

BRANCHES ATELIER

A Resource Guide For Books and Toys

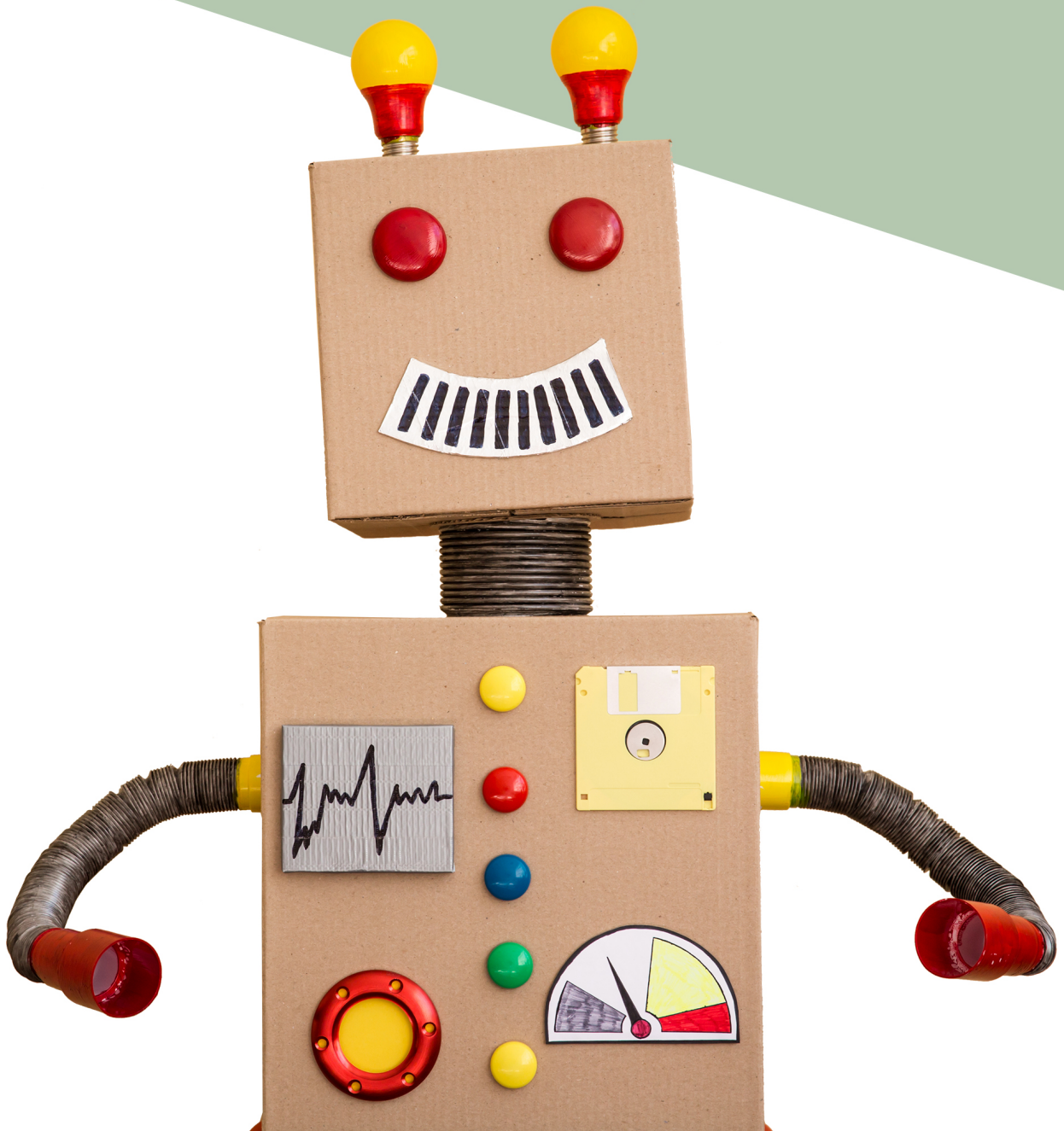


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Socially Conscious Booklist

In an effort to foster awareness and action among children and families, we have curated a children's booklist that we hope you will find inspiring and useful. This booklist is to provide educators, carers and parents with resources to broach important topics with preschool aged children.

We recommend you read these books yourself before reading them with children to give yourself time to think through questions that might arise. We've prioritized finding books that highlight human diversity in the realms of cultural inclusion (anti-bias), language, gender, family structure, and socio-economics. We've also included a list of books which celebrate gratitude and responsible uses of our resources.

The books listed link to Amazon availability, and titles are asterisked if we have them in the Branches Atelier library. Your local bookstores and local library are also excellent places to find or request these books.

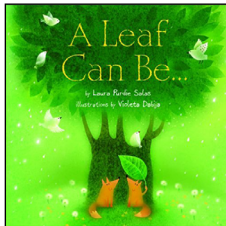
Over time, we hope to expand the resource guide to include books and articles for adults, and additional studies which support current research on these topics. If you have a book, article, or study that you think we should include, please send it our way. Visit goo.gl/yY6rsY for the recommendation form.



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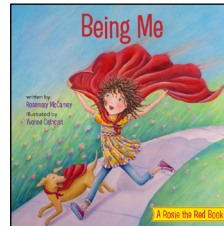


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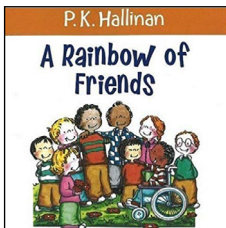
A Leaf Can Be... *

by *Laura Purdie Salas*



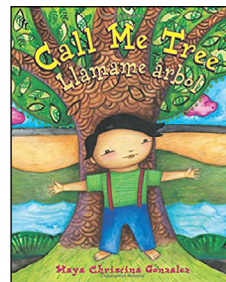
Being Me **(A Rosie the Red Book)**

by *Rosemary McCarney*



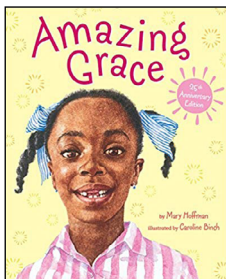
A Rainbow of Friends *

by *P. K. Hallinan*



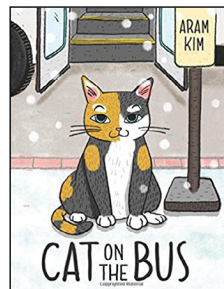
Call Me Tree/Llamame **Arbol**

by *Maya Christina Gonzalez*



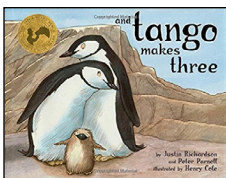
Amazing Grace *

by *Mara Hoffman*



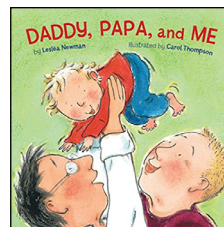
Cat on the Bus *

by *Aram Kim*



And Tango Makes Three *

by *Justin Richardson*
and *Peter Parnell*



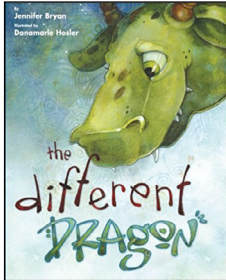
Daddy, Papa, and Me by **Lesléa Newman** *

by *Dr. Seuss*

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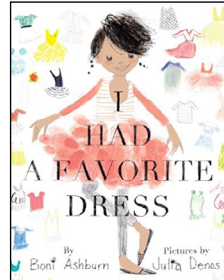


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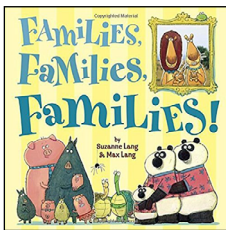
Different Dragon *

by Jennifer Bryan



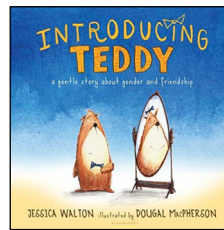
I Had A Favorite Dress *

by Boni Ashburn



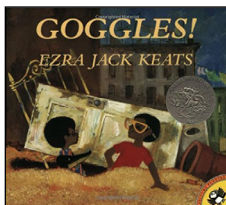
Families, Families, Families!

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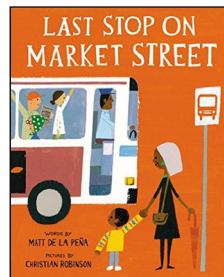
Introducing Teddy: A Gentle Story About Gender and Friendship

by Jess Walton



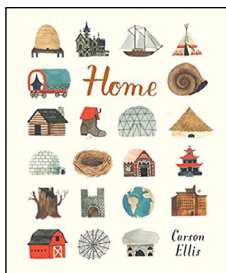
Goggles! *

by Ezra Jack Keats



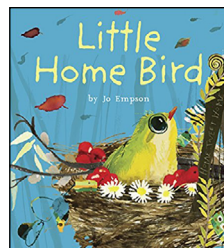
Last Stop on Market Street *

by Matt de la Peña



Home *

by Carson Ellis



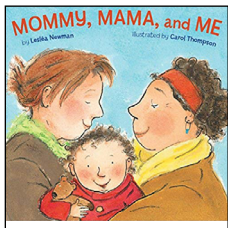
Little Home Bird *

by Jo Empson

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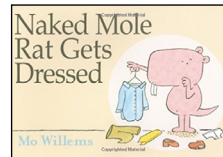


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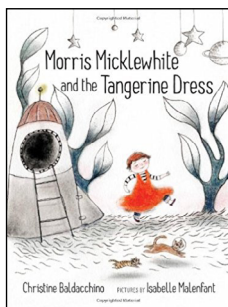
Mommy, Mama, and Me *

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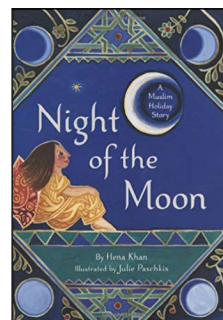
Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed *

by Mo Williams



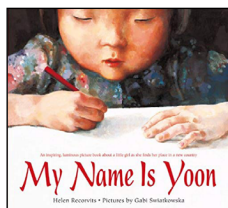
Morris Micklewhite and the Tangerine Dress *

by Christine Baldacchino



Night of the Moon

by Hena Khan



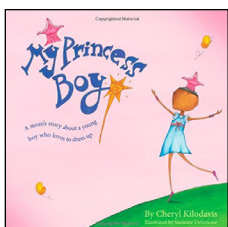
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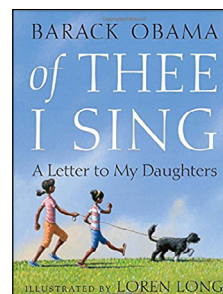
Not Every Princess *

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My Princess Boy *

by Cheryl Kilodavis



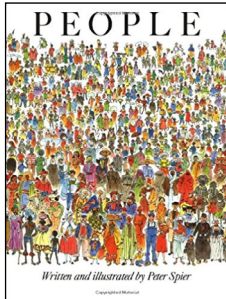
Of Thee I Sing: A Letter To My Daughters *

by Barack Obama

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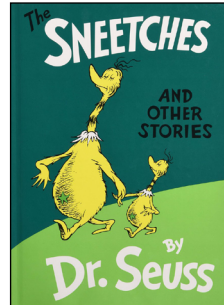


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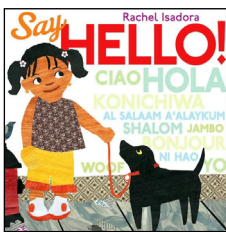
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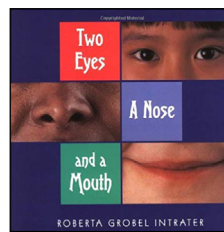
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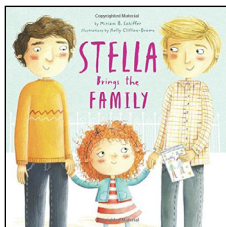
Say Hello!

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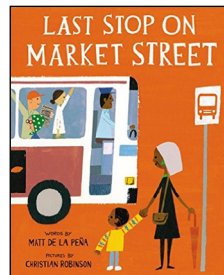
Two Eyes, A Nose and a Mouth

by Roberta



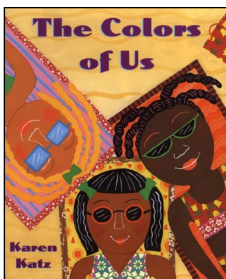
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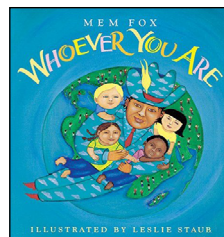
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The Colors of Us *

by Karen Katz



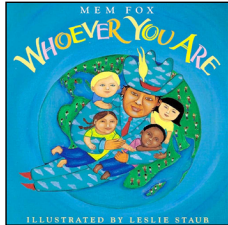
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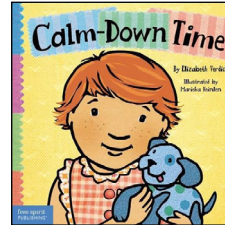


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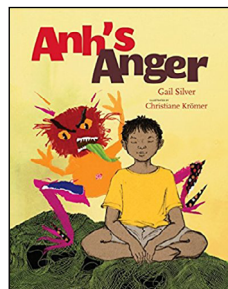
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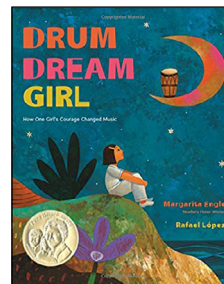
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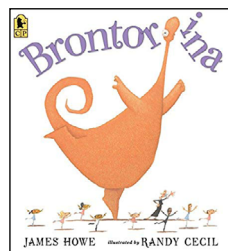
Anh's Anger *

by Gail Silver



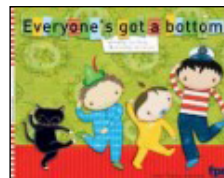
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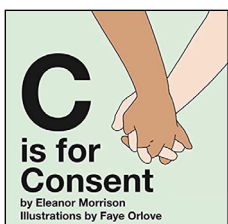
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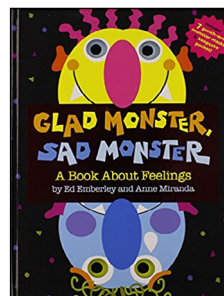
Everyone's Got a Bottom *

by Tess Rowley



C is for Consent

by Eleanor Morrison



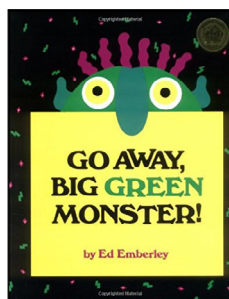
Glad Monster, Sad Monster *

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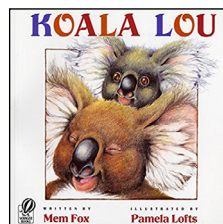


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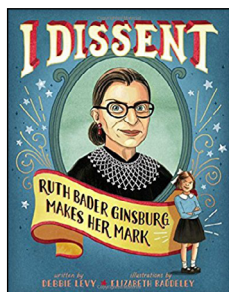
Go Away, Big Green Monster *

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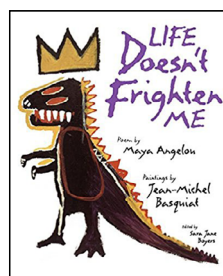
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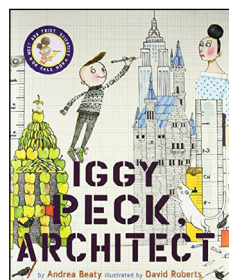
I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark

by Debbie Levy



Life Doesn't Frighten Me *

by Maya Angelou



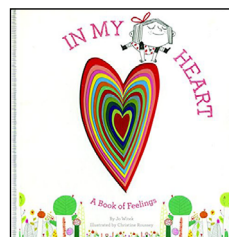
Iggy Peck, Architect *

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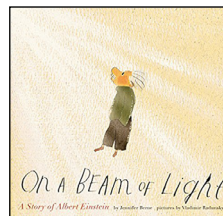
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In My Heart: a book of feelings *

by Jo Witek



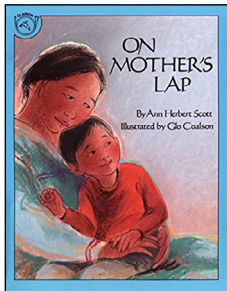
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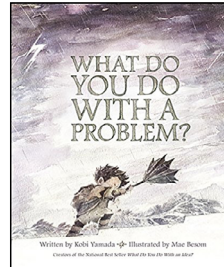


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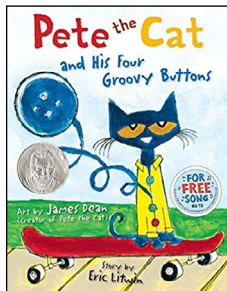
On Mother's Lap *

by Ann Herbert Scott



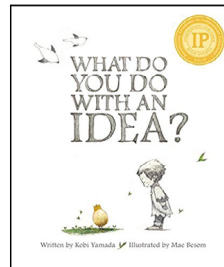
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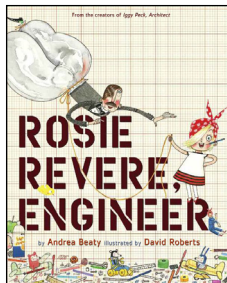
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by Eric Litwin



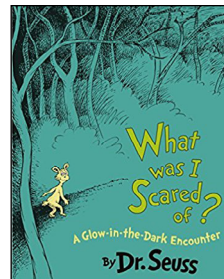
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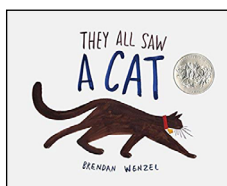
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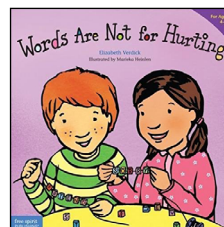
What Was I Scared Of?

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They All Saw a Cat *

by Brendan Wenzel



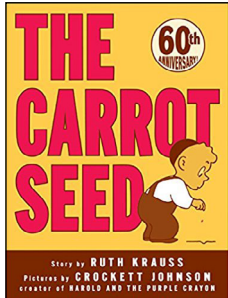
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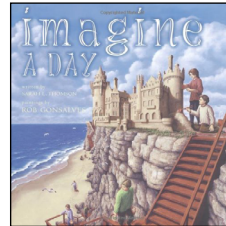


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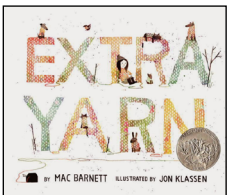
Carrot Seed

by Ruth Krauss



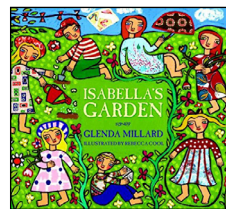
Imagine a Day

by Sarah L. Thompson



Extra Yarn

by Mac Barnett



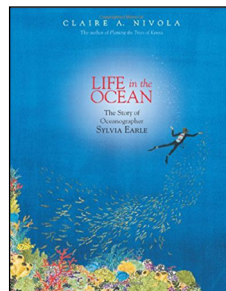
Isabella's Garden

by Glenda Millard



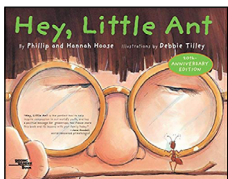
Grow! Raise! Catch! How We Get Our Food *

by Shelley Rotner



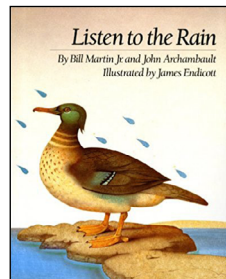
Life in the Ocean: A Story of Oceanographer Sylvia Earle *

by Claire A. Nivola



Hey Little Ant

by Phillip Hoose



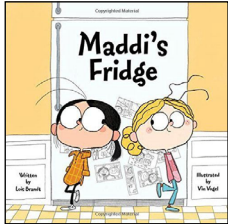
Listen to the Rain *

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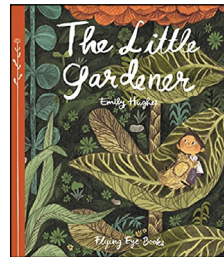


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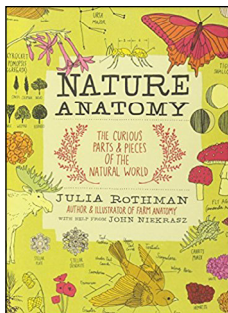
Maddi's Fridge

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The Little Gardener

by Emily Hughes



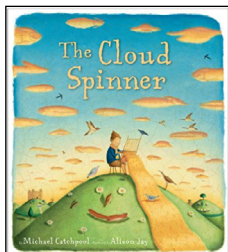
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by Julia Rothman



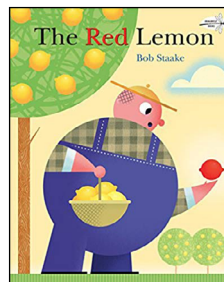
The Lorax *

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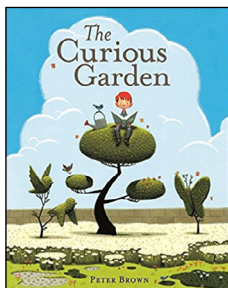
The Cloud Spinner *

by Michael Catchpool



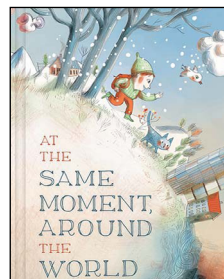
The Red Lemon

by Bob Staake



The Curious Garden *

by Peter Brown



The Same Moment Around the World

by Clotilde Perrin

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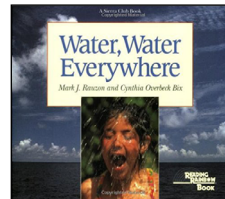


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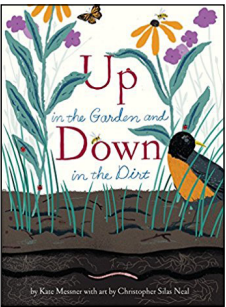
Tree Lady: The Story of How One Tree-Loving Woman Changed a City Forever *

by *H. Joseph Hopkins*



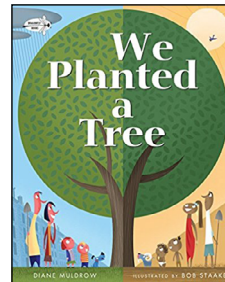
Water, Water Everywhere *

by *Cynthia Overbeck Bix*



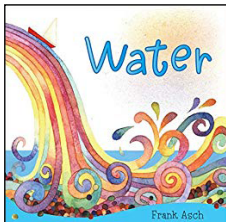
Up in the Garden, Down in the Dirt

by *Kate Messner*



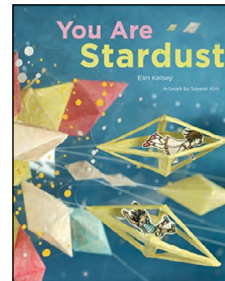
We Planted a Tree *

by *Diane Muldrow*



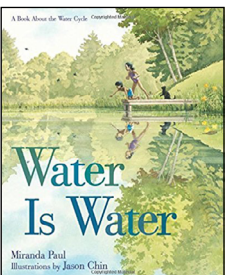
Water *

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You Are Stardust

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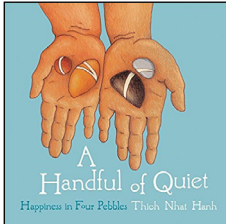
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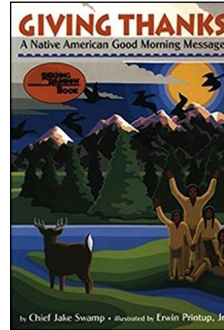


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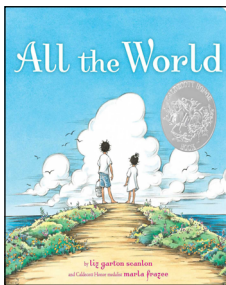
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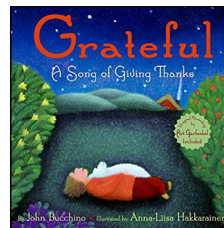
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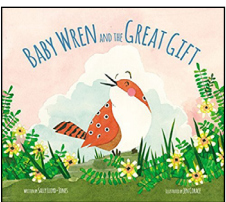
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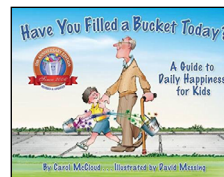
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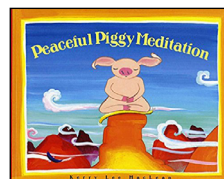
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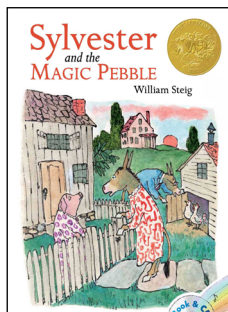
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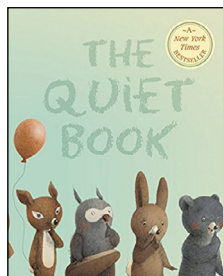


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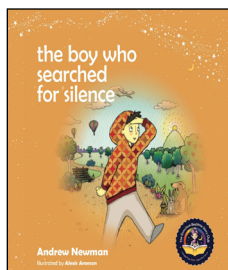
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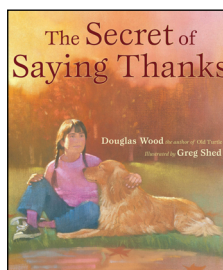
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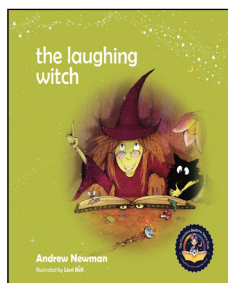
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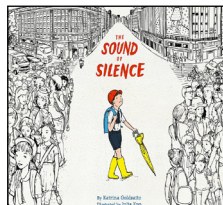
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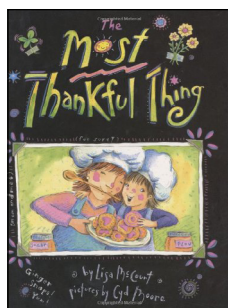
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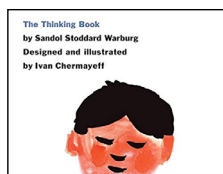
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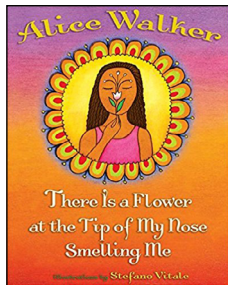
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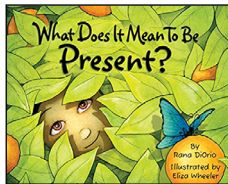


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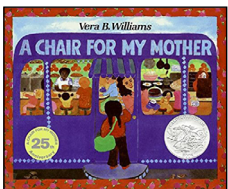
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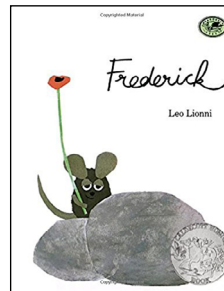
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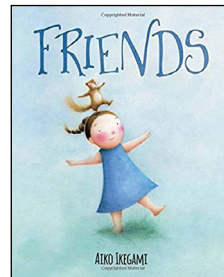
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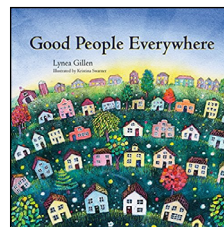
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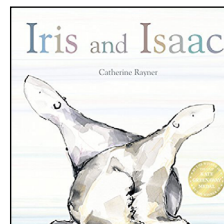
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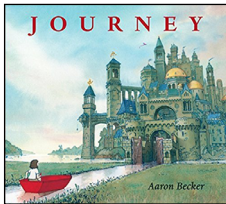
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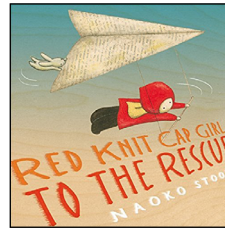


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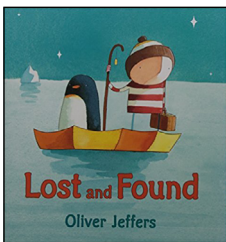
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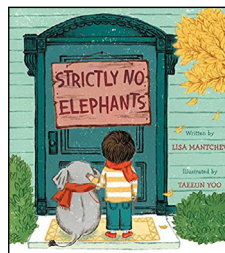
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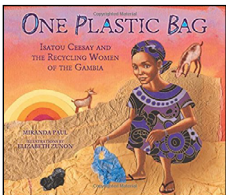
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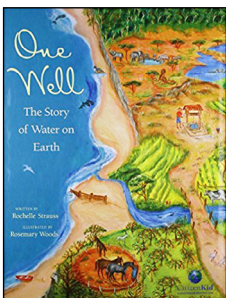
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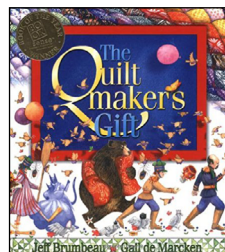
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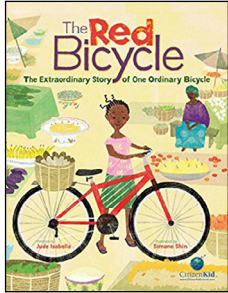
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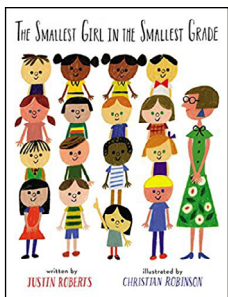


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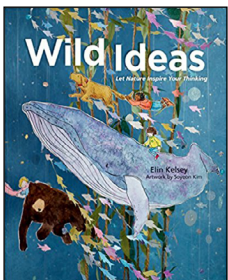
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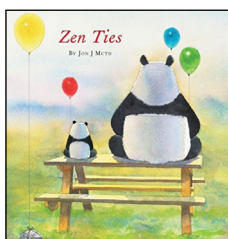
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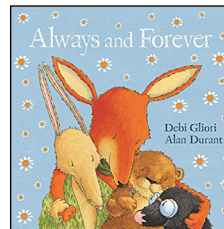
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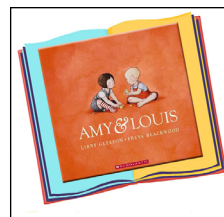
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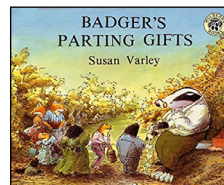
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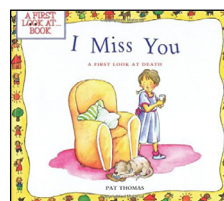
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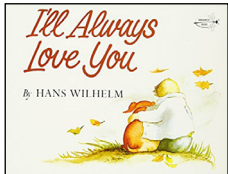
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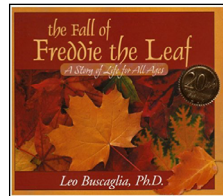


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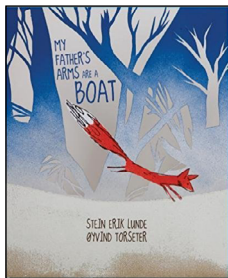
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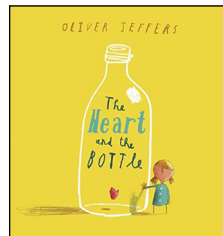
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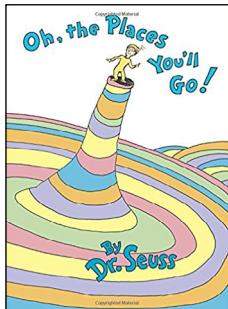
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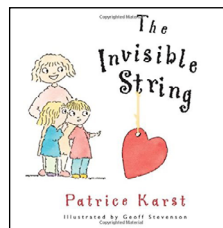
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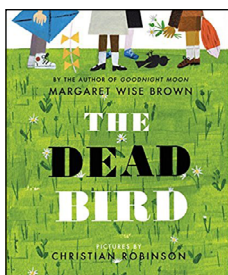
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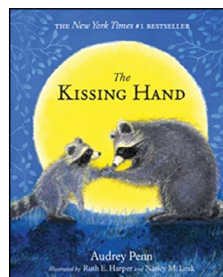
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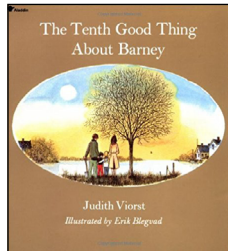
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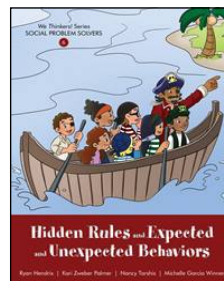
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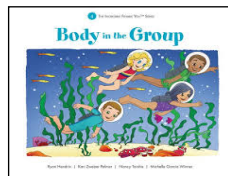
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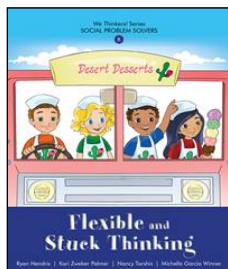
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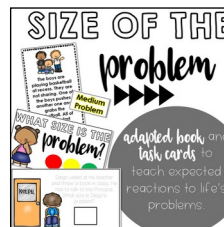
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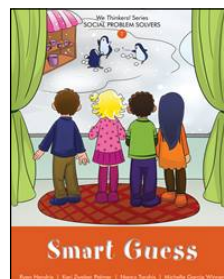
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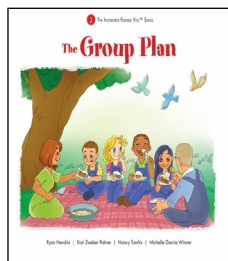
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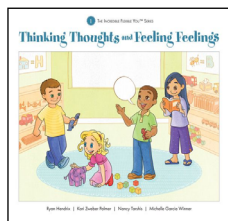


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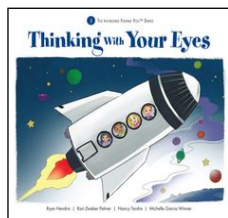
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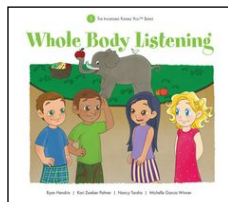
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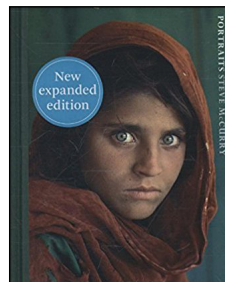
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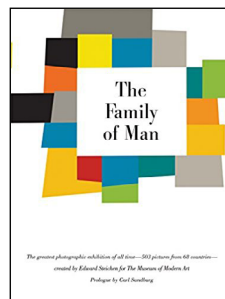
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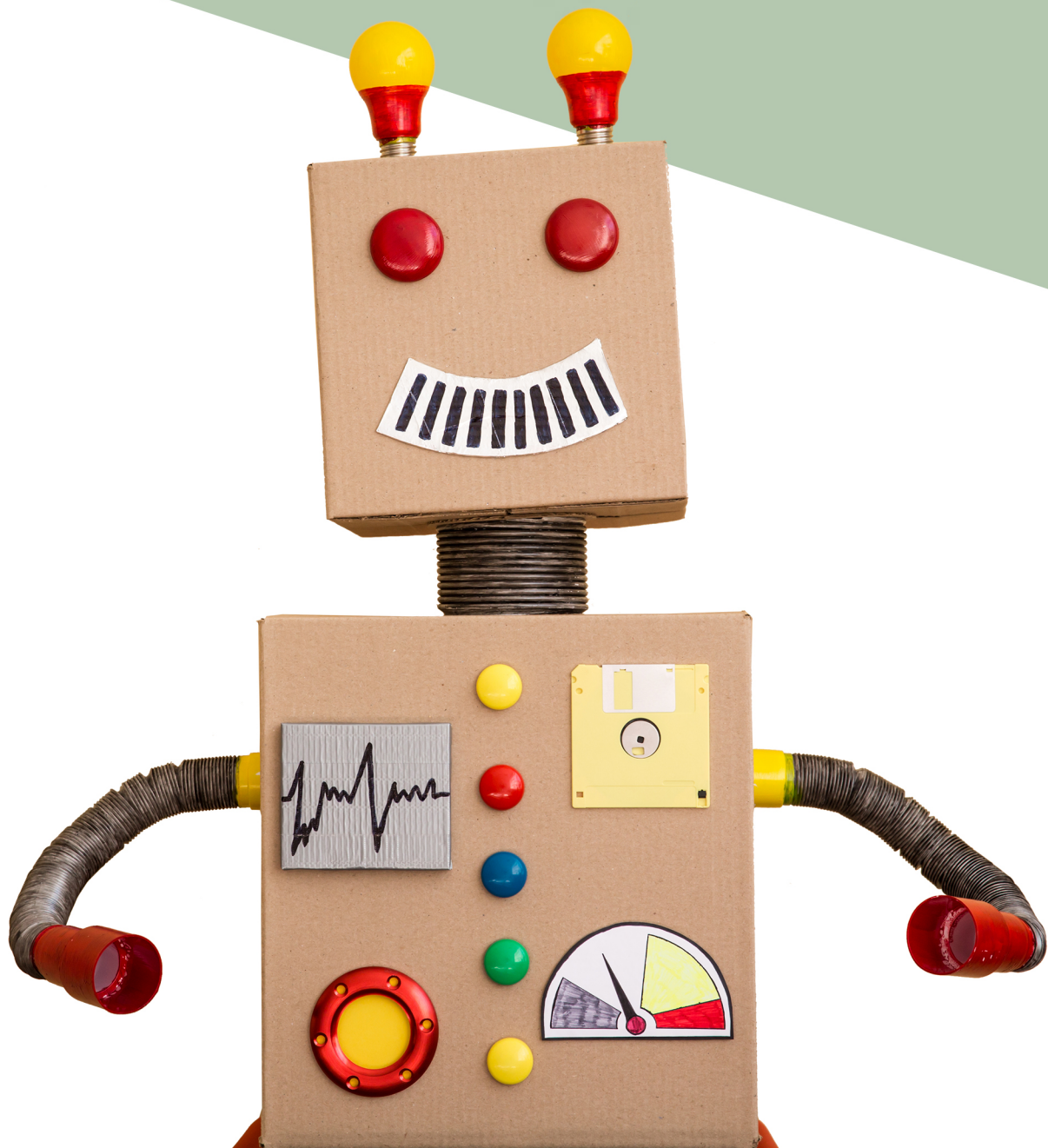


Where Children Sleep *

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TOYS





Parents, Family and Friends

Hi Everyone,

Here are some great gift ideas that your children might like for Hanukkah or Christmas. I have chosen gifts that encourage creativity, imagination and problem solving.

All gifts have been tried and tested by Branches children and have proven the test of time. Please feel free to pass on to family and friends.

Warmest Regards,

Tricia





Water Color Pad

\$6.29



Loew-Cornell Assorted
Dry Pan Watercolor Paint
Cakes, 24-Pack

\$8.95



Oil Pastels

\$6.69



Pantry Elements Silicone

\$9.97



Nino Percussion

\$7.79



Fruit Basket Set

\$9.99



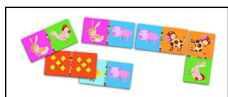
Water Color Brushes

\$8.88



Vegetables Set

\$9.99



Farm animals dominos

\$10.30



Shopping basket set

\$12.99



Hape First Pounder
Toddler

\$11.52



Educational Insights
Shelby's Snack Shack
Game

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Caterpillar CAT Mini
Machine

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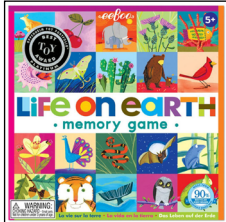
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Remo RHYTHM CLUB,
Tambourine

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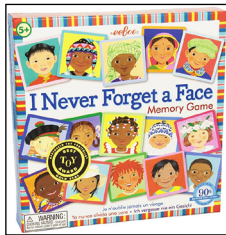
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Matching Game

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Peaceable Kingdom Hoot
owl game

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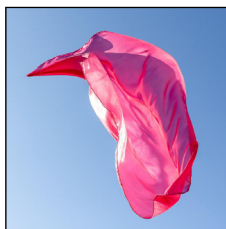
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Face Matching Game

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Sneaky, Snacky Squirrel
Game

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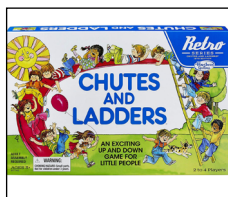
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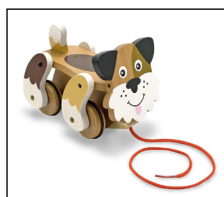
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Chutes and Ladders

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Playful Puppy

\$17.75



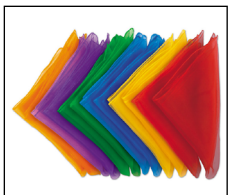
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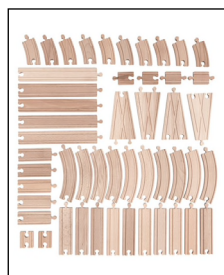
Fruit Wooden Kitchen Play Food Set

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Activity Scarves

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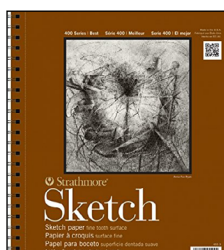
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Drawing pad

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Natural Rubber Fantasy Baby Toy & Teether

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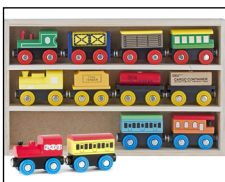
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Stacking cups

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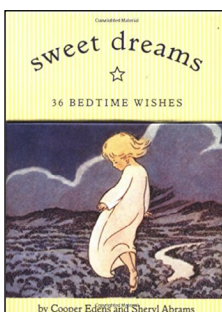
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Balancing Boat Game

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Sweet dream poem cards

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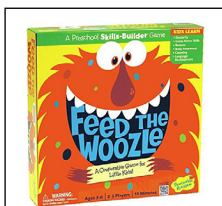
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Dancing Butterflies

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Peaceable Kingdom / Feed
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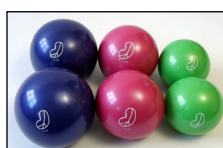
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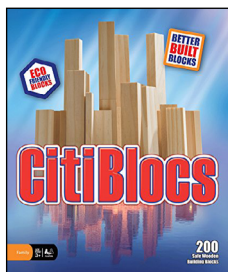
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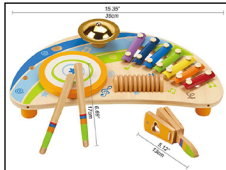
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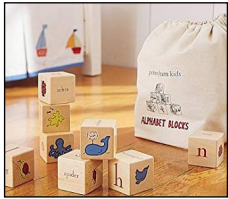
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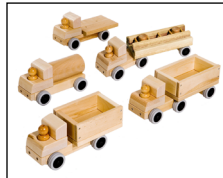
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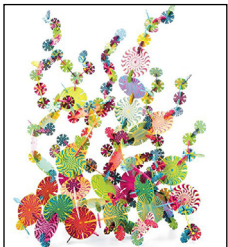
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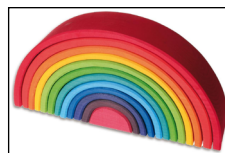
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