

# THE POSSIBILITIES OF PICTURE BOOKS

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## A Mac Barnett Reading Challenge

Beloved children's book author Mac Barnett LOVES picture books. As he puts it, "They're a way of telling stories, but they're unbound by any set of conventions. They don't have to work a certain way." With his reading list, Mac has selected a group of picture books that show us many of their possibilities. While the books are all in the same picture book format, you will see that their possibilities are endless.

Enjoy and mark books off as you read!



## Book Recommendations

- "The Dead Bird" by Margaret Wise Brown, illustrated by Remy Charlip
- "The Dead Bird" by Margaret Wise Brown, illustrated by Christian Robinson
- "The Skull" by Jon Klassen
- "Du Iz Tak?" by Carson Ellis
- "Shortcut" by Donald Crews
- "Kuma-Kuma Chan, the Little Bear" by Kazue Takahashi
- "Anno's Counting Book" by Mitsumasa Anno
- "Mirror" by Suzy Lee
- "The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales" by Jon Scieszka, illustrated by Lane Smith
- "Rotten Island" by William Steig
- "Boats for Papa" by Jessixa Bagley
- "Guess Again!" by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Adam Rex



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### Reading Log

Color in a book for every 30 minutes that you read.



30m



60m



90m



120m



150m



180m



210m



240m



270m



300m



Mac Barnett was a guest on the Beanstack podcast, The Reading Culture, where he shared this challenge and his journey to becoming a writer.

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