



Hello Goodbye

More Picture Books

Consider using these additional picture books in your "Hello Goodbye" storytime.

The Good-Pie Party by Liz Garton Scanlon and Kady MacDonald Denton. Scholastic, 2014. Posy doesn't want to move and say good-bye to her friends. They make a pie together and decide to throw a good-pie party because "Good pie is better than good-bye!" When the party is over, the three friends look at the moon and realize that the sky also brought a pie. They can always share the moon and think of each other.

Hello, Day! by Anita Lobel. Greenwillow, 2008. The sun rises over a farm setting. The rooster says, "Cock-a-doodle-doo"; the cow says, "moo"; and the sheep says, "baa." We also hear from a horse, dog, cat, mouse, rabbit, goose, and pig. "What they all meant was 'Hello, day!'" When the sun goes down, the owl says, "'Whoo-ooo.' What she meant was ... Good night!"

Hello! Hello! by Matthew Cordell. Hyperion, 2012. A tech-savvy girl says hello to her mother who is too busy on her own computer. She says hello to her father who is busy sending a text message. She says hello to her brother who is staring at his computer tablet screen. The girl goes outside and discovers the joys of nature. She greets a leaf, a bug, and a flower. She yells out, "Hello, world!" Her imagination takes her on a journey with a horse and several other animals. Her thoughts are interrupted when her cell phone rings. Her parents are worried about her. She greets her family and takes them outside to greet nature themselves.

Oh, No. Time to Go! A Book of Goodbyes by Rebecca Doughty. Schwartz & Wade, 2009. There are many ways to say goodbye, including "Toodle-oo," "Ta-Ta," "Gotta split," and "Bye-bye." There's even "G'bye, y'all" with a Southern drawl. The worst goodbye comes when a moving van arrives and the protagonist's friend goes away. When a new neighbor moves in, we learn that "for each good-bye ... there's a new hello."

Rob's Top 10 Hello Songs

My resource book *Children's Jukebox* (2nd ed.; ALA Editions 2007) lists nearly fifty "Hello" songs and fifty "Goodbye" songs that can be found on children's musical recordings. They can be played as children enter or leave the story program area or used during the program. Many storytellers overlook children's musical recordings as prime sources of storytime material. Here are my favorites:

"The Children of the World Say Hello" by Sarah Barchas, *Bridges across the World*. High Haven, 1999.

"Hello" by Ella Jenkins; recorded by Miss Jackie, *Peanut Butter, Tarzan, and Roosters*. Miss Jackie, 1981.

"Hello Everybody" by Peter and Ellen Allard, *Sing It! Say It! Stamp It! Sway It!* Vol 1. 80-Z Music, 1999.

"Hello Everybody" by Rachel Buchman, *Hello Everybody*. A Gentle Wind, 1986.

"Hello, Hello" by Ruth Pelham, *Under One Sky*. A Gentle Wind, 1982.

"Hello World" by Red Grammer, *Hello World*. Red Note, 1995.

"Howjadoo" by Woody Guthrie; recorded by John McCutcheon, *Howjadoo*. Rounder, 1986.

"A New Way to Say Hello" by Big Jeff, *Big Jeff*. Big Jeff, 2000.

"Oh Hey Oh Hi Hello" by Jim Gill, *Jim Gill Makes It Noisy in Boise, Idaho*. Jim Gill, 1995.

"Way Over There" by Colleen and Uncle Squaty, *1,2,3, Four-Ever Friends*. Colleen and Uncle Squaty, 1995.

And Rob's Favorite Goodbye Song

"Sobonana Kusasa" by Tom Pease, *Boogie! Boogie! Boogie!* Tomorrow River Music, 1986.