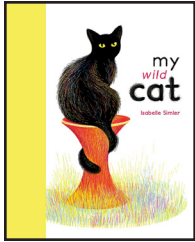




Shea, Bob

### Who Wet My Pants?

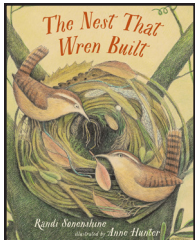
When Reuben the bear brings doughnuts to his forest friends, they discover that his pants are wet and he angrily accuses them of the dirty deed.



Simler, Isabelle

### My Wild Cat

Interspersed with facts, a cat finds that life as a pet offers opportunities to display his wild, predatory nature



Sonenshine, Randi

### The Nest That Wren Built

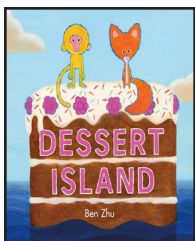
In the rhyming style of "The House That Jack Built," this poem about the care and specificity that Carolina wrens put into building a nest is at once tender and true to life.



Tabor, Corey R.

### Snail Crossing

Snail is determined to make his way to a plump, crisp cabbage across the road.



Zhu, Ben

### Dessert Island

Monkey is stuck on an island made of desserts, and Fox on one made of dirt and rocks, but as time passes, fortunes change and they learn about sharing and caring.

## Thousand Oaks Library Recommended Reading List



# Books for Preschool

Compiled by the Children's and Young Adults'  
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#### Grant R. Brimhall Library

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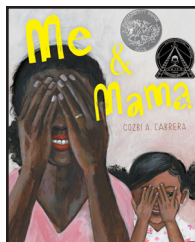
#### Newbury Park Library

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## Toddler Books

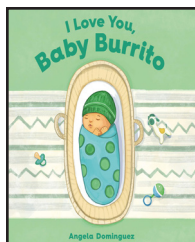
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Cabrera, Cozbi A.

### **Me & Mama**

On a rainy day when the house smells like cinnamon and Papa and Luca are still asleep, the narrator wants to be everywhere Mama is.



Dominguez, Angela

### **I Love You, Baby Burrito**

Introduces related Spanish-language vocabulary words in an endearing celebration of the modern tradition of carefully and cozily swaddling a newborn.



Henkes, Kevin

### **Sun Flower Lion**

A sun, a flower, and a lion.



Hirst, Daisy

### **I Like Trains**

Whether sending toy animals on a journey around a model track or driving a cardboard-box locomotive, this little puppy really likes trains, and the best part of all is riding a real train.



Hunter, Anne

### **Where's Baby**

A near-sighted Papa is looking for his baby. Is Baby up in the tree? Is Baby under the log? Is Baby around the corner? Where could Baby be?



Maynor, Megan

### **A House for Every Bird**

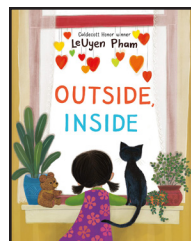
A young artist has drawn birds and bird houses in corresponding colors. But wait! The birds don't agree with her choices and, much to her distress, are rebelling by swapping houses.



Mora, Oge

### **Saturday**

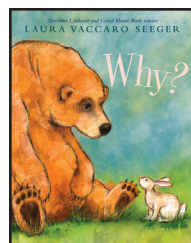
When all of their special Saturday plans go awry, Ava and her mother still find a way to appreciate one another and their time together.



Pham, LeUyen

### **Outside, Inside**

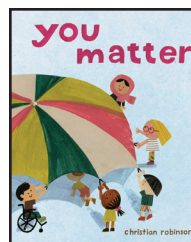
Something strange happened on an unremarkable day just before the season changed. Everybody who was outside . . . went inside.



Seeger, Laura Vaccaro

### **Why?**

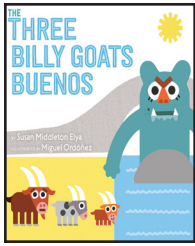
Even when a pesky rabbit annoys his bear friend with too many questions, their friendship remains strong.



Robinson, Christian

### **You Matter**

Different perspectives around the world are deftly and empathetically explored, from a pair of bird-watchers to the pigeons they're feeding.



Elya, Susan Middleton

## **The Three Billy Goats Buenos**

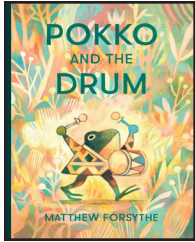
A rhyming twist on the classic tale in which the goats help fix what is making the troll so grumpy in order to cross the bridge.



Ismail, Yasmien

## **Joy**

A lively kitten is full of joy until she takes a tumble.



Forsythe, Matthew

## **Pokko and the Drum**

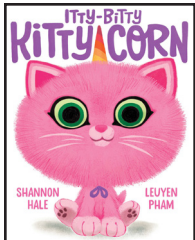
The story of a little frog, Pokko, who takes a magical drum deep into the quiet forest, where her playing draws the attention of musical animal friends.



Kitamura, Satoshi

## **Hat Tricks**

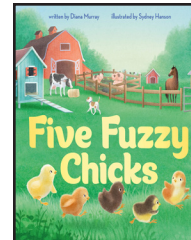
Meet Hattie the magician—she's a natural performer, and you're invited to her magic show.



Hale, Shannon

## **Itty-Bitty Kitty-Corn**

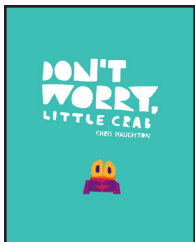
An enthusiastic Kitty who wonders if she might just be a unicorn begins doubting herself when she meets a real unicorn, before an unexpected friendship helps Kitty celebrate exactly who she wants to be.



Murray, Diana

## **Five Fuzzy Chicks**

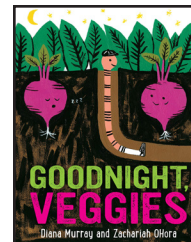
Five baby chickens want to have some fun and visit with the other farm animals before bedtime.



Haughton, Chris

## **Don't Worry, Little Crab**

Little Crab and Very Big Crab live in a tiny rock pool near the sea. Today they're going for a dip in the big ocean.



Murray, Diana

## **Goodnight, Veggies**

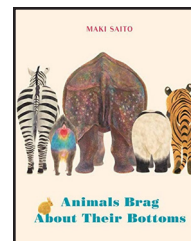
A sleepy bedtime story set in a community garden depicts a friendly earthworm who observes the nighttime rituals of tuckered-out vegetables.



Helakoski, Leslie

## **Are Your Stars Like My Stars?**

No matter where they live, all children gaze at the blue sky, bask in the warmth of the golden sun, and dig in the rich dirt. Through the eyes of one thoughtful young narrator, young readers explore the idea of perspective.

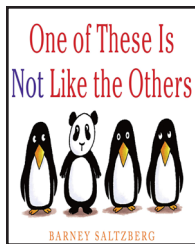


Saitō, Maki

## **Animals Brag About Their Bottoms**

All bottoms are wonderful! Don't you agree? Each animal in this adorable book has a different reason for loving their behind—from cute and round to fashionable and striped!





Saltzberg, Barney

## One of These Is Not Like the Others

Points out the differences between subjects and celebrates them.



Snyder, Gabi

## Two Dogs on a Trike [located in jj 123]

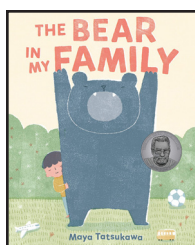
When the gate is left open, one dog escapes the yard for an adventure on tricycles, trolleys, and trains.



Sullivan, Mary

## Up on Bob

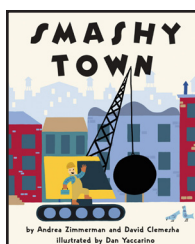
Bob the dog doesn't mind hard work when it means he can reward himself with a nap. But someone is watching him sleep! Hopefully they will just go away if Bob lies really still. But someone has other things in mind.



Tatsukawa, Maya

## The Bear in My Family

It's not easy living with a bear, but one little boy learns that sometimes, a bear in the family can end up to be the best thing in the world.



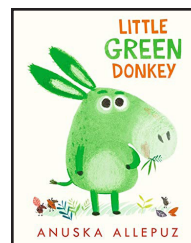
Zimmerman, Andrea Griffing

## Smashy Town

A rhythmic and lively onomatopoeic story depicts a busy construction worker who uses a wrecking-ball crane to dismantle old buildings before using a bulldozer to clear debris away for a new building.

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Allepuz, Anuska

## Little Green Donkey

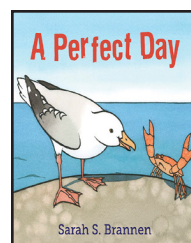
Preferring delicious green grass to all other foods and refusing to try anything his mother suggests, Little Donkey switches to yummy carrots when his exclusive diet has an unanticipated consequence.



Barnett, Mac

## A Polar Bear in the Snow

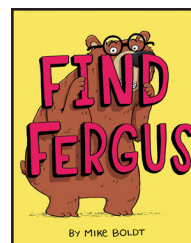
Follow a magnificent polar bear through a fantastic world of snow and shockingly blue sea.



Brannen, Sarah S.

## A Perfect Day

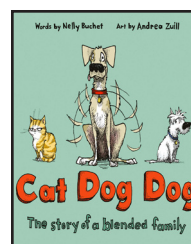
A seagull is enjoying a perfect day until a disagreeable crab comes along, but by sunset, they have discovered what really makes a day perfect.



Boldt, Mike

## Find Fergus

Fergus the bear wants to play hide and seek with the reader, but will need help—and practice—to hide well.



Buchet, Nelly

## Cat Dog Dog:

## The Story of a Blended Family

The story of a blended family from the pets' point-of-view.