First Day of School Stories

Baer, Edith. *This Is the Way We Go To School*
Describes, in text and illustrations, the many different modes of transportation children all over the world use to get to school.

Bourgeois, Paulette. *Franklin Goes To School*
On the first day of school, Franklin is a little nervous, but his teacher, Mr. Owl, knows just what to do.

Cohen, Miriam. *Will I Have a Friend?*
A little boy's anxieties on his first day at school are quickly forgotten when he makes a new friend.

Crews, Donald. *School Bus*
Follows the progress of school buses as they take children to school and bring them home again.

Devlin, Wende. *Cranberry First Day of School*
Mr. Whiskers helps Chloe adjust to the first day in kindergarten.

Henkes, Kevin. *Chrysanthemum*
Chrysanthemum loves her name, until she starts going to school and the other children make fun of it.

Henkes, Kevin. *Jessica*
Ruthie does everything with her imaginary friend, Jessica; and then on her first day at kindergarten, she meets a real new friend with the same name.

Henkes, Kevin. *Wemberly Worried*
Wemberly worried about everything. Big things. Little things. And things in between. Then it was time for school to start. And Wemberly worried even more.

Hest, Amy. *Off to School, Baby Duck*
Baby Duck experiences the fear of the first day of school, but with a little help.

Howe, James. *When You Go To Kindergarten*
An introduction to kindergarten answers the normal fears and questions parents and children have about the first school experience. Includes bus rides, bathrooms, fire drills, snack time, and the teacher.

Myers, Bernice. *It Happens To Everyone*
Michael and his mother, a teacher, nervously prepare for the first day of school.

Petty, Michelle. *Let's Go To School*
Although she is a little scared, Kim enjoys her first day of school.

Penn, Audrey. *The Kissing Hand*
When Chester the raccoon is reluctant to go to kindergarten for the first time, his mother teaches him a secret way to carry her love with him.

Schwartz, Amy. *Annabelle Swift, Kindergartner*
Although some of the things her older sister taught her at home seem a little unusual at school, other lessons help make Annabelle's first day in kindergarten a success.

Slate, Joseph. *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready For Kindergarten*
Introduces the letters of the alphabet, as Miss Bindergarten and her students get ready for kindergarten.

Van Leeuwen, Jean. *Amanda Pig, School Girl*
Amanda Pig’s first day of school is every bit as wonderful as she always hoped it would be.

Wells, Rosemary. *Timothy Goes To School*
Timothy learns about being accepted and making friends during the first week of his first year at school.

Wild, Margaret. *Tom goes to Kindergarten*
When Tom, a young panda, goes to his very first day of kindergarten, his whole family stays and plays and wishes they could be in kindergarten too.

Wiseman, Bernard. *Morris Goes To School*
Morris the moose has an exciting day in school learning the alphabet, counting, singing, spelling, and doing other things that make him a unique moose.

Woodruff, Elvira. *A Dragon in My Backpack*
Bumps, the toy dragon, helps his friend, Ben, deal with his first-day-of-kindergarten apprehension in this back-to-school adventure.