

25 Days of Christmas Books from Jeannette Tulis

1. Christmas Day in the Morning by Peal S. Buck.
2. Apple Tree Christmas by Trina Hakes Noble
3. A Certain Small Shepherd by Rebecca Caudill.
4. Christmas Tapestry by Patricia Polacco
5. Lion in the Box (recently reprinted by the fabulous Purple House Press!)
6. The Nutcracker by Susan Jeffers
7. Prairie Christmas by Elizabeth van Steenwyk
8. A Christmas Tree in the White House by Gary Hines
9. Silver Packages by Cynthia Rylant
10. An Early American Christmas by Tomie dePaola.
11. The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree by Gloria Houston
12. Amahl and the Night Visitors Menotti illustrated by Michele Lemieux (another with full libretto and illustrations by Duvoisin also excellent) Libretto available for free online.
13. Papa Panov's Special Day. Adapted by Tolstoy, Retold by Mig Holder, illustrated by Tony Morris
14. The Christmas Wish by Lori Evert
15. Why Christmas Trees Aren't Perfect by Richard Schneider
16. The First Christmas Stocking by Elizabeth Winthrop
17. The Fourth Wise Man retold by Susan Summers (van Dyke original)
18. The Christmas Miracle of Jonathan Toomey by Susan Wojciechowski
19. Christmas Farm by Mary Lyn Ray
20. A Christmas Card for Mr. McFizz by Oren Bokich.
21. How the Hibernators Came to Bethlehem by Norma Farber

22. Petunia's Christmas by Roger Duvoisin
23. The Church Mice at Christmas by Graham Oakley
24. The Little Boy's Christmas Gift by John Speirs.
25. The Best Christmas by Lee Kingman -

Extra: book with great Art

The Christmas Story in Masterpieces introduced by David Kossof

Other extras (chapter books)

The Story of Holly and Ivy by Rumer Godden

The Family Under the Bridge by Natalie Savage Carlson

Big Susan by Elizabeth Orton Jones