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# moving

*Suggestions from the Mt. Lebanon Public Library  
for children in preschool through second grade*

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the picture book section under the author's last name.*

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**Arto's Big Move** / Monica Araldo

Having lived in the cold, snowy North his entire life, Arto is upset about moving to the South when his mother gets a new job, until he makes a friend who teaches him that adapting to his surroundings might not be such a bad idea.

**Goodbye House** / Frank Asch (j E-pb A)

Little Bear says goodbye to all his favorite places in his old house before moving to a new home with his family.

**The Berenstain Bears' Moving Day** / Stan Berenstain  
(j E-pb B)

The Bear family decides it's time to move to a larger house.

**Sunday Chutney** / Aaron Blabey

Sunday Chutney's family moves often to different countries, so she finds imaginative ways to cope with being the new girl at school.

**When Marcus Moore Moved In** / Rebecca Bond

Marcus is lonely on his first day in the new neighborhood, but then he makes a good friend.

**Horrible Hannah** / Barbara Bottner

Lucy and Toby think the "Watch out for Horrible Hannah" sign on the neighbor's yard refers to the new girl next door.

**Rosa's Room** / Barbara Bottner

Rosa searches for things that will fill her room in her new home, but it feels empty until she discovers exactly what is missing.

**Willow and the Snow Day Dance** / Denise Brennan Nelson

When Willow's family moves to a new home, she makes friends with all of the neighbors, even unsmiling Mr. Larch, through her letters inviting each to be as generous as she is.

**Best Cat Suit of All** / Sylvia Cassedy (*easy reader* - j Er CASSEDY)

Only the visitor wearing the best cat suit of all can cheer up Mike, who is in a new place for Halloween and must stay in because he is sick.

**On Meadowview Street** / Henry Cole

Upon moving to a new house, young Caroline and her parents grow wild-flowers in their yard, which soon has the whole suburban street living up to its name.

**The Louds Move In!** / Carolyn Crimi

After their new, very loud neighbors go away on a trip, the people in the now quiet neighborhood find they miss the boisterous, friendly family.

**Where's Jamela?** / Niki Daly

When Mama gets a new job and a new house, everyone is excited about moving except Jamela, who likes her old house just fine.

**Ella the Elegant Elephant** / Carmela D'Amico

When Ella wears her grandmother's good luck hat to her new school the other students tease her until the hat proves how lucky it really is.

**Bella and Stella Come Home** / Anika Denise

A little girl tries to reassure her favorite doll when they move to a new, and very different, home.

**Leaving Home with a Pickle Jar** / Barbara Dugan

Ernest hopes that taking his grasshopper with him when he moves to Minnesota will help him feel better.

**Time to Go** / Beverly Fiday

A child says good-bye to his farm home.

**Spirit of Hope** / Bob Graham

When they are forced to move from their beloved home, the Fairweather family decides upon an unusual and happy solution to their housing crisis.

**WHEN YOUR BEST FRIEND MOVES AWAY****We Are Best Friends** / Alike

A boy new to the neighborhood befriends a boy whose best friend just moved away. (also *paperback picture book* - j E-pb A)

**Franklin's Bad Day** / Paulette Bourgeois (*paperback picture book* - j E-pb B)

Franklin realizes that his good friend Otter is only a phone call or letter away.

**Half a World Away** / Libby Gleeson

When Louie's best friend Amy moves to the other side of the world, Louie must find a way to reconnect with her.

**Fleabag** / Helen Stephens

A stray dog and a lonely boy become fast friends at a neighborhood park, but everything changes when the boy's family decides to move away.

**Ira Says Goodbye** / Bernard Waber

Ira is surprised when his best friend feels happy about moving to a new town.

**Tim's Big Move / Anke Wagner**

Pico, a stuffed dog, worries that he will not like the new house when his owner tells him they are moving to a new town.

**One Nosy Pup / Carol Wallace (easy reader - j Er WALLACE)**

After moving to a new house, Poky the beagle befriends Charlie the hamster, who was accidentally left behind by the previous owners.

**Superhero Joe and the Creature Next Door / Jacqueline Preiss Weitzman**

Joe conquers his fear of the strange creature moving into the house next door, as well as the treehouse in the creature's backyard.

**Did You See Chip? / Wong Herbert Yee (easy reader - j Er YEE)**

After moving to the city, Kim makes some new friends while looking for her lost dog.

**Elsie's Bird / Jane Yolen**

Young Elsie must find a way to adapt to her new home on the Nebraska prairie after she and her father leave their comfortable city life in Boston.

**A Tiger Called Thomas / Charlotte Zolotow**

Thomas is shy about making friends in his new neighborhood until he wears his tiger costume on Halloween.

**When Christmas Feels like Home / Gretchen Griffith**

When his family moves from a small Mexican village to North Carolina, Eduardo asks how soon he will feel at home, and slowly his Tio Miguel's seemingly impossible replies come true until, at last, he can put out the Nativity scene he carved with his grandfather.

**A New Room for William / Sally Grindley**

When William and his mother move, he is unhappy about having a new room, but he changes his mind after he gets dinosaur wallpaper and makes a new friend.

**I Like Where I Am / Jessica Harper**

A six-year-old boy is sad about moving to a new home, but is happy when he gets there.

**Good-bye, Hello / Barbara Shook Hazen**

As an urban child moves to a suburban neighborhood, he finds that for all the sadness in 'goodbye' there is an equal happiness in 'hello.'

**First Rain / Charlotte Herman**

When Abby moves with her family to Israel, where it does not rain all summer, she misses her grandmother and remembers the fun they used to have splashing in puddles together.

**Who Will Be My Friends? / Syd Hoff (easy reader - j Er HOFF)**

A boy makes new friends on the baseball field.

**Moving Molly / Shirley Hughes**

Molly's new neighbors help her adjust to her move from the city to the country.

**Moving Day / Robert Kalan**

A hermit crab tries several different shells before finding the one that fits just right.

**Dear Panda / Miriam Latimer**

When Florence learns she will have to stand up and introduce herself to her whole class at her new school, she worries about making friends. But a thoughtful panda just might be able to help.

**Wooby & Peep / Cynthia Liu**

When Peep leaves the city to live in the country with her pet iguana, her new neighbor, Wooby, is concerned but tries to be polite and neighborly, even when her efforts to become his friend lead to disaster.

**Nini Here and There / Anita Lobel**

Nini the cat fears that her owners are going on vacation without her, but really they are all moving to their new home.

**When Edgar Met Cecil / Kevin Luthardt**

A robot and an alien overcome obstacles to form an unlikely friendship.

**We're Moving! / Heather Maisner**

Amy and her family move into a new house, and soon it looks like home.

**Boomer's Big Day / Constance McGeorge**

When Boomer, a golden retriever, explores his new home he finds his own favorite and familiar things. (*also paperback - j E-pb M*)

**Zuzu's Wishing Cake / Linda Michelin**

When Zuzu smiles at the new boy next door and he does not smile back, she makes different gifts that she thinks will make him happy

**One of Us / Peggy Moss**

Roberta is welcomed by different groups on her first day at a new school, only to be told she does not fit in with them for some reason, but by the next day, members of each group have begun to see that they do not have to be alike in every way.

**Emma's Friendwich / Stuart J. Murphy**

After moving to a new home, Emma makes friends with the girl next door.

**The New Arrival / Vanya Nastanlieva**

When a hedgehog named Sam settles into his new home in the forest, there's one important thing missing—will he find new friends there to welcome him?

**A Year with Marmalade / Alison Reynolds**

A cat and a young girl slowly become friends when someone they love moves away.

**Moving / Fred Rogers**

Mr. Rogers describes all the emotions that accompany moving.

**Bandit / Karen Rostoker-Gruber**

When Bandit's family moves to a new house, the cat runs away and returns to the only home he knows, but after he is brought back, he understands that the new house is now home.

**I Want to Go Home! / Tony Ross**

When the Royal Family moves to a new castle, Little Princess misses her old room.

**Henry and Mudge and Annie's Good Move / Cynthia Rylant**

(*easy reader - j Er RYLANT*)

Henry and Mudge help calm Annie's fears when she moves in next door.

**The Good-Pie Party / Liz Garton Scanlon**

Posy Peyton and her friends are very sad that she will be moving away, but when they try to cheer themselves up by baking a pie, they realize that Posy's leaving does not have to mean saying goodbye.

**The Big Hello / Janet Schulman (*easy reader - j Er SCHULMAN*)**

A little girl adjusts to her new life in California with the help of her doll.

**Oliver at the Window / Elizabeth Shreeve**

When Oliver's parents move into separate houses, he spends a lot of time looking out of windows with his pet lion as he adjusts to a new preschool and living in two places.

**Lily / Abigail Thomas**

Lily the dog is scared and upset when the moving men come and take everything familiar away.

**Bad Bye, Good Bye / Deborah Underwood**

Illustrations and simple, rhyming text follow a family as they move to a new town.

**Alexander, Who's Not (Do You Hear Me? I Mean It!) Going to Move**

/ Judith Viorst

Angry Alexander refuses to move away if it means having to leave his friends and special places. (*also paperback picture book - j E-pb V*)