Reinforce reading and literacy skills with this selection of books about beasts and mythical creatures for Scary Book Month in the PreK-8 classroom.

**Picture Books**

One by one nine green monsters go tumbling, slipping, sliding, and tripping off the wall until there is just one left.
**Call number: P J Cla**

A little boy, hearing noises at his window at bedtime, calls for his mother. His worst fears are realized, but he learns that monsters have mothers too.
**Call number: P J Goo**

Hazel sets out to prove that she, not her baby brother, is the worst monster anywhere.
**Call number: P J Hut**

Howard and the monster under his bed decide on a plan to convince their mothers that both of them have reason to be afraid after dark.
**Call number: P J Kol**

While putting on a Halloween pageant, the alphabet mixes things up with some spooky and funny results.
**Call number: P J Kon**

Young Walter introduces his imaginary “staff” of toy-fixers, piano practicers, sandwich decusters, and beast inspectors.
**Call number: P J Mar**
As Señor Calavera prepares for Grandma Beetle’s birthday he finds an alphabetical assortment of presents, but with the help of Zelmiro the ghost he finds the best gift.

**Call number:** P J Mor

At bedtime a small boy tries to control ten insatiable monsters demanding food and creating chaos throughout the house.

**Call number:** P J OKe

Cyrus, a shy and friendly serpent, finally realizes his ambition by helping some voyagers through a storm and foiling some dastardly pirates.

**Call number:** P J Pee

A monstrous mutt terrorizes the residents of Mousopolis.

**Call number:** P J Pil

Ned invents a Mix-Up-Ray out of desperation for an exciting show-and-tell for school and cause a commotion when his teacher becomes a monster.

**Call number:** P J Rei

An assortment of monsters demonstrate good and bad manners.

**Call number:** P J Rob

Contemporary fables with tongue-in-cheek morals address such topics as homework, curfews, and television channels.

**Call number:** P J Sci

A naughty little boy, sent to bed without his supper, sails to the land of the wild things where he becomes king.

**Call number:** P J Sen
Depicts how A was an avalanche, B was badly bitten, C was cut to ribbons and the other letters of the alphabet suffered similar mishaps.
Call number: P J Van

If his mother has made other important mistakes, can Nick trust her word that there are no goblins and such lurking around in the night?
Call number: P J Vio

Leonardo is a terrible monster who can’t seem to frighten anyone. When he discovers the perfect nervous boy, will he scare his lunch out of him?
Call number: P J Wil

A little monster is afraid to go to bed because he thinks humans will get him while he is asleep.
Call number: P J Wil

In this imaginary childhood world dinosaurs are large beasts that loom over their human parents, but have perfect manners when it’s time to go to bed.
Call number: [Videorecording] P J Yol

**Juvenile Fiction**

A timid boy, eager to frighten the school bully on Halloween night, acquires a magic ring and the power to change himself into a hideous monster.
Call number: J Cov

Stinky, a monster who lives in a swamp, gets upset when Nick starts hanging around in his swamp, so he tries to scare him away.
Call number: J Dav

A graphic novel following the Halloween adventures of the imaginative Babymouse.
Call number: J Hol
Though scoffed at by Harold the dog, Chester the cat tries to warn his human family that their foundling baby bunny must be a vampire.

**Call number: J How**

The Murry twins, Sandy and Denys, are accidentally sent back to a biblical time where there are mythical beasts and Noah is building a boat in preparation for a flood.

**Call number: J Len**

The habitat, diet, lifecycle, and other characteristics of a variety of unusual monsters are observed and recorded by a monstrologist.

**Call number: J Ola**

In Aagasia Eragon finds a mysterious stone that weaves his life into an intricate tapestry of destiny, magic, and power, peopled with dragons, elves, and monsters.

**Call number: J Pao**

Jason, Piper, and Leo find themselves at Camp Half-Blood, where they learn that they are demigods and begin a quest to free Hera, who has been imprisoned by Mother Earth.

**Call number: J Rio**

A young boy must cope with a move to a new town, a new baby sister, and his great-Aunt Emily.

**Call number: J Smi**

Five short stories set in a mythical kingdom that is threatened by dragons, ogres, and corrupt monarchs.

**Call number: J Val**

Marco has his hands full when his best friend is chosen to be the star of the class play and his little sister is accused of killing a gerbil in her kindergarten class.

**Call number: J Wil**

In 1888, Will Henry chronicles his apprenticeship with Dr. Warthrop, a scientist who hunts and studies real-life monsters.

**Call number: J Yan**


The intrepid crew of the spaceship “Star Warts” lands on a water-covered planet inhabited by Deep Wader, a horrible hungry monster.

**Call number: J Yol**


Loch and his sister join their father on a scientific expedition searching for enormous prehistoric creatures sighted in a Vermont lake.

**Call number: J Zin**


PC helps an aboriginal girl search for her people’s missing treasure near the Great Barrier Reef, where they fight an evil scientist and a deadly underwater monster.

**Call number: J Zin**

**Folklore, Poetry, and Songs**


Imani’s faith helps save herself and her family from the belly of the King of the Beasts.

**Call number: j 398.21 Cho**


Provides new lyrics and gruesome illustrations for eighteen familiar songs, featuring boogie men, ghosts, zombies, and other monsters.

**Call number: j 782.42 Dip**


Poems derived from old collective nouns for animals, such as “a murder of crows” and “a leap of leopards.” Includes an explanatory note about these terms.

**Call number: j 811.54 Ho**


Through her great capacity to love, a kind and beautiful maid releases a handsome prince from the spell which has made him an ugly beast.

**Call number: j 398.2 Hut**
A collection of fairy tales by British and American writers includes author biographies.
**Call number: j 823.0108 Oxf**

An illustrated collection of poems about animals, insects, and birds by poets from different parts of the world.
**Call number: j 811.008 Bea**

Twelve poems featuring a vampire, werewolf, ghoul, and other monsters.
**Call number: j 811 Pre**

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