

The Canadian Children's Book Centre's List of Poetry Books for Kids and Teens

African Acrostics: A Word in Edgeways

Written by **Avis Harley**
Photography by **Deborah Noyes**
Candlewick Press, 2009
ISBN 978-0763636210
Grades 4-6 / Ages 8-12

Alligator Pie

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Frank Newfeld**
Key Porter Books, 2001 ©1974
ISBN 978-1552633380
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-7

Ann and Seamus

Written by **Kevin Major**
Illustrated by **David Blackwood**
Groundwood Books, 2003
ISBN 978-0888995612
Grades 7-9 / Ages 12 and up

The Apprentice's Masterpiece: A Story of Medieval Spain

Written by **Melanie Little**
Annick Press, 2008
ISBN 978-1554511907
Grades 8-9 / Ages 14 and up
Novels in Verse

aRHYTHMetic

Written by **Tiffany Stone, Kari-Lynn Winters** and **Lori Sherritt-Fleming**
Illustrated by **Scot Ritchie**
Gumboot Books, 2009
ISBN 978-0978435158
Grades 2-3 / Ages 4-8

An Armadillo is Not a Pillow

Written by **Lois Simmie**
Illustrated by **Anne Simmie**
Greystone Books, 1986
ISBN 978-0888331854
Grades 2-3 / Ages 5-11

Bubblegum Delicious

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **David McPhail**
Key Porter Books, 2005 ©2000
ISBN 978-1552637500
Grades 1-2 / Ages 3-7

Burn

Written by **Alma Fullerton**
Dancing Cat Books, 2010
ISBN 978-1897151952
Grades 5-6 / Ages 12 and up
Novels in Verse

Buttercup's Lovely Day

Written by **Carolyn Beck**
Illustrated by **Andrea Beck**
Orca Book Publishers, 2008
ISBN 978-1551435121
Grades 2-3 / Ages 4-8

Cabbagehead

Written and illustrated by **Loris Lesynski**
Annick Press, 2003
ISBN 978-1550378047
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-7

Casey at the Bat

(Visions in Poetry)
Written by **Ernest L. Thayer**
Illustrated by **Joe Morse**
Kids Can Press, 2006
ISBN 978-1553378273
Grades 4-6 / Ages 10 and up

The Cat and the Wizard

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Gillian Johnson**
Key Porter Books, 2007 ©2001
ISBN 978-1552638842
Grades 3-4 / Ages 5-8

The Crazy Man

Written by **Pamela Porter**
Groundwood Books, 2005
ISBN 978-0888996954
Grades 6-8 / Ages 10 and up
Novels in Verse

Crocodiles Play!

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Rae Maté**
Tradewind Books, 2008
ISBN 978-1896580890
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-7

Crocodiles Say...

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Rae Maté**
Tradewind Books, 2005
ISBN 978-1896580135
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-7

Dirty Dog Boogie

Written and illustrated by **Loris Lesynski**
Annick Press, 1999
ISBN 978-1550375725
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-7

Doctor Knickerbocker and Other Rhymes: A Canadian Collection

Selected by **David Booth**
Illustrated by **Maryann Kovalski**
Kids Can Press, 1993
ISBN 978-1550740790
Grades 3-4 / Ages 8-11

Drumheller Dinosaur Dance

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Bill Slavin** and **Esperança Melo**
Kids Can Press, 2004
ISBN 978-1553379829
Grades 1-2 / Ages 3-7

Earth Magic

Written by **Dionne Brand**
Illustrated by **Eugenie Fernandes**
Kids Can Press, 2006
ISBN 978-1553377061
Grades 4-6 / Ages 8 and up

The Eco-Diary of Kiran Singer

Written by **Sue Ann Alderson**
Illustrated by **Millie Ballance**
Tradewind Books, 2007
ISBN 978-1896580470
Grade 3 / Ages 8 and up

Eenie Meenie Manitoba: Playful Poems and Rollicking Rhymes

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Scot Ritchie**
Kids Can Press, 2000 ©1996
ISBN 978-1550748185
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-9

Fishtailing

Written by **Wendy Phillips**
Coteau Books, 2010
ISBN 978-1550504118
Grades 9-10 / Ages 14 and up
Novels in Verse

Garbage Delight

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Frank Newfeld**
Macmillan of Canada, 1977
ISBN 978-0771595929
Grades 3-5 / Ages 3-8

Garbage Delight: Another Helping

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Maryann Kovalski**
Key Porter Books, 2002
ISBN 978-1552634707
Grades 3-5 / Ages 3-8

A Grain of Sand

Written by **P.K. Page**
Illustrated by **Vladyana Krykorka**
Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 2003
ISBN 978-1550418019
Grades 3-4 / Ages 8 and up

The Highwayman

(Visions in Poetry)
Written by **Alfred Noyes**
Illustrated by **Murray Kimber**
Kids Can Press, 2005
ISBN 978-1553374251
Grades 5-7 / Ages 12 and up

“I Did It Because...”: How a Poem Happens

Written by **Loris Lesynski**
Illustrated by **Michael Martchenko**
Annick Press, 2006
ISBN 978-1554510184
Grade 3 / Ages 7-10

I Gave My Mom a Castle

Written by **Jean Little**
Illustrated by **Kady MacDonald Denton**
Orca Book Publishers, 2003
ISBN 978-1551432533
Grades 4-6 / Ages 7 and up

I Wished for a Unicorn

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Kady MacDonald Denton**
Kids Can Press, 2000
ISBN 978-1550745436
Grade 2 / Ages 3-8

If I Had a Million Onions

Written by **Sheree Fitch**
Illustrated by **Yayo**
Tradewind Books, 2005
ISBN 978-1896580784
Grades 3-4 / Ages 4-6

Jabberwocky

(Visions in Poetry)
Written by **Lewis Carroll**
Illustrated by **Stéphane Jorisch**
Kids Can Press, 2004
ISBN 978-1553370796
Grades 4-6 / Ages 10 and up

Jack Pine

Written by **Christopher Patton**
Illustrated by **Cybèle Young**
Groundwood Books, 2007
ISBN 978-0888997807
Grades 4-6 / Ages 9-12

Jelly Belly

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Juan Wijngaard**
Key Porter Books, 2001 ©1983
ISBN 978-1552633267
Grades 2-3 / Ages 3-8

The Lady of Shalott

(Visions in Poetry)
Written by **Alfred, Lord Tennyson**
Illustrated by **Geneviève Côté**
Kids Can Press, 2005
ISBN 978-1553378747
Grades 7-8 / Ages 12 and up

Libertad

Written by **Alma Fullerton**
Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 2008
ISBN 978-1554551064
Grade 4 / Ages 9-12
Novels in Verse

Lickety-Split

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Dušan Petričić**
Kids Can Press, 2007
ISBN 978-1553377108
Grade 3 / Ages 3-11

The Little Land

Written by **Robert Louis Stevenson**
Illustrated by **Kim Fernandes**
Kids Can Press, 2004 ©2002
ISBN 978-1553377658
Grades 2-3 / Ages 5-8

Lizzy's Lion

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Marie-Louise Gay**
Stoddart, 1993 ©1984
ISBN 978-0773673977
Grades 1-3 / Ages 4-8

Lollipopsicles

Written by **Gretchen Kelbaugh**
Illustrated by **J.O. Pennanen**
BAJ Books, 2000
ISBN 978-0968710401
Grades 3-4 / Ages 6-12

Mabel Murple

Written by **Sheree Fitch**
Illustrated by **Sydney Smith**
Nimbus Publishing, 2010 ©1995
ISBN 978-1551097886
Grades 1-3 / Ages 4-9

My Letter to the World and Other Poems

(Visions in Poetry)
Written by **Emily Dickinson**
Illustrated by **Isabelle Arsenault**
Kids Can Press, 2008
ISBN 978-1554531035
Grades 5-6 / Ages 10 and up

Nicholas Knock and Other People

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Frank Newfeld**
Macmillan of Canada, 1974
ISBN 978-0770511944
Grades 2-3 / Ages 3-8

No Two Snowflakes

Written by **Sheree Fitch**
Illustrated by **Janet Wilson**
Orca Book Publishers, 2001
ISBN 978-1551432069
Grades 1-3 / Ages 3-8

Nothing Beats a Pizza

Written and illustrated by **Loris Lesynski**
Annick Press, 2001
ISBN 978-1550377002
Grades 1-2 / Ages 4-7

On My Walk

Written by **Kari-Lynn Winters**
Illustrated by **Christina Leist**
Tradewind Books, 2009
ISBN 978-1896580616
Grades 1-2 / Ages 3-7

**Other Goose: Recycled Rhymes
for Our Fragile Times**

Written by illustrated by **Barbara Wyn Klunder**
Groundwood Books, 2007
ISBN 978-0888998293
Grade 4 / Ages 10 and up

The Owl and the Pussycat
(Visions in Poetry)

Written by **Edward Lear**
Illustrated by **Stéphane Jorisch**
Kids Can Press, 2007
ISBN 978-1553378280
Grade 5 / Ages 10 and up

Peek-a-Little Boo

Written by **Sheree Fitch**
Illustrated by **Laura Watson**
Orca Book Publishers, 2005
ISBN 978-1551433424
Grade 1 / Ages 0-4

The Raven

(Visions in Poetry)
Written by **Edgar Allan Poe**
Illustrated by **Ryan Price**
Kids Can Press, 2006
ISBN 978-1553374732
Grade 6 / Ages 13 and up

Sail Away With Me

Selected and written by **Jane Collins-Philippe**
Illustrated by **Laura Beingessner**
Tundra Books, 2010
ISBN 978-0887768422
Grades 1-2 / Ages 2-5

A Sea-Wishing Day

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Kady MacDonald Denton**
Kids Can Press, 2007
ISBN 978-1553377078
Grades 2-3 / Ages 5-10

**A Second is a Hiccup: A Child's
Book of Time**

Written by **Hazel Hutchins**
Illustrated by **Kady MacDonald Denton**
Scholastic Canada, 2009 ©2004
ISBN 978-0439946100
Grades 1-3 / Ages 3-8

The Secret Invasion of Bananas

Written by **Robert Priest**
Illustrated by **Tineke Visser**
Ekstasis Editions, 2001
ISBN 978-1896860978
Grades 4-6 / Ages 9-13

**See Saw Saskatchewan: More
Playful Poems from Coast to
Coast**

Written by **Robert Heidbreder**
Illustrated by **Scot Ritchie**
Kids Can Press, 2003
ISBN 978-1553373926
Grades 1-3 / Ages 4-10

Shoes Shakes

Written by **Loris Lesynski**
Illustrated by **Michael Martchenko**
Annick Press, 2007
ISBN 978-1554511068
Grades 1-2 / Ages 3-8

Sleeping Dragons All Around

Written by **Sheree Fitch**
Illustrated by **Michele Nidenoff**
Nimbus Publishing, 2009
ISBN 978-1551096995
Grades 2-3 / Ages 4-8

So Cool

Written by **Dennis Lee**
Illustrated by **Maryann Kovalski**
Key Porter Books, 2004
ISBN 978-1552636138
Grades 6-8 / Ages 11 and up

Think Again

Written by **JonArno Lawson**
Illustrated by **Julie Morstad**
Kids Can Press, 2010
ISBN 978-1554534234
Grade 6 / Ages 10 and up

**Voices on the Wind: Poems for All
Seasons**

Selected by **David Booth**
Illustrated by **Michèle Lemieux**
Kids Can Press, 1990
ISBN 978-1550741803
Grades 2-3 / Ages 4-9

Zigzag: Zoems for Zindergarten

Written and illustrated by **Loris Lesynski**
Annick Press, 2004
ISBN 978-1550378825
Grade 2 / Ages 4-6

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