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Recommended for ages birth to 5		
Cover	Synopsis	Details
	A board book version of this classic picture book that introduces characters from traditional stories, such as the Three Bears and Tom Thumb. The text, with its strong rhyme and rhythm , is perfect to read aloud to very young children .	Each Peach Pear Plum J Ahlberg and A Ahlberg ISBN: 9780670882786 Price: £5.99
	A selection of rhymes and lullabies from 23 countries and six continents, presented with stunning, vibrant illustrations. Some are familiar, some never before written down.	Skip Across the Ocean F Benjamin ISBN: 9781845077884 Price: £5.99
	A super collection of short rhymes which children will love listening to and joining in with. An ideal book to share as a family or for an interactive storytelling session with toddlers.	All Join In Q Blake ISBN: 9780099964704 Price: £5.99
	A simple, funny, colourful introduction to Robert Burns. Children will love lifting the flaps to find out what the haggis is wearing on his head and where the wee sleekit cowerin timorous moose is hiding.	Rabbie's rhymes: Robert Burns for wee folk R Burns ISBN: 9781845022204 Price: £6.99
	Kids will love this book which is full of fun action rhymes to join in with. There are rhymes to make you snap like a crocodile and slither like a snake. Written by children's favourite Julia Donaldson and illustrated by the hugely popular Nick Sharratt.	Wriggle and Roar!: Rhymes to Join in with J Donaldson ISBN: 9781405021661 Price: £5.99
	This book combines well-known, traditional nursery rhymes with fun, colourful pictures and an exciting interactive element . Children can sing along and lift the flaps for some fun surprises.	Ring-a-ring O'Roses B Granstrom ISBN: 9781406316834 Price: £4.99

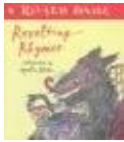
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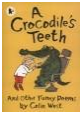
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	This entertaining volume of verse and humorous illustrations make this a perfect introduction to poetry for the very young. Includes poems about everything that is important to children including animals, family and food.	What I Like! Poems for the Very Young G Phinn ISBN: 9781904550129 Price: £5.99
	An excellent anthology although a bit pricey. Its contents range from the hilariously funny to the thought-provoking , from playground rhymes and nonsense verse to poems by classic writers.	Poems for the Very Young M Rosen (Ed.) ISBN: 9780753400227 Price: £9.99

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	In this delightful book for young children , food is fantastic fun. Illustrated with great humour by wellknown artist Nick Sharratt, these poems will get every reader's taste buds tingling.	Tasty Poems J Bennett ISBN: 9780192763242 Price: £4.99
	A rib-tickling selection of dreadful poetry about stinky socks, burps, bogies and other revolting things – the subject matter and comic illustrations are a great way to tempt poetry avoiders to peek!	Disgusting Poems P Cookson (Ed.) ISBN: 9780439968805 Price: £3.99
	This is a collection of comic and often gory versions of popular fairy tales with memorable rhymes which children will enjoy performing or reading aloud.	Revolting Rhymes R Dahl ISBN: 9780141501758 Price: £7.99
	A collection of lively poems and rhymes including a sequence of number rhymes, action rhymes and some more thoughtful pieces too. This book is great for dipping into or for reading cover to cover.	Crazy Mayonnaisy Mum J Donaldson ISBN: 9780330414906 Price: £3.99
	A selection of the best concrete poems- where the shape of the poem on the page reflects the subject . The words wiggle about, curve around and hurtle down the page, accompanied by illustrations by the award winning Chris Raschka.	A Poke in the I P Janeczko ISBN: 9780744589405 Price: £5.99
	A delightful selection from this popular poet featuring funny, silly, smart and serious poems about animals, magic journeys and doughnuts!	Daft as a Doughnut A Mitchell ISBN: 9781408308073 Price: £5.99
	Blast off into space with this stellar collection of poems about galaxies, the moon, planets, stars, rockets, astronauts, UFOs, aliens, black holes, the milky way, and space pets!	Space Poems G Morgan ISBN: 9780330440578 Price: £4.99

	New kids, disobedient deputy heads, school reports and embarrassing mums all make an appearance in this wonderfully warm and witty poetry collection from bestseller Gervase Phinn.	Don't Tell the Teacher G Phinn ISBN: 9780141320748 Price: £5.99
	A great collection of rhymes from the very popular Michael Rosen including a brilliant audio CD with the man himself performing all the poems, so children can listen as well as read.	Mustard, Custard, Grumble Belly and Gravy M Rosen ISBN: 9780747587385 Price £6.99
	This is an illustrated collection of fifty funny poems which are all illustrated in an absurdly appealing style. This collection is full of nonsense rhymes on a range of silly topics	A Crocodile's Teeth C West ISBN: 9781406312102 Price: £4.99

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	A fascinating anthology of schoolyard chants, sea shanties, work-songs, riddles, spells and curses from all over the world , all passed 'mouth to mouth' from generation to generation.	From Mouth to Mouth J Agard and G Nichols (Ed.) ISBN: 9780744583830 Price: £5.99
	Voted the most important 20th-century children's poetry book, this collection of hilarious and poignant verses about school is full of typical classroom events that will be recognised by everyone.	Please Mrs Butler A Ahlberg ISBN: 9780140314946 Price: £4.99
	Highly recommended for less keen or confident readers , this innovative story told in verse relates how bully Sam comes to form an unlikely friendship with the remarkable Davey.	Cloud Busting M Blackman ISBN: 9780440866152 Price: £4.99
	Another excellent example of a story told in verse , this book is great for less keen readers and tells the tale of Jack, who is encouraged to write a poem about a dog by his very creative teacher.	Love That Dog S Creech ISBN: 9780747557494 Price: £4.99
	"No animal is half so vile/As Crocky-Wock the crocodile" Roald Dahl is at his very best in this selection of hilarious poems about animals . A great companion piece to <i>Revolting Rhymes</i> .	Dirty Beasts R Dahl ISBN: 9780141501741 Price: £6.99
	Guaranteed to scare 99% of normal human beings, this book is full of terrifying poems by a range of top poets featuring spiders, monsters, ghosts and much more.	Scary Poems to Make You Shiver S Gibbs ISBN: 9780192726070

	Part of a series that also includes funny, revolting and puzzling poems.	Price: £4.99
	A stunning collection of poems inspired by the five senses from old and new poets such as Carol Ann Duffy, John Hegley, William Wordsworth, Vernon Scannell and Michael Rosen.	Sensational R McGough (Ed.) ISBN: 9780330413442 Price: £6.99
	Get ready to have your tastebuds tickled with this delicious feast of food-themed poems from one of Britain's best known poets.	Sky In The Pie R McGough ISBN: 9780140316124 Price: £4.99
	A collection of the absurd, ridiculous, sublime and characteristically anarchic verse from the brilliant Spike Milligan, accompanied by his very own illustrations.	Silly Verse for Kids S Milligan ISBN: 9780140303315 Price: £4.99
	A well respected poet for adults, Grace Nichols' collection for children is engaging and never patronising. Poems draw on both her life in Britain and childhood in Guyana for inspiration.	Everybody Got a Gift G Nichols ISBN: 9780713672510 Price: £6.99
	Naughty children with nasty habits, cartoon heroes that come to life, lonely caretakers, unhappy ghosts, fantastical creatures with crazy names... there's never a dull moment in this quirky collection!	Gargling With Jelly B Patten ISBN: 9780141316505 Price: £6.99
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	A collection of diverse nonsense verse , including traditional poems, rhymes with a twist, and subversive playground favourites, brought together by a poetry expert into one handy silly volume!	Book of Very Silly Poems M Rosen (Ed.) ISBN: 9780140371376 Price: £4.99
	Discover the weird and wonderful world of martians, woolly saucepans and centrally heated knickers in this selection of light-hearted poems about science and technology .	Centrally Heated Knickers M Rosen ISBN: 9780141306711 Price: £5.99
	A collection of poems about school and friends - some familiar favourites and some brand new poems, complemented by entertaining colour illustrations by Korky Paul.	No Breathing In Class M Rosen ISBN: 9780141300221 Price: £5.99

	An essential collection of poems about the trials and tribulations of family life - changing nappies, eating cake in secret and dodging the washing up – captured brilliantly from a childhood perspective.	Quick Let's Get Out of Here M Rosen ISBN: 9780140317848 Price: £5.99
	Another selection of fantastically funny and memorable poems from the wonderful Mr Rosen, featuring nasty brothers, spiders in the toilet and that horrible shirt your mum makes you wear!	You Wait Til I'm Older Than You M Rosen ISBN: 9780140380149 Price: £5.99
	A collection of more than fifty short and entertaining poems by a range of well-known names presented in a dyslexia-friendly format. We love the one about choosing books by smell!	The Jumble Book R Stevens (Ed.) ISBN: 9780330468657 Price: £4.99
	Packed with mile-a-minute potty poems about situations from family life that all children will recognise. Perfect for reading aloud, the book is also printed on dyslexia-friendly paper.	The Spot on my Bum G Walsh ISBN: 9781872438108 Price: £4.50
	A collection of hilarious poems to make you smile , giggle, snort, chortle and guffaw, accompanied by lots of great illustrations.	Laugh Out Loud F Waters ISBN: 9780330454568 Price: £4.99
	A brilliant anthology of poems chosen by children for children , including famous and well-loved work from poets ranging from William Wordsworth to Roald Dahl. Very highly recommended.	I Like This Poem K Webb (Ed.) ISBN: 9780140312959 Price: £5.99
	The very first ground-breaking children's poetry collection from street poet Benjamin Zephaniah. Playful, clever and provocative, this is performance poetry on the page at its very best.	Talking Turkeys B Zephaniah ISBN: 9780140363302 Price: £5.99

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	A collection of poems dealing with issues of race and difference from a very accessible poet whose work is also featured on the GCSE curriculum.	Half-caste and Other Poems J Agard ISBN: 9780340925850 Price: £6.99

	With an introduction written by Philip Pullman , this collection of classic poetry and prose focuses on the most vital elements of life and death from writers over the centuries.	Life & Death: A Collection of Classic Poetry and Prose K Agnew (Ed.) ISBN: 9781840465679 Price: £5.99
	This anthology of love poetry and romantic prose has an introduction written by Jacqueline Wilson and should appeal to teenagers' "romantic streak" as well as providing a good introduction to the classic content.	Love and Longing: A Collection of Classic Poetry and Prose K Agnew (Ed.) ISBN: 9781840465235 Price: £5.99
	A collection of poems to inspire all ages dealing with themes such as love, death, nature, the past, sorrow, self-image, street life, memories, ageing, men and women, childhood, racism, and writing.	Poems M Angelou ISBN: 9780553255768 Price: £6.99
	The anthology illustrates how the short poem can tell a story and be packed with as much passion, wisdom and music as any other piece of writing. Great for dipping into and proving that quality not quantity is the important thing.	Short and Sweet: 101 Very Short Poems S Armitage (Ed.) ISBN: 9780571215560 Price: £6.99
	The truthful, soulful and witty poems in this collection explore the theme of identity . This edition also contains a CD of the author reading the her work.	Red Cherry Red J Kay ISBN: 9780747589792 Price: £6.99
	Inspired by the Twilight phenomenon this collection of classic poems celebrate love in all its guises from silent admiration through heart-stopping passion to tearful resignation and will appeal to fans of doomed romantic love.	In My Sky at Twilight: Poems of Eternal Love G Morgan (Ed) ISBN: 9780230745865 Price: £6.99