



Childhood Issues: Starting School

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Child, Lauren. **I Am Too Absolutely Small For School.** (CBC E C4374i 2004)

When Lola is worried about starting school, her older brother Charlie reassures her.

Danneberg, Julie. **First Day Jitters.** (CBC E D2323f 2000)

Sarah is afraid to start at a new school, but both she and the reader are in for a surprise when she gets to her class.

Forward, Toby. **What Did You Do Today?: The First Day of School.** (CBC E F7798w 2004)

A child describes the events of the first day of school, from making sandwiches for lunch to holding a parent's hand on the walk home.

Grindley, Sally. **It's My School.** (CBC E G8848i 2005)

Tom is not happy that his younger sister, Alice, is starting kindergarten at his school.

Henkes, Kevin. **Wemberly Worried.** (CBC E H3895w 2000)

A mouse named Wemberly, who worries about everything, finds that she has a whole list of things to worry about when she faces the first day of nursery school.

Horse, Harry. **Little Rabbit Goes To School.** (CBC E H78731 2004)

Little Rabbit takes his favorite toy, Charlie Horse, along for his first day of school and when there is trouble, he blames it all on Charlie.

Kleven, Elisa. **The Apple Doll.** (CBC E K6794a 2007)

Lizzy is scared to start school, so she makes a doll out of an apple from her favorite tree to take with her on the first day and keep her company. Includes instructions for making an apple doll.

McMahon, Patricia. **Listen For the Bus: David's Story.** (CBC 362.41 M2741 1995)

A real-life look at David, who is blind, as he begins kindergarten.

McGhee, Alison. **Mrs. Watson Wants Your Teeth.** (CBC E M1737m 2004)

A first grader is frightened on her first day of school after hearing a rumor that her teacher is a 300-year-old alien with a purple tongue who steals baby teeth from her students.

Neubecker, Robert. **Wow! School!** (CBC E N3917ws 2007)

Izzy finds many things to be excited about on the first day of school.

Penn, Audrey. **The Kissing Hand.** (CBC E P3805k 1993)

When Chester the raccoon is reluctant to go to kindergarten for the first time, his mother teaches him a secret way to carry her love with him.

Perez, L. King. **First Day in Grapes.** (CBC E P4157f 2002)

When Chico starts the third grade after his migrant worker family moves to begin harvesting California grapes, he finds that self confidence and math skills help him cope with the first day of school.

Recorvits, Helen. **My Name Is Yoon.** (CBC E R2457m 2003)

Disliking her name as written in English, Korean-born Yoon, or "shining wisdom," refers to herself as "cat," "bird," and "cupcake," as a way to feel more comfortable in her new school and new country.



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Serfozo, Mary. **Benjamin Bigfoot.** (CBC E Se667b 1993)

Because he feels big when he wears his father's shoes, a little boy wants to wear them when he begins kindergarten.

Slate, Joseph. **Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready For Kindergarten.** (CBC E SI143mg 1996)

Introduces the letters of the alphabet as Miss Bindergarten and her students get ready for kindergarten.

Wells, Rosemary. **Emily's First One Hundred Days of School.** (CBC E W4627e 2000)

Starting with number one for the first day of school, Emily learns the numbers to one hundred in many different ways.

Wells, Rosemary. **My Kindergarten.** (CBC E W4627k 2004)

Join Emily, Roger, and all their classmates as they embark on their amazing journey through the kindergarten year.

Willis, Jeanne. **Take Turns, Penguin!** (CBC E W6794t 2000)

On Penguin's first day of play school, he won't share the slide with others until Crocodile teaches him a lesson.