

Suggested Picture Books for Kindergarten Teachers

Book	Author	Notes
The Tucson/Pima Public Library system lists multiple copies of these titles.		
Lluvia En El Desierto / Rain in the Desert	Marjorie Agosin	Poems
Alejandro's Gift	Richard Albert	
All About Rattlesnakes	Jim Arnosky	
Little Lions	Jim Arnosky	
Desert Giant	Barbara Bash	A 'Reading Rainbow' book. The video has a great section on rattlesnakes.
Amigo	Byrd Baylor	
And It Is Still That Way	Byrd Baylor	This is not a picture book, but a compilation of very short Native American stories.
Desert Voices	Byrd Baylor	
The Way To Make Perfect Mountains	Byrd Baylor	
When Clay Sings	Byrd Baylor	
The Desert Is Theirs	Byrd Baylor	
Footprints In The Sand	Cynthia Benjamin	
It Rained In The Desert Today	Ken and Debby Benjamin	
Lizards On The Wall	Ken and Debby Benjamin	
AZ Gecko's Monsoon Adventure	Karla Chapman	
Cactus Hotel	Brenda Guiberson	A favorite book. We recommend teachers read and discuss it with students before their field trip.
The 100 Year Old Cactus	Anita Holmes	
Agave Bloom Just Once	Gisela Jernigan	
One Green Mesquite Tree	Gisela Jernigan	
Desert Song	Tony Johnston	
Correctamundo! Prickly Pete's guide to Desert Facts and Cactifracts	David Lazaroff	
The Three Little Javelinas	Susan Lowell	
The Tortoise And The Jackrabbit	Susan Lowell	
Sing Down The Rain	Judi Moreillon	
Hip, Hip, Hooray, It's Monsoon Day	Roni Rivera-Ashford	
Dig, Wait, Listen: A Desert Toad's Tale	April Sayre	
Vulture View	April Sayre	
Where In The Wild? Camouflaged Creatures Concealed And Revealed	David Schwartz	
Lizards For Lunch, A Roadrunner's Tale	Conrad Storad	

The Seed And The Giant Saguaro	Jennifer Ward	
There Was A Coyote Who Swallowed A Flea	Jennifer Ward	
Way Out In The Desert	Jennifer Ward	
A Desert Scrapbook	Virginia Wright-Frierson	
Welcome To The Sea Of Sand	Jane Yolen	

The following titles are not listed with multiple copies in the Tucson/Pima public library system. Perhaps they are in your school library.

We Walk In Sandy Places	Byrd Baylor	
Who Pooped In The Sonoran Desert	Farcountry Press	
Dusty Desert Tales	Louise McKee	
Desert Seasons	Jan Mike	
Arizona A To Z	Dorothy Hines Weaver	

The following web sites are also recommended resources for teachers.

www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/		
wc.pima.edu/~bfiero/tucsonecology		
www.desertusa.com		
www.defenders.org		
www.enature.com		
www.nature.org		
www.azgfd.gov		