

## Bedtime Stories

Looking for stories to share with your little ones at bedtime? Try these gems! Titles are shelved in the Picture Book section by the first three letters of the author's last name unless otherwise noted. Need help? Ask a librarian!

Beaumont, Karen. **No Sleep for the Sheep!** (E BEA)

A sheep wants nothing but to go to sleep in the big red barn on the farm, but each time he closes his eyes, another animal moos or neighs or peeps to come in.

Boynton, Sandra. **The Going to Bed Book.** (Board Books: BB BOY)

An assortment of animals on a boat take a bath, put on their pajamas, brush their teeth, and exercise before going to bed.

Brown, Margaret Wise. **Goodnight Moon.** (E BRO)

The illustrations change from bright to soft dark colors as a little bunny says goodnight to each of the familiar things of his world.

Christelow, Eileen. **Five Little Monkeys Play Hide-and-Seek.** (E CHR)

The five little monkeys try to avoid going to bed by playing hide and seek with the babysitter.

Dean, Kimberly and James. **Pete the Cat and the Bedtime Blues.** (E PET)

Pete the Cat wants to go to sleep, but his animal friends want to stay up and play.

Dewdney, Anna. **Llama Llama Red Pajama.** (E DEW)

At bedtime, a little llama worries after his mother puts him to bed and goes downstairs.

Dunbar, Polly. **Good Night, Tiptoe.** (E DUN)

Tilly is putting all of her animal friends to bed, but Tiptoe the rabbit is definitely not sleepy.

Fleming, Denise. **Sleepy, Oh So Sleepy.** (E FLE)

Depicts a number of animal babies sleeping as a mother puts her own baby to bed.

Fox, Mem. **Good Night, Sleep Tight.** (E FOX)

In this book with rhyming text, Bonnie and Ben's favorite babysitter reads them nursery rhymes before putting them to bed.

Fox, Mem. **Time for Bed.** (E FOX)

As darkness falls parents everywhere try to get their children ready for sleep.

John, Jory and Benji Davies. **Goodnight Already!** (E JOH)

Bear has never been so tired but his next-door neighbor, a wide-awake duck, keeps disturbing his sleep.

Larsen, Mylisa. **How to Put Your Parents to Bed.** (E LAR)

A child provides instructions for putting tired parents to bed.

Litwin, Eric. **The Nuts: Bedtime at the Nut House.** (E LIT)

Mama Nut says it's bedtime, but Hazel Nut and Wally Nut just aren't quite ready to stop the fun and go to bed.

Logue, Mary. **Sleep Like a Tiger.** (E LOG)

At bedtime a young girl asks "Does everything in the world go to sleep?"

Na, Il Sung. **A Book of Sleep.** (E NA)

While other animals sleep at night, some quietly and others noisily, some alone and others huddled together, a wide-eyed owl watches.

Paul, Miranda. **10 Little Ninjas.** (E PAU)

From ten little ninjas sneaking out of bed to one cuddlebug asleep on the spread, rhyming text provides a count-down to bedtime.

Rathmann, Peggy. **10 Minutes till Bedtime.** (E RAT)

A boy's hamster leads an increasingly large group of hamsters on a tour of the boy's house, while his father counts down the minutes to bedtime.

Rinker, Sherri Duskey. **Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site.** (E RIN)

At sunset, when their work is done for the day, a crane truck, a cement mixer, and other pieces of construction equipment make their way to their resting places and go to sleep.

Rosenthal, Amy Krouse. **Little Hoot.** (E ROS)

Little Hoot wants to go to bed early, like all of his friends do, and he is hopping mad when Mama and Papa Owl insist that he stay up late and play.

Saltzberg, Barney. **Chengdu Could Not, Would Not, Fall Asleep.** (E SAL)

High in the trees in the middle of the night, all of the pandas are sleeping except for Chengdu, who tries everything and still cannot fall asleep until he finds the perfect spot--atop his brother, Yuan.

Scotton, Rob. **Russell the Sheep.** (E SCO)

Russell the sheep tries all different ways to get to sleep.

Shaw, Nancy. **Sheep Go to Sleep.** (E SHA)

At the end of the day, tired sheep return to their shed but none can sleep until the collie arrives, giving a hug, a drink of water, and more until all have begun to snore.

Shulevitz, Uri. **So Sleepy Story.** (E SHU)

In the quiet of the night, a sleepy sleepy boy awakes to find the dishes, chairs, and clocks enjoying themselves.

Smiley, Jane. **Twenty Yawns.** (E SMI)

Going to bed early after spending a busy day at the beach with her family, Lucy wakes up in the middle of the night to find that her imagination leads her to see things differently in the dark.

Swanson, Susan Marie. **The House in the Night.** (E SWA)

Illustrations and easy-to-read text explore the light that makes a house in the night a home filled with light.

Thomas, Jan. **Let's Sing a Lullaby with the Brave Cowboy.** (E THO)

Brave Cowboy tries to sing his young calf pals to sleep on a dark, dark night, with humorous results.

Willems, Mo. **Don't Let the Pigeon Stay Up Late!** (E WIL)

Needing to brush his teeth, a bus driver asks the reader to make sure that the pigeon goes to bed on time--but the bird has many excuses about why it should stay awake.

Wood, Audrey. **The Napping House.** (E WOO)

In this cumulative tale, a wakeful flea atop a number of sleeping creatures causes a commotion, with just one bite.