

READ United Books Spring 2026

A Camping Spree with Mr. Magee –

A rhyming story about Mr. Magee and his dog, Dee, and a short camping trip. Rhyming stories focus attention on stress, pitch, intonation and fluency. Plus, they're fun to read!

Suggestions for talking with students:

What do you know about camping? Have you ever gone camping? In a tent? In a camper?

Where do people go camping (forests, woods, beaches, lakes, campgrounds, Parks)

What do people do when they go camping? (Fish, hike, swim, build campfires, roast hot dogs and marshmallows)

Let's read the story and find out what happens to Mr. Magee and his dog, Dee, when they go on a camping adventure!

If you ever want to bring an Alligator to School, Don't!

This is a fun story about the consequences of choices. Magnolia is determined to have the best Show -and- tell of all - until her rascal reptile gets her into some serious trouble!

Suggestions:

Do you remember show and tell? It's when you choose something you have to bring to school and tell your friends about it.

What kinds of things do people usually bring/did you bring? (toys, stuffed animals, books)

Did anyone ever bring a pet?

Well, let's see what happens when Magnolia decides to bring an Alligator to school!

**Lots of funny small details to point out in the pictures.*

**Good story to lead into talking about thinking about the consequences of our choices.*

Patrick Picklebottom and the living room floor of Lava!

Another rhyming story with lots of great vocabulary. It tells how our imagination can turn even boring days into an adventure! In this story, it's pouring rain, and Patrick has nothing to do. Then, his dad asks him to get him a small gold key from his bedroom, but there is one small problem: The floor is filling with lava!

Suggestions:

What do you do when it's raining and you have to stay inside? (Read, play games, watch TV)

Do you ever get bored with those things? Wish there was something else to do?

Do your parents ever ask you to do things for them? (Chores, help with something)

Let's find out what happens to Patrick !