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**Giving a hoot
about reading
for 50 years!**

Owlkids Books



2026 BACKLIST

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Welcome to our 2026 backlist catalog!

As always, we have designed this catalog to help you discover great books with topics, themes, formats, and reading levels that meet your needs.

Need books on a specific topic, like STEM or Social-Emotional Learning? Take a look at the subject index. Looking for paperback or board book formats? See the formats index. You'll also find curriculum links, Lexile® measures, and other leveling information listed beside each title.

You can also find awards and accolades listed under each book: from *School Library Journal* and *Kirkus Reviews* Best Picture Books, to *Booklist* Editors' Choice picks, Junior Library Guild selections, children's choice award nominees, many starred reviews, and more.

We hope this catalog will serve you well. Thank you for your interest in our books, and happy reading!

—The Owlkids Team

We're turning 50!

Fifty years ago, the Young Naturalist Foundation launched *OWL* magazine for kids 8–12. *OWL* was an acronym for “Outdoors and Wildlife,” and the magazine was designed to develop a love of the environment and scientific discovery in its readers. In the five decades since, the company became Owlkids, expanding its vision and mandate, and launching two other children's magazines—*Chickadee* in 1978 and *Chirp* in 1997—and a book division. Since 1976, Owlkids has kept kids front and centre, creating content that engages, informs, and inspires a love of reading and learning.

Like the magazines, Owlkids Books respects children's intelligence, imagination, and curiosity. Our list includes a diversity of voices and experiences, and it is recognized for its signature energy, creativity, sense of humor and thematic relevance. Our books have garnered a range of accolades including major reviews, best-of-the-year lists, and awards recognition, and they've been licensed in more than 20 languages around the world.

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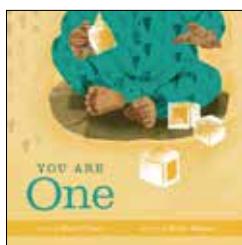
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Early Childhood

"Endearing...delightfully textured...it's truly inclusive."
— Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2019

Other Reviews:

SLJ

You Are One

By Sara O'Leary
Illustrated by Karen Klassen

24 PAGES • 8.25 x 8.25 • Ages 0–3

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24 PAGES • 7.25 x 7.25 • Ages 0–3

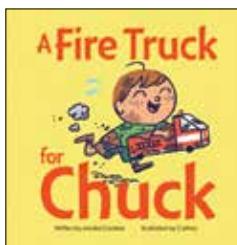
BB • \$11.95 CDN / \$9.95 US

ISBN 978-1-77147-355-2

Board Book

Reading Levels:

Lexile® Measure: AD 270L



Early Childhood

A rhyming read-aloud perfect for preschoolers that captures a child's joy for their favorite toy.

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ

Board Book



Early Childhood

You Are Two

By Sara O'Leary
Illustrated by Karen Klassen

BB 28 PAGES • 6.5 x 6
Ages 0–3

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24 PAGES • 7.25 x 7.25 • Ages 0–3

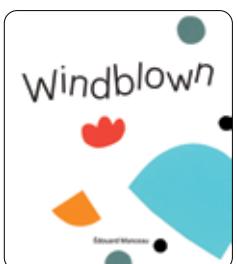
BB • \$11.95 CDN / \$9.95 US

ISBN 978-1-77147-356-9

Board Book

Reading Levels:

Fountas & Pinnell: I
Reading Recovery: 15–16
Lexile® Measure: AD 310L
Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL



Early Childhood Inquiry

★ Windblown

By Édouard Manceau

24 PAGES • 7 x 8 • Ages 0–3

© 2013

BB • \$11.95 CDN / \$9.95 US

ISBN 978-1-77147-670-6

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Board Book

"Provides affirmation of toddlers' human complexity and dignity."
★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2019

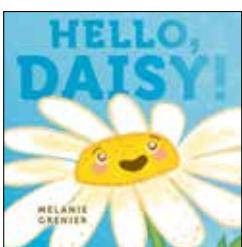
Other Reviews:

SLJ

"A surefire inspiration for imagination-fueled projects at school or at home." ★ — Publishers Weekly (starred review)

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Horn Book, Kirkus, Shelf Awareness



Inquiry

Hello Daisy

By Mélanie Grenier

24 PAGES • 6.5 x 6.5 • Ages 0–3

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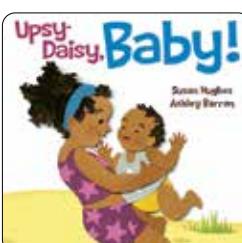
BB • \$11.95 CDN / \$9.95 US

ISBN 978-1-77147-682-9

Board Book

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K
Fountas & Pinnell: E
Reading Recovery: 7
Lexile® Measure: NP
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Diversity Early Childhood

Upsy-Daisy, Baby!

By Susan Hughes

Illustrated by Ashley Barron

24 PAGES • 6.5 x 6.5 • Ages 0–3

© 2019

BB • \$11.95 CDN / \$9.95 US

ISBN 978-1-77147-387-3

Board Book

Curriculum

Social Studies: Families; Multiculturalism

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–I
Fountas & Pinnell: G
Reading Recovery: 11–12
Lexile® Measure: AD 480L
Common Core: L, W, RF, RI, SL

A gentle, positive way to introduce the idea of respecting our environment.

A worldwide tour of the many ways we carry our little ones: in slings, on shoulders, in backpacks, on hips, in baskets, and in loving arms.



Early Childhood
Inquiry SEL

Diaper Kid

By Loretta Garbutt
Illustrated by Hayley Lowe

24 PAGES • 8.5 x 8.5 • Ages 2–5
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ISBN 978-1-77147-643-0

CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections
Social-Emotional Learning: Responsible Decision-Making

Reading Levels:

Grade: PreK-2
Fountas & Pinnell: H
Reading Recovery: 14
Lexile® Measure: AD 330L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A fun, low-pressure read for any child contemplating swapping out diapers for big-kid undies.” — Kirkus

Love You Head to Toe

By Ashley Barron

28 PAGES • 6.5 x 6 • Ages 0–3
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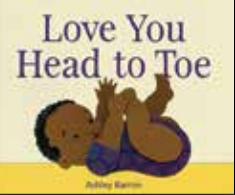
PB • \$11.95 CDN / \$9.95 US
ISBN 978-1-77147-403-0

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K
Fountas & Pinnell: I
Reading Recovery: 15
Lexile® Measure: AD 600L
Common Core: RF, SL, L, RL, W



Board Book



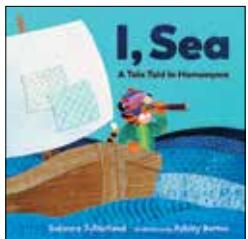
Early Childhood
Inquiry SEL

“A wonderful read-aloud for parents and children to share.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2019
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2020
A Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's Best Book for Babies, 2020

Other Reviews: Booklist, Kirkus



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I, Sea

A Tale Told in Homonyms

By Suzanne Sutherland
Illustrated by Ashley Barron

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ISBN 978-1-77147-499-3

CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading; Word Play; Language Skills; Homonyms

Reading Levels:

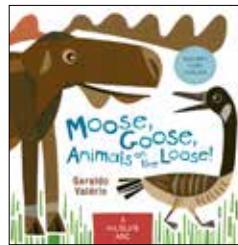
Grade: I+
Fountas & Pinnell: H
Reading Recovery: 15
Lexile® Measure: BR 50L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Lends itself to reading aloud in a broad, expressive way and could serve as a first introduction to a feature of language.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2026

Other Reviews:
CLCD, Kirkus, SLJ



Early Childhood
Inquiry The Arts

Moose, Goose, Animals on the Loose!

A Wildlife ABC

By Gerald Valério
40 PAGES • 9.5 x 9.5 • Ages 2–5
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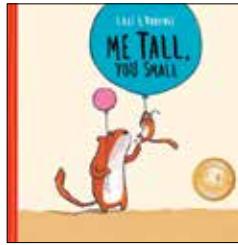
CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Word Choice (Alliteration)
Life Science: Animals
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques (Collage)

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–1
Fountas & Pinnell: LB
Lexile® Measure: NP
Common Core: RF, RL, RI, W, SL
NGSS: I-LS1, I-LS3

A bestselling introduction to the alphabet and North American wildlife from A to Z, now in paperback.



Early Childhood SEL

Me Tall, You Small

By Lilli L'Arronge

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Word Recognition Strategies

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3
Fountas & Pinnell: LB
Lexile® Measure: NP
Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

“This book delights on many levels as it affirms the importance of young children's close relationships.”

★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Kirkus Prize finalist, 2017
A Kirkus Best Book, 2017

Other Reviews:

PW, SLJ



SEL

Mummy & Me

A Monster's Tale

By Danesh Mohiuddin
32 PAGES • 9 x 9 • Ages 3–6
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HC • \$21.95 CDN / \$18.95 US
ISBN 978-1-77147-595-2

CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy; Sequencing; First Person POV; Voice

Character Education: Empathy

Reading Levels:

Grade: I
Fountas & Pinnell: H
Reading Recovery: 14
Lexile® Measure: AD 470L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

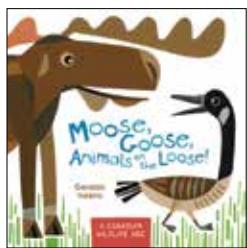
“[A] sweetly scary slice-of-life story...The message of parent-child unconditional love shines through.” — Publishers Weekly

Awards and Accolades:

National Cartoonists Society Reuben Award for Illustration (shortlisted), 2025
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews: CLCD, Kirkus, SLJ





Moose, Goose, Animals on the Loose! A Canadian Wildlife ABC

By Geraldo Valério

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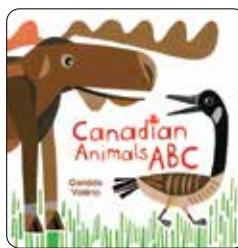
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading
Science & Technology: Animals
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–1
 Fountas & Pinnell: LB
 Lexile® Measure: NP
 Common Core: L, RF, RL, RI, W, SL
 NGSS: I-LS1, I-LS3

Early Childhood**Inquiry****STEM**

Canadian Animals ABC

By Geraldo Valério

36 PAGES • 7.5 x 7.5 • Ages 1–3

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Science & Technology: Animals
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques; Color

Reading Levels:

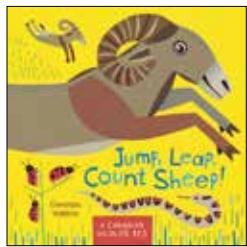
Grade: Pre-K–3
 Fountas & Pinnell: F
 Reading Recovery: 9–10
 Lexile® Measure: NP
 Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

**Board Book****Awards and Accolades:**

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ



Jump, Leap, Count Sheep! A Canadian Wildlife 123

By Geraldo Valério

24 PAGES • 9.5 x 9.5 • Ages 2–5

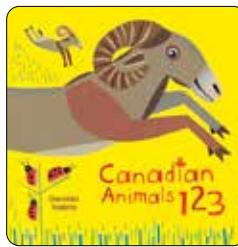
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Curriculum
Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Science & Technology: Animals
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques; Color
Mathematics: Counting

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–2
 Fountas & Pinnell: LB
 Lexile® Measure: NP
 Common Core: SL, RF, W, RL, RI, Math
 NGSS: I-LS1, I-LS3

Early Childhood**Inquiry****STEM**

Canadian Animals 123

By Geraldo Valério

22 PAGES • 7.5 x 7.5 • Ages 1–3

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Science & Technology: Animals
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques; Color
Mathematics: Counting

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–2
 Fountas & Pinnell: D
 Reading Recovery: 5–6
 Lexile® Measure: NP
 Common Core: SL, RF, W, L, RL, Math

**Board Book****Other Reviews:**

Kirkus, PW



Splash, Splash, Foxes Dash! Canadian Wildlife in Colour

By Geraldo Valério

24 PAGES • 9.5 x 9.5 • Ages 2–5

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ISBN 978-1-77147-290-6

Curriculum
Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Science & Technology: Animals
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques; Color

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3
 Fountas & Pinnell: G
 Reading Recovery: 11–12
 Lexile® Measure: NP
 Common Core: W, SL, RF, L, RL
 NGSS: I-LS1, I-LS3

Early Childhood**Inquiry****STEM**

Canadian Animals in Colour

By Geraldo Valério

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Science & Technology: Animals
Concepts: Color
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques; Color

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–1
 Fountas & Pinnell: F
 Reading Recovery: 9–10
 Lexile® Measure: NP

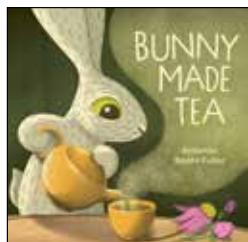
**Board Book****Awards and Accolades:**

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2018

Other Reviews:

Resource Links, SLJ

Discover creatures of all colors in this Canadian concept book featuring orange foxes, blue whales, red cardinals, and more.



Character Education

Early Childhood

SEL

★ Bunny Made Tea

By Amanda Baehr Fuller

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 ISBN 978-1-77147-681-2

CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Visual Literacy; Inferring

Character Education: Kindness; Gratitude; Hospitality; Boundaries

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–I

Fountas & Pinnell: D

Reading Recovery: 5

Lexile® Measure: AD50L

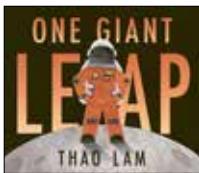
Common Core: RL, WV, SL, L



“Few words and charming illustrations convey a powerful message in this picture book about how good deeds always come back around.” ★ — Foreword Reviews (starred review)

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Horn Book, Kirkus, PW, Shelf Awareness



The Arts

★ One Giant Leap

By Thao Lam

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy; Making Inferences

Reading Levels:

Grade: I

Fountas & Pinnell: F

Reading Recovery: 9

Lexile® Measure: NP

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



“Wordless and wondrous.” ★ — Shelf Awareness (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

An Association for Library Service to Children Notable Children's Book, 2025
 A White Raven selection, 2025
 Bank Street College of Education Best Children's Book of the Year, 2025
 A Texas Library Association Little Maverick Graphic Novel Reading List starred selection, 2025
 Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy Bell Award (nominee), 2024
 Governor General's Literary Award (finalist), 2024
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2024
 Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2024
 A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2024
 Ontario Library Association Best Bets List, 2024
 A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2024
 Ontario Arts Foundation Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Book Award (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

BCCB, Kirkus, PW, SLJ



Character Education

Early Childhood

Inquiry

★ Skunk on a String

By Thao Lam

40 PAGES • 10.5 x 8.5 • Ages 4–7

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Inferences; Interpreting Texts

Science: Cause and Effect Concepts

Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: WB

Lexile® Measure: NP

Common Core: L, RL, W, SL

“Wordless...colorful...hilarious.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

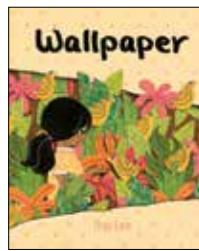
A Kirkus Best Book, 2016

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2016

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

Other Reviews:

Booklist, PW



Character Education

SEL

★ Wallpaper

By Thao Lam

32 PAGES • 8.5 x 10.5 • Ages 4–7

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ISBN 978-1-77147-283-8

CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Inferences; Interpreting Texts

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3

Fountas & Pinnell: WB

Lexile® Measure: NP

Common Core: W, RL, SL

“Unique and visually stunning.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Kirkus Best Book, 2018

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

A Kirkus Reviews Best Books of the 21st Century (So Far)

NYPL 100 Best Books for Kids List, 2018

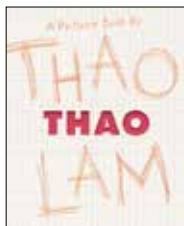
Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award (shortlisted), 2018

Other Reviews:

PW

Q&Q

Booklist, Horn Book, SLJ



The Arts

Character Education

Diversity

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"The deeply touching *THAO* soars." — *The New York Times*

THAO**A Picture Book**

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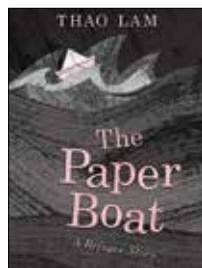
ISBN 978-1-77147-477-1**CURRICULUM****Language Arts:** Making Connections**Character Development:** Respect; Kindness**Social-Emotional Learning:** Self-Awareness; Social Awareness**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 2–5

Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: AD 420L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W



SEL

The Paper Boat**A Refugee Story**

By Thao Lam

40 PAGES • 8.25 x 11 • Ages 6–9

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HC • \$19.95 CDN / \$18.95 US

ISBN 978-1-77147-363-7**CURRICULUM****Language Arts:** Making Connections; Visual Literacy**Social Studies:** Global Communities; Immigration/Emigration**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 5+

Fountas & Pinnell: WB

Common Core: RL, SL, W



"An important story told in an impeccable format."

★ — *School Library Journal* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Kirkus Best Book, 2020

A *SLJ* Best Book, 2020

The Horn Book "Caldecott" List, 2020

NYPL Best 100 Books for Kids List, 2020

A *Globe and Mail* Best Book of 2020

A Booklist Editors' Choice, 2020

Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books Blue Ribbon Selection, 2020

Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award (honor book), 2020

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2020

A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2021

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2021

IBBY Silent Books Collection, 2021

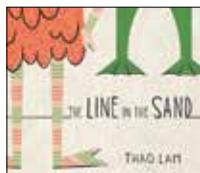
Children's Book Council's Kids Choice Best Book of the Year (shortlisted), 2021

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2022

Other Reviews:

★ BCCB ★ Booklist ★ Kirkus

CLCD, Foreword, PW



Inquiry

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The Line in the Sand

By Thao Lam

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ISBN 978-1-77147-626-3**CURRICULUM****Language Arts:** Making Connections; Visual Literacy**Character Education:** Kindness; Positive Communication**Social-Emotional Learning:** Self-Awareness; Social Awareness, Conflict Resolution**Reading Levels:**

Grade: I+

Fountas & Pinnell: E

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



"An elegant, profound story. A monstrously important message."

★ — *Kirkus* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Book Riot Must-Read Picture Book, 2022

A Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, 2023

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2022

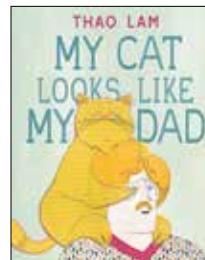
A Kirkus Most Anticipated Fall Book, 2022

Other Reviews:

★ SLJ

★ Q&Q

Booklist, CLCD



Character Education

Diversity

My Cat Looks Like My Dad

By Thao Lam

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ISBN 978-1-77147-351-4**CURRICULUM****Language Arts:** Making Connections**Reading Levels:**

Grade: I

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: I7

Lexile® Measure: 360L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, RF, L



"Never didactic, this is a warmhearted window into the things, expected and otherwise, that make up a family."

★ — *Booklist* (starred review) and 2019 Editors' Choice

Awards and Accolades:

A Quill & Quire Cover of the Year, 2019

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2020

Other Reviews:

★ SLJ

Kirkus, NYT, Q&Q, Shelf Awareness



SEL

Pink Is for Everybody

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Illustrated by Udayana Lugo

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections
Health and Physical Education: Gender Expression
Character Education: Inclusivity; Kindness; Self-Respect; Respect

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+
Fountas & Pinnell: J
Lexile® Measure: AD 520L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



“Pink is for everybody! And so is this book.”

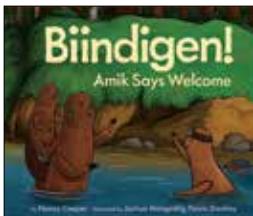
— School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022
A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2022
CBC Kids Reads Joint Winner, 2023
A Booktagang Best Read Aloud Picture Book, 2022

Other Reviews:

PW, Q&Q



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Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Habitats
Social Studies: Indigenous Peoples

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3+
Fountas & Pinnell: P
Lexile® Measure: AD 570L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

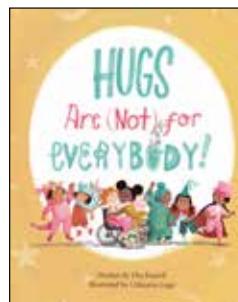
“A vibrant work laden with messages.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2023
A FOLD Kids Book of the Month, 2023
IBBY Canada From Sea to Sea to Sea Collection, 2025

Other Reviews:

SL



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Language Arts: Making Connections; Critical Thinking
Character Education: Inclusivity; Kindness; Self-Respect; Respect
Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Management; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2
Fountas & Pinnell: G
Reading Recovery: I2
Lexile® Measure: AD 510L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

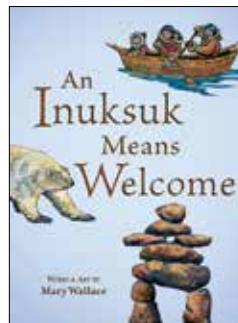
“Underscore[s] the importance of honoring individuality. A fine choice for collections in need of books that help teach children about consent and personal space.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews:

Booklist, CLCD, Kirkus, Q&Q



Diversity

★ An Inuksuk Means Welcome

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Oral Communication; Word Recognition Strategies; Understanding Informational Text
Social Studies: Heritage; World Connections; Communities Around the World

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–2
Fountas & Pinnell: J
Reading Recovery: I7
Lexile® Measure: AD 820L
Common Core: L, RF, RI, W, SL

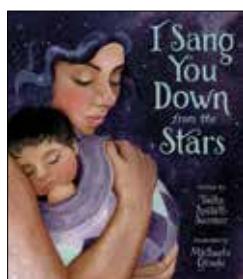
“Uses the Inuktitut language as a gateway to a greater appreciation of the region.” ★ — Quill & Quire (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

An Ontario Library Association Best Bet (honorable mention), 2015
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2016

Other Reviews:

PW, SL



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Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–5
Fountas & Pinnell: O
Lexile® Measure: AD 640L
Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W

Diversity Early Childhood



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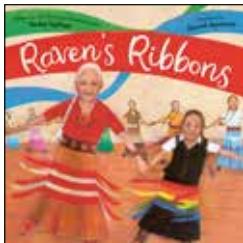
“Gorgeous, shimmering, heartfelt.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

An Indigo Best Book, 2021
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021
A Kirkus Best Book, 2021
A Shelf Awareness Best Book, 2021
A Chicago Public Library Best Book, 2021
A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2021
An ALSC Notable Children's Book, 2022
AILA American Indian Youth Literature Award (honor book), 2022
ALA Rise: A Feminist Book Project List, 2022
A Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, 2022
Manitoba McNally Robinson Book for Young People Award, 2022
ATD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2023

Other Reviews:

★ BookPage
★ PW
★ SLJ
★ Shelf Awareness



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Diversity Inquiry

★ Raven's Ribbons

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Character Education: Inclusivity; Kindness; Self-Respect; Respect
Social Studies: Indigenous Peoples; Personal and Social Identity; Studying Past and Present Traditions
Health and Physical Education: Gender Expression

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2
Fountas & Pinnell: G
Reading Recovery: 11
Lexile® Measure: AD 480L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“[A] beautiful tribute to Indigenous heritage.”

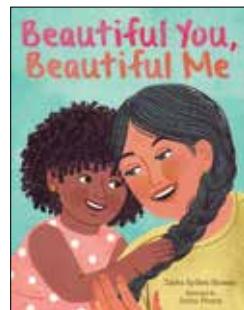
★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Booklist Editors' Choice, 2025
A Kirkus Best Book, 2025
DC Library Association Three Star Book Award (nominee), 2026
A Junior Library Guild selection, 2025

Other Reviews:

★ Booklist ★ PW, BCCB, Horn Book, SLJ



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Language Arts: Reading
Social Studies: Personal and Social Identity

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+
Fountas & Pinnell: I
Reading Recovery: 16
Lexile® Measure: AD 520L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



“A lovely accompaniment to any cuddle.”

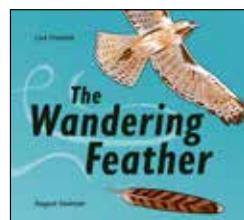
★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2022
A CBC Kids Reads selection, 2023
Children's Book Council Teachers Favorites Award (shortlisted), 2023
An Ontario Library Association Top Ten Best Bet, 2022
Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2022

Other Reviews:

★ Q&Q
Booklist, CCBN, SLJ, CLCD



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Figurative Language (Personification); Voice; Text Features - Author's Note
Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness
Social Studies: Indigenous Peoples

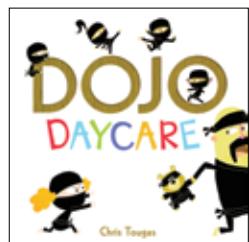
Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2
Fountas & Pinnell: M
Lexile® Measure: AD 630L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Lovely and unexpected...A meaningful introduction to an Indigenous object with captivating, movement-filled illustrations.” — Kirkus

Other Reviews:

CCBN



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SEL

Dojo Daycare

By Chris Tougas

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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Poetry

Reading Levels:

Grade: I

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: I7

Lexile® Measure: AD 760L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

“[A] fast-paced rhyming tale.” — *The New York Times*

Awards and Accolades:

Quill & Quire Best of List, 2014

A Today's Parent Top Picture Book of 2014

Bolen Books Children's Book Prize, 2015

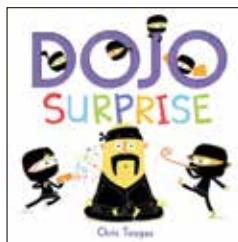
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2015

Wyoming Library Association Buckaroo Award (nominee), 2015

Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Willow Award, 2016

Other Reviews: Kirkus, Q&Q, SLC, SLJ

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SEL

Dojo Surprise

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Poetry

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: I7

Lexile® Measure: AD 540L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

“This book will delight little ninjas everywhere.” — *School Library Journal*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

Chocolate Lily Young Readers' Choice Award, 2018

Other Reviews: Kirkus

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Poetry

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: I7

Lexile® Measure: AD 490L

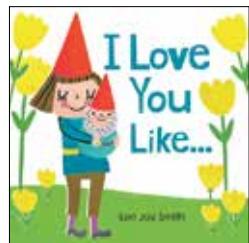
Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL



Character Education

SEL

“A sound value taught in an engaging format amid many ninja kicks and chops.” — Kirkus

Other Reviews: Booklist, SLJ


Character Education

Early Childhood

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Poetry

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3

Fountas & Pinnell: G

Reading Recovery: 9–10

Lexile® Measure: AD 240L

Common Core: L, RF, SL, RL, W

A quirky, adorable book of creative ways to express love.

Other Reviews: Foreword, Kirkus

Robot SMASH!

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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–1

Fountas & Pinnell: D

Reading Recovery: 5–6

Lexile® Measure: AD 250L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W

NGSS: K-PS2, K-2-ETS1

STEM



A fun, unique play on what it means to suffer your first crush.

Awards and Accolades:

A TD Summer Reading Club selection, 2015

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Early Reading

The Arts: Visual Literacy

Math: Counting

Reading Levels:

Grade: I+

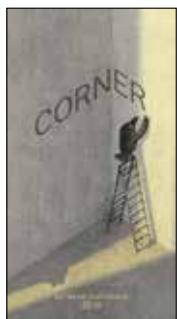
Fountas & Pinnell: F

Reading Recovery: 9

Lexile® Measure: AD 220L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“You can count on this one to be a hit!” — Kirkus



★ Corner

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy; Setting
Character Education: Creativity and Creative Problem Solving; Independent Play; Patience

Reading Levels:

Grade: I+
 Fountas & Pinnell: G
 Reading Recovery: I2
 Lexile® Measure: AD 120L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Inquiry SEL

“A quirky, thought-provoking, and stunning reminder that a house is not a home.” ★ — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Ezra Jack Keats Award (shortlisted), 2024

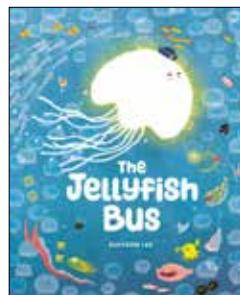
A Kirkus Best Book, 2023

A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2024

Other Reviews:

★ PW
 Booklist, CLCD

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The Jellyfish Bus

By Suhyeon Lee

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Setting; Dialog
Character Education: Perseverance
Life Science: Biodiversity; Oceans

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2
 Fountas & Pinnell: H
 Reading Recovery: I4
 Lexile® Measure: GN 550L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

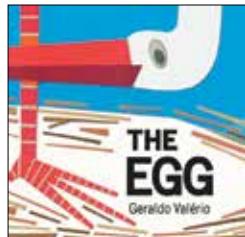


Inquiry STEM

“The illustrations are truly enchanting, packed with tiny details that invite exploration...A clever and immersive experience.” — Booklist

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus, SLJ



★ The Egg

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Language Arts: Visual Literacy
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques; Color
Social Studies: Families; Multiculturalism
Character Education: Kindness; Caring; Love of Family; Nurturing

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3
 Fountas & Pinnell: WB
 Common Core: RL, W, SL



Diversity

Inquiry SEL

“Loving families come in all shapes and sizes.”

★ — Booklist (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2020

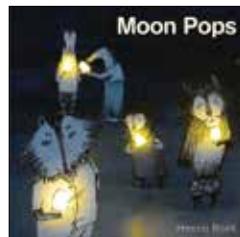
Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award (shortlisted), 2020

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2022

Other Reviews:

★ Kirkus
 Horn Book, PW



★ Moon Pops

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy

Reading Levels:
 Grade: I+
 Fountas & Pinnell: I
 Reading Recovery: I6
 Lexile® Measure: AD 540L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



The Arts Inquiry



“A sweet, icy treat that will warm your heart.”

★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2021

A *Globe and Mail* Best Book, 2021

A Kirkus Best Book, 2021

A Kirkus Reviews Best Books of the 21st Century (So Far)

A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2022

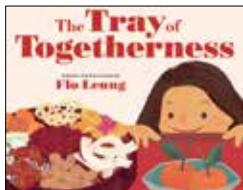
A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2022

Boston Globe-Horn Book Award Honor Book, 2022

A Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, 2022

Other Reviews:

Booklist, BookPage, Foreword, SLJ



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Language Arts: Making Connections

Social Studies: Holidays

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: AD 500L

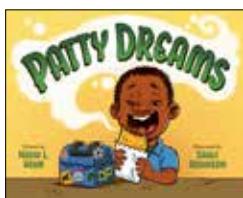
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



“A delectably delightful celebration.” — Kirkus

Other Reviews:

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Story Elements; First-Person POV

Character Education: Positive Communication

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness

Social Studies: Heritage; Personal and Social Identity

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: H

Reading Recovery: 14

Lexile® Measure: AD 620L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A unique immigration story sure to please the stomach and the heart.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2026
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews:

CLCD



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections

Social-Emotional Learning: Recognizing One's Emotions; Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Kindness; Empathy

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: AD 950L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

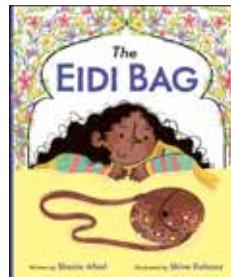
“Crammed with food, family, and love; this is a book for any child straddling the old world and the new one.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024
Children's Book Council Teacher Favorites Award (shortlisted), 2025
Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

Horn Book, Kirkus



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Story Elements

Character Education: Responsibility; Cooperation; Positive Communication

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Management; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Lexile® Measure: AD 510L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

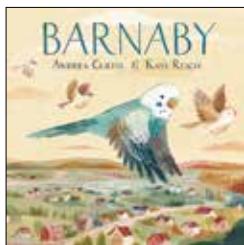
“A festive tale that teaches valuable lessons of resilience and adaptability.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

California Department of Education Recommended Literature List, 2025
TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2025
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025
Muslim Book Award Winner, 2025

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Foreword Reviews, PW, SLJ



★ Barnaby

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy; Setting

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: AD 630L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W



Character Education

SEL

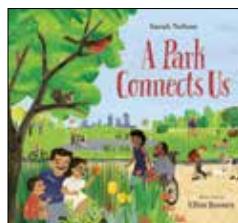
“Full of feeling.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

Other Reviews:

Booklist, SLJ



A Park Connects Us

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CURRICULUM

Social Studies: Local Communities; Global Communities

Reading Levels:

Grade: I+

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: AD 470L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Inquiry

“[An] ode to the value of city parks.” — School Library Journal

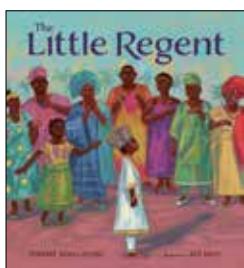
Awards and Accolades:

A Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, 2023

A Florida Literacy Association Children's Book Award selection, 2023

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Q&Q



The Little Regent

By Yewande Daniel-Ayode
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Fables

Character Education: Positive Communication; Compassion; Respect; Kindness

Social Studies: Local Community; World Traditions; Regency; Monarchy; Democracy

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: L

Lexile® Measure: AD 620L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Character Education

Diversity

“A subtly radical education on service and leadership.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2025

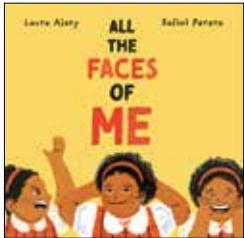
Cybils Award (finalist), 2024

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

Ontario Arts Foundation Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Book Award (winner), 2025

Other Reviews:

Q&Q



★ All the Faces of Me

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections

Character Education: Positive Communication; Compassion; Caring; Respect



Character Education

SEL

Reading Levels:

Grade: I+

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: AD 480L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

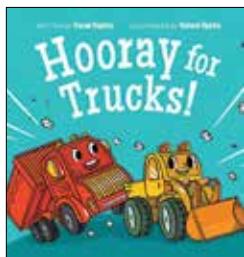
“Sure to generate interesting conversations between children and the adults who read to them.” ★ — Quill & Quire (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Charlotte Zolotow Award (honor book), 2024

A Cooperative Children's Book Center Choices selection, 2024





Early Childhood 

Hooray for Trucks!

By Susan Hughes
Illustrated by Suharu Ogawa
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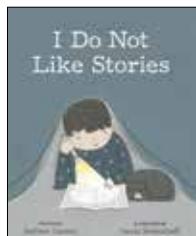
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Language Arts: Reading

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+
Fountas & Pinnell: L
Lexile® Measure: AD 500L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Character Education  

★ I Do Not Like Stories

By Andrew Larsen
Illustrated by Carey Sookocheff
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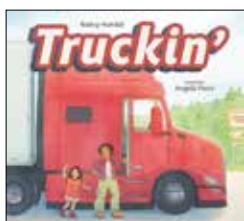
Language Arts: Reading

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3
Fountas & Pinnell: J
Reading Recovery: 17
Lexile® Measure: AD 340L
Common Core: SL, W, RL, L, RF

“Sure to please young truck lovers.” — Kirkus

Other Reviews:
CLCD



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; First-Person POV; Artistry of Language; Setting

Social Studies: Careers

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2
Fountas & Pinnell: H
Reading Recovery: 14
Lexile® Measure: AD 620L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A rewarding ride.” — Kirkus

“An outstanding, atypical addition to library collections for the young.” ★ — School Library Journal (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A *SLJ* Best Book, 2020
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

Other Reviews:
Kirkus

The Keeper of Stars

By Jennifer Harris
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections
Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Managing Emotions; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Caring; Responsibility

Reading Levels:

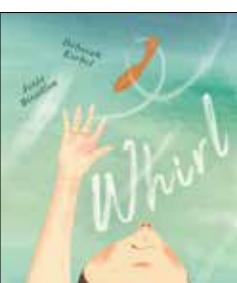
Grade: I
Fountas & Pinnell: I
Reading Recovery: 16
Lexile® Measure: AD 880L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A sparkling bedtime story.” — Booklist

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2024
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2024

Other Reviews: BCCB, Kirkus, *SLJ*



Whirl

By Deborah Kerbel
Illustrated by Josée Bisaillon
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy

Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Daily and Seasonal Changes; Inquiry-Based Learning



Inquiry 

Reading Levels:

Grade: K+
Fountas & Pinnell: A
Lexile® Measure: NP
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

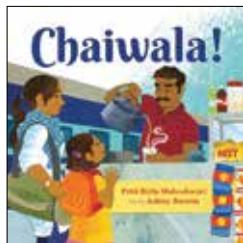
“Perfect for encouraging engagement, and appreciation, for the wonders of the natural world.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022
IBBY Silent Books Collection, 2023

Other Reviews: Booklist





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By Priti Birla Maheshwari
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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension

Social Studies: Cultures Around the World

Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: 18

Lexile® Measure: AD 550L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“The simple joy of indulging in a delicious treat is captured exquisitely.” ★ — *School Library Journal* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2021

A Bookstagram Best Picture Book, 2021

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2021

A Bank Street Best Children’s Book of the Year, 2022

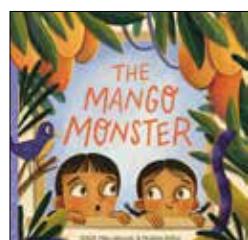
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

South Asia Book Award for Children’s and Young Adult Literature (shortlisted), 2022

TD Grade One Book Giveaway (winner), 2023

Other Reviews:

Booklist, CCBN, Kirkus, Q&Q


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The Mango Monster

By Derek Mascarenhas
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy; Prediction; Setting

Character Education: Caring; Cooperation; Empathy; Initiative; Teamwork; Sharing

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: L

Lexile® Measure: AD 530L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“This sweet picture book uses a mango mystery to exemplify teamwork and problem-solving...A safe choice for the shelves.” — *School Library Journal*

Awards and Accolades:

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2024

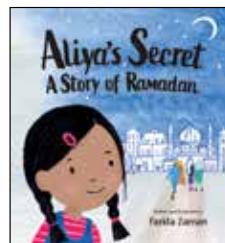
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

CBC Kids Reads (longlisted), 2025

IODE Jean Throop Book Award (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

CLCD, PW



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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension

Character Education: Responsibility; Cooperation; Positive Communication

Social Studies: Studying Past and Present Traditions

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Management; Responsible Decision Making; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Lexile® Measure: AD 790L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A wonderful story to celebrate or learn about Ramadan.”

★ — *Booklist* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus, SLJ

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension

Character Education: Cooperation; Positive Communication

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Regulation; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: 18

Lexile® Measure: AD 540L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

NGSS: K-2-ETS



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“A cheerful portrayal of intergenerational bonding over bread.”

— *Booklist*

Awards and Accolades:

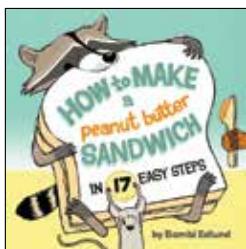
Ezra Jack Keats Award (shortlisted), 2024

Mississippi Department of Education Magnolia Book Awards (nominee), 2025

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2023

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus, SLJ



Inquiry

How to Make a Peanut Butter Sandwich in 17 Easy Steps

By Bambi Edlund

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Procedural Writing**Character Education:** Teamwork; Cooperation; Communication**Reading Levels:**

Grade: I+

Fountas & Pinnell: H

Reading Recovery: I5

Lexile® Measure: AD 660L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

"A winning recipe: delightful illustrations, a clever story, and food!" — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Texas Library Association 2x2 Reading List selection, 2024

Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Award (shortlisted), 2024

Indiana Young Hoosier Award (shortlisted), 2025

Chocolate Lily Young Reader's Choice Award (shortlisted), 2025

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

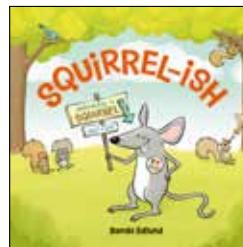
Chocolate Lily Young Readers' Choice Award (winner), 2025

Joan Betty Stuchner Oy Vey! Funniest Children's Book Award (shortlisted), 2025

Mississippi Department of Education Magnolia Book Awards (nominee), 2025

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Q&Q



Squirrel-ish

By Bambi Edlund

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Effective Story Beginnings; Voice**Character Education:** Respect; Fairness**Reading Levels:**

Grade: I

Fountas & Pinnell: H

Reading Recovery: I6

Lexile® Measure: AD 420L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



"A perfectly goofy, inviting testament to the familiar adage about the grass being greener on the other side." — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Indiana Young Hoosier Award (shortlisted), 2026

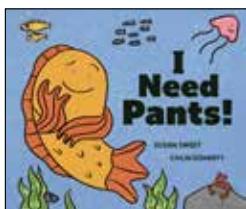
Joan Betty Stuchner Oy Vey! Funniest Children's Book Award (winner), 2025

Mississippi Department of Education Magnolia Book Awards (nominee), 2025

Sunshine State Young Readers Award Jr. (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

Booklist, CCBN, CLCD



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I Need Pants!

By Susan Sweet

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Dialog; Voice**Character Education:** Courage; Respect**Social-Emotional Learning:** Self-Awareness; Social Awareness**Reading Levels:**

Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: F

Reading Recovery: 8

Lexile® Measure: AD 340L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

"Could spark an intriguing discussion of wants versus needs and will encourage readers to embrace their own individual styles ...A fin-tastic look at individuality." — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2025

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

ATD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2026

Other Reviews:

Booklist, PW, SLJ



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Ready, Set, Mango!

By Tamla T. Young

Illustrated by Raz Latif

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Language Arts: Making Connections**Character Education:** Positive Communication; Respect**Social-Emotional Learning:** Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills**Reading Levels:**

Grade: K–2

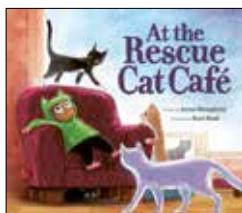
Fountas & Pinnell: G

Reading Recovery: I2

Lexile® Measure: AD 470L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

"By turns goofy and gross—a tale of fun surprises and deepened connections." — Kirkus


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Character Education: Empathy; Kindness
Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills

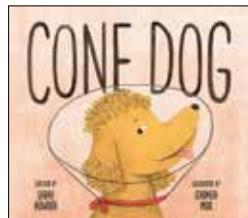
Reading Levels:

 Grade: K–2
 Fountas & Pinnell: H
 Reading Recovery: 14
 Lexile® Measure: AD 700L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Deceptively simple, well-crafted prose tells a heartwarming story that’s enhanced through a vivid, detailed illustration style that fills in the development of each friendship...Heart, hope, friendship, and cuddly cats—perfect for storytime!” ★—Kirkus (starred review)

Other Reviews:

CCBN


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CURRICULUM
Language Arts: Making Connections
Character Education: Creativity; Problem-Solving

Reading Levels:

 Grade: 2+
 Fountas & Pinnell: K
 Reading Recovery: 20
 Lexile® Measure: AD 540L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

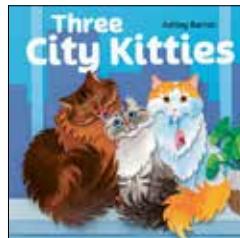
“A creative (and cute) case for making the best out of any situation.” — Booklist

Awards and Accolades:

 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024
 CBC Kids Reads (shortlisted), 2025
 Joan Betty Stuchner Oy Vey! Funniest Children's Book Award (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus, SLJ


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Three City Kitties

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Setting; Rhyming
Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques (Collage)

Reading Levels:

 Grade: 1
 Fountas & Pinnell: F
 Reading Recovery: 9
 Lexile® Measure: AD 460L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Pet lovers, especially feline fanciers, will smile at this slice-of-life depiction of indoor cats.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025
 An Indigo Staff Pick, 2025

Other Reviews:

CLCD

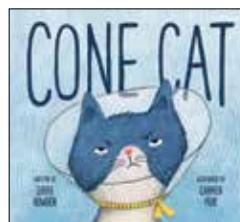
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Language Arts: Making Connections
Character Education: Creativity; Problem-Solving

Reading Levels:

 Grade: K–4
 Fountas & Pinnell: L
 Reading Recovery: 19
 Lexile® Measure: AD 570L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L, RF

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“The morals of adapting to change and making the best of a bad situation are sure to resonate with all young readers.”

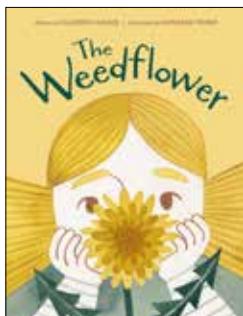
— School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

Other Reviews:

BCCB, Booklist, Kirkus, PW



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The Weedflower

By Elizabeth Davaze

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Story Elements**Character Education:** Responsibility; Cooperation; Advocacy**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: J

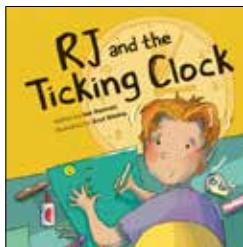
Lexile® Measure: AD 690L

Common Core: RL, WV, SL, L

“A fun celebration of nature.” — *Booklist*

Awards and Accolades:

Ezra Jack Keats Award (shortlisted), 2025
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025
 Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2026
 Saskatchewan Shining Willow Award (shortlisted), 2025
 Sheila Barry Best Canadian Picturebook of the Year (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:CLCD, *Kirkus*

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RJ and the Ticking Clock

By Ian Duncan

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Language Arts: Making Connections**Character Education:** Empathy; Compassion; Kindness; Teamwork**Social-Emotional Learning:** Self-Awareness; Managing Emotions; Relationship Skills**Reading Levels:**

Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: G

Reading Recovery: I2

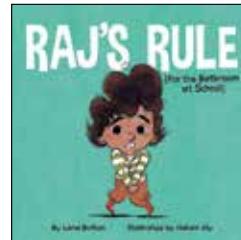
Lexile® Measure: AD 630L

Common Core: RL, WV, SL, L

“A loving look at anxiety management and the unique dynamics of same-sex families.” — *Kirkus*

Other Reviews:

CCBN



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Language Arts: Making Connections**Character Education:** Social-Emotional Learning; Self-Confidence; Perseverance; Self-Control; Consequences; Flexibility; Adjusting to New Situations**Reading Levels:**

Grade: Pre-K–3

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: I8

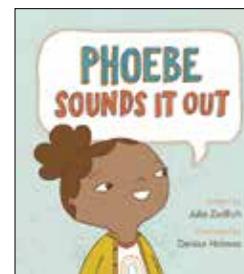
Lexile® Measure: 520L

Common Core: RL, WV, SL, RF, L

“A sympathetic treatment of a common but rarely depicted childhood anxiety.” — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

An Ontario Library Association Best Bet, 2020
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

Other Reviews:*Booklist, PW*

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Phoebe Sounds It Out

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Character Education: Perseverance**Reading Levels:**

Grade: Pre-K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: J

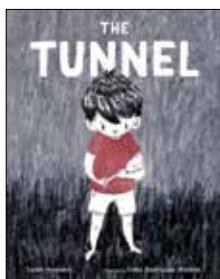
Reading Recovery: I7

Lexile® Measure: AD 590L

Common Core: L, RL, RF, WV, SL

“New spellers will relate to Phoebe’s dilemma...makes a point about fun with fonicks.” — *Kirkus*

Other Reviews:*Booklist, SLJ*



Character Education
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“A young boy carves a path through grief in this moving picture book.” **★** — *Foreword Reviews* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Bank Street Best Children’s Book of the Year, 2023
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022
A Cooperative Children’s Book Center Choices selection, 2023
A *Globe & Mail* Best Book of 2022
A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2023

Other Reviews:

★ *BBCB, Booklist, CCBN, SLJ*

★ The Tunnel

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CURRICULUM

Character Education: Empathy; Resilience
Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+

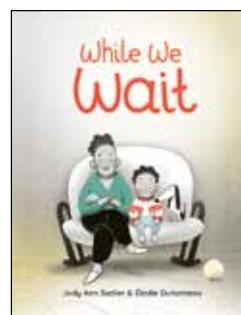
Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: AD 460L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

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“A perfect addition to the canon of books welcoming new siblings to the family.” — *School Library Journal*

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading

Character Education: Caring; Patience; Self-Regulation

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+

Fountas & Pinnell: G

Reading Recovery: 12

Lexile® Measure: AD 450L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

The Digger Dance

By Judy Ann Sadler

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Language Arts: Reading

Character Education: Patience; Self-Regulation

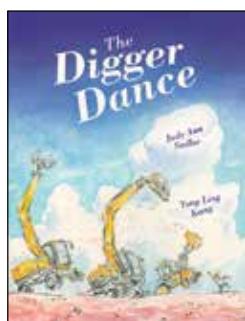
Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Lexile® Measure: AD 460L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



A boy delights in the discovery that diggers can dance!

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus, PW

My Delicious Garden

By Anne-Marie Fortin

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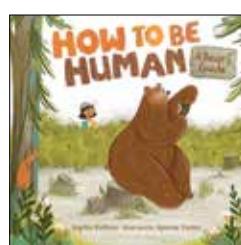
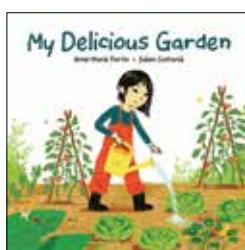
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading

Science: Sustainability and Stewardship; Environment; Needs and Characteristics of Living Things



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How to Be Human: A Bear's Guide

By Sophia Kolinas

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Language Arts: Reading

Character Education: Responsibility; Cooperation; Positive Communication

Science: Environmental Awareness; Environmental Stewardship

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: AD 560L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“[A] sweet and charming story about friendship.” — *Booklist*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2023

Pennsylvania Young Reader’s Choice Award (shortlisted), 2024

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus



Inquiry **STEM**

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Lexile® Measure: AD 690L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

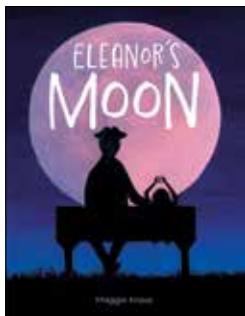
“An interesting and helpful take on gardening.” — *School Library Journal*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

Other Reviews:

CLCD, SLC


Inquiry
SEL

“Children in similar situations may relate.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2024
 IODE Jean Throop Book Award (shortlisted), 2024
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

Other Reviews:

CCBN, CLCD

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Reading Levels:

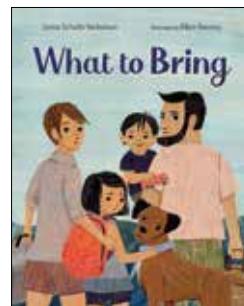
Grade: I+

Fountas & Pinnell: H

Reading Recovery: 15

Lexile® Measure: AD 650L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L


Character Education
Inquiry

“A necessary title for young readers.” ★ — *School Library Journal* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

BC and Yukon Book Prizes Christie-Harris Illustrated Children's Literature Prize (shortlisted), 2024
 Saskatchewan Shining Willow Award (shortlisted), 2024
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Books for Kids and Teens, 2023
 An Ontario Library Association Best Bets Honorable Mention, 2023
 R. Ross Annett Award for Children's Literature (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, Booklist

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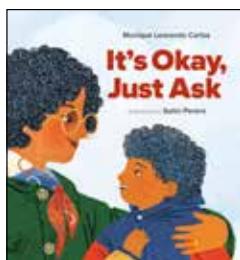
Reading Levels:

Grade: I+

Fountas & Pinnell: H

Lexile® Measure: AD 790L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L


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It's Okay, Just Ask

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Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Positive Communication; Compassion; Caring

Social Studies: Personal & Social Identity; People & Places; Emigration & Immigration; Community

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Lexile® Measure: AD 540L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

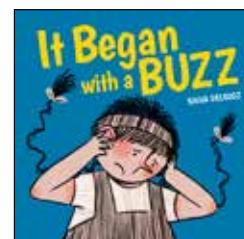
“Tenderly reassuring and useful for sparking curiosity.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2024
 A FOLD Kids Book of the Month, 2024
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025
 Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2026

Other Reviews:

CCBN, CLCD, SLJ


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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy

Character Education: Empathy; Perseverance; Resilience

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Managing Emotions

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2

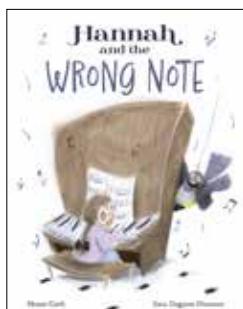
Fountas & Pinnell: E

Reading Recovery: 8

Lexile® Measure: AD 390L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Many will be inspired to find their own coping mechanisms...An encouraging take on coping with a frustrating condition.” — Kirkus



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Language Arts: Making Connections; Story Elements; Sentence Fluency; Figurative Language (Personification)

Character Education: Courage; Perseverance

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Responsible Decision Making; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: H

Reading Recovery: 14

Lexile® Measure: AD 480L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A perfectionist pianist learns to let loose in this melodic picture book.” ★ — Foreword Reviews (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, SLJ



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★ Golden Threads

By Suzanne Del Rizzo
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Figurative Language

Character Education: Courage; Empathy

Social-Emotional Learning: Recognizing One's Emotions

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–4

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: 670L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, RF, L

“An inspiring cross-cultural message showing that our experiences make us stronger.” ★ — Booklist (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2020

Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award (shortlisted), 2021

Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Book Award (shortlisted), 2021

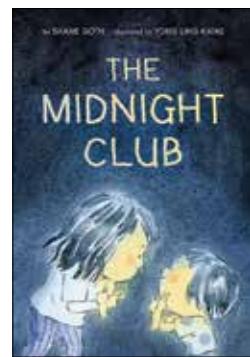
ATD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2022

Other Reviews:

★ Foreword

★ SLJ

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★ The Midnight Club

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections

Character Education: Caring

Social-Emotional Learning: Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+

Fountas & Pinnell: H

Reading Recovery: 15

Lexile® Measure: AD 480L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“This playfully mischievous ode to sibling solidarity is sure to inspire similar nocturnal escapades among readers.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Christie Harris Illustrated Book Award (finalist), 2022

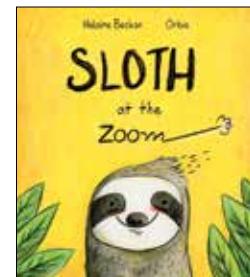
Saskatchewan Shining Willow Award (shortlisted), 2022

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

Other Reviews:

★ PW

Booklist, Q&Q, SLJ



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Sloth at the Zoom

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Word Choice

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: 520L

Common Core: W, RL, L, RF, SL

NGSS: 2-LS2, 2-LS4



“Perfectly pitched for preschoolers who are just beginning to understand jokes...a gentle lesson that positive alternatives to hurtling mindlessly through life do exist.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

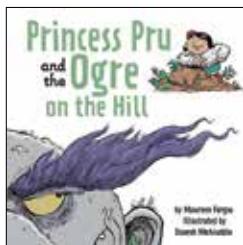
Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2018

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (honor book), 2020

Other Reviews:

Booklist, SLJ



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Language Arts: Reading

Social Emotional Learning: Belonging; Empathy

Character Education: Self-Confidence; Persistence



Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: 18

Lexile® Measure: AD 840L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

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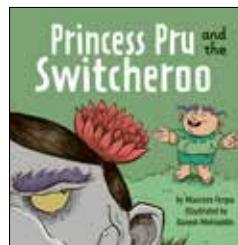
“A lighthearted reminder that first impressions, like appearances, can be deceiving.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2023
Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2023

Other Reviews:

Booklist, PW



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Effective Story Beginnings

Social Emotional Learning: Self-Esteem and Confidence; Self-Awareness; Social Awareness

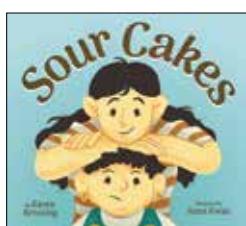
Character Education: Empathy; Individuality



Character Education

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“This comical poke at class and gender expectations features properly boisterous cartoon illustrations... Tweaks conventions with tongue firmly embedded in cheek.” — Kirkus



Sour Cakes

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Illustrated by Anna Kwan

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CURRICULUM

Character Development: Empathy; Respect

Social-Emotional Learning: Recognizing One's Emotions; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+

Fountas & Pinnell: G

Reading Recovery: 12

Lexile® Measure: AD 310L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Character Education

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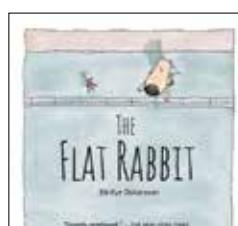
“This sensitive narrative shows the significance of empathy in meeting people where they're at.” — Publishers Weekly

Awards and Accolades:

An Ontario Library Association Top Ten Best Bet, 2021

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ



The Flat Rabbit

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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3

Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: AD 610L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W



Character Education

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“Perfectly, honestly childlike in its approach...should provoke both thought and discussion.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Booklist Editors' Choice, 2014

A Brain Pickings Best Picture Book, 2014

A 100 Scope Notes Wildest Children's Book, 2014

A Kirkus Reviews Best Books of the 21st Century (So Far)

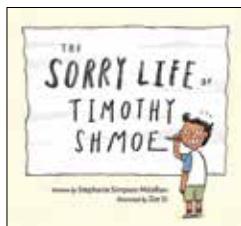
Other Reviews:

★ Booklist

Brain Pickings, NYT

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The Sorry Life of Timothy Shmoe

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Letter Writing

Character Education: Responsibility; Honesty; Positive Communication

Social-Emotional Learning: Social Awareness; Relationship Skills; Responsible Decision-Making

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: AD 700L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W



Character Education

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“Kids and adults alike will identify.” — Kirkus

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Setting

Character Education: Empathy, Caring

Social-Emotional Learning: Recognizing One's Emotions; Social Awareness

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: AD 520L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



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“A beautifully poignant celebration of memories of a loved one that live on in those that remain.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Kirkus Most Anticipated Fall Book, 2021

A Kirkus Best Book, 2021

Governor General's Literary Award (winner), 2022

A Globe and Mail Best Book, 2021

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book of 2021

Booklist Top 10 Picture Book of 2021

A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2022

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2022

Bank Street Best Children's Books of the Year, 2022

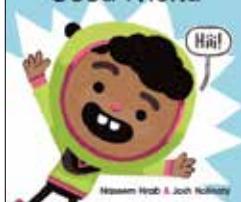
The White Ravens selection, 2022

ATD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2023

Other Reviews:

★ Booklist ★ Q&Q ★ SLJ

Horn Book, PW



Ira Crumb Makes a Pretty Good Friend

By Naseem Hrab
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Language Arts: Making Connections; Dialog; Voice

Character Education: Courage; Perseverance

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1–4

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: AD 490L

Common Core: L, RF, W, RL, SL

Character Education

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“Packed with wry whimsy... A valuable lesson in friendship.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Bank Street Best Children's Book, 2017

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

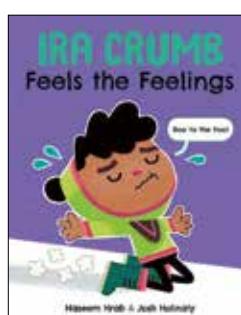
A School Library Journal Popular Pick, 2017

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Q&Q, SLJ

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Ira Crumb Feels the Feelings

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Dialog; Voice

Character Education: Empathy; Positive

Communication

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1–4

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: 420L

Common Core: RF, RL, SL, W, L



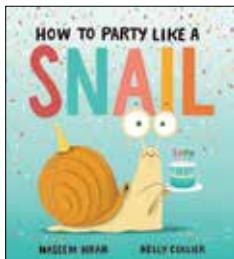
Character Education

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“Two irreverent friends navigate the cutthroat world of playground politics in this hilarious picture book about feeling sad.” — Kirkus

Other Reviews:

Booklist, SLJ



★ How to Party Like a Snail

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Dialog; Voice; Setting; Word Choice (Sensory Language)

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Perseverance; Inclusivity; Individuality

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+

Fountas & Pinnell: H
Reading Recovery: I4
Lexile® Measure: AD 590L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

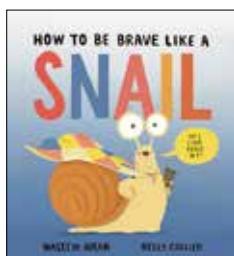
“A wildly charming, earnestly rendered ‘SHHHellebration of the SHHHush.’” ★ — Publishers Weekly (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Maine Children’s Choice Chickadee Award (shortlisted), 2024
Michigan Reading Association Great Lakes Great Books Award (shortlisted), 2023
Washington Children’s Choice Picture Book Award (shortlisted), 2024
A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2022
Cybils Board Books and Fiction Picture Books Award (finalist), 2022
An Indigo Heather’s Pick, 2023
An Indigo Staff Pick, 2022
Joan Betty Stuchner Oy Vey! Funniest Children’s Book Award (shortlisted), 2023
Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (honor book), 2024

Other Reviews:

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Dialog; Voice

Character Education: Empathy; Kindness; Positive Communication

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills; Recognizing One’s Emotions; Managing Emotions

Reading Levels:

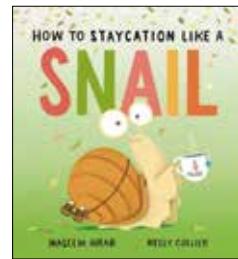
Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: J
Lexile® Measure: AD 590L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A perfect relationship guide, demonstrating how to help others acknowledge and work through emotions while giving space for their own feelings.” — School Library Journal

Other Reviews:

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Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Perseverance; Inclusivity; Individuality

Reading Levels:

Grade: I

Fountas & Pinnell: I
Reading Recovery: I6
Lexile® Measure: AD 600L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“An adorable and hilarious picture book that teaches readers the magic of the very low bar.”

★ — School Library Journal (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2024
A TD Summer Reading Club selection, 2025
Ontario Library Association Best Bets Honorable Mention, 2024
A TD Summer Reading Club selection, 2025
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025
CBC Kids Reads (longlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

Booklist, CLCD, Kirkus

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Language Arts: Making Connections; First-Person POV; Dialog; Voice

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Identity; Social Awareness; Self-Esteem and Confidence; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Courage; Self-Respect; Respect

Reading Levels:

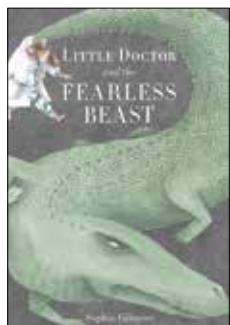
Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: I
Reading Recovery: I6
Lexile® Measure: AD 450L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“[A] story about self-definition and accepting others for who they say they are.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2025



Character Education
Inquiry SEL

"A young girl must figure out a way to help a sharp-toothed and fearsome creature many times her size...A rousing, toothy adventure." — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Publishers Weekly Flying Start selection, 2019
A Kirkus Best Book, 2019
An ABA Best Book for Young Readers, 2019

Other Reviews:



Foreword, Horn Book, NYT, SLJ

★ Little Doctor and the Fearless Beast

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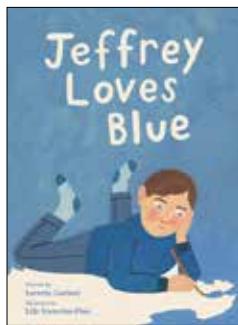


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Character Education: Responsibility; Courage

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2
Fountas & Pinnell: K
Reading Recovery: 18
Lexile® Measure: 700L
Common Core: W, L, RF, SL, RL



Character Education
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"Proof that adapting to change is not only possible, but also genuinely enjoyable." — Kirkus

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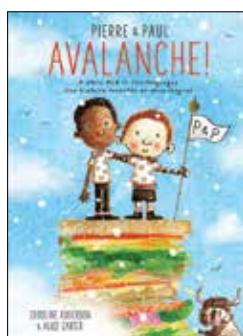
Language Arts: Reading

Character Education: Empathy

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Self-Regulation; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1+
Fountas & Pinnell: G
Reading Recovery: 12
Lexile® Measure: AD 680L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



★ Pierre & Paul: Avalanche!

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Dual Language (English/French); Making Inferences

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3
Fountas & Pinnell: K
Reading Recovery: 18
Lexile® Measure: 460L
Common Core: RL, L, RF, SL, W

Character Education

Diversity

Inquiry

"Colorful illustrations, field notes, and cleverly integrated word keys promote comprehension whether readers are fluent in English, French, both, or neither." — Foreword (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2020

Other Reviews:



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Dual Language (English/French); Making Inferences

Reading Levels:

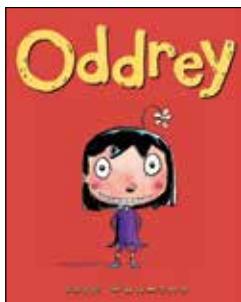
Grade: K–4
Fountas & Pinnell: L
Reading Recovery: 19
Lexile® Measure: AD 380L
Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021
A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2022
Chocolate Lily Young Readers' Choice Award (shortlisted), 2022

Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Comprehension; Word Recognition Strategies

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: 18

Lexile® Measure: AD 560L

Common Core: RL



Character Education
SEL

“In a fun riff on the tried-and-true ‘weird girl finds acceptance’ trope, Oddrey’s grateful classmates decide not just to tolerate her uniqueness but to let her actions inspire their own creativity.”

★ — Quill & Quire (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Texas Library Association 2x2 Reading List, 2012

Ontario Library Association Best Bets List, 2012

National Cartoonists Society Reuben Award for Illustration (shortlisted), 2012

Saskatchewan Young Readers’ Choice Willow Award (shortlisted), 2013

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2013

Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award, 2014

Other Reviews:

SLJ

Oddrey Joins the Team

By Dave Whamond

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PB • \$9.95 CDN / \$8.95 US

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ISBN 978-1-77147-116-9

CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Comprehension; Word Recognition Strategies

Reading Levels:

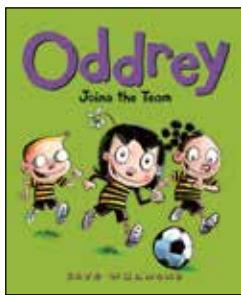
Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: 17

Lexile® Measure: AD 540L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W



Character Education
SEL

“Give this to fans of the first Oddrey books; it should spark a discussion of sportsmanship and working together.”

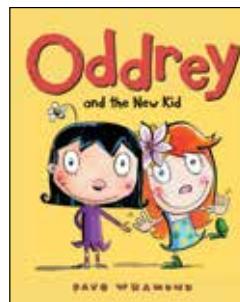
— School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2015

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



Oddrey and the New Kid

By Dave Whamond

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Comprehension; Word Recognition Strategies

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: 17

Lexile® Measure: AD 660L

Common Core: RL



Character Education
SEL

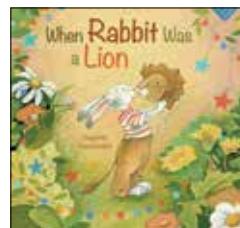
“Will delight readers.” — Booklist

Awards and Accolades:

Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (finalist), 2015

Other Reviews:

Kirkus Q&O, SLJ



When Rabbit Was a Lion

By Eugenie Fernandes

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections

Character Education: Perseverance; Empathy; Caring; Courage; Inclusiveness

Social Emotional: Self-Awareness; Self-Management; Social Awareness

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Lexile® Measure: AD 580L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Character Education
SEL

“A feel-good episode, attuned in particular to children with quieter dispositions.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

An Ontario Library Association Best Bet (honorable mention), 2023

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

Other Reviews:

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: First-Person POV; Artistry of Language; Sentence Fluency; Figurative Language (Personification); Voice; Visual Literacy; Questioning

Character Education: Positive Communication; Cooperation; Respect

Social-Emotional Learning: Social Awareness; Relationship Skills; Responsible Decision-Making

Reading Levels:

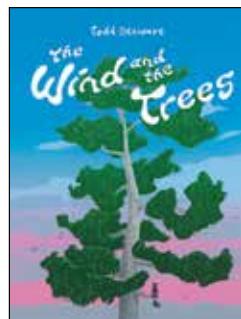
Grade: I–2

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: 610L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Sentence Fluency; Visual Literacy

Character Education: Empathy

Science: Ecological Relationships

Visual Arts: Artistic Perception

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: L

Reading Recovery: 19

Lexile® Measure: AD 460L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W

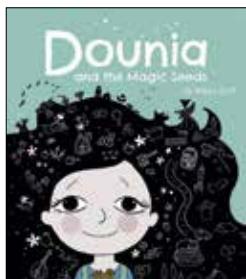
NGSS: 3-PS2, 3-LS2, 3-ESS2



“An extraordinary addition to any library and a heartfelt reminder that each of us in every moment, however little or big, plays a cosmic role in the infinite universe.” ★ — Booklist (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:
Booklist Editors’ Choice, 2025

Other Reviews:
Foreword, Kirkus



Inquiry SEL

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By Marya Zarif



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Language Arts: Making Connections; Visual Literacy

Character Education: Perseverance

Social Studies: Global Communities; Immigration/Emigration

Reading Levels:

Grade: 5+

Fountas & Pinnell: T

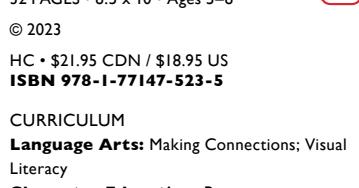
Lexile® Measure: AD 680L

Common Core: RL, L, SL, W

“A moving refugee story laced with optimism and magic.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2023
A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2024
A Saskatchewan Shining Willow Award Finalist, 2024
A Top Grade Spring Pick, 2023

Other Reviews:
CLCD, G&M



SEL

★ See You Next Year

By Andrew Larsen
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–4

Fountas & Pinnell: L

Reading Recovery: 19

Lexile® Measure: AD 410L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

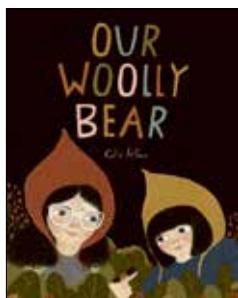
“A stylishly illustrated celebration of the annual week at the beach.”
—The New York Times

Awards and Accolades:

Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award (shortlisted), 2015
ATD Summer Reading Club selection, 2015
A Cooperative Children’s Book Centre CCBC Choice, 2016

Other Reviews:

BCCB, Booklist, Horn Book, Kirkus, Q&Q, SL



Inquiry

★ Our Woolly Bear

By Katie Arthur

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections**Character Education:** Responsibility; Cooperation; Positive Communication**Reading Levels:**

Grade: I

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: AD 600L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Inspires readers to relish ordinary, delicate wonders.”

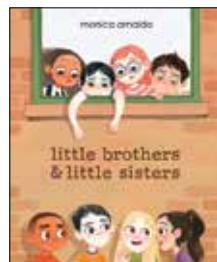
★ — *School Library Journal* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy Bell Award (nominee), 2024

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



Character Education

Early Childhood

SEL

★ Little Brothers & Little Sisters

By Monica Arnaldo

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension**Reading Levels:**

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: 18

Lexile® Measure: AD 120L

Common Core: W, SL, RF, L, RL

“A heartfelt reflection on the trials and joys of sibling dynamics.

Big love for this little book.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

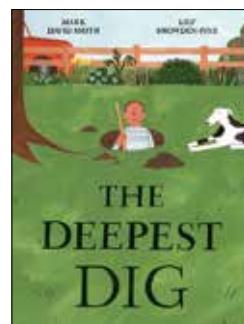
Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

A Bank Street Best Children's Book of the Year, 2019

Other Reviews:

Booklist, SLJ



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Language Arts: Reading**Science:** Scientific Inquiry; Paleontology**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: L

Lexile® Measure: AD 610L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“[May] inspire young readers to take closer looks at their own supposedly familiar surroundings.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2023

Other Reviews:

SLJ

Carmen and the House That Gaudí Built

By Susan Hughes

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Friendship; Character Education**Science:** Structure and Function**Arts:** Exploring Forms and Cultural Contexts**Reading Levels:**

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: AD 560L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W

“A solid introduction to Gaudí and to the influence of nature on his work.” — *School Library Journal*

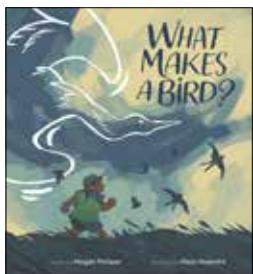
Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

A Quill & Quire Best Book, 2021

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, Q&Q



Inquiry STEM

What Makes a Bird?

 By Megan Pomper
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Questioning; Dialog; Setting
Character Education: Positive Communication; Patience; Courage
Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Regulation; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

 Grade: K–2
Fountas & Pinnell: F
Reading Recovery: 9
Lexile® Measure: 520L
Common Core: RL, WV, SL, L

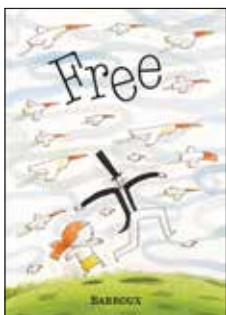
“The beautiful book playfully takes on an enormous (and important) question, and it’s sure to spark conversation...A fun philosophical and scientific debate wrapped in a particularly pretty package.” — *Booklist*

Awards and Accolades:

 Victoria Children’s Book Prize (shortlisted), 2025
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, Shelf Awareness



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading; Media Literacy

Reading Levels:

 Grade: Pre-3+
Fountas & Pinnell: P
Lexile® Measure: AD 240L
Common Core: RL, WV, SL, L

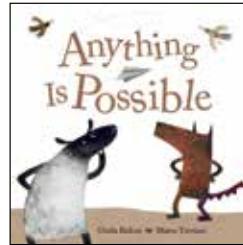
“This playful take on finding solutions is a valuable addition.” — *School Library Journal*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

Other Reviews:

CLCD



Character Education

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Anything Is Possible

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading; Fables
Science: Engineering; Invention

Reading Levels:

 Grade: 2
Fountas & Pinnell: K
Reading Recovery: 18
Lexile® Measure: AD 540L
Common Core: RL
NGSS: 2-PS1, K-2-ETS1


“Lovely bookmaking nicely complements this charming, light-as-a-feather tale of friendship and successful dreaming.” — *Kirkus*

Other Reviews:

Booklist, PW, SLJ

Sometimes a Wall...

 By Dianne White
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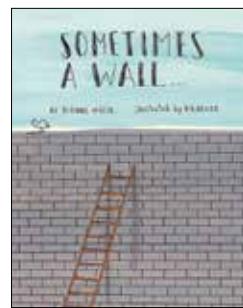
CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Visual Literacy

Visual Arts: Illustration Techniques; Color

Character Education: Empathy; Kindness; Caring; Respect; Bullying; Exclusion; Consequences; Problem-Solving; Cooperation; Teamwork

Reading Levels:

 Grade: Pre-K–4
Fountas & Pinnell: M
Reading Recovery: 20
Lexile® Measure: NP
Common Core: RL, L, RF, SL, W


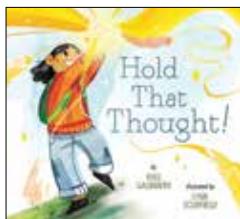
Character Education

SEL

“Hopeful and compassionate, [this story] may inspire children to choose a more inclusive way.” — *School Library Journal*

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



Character Education

Diversity Inquiry

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Hold That Thought!By Bree Galbraith
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Social-Emotional Learning: Belonging and Contributing; Teamwork and Cooperation; Kindness
Character Education: Self-Confidence; Perseverance; Flexibility

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3+
 Fountas & Pinnell: O
 Lexile® Measure: AD 610L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

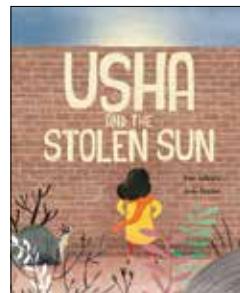
“Encourages kids to express their original ideas and make constructive contributions.” — *Quill & Quire*

Awards and Accolades:

A Bookstart Best Read Aloud Picture Book, 2021
 Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children’s Book Award (shortlisted), 2022
 A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2024

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ

R**Usha and the Stolen Sun**By Bree Galbraith
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–4
 Fountas & Pinnell: K
 Reading Recovery: 19
 Lexile® Measure: 550L
 Common Core: SL, W, L, RL, RF

Character Education

Diversity

SEL

“The book offers a great opportunity to start a discussion about how to resolve conflicts, face bullies, and change the world.” — *School Library Journal*

Awards and Accolades:

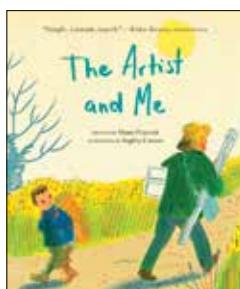
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2020

Other Reviews:

BCCB, Booklist, Kirkus, PW, SLC

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ



Character Education

The Arts

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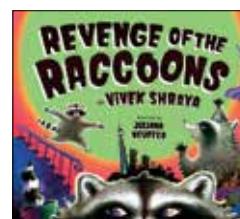
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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Visual Arts: Forms; Cultural Contexts

Reading Levels:

Grade: I–5
 Fountas & Pinnell: O
 Lexile® Measure: AD 480L
 Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading; Rhyming; Word Patterns
Character Education: Adaptability

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–1
 Fountas & Pinnell: H
 Reading Recovery: 14
 Lexile® Measure: AD 340L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Low-key yet powerful...Simple, resonant, superb.”

★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Kirkus Best Book, 2016
 A Junior Library Guild selection, 2016
 Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award (shortlisted), 2017
 Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2017
 A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Horn Book, PW, Q&Q, SLC, SLJ

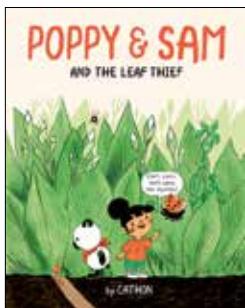
“An instant favorite.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

R. Ross Annett Award for Children’s Literature (shortlisted), 2023

Other Reviews:

Q&Q, Today’s Parent



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Understanding Story Elements; Visual Literacy

Character Education: Teamwork; Cooperation

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–4

Fountas & Pinnell: L

Reading Recovery: 19

Lexile® Measure: 500L

Common Core: W, SL, L, RI, RF

“An appealing whodunit about friendship and community, great for fans of comics.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

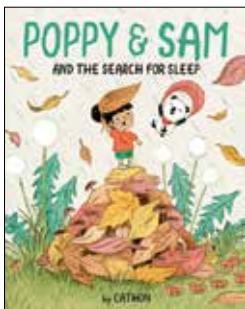
A Junior Library Guild selection, 2018

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2018

Texas Library Association's Little Maverick Graphic Novels Reading List, 2019

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Q&Q, SLC, SLJ



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Understanding Story Elements; Visual Literacy

Character Education: Teamwork; Cooperation

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–3

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: GN 410L

Common Core: W, SL, RF, L, RL

“The story is just as sweet, whimsical, and simple as ever. Sure to delight children looking for a cozy adventure, as well as fans of the series.” — School Library Journal

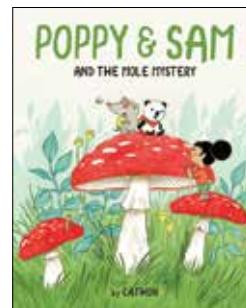
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Other Reviews:

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Reading Recovery: 19

Lexile® Measure: 500L

Common Core: RL, L, RF, SL, W



“With its admirable protagonist, this is delightful easy reading with equal parts humor and heart.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

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Texas Library Association's Little Maverick Graphic Novels Reading List, 2021

Other Reviews:

Booklist, SLJ

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Understanding Story Elements; Visual Literacy

Character Education: Teamwork; Cooperation

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: J

Reading Recovery: 18

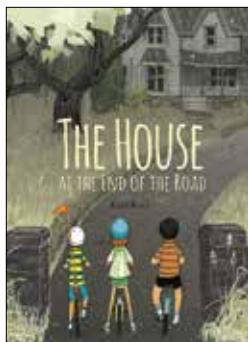
Lexile® Measure: 440L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A great addition to any library collection.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Books for Kids and Teens, 2024



The House at the End of the Road

By Kari Rust

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: 550L

Common Core: L, RF, SL, W, RL



Character Education

SEL

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Awards and Accolades:

Sheila Barry Best Canadian Picturebook of the Year (shortlisted), 2020

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Horn Book, PW, SLC, SLJ



Character Education

Diversity

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“A simple, straightforward account of the way bullying takes place and an approach that puts the power in the children’s hands.”

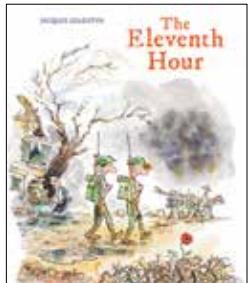
— Vancouver Kidsbooks

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Foreword, Kirkus, PW, Q&Q, SLJ



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Reading Levels:

Grade: 1–5

Fountas & Pinnell: T

Common Core: RL, L, RF, SL, W

“[A]n extremely effective narrative of World War I...a history lesson and conversation starter in one book.”

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Awards and Accolades:

A Quill & Quire Book of the Year, 2018

A Bulletin of the Center for Children’s Books Blue Ribbon, 2018

Ontario Library Association Best Bets List, 2018

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

A Bank Street Best Children’s Book of the Year, 2019

Ontario Library Association Light Reads, Great Stories List, 2020

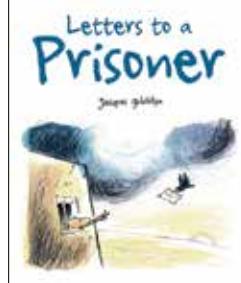
Other Reviews:

★ Q&Q

★ SLJ

BCCB, Booklist, PW, SLC

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Letters to a Prisoner

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Social Studies: Local and Global Community; Global Awareness; Citizenship

Character Education: Teamwork

Reading Levels:

Grade: 4+

Fountas & Pinnell: WB

Lexile® Measure: NP

Common Core: RL, L, SL, W

Character Education

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“An accessible and inspiring tribute.” ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Kirkus Best Book, 2017

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

An ILA Notable Book for a Global Society, 2018

An NCTE Notable Children’s Book in the Language Arts, 2018

A TD Summer Reading Club selection, 2018

Alberta Children’s Choice Rocky Mountain Book Award (shortlisted), 2019

Other Reviews:

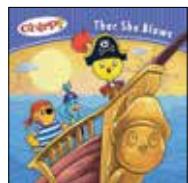
★ Kirkus

PW, Q&Q, Booklist, SLC, SLJ

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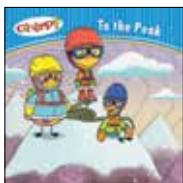
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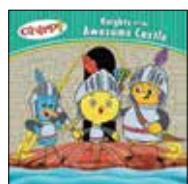
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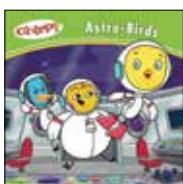
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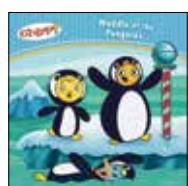
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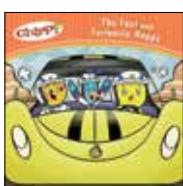
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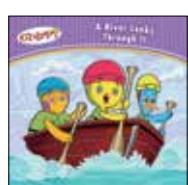
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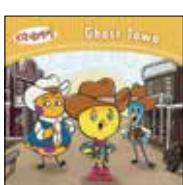
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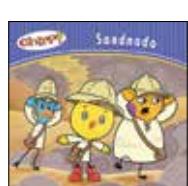
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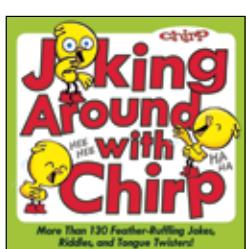
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Reading Levels:

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Reading Recovery: 15–17
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Awards and Accolades:

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Fountas & Pinnell: I–J
Reading Recovery: 15–17
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Common Core: L, RF, RL, WV, SL

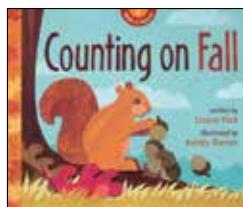
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Mathematics: Quantity Relationships; Counting; Operational Sense

Science: Plants; Animals; Life Science; Habitats; Seasons

Visual Arts: Shape and Form; Space; Color

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: 18

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Common Core: RL, RI, Math

NGSS: 2-LS2, 2-LS4, 2-ESS1

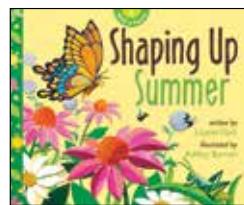


Other Reviews:
ILA, Kirkus, PW, Q&Q



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Shaping Up Summer

By Lizann Flatt
Illustrated by Ashley Barron

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ISBN 978-1-77147-163-3

CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Poetry; Comprehension

Mathematics: Geometric Properties; Geometric Relationships

Science: Plants; Animals; Life Science; Habitats; Seasons

Visual Arts: Shape and Form; Space; Color

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3

Fountas & Pinnell: N

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: AD 640L

Common Core: L, RL, RI, Math

NGSS: 2-LS2, 2-LS4, 2-ESS2, 2-ESS1

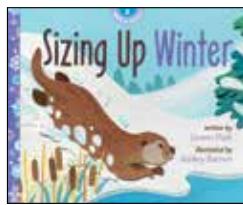


Other Reviews:
ILA, Kirkus, SLJ



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By Lizann Flatt
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Poetry; Comprehension

Mathematics: Attributes, Units, and Measurement Sense; Measurement Relationships

Science: Plants; Animals; Life Science; Habitats; Seasons

Visual Arts: Shape and Form; Space; Color

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: 550L

Common Core: RL, RI, Math

NGSS: 2-LS2, 2-LS4, 2-ESS2, 2-ESS1



Other Reviews:
Kirkus, SLJ



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Language Arts: Poetry; Comprehension

Mathematics: Patterns and Relationships; Expressions and Equality; Collection and Organization of Data; Data Relationships; Probability

Science: Plants; Animals; Life Science; Habitats; Seasons

Visual Arts: Shape and Form; Space; Color

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–3

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

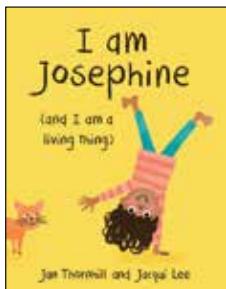
Lexile® Measure: 640L

Common Core: RL, RI, Math, SL

NGSS: 2-LS2, 2-LS4, 2-ESS2, 2-ESS1



Other Reviews:
Kirkus



Early Childhood  Diversity  Inquiry  STEM 

“A charmingly simple way to help children see how they fit into the world around them.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017
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By Jan Thornhill
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CURRICULUM

Science: Life Systems; Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Habitats and Communities

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–2
Fountas & Pinnell: F
Reading Recovery: 9–10
Lexile® Measure: AD 530L
Common Core: L, RF, RI, W, SL
NGSS: I-LS1, I-LS3



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Winter's Coming: A Story of Seasonal Change

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading; Understanding Informational Text

Science: Life Science; Life Systems; Camouflage; Adaptation

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3–5
Fountas & Pinnell: N
Lexile® Measure: AD 780L
Common Core: L, RF, RL, W
NGSS: 3-LS1, 3-LS2, 3-LS3, 3-LS4, 3-ESS2

“A beautifully illustrated book full of accurate and engaging information about various species.” — School Library Connection

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2015

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By Susumu Shingu



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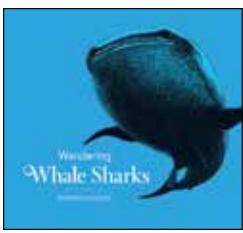
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CURRICULUM

Sciences: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Growth and Changes in Animals

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–4
Fountas & Pinnell: K
Reading Recovery: 18
Lexile® Measure: AD 510L
Common Core: L, RF, RI, W, SL
NGSS: 2-LS2, 2-LS4, 2-ESS2



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Language Arts: Reading; Understanding Informational Text

Science: Life Science; Life Systems; Migration; Animals; Environment; Habitat; Weather

Social Studies: Geography; Maps

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3–5
Fountas & Pinnell: N
Lexile® Measure: 620L
Common Core: RL
NGSS: 3-LS1, 3-LS3, 3-LS4, 3-ESS2



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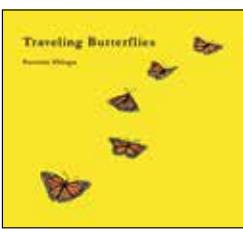
“An unusual and attractive take on a perennially absorbing topic.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Toy Testing Council Great Book, 2014
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2014

Other Reviews:

Booklist, SL



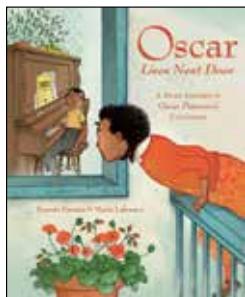
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“Combining the precision of science with the grace of poetry and lovely illustrations, this book is a natural.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2015

A Baker’s Dozen Best Children’s Book for Family Literacy, 2016

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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension**The Arts:** Exploring Forms and Cultural Contexts**Social Studies:** Local Community**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 3

Fountas & Pinnell: P

Lexile® Measure: AD 660L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

"An engaging look at the man who put Montreal and Little Burgundy on the map of jazz history." — *School Library Journal*

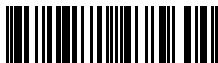
Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2016

Quebec Writers' Federation Award (shortlisted), 2016

Other Reviews:

Booklist, ILA, Kirkus, Q&Q

Inquiry **Wake Up, Little Pin!**
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Life Science: Natural Cycles; Growth and Changes in Plants; Habitats and Biodiversity; Ecosystems; Photosynthesis**Earth Science:** Biocommunication**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 2

Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: 20

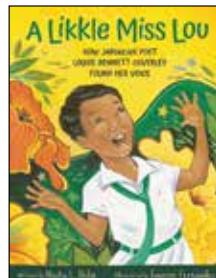
Lexile® Measure: AD 690L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

"This essential work will inspire children to learn more and appreciate the interwoven connections of, literally, everything on Earth." ★ — *School Library Journal* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

Other Reviews: KirkusThe Arts **A Likkle Miss Lou****How Jamaican Poet Louise Bennett Coverley Found Her Voice**

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Poetry**Reading Levels:**

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: P

Lexile® Measure: 680L

Common Core: RI, L, RF, W, SL

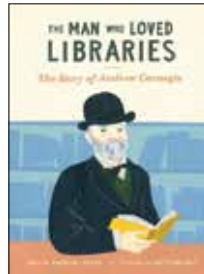
"This joyful book celebrates the importance of language and taking it as your own." — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

A CBC Best Canadian Picture Book, 2019

Other Reviews:

Booklist, PW, Q&Q, SLJ

Character Education Inquiry **The Man Who Loved Libraries****The Story of Andrew Carnegie**

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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension**Social Studies:** People; Places; Environments**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 1–5

Fountas & Pinnell: O

Lexile® Measure: AD 750L

Common Core: RI, W, SL, RF, L

"Certainly the world of public libraries would be poorer without the substantial contribution of Andrew Carnegie... We can all make a real difference when we choose to give back." — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2017

A TD Summer Reading Club selection, 2018

Other Reviews:

Booklist, PW, SLJ



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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Understanding Informational Text

Social Studies: Heritage and Identity; Traditions and Celebrations; World Connections; Communities Around the World

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–5

Fountas & Pinnell: O

Lexile® Measure: IG 840L

Common Core: L, RF, RI, W, SL



Diversity

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“The format easily invites comparisons and contrasts, and thought-provoking questions at the end will encourage additional critical thinking.” — Booklist

Other Reviews: PW



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The Many Ways Living Things Depend on Darkness

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Language Arts: Making Connections; Questioning; Artistry of Language

Character Education: Curiosity

Life Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Growth and Changes in Living Things

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: F

Reading Recovery: 9

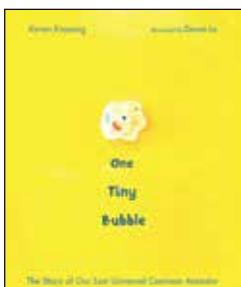
Lexile® Measure: 530L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

Inquiry

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“A surprisingly comforting and thoughtful ode to darkness.” — Kirkus



One Tiny Bubble

The Story of Our Last Universal Common Ancestor

By Karen Krossing
Illustrated by Dawn Lo



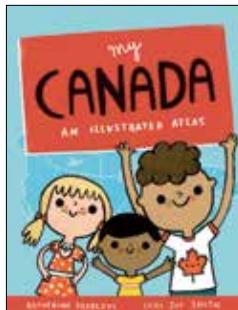
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Science: Understanding Life Systems; Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Plants; Understanding Earth and Space Systems



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Social Studies: Canadian Heritage and History

Geography: Canadian Geography; Maps

Reading Levels:

Grade: Pre-K–2



Early Childhood

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“This informative trip across Canada celebrates its people, places, and landscapes.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

Other Reviews:

Q&Q

Flow, Spin, Grow

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By Patchen Barss

Illustrated by Todd Stewart

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NGSS



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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension

Math: Patterns

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–5

Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: AD 590L

Common Core: RF, RI, SL, W, L

NGSS: 3-PS2-1, 3-LS1, 3-LS3, 3-LS4, 3-ESS2



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“An especially wonderful book to read aloud and discuss with young nature-lovers.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Book Links Lasting Connection, 2018

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, Q&Q, SLC

Reading Levels:

Grade: 5+

Fountas & Pinnell: S

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Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



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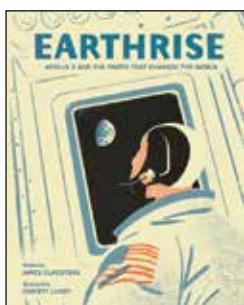
“Squeezes millions of years of our past into a beautiful brief narrative of our last universal common ancestor.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

Alcuin Society Book Design Competition (2nd Prize), 2022

A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2022

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2024

★ **Earthrise****Apollo 8 and the Photo That Changed the World**

By James Gladstone

Illustrated by Christy Lundy

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Reading Comprehension**Science:** Earth and Space Systems**Social Studies:** Local and Global Communities**Reading Levels:**

Grade: 2–5

Fountas & Pinnell: Q

Lexile® Measure: 590L

Common Core: W, SL, RF, L, RI

NGSS: 4-PS3, 4-PS4, 4-ESS1, 4-ESS2, 4-ESS3,

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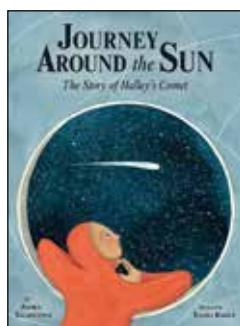
A CBC/NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book, 2018

Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction (shortlisted), 2018

Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Willow Award (shortlisted), 2019

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, PW, Q&Q, Shelf Awareness, SLC, SLJ

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Grade: 3–7

Fountas & Pinnell: U

Lexile® Measure: AD 960L

Common Core: L, RF, RI, RL, SL, W

NGSS: 5-PS2, 5-PS3, 5-ESS1, 5-ESS2, 5-ESS3

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Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2021

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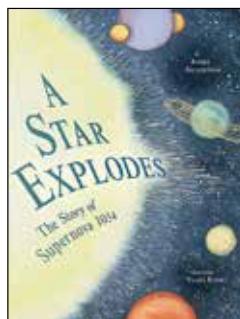
Sheila Barry Best Canadian Picturebook of the Year (shortlisted), 2022

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2024

Other Reviews:

★ Q&Q

CCBN, Foreword, PW

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Grade: 4+

Fountas & Pinnell: R

Lexile® Measure: AD 880L

Common Core: RI, W, SL, L

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Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2023

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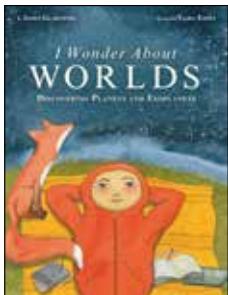
A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2024

Pennsylvania Young Reader's Choice Award (shortlisted), 2024

Richard Allen Chase Memorial Award (shortlisted), 2024

Other Reviews:

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Fountas & Pinnell: P

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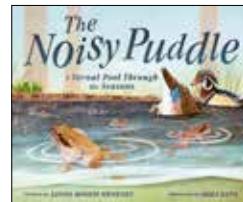
Fountas & Pinnell: G

Reading Recovery: I2

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Fountas & Pinnell: G

Reading Recovery: I2

Lexile® Measure: AD 400L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

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Awards and Accolades:

A Kirkus Best Picture Book of 2024

Toronto Public Library First and Best List, 2024

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

Evanston Public Library 101 Great Books for Kids, 2024

An Association for Library Service to Children Notable Children's Book, 2025

Bank Street College of Education Best Children's Book of the Year, 2025

Blueberry Award (honor book), 2025

Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award (shortlisted), 2025

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Reading Recovery: I4

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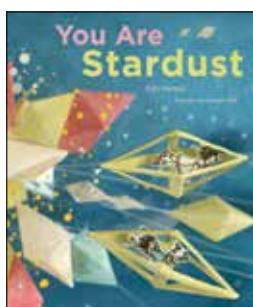
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

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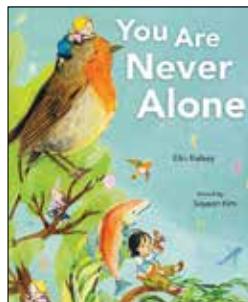
Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: AD 770L

Common Core: RL

NGSS: 3-PS2, 3-LS1, 3-LS2, 3-LS3, 3-LS4,

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NGSS: 4-PS3, 4-LS1, 4-ESS2, 3-LS2, 3-LS3, 3-LS4



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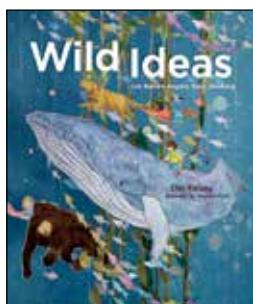
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2013

Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award (shortlisted), 2013



Other Reviews:

Booklist, Brain Pickings, Foreword, LA Times, Q&Q, Scientific American, Shelf Awareness, SLJ, Washington Post



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Lexile® Measure: AD 560L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, RI, W, SL

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Reading Levels:

Grade: 2-5

Fountas & Pinnell: O

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Awards and Accolades:

A Kirkus Best Book, 2020

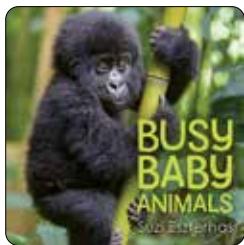
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2020

Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Book Award (shortlisted), 2021

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Other Reviews:

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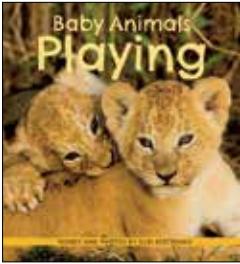
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Reading Levels:

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 Fountas & Pinnell: J
 Reading Recovery: 17
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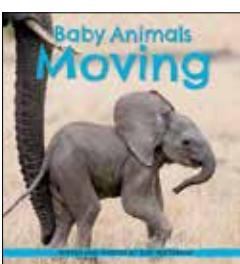
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Reading Levels:

 Grade: Pre-K–2
 Fountas & Pinnell: J
 Reading Recovery: 17
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 Common Core: RI, W, SL, RF, L
 NGSS: I-LS1-1, I-LS3-1





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Science: Animals

Concepts: Opposites

Reading Levels:

 Grade: Pre-K–1
 Fountas & Pinnell: LB
 Lexile® Measure: NP
 Common Core: SL, RF, L, RI, W

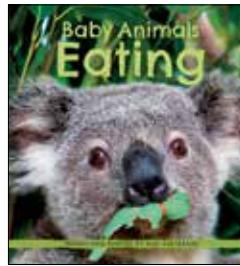

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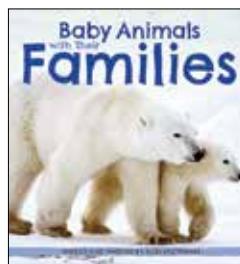
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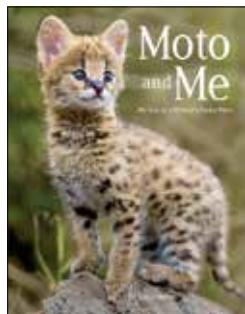
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Other Reviews:

Booklist, SLJ



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Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–6

Fountas & Pinnell: P

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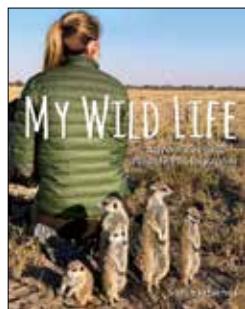
Texas Cypress-Fairbanks Horned Toad Tales List, 2019

Children's Literature Association of Utah Beehive Award (nominee), 2019

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Other Reviews:

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Social Studies: Careers



Reading Levels:

Grade: 3+

Fountas & Pinnell: V

Lexile® Measure: 890L

Common Core: L, RI, RF, SL, W

NGSS: 5-LS1, 5-LS2, 5-ESS3, 3-5-ETS1

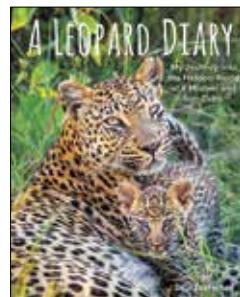
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Reading Levels:

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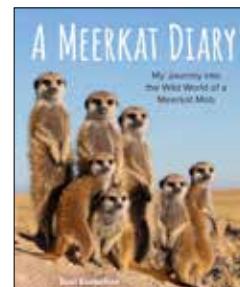
★ — School Library Journal (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

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Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus



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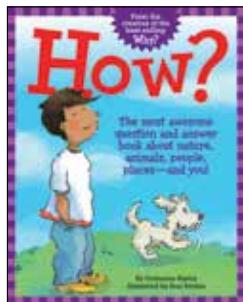
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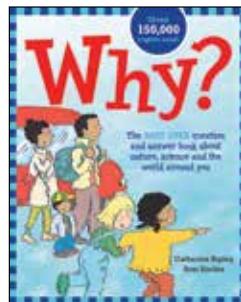
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Common Core: RI
NGSS: 3-PS2, 3-LS1, 3-LS2, 3-LS3, 3-ESS2, 3-5-ETS1

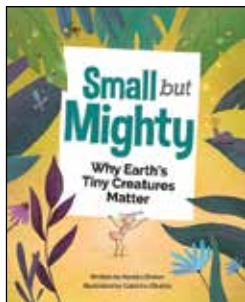
“Why? will help nurture a playful, scientific curiosity in early-school-aged children.” — *Today’s Parent Magazine*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2011

Other Reviews:

PW, Q&Q, SL



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Language Arts: Reading
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Reading Levels:

Grade: 5+
Fountas & Pinnell: T
Lexile® Measure: 950L
Common Core: RI, W, LS, L
NGSS: 5-LS1, 5-LS2



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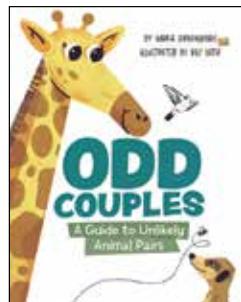
“A climate-conscious celebration of some small, helpful creatures of the world.” — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

Hackmatack Children’s Choice Book Award (shortlisted), 2022

Other Reviews:

SLC, SL



Odd Couples

A Guide to Unlikely Animal Pairs

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Reading Levels:

Grade: 3+
Fountas & Pinnell: O
Lexile® Measure: 860L
Common Core: RI, W, SL, L
NGSS: 2-LS2-D

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Language Arts: Understanding Informational Text
Life Sciences: Animal Adaptations and Characteristics

“A mind-expanding gallery of seemingly different wild creatures that share similar features or behaviors.” — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

Texas Library Association Texas Topaz Nonfiction List, 2025

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Express Award (shortlisted), 2025

Saskatchewan Shining Willow Award (shortlisted), 2024

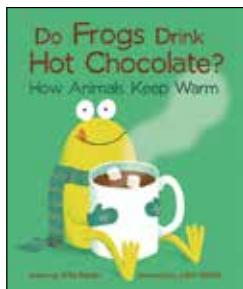
Science Writers & Communicators of Canada Youth Book Award (longlisted), 2024

IODE Jean Throop Book Award (winner), 2024

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2024

Other Reviews:

CCBN



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Do Frogs Drink Hot Chocolate?

How Animals Keep Warm

By Etta Kaner
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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Understanding Informational Text
Life Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Animal Adaptations

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–4
Fountas & Pinnell: L
Reading Recovery: 19
Lexile® Measure: AD 650L
Common Core: RI, L, RF, SL, W
NGSS: 2-LS2, 2-LS4, 2-ESS1



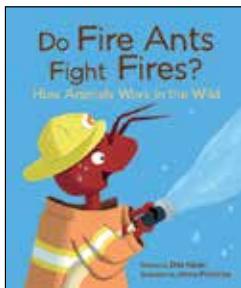
An upbeat exploration of how animals stay warm in cold weather.

Awards and Accolades:

Science Writers and Communicators of Canada Youth Book Award, 2018
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2019
ATD Summer Reading Club selection, 2019

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLC, SLJ



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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Understanding Informational Text
Life Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Animal Adaptations

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+
Fountas & Pinnell: M
Lexile® Measure: AD 660L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

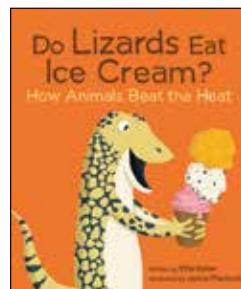
“[A] mix of carefully distinguished fact and fancy.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2023
An Ontario Library Association Best Bet (honorable mention), 2023

Other Reviews:

CLCD



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Do Lizards Eat Ice Cream?

How Animals Beat the Heat

By Etta Kaner
Illustrated by Jenna Piechota

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Understanding Informational Text
Life Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Animal Adaptations

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–5
Fountas & Pinnell: O
Lexile® Measure: 590L
Common Core: RI, L, RF, SL, W
NGSS: 3-LS1, 3-LS2, 3-LS3, 3-LS4

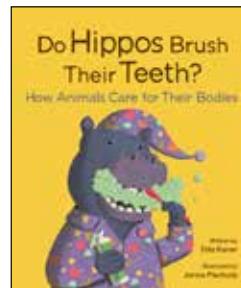
“Silly questions and sensible, sometimes surprising answers show how animals cope with hot temperatures.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

Other Reviews:

Booklist



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Do Hippos Brush Their Teeth?

How Animals Care for Their Bodies

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Understanding Informational Text
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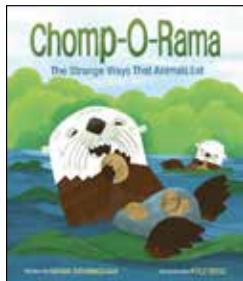
Grade: 2
Fountas & Pinnell: J
Lexile® Measure: AD 650L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“The perfect bridge between softer fact-based information and some of the lengthier volumes on science for emerging readers.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Missouri Association of School Librarians Dogwood Non-Fiction List selection, 2025

Saskatchewan Shining Willow Award (shortlisted), 2025



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Language Arts: Making Connections; Understanding Informational Text; Text Features - Suggested Reading

Life Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Biodiversity

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: I

Reading Recovery: 16

Lexile® Measure: AD 660L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

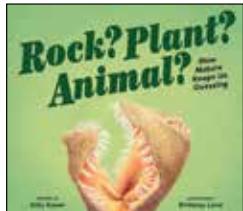
“A lively comparison of human vs. animal eating habits... Appetizing fare for the information-hungry.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Express Award (shortlisted), 2026

Other Reviews:

Booklist, CLCD



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Rock? Plant? Animal? How Nature Keeps Us Guessing

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Life Science: Physical Characteristics of Animals; Animal Adaptations; Habitats and Environment

Reading Levels:

Grade: 4+

Fountas & Pinnell: R

Lexile® Measure: AD 600L

Common Core: RI, W, SL, L

NGSS: 4-LS1

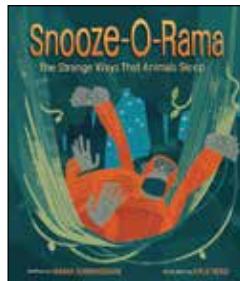
“An interactive guessing game featuring nature’s most unusual adaptations and characteristics.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Express Award Winner, 2024

Other Reviews:

Booklist, CLCD



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Life Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Biodiversity

Reading Levels:

Grade: I–5

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: AD 680L

Common Core: L, RF, RI, SL, W

NGSS: 3-LS1

“A fun and factual title, sure to be a bedtime favorite.”
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Awards and Accolades:

Arizona Library Association Grand Canyon Reader Award (shortlisted), 2024

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Express Award (shortlisted), 2022

Other Reviews:

CCBN, CLCD, Kirkus



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Language Arts: Understanding Informational Text; Text Features - Graphics, Captions, Glossary

Life Science: Needs and Characteristics of Living Things; Animal Adaptations

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–4

Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: 990L

Common Core: RI, W, SL, L

NGSS: 3-LS2-1, 3-LS3-1, 3-LS3-2

“Told with a combination of a tongue-in-cheek delivery and many fascinating facts, this is a book that dog lovers and young scientists will thoroughly enjoy.” — CLCD

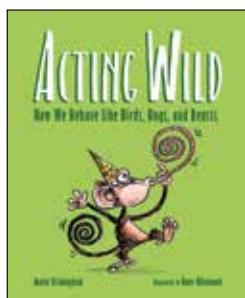
Awards and Accolades:

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Express Award (shortlisted), 2026

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus

**Acting Wild****How We Behave Like Birds, Bugs, and Beasts**By Maria Birmingham
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Science: Animal Behavior**Reading Levels:**Grade: 2–6
Fountas & Pinnell: S
Lexile® Measure: 940L
Common Core: L, RF, SL, W, RI
NGSS: 4-LS1, 3-LS2, 3-LS3, 3-LS4**Inquiry** **STEM**

“Chock full of interesting ideas, this entertaining and informative selection’s distinct focus makes it stand out.” — Kirkus

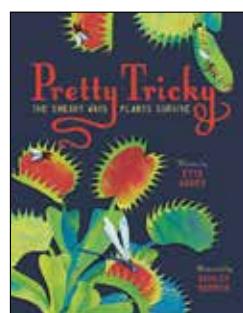
Awards and Accolades:Saskatchewan Diamond Willow Award (shortlisted), 2020
Hackmatack Children’s Choice Book Award (shortlisted), 2021**Other Reviews:**

Q&Q

★ Pretty Tricky**The Sneaky Ways Plants Survive**By Etta Kaner
Illustrated by Ashley Barron

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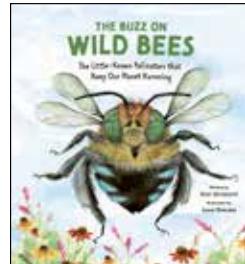
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ISBN 978-1-77147-369-9**CURRICULUM****Language Arts:** Summarizing
Science: Plant Adaptations**Reading Levels:**Grade: 2–5
Fountas & Pinnell: S
Lexile® Measure: 990L
Common Core: SL, RI, RF, W, L
NGSS: 4-PS3, 3-LS1, 3-LS2, 3-LS3, 3-LS4**Inquiry** **STEM**

“Interesting facts on every page and vibrant art full of lively scenery.” ★ — Booklist (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:A Kirkus Best Book, 2020
Lane Anderson Award for Canadian Science Writing (shortlisted), 2020
A CBC/NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book, 2021
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021
B.C. Children’s Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2021**Other Reviews:**

★ Kirkus

SLJ

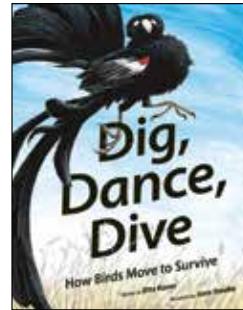
**Inquiry** **STEM****★ The Buzz on Wild Bees****The Little-Known Pollinators that Keep Our Planet Humming**By Kira Vermond
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Fountas & Pinnell: R
Lexile® Measure: 950L
Common Core: RI, W, SL, L
NGSS: LS-1, LS-1-2

“Informative and engaging, this is an important addition to nonfiction library collections for elementary school-aged readers.”

★ — School Library Journal (starred review)

Other Reviews:

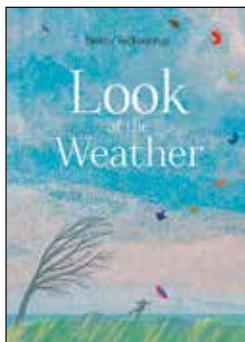
Kirkus

**Inquiry** **STEM****Dig, Dance, Dive****How Birds Move to Survive**By Etta Kaner
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Science: Physical Characteristics of Animals; Animal Adaptations; Habitats and Environment**Reading Levels:**Grade: 2+
Fountas & Pinnell: L
Lexile® Measure: 700L
Common Core: RI, W, SL, L
NGSS: 2-LS4-1

“A thoughtful and entertaining informational text on avian behavior.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:California Reading Association Eureka! Award Winner, 2023
Texas Library Association Texas Topaz Nonfiction List, 2023
Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022**Other Reviews:**

Booklist



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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Understanding Informational Text
Science: Environment; Meteorology; Habitats
Social Studies: Geography

Reading Levels:

Grade: I–6

Fountas & Pinnell: Q

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Common Core: W, RI, L, RF, SL

NGSS: 4-LS1, 4-ESS1, 4-ESS2, 4-ESS3



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"The details encourage both careful, continuous observation and appreciation for the endless varieties of weather."

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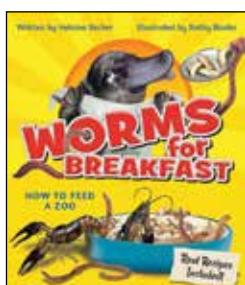
A Kirkus Best Book, 2018

NYPL 100 Best Books for Kids List, 2018

Other Reviews:

★ Kirkus

PW, SLJ



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"A surprisingly nourishing treat." ★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2015

A School Library Journal Popular Pick, 2016

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Non-Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2017

Hackmatack Children's Choice Award (shortlisted), 2017

Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Willow Award (nominee), 2017

Other Reviews:

BCCB, Booklist, SLJ

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Reading Levels:

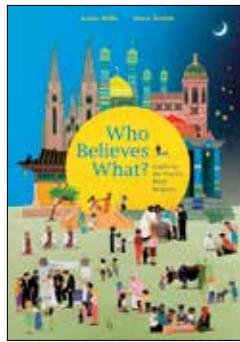
Grade: 3+

Fountas & Pinnell: T

Lexile® Measure: 980L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

NGSS: 5-PS1, 5-PS3, 5-LS2, 5-ESS3, 3-5-ETS1



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Reading Levels:

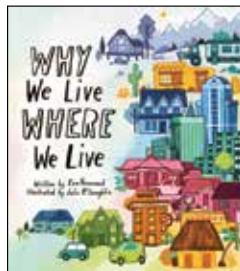
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Lexile® Measure: 980L

Common Core: L, RF, SL, W, RI

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Social Studies: Cultures and Societies; Citizenship; Energy; Economics; Understanding Different Viewpoints

Reading Levels:

Grade: 5

Fountas & Pinnell: T

Lexile® Measure: 930L

Common Core: L, RF, RI, W

NGSS: 5-PS1, 5-PS3, 5-PS2, 5-LS1, 5-LS2, 5-ESS2, 5-ESS3, 3-5-ETS1

"An accessible primer on the development of human civilization, with plenty of potential to spur classroom activities and conversation." — Publishers Weekly

Awards and Accolades:

Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction, 2015

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2015

B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2016

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, Q&Q, SLC, SLJ



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Social-Emotional Learning: Responsible Decision-Making

Social Studies: Media Literacy

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3–7

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Common Core: RF, L, RI, W, SL

“An entertaining, enlightening book on an unusual topic.”
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Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2020

A Kirkus Best Book, 2020

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2020

An Ontario Library Association Top Ten Best Bet, 2020

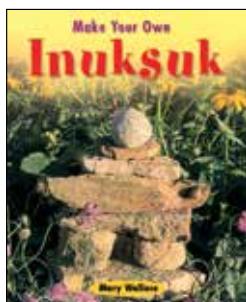
Ontario Library Association Yellow Cedar Award, 2020

B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2021

Other Reviews:

 Kirkus

BCCB, Q&Q



Diversity **STEM**

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Science: Structure and Function; Geology

Social Studies: Canada; Indigenous Cultures/First Nations; History; Foundation of Ideas and Philosophies

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3–4

Fountas & Pinnell: P

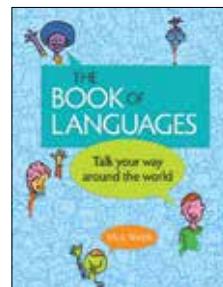
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Common Core: RI

“Once in a while, a very special book that quietly communicates a sense of wonder, beauty and spiritual connectedness comes along. This is such a book.” — School Library Journal

Other Reviews:

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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension; Understanding Informational Text

Social Studies: Heritage and Identity; World Connections; Communities Around the World

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–7

Fountas & Pinnell: T

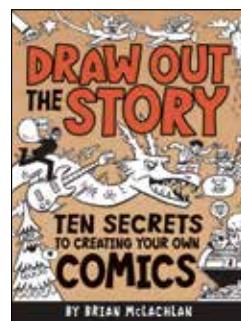
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Common Core: L, RF, RI, W, SL

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— Booklist

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, PW, SLJ



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Language Arts: Creative Writing

Visual Arts: Artistic Perception; Creative Expression; Illustration Techniques

Reading Levels:

Grade: 5

Fountas & Pinnell: V

Lexile® Measure: 800L

Common Core: RI, W

“This book has all the secrets beginners might need.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

Ontario Library Association Best Bets Top 10 Junior Non-Fiction List, 2013

ILA Children's and Young Adults' Book Award, Intermediate Non-Fiction, 2014

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2014

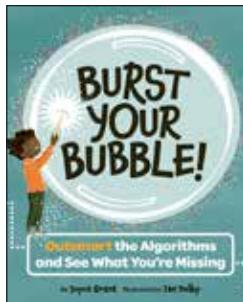
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2014

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Non-Fiction Award (finalist), 2014

Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award (shortlisted), 2014

Maine Student Book Award (shortlisted), 2014

ATD Summer Reading Club selection, 2017



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Character Education: Curiosity; Problem-Solving

Science and Technology: Inventions; Systems and Interactions

Social Studies: Media Literacy

Reading Levels:

Grade: 6–8

Fountas & Pinnell: W

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Common Core: RI, W, SL, L



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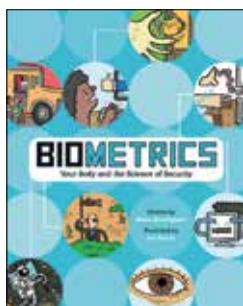
★ — *School Library Journal* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

California Reading Association Eureka! Award Honor Book, 2025

Other Reviews:

CCBN, Kirkus, Q&Q,



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Fountas & Pinnell: Z

Lexile® Measure: 1010L

Common Core: RI, L, SL, WHST

NGSS: MS-LS1, MS-LS2, MS-LS3, MS-LS4, MS-ETS1



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Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

Lane Anderson Award for Canadian Science Writing, 2017

Science Writers and Communicators of Canada Youth Book Award (shortlisted), 2017

Children's Literature Roundtables of Canada Information Book Award

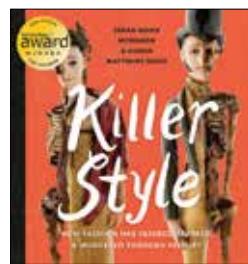
(shortlisted), 2018

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Non-Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2019

B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2019

Other Reviews:

BCCB, Booklist, Kirkus, SLC, SLJ



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Social Studies: Human Behavior; Fashion

Reading Levels:

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Fountas & Pinnell: X

Lexile® Measure: 1060L

Common Core: W, SL, L, RI

NGSS: MS-PS1, MS-PS2, MS-PS3, MS-PS4, MS-LS3,

MS-LS4, MS-ESS3, MS-ETS1



“A fun, yet thoughtful look inside fashion perils past and present.”

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Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2019

NYPL's 110 Best Books for Kids List, 2019

Ontario Library Association Yellow Cedar Award (shortlisted), 2020

Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction, 2020

An Ontario Library Association Best Bet, 2020

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2020

Alberta Children's Choice Rocky Mountain Book Award (shortlisted), 2021

Other Reviews:

★ Shelf Awareness

BCCB, Kirkus, SLC, SLJ



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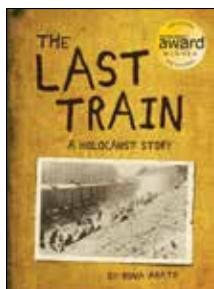
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Awards and Accolades:

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 B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award, 2014
 Ontario Library Association Red Maple Non-Fiction Award, 2015
 Alberta Children's Choice Rocky Mountain Book Award, 2015
 Saskatchewan Diamond Willow Award, 2015
 Ontario Library Association Golden Oak Award (shortlisted), 2016

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, PW

The Last Train
A Holocaust Story

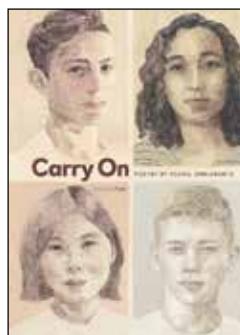
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Grade: 6+
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 Lexile® Measure: 580L
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 Lexile® Measure: NP
 Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W

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Awards and Accolades:

An Ontario Library Association Top Ten Best Bet, 2021
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2021
 NCTE Notable Poetry Book, 2022
 A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2022
 Skipping Stones Honor Award, 2022

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Q&Q, SLJ



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 Lexile® Measure: 1130L
 Common Core: RST, SL
 NGSS: 5-PS1, 5-PS2, 5-PS3, 5-LS1, 5-LS2, 5-ESS2, 5-ESS3, 3-5-ETS1

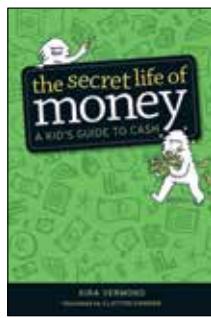
"Fun, informative and full of hope...succeeds in getting kids excited about the time they're living in and their ability to save the world." — David Suzuki Foundation

Awards and Accolades:

Green Book Festival Honor Book, 2010
 Ontario Library Association Best Bets List, 2010
 Green Earth Book Award, 2011
 Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction (shortlisted), 2011
 Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Non-Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2011
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2011

Other Reviews:

BCCB, PW, Q&Q, SLJ



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The Secret Life of Money
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 Fountas & Pinnell: V
 Lexile® Measure: 920L
 Common Core: RI

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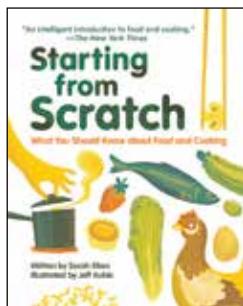
Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2012
 Ontario Library Association Red Maple Award (shortlisted), 2013
 B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2013
 Children's Literature Roundtables of Canada Information Book Award (shortlisted), 2013
 VOYA's Nonfiction Honor List, 2013

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Foreword, Kirkus, PW, Q&Q





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Lexile® Measure: 960L
Common Core: W, RST, SL, RH
NGSS: 5-PS1, 5-PS3, 5-LS1, 3-5-ETS1

“An intelligent introduction to food and cooking.” — *The New York Times*

Awards and Accolades:

A Quill & Quire Best Book, 2014
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2014
Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction (shortlisted), 2015
Ontario Library Association Red Maple Non-Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2015

Other Reviews:

 Q&Q
Booklist, Kirkus, SLC, SLJ



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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
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Social Studies: Global Issues

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3–6
Fountas & Pinnell: T
Lexile® Measure: 1010L
Common Core: L, W, SL, RF, RI
NGSS: 5-PS1, 5-PS3, 5-LS1, 5-LS2, 5-ESS2, 5-ESS3

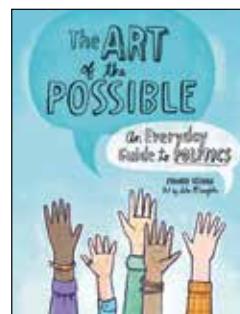
“Concisely yet comprehensively explains the significance of five ‘essential’ environmental elements.” — *Publishers Weekly*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2020

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, SLJ



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Reading Levels:

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Common Core: L, SL, RH, WHST



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Awards and Accolades:

An Ontario Library Association Best Bet, 2015
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2016
Children's Literature Roundtables of Canada Information Book Award (shortlisted), 2016
Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction (shortlisted), 2016
B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2017

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, PW, SLC, SLJ

It's Catching

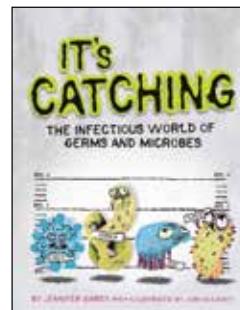
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Common Core: RST
NGSS: MS-LS1, MS-LS2, MS-LS3, MS-LS4, MS-ESS3

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Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2014
Ontario Library Association Best Bets List, 2014
Canadian Science Writers' Association Science in Society Book Award (shortlisted), 2014
Ontario Library Association Red Maple Non-Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2015
Canadian Library Association Book of the Year for Children (shortlisted), 2015

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ



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Reading Levels:

Grade: 6+
Fountas & Pinnell: V
Lexile® Measure: 1130L
Common Core: RI, W, SL, L
NGSS: MS-ETS1-1

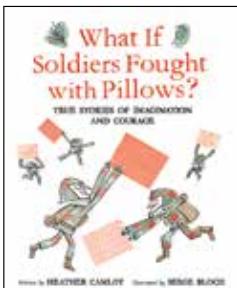
“The cool factor is high in this eye-opening portrayal of all the ways science is helping humans ‘become bionic.’”
— Publishers Weekly

Awards and Accolades:

A CBC/NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book, 2024
Ontario Library Association Yellow Cedar Award (shortlisted), 2023
A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2024

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



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Reading Levels:

Grade: 4+
Fountas & Pinnell: W
Lexile® Measure: 1110L
Common Core: RI, L, SL, W

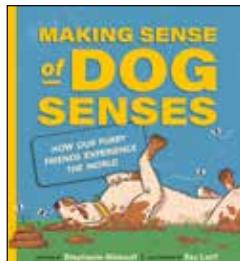
“An accessible, bite-sized look at powerful change.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2020
Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Willow Award (shortlisted), 2021
Skipping Stones Honor Award, 2022

Other Reviews:

Booklist, PW, SLC, SLJ



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Language Arts: Summarizing

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Reading Levels:

Grade: 5
Fountas & Pinnell: T
Lexile® Measure: 940L
Common Core: RI, W, LS, L
NGSS: 5-LS2-1

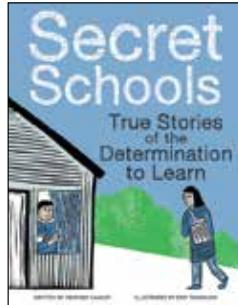
“Great for animal lovers, young and old.” — School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

California Reading Association Eureka! Award Honor Book, 2024
A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2024
A Junior Library Guild selection, 2024
Texas Library Association Texas Topaz Nonfiction List, 2025
Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award (shortlisted), 2025
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Other Reviews:

Kirkus, Shelf Awareness



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Common Core: RI, W, SL, L

“A timely look at past and present tales of students struggling to learn at all costs.” — School Library Connection

Awards and Accolades:

B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2024
Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award (shortlisted), 2024
A Junior Library Guild selection, 2022

Other Reviews:

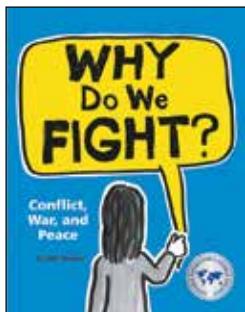
Booklist, CCBN, Kirkus

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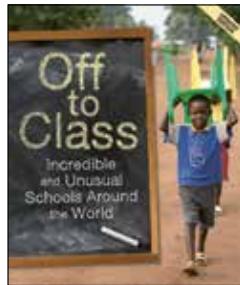
Reading Levels:

Grade: 6+

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Common Core: W, SL, RH



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Awards and Accolades:

A Bank Street College of Education Best Children's Book, 2013
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 An IRA Notable Book for a Global Society, 2014
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2014
 Ontario Library Association Red Maple Non-Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2015

Other Reviews:

Foreword, Kirkus, SLJ

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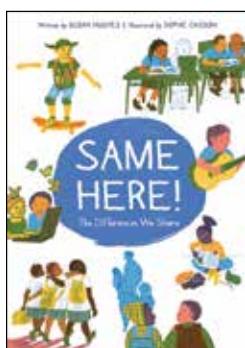
★ — Quill & Quire (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

TD Canadian Children's Literature Award (shortlisted), 2012
 Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction (shortlisted), 2012
 Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Willow Award (shortlisted), 2012
 B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (shortlisted), 2012
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2012
 Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award (shortlisted), 2013
 Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Non-Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2014

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Foreword, Kirkus, PW, SLJ



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Reading Levels:

Grade: 3+

Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: 660L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

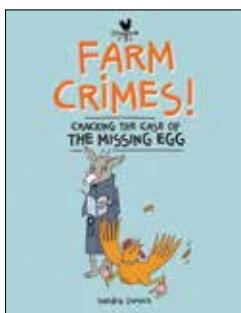
“An uplifting look at childhood around the world.” — Booklist

Awards and Accolades:

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 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022
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Other Reviews:

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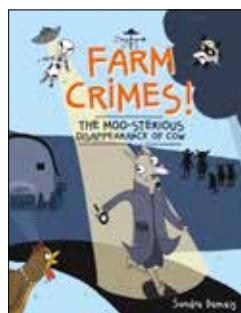
Reading Levels:

Grade: 1–5

Fountas & Pinnell: O

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Common Core: W, SL, RF, L, RL



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Language Arts: Visual Literacy; Dialog

Reading Levels:

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Fountas & Pinnell: M

Lexile® Measure: GN 520L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

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Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2021

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2021

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Other Reviews:

CLCD, Kirkus, SLJ

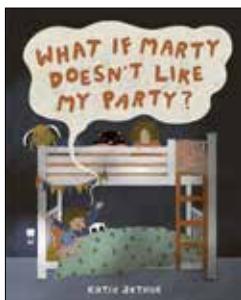
“Never a dull moment.” — *School Library Journal*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



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Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Self-Regulation; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–2

Fountas & Pinnell: F

Reading Recovery: 9

Lexile® Measure: AD 460L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

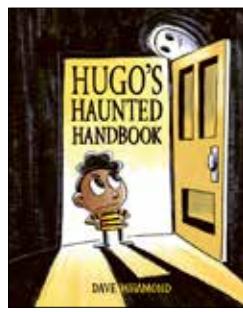
“An understated, empathetic approach to helping children handle their what-ifs.” — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

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Other Reviews:

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Visual Literacy; Dialog; Voice

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3

Fountas & Pinnell: O

Lexile® Measure: GN 530L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

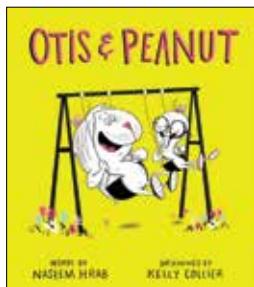
“The tale brims with wordplay, visual gags, potty humor, and whimsy...Spook-tacular!” — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

A Missouri Association of School Librarians Denny O’Neil Graphic Novel List selection, 2025

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



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Reading Levels:

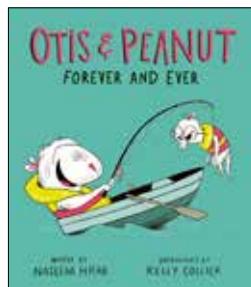
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Fountas & Pinnell: K

Reading Recovery: 20

Lexile® Measure: GN 480L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L


Character Education
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Social Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills

Character Education: Positive Communication; Compassion; Caring


Character Education
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“A feel-good tale of pals bonding as they grapple with grief.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

An American Library Association Best Graphic Novel for Children, 2024

A Missouri Association of School Librarians Denny O’Neil Graphic Novel List selection, 2023

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ

“[Otis and Peanut] bravely follow in the footsteps of Frog and Toad and George and Martha.” — The New York Times

Awards and Accolades:

 Michigan Reading Association Great Lakes Great Books Award (shortlisted), 2024
 A Texas Library Association Little Maverick Graphic Novel Reading List selection, 2024

A White Raven selection, 2024

An ABA Best Book for Young Readers, 2023

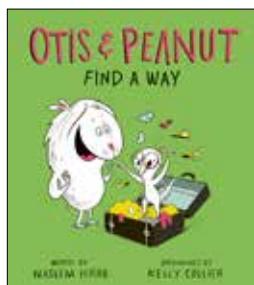
A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2023

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2023

Saskatchewan Shining Willow Award (shortlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLJ



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Character Education: Caring; Kindness; Empathy; Positive Communication

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills


Character Education
SEL


Reading Levels:

Grade: I–3

Fountas & Pinnell: F

Reading Recovery: 9

Lexile® Measure: GN 520L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Comforting reading... Emotionally honest conversations that figuratively and literally send these heroes to new places.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

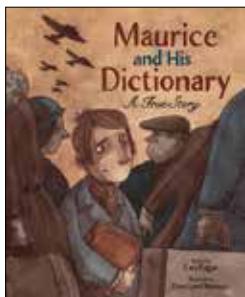
A Junior Library Guild selection, 2025

A Top Grade Spring Pick, 2025

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews:

SLJ



Character Education

Inquiry SEL

“Succinct and sincere; another accessible middle grade window into World War II.” — *School Library Journal*

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2020
 A USBBY Outstanding International Book, 2021
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens (starred selection), 2021
 Alberta Children's Choice Rocky Mountain Book Award (shortlisted), 2022

Other Reviews:

Foreword, Jewish Book Council, Kirkus, PW, Q&Q

Maurice and His Dictionary

A True Story

By Cary Fagan
 Illustrated by Enzo Lord Mariano

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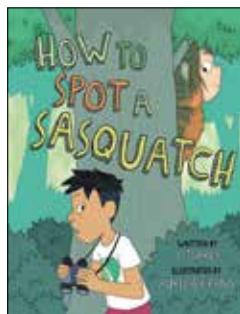
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Language Arts: Reading Comprehension
Social Studies: Global Communities

Reading Levels:

Grade: 5+
 Fountas & Pinnell: W
 Lexile® Measure: GN 450L
 Common Core: L, RI, SL, W



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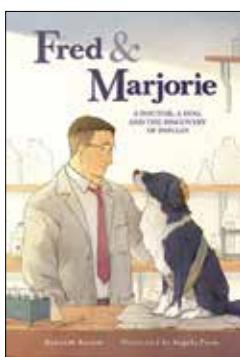
CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Story Elements; Visual Literacy; Dialog

Character Education: Individuality; Perseverance

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1–5
 Fountas & Pinnell: O
 Lexile® Measure: GN 510L
 Common Core: W, SL, RF, L, RL



Inquiry STEM

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Language Arts: Biography
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Science: Human Organ Systems; Medicine
Technology: Inventions

Reading Levels:

Grade: 5+
 Fountas & Pinnell: T
 Lexile® Measure: GN 600L
 Common Core: RL, W, LS, L



“Chronicles a medical breakthrough that has saved the lives of millions of children...A laudably frank, sensitive account.”

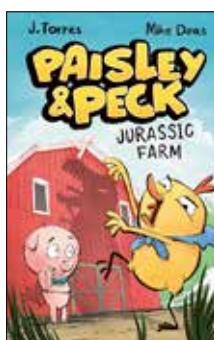
★ — *School Library Journal* (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2021
 Ontario Library Association Yellow Cedar Award (winner), 2023
 Alberta Children's Choice Rocky Mountain Book Award (shortlisted), 2023
 An Ontario Library Association Best Bet (honorable mention), 2021
 An ALA Graphic Novels and Comics Round Table Best Graphic Novels for Children selection, 2021
 A Bank Street Best Children's Picture Book of the Year, 2022
 B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (winner), 2022
 B.C. Children's Choice Red Cedar Book Award (winner), 2023
 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022
 A CBC/NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Book, 2022

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, SLC



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Character Education: Individuality; Courage; Perseverance

Social Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Relationship Skills
Social Studies: Careers

Reading Levels:

Grade: I–3
 Fountas & Pinnell: J
 Lexile® Measure: GN 520L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

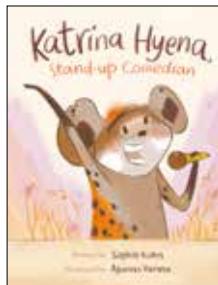
“Similar to popular pairs such as Elephant and Piggie or Narwhal and Jelly...A jokey, spirited barnyard yarn.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Top Grade Fall Pick, 2025

Other Reviews:

CCBN


Character Education:

Katrina Hyena, Stand-up Comedian

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CURRICULUM
Language Arts: Making Connections; Story Elements; Prediction

Character Education: Perseverance; Individuality

Reading Levels:

 Grade: 1
 Fountas & Pinnell: H
 Reading Recovery: 14
 Lexile® Measure: 640L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“This snappily paced text is brimming with child appeal.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

 A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025
 Sunshine State Young Readers Award Jr. (longlisted), 2025

Other Reviews:

CLCD

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Character Education: Perseverance; Teamwork

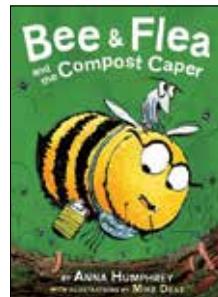
Reading Levels:

 Grade: 3+
 Fountas & Pinnell: O
 Lexile® Measure: 580L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“Delivers on the protagonist’s promise of ‘exciting, educational, and occasionally gross’ experiences.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2023


Inquiry
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Earth Science: Environment; Soil

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Character Education: Perseverance; Teamwork

Reading Levels:

 Grade: 3+
 Fountas & Pinnell: O
 Lexile® Measure: 540L
 Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“This should be a big hit with primary school kids who like buddy comedies, bugs, and gross-out humour.”

★ — Quill & Quire (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

Other Reviews:

 ★ Shelf Awareness
 CCBN, CLCD, SLJ

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 Illustrated by Mike Deas

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Language Arts: Story Elements; Prediction; Plot Patterns; Third Person POV

Earth Science: Climate; Seasonal Changes; Weather

Life Science: Characteristics of Living Things; Diversity of Living Things; Ecosystems; Habitats; Insects; Nature

Character Education: Perseverance; Teamwork

Reading Levels:

 Grade: 3
 Fountas & Pinnell: O
 Lexile® Measure: 660L
 Common Core: RI, W, SL, L

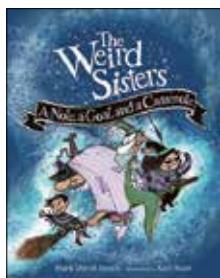
“A brilliant early chapter book read for insect lovers, mystery seekers and scientific explorers, this book truly has it all.” — CLCD

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2025

Other Reviews:

SLJ



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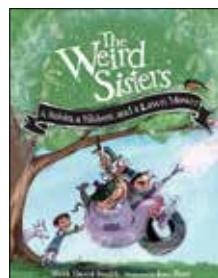
Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Lexile® Measure: 490L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



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Language Arts: Reading

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3+

Fountas & Pinnell: O

Lexile® Measure: 580L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“A satisfying sleuthing adventure for young readers.” — Foreword

Awards and Accolades:

An Indigo Staff Pick, 2022

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

Cybils Easy Reader/Early Chapter Book Award (finalist), 2022

ATD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2023

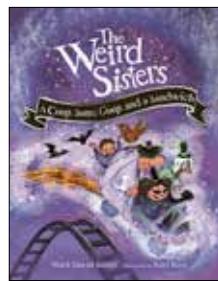
Joan Betty Stuchner Oy Vey! Funniest Children's Book Award (shortlisted), 2023

Other Reviews:

Booklist, CCBN, CLCD, SLJ

“Puns, charmingly eccentric characters, and Amelia Bedelia-esque misunderstandings on the parts of the well-meaning but clueless sisters result in an amusing book for readers transitioning into longer chapter books.” — Kirkus

Download the activity guide for the Weird Sisters Detective Agency series



Character Education SEL

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Story Elements; Plot Patterns; Word Choice (Puns); Third Person POV

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Awareness; Social Awareness; Relationship Skills; Responsible Decision-Making

Character Education: Cooperation; Responsibility; Teamwork

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3

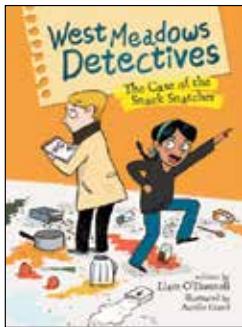
Fountas & Pinnell: N

Lexile® Measure: 600L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L

“The book’s copious wordplay is a sly way to familiarize readers with homonyms...A witchy series book that can easily be enjoyed as a standalone.” — School Library Journal

Other Reviews:
Kirkus



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Language Arts: Story Elements; First Person POV

Character Education: Problem-Solving; Teamwork; Friendship

Reading Levels:

Grade: 3
Fountas & Pinnell: O
Lexile® Measure: 490L
Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL

Diversity

Inquiry

“With a cast that’s both ethnically and developmentally diverse, this school-day caper should entertain a broad range of readers, while also opening eyes to the perspectives of those not like themselves.” — *Publishers Weekly*

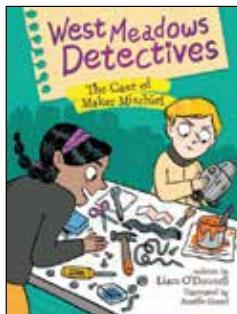
Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2016
Beverly Cleary Children's Choice Award (nominee), 2017

Other Reviews:

Kirkus, SLC, SLJ

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Language Arts: Story Elements; First Person POV

Character Education: Problem-Solving; Teamwork; Friendship

Reading Levels:

Grade: 1–5
Fountas & Pinnell: O
Lexile® Measure: 490L
Common Core: L, RF, RL, W, SL



Diversity

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STEM

“Readers will enjoy following Myron’s developing, appealing voice as much as they do following clues.” — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2017

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Kirkus, SLJ

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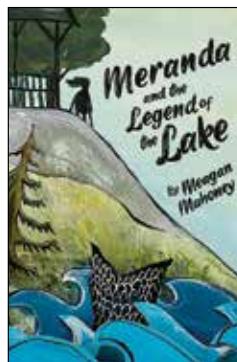
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Character Education: Courage; Resilience; Teamwork

Social-Emotional Learning: Self-Esteem and Confidence

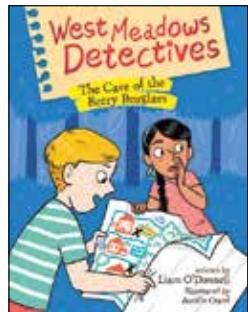
Reading Levels:

Grade: 3+
Fountas & Pinnell: P
Lexile® Measure: 670L
Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Character Education

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Language Arts: Story Elements; First Person POV

Character Education: Problem-Solving; Teamwork; Friendship

Reading Levels:

Grade: K–5
Fountas & Pinnell: O
Lexile® Measure: 550L
Common Core: W, SL, L, RL, RF

Diversity

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In the third West Meadows mystery, Myron and friends solve a fruit fiasco after the school garden is trampled and the strawberry plants go missing.

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2018

Other Reviews:

Kirkus



“Dark family secrets, hints of magic, and a very tidy resolution after pleasing thrills.” — *Kirkus*

Awards and Accolades:

A Junior Library Guild selection, 2021

ATD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2022

IODE Violet Downey Book Award (shortlisted), 2022

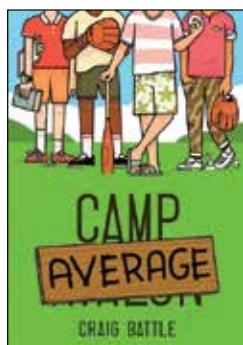
A Canadian Children's Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

R. Ross Annett Award for Children's Literature (finalist), 2022

Ontario Library Association Silver Birch Fiction Award (shortlisted), 2023

Other Reviews:

Booklist, Q&Q, SLC



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Language Arts: Story Elements;

Third Person POV

Character Education: Perseverance; Teamwork; Friendship

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–6

Fountas & Pinnell: R

Lexile® Measure: 790L

Common Core: RF, L, SL, RL, W



Character Education

“Hilarious, irreverent, and timely, highly recommended for sports fans, summer-camp alums, and preteen-year survivors.”

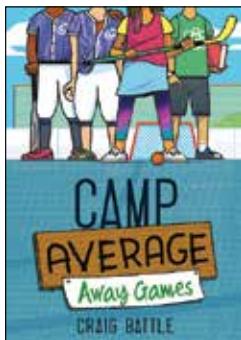
★ — Kirkus (starred review)

Awards and Accolades:

Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children’s Book Award (shortlisted), 2020
Saskatchewan Young Readers’ Choice Willow Award (shortlisted), 2020
Manitoba Sundogs Young Readers’ Choice Award (shortlisted), 2021
A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2021

Other Reviews:

Booklist



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Language Arts: Story Elements;

Third Person POV

Character Education: Perseverance; Teamwork; Friendship

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–7

Fountas & Pinnell: S

Lexile® Measure: 730L

Common Core: L, RF, RL, SL, W

Character Education

In the final book of the series, this summer is definitely not average. Will the Camp Average crew find their way back together and come out on top?

Awards and Accolades:

A CBC Best Canadian Middle Grade Book, 2021

Other Reviews:

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Character Education: Perseverance; Teamwork; Friendship

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2–6

Fountas & Pinnell: R

Lexile® Measure: 790L

Common Core: RF, L, SL, RL, W



Character Education

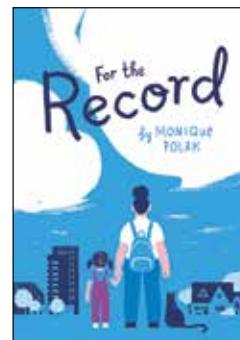
“A funny, satisfying exploration of the thematically rich territory between winning and losing.” — Kirkus

Awards and Accolades:

A TD Summer Reading Club Top Recommended Read, 2021

Other Reviews:

Booklist



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By Monique Polak

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CURRICULUM

Language Arts: Making Connections; Voice; First Person POV

Character Education: Courage
Social-Emotional Learning: Managing Emotions; Relationship Skills

Reading Levels:

Grade: 2+

Fountas & Pinnell: M

Lexile® Measure: 620L

Common Core: RL, W, SL, L



Character Education

“Thoughtfully and honestly explores the realities of divorce, anxiety, and how kids are impacted by parental behavior.”

— School Library Journal

Awards and Accolades:

A Canadian Children’s Book Centre Best Book for Kids and Teens, 2022

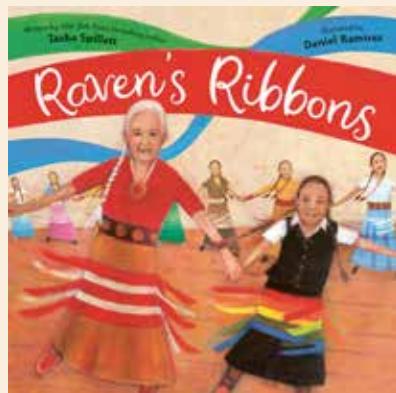
Saskatchewan Diamond Willow Award (shortlisted), 2023

Other Reviews:

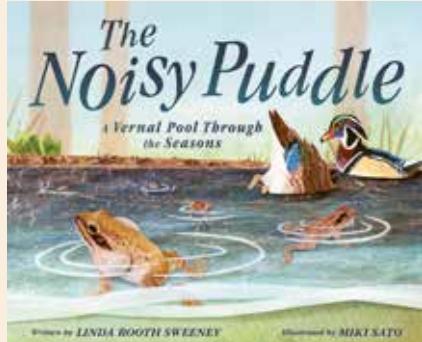
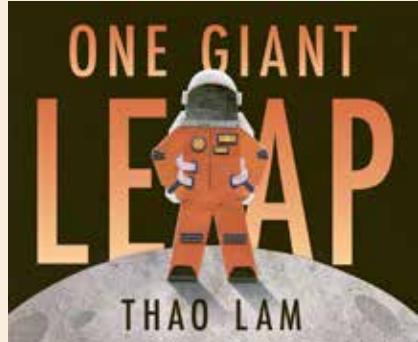
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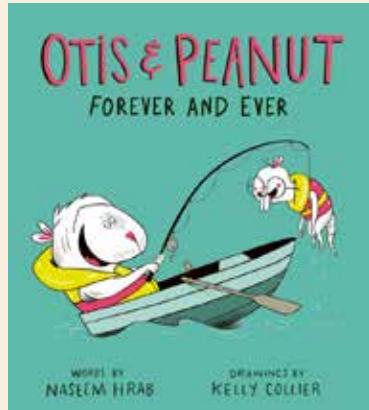
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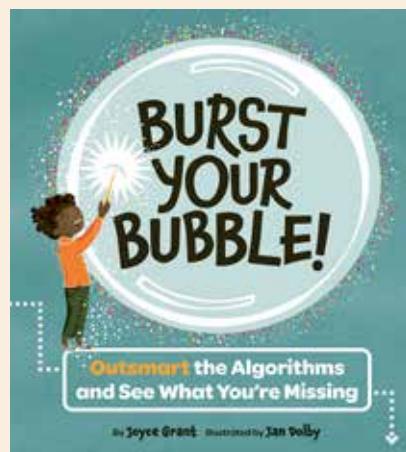
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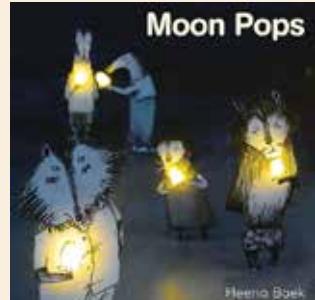
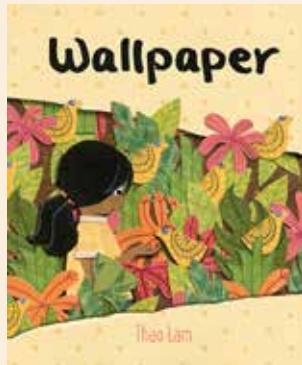
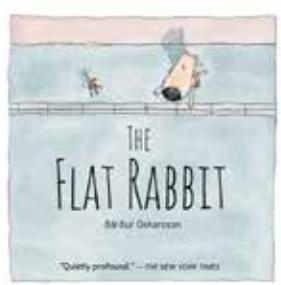
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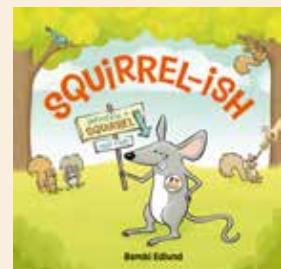
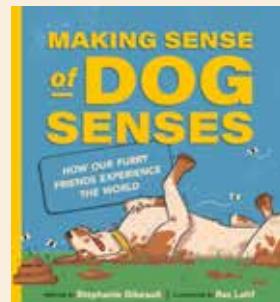
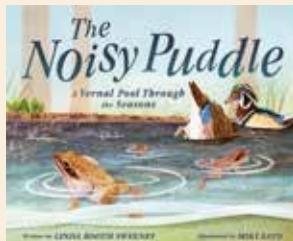
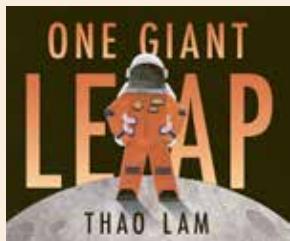
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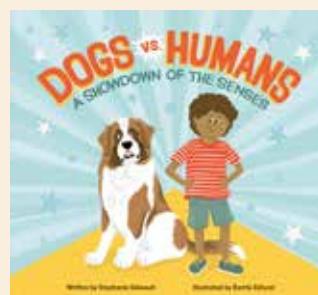
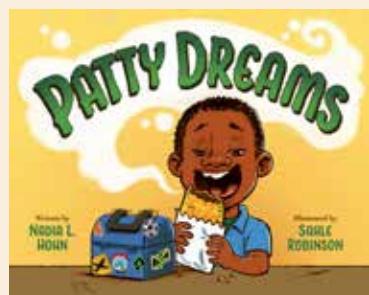
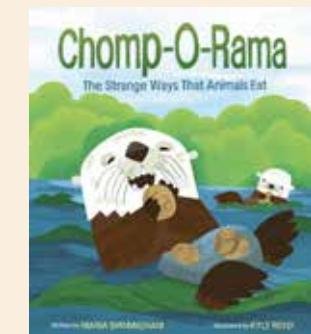
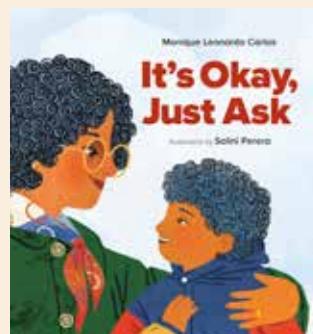
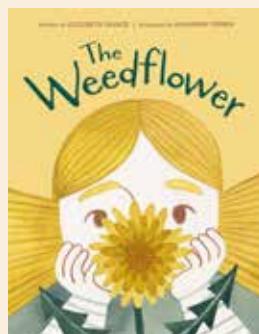


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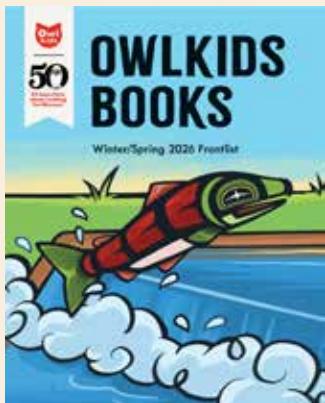
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CCBN	Canadian Children's Book News
CLCD	Children's Literature Comprehensive Database
G&M	Globe & Mail
ILA	International Literacy Association
NYT	New York Times
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SLC	School Library Connection
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