright clothing and painting more colors on herself.

APPROACHING

Mayo, Margaret. *Choo Choo Clickity Clack!* Carolrhoda, 2005. Lively and rhythmic, four lines of text capture the excitement of trains, planes, and boats; making a great read aloud.

APPROACHING

Futterer, Kurt. *Emile*. McAdam/Cage, 2004. A white cat named Emile leaves home in search of beautiful colors.

BEYOND

Mortensen, Denise Dowling. *Good Night Engines*. Clarion, 2003. A child plays with each of his toy trains, planes, and trucks before going to sleep.

APPROACHING

Johnson, D. B. *Henry Climbs a Mountain*. Houghton Mifflin, 2003. On the way to climb a mountain, Henry gets put in jail for not paying taxes, but he finds an imaginative way to climb that mountain anyway.

BEYOND

Trapani, Iza. *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*. Gareth Stevens, 2000. Various verses have been added to this well-known traditional song; as a bear family rows to a picnic.

BEYOND

Shannon, David. *Alice the Fairy*. Scholastic, 2004. Alice loves to pretend she is a fairy with magical powers.

ON LEVEL

Walton, Rick. *Bunnies on the Go: Getting from Place to Place*. HarperCollins, 2003. An active bunny family takes a vacation using all different modes of transportation.

BEYOND

Steig, William. *Pete's a Pizza*. HarperCollins, 1998. Pete's father pretends that Pete is a pizza in order to cheer him up.

APPROACHING

Zane, Alexander. *The Wheels on the Race Car*. Orchard Books, 2005. An energetic presentation about race cars, written in the format of *The Wheels on the Bus*.

ON LEVEL

***Big Book

WEEK 3	WEEK 4	WEEK 5
<p>***Schlein, Miriam. <i>Hello, Hello.</i> Simon & Schuster, 2002. This picture book shows children how different animals communicate their pleasure upon meeting.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Keats, Ezra Jack. <i>Goggles. Puffin,</i> 1998. Peter finds a pair of goggles, and everyone wants them.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Hariton, Anca. <i>The Egg Story.</i> Dutton, 1992. An egg's development from the moment it is laid until it hatches as a chick is the focal point of this story.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>Adler, David A. <i>A Picture Book of Thomas Alva Edison.</i> Holiday House, 1996. A well-illustrated biography of the man who had a curious mind and invented the phonograph, the camera, the light bulb, and other items.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Andreae, Giles. <i>Giraffes Can't Dance.</i> Orchard Books, 2001. After several unsuccessful attempts to dance, a giraffe discovers that with the right music, he can dance.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Gerver, Jane E. <i>Grow a Pumpkin Pie!</i> Scholastic, 2000. Simple sentences at the earliest reading level describe how a pumpkin grows; beginning with the seed.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>
<p>Dodds, Dayle Ann. <i>Henry's Amazing Machine.</i> Farrar, Straus & Giroux, 2004. When the machine Harry was building kept getting bigger and bigger, he was faced with the question of what it would do.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Emmet, Jonathan. <i>Ruby in Her Own Time.</i> Scholastic, 2003. Ruby doesn't develop as quickly as the other ducklings, but one day she surprises them all.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Godwin, Sam. <i>From Little Acorns: A First Look at the Life Cycle of a Tree.</i> Picture Window Books, 2001. Simple text describes the growth of a tree, and cartoon blurbs express the responses of squirrels.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>
<p>Harper, Charise Mericle. <i>Imaginative Inventions.</i> Little, Brown, 2001. Written in rhyme, this is the story behind many inventions in our everyday world.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Hamm, Mia. <i>Winners Never Quit!</i> HarperCollins, 2004. Mia is tempted to quit when she can't score a goal for her soccer team, but she realizes what is more important.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Hall, Zoe. <i>The Apple Pie Tree.</i> Scholastic, 1996. Two sisters watch an apple tree growing in their backyard and describe the changes.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>Himmelman, John. <i>The Day-Off Machine.</i> Silver Press, 1990. Orville and Willa Wright own a fix-it shop and have three children: Alexander, Graham, and Belle.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Hest, Amy. <i>Mr. George Baker.</i> Candlewick Press, 2004. A 100-year-old musician and a young boy wait for the school bus together because they are both learning how to read.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Henderson, Kathy. <i>And the Good Brown Earth.</i> Candlewick Press, 2003. A boy and his grandmother are taking care of the vegetable patch through all seasons, each in his or her own way.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>
<p>Jacobs, Daniel. <i>What Does It Do?</i> Raintree, 1990. Inventions that are used every day and their functions are compared to the models years ago; with colorful photographs and black-and-white illustrations.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Keller, Holly. <i>Pearl's New Skates.</i> Greenwillow, 2005. Pearl expects ice skating to be easy with her new skates, but she is in for a big surprise.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>	<p>Sloat, Teri. <i>Patty's Pumpkin Patch.</i> Putnam, 1999. A unique alphabet book about pumpkin care throughout the year.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>
<p>Woods, Andrew. <i>Young Orville and Wilbur Wright.</i> Troll Associates, 1992. A brief, simple biography of the two brothers who invented the first motor-powered plane.</p> <p>ON LEVEL</p>	<p>Narahashi, Keiko. <i>Two Girls Can!</i> Margaret McElderry, 2000. Two good friends can do many things together and have a great time.</p> <p>APPROACHING</p>	<p>Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth. <i>Apples, Apples, Apples.</i> Winslow Press, 2000. The rabbit family visits an apple orchard where they enjoy picking apples and learning about them.</p> <p>BEYOND</p>