

It was whimpering." Since Doc was a teddy bear  
"One of his wings was spread out across the grass.  
both." Doc and the other toys meet a blackbird.  
newcomer and we thought he ought to meet you  
lowing lines: "Hello," said Nell. "This is Doc. He's a  
story, "The Abandoned Toys," starting with the fol-  
abandoned toys. Read the last part of the first

out and taken to the dump. There, he finds other  
is about a teddy bear named Doc who is tossed  
children will sit and listen. This particular story  
tive; even older preschool and elementary-grade  
from most young audiences has been very post-  
crowd over the last few years and the response  
more chapter book selections with my storytime  
Julian Fellowes (Holt, 2007): "I've been sharing  
*The Curious Adventures of the Abandoned Toys* by

### Chapter Book Selection

when his parents return home later that evening,  
Hopscotch tells them that Mrs. Honeybunch can  
come back again "if she wants."



Storytime  
by | Rob Reid

Hopscotch notices that she's getting the stories all  
starts reading his favorite books out loud.  
himself without a lot to do. Mrs. Honeybunch  
be playing Hide-and-Seek alone. He quickly finds  
camp" and informs Mrs. Honeybunch that he'll  
at all." He hides inside his "No Babysitters Allowed  
Honeybunch, the babysitter, "he didn't feel brave  
evening and he has to spend the evening with Mrs.  
equipment. But when his parents go out for the  
spiders. He hangs upside down on the playground  
Hopscotch is a brave little rabbit. He has no fear of  
Laura Rankin (Bloomsbury Publishing, 2008):  
*No Babysitters Allowed* by Amber Stewart and

### Picture Book

few years.  
a lot) and highlighting works published in the last  
combining the two themes (another practice I use  
particular article, I'm taking it one step further and  
and have fun with those older themes. For this  
I did and now, after a break, I'm ready to go back  
a "programming ru" that I decided to mix it up.  
and teddy bear books. It was only when I was in  
years of story programs featuring wonderful rabbit  
get me wrong. I love the traditional themes. I did  
opposed to the more time-honored themes. Don't  
and "Underwear and Other Unruly Clothing" as  
traditional lesson plan themes, like "AI Stories"  
place." The point was that I was now sharing non-  
rabbits and teddy bears, you've come to the wrong  
for story program lesson plans about bunny  
I in the past several years, I've facetiously told  
my workshop participants, "If you're looking

Grades  
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