

Additional Resources



Websites

www.paonebook.org –If you haven’t checked out our project website yet, do so, and find The Official Toolkit and many more resources!

About the author:

<http://www.eduplace.com/kids/hmr/mtai/lbgeorge.html>

This is a simple, kid-centered website, if older children want to check it out for themselves.

http://www.harperchildrens.com/teacher/catalog/author_xml.asp?authorID=15403

This is more a teacher reference. The Author’s Note is informative.

About mice:

http://www.handsontheland.org/classroom/04/rats_mice.htm

A good place to find basic mice and rat information.

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/subjects/mammals/rodent/Mouseprintout.shtml>

The highlight of this page is a simple mouse anatomy picture.

Simple guides to both mice from Yahoo!igans!:

<http://yahooligans.yahoo.com/content/animals/species/3954.html>

—inside mouse

<http://yahooligans.yahoo.com/content/animals/species/3967.html>

—outside mouse

Teacher Resources:

http://www.perpetualpreschool.com/preschool_themes/mice/mice.htm

Has several mouse-themed activities

<http://www.everythingpreschool.com/themes/mice/index.htm>

Even more mouse-themed activities, including more songs, games, books, and snacks.

<http://www.first-school.ws/theme/animals/wild/mouse.htm>

Crafts, links, and other ideas related to mice

<http://www.preschooleducation.com/chousepets.shtml> and

<http://www.preschooleducation.com/cfarm.shtml>

Scroll down: here are a couple “recipes” for making a mouse-shaped snack.

Literacy Resources:

<http://getreadytoread.org>

The website of Get Ready to Read!, a national initiative to build early literacy skills, has a wide variety of resources, including tips, activities, research, theories, and links for more.

<http://www.pabook.libraries.psu.edu/familylit/default.html>

The Pennsylvania Center for the Book site offers guides, lesson plans, and other ideas for building literacy skills in families.

<http://www.smartstart-nc.org/parents/brain.htm> and

<http://childcareaware.org/en/tools/resources/rethinking.html>

These websites give information about brain development in young children and what caregivers can do to facilitate this development.

Literacy Organizations:

<http://www.naeyc.org/about>

The National Association for the Education of the Young Child

<http://www.famlit.org>

The National Center for Family Literacy offers many resources, particularly in “creat[ing] educational and economic opportunities for at-risk children and families.”

<http://www.pafamilyliteracy.org>

PA Family Literacy through the Pennsylvania Department of Education can point you to more information about literacy programs in your area of the state.

<http://www.beginningwithbooks.org/>

Beginning With Books encourages early literacy through programs that put books into the hands of all young children and coach parents and caregivers in ways to share the joys of reading with their children.



Books

Other mouse fiction:

There are LOTS of mouse books out there! This list is restricted to in-print books similar to *Inside Mouse*, *Outside Mouse*: picture books where the mice, though not necessarily entirely not anthropomorphic, act like mice (rather than people who happen to look like mice in the illustrations!). Many of them fit the theme of a mouse's journey through a much larger world. For more general mouse fiction, go to: www.paonebook.org.

Gag, Wanda. *Snippy and Snappy*. Univ of Minnesota Press, 2003.

Originally published in 1931 by Penguin Putnam. Two field mice chase a ball of yarn into an adventure of discovery all over a human house.

Ghigna, Charles. *Mice are Nice*. Random House, 1999.

A mouse in a pet store tries to explain why mice are the best pets, by telling many true things about mice—though obviously biased. This is an easy-reader that also makes a funny read-aloud.

Kirk, David. *Little Mouse, Biddle Mouse*. Scholastic, 2002.

A good toddler book, see another mouse-eye-view journey around a house, as the mouse gathers food for a party.

McFarland, Lyn Rossiter. *Mouse Went Out to Get a Snack*. Farrar Straus & Giroux, 2005.

A counting book about a mouse that sneaks around a house and finds a great feast.

Reid, Barbara. *The Subway Mouse*. New York: Scholastic, 2005.

A mouse journeys from his den in the subway to find the legendary “Tunnel’s End.” Compare his journey—and the things he keeps in his den, and the things he passes along the way—with the journeys of the *Inside Mouse* and *Outside Mouse*.

Spohn, Kate. *By Word of Mouse*. Bloomsbury Children's Books, 2004.

A mouse wants to live with two sisters who are artists, and brings her whole family to live at this wonderful place. The story is based on the story of Dorothy Lathrop, the first Caldecott medal winner, who wrote her first book about a mouse who moved in with her. Tie this in as another book about the inspiration of a mouse in an artist's house!

Thompson, Lauren. *Mouse's First Spring*. Simon & Schuster, 2005.

Especially for younger audiences, this book ties in with the exploration of the outdoors, as this little mouse looks at and identifies many things found in the spring.

Waber, Bernard. *Do You See a Mouse?* Houghton Mifflin, 1996.

A fun challenge for older preschoolers. There is a mouse in this fancy hotel, but all the guests refuse to believe it. But the audience can try to find what that mouse is up to on every page.

Mouse nonfiction:

Most of these titles are library-bound and likely to be found in a library, but less likely in a bookstore.

Fowler, Allan. *Of Mice and Rats*. New York: Children's Press, 1998.

This book concentrates on the similarities and differences between rats and mice and the various varieties of each. There are many pictures.

Holmes, Kevin J. *Mice*. Mankato, MN: Bridgestone Books, 1998.

This is a well-rounded general overview of mice, written to be an easy-reader. It will be good for sharing pieces of interesting information with any age group. (This book is included in the Trunk).

Markle, Sandra. *Outside and Inside Rats and Mice*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2001.

Many big color photographs and lots of interesting and unusual facts make this book useful for discovering real mice.

