In the Spotlight: *Sparkly Stories for a Starry, Starry Night!*

*Summer is a wonderful time to look at the stars in the sky! Take the family for a drive, and find a place where there are few lights to see them the best. You can also find wonderful nonfiction books about stars and constellations in the J 523 area.*

*Here is a list of some picture books about stars.*

Fancher, Lou. *Star Climbing.* (When he can’t sleep, a young child plays among the stars.)

Hay, Sam. *Star in the Jar.* (A little boy finds a tiny star that has fallen from the sky. Can he find a way to get it home again?)

Heine, Theresa. *Star Seeker: a Journey to Outer Space.* (Take an imaginary journey through the night sky to find the North Star.)

Hest, Amy. *On the Night of the Shooting Star.* (Solitary neighbors become friends when they both see a falling star.)

Hyde, Catherine. *The Star Tree.* (On a Midsummer night, Mia travels with many different animals all the way to the great Star Tree where she gets a star to replace her nightlight.)

Jeffers, Oliver. *How to Catch a Star.* (A little boy who loves stars, tries creative ways to get a star of his own.)

Lieshout, Elle van. *The Wish.* (A hungry woman survives the winter when she makes a wish on a falling star.)

Lobel, Gillian. *Little Bear’s Special Wish.* (Little Bear wants a very special gift, a star, for his mother’s birthday. Will he be able to catch one?)

Matheson, Christie. *Touch the Brightest Star.* (Readers follow the directions on each page to make wonderful things appear, from constellations to shooting stars.)