Recommended reading list

Practitioner resources
This is a list of useful materials for EYFS practitioners to refer to when using Get Set Early Years.

Statutory framework for the early years foundation stage: Setting the standards for learning, development and care for children from birth to five (Department for Education, 2017)

Early Years Foundation Stage Profile 2017 Handbook (Department for Education, 2016)

Early years outcomes: A non-statutory guide for practitioners and inspectors to help inform understanding of child development through the early years (Department for Education, 2013)

Letters and Sounds: Principles and Practice of High Quality Phonics (Department for Education, 2007)

Mark Making Matters: Young children making meaning in all areas of learning and development (Department for Children, Schools and Families, 2008)

Development Matters in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) (Early Education, 2012)

Teaching and play in the early years: A balancing act? (Ofsted, 2015)

The Erhardt Developmental Prehension Assessment, 2nd edition by Rhoda P. Erhardt (Erhardt Developmental Products, 1994)

The Child’s Understanding of Number by R. Gelman & C. Gallistel (Harvard University Press, 1978)

Children’s books
This is a list of the children’s books that are referred to in activities in the Get Set teacher’s guides. The unit and page reference for the related activity is included in brackets.

Understanding the World: People and communities

The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister (North-South Books, 1992) (My friends p40–41)

Owl Babies by Martin Waddell (Walker, 1992) (My family p42–43)

This is Our House by Michael Rosen (Walker, 1996) (Other families p44–45)

The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse by Susanna Davidson (Usborne, 2007) (Communities p46–47)

Kipper’s Birthday by Mick Inkpen (Hodder, 1993) (Celebrations p68–69)

Understanding the World: The world


Footprints in the Snow by Mei Matsuoka (Henry Holt & Company, 2007) (Footprints p26–27)

Aaaaargghh, Spider! by Lydia Monks (Egmont, 2004) (Mini-beasts p30–31)

We’re Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen (Walker, 1989) (Natural environments p50–51)

Brown Rabbit in the City by Natalie Russell (Pan Macmillan, 2010) (Built environments p52–53)

‘The Three Little Pigs’, traditional fairy tale (Different materials p54–55)

‘Noah’s Ark’, traditional religious tale (Weather p74–75)

Tree: Seasons Come, Seasons Go by Britta Teckentrup (Little Tiger, 2015) (Seasons p76–77)

Penguin Small by Mick Inkpen (Hodder, 1992) (Hot and cold places p78–79)

Curious George Goes to the Beach by Margret and H. A. Rey (Houghton Mifflin, 1999) (At the beach p80–81)

Oh, the Places You’ll Go! by Dr Seuss (HarperCollins, 1990) (Holidays p82–83)
Understanding the World: Technology

**Who Sank the Boat?** by Pamela Allen (Puffin, 1982) ([Air and water transport](#) p36–37)

**We're Off to Look for Aliens** by Colin McNaughton (Walker, 2007) ([Space](#) p38–39)

**Here Come the Aliens!** by Colin McNaughton (Walker, 1995) ([Space](#) p38–39)

‘The Gingerbread Man’, traditional fairy tale ([In the kitchen](#) p58–59)

**Aliens Love Underpants** by Claire Freedman (Simon & Schuster, 2007) ([Helping us clean](#) p60–61)

**Fire Truck** by Ivan Ulz (Temple Street Press, 2013) ([Technology in jobs](#) p84–85)

**Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type** by Doreen Cronin (Simon & Schuster, 2000) ([Computers](#) p88–89)

**If I Built a Car** by Chris Van Dusen (Puffin, 2005) ([Inventions](#) p90–91)

Mathematics: Numbers

**Zoom, Rocket, Zoom!** by Margaret Mayo (Orchard Books, 2011) ([Sequencing backwards](#) p26–27)

**Oi! Get off our Train** by John Burningham (Red Fox, 1989) ([One more](#) p42–43)

**20 Hungry Piggies** by Trudy Harris (Millbrook, 2007) ([Recognising numbers to 20](#) p52–53)

**The Doorbell Rang** by Pat Hutchins (Turtleback Books, 1986) ([Halving](#) p74–75)

**Sharing a Shell** by Julia Donaldson (Pan Macmillan, 2004) ([Sharing](#) p76–77)

Mathematics: Shape, space and measures

**Square Cat** by Elizabeth Schoonmaker (Simon & Schuster, 2011) ([2D shapes](#) p32–33)

**Walter's Wonderful Web** by Tim Hopgood (Pan Macmillan, 2015) ([2D-shape patterns](#) p34–35)

**Mr Small** by Roger Hargreaves (Egmont, 1972) ([Big and small](#) p54–55)

‘Goldilocks and the Three Bears’, traditional fairy tale ([Big and small](#) p54–55)

**Mr Tall** by Roger Hargreaves (Egmont, 1978) ([Tall and short](#) p56–57)

‘Jack and the Beanstalk’, traditional fairy tale ([Length](#) p78–79)

**Titch** by Pat Hutchins (Red Fox, 1971) ([Length](#) p78–79)

**The Littlest Matryoshka** by Corinne Demas (Disney-Hyperion, 1999) ([Capacity](#) p82–83)

**The Night Pirates** by Peter Harris (Egmont, 2005) ([Days and routines](#) p84–85)

Literacy: Reading

**Walking Through the Jungle** by Debbie Harter (Barefoot Books, 2011) ([Listening to sounds](#) p14–15)

**Room on the Broom** by Julia Donaldson (Pan Macmillan, 2016) ([Rhythm and rhyme](#) p20–21)

‘Goldilocks and the Three Bears’, traditional fairy tale ([Story-telling](#) p50–51)

**Stick Man** by Julia Donaldson (Scholastic, 2016) ([Story-telling](#) p50–51)

**Dear Zoo** by Rod Campbell (Pan Macmillan, 1982) ([Story-telling](#) p50–51)

**Aliens Love Underpants** by Claire Freedman (Simon & Schuster, 2007) ([Story-telling](#) p50–51)

**The Gruffalo** by Julia Donaldson (Pan Macmillan, 1999) ([Characters](#) p52–53)

**Mr Men and Little Miss** series by Roger Hargreaves (Egmont, 1971–1984) ([Characters](#) p52–53)

**Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type** by Doreen Cronin (Simon & Schuster, 2000) ([Characters](#) p52–53)

‘The Three Little Pigs’, traditional fairy tale ([Settings](#) p54–55)

‘Jack and the Beanstalk’, traditional fairy tale ([Settings](#) p54–55)

**We're Going on a Bear Hunt** by Michael Rosen (Walker, 1989) ([Settings](#) p54–55)
Owl Babies by Martin Waddell (Walker, 1992) (Settings p54–55)
The Pirate who Couldn’t Say Arrr! by Angie Neal (Tate Publishing, 2011) (Digraphs: oo ar or p68–69)
Opposites by Eric Carle (Grosset & Dunlap, 2007) (Extending vocabulary p78–79)
Alan’s Big, Scary Teeth by Jarvis (Walker, 2016) (Extending vocabulary p78–79)
‘Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs’, traditional fairy tale (Extending vocabulary p78–79)

Literacy: Writing
A Squiggly Story by Andrew Larsen (Kids Can Press, 2016) (Lines and Squiggles p34–35)
‘The Three Little Pigs’, traditional fairy tale (Writing captions p86–87)
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle (Puffin, 2002) (Writing captions p86–87)
The Lonely Beast by Chris Judge (Andersen Press, 2011) (Writing captions p86–87)