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GIFT GUIDE

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Happy Holidays!

It's that time of year the holiday gift guide is back! And although it looks a little different this year, it still contains diverse titles all published within the last year.

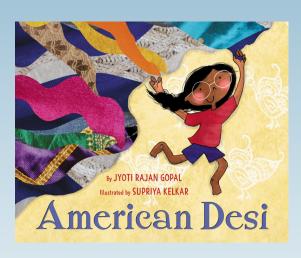
This year I decided to focus just on picture books. Picture books are truly a work of art, whether they make you ugly cry or laugh out loud, there truly is something for everyone.

Whether you're buying for a reader in your life or finding a few titles for your own holiday break there's a little something for everyone.

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season,



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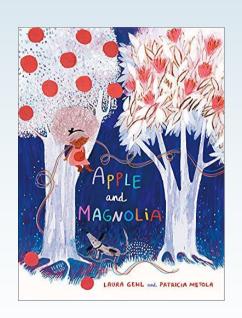
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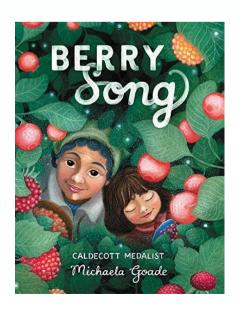
American Desi celebrates the experiences of young children growing up straddling the two cultural worlds they belong to, embracing all they love of both worlds and refusing to be limited by either.

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Apple & Magnolia by Laura Gehl, illustrated by Patricia Metola

Britta visits her two favorite trees, Apple and Magnolia, every day. Though she can't explain it, she's sure they are best friends! Then one day, Magnolia's branches start to droop. Is there anything Britta—or Apple—can do to help? After all, unusual friendships can be the most powerful of all. Bookshop | Amazon





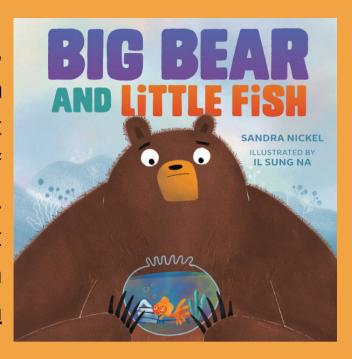
Berry Song by Michaela Goade

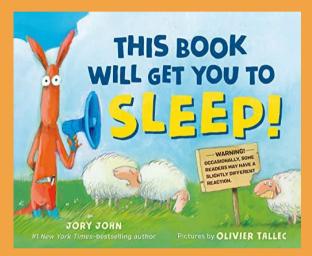
On an island at the edge of a wide, wild sea, a girl and her grandmother gather gifts from the earth. Salmon from the stream, herring eggs from the ocean, and in the forest, a world of berries. Bookshop | Amazon



Big Bear and Little Fish by Sandra Nickel, illustrated by Il Sung Na

At the carnival, Bear wants a teddy bear. And not just any teddy bear—she wants the biggest one of all. But instead she gets a fish. A very small fish. Bear is so very big and Fish is so very small that Bear worries they have nothing in common. Can they possibly be friends? Bookshop | Amazon





This Book Will Get You To Sleep! by Jory John, illustrated by Olivier Tallec

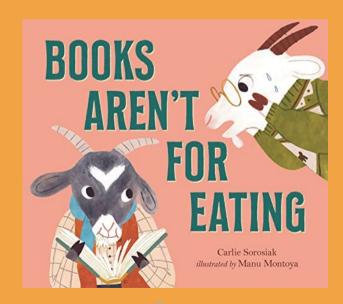
ATTENTION, READER: This book is going to MAKE YOU TIRED! It will CALM YOU DOWN! Yes, this book WILL PUT YOU TO SLEEP! How? Easy.

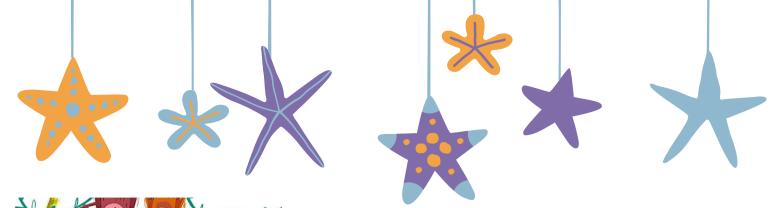
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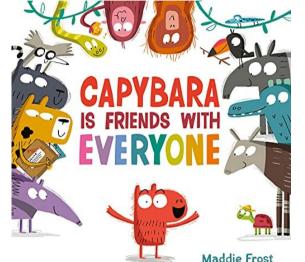
Books Aren't For Eating by Carlie Sorosiak, illustrated by Manu Motoya

How can Leopold, goat and bookstore owner, find the perfect book for a fellow goat—one the visitor will enjoy reading, not munching?

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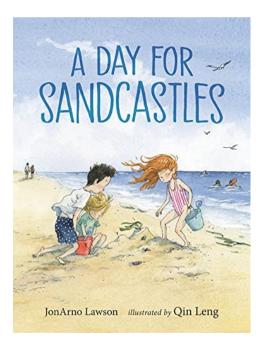


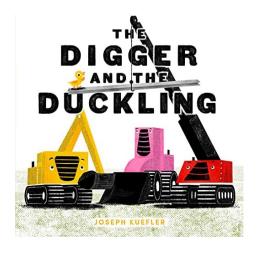
Capybara Is Friends With Everyone by Maddie Frost

Capybara will do anything for his friends. But it's exhausting—and when Capybara meets a potential new friend who doesn't seem to be responding to his advances, Capybara learns a valuable lesson. His friends like him just for who he is! Bookshop | Amazon

A Day for Sandcastles by JonArno Lawson, illustrated by Qin Leng

A dazzling wordless picture book celebrates creative problem-solving, teamwork, and the sun-splashed wonder of a day at the beach. <u>Bookshop</u> | <u>Amazon</u>





The Digger and the Duckling by Joseph Kuefler

Digger and the other big trucks love to build.

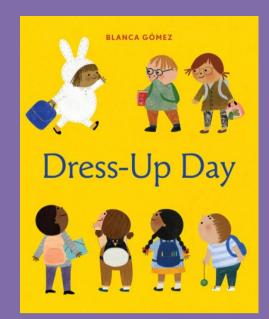
But when a lost duckling waddles onto the jobsite,

Digger and his friends learn to do more than just scoop and hoist and push . . . They learn to become a family.

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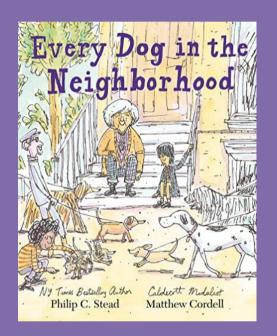
Dress-Up Day by Blanca Gómez

Funny, endearing, and relatable to any kid who's ever felt insecure, *Dress-Up Day* is an ode to friendship, embracing individuality, and putting yourself out there no matter the occasion. <u>Bookshop | Amazon</u>



Every Dog In the Neighborhood by Philip C. Stead, illustrated by Matthew Cordell

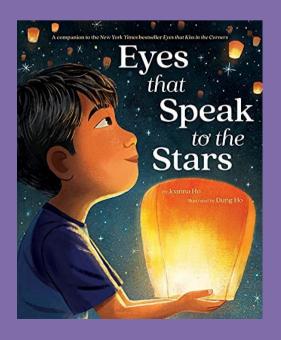
Perfect for dog lovers, of course—but the charming, subtle messages of community and compassion will appeal across the animal kingdom. Bookshop | Amazon

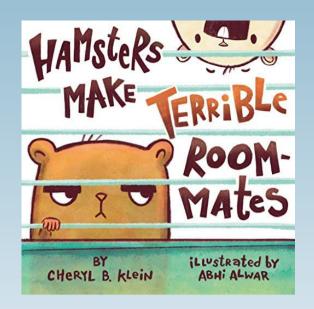


Eyes That Speak to the Stars by Joanna Ho, illustrated by Dung Ho

Inspired by the men in his family, he recognizes his own power and strength from within. This extraordinary picture book redefines what it means to be truly you.

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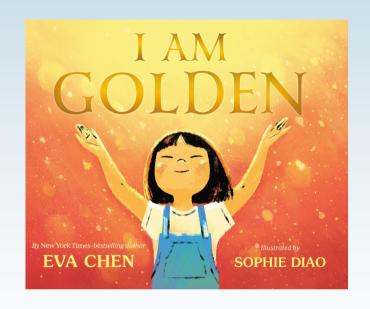


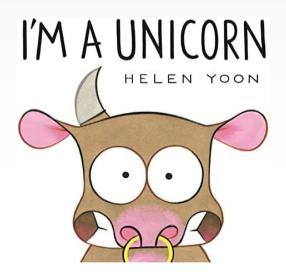
Hamsters Make Terrible Roommates by Cheryl B. Klein, illustrated by Abhi Alwar

Two hamster roommates with wildly different personalities crammed in one cage-what could go wrong in this hilarious story about introverts versus extroverts? Bookshop | Amazon

I Am Golden by Eva Chen, illustrated by Sophie Diao

This joyful and lyrical picture book is a moving ode to the immigrant experience, as well as a manifesto of self-love for Chinese American children. Bookshop | Amazon





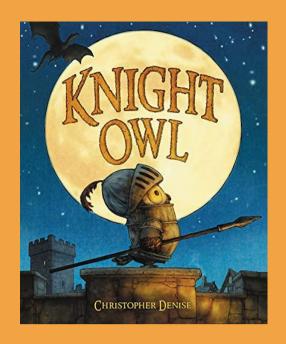
I'm a Unicorn by Helen Yoon

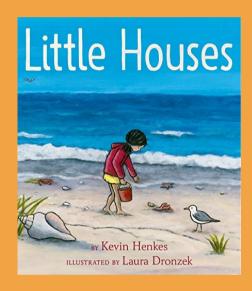
What happens when a one-horned calf with impeccable logic is convinced they're a unicorn? Helen Yoon spins an endearing comedy of self-determination for gigglers everywhere. Bookshop | Amazon



Knight Owl by Christopher Denise

A determined Owl builds strength and confidence in this medieval picture book about the real mettle of a hero: wits, humor, and heart. <u>Bookshop</u> | <u>Amazon</u>





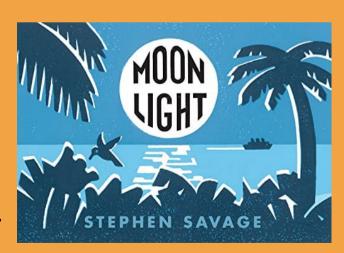
Little Houses by Kevin Henkes, illustrated by Laura Dronzek

When a young girl visits her grandparents at the beach, she stays in a little house and walks along the shore gathering seashells—which were once little houses of their own. Bookshop | Amazon

Moon Light by Stephen Savage

At once profound and playful, this mesmerizing story will entrance every reader into a sleep full of beautiful, transporting dreams.

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My Pet Feet by Josh Funk, illustrated by Billy Young

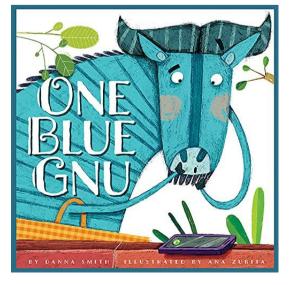
A little girl wakes up one day to find that R, a vital piece of the alphabet, has vanished! Suddenly, she has pet feet instead of a ferret. Flocks of cows replace crows flying in the sky. Giant shoes (not shores!) live on the sandy beaches of her town. Bookshop | Amazon

Once Upon a Forest by Pam Fong

This gorgeous picture book follows a helpful marmot working to save a forest recovering after a wildfire.

Perfect for teaching children to practice kindness while developing an appreciation for animals and the earth. Bookshop | Amazon



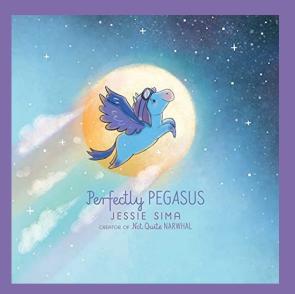


One Blue Gnu by Danna Smith, illustrated by Ana Zurita

When a box of cell phones is accidentally delivered to the zoo, one blue gnu quickly calls two white sheep, who plan a party – beep beep beep! This illustrated picture book will keep young readers giggling and guessing to the end. Bookshop | Amazon

Perfectly Pegasus by Jessie Sima

A lonely pegasus looks for the perfect friend in this sweet and adorable picture book companion to the bestselling Not Quite Narwhal! Bookshop | Amazon



The Path by Bob Staake

"You will walk. You will walk along a well-worn path that many people have taken—and long before you." So begins this inspirational journey over gentle, grassy hills, through fields of wildflowers, over raging rivers, up steep mountains, and even through a dark, chilly cave. Bookshop | Amazon



Pink Is NOT a Color by Lindsay Ward

Pink loves her rosy world, from her pink toy dinosaur to her pet flamingo, Phil. But when she sees the Primaries and Secondaries getting ready for the Rainbow Extravaganza, she begins to wonder why she isn't in the rainbow...and if that means she's not really a color. Bookshop | Amazon



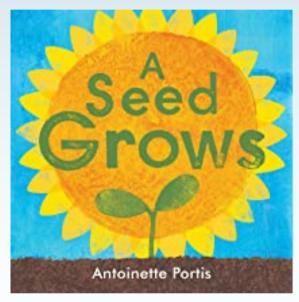


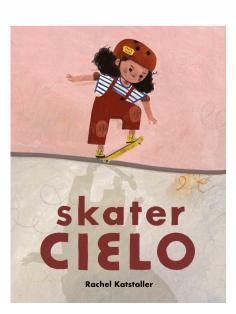
Punky Aloha by Shar Tuiasoa

Punky loves to do a lot of things—except meeting new friends. She doesn't feel brave enough. So when her grandmother asks her to go out and grab butter for her famous banana bread, Punky hesitates. But with the help of her grandmother's magical sunglasses, and with a lot of aloha in her heart, Punky sets off on a BIG adventure for the very first time. Bookshop | Amazon

A Seed Grows by Antoinette Portis

To understand how a seed becomes a sunflower, you have to peek beneath the soil and wait patiently as winding roots grow, a stalk inches out of the earth, and new seeds emerge among blooming petals. Bookshop | Amazon





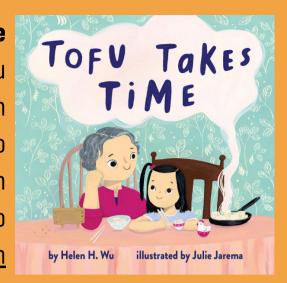
Skater Cielo by Rachel Katstaller

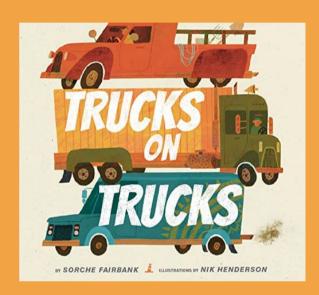
Meet Cielo, a fierce skater who finds that facing your fear of failing gives you the courage to persevere!

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Tofu Takes Time by Helen H. Wu, illustrated by Julie
Jarema Lin and her grandma, NaiNai, are making tofu
from scratch! When NaiNai goes through each step, from
blending soybeans with water to molding curd into
shape, Lin gradually becomes impatient. But she soon
discovers that making tofu not only takes time, but also
takes the whole universe! Bookshop | Amazon





Trucks on Trucks by Sorche Fairbank, Illustrated by Nik Henderson

Custom-built for vehicle lovers and introduces young readers to basic preschool concepts such as size, colors, numbers, professions, and community.

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The Year We Learned to Fly by Jacqueline Woodson, illustrated by Rafael López

On a dreary, stuck-inside kind of day, a brother and sister heed their grandmother's advice: "Use those beautiful and brilliant minds of yours. Lift your arms, close your eyes, take a deep breath, and believe in a thing. Somebody somewhere at some point was just as bored you are now." Bookshop | Amazon



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