

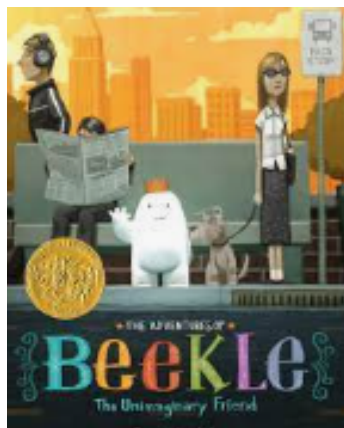


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Briarcliff Manor Public Library librarians**

It is important to note that the titles on this list span a range of reading levels for students entering first grade. The Briarcliff Public Library and Todd Library librarians have selected these books to help you and your child develop a lifetime habit and enjoyment of reading.

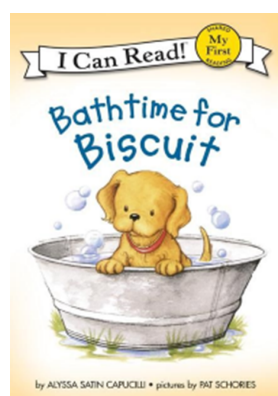
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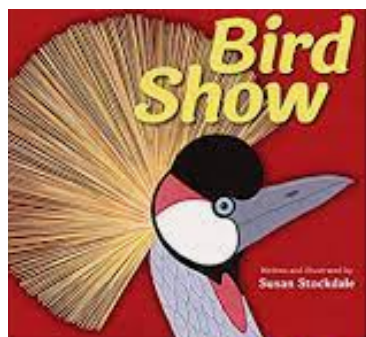
The Adventures of Beekle by Dan Santat

An imaginary friend waits a long time to be imagined by a child and given a special name, and finally does the unimaginable -- he sets out on a quest to find his perfect match in the real world.



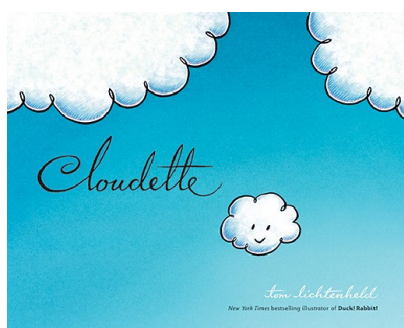
Bathtime for Biscuit [Biscuit series] by Alyssa Satin Capucilli, illustrated by Pat Schories

Puppy friends Biscuit and Puddles run away from their bath in this story that is one of many about the adorable dog named Biscuit. Short texts and simple scenarios make these books very accessible for beginning readers.



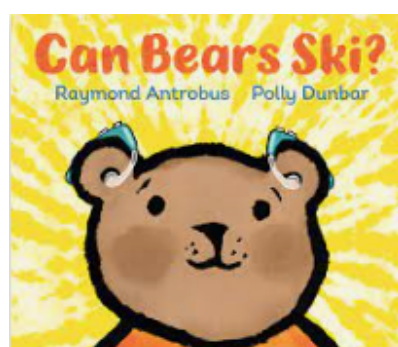
Bird Show by Susan Stockdale

Just like people, birds contribute to our beautiful world, made more vibrant by their diversity. Readers will marvel at the unique "clothes" worn by eighteen familiar and exotic birds in Susan Stockdale's colorful book.



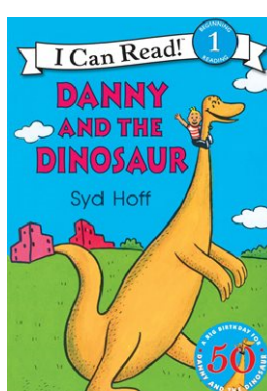
Cloudette by Tom Lichtenheld

The littlest cloud finds a way to do what the other clouds do.



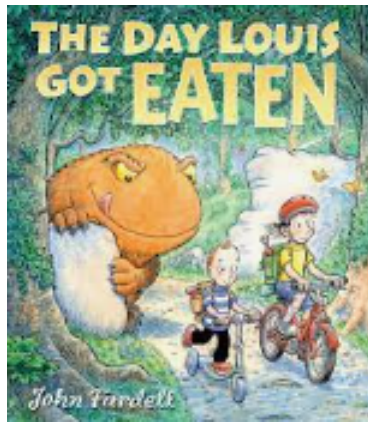
Can Bear Ski? by Raymond Antrobus, illustrated by Polly Dunbar

Bear enjoys the commotion [of his home]. Perplexingly, though...everyone...seems to keep asking him, "Can bears ski?" Bear brushes it off—until one day Dad Bear takes our young narrator to meet an "au-di-o-l-o-gist." —The Horn Book



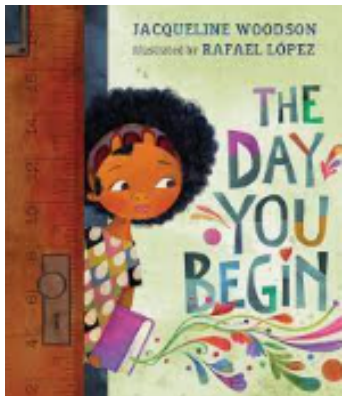
Danny the Dinosaur [series] by Syd Hoff

With his prehistoric playmate, the most everyday activities become extraordinary for Danny.



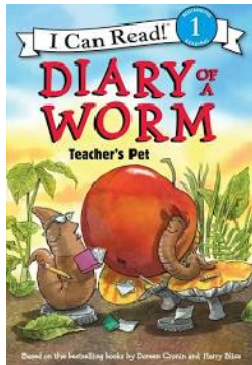
The Day Louis Got Eaten by John Fardell

When Sarah's brother, Luis, is eaten by a Gulper, Sarah does not panic. She follows the trail as the Gulper is eaten by a series of other creatures until finally she has her chance to rescue Louis from them all.



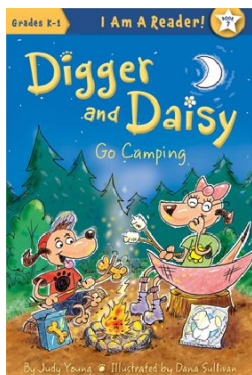
The Day You Begin by Jacqueline Woodson, illustrated by Rafael López

Other students laugh when Rigoberto, an immigrant from Venezuela, introduces himself but later, he meets Angelina and discovers that he is not the only one who feels like an outsider.



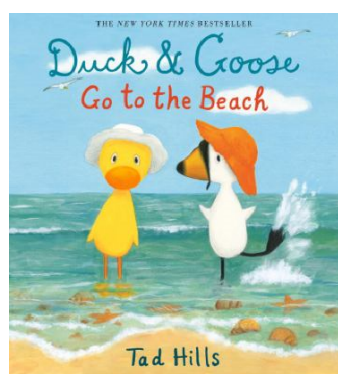
Diary of a Worm: Teacher's Pet by Doreen Cronin, illustrated by Harry Bliss

Worm makes a surprising discovery -- teachers have birthdays! That means Worm and his friends have to find the perfect present for their teacher, Mrs. Mulch.



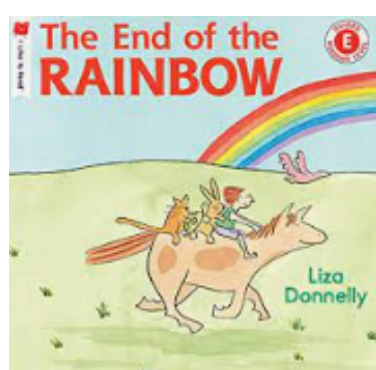
Digger and Daisy Go Camping [Digger and Daisy series] by Judy Young, illustrated by Dana Sullivan

Meet brother and sister Digger and Daisy! In this summertime story the siblings head out to the woods to camp.



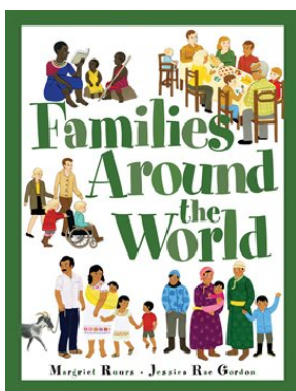
Duck and Goose Go to the Beach by Tad Hills

Duck wants to go on an adventure. Goose doesn't. He doesn't see the point. After all, why would they go anywhere when they're happy right where they are? But then Goose sees the ocean and loves it. Who doesn't? Well, Duck, for one!



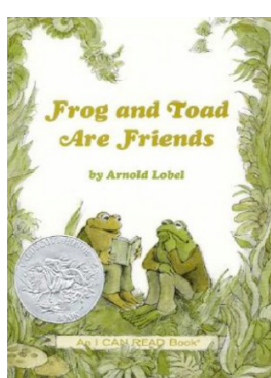
The End of the Rainbow by Liza Donnelly

When a glorious, colorful rainbow spreads across the sky after a storm, a girl wonders what might be at the end. Setting out, she gathers traveling companions—a cat, a turtle, a horse. Great for beginning readers.



Families Around the World by Margriet Ruurs, illustrated by Jessica Rae Gordon

This colorful cross section of families introduces readers to fourteen real children from around the world and the people they love the most.



Frog and Toad Are Friends [Frog and Toad series] by Arnold Lobel

This book has five tales about best friends Frog and Toad. This is one of four books in this classic "I Can Read" series celebrating a special friendship.



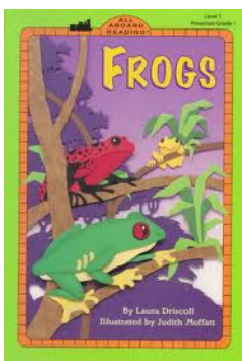
Fix This Mess by Tedd Arnold

Robug tries to obey when Jake instructs it to "Fix this mess!" but somehow manages to make things worse in this book that is just right for very early readers.



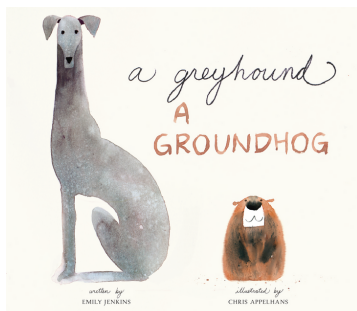
Fluffy Goes to School [Fluffy series] by Kate McMullan, Illustrated by Mavis Smith

In this story Fluffy feels humiliated that the class thinks he is cute and fluffy instead of strong and brave. Follow Fluffy the classroom guinea pig's many humorous adventures in this book series.



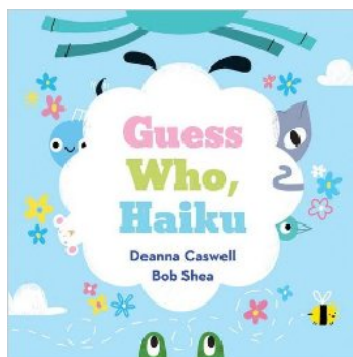
Frogs by Laura Driscoll, illustrated by Judith Moffatt

Learn about frogs that are bigger than shoeboxes in this book.



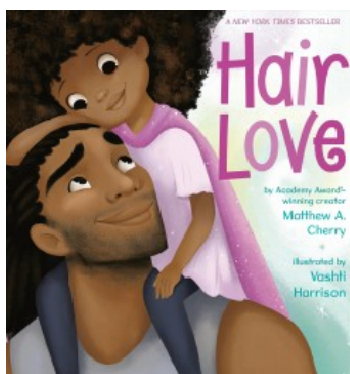
A Greyhound, A Groundhog by Emily Jenkins, illustrated by Chris Appelhans

When a greyhound meets a groundhog, wordplay and crazy antics ensue.



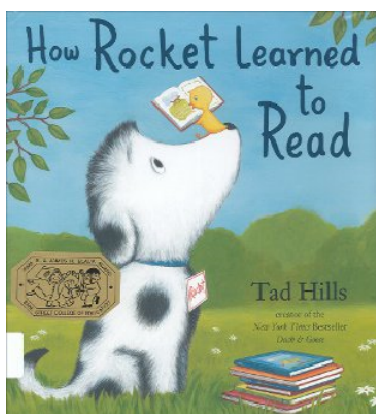
Guess Who, Haiku by Deanna Caswell, illustrated by Bob Shea

A collection of haiku. Can you guess what animal each haiku is about?



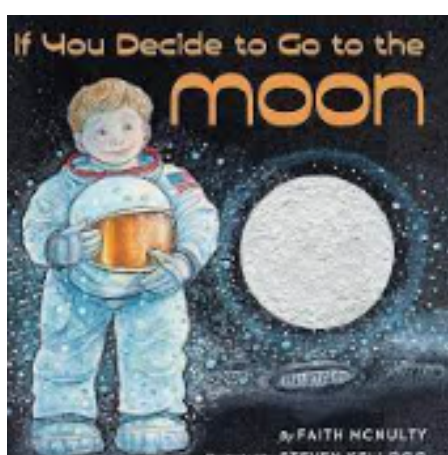
Hair Love by Matthew A. Cherry, illustrated by Vashti Harrison

A little girl's daddy steps in to help her arrange her curly, coiling, wild hair into styles that allow her to be her natural, beautiful self.



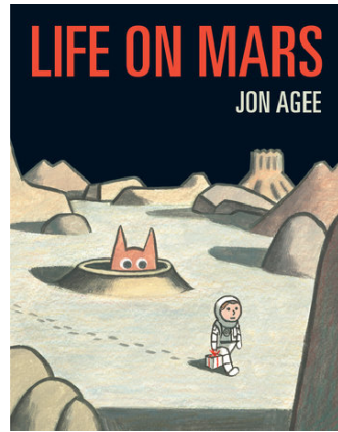
How Rocket Learned to Read by Tad Hills (and Rocket Writes a Story by Tad Hills)

A little yellow bird teaches Rocket the dog how to read by first introducing him to the alphabet. (Don't miss the companion book about when Rocket writes a story about his new owl friend.)



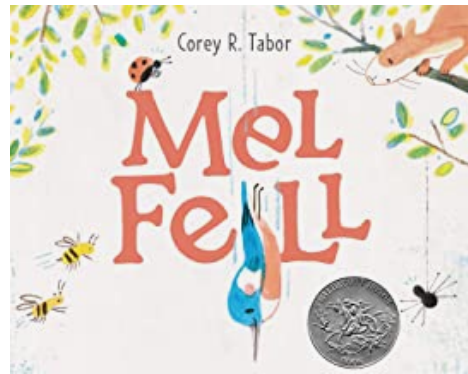
If You Decide to Go to the Moon by Faith McNulty, illustrated by Steven Kellogg

Presents a children's book for early readers that describes what a trip to the moon would be like for an astronaut.



Life on Mars by Jon Agee

A young astronaut is trying to find life on Mars, but he's made a very big oversight.



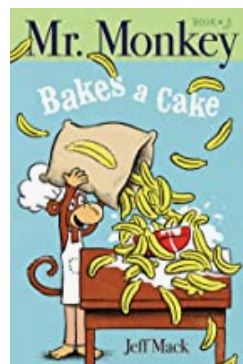
Mel Fell by Corey R. Tabor

Readers will delight in turning their book sideways and upside down to follow Mel on her journey from downward fall to triumphant flight in this tale of self-confidence and taking a leap of faith.



The Most Magnificent Thing by Ashley Spires

A little girl and her canine assistant, at first frustrated while trying to make the most magnificent thing, figure out what to do to succeed.



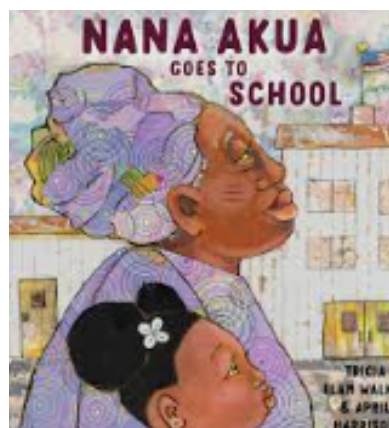
Mr. Monkey Bakes a Cake by Jeff Mack

When Mr. Monkey tries to bake a cake to enter in a contest nothing goes as planned.



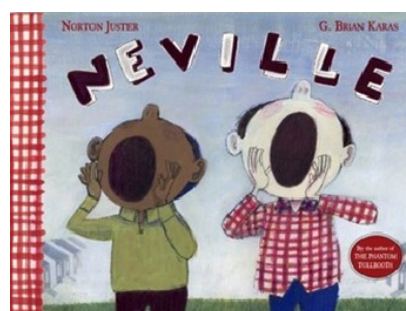
My Teacher Is a Monster by Peter Brown

Bobby thinks his teacher, Ms. Kirby, is horrible, but when he sees her outside of school and they spend the day in the park together, he discovers she might not be so bad.



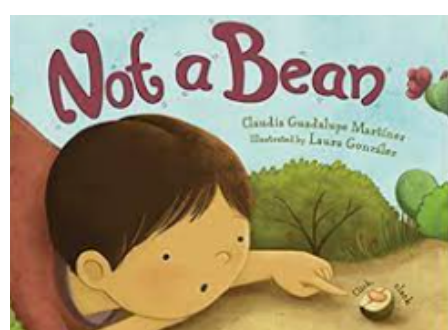
Nana Akua Goes to School by Tricia Elam Walker and April Harrison

Zura is worried about how her classmates will react to her Ghanaian Nana's tattoos on Grandparents Day, but Nana finds a way to show how special and meaningful they are.



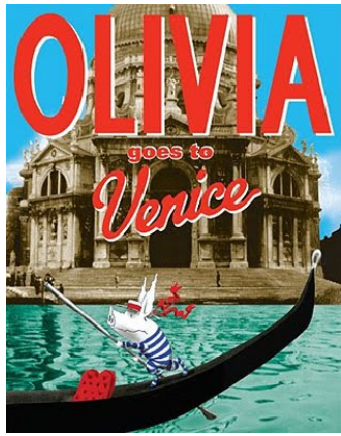
Neville by Norton Jester, illustrated by G. Brian Karas

When a boy and his family move to a new house, he devises an ingenious way to meet people in the neighborhood.



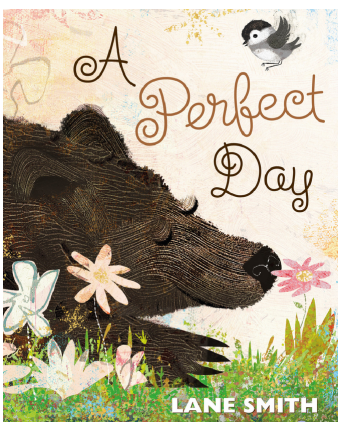
Not a Bean by Claudia Guadalupe Martínez, illustrated by Laura González

A Mexican jumping bean isn't a bean at all. It's a fascinating home and food source for a special kind of caterpillar! With Spanish vocabulary and a clever counting concept, this poetic story shares the life cycle of a Mexican jumping bean.



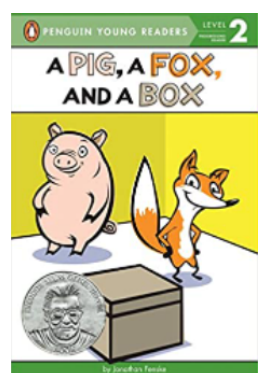
Olivia Goes to Venice [Olivia series] by Ian Falconer

On a family vacation in Venice, Olivia indulges in gelato, rides in a gondola, and finds the perfect souvenir.



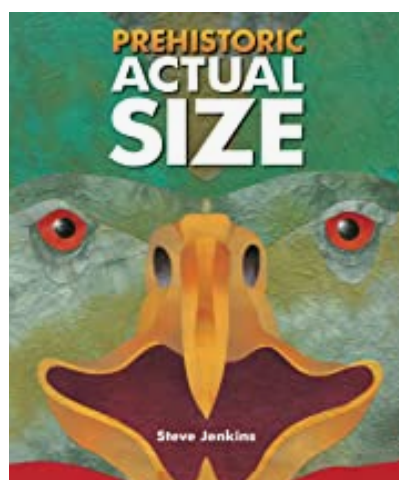
A Perfect Day by Lane Smith

A perfect day means different things to different animals in Bert's backyard.



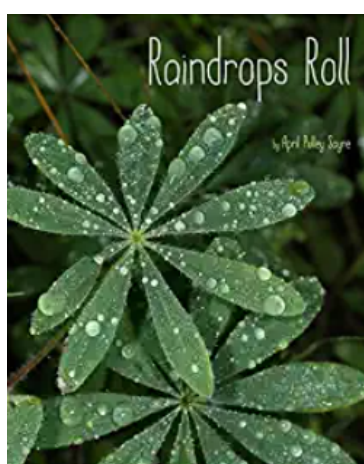
A Pig, A Fox and a Box by Jonathan Fenske

Three humorous stories for beginning readers of two friends, Pig and Fox, and their shenanigans with a cardboard box.



Prehistoric Actual Size by Steve Jenkins

An oversized book that provides facts especially about the size of various dinosaurs and other prehistoric animals.



Raindrops Roll by April Pulley Sayre

A beautiful photo illustrated poem revealing nature's wonders in a rainstorm.



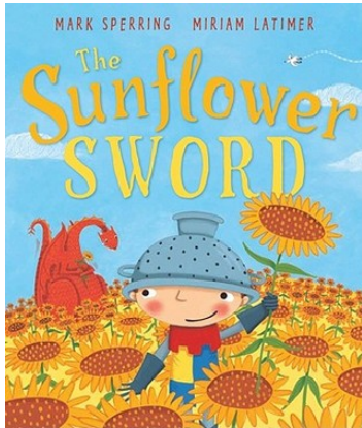
Scrambled States of America by Laurie Keller

The states become bored with their positions on the map and decide to change places for a while. Also includes facts about the states.



Stick and Stone by Beth Ferry, illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld

When Stick rescues Stone from a prickly situation with Pinecone, the pair become fast friends. But when Stick gets stuck, does Stone return the favor?



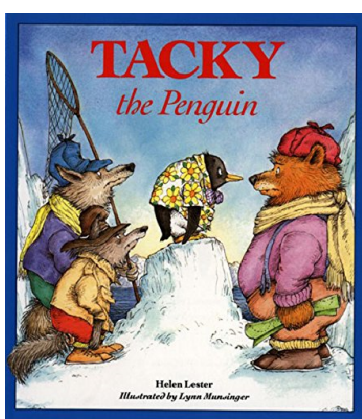
The Sunflower Sword by Mark Sperring, illustrated by Miriam Latimer

In a land marked by endless fighting between knights and dragons, a mother gives her eager little boy a sunflower rather than the sword he requests, and when he wields it against a real dragon, new understanding begins.



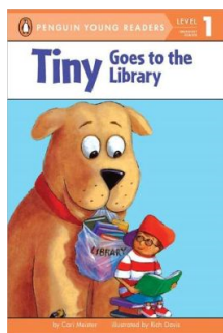
Surf's Up by Kwame Alexander, illustrated by Daniel Miyares

What are Bro and Dude going to do at the beach? Bro is super excited while reading his book (Moby Dick) so Dude gets very curious.



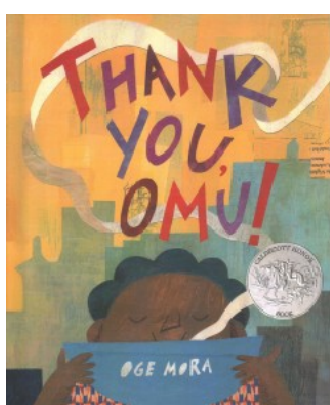
Tacky the Penguin [Tacky series] by Helen Lester

Tacky the Penguin does not always fit in with his odd ways. But he is always lovable and many times he ends up saving the day. This is the first book in the series.



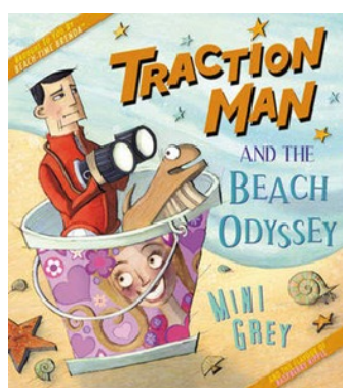
Tiny series by Carl Meister, illustrated by Rich Davis

Tiny is a very big dog, but he used to be a very small puppy.



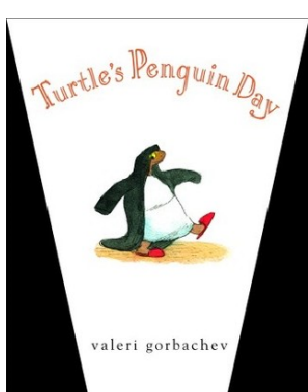
Thank You, Omu! By Oge Mora

When the aroma of Omu's homemade stew fills the air, her neighbors arrive, one by one, for a taste until all is gone except for her generous spirit.



Traction Man and the Beach Odyssey by Mini Grey

Traction Man, the action figure, and his sidekick, Scrubbing Brush, return for another exciting and humorous adventure. This time they are at the beach.

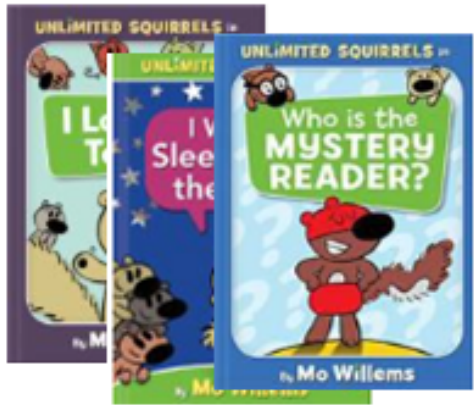


Turtle's Penguin Day by Valeri Gorbachev

After hearing a bedtime story about penguins, Turtle dresses as one for school and soon the entire class is having a penguin day, sliding on their bellies and eating goldfish crackers.

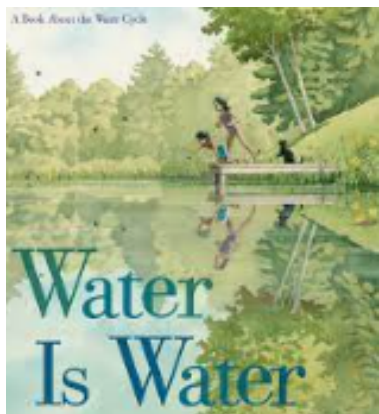


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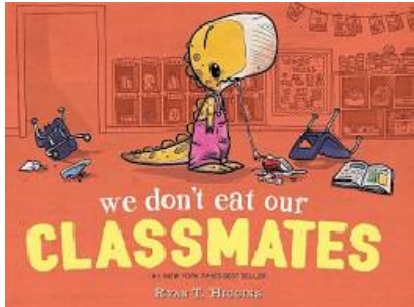
Unlimited Squirrels [series] By Mo Willems

Zoom Squirrel and his friends star in these humorous stories that also feature some cool facts.



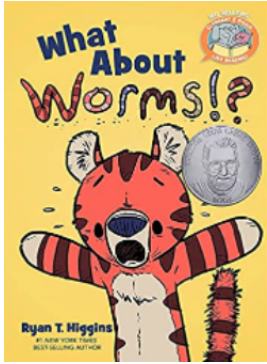
Water is Water by Miranda Paul, illustrated by Jason Chin

A spare, poetic picture book exploring the different phases of the water cycle in surprising and engaging ways.



We Don't Eat Our Classmates by Ryan T. Higgins

It's the first day of school for Penelope Rex, and she can't wait to meet her classmates. But it's hard to make human friends when they're so darn delicious!



What About Worms by Ryan T. Higgins

Tiger is BIG. Tiger is BRAVE. And Tiger is NOT afraid of anything . . . except WORMS! What do worms think about tigers?