How PJ Library chooses books
Is this story suited for children between the ages of six months and eight years?
Is the text (and illustrations, if available) engaging for young children and their parents?
Is the content appropriate to the PJ Library mission? Does the book contain a message of strong Jewish values?
Will children want to return to this book again and again?
Does the book reflect historical Jewish life, contemporary Jewish life, or some valuable aspect of the Jewish experience?
Will this book prompt family discussions about Jewish topics and lead families to consider making Jewish choices?
Due to the age of its participants, PJ Library does not send out reference books, books that deal with the Holocaust, or books that deal with death of a close family member.
Our Audience

PJ Library is available to families who are raising Jewish children between the ages of 6 months to 8 years all across North America. They come from many backgrounds -- some are intermarried, some have little or no formal Jewish learning, some attend a synagogue and celebrate Jewish holidays, and others may be unfamiliar with Jewish practice all together.

We love that about PJ Library.
Why picture books to kids who can read?

Picture books create human connection.

Because they are meant to be read aloud, and read together, picture books offer parents the opportunity to discuss what they’re reading with their child. It is this engagement—between adult and child—that PJ Library emphasizes.
Book Feedback and Recommendations

Do you have feedback about a particular PJ Library book? Would you like to recommend a title for consideration?

The Book Selection Committee values your thoughts.

To make sure your voice is heard, please send your feedback and recommendations to PJLibrary@hgf.org.