Books That Focus on Receptive Language Skills

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http://crokeback.tripod.com/articbks.htm
http://www.talkingchild.com/toysbooksartic.aspx
http://booksthathealkids.blogspot.com
http://www.pinterest.com/speechpins/speech-books
Figurative Language/Idioms:
- Similes and Metaphors by: Ann Heinrichs
- Muddy as a Duck Puddle and Other American Similes by: Laurie Lawlor
- Someday by: Eileen Spinelli
- I’m Not Hanging Noodles on Your Ears and Other Intriguing Idioms From Around the World by: Jab Bhalla
- Parts by: Tedd Arnold
- More Parts by: Tedd Arnold
- Even More Parts by: Tedd Arnold
- The Cat’s Pajamas by: Wallace Edwards
- Monkey Business by: Wallace Edwards
- My Grandma Likes to Say by: Denise Brennan-Nelson
- My Momma Likes to Say by: Denise Brennan-Nelson
- My Daddy Likes to Say by: Denise Brennan-Nelson
- My Teacher Likes to Say by: Denise Brennan-Nelson
- Punished! by: David Lubar
- Idiom of the Week by: Primary Concepts
- Bookworm: Discovering Idioms, Sayings, and Expressions by: Karen Emigh
- Birds of a Feather: A Book of Idioms and Silly Pictures by: Vanita Oelschlager
- Raining Cats and Dogs: A Collection of Irresistible Idioms and Illustrations to Tickle the Funny Bones of Young People by: Will Moses
- Why the Banana Split by: Rick Walton
- I Never Metaphor I Didn’t Like by: Dr. Mardy Grothe
- It Figures: Fun Figures of Speech by: Marvin Terban
- Similes and Metaphors by: Ann Heinrichs
- Quick as a Cricket by: Audrey Wood
- Brave as a Mountain Lion by: Ann Herbert Scott
- Beach is to Fun: A Book of Relationships by: Pat Brisson
- Mad as a Wet Hen! And Other Funny Idioms by: Marvin Terban
- Muddy as a Duck Puddle and Other American Similes by: Laurie Lawlor
- Scholastic Dictionary of Idioms by: Marvin Terban
- There’s a Frog in my Throat!: 440 Animal Sayings a Little Bird Told Me by: Loreen Leedy and Pat Street
- Stubborn as a Mule and Other Silly Similies by: Nancy Jean Loewen
- In a Pickle and Other Funny Idioms by: Marvin Terban
- You’re Toast and Other Metaphors we Adore by: Nancy Loewen
- Crazy Like a Fox: A Simile Story by: Loreen Leedy
- Super Silly Sayings That Are Over Your Head: A Children’s Illustrated Book of Idioms by: Catherine Snodgrass
- My Dog is as Smelly as Dirty Socks by: Hanoch Piven
- My Best Friend is as Sharp as a Pencil by: Hanoch Piven
- Dictionary of Idioms by: Marvin Terban
- Punching the Clock: Funny Action Idioms by: Marvin Terban
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- Monkey Business: Fun With Idioms by: Laura Hambleton and Sedat Turhan
- Skin Like Milk, Hair of Silk: What are Similes and Metaphors? by: Brian P. Cleary
- Arthur in a Pickle by: Marc Brown

Multiple Meaning Words/Homonyms/Homophones:
- Did You Say Pears? by: Arlene Alda
- Eight Ate: A Feast of Homonym Riddles by: Marvin Terban
- The King Who Rained by: Fred Gwynne
- Telling Tails: Fun With Homonyms by: Laura Hambleton and Sedat Turhan
- Dear Deer: A Book of Homophones by: Gene Barretta
- How Much Can a Bare Bear Bear?: What Are Homonyms and Homophones? by: Brian P. Cleary
- If You Were a Homonym or a Homophone by: Nancy Loewen

Cause and Effect:
- Fortunately, Unfortunately by: Michael Foreman

Comparing/Contrasting/Opposites/Antonyms/Synonyms:
- Same, Same, but Different by: Jenny Sue Kostecki-Shaw
- Big, Bigger, Biggest by: Nancy Coffelt
- Things That Are the Most by: Judi Barrett
- Opposites by: Sandra Boynton
- How Do Dinosaurs Go Up and Down? By: Jane Yolen and Mark Teague
- Opposites by: Sandra Boynton
- What’s Up Duck?: A Book of Opposites by: Tad Hills
- Big Little by: Leslie Patricelli
- Baby Happy Baby Sad by: Leslie Patricelli
- No No Yes Yes by: Leslie Patricelli
- Yummy Yucky by: Leslie Patricelli
- Quiet Loud by: Leslie Patricelli
- Straight and Curvy, Meek and Nervy: More About Antonyms by: Brian P. Cleary
- Boris Ate a Thesaurus by: Neil Steven Klayman
- Thesaurus Rex by: Laya Steinberg
- Antonyms, Synonyms, and Homonyms by: Kim and Robert Rayevsky
- Archibald’s Opposites by: Phil Vischer
- Pitch and Throw, Grasp and Know: What is a Synonym? by: Brian P. Cleary
- Stroll and Walk, Babble and Talk: More About Synonyms by: Brian P. Cleary
- If You Were an Antonym by: Nancy Loewen
- If You Were a Synonym by: Michael Dahl
- Stop and Go, Yes and No: What is an Antonym? by: Brian P. Cleary
- Richard Scarry’s Shapes and Opposites
- Snoopy’s Book of Opposites by: Nancy Hall
- Bert and Ernie’s Book of Opposites by: Sesame Street
- Stop-Go, Fast-Slow by: Valijean McLenighan
- Opposite Safari by: Honey Bear Productions
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- Big Dog…Little Dog by: P.D. Eastman

Vocabulary/Basic Concepts:
- Max’s Words by: Kate Banks
- The Word Collector by: Sonja Wimmer
- Word Bird Makes Words With Pig by: Jane Moncure
- Word Bird’s New Friend by: Jane Moncure
- Hide-and-Seek Word Bird by: Jane Moncure
- Happy Birthday, Word Bird! by: Jane Moncure
- Watch Out, Word Bird! by: Jane Moncure
- Word Bird Makes Words With Dog by: Jane Moncure
- Word Bird Makes Words With Hen by: Jane Moncure
- Big Words for Little People by: Jamie Lee Curtis
- Max’s Words by: Kate Banks
- More More More Said the Baby by: Vera Williams
- Double the Ducks by: Stuart Murphy
- More or Less by: Stuart Murphy
- Give Me Half! by: Stuart Murphy
- Left, Right, Emma! by: Stuart Murphy
- The Boy Who Loved Words by: Roni Schotter
- Richard Scarry’s Things That Go

Inferences:
- It Looked Like Spilt Milk by: Charles Shaw

Sequencing
- Freda Plans a Picnic by: Stuart Murphy

WH Questions/Questions:
- Peek-a Who? by: Nina Laden
- Who Lives Here? by: Rozanne Lanczak Williams
- Whose House is This? by: Charles Reasoner
- Who Hops? by: Katie Davis
- What Am I? by: Salina Yoon
- What Does P.B. Bear Choose? by: Lee Davis
- What Does Kitty See? by: Muff Singer
- What’s At The Beach? by: Peter Seymour and David Carter
- Where’s Spot? by: Eric Hill
- Where is My Baby? by: Harriet Ziefert and Simms Taback
- Why? by: Richard Torrey
- Which One Doesn’t Belong?: And Other Puzzles From Sesame Street by: Linda Hayward
- Are You My Mother? by: P.D. Eastman