



Great Turtle Books for Kids

Turtles to See at Turtle Shelter & SeaLife in KC

[Turtles In My Sandbox](#) by Jennifer Curtis is a cute story about a mother diamondback terrapin turtle who chooses to lay her eggs in a Maggie's sandbox. The young girl helps the eggs to hatch, learns more about the turtles as they grow and finds experts who help her release the turtles into the wild. *Great for kids ages 5 - 9 years old.*

[Minn of the Mississippi](#) by Holling C. Holling is an award-winning book about the life of a female snapping turtle. She is shot by a boy, saved by a Native American, swims over a waterfall and travels on a 25 year journey to the Gulf of Mexico. Beautiful illustrations are very engaging for the readers! *Wonderful story for kids ages 8 - 12 years old.*

[Where Should Turtle Be?](#) by Susan Ring is an adorable story about a hatchling sea turtle who needs to find his way home. He begins to ask the forest animals where his home might be and each of them shares their knowledge about a 'where a turtle should be' -- but each new place just doesn't seem like home. Kids will learn that there are many types of turtles and each lives in a different environment. *Fun read for kids ages 5 - 9 years.*

[Sea Turtles](#) by Gail Gibbons is an entertaining non-fiction book. Kids learn about a number of different types of sea turtles along with fun facts about their diet, habitat and size. Includes information about the green sea turtle so kids can learn more about Gertrude when they visit SeaLife. *Great book for kids ages 4 - 9 years old.*

More Fun Books about Turtles

[Look Out for Turtles! \(Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 2\)](#) by Melvin Berger is a fun, early science reader for kids! Learn why turtles have survived for so long, how their shells protect them and why turtles can live almost anywhere.

[One Tiny Turtle: Read and Wonder](#) by Nicola Davies shares the story of a loggerhead turtle who swims the oceans for 30 years before heading back to the beach where she was born to lay her own eggs. The book shares some wonderful nature and science information along with the full life cycle of a loggerhead turtle. *Best for ages 4 - 8 years old.*

[Franklin's Neighborhood](#) by Paulette Bourgeois is one of a number of books in the Franklin the Turtle series. Children love to learn along with Franklin as he goes to school, makes friends, learns about his neighbors and experiences many of the thrills and fears similar to many kids. This series is a childhood favorite! *Best for ages 3 - 7 years old.*

[Turtle Splash!: Countdown at the Pond](#) by Cathryn Falwall is a fun nature and counting book for kids. The book features eastern painted turtles and shares some lovely information about their pond habitat. *Kids ages 3 - 7 years old will enjoy this colorful read.*

[Mossy](#) by Jan Brett is a touching story about a turtle growing a beautiful garden on her back. When a biologist finds her, she takes the turtle to live in a museum. A young girl notices how unhappy Mossy is at her new home and encourages the museum to set her free again. As with all Jan Brett books, the illustrations are gorgeous! *For kids ages 3 - 8 years old.*

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