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Selections from the Children’s Book Collection:
Fruit

Young Jesse waits all summer for her watermelon to ripen in this sweet story of patience and celebration. Early readers. Fiction. j SB379.W38 Ap48 1996

Photographs of vegetables that explore a variety of colors, and common or unusual fruits and vegetables. Early readers. (J)SB321 .B33 2014

A boy and a rhyme-spouting bear cavort through a fantastic land of berries. Pre-readers. Fiction. j SB381 .D363 1983

Describes different types of berries and how they grow. Includes recipes with berry ingredients. Early readers. Nonfiction. j SB381 .G352 2002

*Tall and Tasty: Fruit Trees.* Hughes, Meredith Sayles. Minneapolis, Minn.: Lerner Publications, c2000. Describes the historical origins, uses, and growing requirements of various fruit trees, such as the apple, peach, mango, and fig. Includes recipes. Advanced readers. Nonfiction. j SB355 .H874t 2000

Mr. Monkey is punished for eating all the persimmon fruit from Mrs. Crab's tree. Advanced readers. Fiction. j SB379.P4 K132 1985

Little Sal and Little Bear both lose their mothers while eating blueberries and almost end up with the other's mother. This Caldecott honor book is an enduring classic of children’s literature. Early readers. Fiction. j SB386.B7 M132 1976

Bright photographs of fruits and vegetables are used to help teach children about colors in the garden. Pre-readers. Nonfiction. j SB454.C71 M228 1988
Mrs. Peanuckle's Fruit Alphabet. Peanuckle, Mrs. New York, NY : Rodale Kids, 2017. Introduces babies and toddlers to the colorful foods that will help them grow up to be healthy and strong. Pre-readers. (J Board) SB355 .P42 2017

A Fruit is a Suitcase for Seeds. Richards, Jean. Minneapolis, Minn. : Millbrook Press, c2002. Provides an illustrated description of seed dispersal by which plants, most specifically fruits, travel from one place to another. Early readers. (J) QK661 .R39 2002


The Sweetest Fig. Van Allsburg, Chris. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1993. After being given two magical figs that make his dreams come true, Monsieur Bibot sees his plans for future wealth upset by his long-suffering dog. Early readers. Fiction. j SB365 .V263 1993


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