

Great Interactive Print Books

At the American Library Association's annual conference, I had the awesome privilege to watch librarians around the country collaborate in a Guerilla Storytime. They gave me a HUGE list of print books that are guaranteed to make kids giggle, wiggle and shout.

Pete the Cat by Eric Litwin and James Dean:

A groovy cat teaches kids how to cope with life's little problems. You can download a free MP3 copy of the song so the kids can sing along with your reading.

I Got the Rhythm by Connie Schofield-Morrison

Turn your world into a musical! "On a simple trip to the park, the joy of music overtakes a mother and daughter. The little girl hears a rhythm coming from the world around her— from butterflies, to street performers, to ice cream sellers."

From Head to Toe by Eric Carle:

This book encourages kids to imitate animals and complete a series of mini-exercises—a book inspired by Carle's massage therapist.

It's a Tiger! By David LaRochelle

The main character keeps encountering a tiger, and kids love to imitate the noisy animal.

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus by Mo Willems

A pesky pigeon wants to take the bus for a joyride, but the kids will love to tell him to STOP!

Wiggle by Doreen Cronin:

"For energetic toddlers (are there any who aren't?), here's a book that invites them to wiggle along with the story."

Can You Make a Scary Face? by Jan Thomas:

This book has kids make funny faces as you read. Simple, but guaranteed interaction with a group of kids.

(Read more in *Born Reading: Bringing Up Bookworms in a Digital Age*)