

## 2021 – 2022 Kentucky Bluegrass Award Preschool Master List

**A Polar Bear in the Snow** / Mac Barnett and Shawn Harris, ill. / Candlewick, 2020.

Follow a magnificent polar bear through a fantastic world of snow and shockingly blue sea. Over the ice, through the water, past Arctic animals and even a human . . . where is he going? What does he want?

**Bear is Awake: an Alphabet Story** / Hannah E. Harrison / Dial Books for Young Readers, 2019.

A grizzly bear rouses prematurely from hibernation and stirs up hunger-fueled pandemonium for a child in Harrison's narrative ABC.

**Don't Feed the Coos!** / Jonathan Stutzman and Heather Fox, ill. / Henry Holt, 2020.

A cautionary tale in which a little girl must find a way to escape an insatiable flock of pigeons after sharing some bread with one.

**Find Fergus** / Mike Boldt / Doubleday Books for Young Readers, 2020.

Fergus the bear wants to play hide and seek with the reader, but will need help--and practice--to hide well. An interactive romp.

**Green on Green** / Dianne White / Beach Lane Books, 2020.

With gentle, rhyming text and vivid artwork, this book is a heartfelt celebration of family, nature, seasons, colors, and the wonder and magic of them all.

**Heads and Tails Insects** / John Canty / Candlewick, 2020.

Can you guess what insect will appear next? Paired with simple clues, artwork inspires the illustrations that lead children from page to page, from tail to head, as they discover whether their hunches are right.

**Lubna and Pebble** / Wendy Meddour and Daniel Egneus, ill. / Dial Books for Young Readers, 2019.

In an unforgettable story that subtly addresses the refugee crisis, a young girl must decide if friendship means giving up the one item that gives her comfort during a time of utter uncertainty.

**Saturday!** / Mora Oge / Little Brown, 2019.

When all of their special Saturday plans go awry, Ava and her mother still find a way to appreciate one another and their time together.

**Sulwe** / Lupita Nyong'O and Vashti Harrison, ill. / Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers, 2019.

When five-year-old Sulwe's classmates make fun of her dark skin, she tries lightening herself to no avail, but her encounter with a shooting star helps her understand there is beauty in every shade.

**Swashby and the Sea** / Beth Ferry and Juana Martinez-Neal, ill. / Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2020.

No-nonsense Captain Swashby is used to the sea meeting all of his needs and when, after his retirement, new neighbors disturb his solitary life, the sea helps in just the right way.