

BOOK BUDDIES

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39 Terrific Units

Including 472 Pages of Activities,
A CD, and Site License for One School

Units for:

The 20 Abilene Librarians' Mockingbird Award List for 2004-2005

Plus

The 20 Texas Library Association 2x2 List for 2005

For Grades 1-3

Plus:

The Bonus Book: Hooway for Wodney Wat by Helen Lester



Character
Development

Puzzles

Readers'
Theater Scripts

Cross-Curriculum
Activities

Writing

Multiple Choice
Comprehension

Each Activity is Keyed into Gardner's Multiple Intelligences



Logical-
Mathematical

Interpersonal



Naturalist

Musical



Bodily-
Kinesthetic

Intrapersonal



Spatial

Linguistic



Mockingbird Award Books, 2004-2005

(List chosen by the Abilene I.S.D. Resource Specialists)

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Pages

6-16

(Book on both lists)

<u>Actual Size</u> by Steve Jenkins (Ages 4-8) How big is an elephant? What's the biggest thing a Goliath frog can eat? Is your face bigger than the face of a Siberian tiger? Come read this awesome book to see how animals and you compare in size!	6-16 (Book on both lists)
<u>The Ballad of Valentine</u> by Alison Jackson (Ages 4-8) In a lyrical ballad adapted to the tune of "Clementine", a fellow in love tries to deliver a Valentine to his sweetheart, but something always happens to it! How will he win his sweetie's heart?	17-31
<u>The Beeman</u> by Laurie Krebs (Ages 4-8) In a parody of "The House that Jack Built", a young girl helps her beekeeper grandfather with his bees and honey. Beautiful and informative!	32-46
<u>Belinda the Ballerina</u> by Amy Young (Ages 4-8) Belinda had always wanted to be a ballerina, but no one would take her seriously because of her big feet!	47-60
<u>Bow Wow Meow Meow: It's Rhyming Cats and Dogs</u> (Ages 4-9) by Douglas Florian. Poems about dogs and cats.	61-67
<u>Buster</u> by Denise Fleming (Ages 3-6) Buster is a happy dog until the day a cat moves in. What can he do except to run away? What happens when he gets lost!	68-85
<u>Crazy Hair Day</u> by Barney Saltzberg (Ages 4-8) Stanley Birdbaum is ready for Crazy Hair Day at his school! His hair is the craziest, but he's a day early!	86-104
<u>Diary of a Worm</u> by Doreen Cronin, Illustrated by Harry Bliss (Ages 4-8) Worm's diary reveals some surprising and hysterical relationships, fears, and social development!	105-116
<u>Falling for Rapunzel</u> by Leah Wilcox (Ages 4-8) Rapunzel in this story has a hearing problem! Things get confusing when the Prince arrives and just can't communicate!	117-130
<u>Goldie and the Three Bears</u> by Diane Stanley (Ages 4-8) Goldilocks needs a special friend! When her bus lets her off at the wrong bus stop, she finds her opportunity.	131-145
<u>Horace the Horrible: A Knight Meets His Match</u> by Jack French Koller (Ages 4-8) When a homesick niece comes to live with her big, bad knight uncle, some changes are sure to follow. Filled with examples of empathy, sacrifice, and kindness.	146-162
<u>Hotshots!</u> by Chris L. Demarest (Ages 4-7) The story of an elite ground fire-fighting corps of men and women highly trained to limit the destruction of land and wildlife.	163-177
<u>How I Became a Pirate</u> by Melinda Long (Ages 4-8) While building a sand castle, young Jeremy is recognized as an excellent digger and joins a band of pirates who are looking for buried treasure. An hysterical mixture of modern life and pirates!	178-195
<u>I am America</u> by Charles R. Smith (Ages 4-7) The differences among Americans is celebrated in photographs and simple text.	196-202
<u>Math-terpieces : The Art of Problem-Solving</u> by Greg Tang (Ages 6-10) The artwork of 12 famous painters becomes an aid in developing problem-solving skills through grouping.	203-210
<u>My Lucky Day</u> by Keiko Kasza (Ages 4-8) A sly, charming pig turns the wolf's den into a day-spa to avoid the roaster. At the end of the day, the wolf is exhausted.	211-226
<u>The Neighborhood Mother Goose</u> , by Nina Crews (Ages 2-6) Modern photographs provide illustrations for this book of nursery rhymes.	227-235 (Book on both lists)
<u>A Sock is a Pocket for your Toes : A Pocket Book</u> , Elizabeth Garton (Ages 3-7) Four diverse families go through a day in a poetic exploration of the concept of pockets.	236-249
<u>Thesaurus Rex</u> by Layna Steinberg. (Ages 4-8) A playful dinosaur helps us explore the world of synonyms straight out of a thesaurus.	250-259
<u>What do you do with a tail like this?</u> by Steve Jenkins (Ages 4-8) Every part of an animal has a different job! If you were a horned lizard, which part of you would squirt blood? If you were a cricket, where would your ears be? Come see more than just tails!	260-279
* <u>Kids' Wings Bonus Unit: Hooway for Wodney Wat</u> by Helen Lester— It's a problem for Wodney that he can't say his R's! He's shy and rejected, but when the bully arrives, fur begins to fly! Will Wodney survive?	280-294

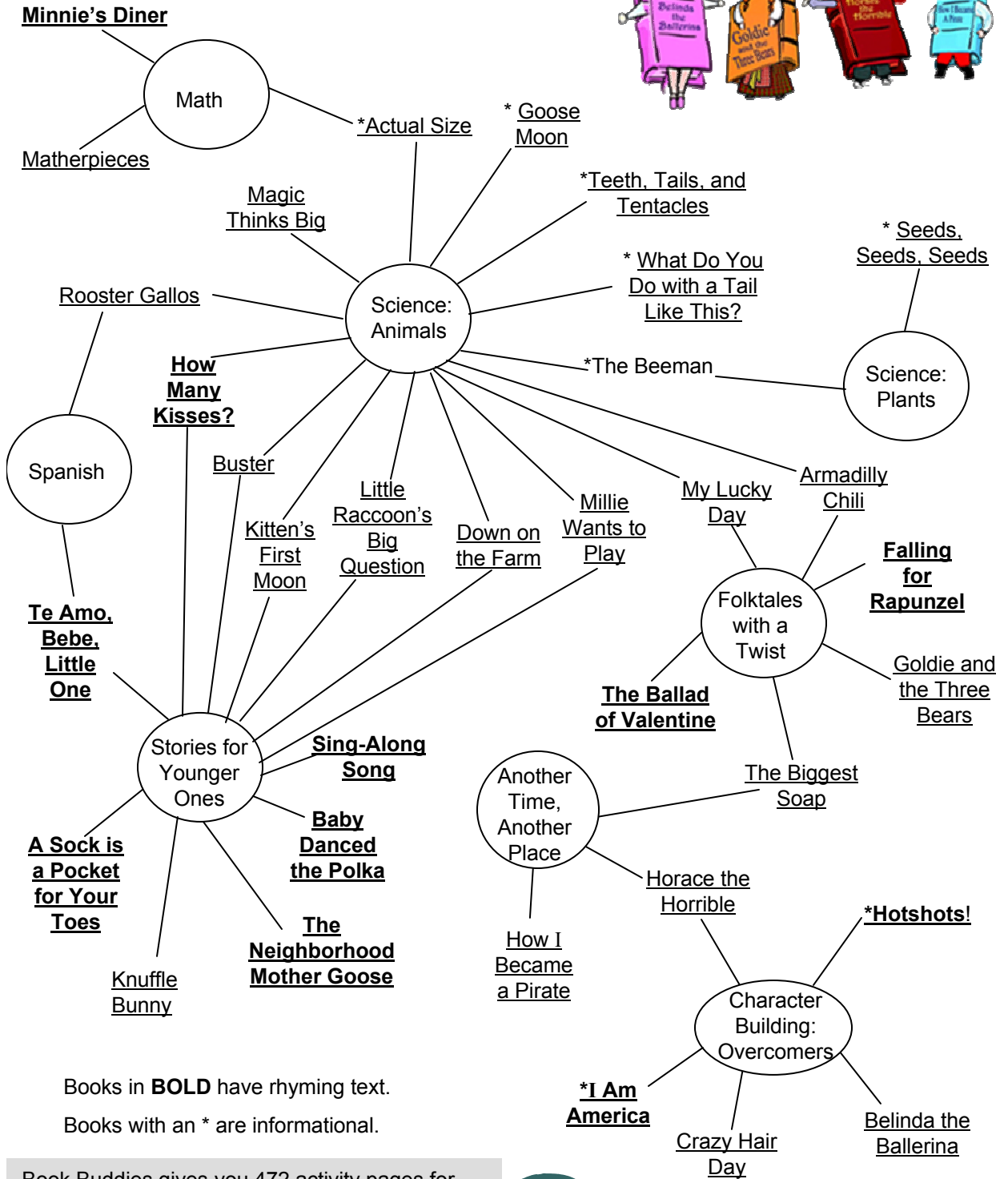
The 2X2 List for 2005

(List compiled by the Texas Library Association)

Additional activity pages are included in the enclosed CD.

	Pages
<u>Actual Size</u> by Steve Jenkins (Ages 4-8) How big is an elephant? What's the biggest thing a Goliath frog can eat? Is your face bigger than the face of a Siberian tiger? Come read this awesome book to see how animals and you compare in size!	6-16 <small>(Book on both lists)</small>
<u>Armadilly Chili</u> by Helen Ketteman (Ages 4-8) The Little Red Hen is told in Texas style with Billie Armadilly doing all the work to make chili while the desert critters play.	294-309
<u>Baby Danced the Polka</u> by Karen Beaumont (Ages 2-6) Baby feels like dancing instead of sleeping, but Mama and Daddy finally figure out what to do!	310-319
<u>The Biggest Soap</u> by Carole Lexa Schaefer (Ages 4-8) Pacific Islander Kessy goes on an errand to get soap for the washing pool and ends up providing plenty of ideas that help him become a storyteller.	320-327
<u>Down on the Farm</u> by Merrily Kutner (Ages 2-5) A playful little goat butts into the lives of all of the farm animals. The rhyming text invites audience participation!	328-338
<u>Goose Moon</u> by Carolyn Arden (Ages 4-8) A grandfather tells his granddaughter that the geese will return with the goose moon. Together they watch for the signs through the winter into the spring.	339-348
<u>How Many Kisses Do You Want Tonight?</u> Varsha Bajaj (Ages 2-5) Animal parents ask their young how many kisses they want. A special counting book.	349-356
<u>Kitten's First Full Moon</u> by Kevin Henkes (Ages 2-6) Kitten sees the full moon for the first time and thinks it is a bowl of milk. He struggles through the funny story to get it.	357-371
<u>Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale</u> by Mo Willems (Ages 3-8) Trixie takes Knuffle Bunny everywhere, but loses it at the laundry! Trixie tries to communicate, but finds it is difficult when she knows no words!	372-384
<u>Little Raccoon's Big Question</u> Miriam Schlein (Ages 4-8) Little raccoon wants to know when his mother loves him the most.	385-394
<u>Magic Thinks Big</u> by Elisha Cooper (Ages 4-8) Magic the cat sits in a doorway and considers all the things he <i>could</i> , but he never manages to move!	395-401
<u>Millie Wants to Play!</u> by Janet Pedersen (Ages 2-5) Millie the calf wants to play but the "rise and shine" sound hasn't been heard yet.	402-414
<u>Minnie's Diner: A Multiplying Menu</u> by Dayle Ann Dodds (Ages 4-8) The McFay boys smell the food from Minnie's Diner and leave their farm work. Each boy is twice as big as his brother and orders double food until Papa shows up!	415-423
<u>The Neighborhood Mother Goose</u> , by Nina Crews (Ages 2-6) Modern photographs provide illustrations for this book of nursery rhymes.	227-235 <small>(Book on both lists)</small>
<u>Rooster / Gallo</u> by Jorge Luján (Ages 4+) In this poem, figurative language is born at dawn as the rooster clears the night sky and calls out the day.	424-443
<u>Seeds, Seeds, Seeds</u> by Nancy Wallace (Ages 4-8) Buddy Bear receives five little bags of activities with seeds from his grandpa. Clever!	444-454
<u>Sing Along Song</u> by JoAnn Early Macken (Ages 3-6) A young boy hears sounds wherever he goes and feels like singing along! Cute rhymes you gotta sing!	455-467
<u>Te Amo, Bebé, Little One</u> by Lisa Wheeler (Ages 2-5) A mother sings to her baby about the events during his first year of life, weaving in a few Spanish words beautifully.	468-476
<u>Teeth, Tails & Tentacles: An Animal Counting Book</u> by Christopher Wormell (Ages 3-6) An interdisciplinary counting, alphabet book with animals!	477-484
<u>Where is the Green Sheep?</u> by Mem Fox (Ages 2-6) An easy-to-read rhyme with repeated words and different kinds and colors of sheep.	485-492

Curriculum Connections



Books in **BOLD** have rhyming text.
 Books with an * are informational.

Book Buddies gives you 472 activity pages for these 39 picture books! Remember, only 184 are printed in this book. The CD contains ALL 472 pages. After you find the book you want to use, print the entire unit from the CD.



How to Use Book Buddies

Books provide bridges that take children to places where their feet cannot. They provide bridges between cultures. They provide bridges that carry children from an immature view of the world to mature understanding. Great books provide a sound academic and social foundation for young, inquisitive minds. Tapping into children's laughter and wonder, this literature builds enthusiasm for building academic skills, character development, and social strength.

Characters, settings, and situations in the Mockingbird Books and the 2X2 Books will provide a myriad of opportunity for laughter, projects, reading, writing, science, math, and music while exposing children to other cultures and developing a deep appreciation of the American traditions. These books that cross every genre will become the catalysts for interactive problem solving skills, interdisciplinary foundational academic skills, and laughter.

Older children should be encouraged to check out these picture books to take home and share with younger siblings. The activities are geared for grades 1-3 and will provide challenges that extend well beyond the reading level of the books.

Use with Gifted Children

Children with special talents will find that **Book Buddies** provides much needed enrichment, challenge, and extension to their curriculum. Here is a suggested plan:

1. Group your gifted children into pairs or groups of four.
2. Allow the groups to choose a book that appeals to them. Provide a copy of the **Book Buddies** unit for each group.
3. Read the book aloud to your students. It is important that they hear good literature read and reread by enthusiastic, vibrant readers who model voice changes in tone, volume, and characterization dictated by the story.
4. As they get started, it is essential that the teacher, parent, or librarian guide them through the first units, explaining how the group can work together to produce quality products called for in the unit and to learn how to discuss the literature most effectively as a cooperative group.
5. Students practice readers' theater scripts to perfection. They then must be given the opportunity to present the readers' theater to a group that has not heard it in order to try (a) to entertain an audience and (b) to inspire the audience to read the book. This will develop their fluency as well as their presentation skills.
6. Students will complete all of the activities in the unit. It is important that the teacher work closely with them, giving feedback, encouragement, and guidance. As the year progresses, students will begin to show more enthusiasm for independence and quality responses to challenge. You will see them transferring their high levels of understanding and depth of study to other facets of their reading and learning.
7. **Book Buddies** will provide mentoring possibilities from class to class and from older students to younger students. Second graders may present the results of their studies to first graders. They can read the books aloud to their younger friends, teach them songs, demonstrate their projects, and share their own writing with them. Their leadership skills will blossom as they become mentors.

The Book Buddies CD contains 472 pages of activities. The printed Book Buddies contains about 184 of these pages. Be sure to print ALL the activities from the CD!