

*The Cat in the Hat*

by **Dr. Seuss**

Two children sitting at home on a rainy day are visited by the Cat in the Hat who shows them some tricks and games.

*Clifford's First Halloween*

by **Norman Bridwell**

Emily Elizabeth tells all about Clifford's first Halloween when he was a small puppy who got into lots of trouble.

*Fancy Nancy*

by **Jane O'Connor**

Meet Nancy, who believes that more is ALWAYS better when it comes to being fancy. From the top of her tiara down to her sparkly studded shoes, Nancy is determined to teach her family a thing or two about being fancy.

*Hallo-weiner*

by **Dav Pilkey**

All the other dogs make fun of Oscar the dachshund until one Halloween when, dressed as a hot dog, Oscar bravely rescues the others.

*Harry the Dirty Dog*

by **Gene Zion**

Harry is a white dog with black spots who loves everything . . . except baths. So one day before bath time, Harry runs away. He plays outside all day long, digging and sliding in everything from garden soil to pavement tar. By the time he returns home, Harry is so dirty he looks like a black dog with white spots. His family doesn't even recognize him!

*Hi, Fly Guy*

by **Tedd Arnold**

When Buzz captures a fly to enter in The Amazing Pet Show, his parents and the judges tell him that a fly cannot be a pet, but Fly Guy proves them wrong.

*I Spy Fly Guy*

by **Tedd Arnold**

When Fly Guy and Buzz play hide-and-seek, Fly Guy hides in his favorite place--the garbage can. But as Buzz finishes counting, the garbageman drives away with the garbage and Fly Guy, too! A very worried Buzz follows the truck to the dump, where he sees zillions of flies. Where is Fly Guy?!

*M.C. Turtle and the Hip Hop Hare*

by **David Vozar**

Hip Hop Hare challenges M.C. Turtle to a race along the city streets in this rap version of "The Tortoise and the Hare".

*No! David!*

by **David Shannon**

Based on a story the author wrote when he was little, David gets into a lot of trouble. He is always hearing the word "No". Then he asks for a hug and hears a new word.

*Pinkalicious*

by **Victoria Kann**

A little girl eats so many pink cupcakes that she turns pink! The color won't wash off. How will she ever return to a normal color and what happened to the rest of the cupcakes?

*Pugdog*

by **Andrea U'ren**

When Mike discovers that his rough-and-tumble new puppy is a female, he tries to make her into a dainty dog.

*The Shelf Elf*

by **Jackie Hopkins**

Skoob the Shelf Elf learns all about the proper way to handle books and behave in the library.

*Star Wars: The Clone Wars*

by **Tracy West**

Based on the Clone Wars, it is the story of Anakin Skywalker, Obi-wan Kenobi and a young new Padawan as they battle against the evil Sith and the Separatist army.

*Stormy Day Rescue*

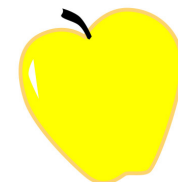
by **Norman Bridwell**

Clifford is in trouble all over town for his digging, but when a storm threatens the library, he may be the only one who can save it.

*The Very Hungry Caterpillar*

by **Eric Carle**

Follows the progress of a hungry little caterpillar as he eats his way through a varied and very large quantity of food until, full at last, he forms a cocoon around himself and goes to sleep. Die-cut pages illustrate what the caterpillar ate on successive days.



## Timetable of Events

### November 2011 – April 2012

- READ! READ!! READ!!!
- Visit your local public or school library between November 2011 and April 2012 to borrow the books on the list.
- Each child must read or listen to a minimum of three books from the list of 15 finalists in order to vote in April.

### April 2012

- Voting will take place in public and school libraries throughout New York State.
- Ballots will be made available at school and public libraries, and can be printed from the 3 Apples Book Award website.
- Only children in grades Pre-K - 2 (ages 3-8) who have read or listened to at least 3 of the nominated titles are eligible to vote.
- Each eligible child has one vote, cast at either their school or public library.
- Voting ends on April 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Librarians will tally the votes from their library and submit them online by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

### May 2012

- The award winner will be announced on the website on May 10th.
- Libraries across the state will sponsor events to celebrate the winner of the 3 Apples Book Award.

### June – August 2012

- Libraries will promote the award during their summer reading programs and encourage children to read in preparation for nominations in September.

The **3 Apples Book Award** has been developed to encourage the joy of reading for pleasure, and to give the children of New York State the opportunity to participate in honoring their favorite books.

It is co-sponsored by the Youth Services Section and the Section of School Librarians of the New York Library Association, which together represent the public and school libraries of the state.

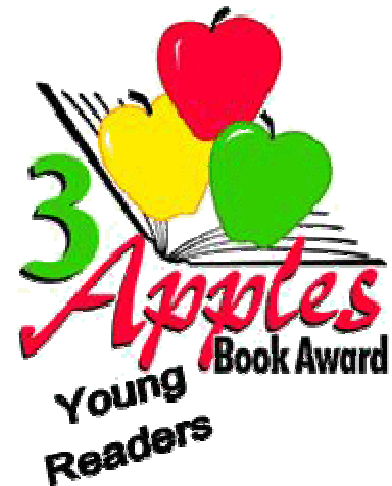
Each year children in grades Pre-K-2 (ages 3-8) nominate their favorite book, creating a statewide ballot of fifteen of the most popular titles. After reading at least three of the top fifteen, children vote to select one as their favorite. That book and its author are honored with the presentation of the 3 Apples Book Award, and celebrations take place across the state in school and public libraries.

For more information on the 3 Apples Book Award, please visit our website: [www.3applesbookaward.org](http://www.3applesbookaward.org).



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## 3 Apples Book Award List of Finalists for the Young Readers' Choice Award



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