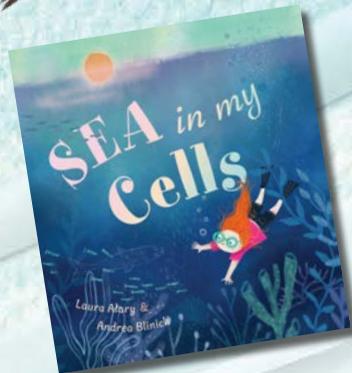
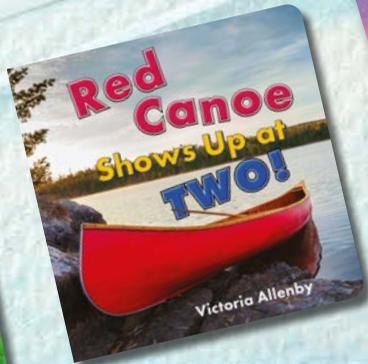
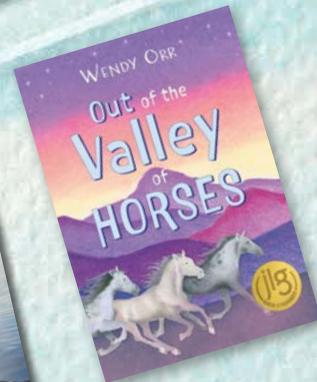
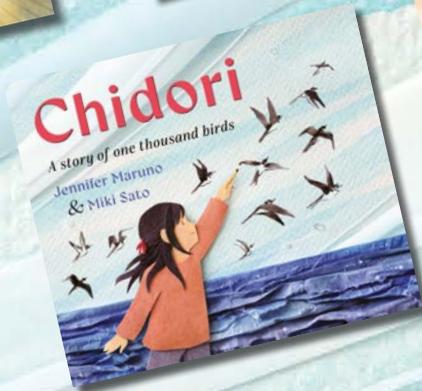
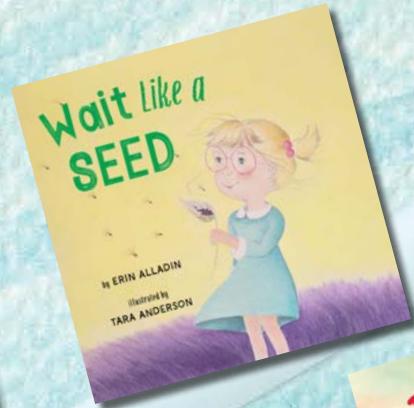
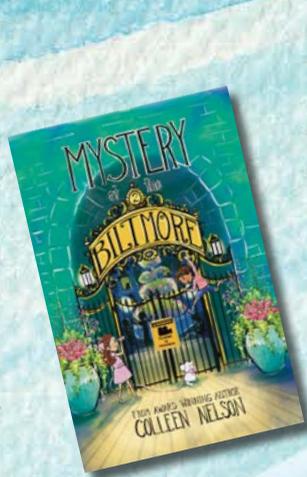


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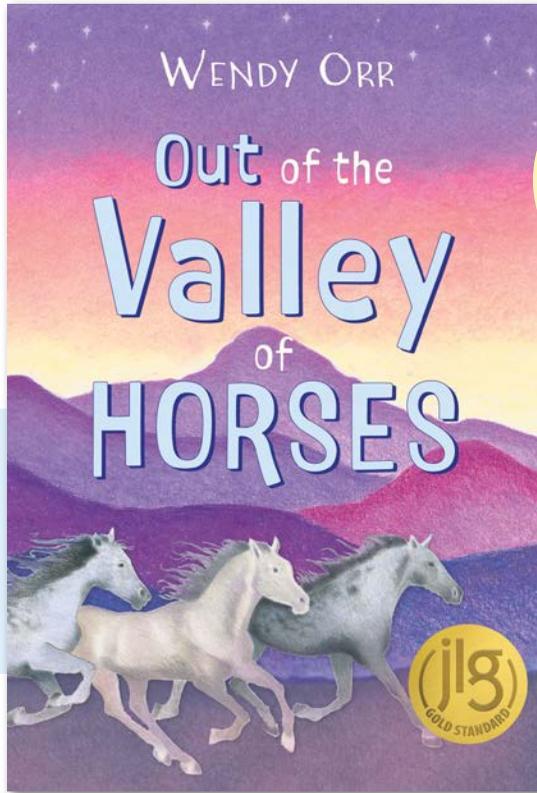
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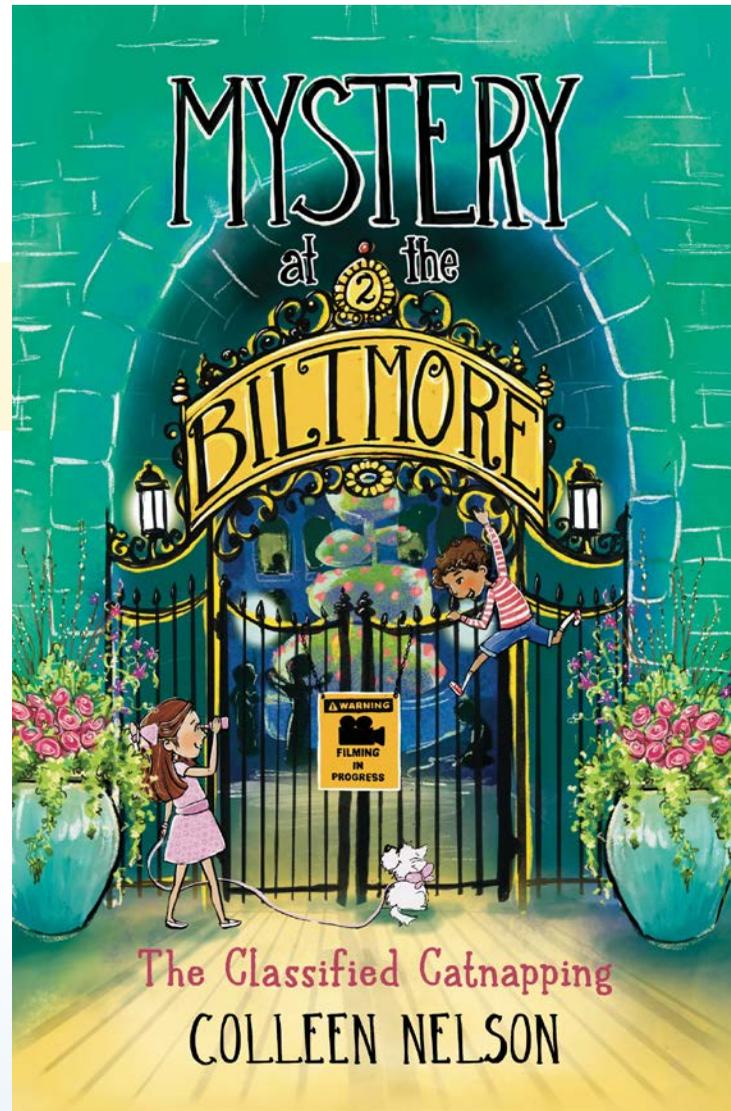
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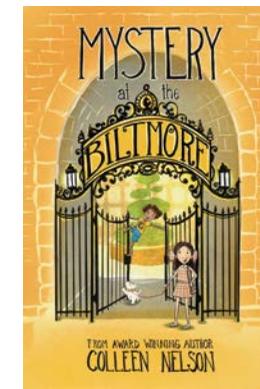
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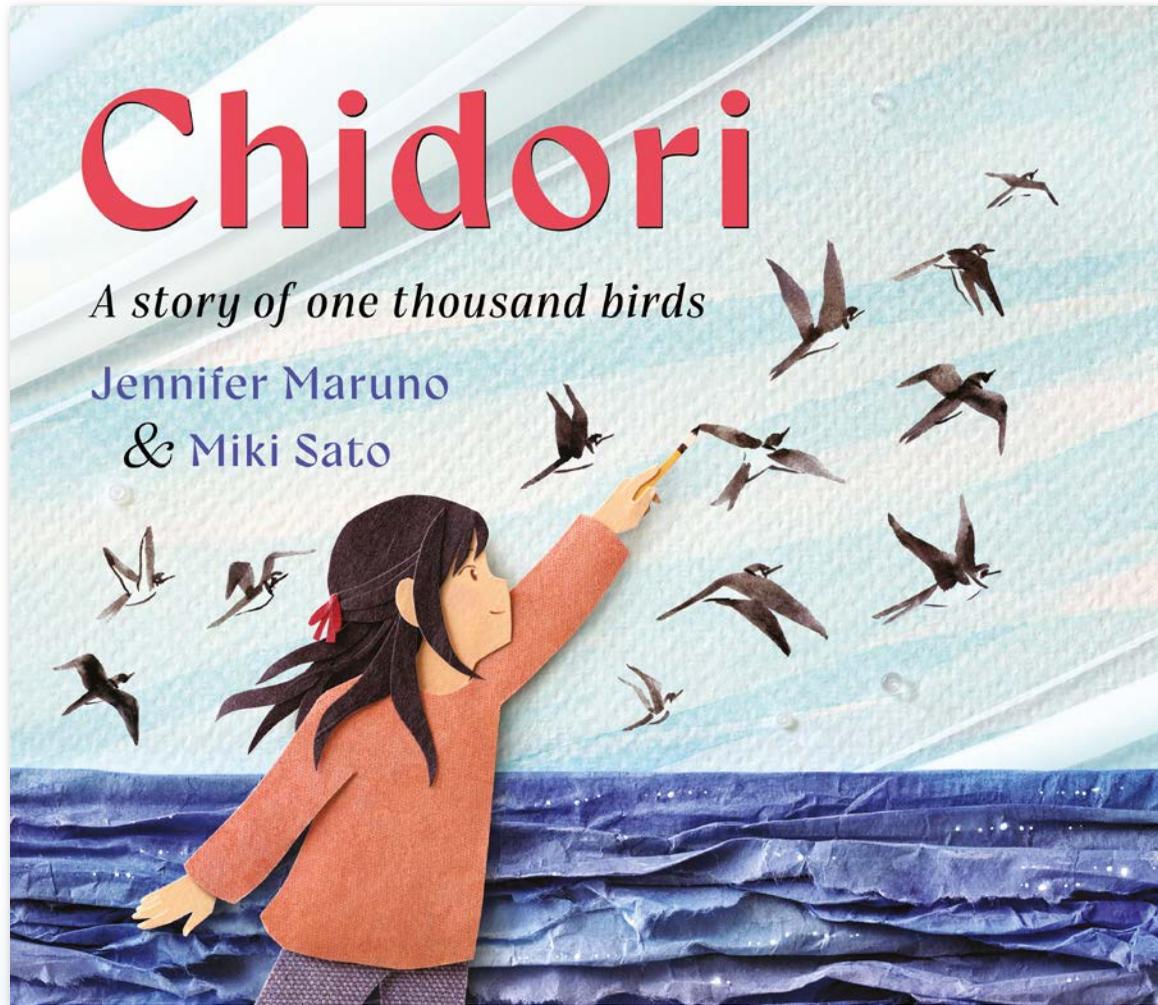
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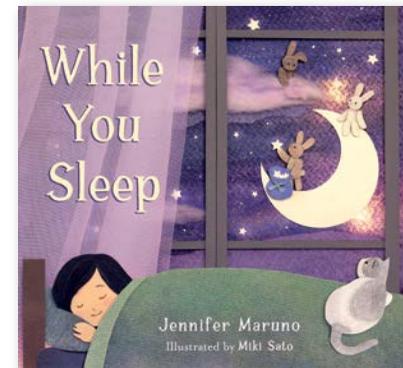




# CHIDORI

by Jennifer Maruno 🇨🇦 illustrated by Miki Sato 🇨🇦

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“A perfect bedtime selection for eye-catching, vibrantly colorful dreams.”

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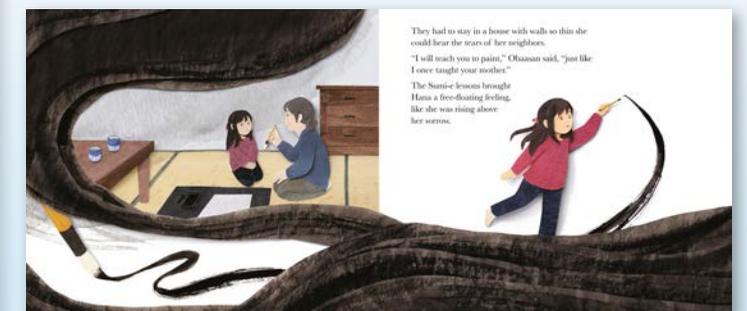
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From the award-winning duo of *While You Sleep* comes a story of courage, poignancy, and strength. In 2011, when tsunami sweeps over Japan, Hana and her family must learn to overcome the devastation.

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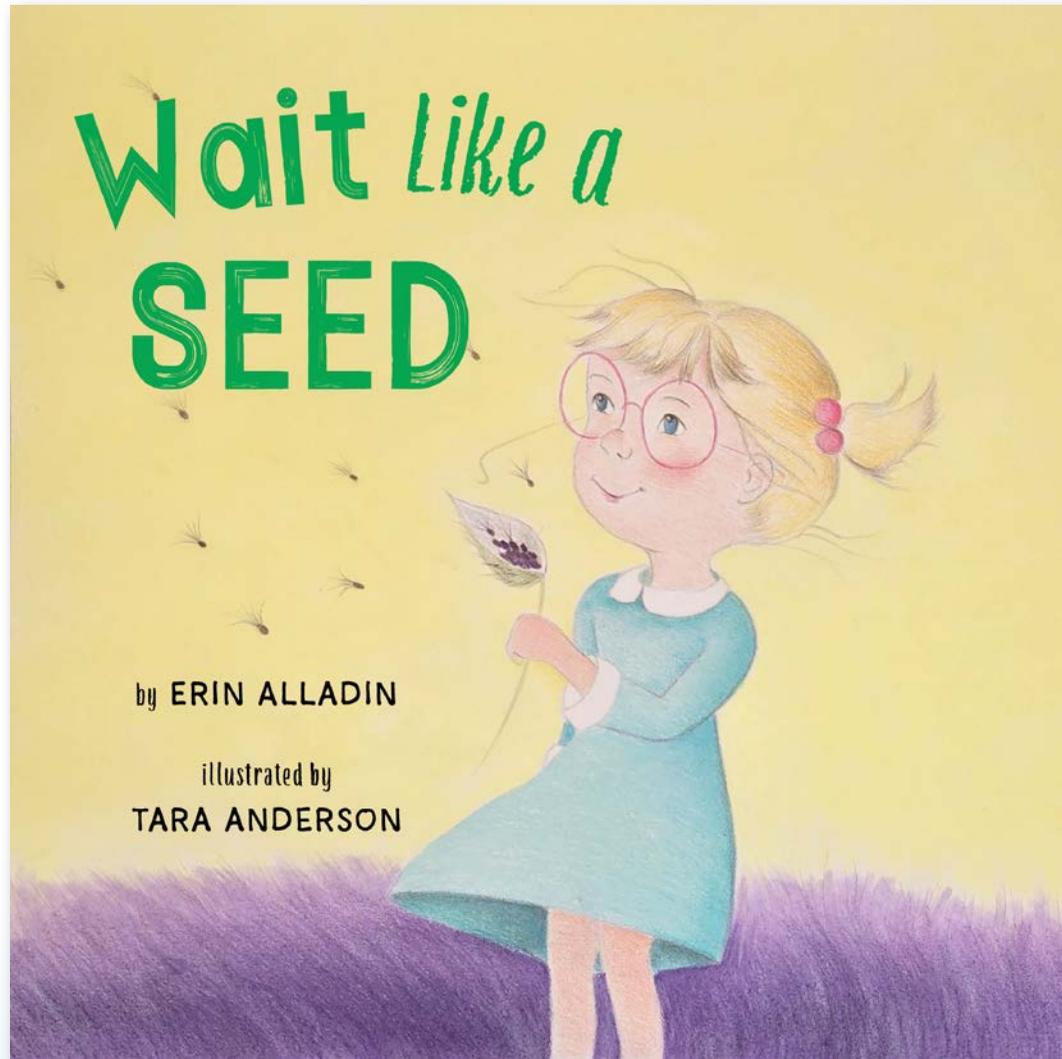
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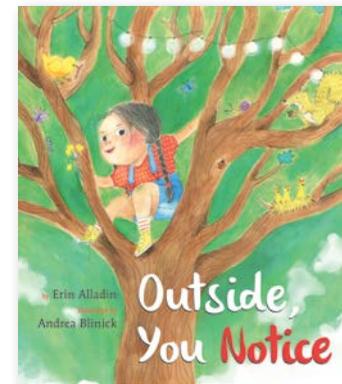
A seed waits patiently until it is time to sprout—  
and as this milkweed transforms from seed to  
plant, so too does the butterfly it feeds.

*Wait like a seed / Cozy and small. / Wait like a seed / 'Til the spring rains fall.*  
This lyrical nonfiction text explores the lifecycle of a milkweed, and with it,  
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in their own backyard, from seed, to new buds, to flowers!

## WAIT LIKE A SEED

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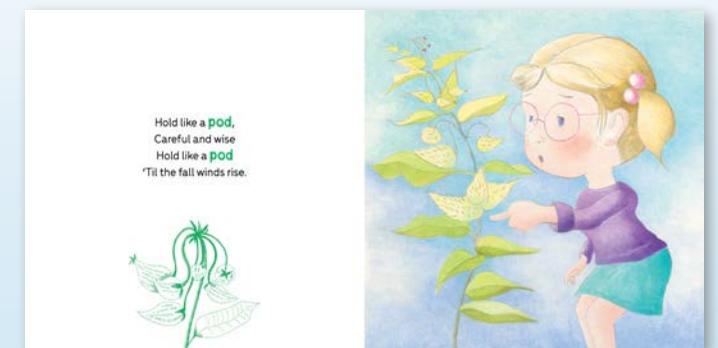


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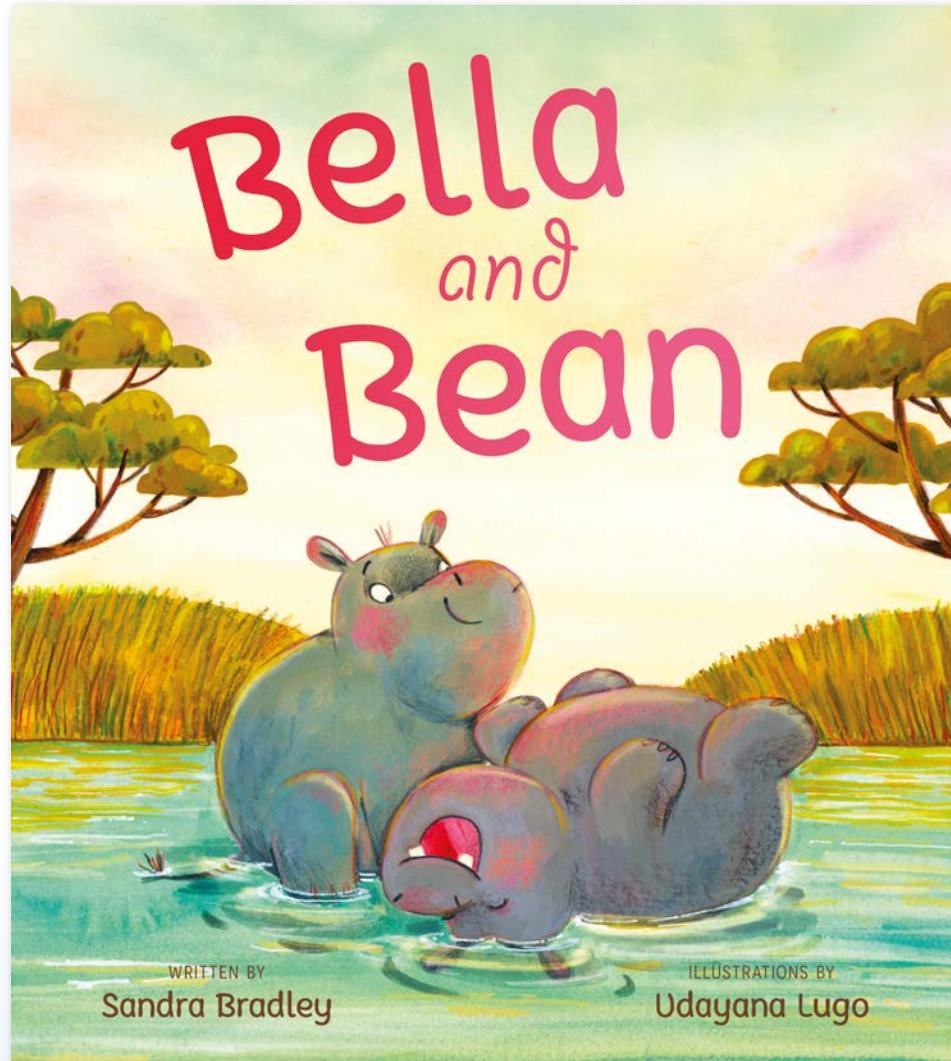


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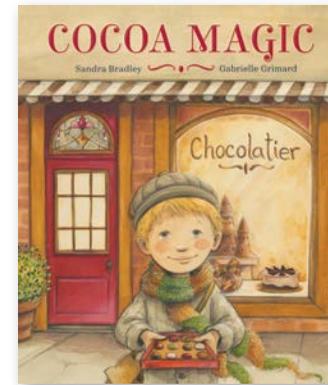
For hippos, becoming big is guaranteed, and Bella and Bean can't wait! But recently, Bella has started to dream about being something even bigger than big...

From the award-winning author of *Cocoa Magic* comes a delightfully funny and inspiring story about a hippo who has big dreams. Bella wishes to open a spa, and with hard work, determination, and a little help from her friends, Bella's dreams may just come true.

# BELLA AND BEAN

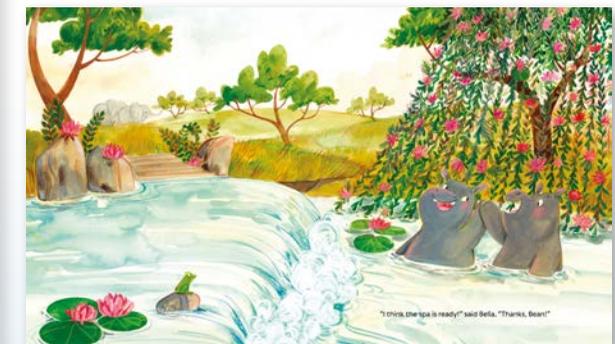
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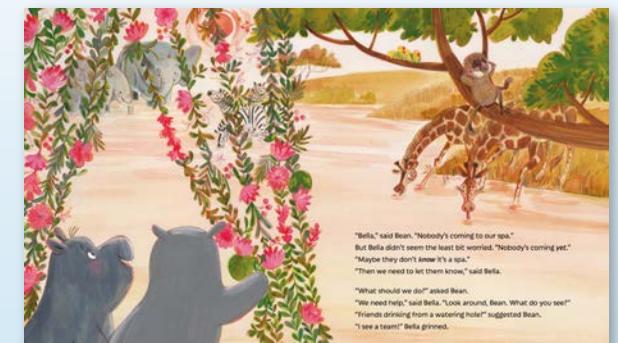


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"I think the spa is ready!" said Bella. "Thanks, Bean!"



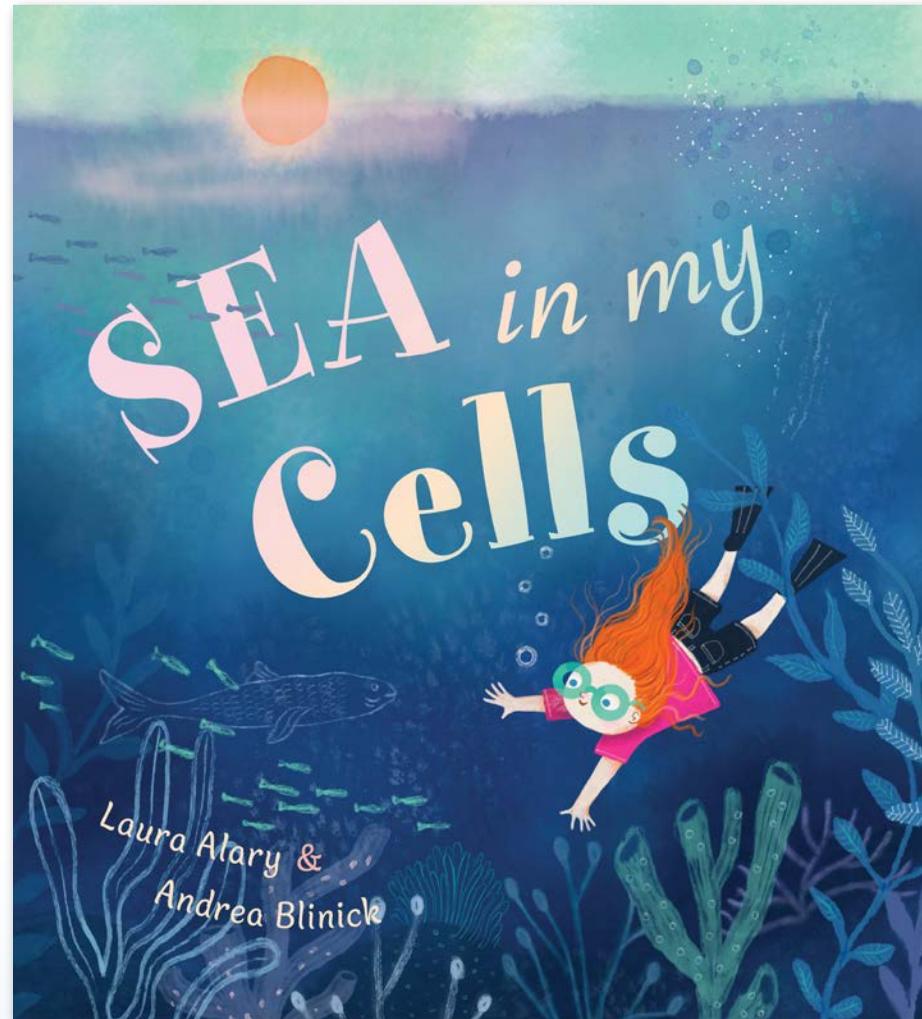
"Bella," said Bean. "Nobody's coming to our spa." But Bella didn't seem the least bit worried. "Nobody's coming yet." "Maybe they don't know it's a spa." "Then we need to let them know," said Bella. "What should we do?" asked Bean. "We need help," said Bella. "Look around, Bean. What do you see?" "Friends drinking from a watering hole!" suggested Bean. "I see a team!" Bella grinned.

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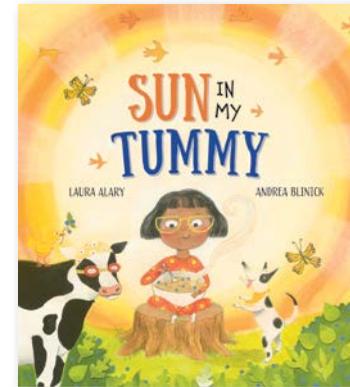
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*From sea to clouds. / From clouds to rain. / From rain to lake. / From lake to glass. / Water is a shape-shifter. / Take a big gulp. / Can you taste the sea?*  
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# SEA IN MY CELLS

by Laura Alary 🇨🇦 illustrated by Andrea Blinick 🇨🇦

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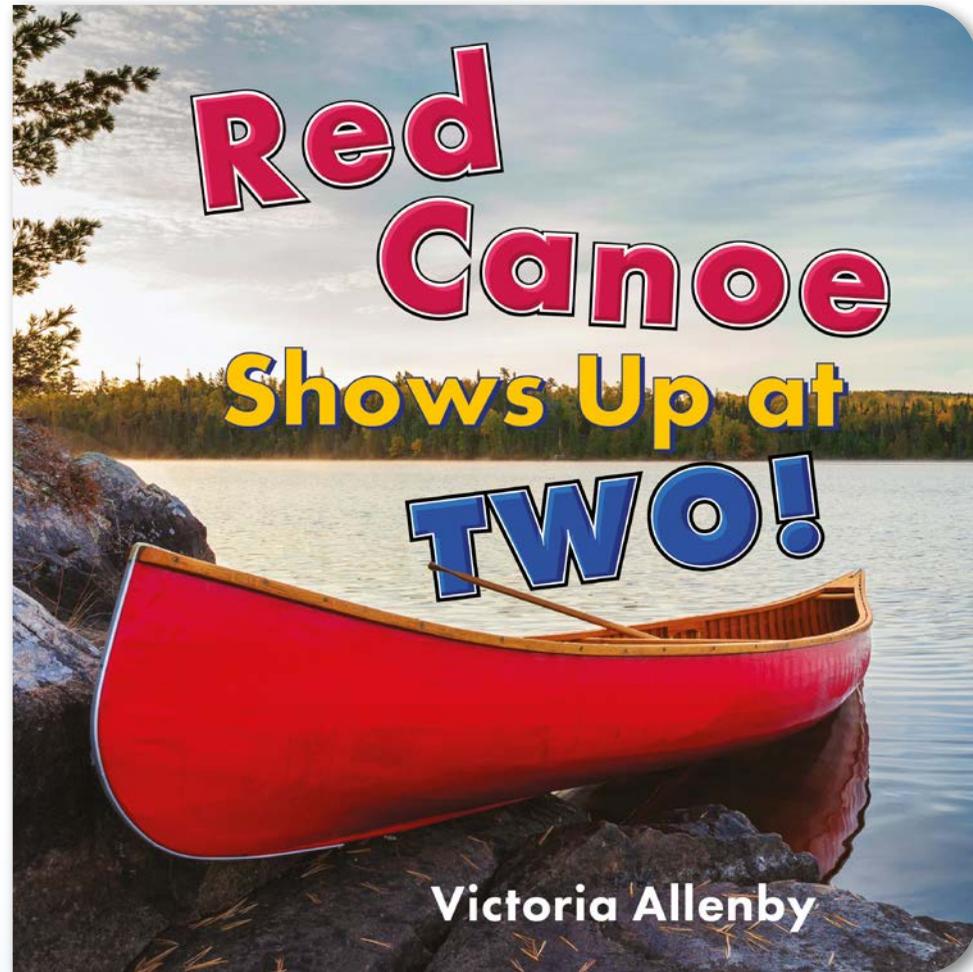
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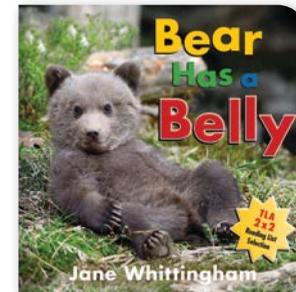
Canoes, speedboats, and more sail into this Big, Little Concepts exploration of boats, colors, and time from the award-winning author of *Shape Up, Construction Trucks!*

A day on the dock is never dull when boats of all shapes, sizes, and colors are zooming on by! Indulge your preschoolers love for boats while also subtly teaching them about colors and time! Who zoomed up at six o'clock? A purple speedboat! What boat will arrive next? What time will it be?

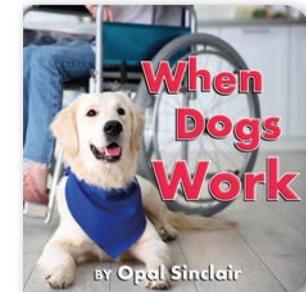
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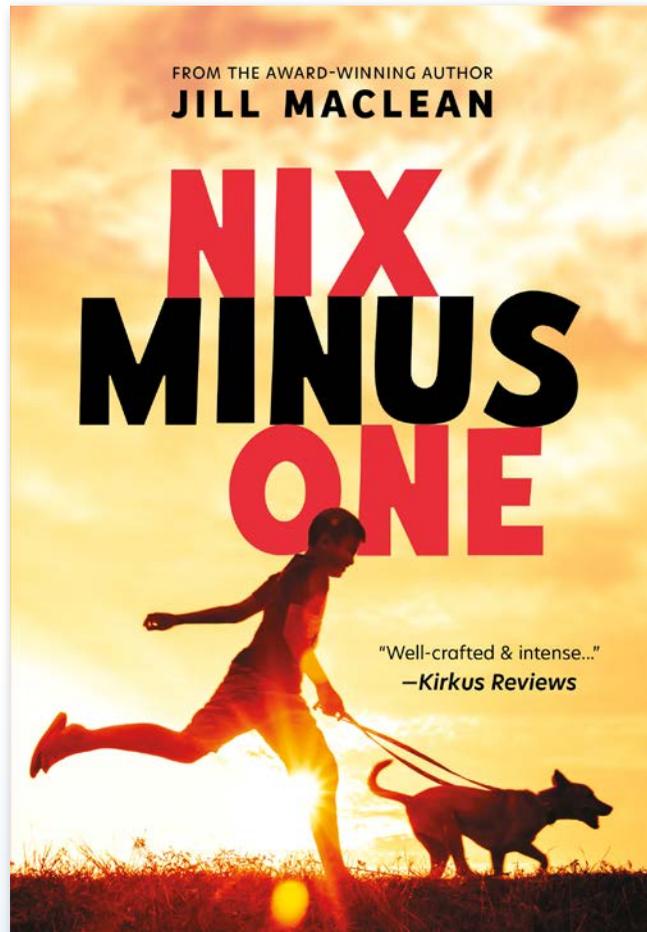


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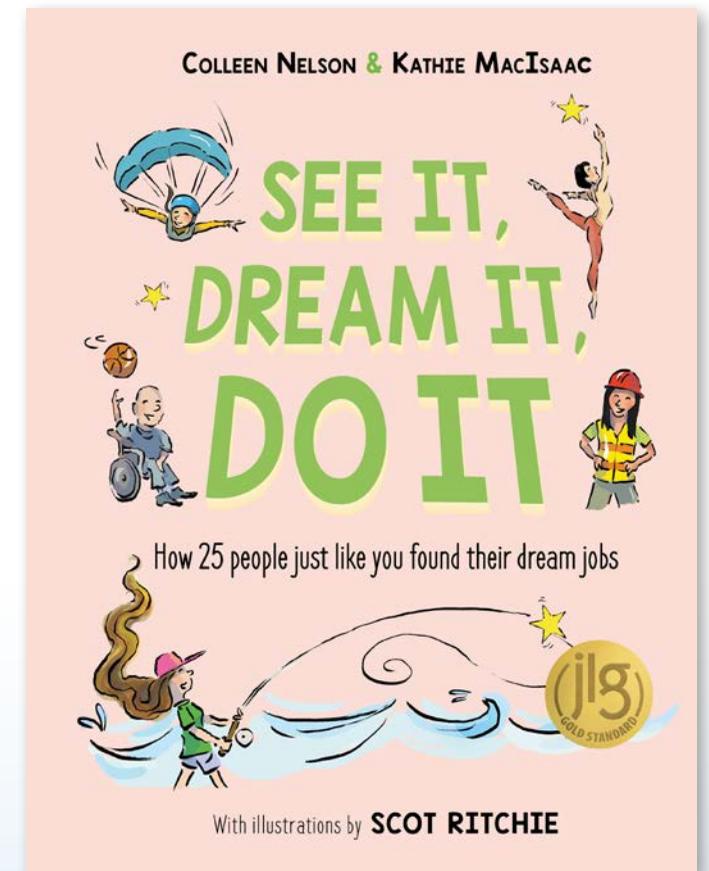
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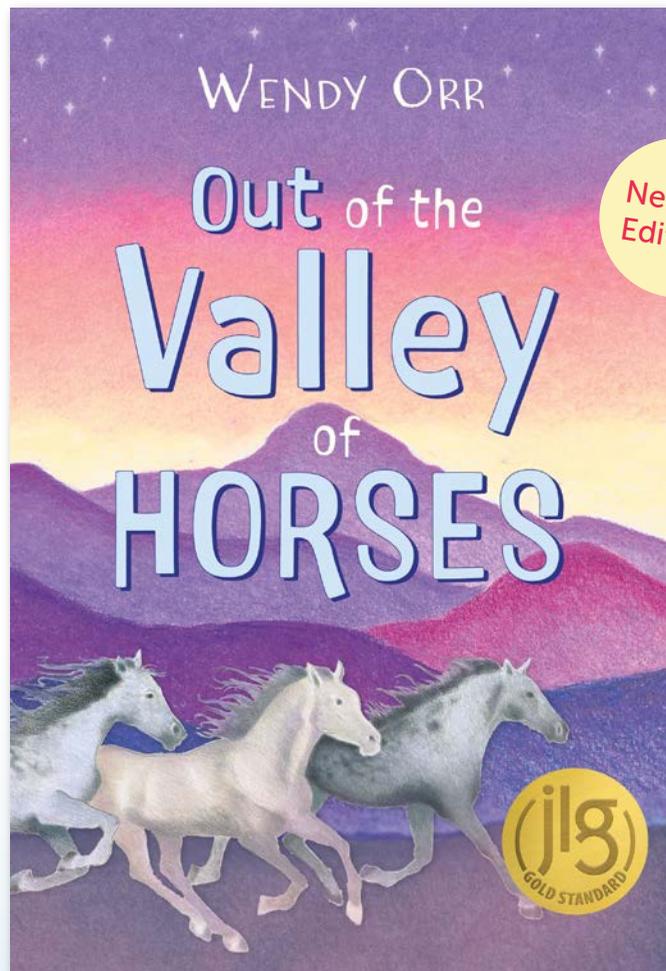


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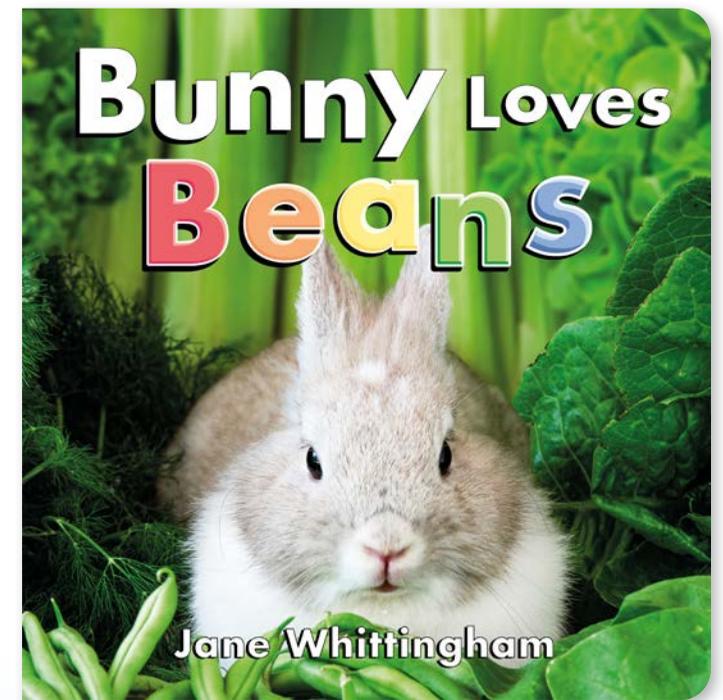
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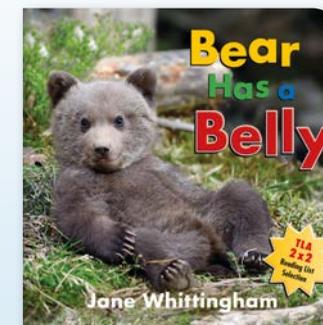
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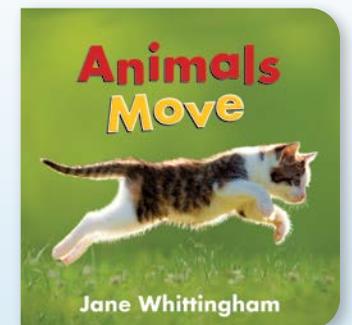


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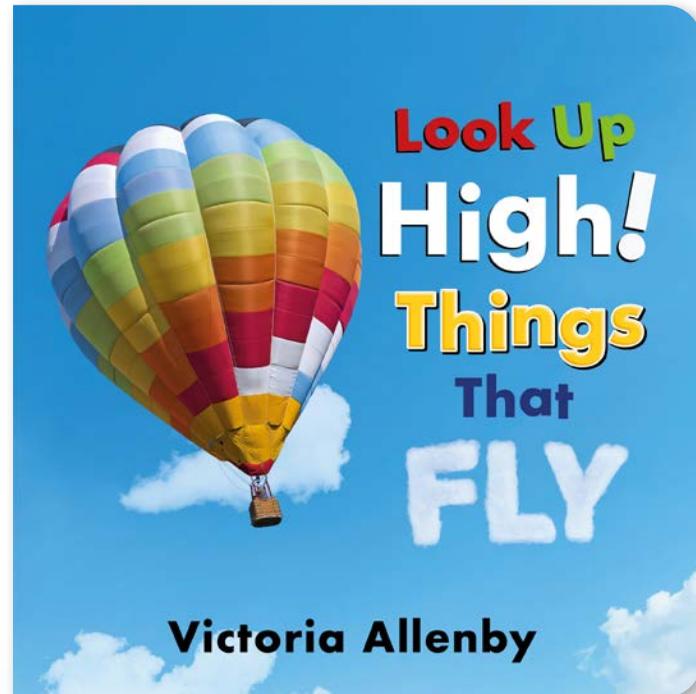
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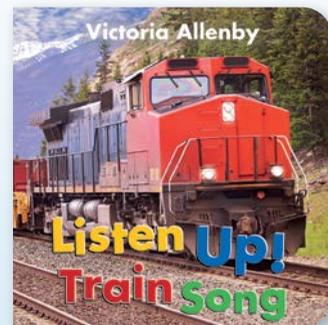
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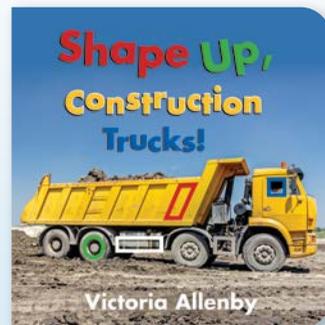


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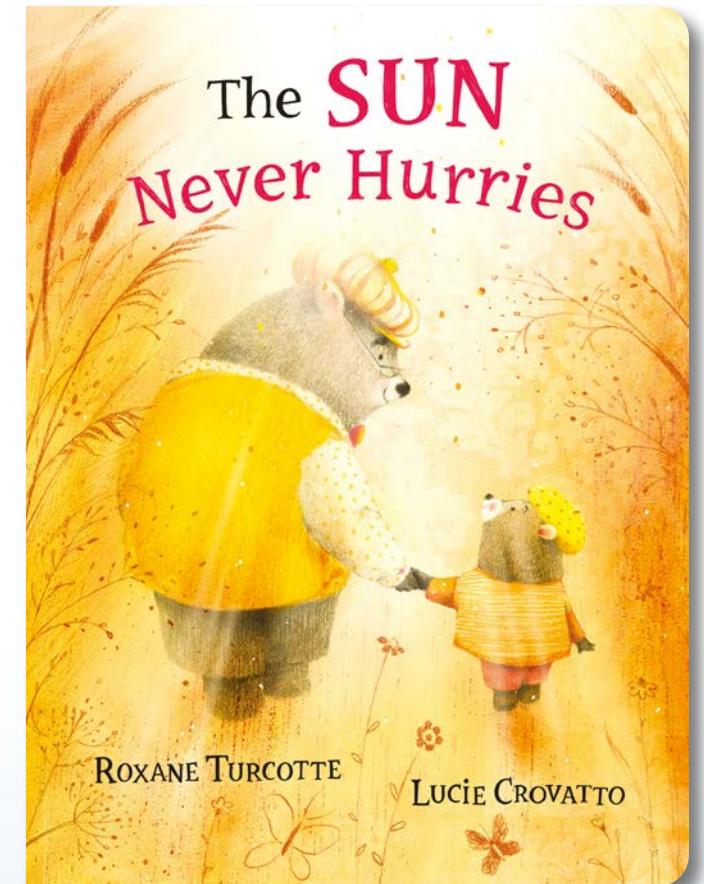
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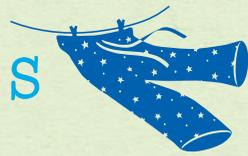
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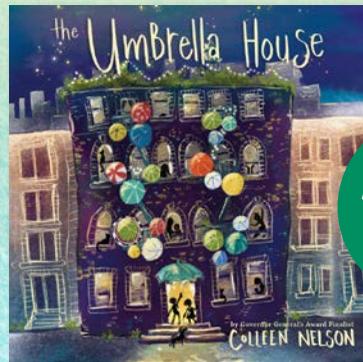
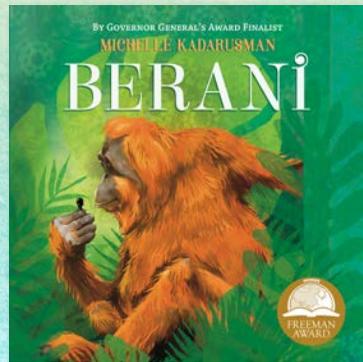
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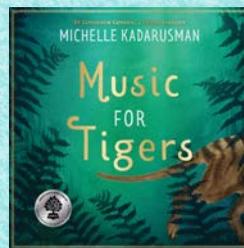
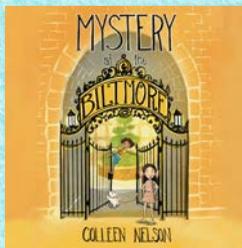
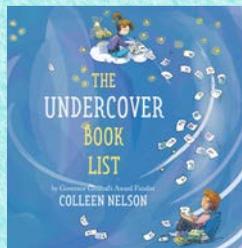
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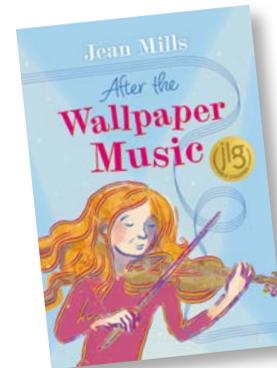
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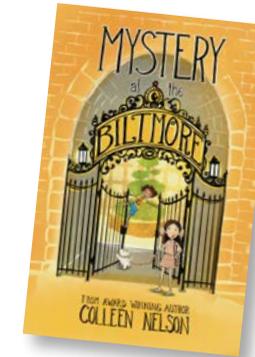
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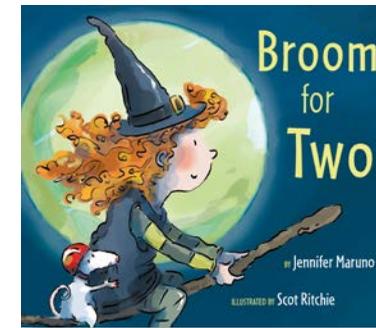
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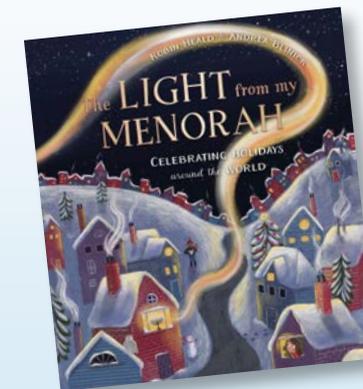
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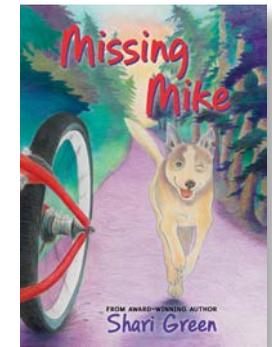
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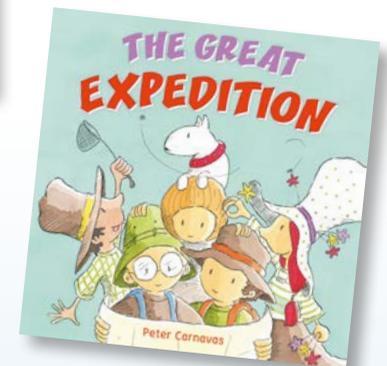
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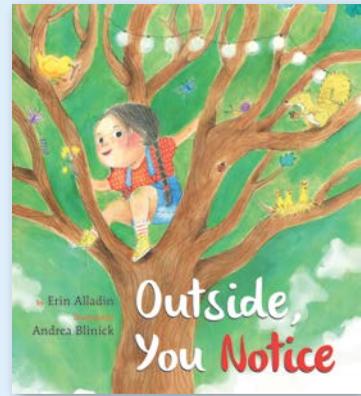


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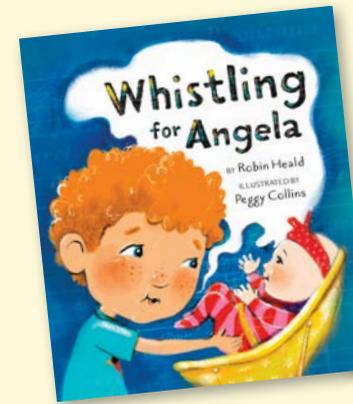
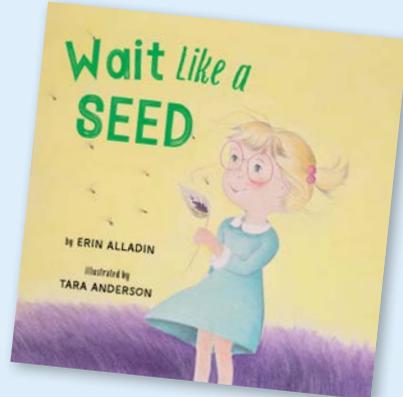
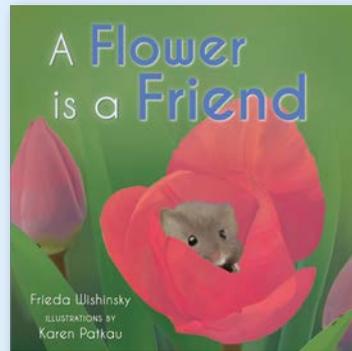
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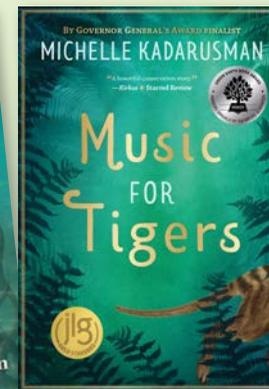
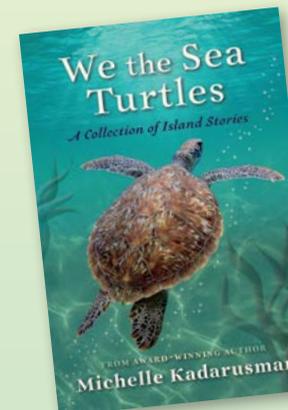
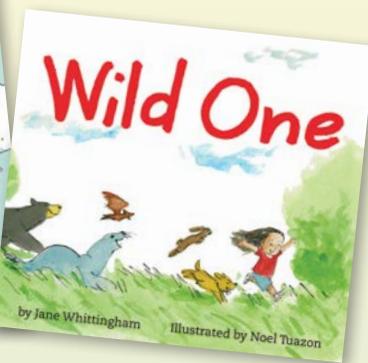
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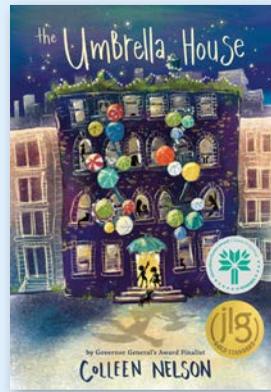


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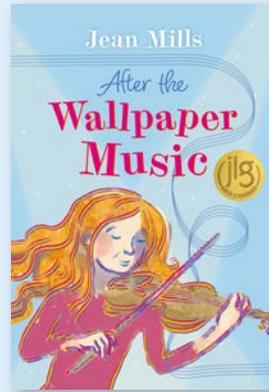
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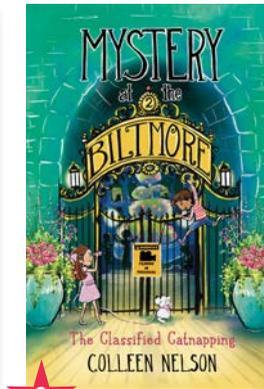
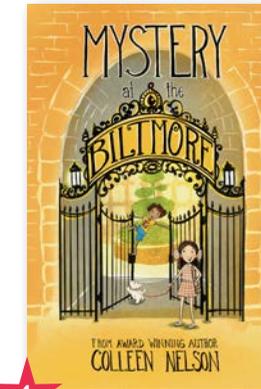
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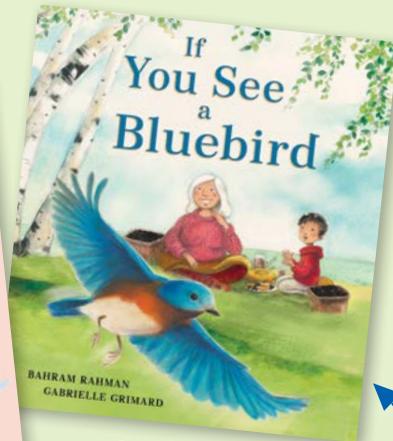
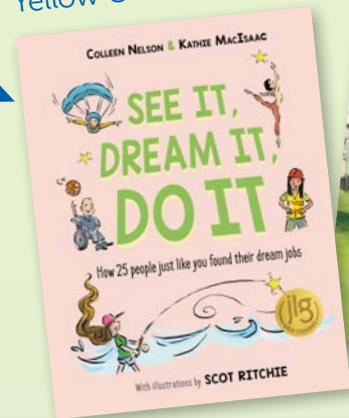
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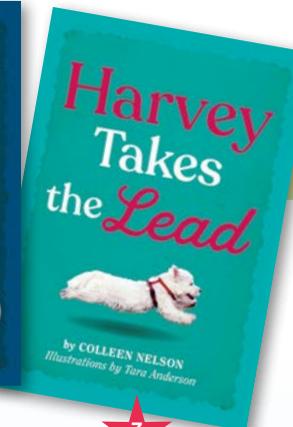
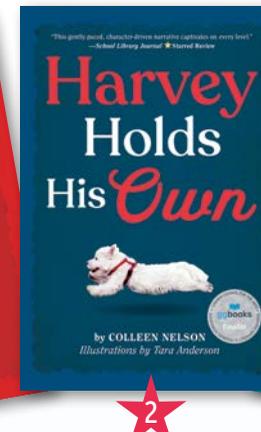
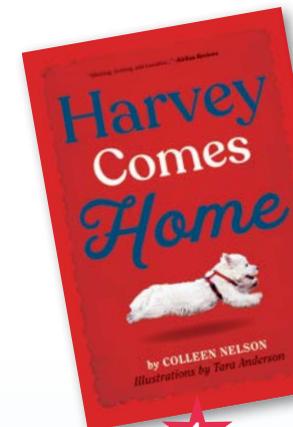
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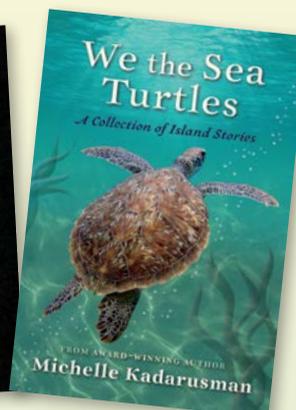
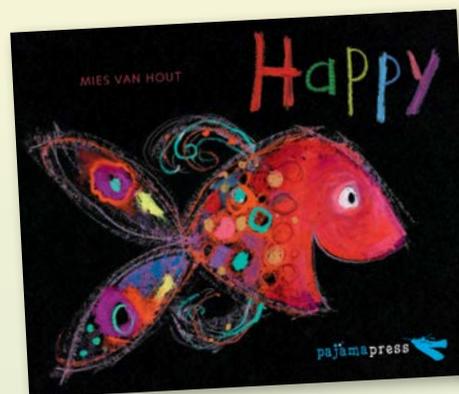
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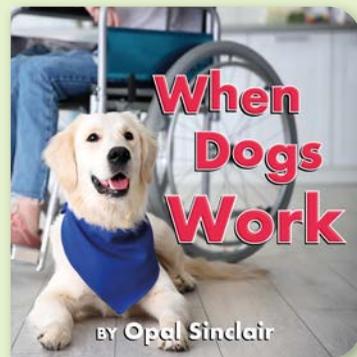
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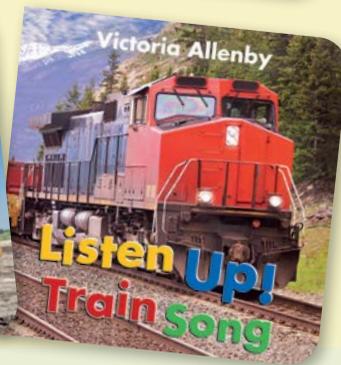
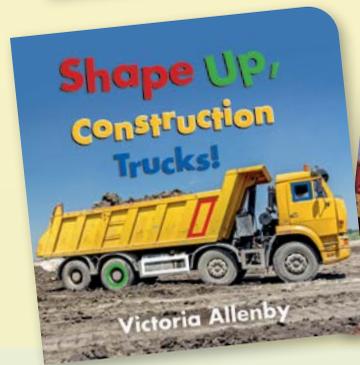
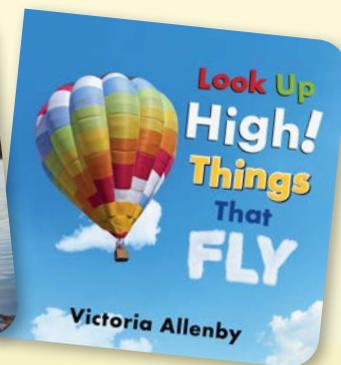
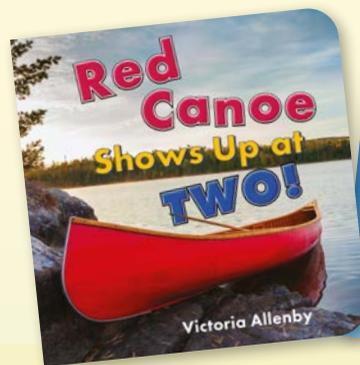
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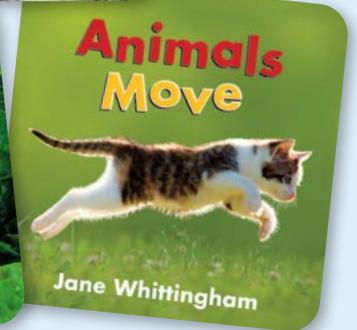
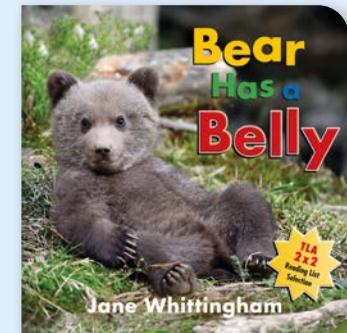


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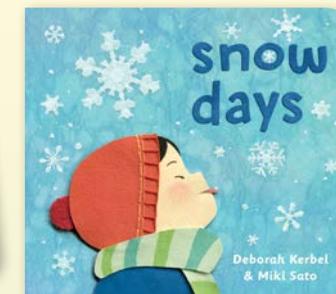
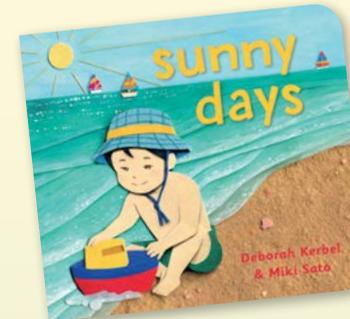
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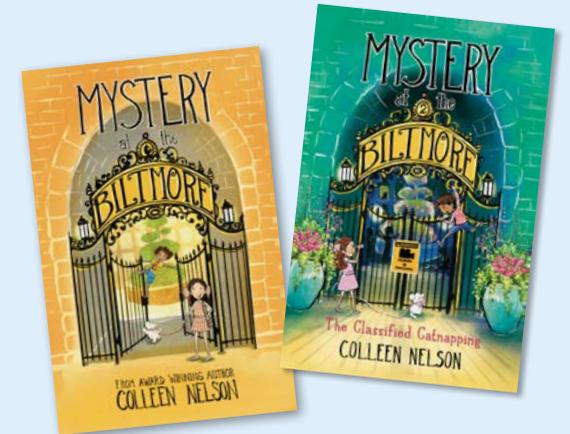


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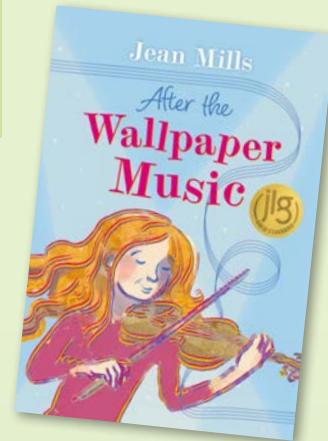
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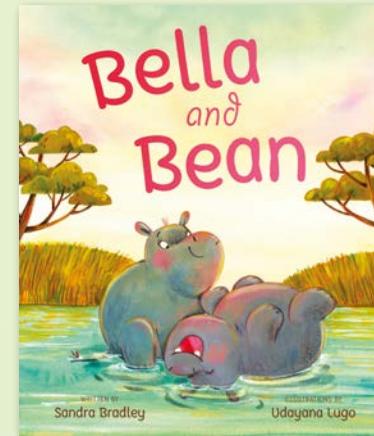
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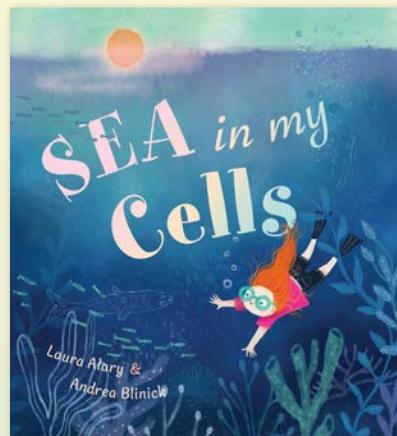
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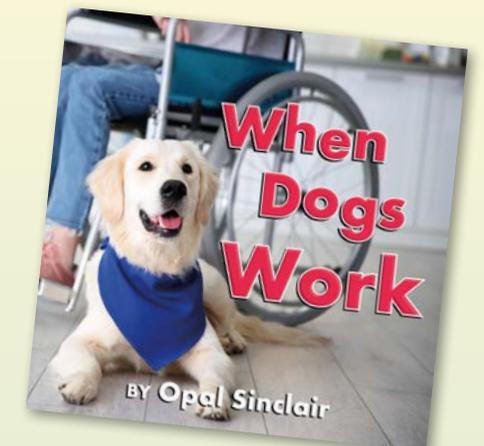
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