

Children's Books That Explore the Creative Process

The books below explore various aspects of the creative process. Shared with students as a part of all stories made available or read aloud, they offer common ground for classrooms discussions as well as personal touchstones for specific students.

Asch, Frank. **Monkey Face**. Parents, 1977.

Cleary, Beverly. **Dear Mr. Henshaw**. Morrow, 1983.

Ets, Marie Hall. **Play With Me**. Viking, 1955.

Gelman, Rita G. **Doodler Doodling**. Illus. Paul Zelinsky. Greenwillow, 2004.

Goffstein, M.B. **Goldie the Dollmaker**. Farrar, 1969.

_____ **A Writer**. Harper, 1984.

Hunter, Mollie. **A Sound of Chariots**. Harper, 1972.

Jarrell, Randall. **The Bat Poet**. Macmillan, 1964.

Kesselman, Wendy. **Emma**. Illus. Barbara Cooney. Doubleday, 1980.

Lionni, Leo. **Frederick**. Pantheon, 1967.

Lobel, Arnold. **Frog and Toad Are Friends**. Harper, 1970.

_____ **Uncle Elephant**. Harper, 1981.

Marshall, Edward. **Three by the Sea**. Illus. James Marshall. Dial, 1981.

Moss, Marissa. **Regina's Big Mistake**. Houghton, 1990.

Muntean, Michaela. **Do Not Open This Book!** Illus. Pascal Lemaitre.
Scholastic, 2006.

Porte, Barbara Ann. **Black Elephant With a Brown Ear (In Alabama)**.

Art by Bill Traylor. Greenwillow, 1996.

Schwartz, Amy. **Begin at the Beginning**. Harper, 1983.

Schaefer, Carole Lexa. **The Squiggle**. Illus. Pierr Morgan. Crown, 1996.

Shannon, George. **Heart to Heart**. Illus. Steve Bjorkman. Houghton, 1995.

_____ **Lizard's Song**. Illus. Aruego & Dewey. Greenwillow, 1981.

_____ **Seeds**. Illus. Steve Bjorkman. Houghton, 1994.

Tako, Yuko. **A Winter Concert**. Millbrook, 1995.

White, E.B. **Charlotte's Web**. Harper, 1952.

Willard, Nancy. **Simple Pictures Are Best**. Illus. Tomi dePaola. Harcourt, 1976.

Williams, Vera. **Cherries and Cherry Pits**. Greenwillow, 1986.