### **Bedtime books**

# *Oliver Who Would Not Sleep* by Mara Bergman illustrated by Nick Maland

Oliver just does not have the time in his busy life to spend it sleeping. Why go to bed when you could be drawing, reading, playing and imagining awesome journeys into space?

### The Little Star Who Wished by Michael Broad

One night Little Star and his teddy fall out of the sky and into the sea. Although he makes lots of new friends, he really just wants to go home. Then he meets starfish who grant wishes to sea dwellers, and they help Little Star on his journey home. A night time story sprinkled with stardust.

#### Goodnight, Baby Bat by Debi Gliori

Baby Bat just cannot possibly go to bed until all the toys are tucked up tight and the moon has been wrapped in a cloud. A delicious book with flaps and snow flakes in addition to stunning illustrations from the very beginning to the very end.

#### Russell The Sheep by Rob Scotton

Russell just can't get to sleep even though he tries all sorts of things to make himself tired. Maybe he's too hot, or too cold, or it's too light, or he hasn't found the very best place to snuggle down and close his eyes. Maybe he should do some counting?

#### Don't Let The Pigeon Stay Up Late! by Mo Willems

Pigeon is just not sleepy. He wants to party, watch TV, chat about the day, count stars. HE IS NOT TIRED! But should we let him stay up for a while? Of course not, he needs his sleep! A very lively bedtime story that demands noisy joining in. (S)

# *Can't You Sleep, Little Bear?* by Martin Waddell illustrated by Barbara Firth

Little Bear just cannot get to sleep – the darkness of his cave is too frightening. Even when Big Bear brings him a lantern, it is the darkness outside that scares him! But when Big Bear brings him outside and explore the darkness, Little Bear realizes that it's not so scary (or dark) after all. This story celebrates the nighttime and makes the darkness seem less mysterious and menacing.

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