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By Breanna Carzoo

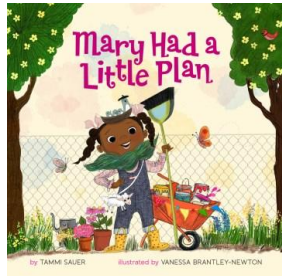
Meet Lou. Lou has an important job . . . as the neighborhood toilet for dogs on their walks. Useful as he may be, he gets the feeling that deep down inside, there might be more to him than that. He just doesn't seem to know exactly what yet. When disaster strikes, will Lou

find out what he's made of and save the day?

Mary Had A Little Plan

By Tammi Sauer

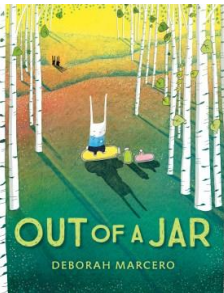
Fashion-forward Mary is known for adding flair everywhere she goes. When she spots an abandoned lot in her neighborhood, Mary knows she can use her stylish talent to spruce it up. Soon she's rallying neighborhood shops and calling on her friends to help. With Mary leading the way, this group carries out her little plan that has a big impact on her community.



Out of A Jar

By Deborah Marcero

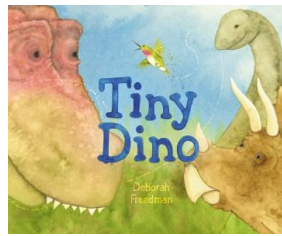
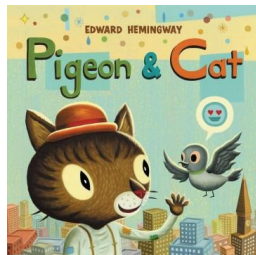
Llewellyn, a little rabbit overwhelmed by his emotions, hides away his feelings in glass jars, until he discovers life is more colorful when he sets his emotions free.



Pigeon & Cat

by Edward Hemingway

In this exploration of unlikely friendships and the true meaning of home, Cat shares his cardboard box with Pigeon, but when Pigeon flies far away from where they live, Cat sets out to rescue his friend.



Tiny Dino

by Deborah Freedman

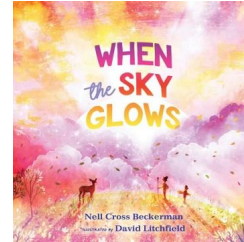
A small but mighty bird declares it is a dinosaur! But no one believes that dinosaurs still exist. How can it be a dinosaur when it is so little? Dinosaurs

didn't have feathers...or did they? This tiny dino is here to explain to its animal friends that birds are, in fact, dinosaurs, and all creatures are connected to one big animal family.

When the Sky Glows

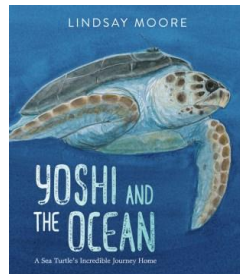
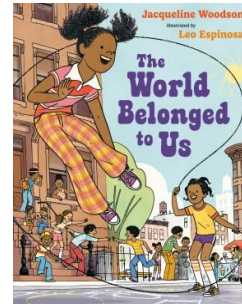
by Nell Cross Beckerman

Bright illustrations and enlightening text reveal the science behind breathtaking events that make the sky glow, such as sunrises, lightning storms, rainbows, volcanoes, meteors, and eclipses.



The World Belonged to Us **by Jacqueline Woodson**

The kids on one Brooklyn block take advantage of everything summer has to offer day after day, because the block belongs to them and they rule the world.



Yoshi and the Ocean

by Lindsay Moore

Yoshi, a loggerhead sea turtle, was injured and rescued by a fisherman who took her to the Two Oceans Aquarium in South Africa for rehabilitation. After twenty years, Yoshi was returned to the sea and

traveled nearly 23,000 miles over three years back to what is believed to be her birthplace.

2024 - 2025 South Carolina Picture Book Award Nominees



Students: To be eligible to vote for your favorite book, you must read at least five of the nominee titles. Voting takes place in February.

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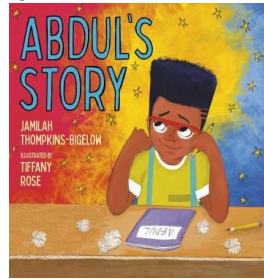
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Abdul's Story

by **Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow**

Having a hard time writing down all the stories he loves to tell on paper, Abdul gets some help from a special visitor to his class who shows him that even the best writers-- and superheroes-- make mistakes.



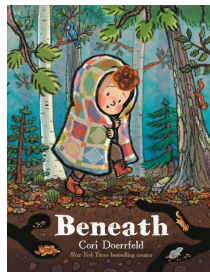
Be A Bridge by **Irene Latham & Charles Waters**

From welcoming a new student standing up to a bully, this picture book, told through rhyming verse, features a diverse group of students as they learn to "be a bridge."



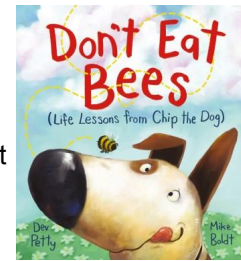
Beneath by **Cori Doerrfeld**

Agreeing to take a hike with Grandpa, grumpy Finn explores the elements of nature and discovers that things--and people--are often more than they appear on the surface.



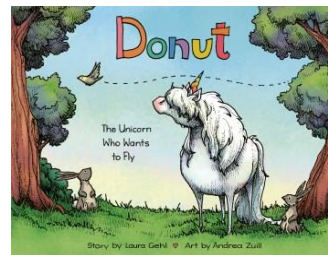
Don't Eat Bees (Life Lessons from Chip the Dog) by **Dev Petty**

The comic duo creators of I Don't Want to Be a Frog are back with Chip the dog, a hilarious new character who's got some "wisdom" to share.



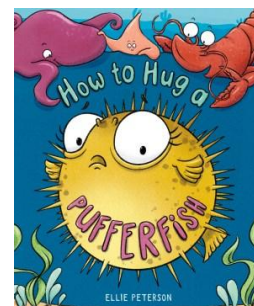
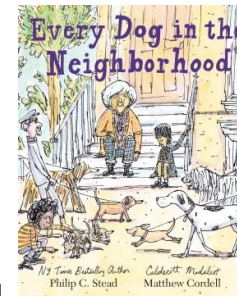
Donut: the Unicorn Who Wants to Fly by **Laura Gehl**

Determined to fly despite numerous unsuccessful attempts, Donut the unicorn, with the help of her friends, comes up with an ingenious and imaginative solution that makes her dream come true!



Every Dog in the Neighborhood by **Philip C. Stead**

Louis and his eccentric Grandmother set out to count every dog in the neighborhood when they find out about city hall's woefully inadequate record keeping.



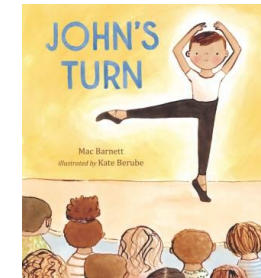
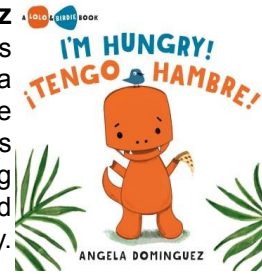
How to Hug a Pufferfish by **Ellie Peterson**

A Pufferfish with an irresistible gap-toothed grin teaches its friends to ask for permission before hugging to avoid a spiky surprise!

I'm Hungry! Tengo Hambre!

by **Angela Dominguez**

A bilingual picture book that's sweet enough to eat about a chatty bluebird and an indecisive T. Rex who can't decide what his next meal should be, introducing readers to basic Spanish and English food vocabulary.

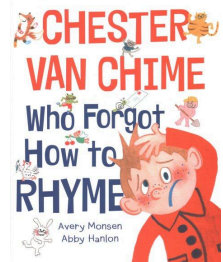
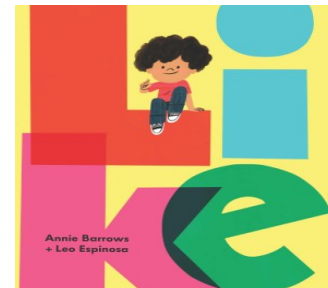


John's Turn by **Mac Barnett**

It's John's big day at school today—a performance for Sharing Gifts time. His bag is carefully packed and prepared, his classmates are ready, and the curtain is waiting to open. John is nervous, looking out at all the other children staring back at him. But he takes a big breath and begins. Mac Barnett's compassionate text and Kate Berube's understated and expressive art tell the story of a kid who finds the courage to show others his talent for dancing.

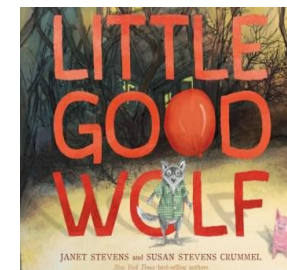
Like by **Annie Barrows**

In a series of amusing comparisons, a boy shows how humans are much more like each other than we are like any other thing on Earth.



Chester Van Chime Who Forgot How to Rhyme by **Avery Monsen**

Rhyming has always come easily to Chester van Chime. But one day he loses his gift and struggles to find the right words.



Little Good Wolf

By **Susan Stevens Crummel**

Sent by his parents to Bad School to learn to be a big, bad wolf, Little Good Wolf, unable to be selfish or rude, discovers a way to be a wolf while being GOOD.