

Early Literacy: Telling the Story

Sharing wordless picture books is a great way to introduce young children to the concepts they will later apply when learning to read—the ability to describe things and events and to tell stories. Ask your librarian for some wordless picture books to share with your children. Have them make up their own words to go along with the illustrations.

Here are some water-themed wordless picture books:

The Adventures of Polo by Regis Faller. Roaring Brook Press, 2006.

The Boat by Monique Felix. Creative Editions, 1993.

A Boy, A Dog, and a Frog by Mercer Mayer. Dial, 2003.

Come Away from the Water Shirley by John Burningham. Red Fox, 1992.

Crocodile Blues by Coleman Polhemus. Candlewick Press, 2007.

Flotsam by David Wiesner. Clarion Books, 2006.

Have You Seen My Duckling? by Nancy Tafuri. Greenwillow Books, 1984.

Ocean Whisper/Susurro del oceano by Dennis Rockhill. Raven Tree Press, 2008.

Rainstorm by Barbara Lehman. Houghton Mifflin, 2007.

Wave by Suzy Lee. Chronicle Books, 2008.

