**Picture Books that Support Literary Devices**

(I created this list to support my classroom teachers with Literary Devices)

**Character**

Alexander and The Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Viorst, Cynthia

A Million Fish—more or less by McKissack, Patricia

The Relatives Came by Rylant, Cynthia

Song and Dance Man by Ackerman, Karen

**Conflict**

Angel Child, Dragon Child by Surat, Michele (character vs. character)

Enemy Pie (character vs. character)

Hundred Penny Box by Mathis, Sharon (character vs. character)

The Ugly Duckling (character vs. character)

Legend of the Bluebonnet by dePaola, Tommie (character vs. nature)

The Lorax by Dr. Seuss (character vs. nature)

Biggest Bear by Ward, Lynd (character vs. society)

Island of the Skog by Kellogg, Steven (character vs. society)

Thunder Cake by Polacco, Patricia (character vs. self)

**Making Connections**:

Fireflies: story and pictures by Brincklore, Julie

**Plot**

Kermit the Hermit by Peet, Bill

Petunia by Duvoisin, Robert

Owl Moon by Yolen, Jane

Wretched Stone by Van Allsberg, Chris

**Point of View**

Tale of Peter Rabbit by Potter, Beatrix (changes point of view during story from first-person to character)

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| Me and My Cat? |
| I want to stay here, I want to go there |
| Voices in the Park |

**Setting**

Alexander and The Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Viorst, Cynthia

Patchwork Quilt by Flournoy, Valerie

Wreck of the Zephyr by Allsburg, Chris

**Summarizing**

Bully for you, Teddy Roosevelt! By Fritz, Jean

Commodore Perry in the land of the Shogun by Blumberg, Rhoda

Eleanor Roosevelt : a life of discovery by Freedman, Russell

Volcano : the eruption and healing of Mount St. Helens by Lauber, Patricia

**Theme**

Appelemando’s Dreams by Polacco, Patricia

Alexander and The Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Viorst, Cynthia

Babushka Baba Yaga by Polacco, Patricia Mirette on the High Wire by Arnold, Emily

Smoky Night by Bunting, Eve

**Alliteration**

Chicken Little by Kellogg, Steven

How do you hide a monster by Kahl, Virginia

Sheep in a shop by Shaw, Nancy

Shriek by Steig, William

What’s Under My Bed by Stevenson, James

Rotten Island by William Steig   
 Zinnia by Anita Lobel  
 The Desert is Theirs by Byrd Baylor

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| Alison’s Zinnia |
| How the Grinch Stole Christmas |
| The Absolutely Awful Alphabet |
| The Rose in My Garden |
| Amelia’s Road |
| Come On, Rain! |
| Cindy Ellen: A Wild Western Cinderella |
| Black Cat |
| Mouse, Look Out! |

Some Smug Slug

Four Famished Foxes and Fosdyke

A My Name is Alice

Web Files by Palatini

The Z was Zapped by Chris Van Allsburg

Princess Prunella and the Purple Peanut by Margaret Atwood

Buccaneer Bunnies!

ABC Yummy by Lisa Jahn-Clough

Absolutely Awful Alphabet by Mordecai Gerstein

Alligators All Around by Maurice Sendak

Animalia

Aster Aardvark’s alphabet adventures by Steven Kellogg

Dinorella byPamela Duncan Edwards

William Walked

A, My Name is Andrew by Mary McManus Burke

**Dialect**

Tar Beach by Ringgold, Faith

The Three Little Javelins by Lowell. Susan

Mirandy and Brother Wind by McKissack, Patricia

**Hyperbole**

“I’m The Single Most Wonderful Person I Know” in the book The New Kid on the Block by Prelutsky, Jack.

Library Lil by Suzanne Williams  
The Best Town in the World

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| Come On Rain! |
| Kate and the Beanstalk |
| If I Were In Charge of the World |
| Millions of Cats |
| Shrek |

**Homonyms**

A Chocolate Moose for dinner by Gwynne, Fred

The Dove Dove : Funny Homograph Riddles by Terban, Marvin

Eight Ate : a Feast of Homonym Riddles by Terban, Marvin

The King Who Rained by Gwynne, Fred

A Little Pigeon Toad by Gwynne, Fred

**Idiom**

Mad as a Wet Hen and Other Funny Idioms by Terban, Marvin

More Parts by Arnold, Tedd

My Teachers Likes to Say by Brennan-Nelson, Denise

Punching the Clock: Funny Action Idioms by Terban, Marvin

The sixteen hand horse by Gwynne, Fred

**Imagery**

Moonsong Lullaby by Highwater, Jamake

Where the Sidewalk Ends by Silverstein, Shel

The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses by Paul Goble

When I Was Young in the Mountains by Cynthia Rylant

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| Black Cat |
| Come On, Rain! |
| Snowflake Bentley |

**Metaphor**

Dakota dugout by Turner, Ann

The Lady and the Spider by McNulty, Faith

Owl Moon by Yolen, Jane

The Rough-Face Girl by Martin, Rafe

Tar Beach by Ringgold, Faith

Up at the North Cabin by Chall, Marsha

Annie and the Old One- Miles Turner

Alfalfa Hill-Peter Parnall

Dakota Dugout— Turner, Ann

Encounter- Jane Yolen

Goodbye Geese-Nancy Carlstrom

Hailstones and Halibut Bones-O’Neil High

Oregon’s Journey by Rascal  
 Where the Buffalos Begin by Olaf Baker

White Snow Bright Snow

Knots on a Counting Rope

Swimmy

My Great Aunt Arizona

Switch on the Night Bradbury, Ray

Rondo in C Fleischman, Paul

A Writer Goffstein, M.B.

Little Island MacDonald, Golden

Knots on a Counting Rope Martin, Bill

Black Cat Myers, Christopher

The Tale of the Mandarin Ducks Paterson, Katherine

The Tale of Peter Rabbit Potter, Beatrix

Tar Beach Ringgold, Faith

Hide and Seek Fog Tresselt, Alvin

Encounter Yolen, Jane

Owl Moon Yolen, Jane

**Onomatopoeia**

Click, Clack Moo: Cows that Type by Cronin, Doreen

Max Found Two Sticks by Pinkney, Brian

Owl Moon by Yolen, Jane

Sky Dogs by Yolen Jane

Smoky Night by Bunting, Eve

Welcome to the Green House (nonfiction) by Yolen, Jane

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| I Stink!   |  | | --- | | Rap a Tap Tap: Here’s Bojangles-Think of That! | | Thump, Bump: Tiny the Dancing Hippo |   **Point of View**  Everybody Needs a Rock by Baylor, Bird  Death of an Iron Horse by Goble, Paul  True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Szieeska, Jon   |  | | --- | | Me and My Cat? | | I want to stay here, I want to go there | | Voices in the Park  **Rhyme and Rhythm**  No Jumping on the Bed by Arnold, Tedd  I Can’t Said the Ant by Cameron, Polly  What’s Under My Bed by Stevenson, James  Wing Nuts: Screwy **Haiku** by Janeczko, Paul  R is for Rhyming |   **Simile**  The Bicycle Man by Say, Allen  Chanticleer and the fox by Cooney, Barbara  Fireflies: story and pictures by Brincklore, Julie  It Looked Like Spilt Milk by Shaw, Charles  Nettie’s Trip South (chapter book) by Tunrer, Ann  Owl Moon by Yolen, Jane  Quick as a Cricket by Wood, Audrey  Swimmy by Lionni, Leo  Mixed-Up Chameleon by Carle, Eric  Twilight Comes Twice by Fletcher, Ralph  The Wagon by Johnston, Tony  The Whale’s Song by Sheldon, Dyan  Library Lil by Suzanne Williams The Bicycle Man by Allen Say   The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses by Paul Goble  Similes by Hanson, Joan.  I read you loud and clear by Sommer, Elyse.  Chanticleer and The Fox  The girl who loved wild horses  The Little Island  White Snow Bright snow  Umbrella  The cowboy and the black-eyed pea  The Tapestry Cats  Quick as a Cricket by Audrey Wood  Night Noises by Mem Fox  Anthony Browne’s My Dad is loaded with similes  The Banshee by Karen Ackerman  Hugh Can Do by Jennifer Armstrong  Up North at the Cabin by Marsha Chall  Chanticleer and the Fox by Geoffrey Chaucer  Snowy by Berlie Doherty  The Web in the Grass by Berniece Freschet  The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses by Paul Goble  The Day We Saw the Sun Come Up by Alice Goudey  Through the Mickle Woods by Valiska Gregory  The Cowboy and the Black-Eyed Pea by Tony Johnston  Four Dollars and Fifty Cents by Eric Kimmel  Little Island by Golden MacDonald  Keeping House by Margaret Mahy  Over Back by Beverly Major  Alfalfa Hill by Peter Parnall  High in the Mountains by Ruth Radin  Monster Mama by Liz Rosenberg  Hide and Seek Fog by Alvin Tresselt  White Snow Bright Snow by Alvin Tresselt  The Tapestry Cats by Ann Turnbull  Rainflowers by Ann Turner  When Spring Comes by Natalie Warnock  Everyone Knows What a Dragon Looks Like by Jay Williams  Nurse Lugton’s Curtain by Virginia Woolf  The Cat Next Door by Betty Ren Wright  Umbrella by Taro Yashima  Owl Moon  Saving Sweetness   |  | | --- | | Amelia’s Road | | Black Cat | | Cindy Ellen: A Wild Western Cinderella | | Come On, Rain! | | The Honest to Goodness Truth   |  | | --- | | The Important Book | | Kate and the Beanstalk | | The Mixed-Up Chameleon | | Mouse, Look Out! | | Owl Moon | | Shiloh | | Snowflake Bentley |  **Allusion-**  |  | | --- | | Use Your Head, Dear | | Where the Forest Meets the Sea | | Ralph’s Secret Weapon | | Meanwhile Back at the Ranch | | No Such Things | | Alistair’s Time Machine | | We’re Back! A Dinosaur’s Story | | Wreck of the Zephyr | | Horace and Morris but Mostly Dolores | | Henry Hikes to Fitchburg | | |

**Aphorism  -**

Old Henry by Joan Blos  
Grandfather’s Journey by Allen Say

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| Chanticleer and the Fox |
| Grandfather’s Journey |
| Old Henry |
| Who is the Beast? |
| **Foreshadowing –**  Just Plain Fancy by Patricia Polacco Death of the Iron Horse by Paul Goble Hog -Eye by Susan Meddaugh   |  | | --- | | Annie and the Wild Animals | | A Garden for a Ground Hog | | The Honest to Goodness Truth. | | Jump, Frog, Jump! | | Miss Nelson Has a Field Day | | No Jumping on the Bed! | | The Patchwork Quilt (videocassette) | | Ralph’s Secret Weapon | | Shortcut | | Wreck of the Zephyr | |

**Voice -**

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| Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day |
| Aunt Chip and the Great Triple Creek Dam Affair |
| Brother Eagle, Sister Sky: A Message From Chief Seattle |
| Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type |
| December |
| The Frog Prince, Continued |
| Fly Away Home |
| Gift of the Sacred Dog |
| Kate Shelley: Bound for Legend |
| Koko’s Kitten |
| Me and My Cat |
| My House Has Stars |
| The Paper Bag Princess |
| Pink and Say |
| Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes |
| Saving Sweetness |
| Sleeping Ugly |
| The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales |
| Tar Beach |
| The Teacher from the Black Lagoon |
| The True Story of the Three Little Pigs |
| The Twits |
| Voices in the Park |
| The Wall (kit: video and book) |
| Yeh-Shen: a Cinderella Story from China |

## Inference –

Jumanji by Chris Van Allsburg  
Annie and the Old One by Miska Miles

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| Alistair’s Elephant |
| The Boy of the Three Year Nap |
| Buttons |
| The Cut Ups |
| Her Majesty, Aunt Essie |
| Jumanji |
| The Knight and the Dragon |
| Mirette on the High Wire |
| Miss Nelson Has a Field Day |
| No Jumping on the Bed! |
| The Patchwork Quilt (videocassette) |
| The Rose in My Garden |
| Use Your Head, Dear |
| Why the Chicken Crossed the Road |
| Window |
| Wings, a Tale of Two Chickens (video) |
| Wreck of the Zephyr |
| The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree |

## Irony –

## Many Moons by James Thurber

## Flash Back-

The Quilt Story  
The Amazing Bone by William Steig  
The Night I Followed the Dog by Nina Laden  
Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes

## Parody –

The Paper Bag Princess by Robert Munsch  
The True Story of the Three Little Pigs by Jon Scieszka

## Personification –

Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig  
Ghost’s Hour by Eve Bunting

Burger and the Hotdog  (Aylesworth, Jim)  
I Am the Mummy  (Bunting, Eve)  
Click Clack Moo  (Cronin, D.)  
Flossie The Fox  (McKissack, Patricia)  
Gilberto and the Wind  (Ets, M.)  
The little House  (Burton, Virginia Lee)  
Mike Mulligan and the Steam Shovel  (Burton, Virginia)  
Mirandy and Brother Wind  (McKissack, Patricia)  
My Life With the Wave  (Cowan, C.)  
Officer Buckle and Gloria  (Rathmann, P.)  
Velveteen Rabbit  (Williams, M.)  
Frankenstein’s Dog  (Wahl, Jan) Choo Choo The Runaway Engine  (Burton, Virginia Lee)  
All Wet, All Wet  (Skofield, James)  
Ghost’s Hour, Spook Hour  (Bunting, Eve)  
Mojave  (Siebert, Diane)  
The Talking Eggs  (San Souci, Robert D.)  
Yellow and Pink  (Steig, William)  
What’s the Matter With Carruthers?   (Marshall, James)  
Sylvester and The Magic Pebble  (Steig, William)  
The Jungle Baseball Game  
The Web Files  (Palatini, M.)  
If a Bus Could Talk  (Ringgold, F.)  
The Giving Tree  (Silverstein, Shel)  
Charlotte’s Web  (White, E. B.)  
If You Give a Pig a Pancake  (Numeroff, L.)  
Call Me Ahnighito   (Conrad, Pam)  
How Does the Wind Walk  (Carlstrom, Nancy White)  
Redwall Series  (Jacques, Brian)  
Nora’s Duck  (Ichikawa)  
Fables  (Lobel, A.)  
Secrets From the Dollhouse (Turner, Ann)  
Tambourine Moon  (Jones, Joy)  
The Ant Bully  (Nickle, John)  
Alexander and the Wind Up Mouse  (Lionni, Leo)  
And Still The Turtle Watched   (MacGill  
All The Small Poems  (Worth, Valerie)  
More Small Poems  (Worth, Valerie)  
Lizzy and Skunk  (Fitzpatrick, Marie-Louise)  
Henrietta  (Mamet, John)  
Dark and Full of Secrets  (Carrick, Carol)  
The Winter Wren  (Cole, Brock)  
The Little House From the Sea  (Gella, Birgitta)  
Death of the Iron Horse  (Gable, Paul  
Artists’ Helpers Enjoy the Evenings  (Goffstein, M. B.)  
Song of the Horse  (Kennedy, Richard)  
Apple Tree  (Parnall, Peter)  
Winter Barn  (Parnall, Peter)  
The Changing Maze  (Snyder, Zilpha Keatley)  
The Lady’s Chair and the Ottoman  (Tennyson, Noel)

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| Flossie and the Fox (video and book) |
| The Little House |
| The Talking Eggs |
| Millicent and the Wind |
| The Firekeeper’s Son |
| Our Tree Named Steve |