

Listening Center Books and Tapes Available from the IMC

Title	Author	Rdg Lvl	Summary	No.o f Bks.
Amazing Grace	Hoffman	3.5 680	Although a classmate says that she cannot play Peter Pan in the school play because she is African-American, Grace discovers that she can do anything she sets her mind to do.	6
Amelia Bedelia	Parish	2.5 140	An unusual young maid does many funny things on her first day of work.	6
Amos & Boris	Steig	4.7 690	Amos the mouse and Boris the whale have little in common except that they are both mammals and save each other's lives.	6
Apple Trouble	Scamell	3.3 NA	Just as Hedgehog is entering her winter nest for a long nap, a falling apple gets stuck on her spiny back, and her friends' suggestions only lead to more trouble until Goat finds the perfect solution.	6
Apple-Picking Day	Brooke	2.2 NA	Emily Elizabeth is on the hunt for the perfect apple. Even though Clifford is too small to pick apples, he still can help find the perfect apple for another apple treat.	6
Armadillo Rodeo	Brett	3.4 670	Looking for adventure, Bo the armadillo follows a girl in red cowboy boots to the rodeo where he rides a bronco, eats chili peppers, and tries the two-step.	6
Arthur's Chicken Pox	Brown	2.9 490	When Arthur catches chicken pox a week before his family is supposed to go to the circus, his sister, jealous of the special treatment he gets, invites a friend to go in her brother's place.	6
Arthur's Pet Business	Brown	2.5 510	Arthur's determination to prove he is responsible enough to have a puppy brings him a menagerie of animals to care for.	6
Aunt Flossie's Hats (and Crab Cakes Later)	Howard	2.4 400	Sara and Susan share tea, cookies, crab cakes, and stories about hats when they visit their favorite relative, Aunt Flossie.	6
A Bargain for Francis	Hoban	2.8 NA	Thelma usually outsmarts Frances until Frances decides to teach her a lesson about friendship.	6
Bear Santa Claus Forgot, The	Kimpton	3.2 NA	A small bear falls out of Santa's sack, and now he must find his own way to the little girl who is waiting for him.	6
Bear Shadow	Asch	2.8 580	Bear tries everything he can think of to get rid of his shadow.	6
Bear's New friend	Wilson	1.9 NP	Bear and his friend persuade a bashful owl to play with them.	6
Berlioz the Bear	Brett, Jan	3.0 540	Berlioz the bear and his fellow musicians are due to play for the town ball when the mule pulling their bandwagon refuses to move. A strange buzzing in Berlioz's double bass turns into a surprise that saves the day.	6
Biscuit Finds a Friend	Capucilli	.8 BR	Biscuit helps a lost duckling to find its way home, but the baby ducks wants to play with his new friend.	6
Biscuit's New Trick	Capucilli	1.0 BR	A puppy does all sorts of tricks in the process of learning the one his master is trying to teach him.	6

Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain	Aardema	3.4 NP	Presents a reading of a tale from the Nandi people of Kenya, Varna Aardema's Bringing the rain to Kapiti Plain. Host LeVar Burton also plans a fun-filled day around rainy weather, including as aerial charge of a thunderstorm and puddle-hopping.	6
Bullfrog at Magnolia Circle	Dennard	4.3 NA	A young male bullfrog avoids a hungry heron and searches for a calling site in his bayou home.	6
Bumblebee at Apple Tree Lane	Galvin,	5.0 NA	Bumblebee emerges from hibernation, builds a nest, lays eggs, and begins the process of creating a busy bumblebee colony.	6
Cactus Café: a Story of the Sonoran Desert	Weidner	4.8 NA	Describes the activities of various animals living in the Sonoran Desert and their dependence on the saguaro cactus for sustenance.	6
Caps for Sale	Slobodkina	3.1 480	A band of mischievous monkeys steal every one of a peddler's caps as he naps under a tree.	6
Case of the Climbing Cat, The	Rylant	2.5 210	The High Rise Private Eyes, animal detectives, try to find the cat who stole their neighbor's binoculars.	6
Case of the Hungry Stranger, The	Bonsall	2.3 250	Soon after Wizard decided to become a private eye, he had to solve the mystery of Mrs. Meech's missing blueberry pie.	6
Case of the Scaredy Cats, The	Bonsall	2.0 240	Chronicles the series of events occurring after the girls take over the boys' club house.	6
Christmas Blizzard, The	Ketteman,	NA	Old Maynard Jenkins tells about the terrible blizzard that occurred on Christmas when he was a boy, when the weather was so cold in Lizzard, Ind., that Santa Claus moved his workshop there and it snowed for two weeks straight.	6
Christmas Trolls	Brett	3.2 440	When Treva investigates the disappearance of her family's Christmas things, she finds two mischievous trolls who have never had a Christmas of their own.	6
Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type	Cronin	2.3 160	When Farmer Brown's cows find a typewriter in the barn they start making demands, and go on strike when the farmer refuses to give them what they want.	6
Clifford the Small Red Puppy	Bridwell	2.1 330	Emily Elizabeth tells her friend, Martha, how she got her small red puppy.	6
Clifford's Christmas	Bridwell	1.9 380	Clifford, the big red dog, and his owner, Emily Elizabeth, celebrate the holiday season through a variety of activities.	7
Clifford's First Valentine Day	Bridwell	2.8 490	Emily Elizabeth tells about Clifford's first Valentine's Day when he was still a tiny puppy. Clifford goes to the post office with Emily Elizabeth to mail valentines and gets lost in the carts full of letters.	6
Clifford's Thanksgiving Visit	Bridwell	2.1 350	A big red dog starts out early Thanksgiving morning to spend the day with his mother, little suspecting the difficulties he will have in reaching her.	6
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs	Barrett	4.3 AD 730	Life is delicious in the town of Chewandswallow where it is raining good food, but with disastrous results.	6
Comet's Nine Lives	Brett	4.2 640	A big red dog starts out early Thanksgiving morning to spend the day with his mother, little suspecting the difficulties he will have in reaching her.	6

Coral Reef Hideaway	Boyle	4.3 NA	Percula, a clown fish that lives in the delicate tentacles of a sea anemone, finds a mate, lays her eggs, and protects them from other coral reef animals until they hatch.	6
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Cow Who Clucked	Fleming	1.0 NA	When a cow loses her moo, she searches to see if another animal in the barn has it.	6
Dancing on the Sand: A Story of an Atlantic Blue Crab	Hollenbeck	4.1 NA	Blue Crab scuttles through the shallow waters of the Chesapeake Bay to find a mate, to molt, and to avoid predators while waiting for her eggs to hatch.	6
Danny and the Dinosaur	Hoff	2.3 200	A little boy is surprised and pleased when one of the dinosaurs from the museum agrees to play with him.	6
Diary of a Worm	Cronin	2.8 360	A young worm discovers, day by day, that there are some very good and some not so good things about being a worm in this great big world.	6
Digging up Dinosaurs	Aliki	3.6 490	Briefly introduces various types of dinosaurs whose skeletons and reconstructions are seen in museums and explains how scientists uncover, preserve, and study fossilized dinosaur bones.	6
Dog Who Found Christmas, The	Jennings	3.1 NA	When he is abandoned just before Christmas by the people who had taken him from his mother, a little dog tries to find a new home.	6
Doorbell Rang, The	Hutchins	1.9 340	Each time the doorbell rings, there are more people who have come to share Ma's wonderful cookies.	6
Elvis the Rooster and the Magic Words	Cazet	2.3 NA	Elvis, a proud rooster, learns a lesson in manners after a handsome peacock visits his farm.	6
Father Bear comes Home	Minarik	2.1 240	Describes the adventures of Little Bear in which he goes fishing, has the hiccups, looks for a mermaid, and welcomes Father Bear home from the sea.	6
Finders Keepers for Franklin	Bourgeois	2.8 380	Franklin finds a camera and is looking forward to taking pictures of his friends! However, Franklin faces a moral dilemma when he realizes that he should return the camera.	6
Firefly at Stonybrook Farm	Pfeffer	4.0 NA	Firefly emerges from the ground as an adult and explores the summer night sky, avoiding predators, being caught and released by a little girl, and finding a mate.	6
Franklin's Bad Day	Bourgeois	2.5 350	Franklin is angry and sad because he misses his friend Otter who has just moved away, until his mother suggests that he can write to her.	6
Franklin's School Play	Bourgeois	2.0 NA	When Franklin is given the lead role in the school play, he has stage fright and keeps forgetting his lines.	6
Frog and Toad are Friends	Lobel	2.9 400	Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends-- Frog and Toad.	6
From Tadpole to Frog	Pfeffer	2.5 NA	Describes the metamorphosis from tadpole to frog.	6
Good Boy, Fergus	Shannon	1.3 NA	Except for his bath, Fergus experiences the perfect doggy day, from chasing cats and motorcycles to being scratched on his favorite tickle spot.	6
Goodnight Moon	Brown	1.8 NP	A little bunny says goodnight to objects in his room.	6
Green Eggs and Ham	Seuss	1.5 300	Rhyming text tells story of the virtues of green eggs and ham	6

Harry and the Lady Next Door	Zion	2.6 350	Harry the dog goes to fantastic lengths to make his neighbor stop singing.	6
Henny Penny	Zimmerman	NA	Henny Penny and her friends are on the way to tell the king the sky is falling when they are outwitted by the fox.	6
Henry and Mudge and the Forever Sea	Rylant	2.5 420	Follows the seaside adventures of Henry, Henry's father, and Henry's big dog, Mudge.	6
Henry and Mudge get the Cold Shivers	Rylant	2.7 480	When Mudge gets sick unexpectedly, Henry does all he can to make him feel better.	6
Henry and Mudge and the Snowman Plan	Rylant	2.5 350	Henry, his dog Mudge, and his father enter a snowman building contest at the local park and win third place.	6
Hippo-Not-Amus	Payne	3.2 NA	A young hippopotamus who is bored with his life sets out to discover "just the right kind of animal to be."	6
House is a House for Me, A	Hoberman	2.6 560	Lists in rhyme the dwellings of various animals and things.	6
How I Became a Pirate	Long	3.1 470	Jeremy Jacob joins Braid Beard and his pirate crew and finds out about pirate language, pirate manners, and other aspects of their life.	6
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie	Numeroff	2.7 660	A young boy, having given a cookie to a bossy mouse, is run ragged by the energetic rodent's subsequent requests.	6
Imogene's Antlers	Small	2.6 640	One Thursday, Imogene wakes up with a pair of antlers growing out of her head and causes a sensation wherever she goes.	7
Is Your Mama a Llama?	Guarino	1.6 290	A young llama asks his friends if their mamas are llamas and finds out, in rhyme, that their mothers are other types of animals.	6
Kissing Hand, The	Penn	2.7 NA	When Chester the raccoon is reluctant to go to kindergarten for the first time, his mother teaches him a secret way to carry her love with him.	6
Ladybug at Orchard Avenue	Zoehfeld	3.8 NA	Ladybug rambles through the garden, up and down rose stems in search of her favorite food, aphids, instinctively using her natural defenses to escape from threats.	6
Legend of the Indian Paintbrush	de Paola	4.4 840	Little Gopher follows his destiny, as revealed in a Dream-Vision, of becoming an artist for his people and eventually is able to bring the colors of the sunset down to the earth.	6
Leo the Late Bloomer	Kraus	1.2 120	Leo, a young tiger, finally blooms under the anxious eyes of his parents.	6
Little Red Hen, The	Little	NA	Classic folktale about the hard-working hen and her lazy friends.	6
Manatee Winter	Zoehfeld	3.8 810	A mother manatee and her little calf travel from the Gulf of Mexico through dangerous water full of speeding boats.	6
Many Moons	Thurber	4.5 790	Though many try, only the court jester is able to fulfill Princess Lenore's wish for the moon.	7

Merry Christmas Strega Nona	de Paola	3.7 660	Big Anthony plans a surprise Christmas party for Strega Nona.	6
Merry Un-Christmas	Reiss	3.7 680	Noelle celebrates the only day in Christmas City that is not Christmas, by undecorating the tree, greeting the postman, and going to school.	6
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel	Burton	4.4 820	Mike Mulligan proves that, although dated, his steam shovel is still useful.	6
Minnie and Moo: Night of the Living Bed	Cazet	2.2 350	Minnie's barnyard friends find a way to make her feel better when a bad dream upsets her and sends her bed rolling into town on Halloween night.	6
Miss Nelson Has a Field Day	Allard	3.0 390	The notorious Miss Swamp reappears at the Horace B. Smedley School, this time to shape up the football team and make them win at least one game.	6
Miss Nelson is Missing	Allard	2.7 340	The kids in Room 207 take advantage of their teacher's good nature until she disappears and they are faced with a vile substitute.	6
Mitten, The	Brett	3.9 800	Several animals sleep snugly in Nicki's lost mitten until the bear sneezes.	6
Monarch Butterfly of Aster Way	Ring	4.5 720	A monarch butterfly emerges from its chrysalis and makes its way across the United States to the mountains of Mexico where it will spend the winter.	6
Mouse Soup	Lobel	2.4 240	A mouse convinces a weasel he needs the ingredients from several stories to make a tasty mouse soup.	6
Mrs. Toggle's Zipper	Pulver	3.4 NA	When Mrs. Toggle's zipper sticks and traps her inside her coat, everyone in the school tries to free her but with little success.	6
My visit to the Dinosaurs	Aliki	3.2 540	A visit to a museum of natural history provides a little boy with an introduction to the habits, characteristics, and habitats of fourteen kinds of dinosaurs.	6
Noisy Nora	Wells	2.6 320	Feeling neglected, Nora makes more and more noise to attract her parents' attention.	6
Nutcracker Ballet, The	Thompson, retold	NA	The young servant girl Marie frees the prince from the spell cast by the evil mouse queen. Christmas toys come alive and assist Marie in her battle with the army of the evil queen and the mouse queen's equally evil son.	6
Old Black Fly	Aylesworth	1.4 400	Rhyming text and illustrations follow a mischievous old black fly through the alphabet as he has a very busy bad day landing where he should not be.	6
One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish	Seuss	1.7 10 0	Rhyming text an illustrations of the antics of unusual animals	6
Orca Song	Armour	3.7 680	Orca Pup is trapped in an abandoned net and separated from his family until he hears the song that they sing while looking for him.	6
Owl at Home	Lobel	2.7 370	Relates five adventures of Owl.	6
Owl Moon	Yolen	3.2 630	On a winter's night under a full moon, a father and daughter trek into the woods to see the Great Horned Owl.	6

Pair of Socks, A	Murphy	440	A lone red-and-glue-striped sock searches for its match, and learn about matching patterns.	6
Pancakes for Supper	Teague	4.2 960	In the backwoods of New England, a young girl cleverly fends off the threats of wild animals by trading her clothes for her safety.	6
Paperboy, The	Pilkey	2.9 530	A paperboy and his dog enjoy the quiet of the early morning as they go about their rounds.	6
Pelican's Catch	Halfmann	3.9 NA	Brown Pelican, who lives on a mangrove island off the coast of Puerto Rico, learns how to fish and take care of herself.	6
Penguin's Family: The story of a Humboldt Penguin	Hollenbeck	3.3 NA	Baby penguin is cared for by his parents and learns to fish for himself off the coast of Peru. Includes brief notes on Humboldt penguins.	6
Picture Book of Abraham Lincoln	Adler	3.8 630	Follows the life of the popular president, from his childhood on the frontier to his assassination after the end of the Civil War.	6
Picture Book of Christopher Columbus	Adler	3.9 710	A brief account of the life and accomplishments of Christopher Columbus.	6
Picture Book of George Washington	Adler	4.1 750	A brief account of the life of the "Father of Our Country."	6
Picture Book of Harriet Tubman	Adler	4.3 760	Biography of a woman who escaped life as a slave and then rescued other slaves as a conductor on the Underground Railroad.	6
Picture Book of Martin Luther King, Jr.	Adler	3.8 680	A brief, illustrated, biography of the Baptist minister and civil rights leader whose philosophy and practice of nonviolent civil disobedience helped African-Americans win many battles for equal rights.	6
Picture Book of Rosa Parks	Adler	5.1 880	A biography of the Alabama woman whose refusal to give up her seat on a bus helped establish the civil rights movement.	6
Picture Book of Thomas Jefferson	Adler	4.5 700	Traces the life and achievements of the architect, bibliophile, president, and author of the Declaration of Independence.	6
Pigsty	Teague	2.8 590	When Wendell doesn't clean up his room, a whole herd of pigs comes to live with him.	6
Principal's New Clothes, The	Calmenson	3.2 520	In this version of the Andersen tale the vain principal of P.S. 88 is persuaded by two tailors that they will make him a suit that will be visible only to intelligent people who are good at their jobs.	6
Pumpkin Book	Gibbons	4.2 570	Describes how pumpkins come in different shapes and sizes, how they grow, and their traditional uses and cultural significance. Instructions for carving a pumpkin and drying the seeds are included.	6
Pumpkin Hill	Spurr	4.1 740	The townspeople must decide what to do with thousands of pumpkins that roll down a hill and into their midst just before Halloween.	6

Puppy Who Wanted a Boy, The	Thayer	3.0 510	When Petey the puppy decides that he wants a boy for Christmas, he discovers that he must go out and find one on his own.	6
Relatives Came, The	Rylant	4.1 940	The relatives come to visit from Virginia and everyone has a wonderful time.	6
Rosie's Walk	Hutchins	.6 NP	Although unaware that a fox is after her as she takes a walk around the farmyard, Rosie the hen still manages to lead him into one accident after another.	6
Rotten Ralph Helps Out	Gantos	3.0 430	Sarah's cat Rotten Ralph tries to help her create a school project based on ancient Egypt, but he is more of a hindrance than a help.	6
Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer	May	4.1 NA	Rudolph is made fun of because he has a shiny red nose, but he is the only one who is able to help Santa on a foggy Christmas Eve.	6
Sadie and the Snowman	Morgan	3.2	Sadie made a really good snowman, and she found a way to make him last a for a long, long time.	7
Sammy the Seal	Hoff	2.0 NA	Upon discovering what it is like outside the zoo, Sammy decides there is no place like home.	6
Saturday Night at the Dinosaur Stomp	Shields	3.7 NP	When it's rock 'n' roll time during the prehistoric era, many different kinds of dinosaurs gather to twist, twirl, and tromp at a Saturday night party.	6
Sea Turtles	Gibbons	4.1 720	An introduction to sea turtles including their physical characteristics; how they feed, migrate, and nest; and what is being done to protect them.	6
Seven Blind Mice	Young	1.9 350	Retells in verse the Indian fable of the blind men discovering different parts of an elephant and arguing about its appearance. The illustrations depict the blind arguers as mice.	6
Seven Chinese Brothers	Mahy	4.8 820	Seven Chinese brothers elude execution by virtue of their extraordinary individual qualities.	6
Sharks	Gibbons	4.0 660	Describes the different kinds of sharks and their physical characteristics.	6
Silly Sally	Wood	2.6 680	A rhyming story of Silly Sally, who makes many friends as she travels to town--backward and upside down.	6
Spiders	Gibbons	3.9 640	This program examines the physical characteristics, behavior, habitats, and different kinds of spiders.	6
Stone Soup	McGovern	2.8 480	When a little old lady claims she has no food to give him, a hungry young man proceeds to make a soup with a stone and water.	6
Strega Nona: an Old Tale	De Paola	3.9 800	When Strega Nona leaves him alone with her magic pasta pot, Big Anthony is determined to show the townspeople how it works.	6
Surprise Garden, The	Hall	3.0 470	After sowing unmarked seeds, three youngsters wait expectantly for their garden to grow.	6
Tackylocks and the Three Bears	Lester	3.3 NA	Tacky the penguin and his friends perform a play for the little penguins in Mrs. Beakly's class, but with Tacky in the lead role, things do not go exactly as planned.	6
Ten Sly Piranhas	Wise	3.6 NP	A school of ten sly piranhas gradually dwindles as they waylay and eat each other.	6

Thanksgiving Story, The	Dalgliesh	4.1 450	A Pilgrim family's struggle to survive in their harsh new homeland culminates in a Thanksgiving feast	6
That's Good! That's Bad!	Cuyler	2.9 NA	A little boy has a series of adventures and misadventures with a bunch of wild animals.	6
This is the Way We Go to School	Baer	2.5 NP	Describes the different modes of transportation children all over the world use to get to school.	6
Three Billy-Goats Gruff, The	Three	NA	A classic folktale about three clever billy-goats who trip-trap over the bridge and trick the nasty troll.	6
Toot and Puddle	Hobbie	2.2 NA	Toot and Puddle are best friends with very different interests, so when Toot spends the year travelling around the world, Puddle enjoys receiving his postcards.	6
Trouble at the Dinosaur Café	Moses	3.2 710	Life is fine for the plant-eating dinosaurs down at the Dinosaur Cafe until Tyrannosaurus stomps in, looking to make them his lunch.	6
Trouble with Trolls, The	Brett	3.1 580	While climbing Mt. Baldy, Treva outwits some trolls who want to steal her dog.	6
Tumble Bumble	Bond	2.1 590	As a tiny bug walks along, he is joined by a cat, a crocodile, a pig, and other animals, all of which end up in a boy's bed.	6
Valentine Bears, The	Brett	3.2 450	Mrs. Bear plans a surprise Valentine's Day celebration for Mr. Bear despite their usual hibernating habits at that time of year.	6
Whales	Gibbons	4.0 750	This book introduces different kinds of whales.	6
Where the Wild Things Are	Sendak	3.4 740	After he is sent to bed without supper for behaving like a wild thing, Max dreams of a voyage to the island where the wild things are.	6
White Snow Bright Snow	Tresselt	4.2 870	When it begins to look, feel, and smell like snow, everyone prepares for a winter blizzard.	8
Why do Leaves Change Color?	Maestro	3.7 580	Explains how leaves change their colors in autumn and then separate from the tree as the tree prepares for winter.	6
Wolves	Gibbons	4.2 670	Includes wolves physical characteristics, their way of life in a pack, their care of wolf pups, and more.	6