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# Storytime Starters

Theme: Pandas (Spring 2019)

## Books for Toddlers:

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*Let's Play House* by Emma Quay, © 2009. (BOARD Quay)

*If you were a Panda Bear* by Wendell and Florence Minor, ©2013 (NATURE Minor)

*Panda Bear, Panda Bear, what do you see?* By Bill Martin Jr. ©2003. (FAVORITES Martin)

*Panda Pants* by Jacqueline Davis ©2016. (ANIMALS Davies)

*Flo* by Kyo Maclear ©2018 (ANIMALS Maclear)

*Chengdu could not, would not fall asleep* by Barney Saltzberg ©2014 (ANIMALS Saltzberg)

## Books for Preschoolers:

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*Xander's Panda Party* by Linda Sue Park, © 2013. (FAVORITES, Park)

*Goldy Luck and the Three Pandas* by Natasha Yim ©2014. (FOLK Yim)

*Chee-Kee: A Panda in Bearland* by Sujean Rim ©2017 (GROWING Rim)

*Chu's Day* by Neil Gaiman ©2013. (no MPL copies)

## School-Age Extension:

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*Hooray for Amanda and her Alligator* by Mo Willems, © 2011. (FAVORITES, Willems)

*Zen Shorts* by Jon J Muth ©2005. (FAVORITES Muth)

*A Panda's World* by Caroline Arnold ©2006. (+566.789 Ar64p)

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**Fingerplays & Songs :**

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**FingerPlay Poem**

(adapted slightly from: [WunderKeys](#))

Pinky Pig was all alone...

Called Pointer Panda on the phone.

The two danced high

The two danced low

To music from the radio

Thumbelina is so big;

She's not as small as Pinky Pig!

For them to touch they have to bend...

And skip across their three good  
friends!

Pointer Panda munches trees.

He gets bored and so he leaves.

Middleton pops up to play (*OR, IF YOU*

*DON'T WANT TO FLIP OFF THE KIDS, TRY:*

"Thumbelina comes to play"),

But his [her] friend has gone away

It's hard to lift that little guy!

Middleton, he comes along....

And makes Ringo twice as strong!

Five friends wiggle oh so fast!

Try to catch them as they pass.

They can wiggle left and right,

'til they lay down for the night.

**Panda Bear, Panda Bear**

(From: [SturgisKids](#))

Panda bear, panda bear  
turn around

Panda bear, panda bear  
touch the ground

Panda bear, panda bear  
show your shoe

Panda bear, panda bear  
I love you

Panda bear, panda bear  
give a try

Panda bear, panda bear  
wave goodbye

**Panda Play**

(from: [fingerplays-b3ok.blogspot](#))

Ringo Raccoon is so shy;



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Panda play. Panda Play.  
Play all night. Play all day.

I love to tumble on the ground.  
Over and over, round and round.

On my belly, I'm going to slide.  
Through the snow. What a ride!

Played so hard. Time to eat.  
Sit down and chew a bamboo treat.

On all fours, walking to and fro.  
Kind of clumsy, kind of slow.

Never move faster than a slow trot.  
Don't ask me to run, I can not.

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## STAFF ONLY

### Big Book:

Time to Eat

### Movies:

Hooray for Amanda and her Alligator

### Flannel Boards:

Please, Mr. Panda

Panda Bear, Panda Bear what do you see?

### App:

Bandimal by Yatatoy

### Stamps:

Panda

### Craft:

Black and White paper – (optional intro) “All of the animals in *Please Mr Panda* are mostly black and white.” What can you make with black and white paper?

### Play Literacy:

Have the children play with the Panda puppets!

### Early Learning Tip:

*Point out Differences!* Point out cultural differences when reading picture books. When exploring those differences, reinforce that “different” and “weird” are not the same thing. [Q: Why is her hair weird? A: Her hair type is different. Some people have straight, curly or wavy hair. I think it is great we are all different!]