# Cumulative Picture Books

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Hattie, a big black hen, discovers a fox in the bushes, which creates varying reactions in the other barnyard animals. Big book for use with grade 1, level 3, text of Signatures reading series. | BB F8328H |
Relating the cycle of requests a mouse is likely to make after you give him a cookie takes the reader through a young child's day. | BB N9179I |
A cumulative rhyme relating how Ki-pat brought rain to the drought-stricken Kapiti Plain. Verna Aardema has brought the original story closer to the English nursery rhyme by putting in a | E AA72B |
cumulative refrain and giving the tale the rhythm of "The House That Jack Built."

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<td>The people in Daniel's neighborhood always say, &quot;Have a good day!&quot; But what exactly is a good day? Daniel is determined to find out, and as he strolls through his neighborhood, he finds a wonderful world full of answers as varied as his neighbors.</td>
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<td>After filling the bathtub too full one night, William goes sailing through his apartment building floor by floor in his tub, collecting neighbors in his wake.</td>
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<td>Chronicles the events and changes in a young boy's life and in his environment, from babyhood to grownup, through wordless scenes observed from the window of his room.</td>
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<td>When a little girl's cherished baby blanket becomes old and worn, it is made into a dress, and over the years it is made into even smaller and smaller items, eventually ending up as a bookmark and inspiring the creation of a book. Includes an author's note and a glossary.</td>
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<td>Mr. Gumpy accepts more and more riders on his boat until the inevitable occurs.</td>
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<td>Katy, a red crawler tractor, belonged to the Highway Department of the City of Geoppolis. She was not used in winter, however, until a huge snow storm snowed in the whole city. Then Katy plowed out everyone.</td>
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In nineteenth-century New York City, when Pa brings home a young turkey in hopes of saving money on their Christmas dinner, his family faces all sorts of trouble—and expense—in their tiny apartment.


Cumulative text and illustrations depict what happens in Jack's garden after he plants his seeds.


In this story told in cumulative verse, Glenda prepares a delicious meal for Ned which is quickly devoured by several hungry guests.


A series of animals falls into a deep hole, only to be saved at last by a very large rescuer.


A cumulative rhyme about the animals who help Robin build her nest.


Hattie, a big black hen, discovers a fox in the bushes, which creates varying reactions in the other barnyard animals.


How can an old man and his wife select one cat from a choice of millions and trillions?


Three clever billy goats outwit a big ugly troll that lives under the bridge they must cross on their way up the mountain. Retells the
A traditional tale about three billy goats who trick a troll that lives under the bridge.

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A young girl names all the clothes that she must wear to play in the snow.


Chaos might ensue if you were to give a dog a donut.


Chaos can ensue if you give a moose a muffin and start him on a cycle of urgent requests.


Relating the cycle of requests a mouse is likely to make after you give him a cookie takes the reader through a young child's day.


One thing leads to another when you give a pig a pancake. Spanish edition.


With unmistakable characters and signature rhymes, Dr. Seuss's beloved favorite has cemented its place as a children's classic. Kids will love the terrific tongue-twisters as the list of places to enjoy green eggs and ham gets longer and longer...and they might even learn a thing or two about trying new things!


A duck decides to ride a bike and soon influences all the other animals on the farm to ride bikes too.


A very old overcoat is recycled numerous times into a variety of garments.

**K-3**  Thompson, Lauren, and Jonathan Bean. *The Apple Pie That Papa*

When a doting father decides to make an apple pie for his beloved daughter, an enjoyable day is had by all, including the hungry farm animals who hover nearby in the hopes of getting a slice of the pie.

**K-3**  

A cumulative tale of a farm maiden who, aided by a group of animals, prepares "Arroz con Leche," or rice pudding. Includes recipe and glossary of the Spanish words that are woven throughout the text.

**PreK-2**  

A little old lady who is not afraid of anything must deal with a pumpkin head, a tall black hat, and other spooky objects that follow her through the dark woods trying to scare her.

**PreK**  

Introduces various colors by presenting a colorful scene on a rock in the deep blue sea.

**PreK-3**  

In this cumulative tale, a chirping cricket calms a worried mouse, a prowling cat, and other restless creatures, helping them to finally fall asleep.

**PreK-3**  

Despite pleas from his court, a fun-loving king refuses to get out of his bathtub to rule his kingdom.

**PreK**  

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


Rhymed text tells a hypothetical story about a Giraffe, and the many things that could happen to this giraffe... IF. The poems start with "If you had a giraffe..." and continues by building along these lines with all sorts of different "ifs" and their conclusions.

NONFICTION


A cumulative rhyme summarizes the life's work of renowned Mexican potter, Juan Quezada. Additional information describes the process he uses to create his pots after the style of the Casas Grandes people.


In this cumulative Cuban folktale, a bossy rooster dirties his beak when he eats a kernel of corn and must find a way to clean it before his parrot uncle's wedding. Includes a glossary of Spanish words and information about the different birds in the story.


A cumulative verse, alternating with additional narrative, describes the ecological and social transformation resulting from the work of Dr. Gordon Sato, a Japanese American cell biologist who made saltwater and desert land productive through the planting of mangrove trees in the tiny African country of Eritrea. Includes afterword, photographs, glossary, and author's sources.


When you think of chocolate, you might think of a candy bar, a birthday cake, or a glass of chocolate milk. But where does chocolate come from? This book tells about the cocoa bean, which grows in the tropical rain forests and how the animals and other living things play an important part, even the monkeys.

Jack builds a house like no other and fills it with cheeses from all nations, which of course attracts the rat that stirs up the cat. Taback takes the usual cast of characters in this classic cumulative rhyme and presents each in a funny new light that will keep readers laughing. His addition at the end neatly fits an appropriate character into Jack's story and makes his telling even more unique.


Simple rebus illustrations are used to present the familiar cumulative nursery rhyme about the antics that go on in the house built by an unsuspecting Jack.


An adaptation of an oral Rajasthani trickster tale set to cumulative rhyme. Meet the most wily jackal in the forest: too lazy to hunt for food, he starts by tricking his friend the crane, and then proceeds to gobble up every animal he comes across. Illustrated in the Mandna traditional finger painting style, this is the first time that this art form has been used to tell a children's story.

**MIXED MEDIA**


Hiawatha, a Mohawk, is plotting revenge for the murder of his wife and daughters by the evil Onondaga Chief, Tadodaho, when he meets the Great Peacemaker, who enlists his help in bringing the nations together to share his vision of a new way of life marked by peace, love, and unity rather than war, hate, and fear. Includes historical notes.

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