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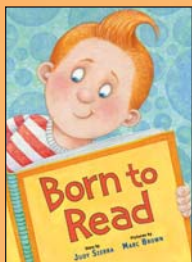
storytime!

Fall 2008



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- road trip u.s.a.

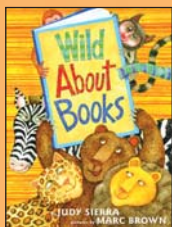


Born to Read

Judy Sierra • Pictures by Marc Brown
An upbeat read-aloud that celebrates the love of reading!

Ages 4–8

HC: 978-0-375-84687-8 • GLB: 978-0-375-94687-5



Wild About Books

Judy Sierra • Pictures by Marc Brown
The Springfield librarian, Molly McGrew, by mistake drove her bookmobile into the zoo!

Ages 4–8

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The Best Place to Read

Debbie Bertram and Susan Bloom
Illustrated by Michael Garland
A young child tries to find the perfect place to curl up with his new book.

Ages: 3–6

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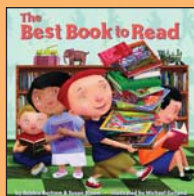


The Best Time to Read

Debbie Bertram and Susan Bloom
Illustrated by Michael Garland
The best time to read is whenever you have loved ones to listen!

Ages: 3–7

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The Best Book to Read

Debbie Bertram and Susan Bloom
Illustrated by Michael Garland

Ages 3–7

A trip to the best place to find the best book—the library!

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we're born to read!

Got books on the brain? Stories on your mind? Let them all out and celebrate books, reading, and telling stories!



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ACTIVITIES/CRAFTS

the story goes round and round

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Inflatable ball : imagination

- 1 Inflate what will be the Storytime Ball.
- 2 Holding the Storytime Ball, the leader should begin telling a story. For example: "Once upon a time, there was a princess locked in a castle."
- 3 Then the leader throws or rolls the Storytime Ball to someone else in the circle, who should pick up where the leader left off in the story.
- 4 When the second person is finished with his or her part of the story, he or she throws or rolls the Storytime Ball to someone else to continue the story.
- 5 See how many funny stories the circle can come up with when everyone works together. Try again, this time with someone else starting the story.



make your own book

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

White lined or unlined paper : large sheets of construction paper : crayons : colored pencils : markers : stickers : glitter : hole puncher : string

- 1 Take a few pieces of white paper and hold them together in a stack.
- 2 Wrap a large sheet of construction paper around the white paper, so that one side is the fold and the other side is open. The construction paper makes the front and back covers of the book.
- 3 Using the hole puncher, punch two holes through all the sheets of paper on the side with the fold.
- 4 Using string, secure all the pieces together to form a book.
- 5 Fill the book with stories, pictures, games, stickers, and more!

story starter

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Brown paper grocery bags or other opaque bags : story-starting items

- 1 Before Storytime begins, create Story Starter Bags for the group. Have one bag per every few listeners.
- 2 Fill Story Starter Bags with everyday objects such as a cup, a sock, a hat, a bag of chips, a stapler, a stuffed animal, etc. Every bag should be different.
- 3 Hand a Story Starter Bag out to small groups of listeners, and ask them to make up a story that incorporates the objects in the bags. As they tell their story without showing the objects, ask the other listeners to guess what the objects in the bag were.



Reproduce the sheet on the opposite page and cut along the lines so everyone can have their own personalized bookmark!



Want to remember your place in your favorite book? Decorate your very own bookmark!

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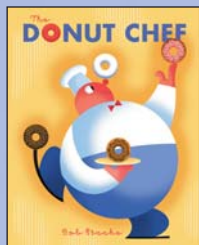
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we're born to read!

storytellers: Please make copies of this bookmark template and cut along the perforated lines for your listeners.

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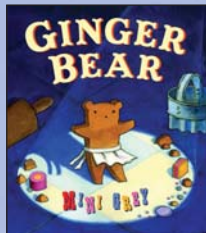
The Donut Chef

Bob Staake

Fresh from the oven, the Donut Chef is cooking up some fun!

Ages 3-5

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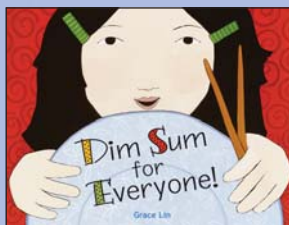
Ginger Bear

Mini Grey

This little cookie does *not* want to be eaten!

Ages 5-8

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Dim Sum for Everyone!

Grace Lin

Everyone gets a little bit of everything to eat.

Ages 5-8

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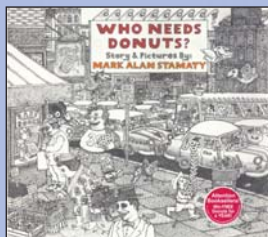
Thelonius Turkey Lives!

Lynn Rowe Reed

There's no turkey at this vegetarian Thanksgiving.

Ages 5-8

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Who Needs Donuts?

Mark Alan Stamaty

Who needs donuts, when you've got love?

All Ages

HC: 978-0-375-82550-7

play with your food!

Food's not just something we eat every day, but it's something that can be fun, too. Don't listen to the rules—play with your food!



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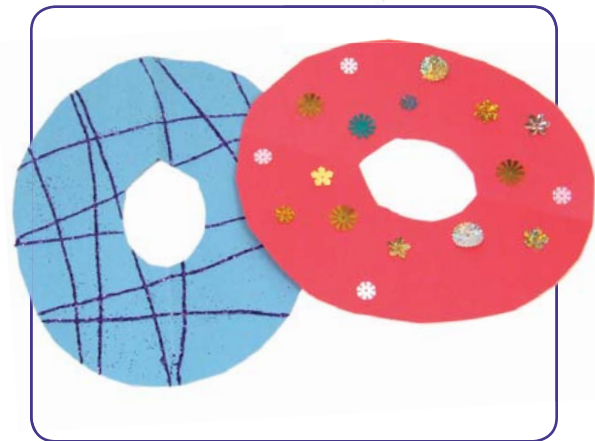
ACTIVITIES/CRAFTS

✂️ decorate the donuts

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Construction paper : safety scissors : glitter : markers :
crayons : colored pencils

- 1 Help cut out different shapes of donuts for Storytime listeners: round donuts, long donuts like crullers or éclairs, and donut holes.
- 2 Decorate the donuts with different frostings, toppings, and flavors.
- 3 Make a big donut box of all the creations that are good enough to eat!



✂️ clay cookies

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Homemade or nontoxic modeling clay in different colors :
rolling pins : cookie cutters : clay paint : puffy paint :
glitter : beads

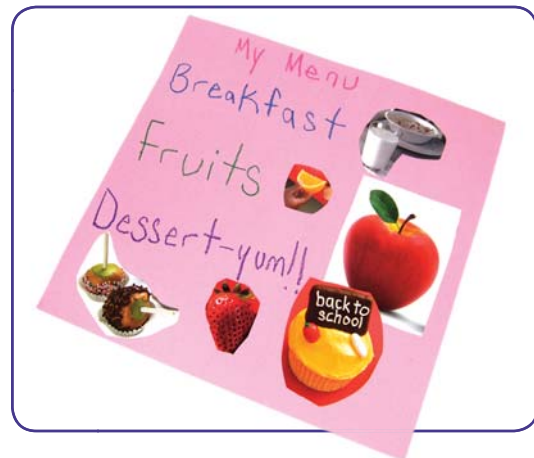
- 1 Give each listener a lump of nontoxic modeling clay or homemade clay. Show them how to use the rolling pin to roll out the lump of clay to the desired cookie thickness.
- 2 Using the cookie cutters, cut out different cookie shapes from the clay.
- 3 Decorate the "cookies" using clay paint (frosting), puffy paint (icing), glitter (sprinkles), and beads (chocolate chips).
- 4 Let the "cookies" dry and harden before taking them home. Don't eat them even though they look delicious!

✂️ what's on the menu?

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Construction paper : old magazines : safety scissors :
glue : crayons : markers : colored pencils

- 1 Since it is so much fun to go out to eat in a restaurant, why not create menus at Storytime? Encourage listeners think about their favorite foods and what kind of food they would serve if they owned a restaurant.
- 2 Cut out pictures of food from magazines or have Storytime listeners color their own pictures to create a menu for their restaurant. Include categories for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and dessert.
- 3 Ask each child to share his or her menu with the circle. Is there a theme to the restaurant? What are his or her favorite foods?



outside for fall fun!

The leaves are changing. The air is getting colder. The days are getting shorter. But that doesn't mean we can't have fall fun! Let's go outside and play!

ACTIVITIES/CRAFTS

string of leaves

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Construction paper : string : safety scissors : leaf template : glitter : crayons : markers : colored pencils : stapler or tape

- 1 Provide leaf templates for Storytime listeners. There should be many different shapes of leaves. Real leaves can also be used as templates.
- 2 Help listeners trace the templates onto colored construction paper and cut the leaves out using safety scissors. Leave at least a two-inch stem at the top of each leaf.
- 3 After cutting out several leaves per child, give each child a long piece of string. Help them wrap the leaf stem around the string, securing it with tape or a staple. Hang several leaves on the same string for a beautiful string of leaves to hang up.

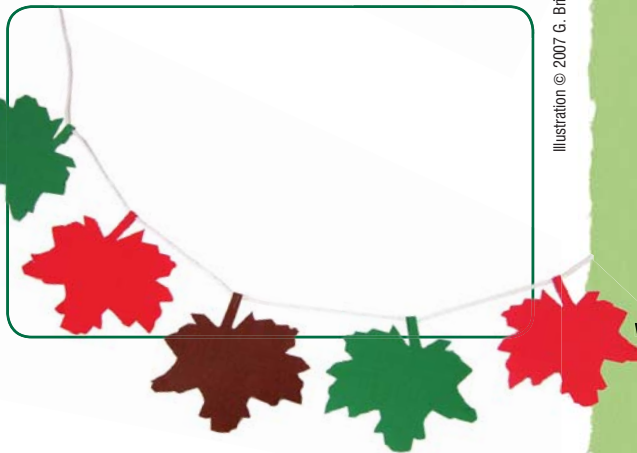


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tree bark art

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Lightly colored construction paper : large crayons, chalk, or charcoal : masking tape : trees with bark

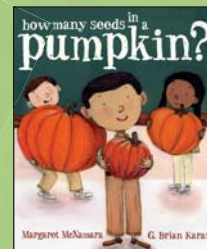
- 1 Take this Storytime outside! Each child should pick their favorite outdoor tree. An adult should help them press a large sheet of construction paper against the bark and tape the paper in place.
- 2 Rub lightly on the construction paper with the long side of a large crayon, piece of chalk, or charcoal.
- 3 Remove the tape and take the tree bark art back inside. Look at the tree bark art that other trees made and talk about how they are different and the same.

grocery bag tents

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Construction paper or grocery bags : stapler or tape : crayons : markers : colored pencils : safety scissors : glitter

- 1 Give each Storytime listener a piece of construction paper or a square cut from a paper grocery bag. Help them curl the paper into a cone shape like an ice cream cone or party hat. Secure the ends with staples or tape.
- 2 Decorate the outside of the tent with pictures of what you would need to bring with you or what you would want to do if you were going camping.



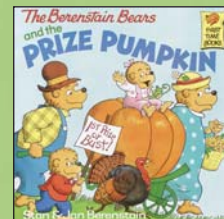
How Many Seeds in a Pumpkin?

Margaret McNamara

Illustrated by G. Brian Karas

Small things have a lot going on inside of them!
Ages 3-7

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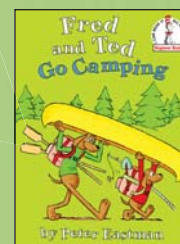


The Berenstain Bears and the Prize Pumpkin

Stan and Jan Berenstain

Will the Berenstain's pumpkin win first prize at the fair?
Ages 5-8

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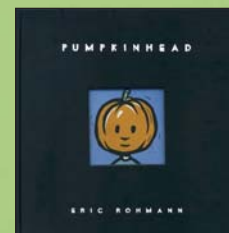
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Peter Eastman

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Ages 5-8

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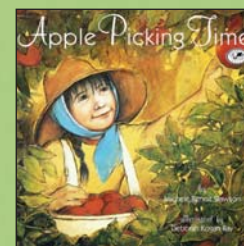
Pumpkinhead

Eric Rohmann

Otho was born with a pumpkin for a head!

Ages 5-9

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Apple Picking Time

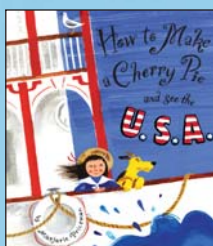
Michele Benoit Slawson

Illustrated by Debra Kogan Ray

When the leaves begin to change, it's apple-picking time.

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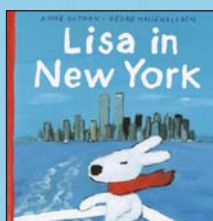


How to Make a Cherry Pie and See the U.S.A.

Marjorie Priceman

A companion to the beloved bestseller
How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World.
Ages 5–8

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Anne Gutman

Illustrated by Georg Hallensleben
Lisa visits her favorite uncle in New York City
and sees sites—until she gets lost!

Ages 5–8

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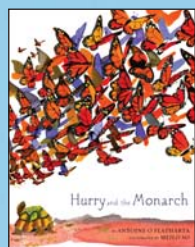
The Wicked Big Toddler

Kevin Hawkes

Absolutely nothing exciting happens in Maine . . .
nothing, that is, except for the birth of one giant baby!

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Hurry and the Monarch

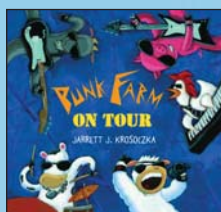
Antoine Ó Flatharta

Illustrated by Meilo So

On her way from Canada to Mexico, a monarch butterfly
befriends Hurry the tortoise and leaves behind an egg.

Ages 5–8

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Punk Farm on Tour

Jarrett J. Krosoczka

The beloved animals of Punk Farm are
taking their show on the road!

Ages 5–8

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road trip u.s.a.

Let's hit the road! It's time to see what our great country has to offer us. Whether is by car, bike, bus, train, boat, or the wheels of your imagination, let's see the U.S.A.!



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ACTIVITIES/CRAFTS

✂ build your own bake-off

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Construction paper : safety scissors : popsicle sticks :
crayons : markers : colored pencils : egg cartons : milk
carton : aluminum foil

- 1 Ask the Storytime listeners to imagine what they might need if they were going to bake a pie. Suggest things like pots, bowls, spoons, measuring cups, etc.
- 2 Using the art supplies, build the tools to bake a pie. Milk cartons can be bowls, egg cartons can be made into spoons, aluminum foil can be pots, etc.
- 3 Get baking!



🚗 road trip memory game

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Imagination : memory

- 1 Imagine going on a road trip across the U.S.A. What would you bring with you?
- 2 The first person in the circle says, "I'm going on a road trip and I'm bringing *t-shirts*. The next person in the circle says, "I'm going on road trip and I'm bringing *t-shirts and CDs*." Each person adds one thing to the list while trying to remember all the items the person before them chose.
- 3 Be very encouraging when someone can't remember the list—half the fun is forgetting!

✂ steering wheels

WHAT YOU'LL NEED

Paper plates : crayons : markers : colored pencils : glitter :
beads

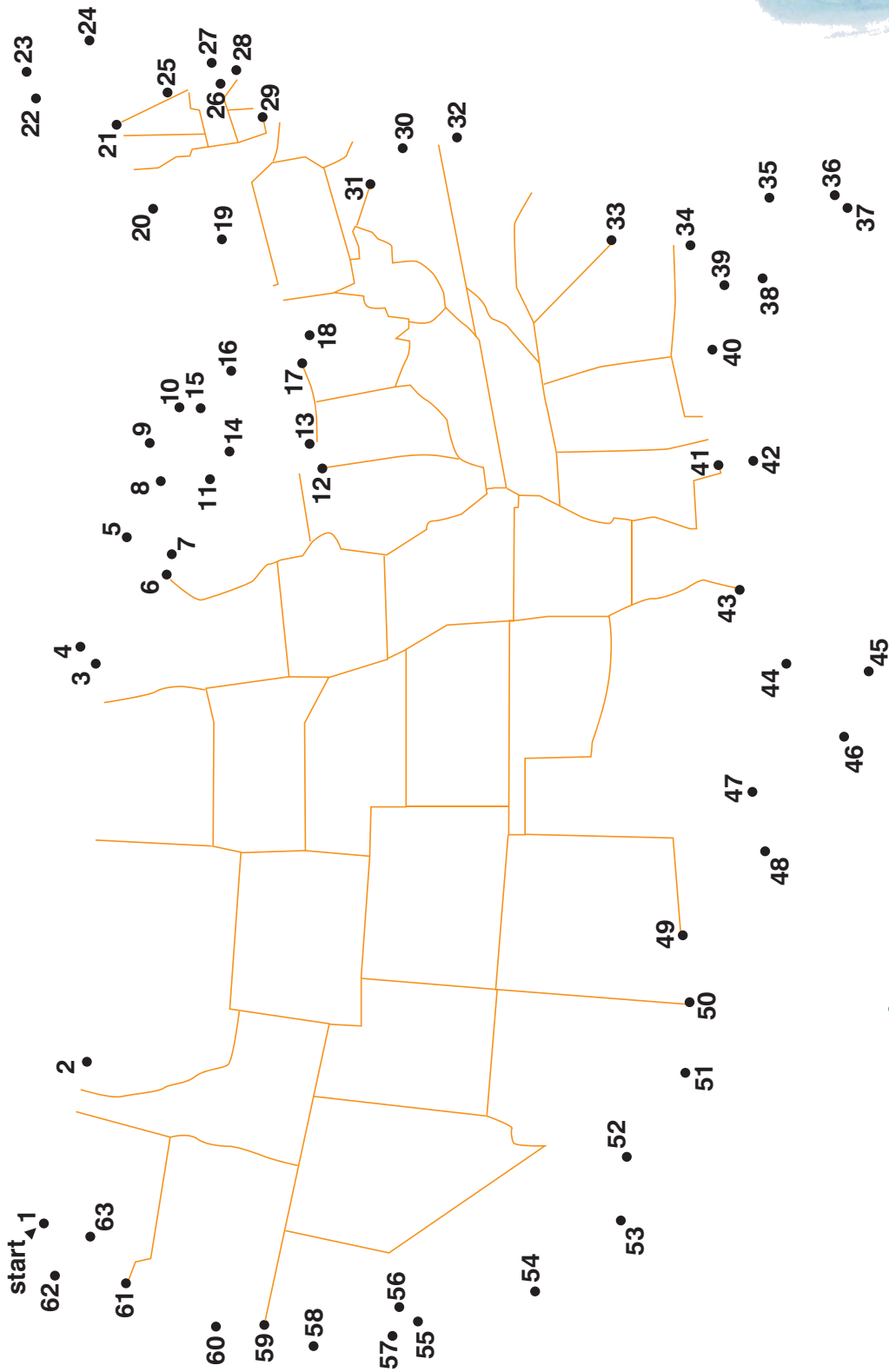
- 1 Everyone in the circle gets a paper plate that is their steering wheel. Decorate the steering wheels to make them personalized and fun.
- 2 Each listener in the circle should hold their own plate and pretend it is a steering wheel. They're going on imaginary vacations. Encourage them to pretend they are driving.
- 3 Ask the listeners to describe where they are going (the beach, Grandma's house, the amusement park, etc), and what they see along the way on their trip.
- 4 Off we go!



Reproduce the sheet on the opposite page for each listener. Have your listeners connect the dots and then decorate their map of the U.S.A.



Let's map out a road trip! Connect the dots to draw a map of the U.S.A.
What route would you take and what would you see along the way?

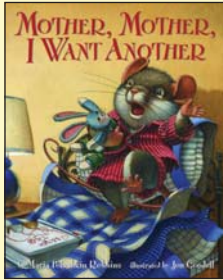
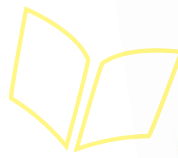


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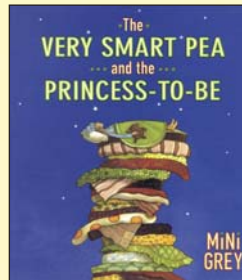
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more sensational storytime reads!



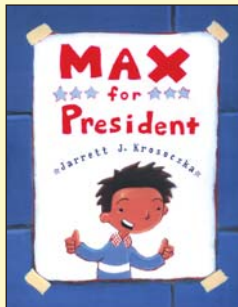
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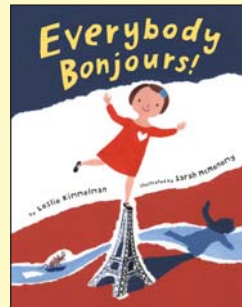
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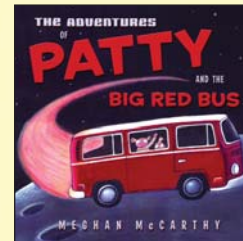
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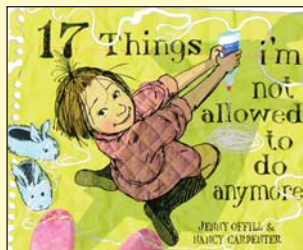
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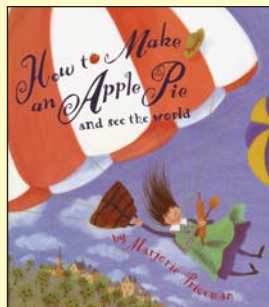
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