

The Monarch Award:

Illinois' K-3 Readers' Choice Award



- Sponsored by ISLMA
- Schools/libraries register/participate
- Master List of 20 titles
- Award given annually to book voted favorite by K-3 children
- Specifics at website: www.islma.org/monarch.htm

Monarch Steering Committee

- Judy Bauman, Tate Woods, Lisle
- Peggy Burton, Williams Elementary, Mattoon
- Molly Masulis, Williams Elementary, Mattoon
- Sharon Peterson, Oakview Elementary, Bolingbrook
- Dana Russell, New Lenox Public Library
- Volunteers
 - Readers
 - Nominations
 - Website

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- Designed to encourage children to read critically and become familiar with books, authors and illustrators.
- Named in honor of the Monarch Butterfly, Illinois' state insect which symbolizes growth, change and freedom, qualities that also characterize the emergent reader.
- Organized to find the children's **favorite**.

Monarch Packet-Online

- Information sheet
- Bibliography with summaries and ISBNs
- Nomination form and criteria for nominees
- Ballot template for paper voting
- Bookmark template
- Tally sheet to record ALL votes for online submission
- Many other resources available on the website

2013 Master List

2013 Monarch Award Master List



Author	Title	Publisher	Date
Burleigh, Robert	Night Flight: Amelia Earhart Crosses the Atlantic	Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman Books	2011
DiCamillo, Kate & McGhee, Alison	Bink and Gollie	Candlewick Press	2010
Gray, Luli	Ant and Grasshopper	Margaret K. McElderry Books	2011
Griffiths, Andy	Big Fat Cow that Goes Kapow, The	Felwell & Friends	2009
Hills, Tad	How Rocket Learned to Read	Schwartz & Wade	2010
Krasnesky, Thad	That Cat Can't Stay!	Flashlight Press	2010
Litwin, Eric	Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes	HarperCollins	2011
McCarthy, Meghan	Pop!: the Invention of Bubble Gum	Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman Books	2010
McElligott, Matthew	Even Monsters Need Haircuts	Walker & Co.	2010
Palatini, Margie	Lousy Rotten Stinkin' Grapes	Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers	2009
Perdomo, Willie	Clemente!	Henry Holt and Co.	2010
Rocco, Jon	Blackout	Disney/Hyperion	2011
Schwartz, David M.	Where in the Wild?: Camouflaged Creatures Concealed & Revealed	Tricycle Press	2011
Stead, Philip Christian	A Sick Day for Amos McGee	Roaring Brook Press	2010
Vamos, Samantha R.	Tha Cazuela that the Farm Maiden Stirred	Charlesbridge	2011
Van Dusen, Chris	The Circus Ship	Candlewick Press	2009
Viorst, Judith	Lulu and the Brontosaurus	Antheneum Books for Young Readers	2010
Wiesner, David	Art & Max	Clarion Books	2010
Willems, Mo	We Are in a Book	Hyperion Book	2010
Wight, Eric	Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom	Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers	2010

Monarch Web Resources

- **2013 Master List**
- **2013 Master List Online Resources**
- **Monarch 2013 Presentation (ppt)**
- **Annotated List**
- **Online Packet**
 - Bookmark template, 3 per page
 - Information sheet (general info about the program)
 - Read all 20 stickers
 - Read all 20 grid
 - Nomination form and criteria for nominees
 - Tally sheet to record ALL votes for online submission
 - Sticker templates: Winner, Nominees

Monarch Dates

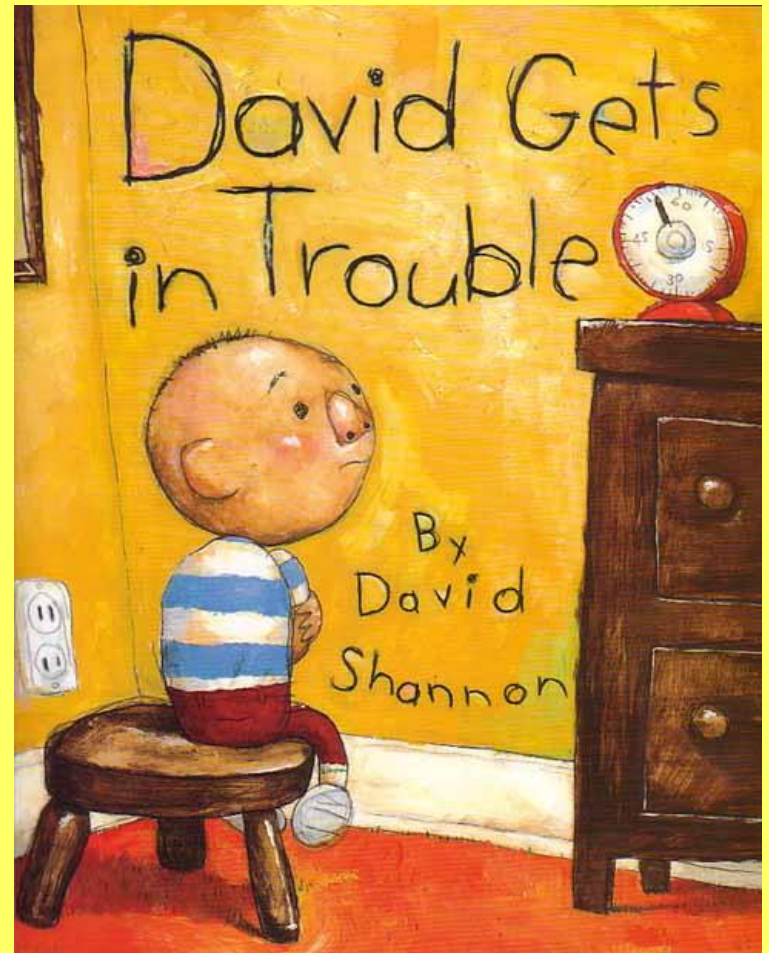
- March, 2012: Winner announced
- May, 2012: Website updated for 2013 resources
- March, 2012: 2013 Registration brochure mailed
- 2012–2013: Read the 2014 Nominees
- September 15, 2012: 2014 Nominations close
- January 15, 2013: Official end of 2013 registration
- February, 2013: 2014 Master List announced
- February, 2013: Vote online Feb. 15 to Mar. 15

The 2005 Monarch Award



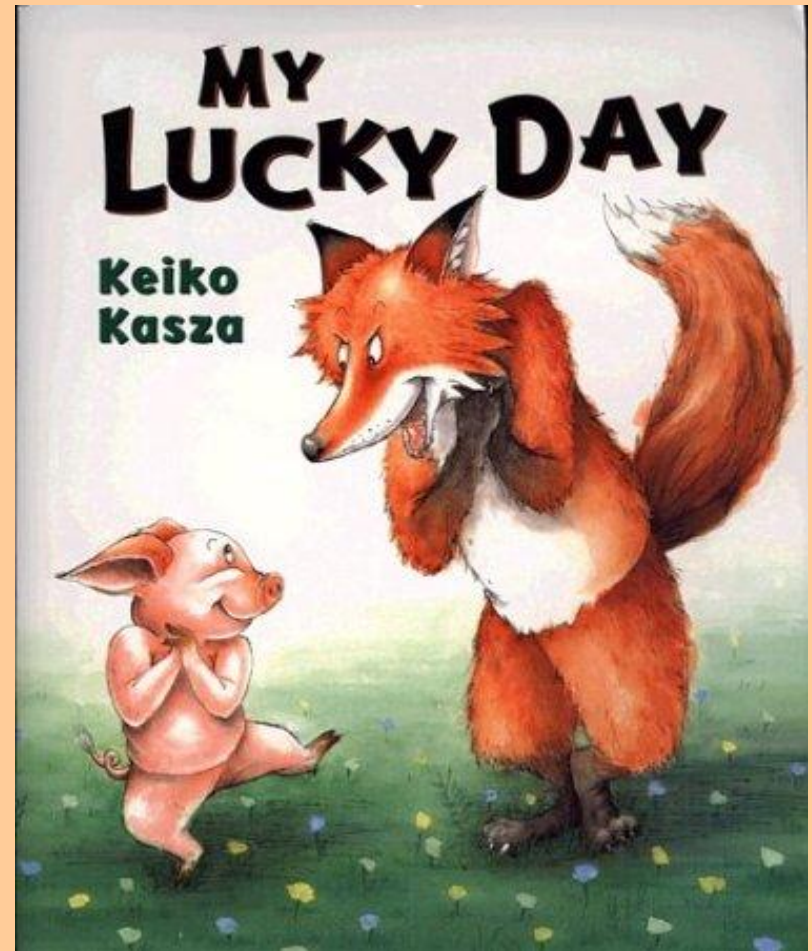
Monarch 2005 Winner

- 95,000 K-3 children voted!
- 667 schools/libraries
- Winner: ***David Gets in Trouble*** by David Shannon
- Second: ***Hooway for Wodney Wat*** by Helen Lester
- Third: ***I Will Never Not Ever Eat a Tomato*** by Lauren Child

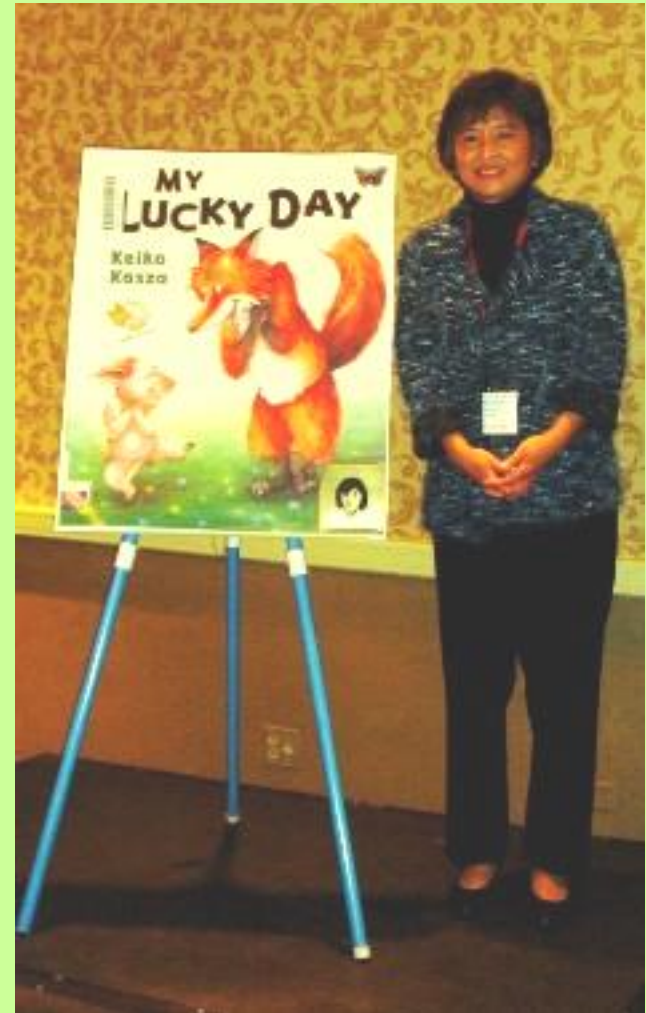


Monarch 2006 Winner

- 115,000 students voted
- 719 schools/libraries
- Winner: ***My Lucky Day*** by Keiko Kasza
- Second: ***Diary of a Worm*** by Doreen Cronin
- Third: ***Miss Smith's Incredible Storybook*** by Michael Garland

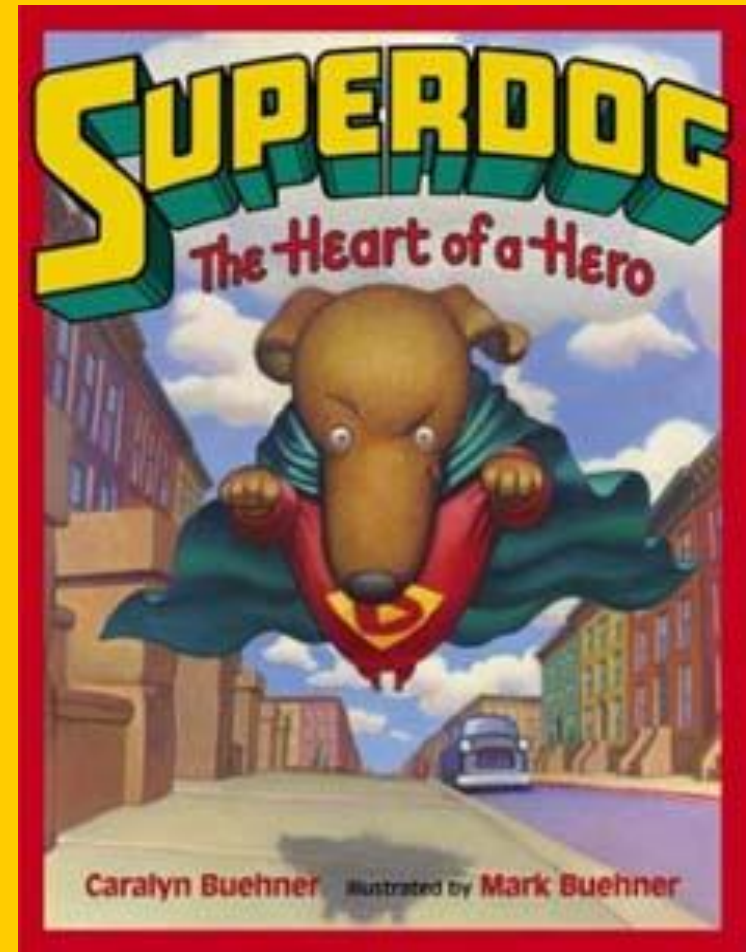


Keiko Kasza 2006 Winner

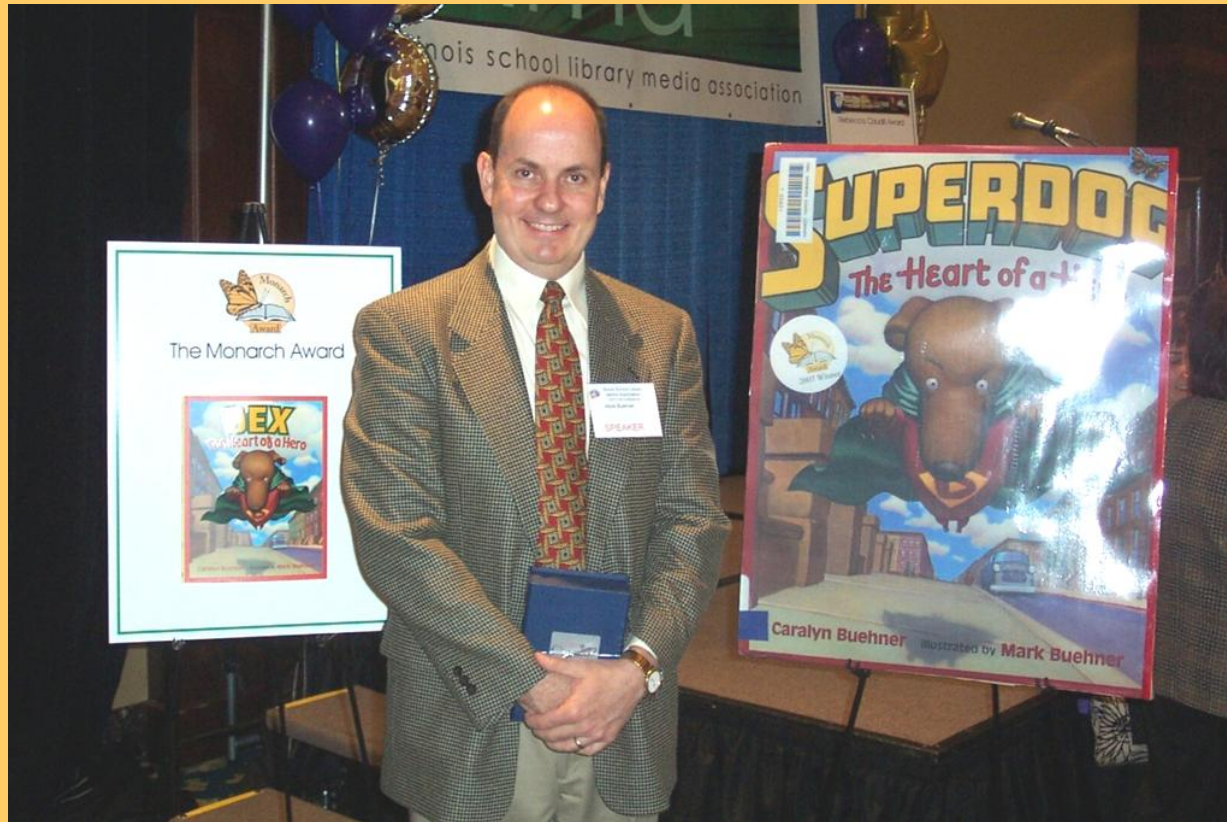


Monarch 2007 Winner

- 120,712 students voted
- 753 schools/libraries
- Winner: ***Superdog: The Heart of a Hero*** by Caralyn Buehner, illus. by Mark Buehner (Dex)
- Second: ***I Ain't Gonna Paint No More*** by Karen Beaumont
- Third: ***Falling for Rapunzel*** by Leah Wilcox

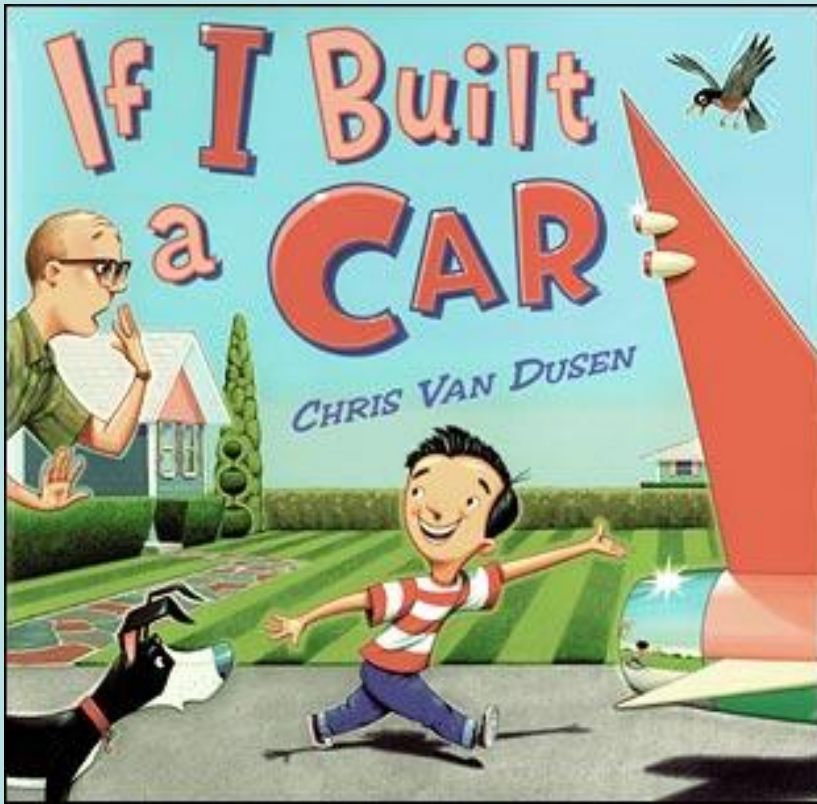


2007 Monarch Award Winner



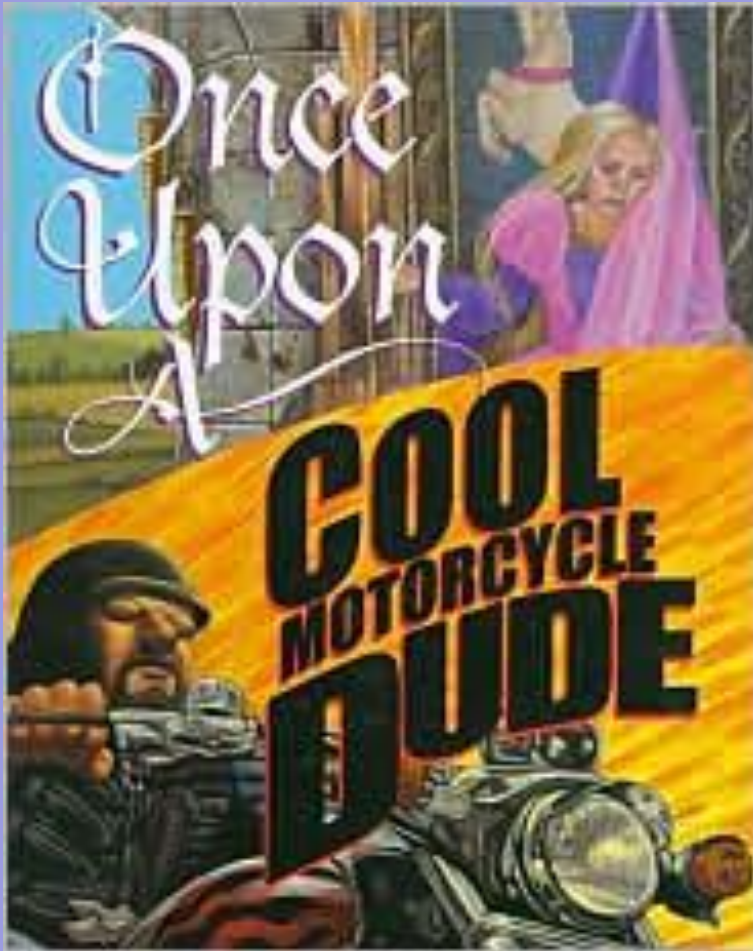
- Mark Buehner, illustrator of *Superdog: The Heart of a Hero*, accepts the 2007 Monarch Award for himself and his wife/author Caralyn. The book has been re-named *Dex* due to a copyright question.

Monarch 2008 Winner



- Over 131,000 students voted
- 780 schools/libraries
- Winner: ***If I Built a Car*** by Chris Van Dusen
- Second: ***Bad Kitty*** by Nick Bruel
- Third: ***Fancy Nancy*** by Jane O'Connor

Monarch 2009 Winner



- 154,000 children voted
- 894 schools & libraries
- Winner: ***Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude*** by Kevin O'Malley
- Second: ***Skippyjon Jones*** by Judith Schnacher
- Third: ***Superhero ABC*** by Bob McLeod

Kevin O'Malley accepts the 2009 Monarch Award



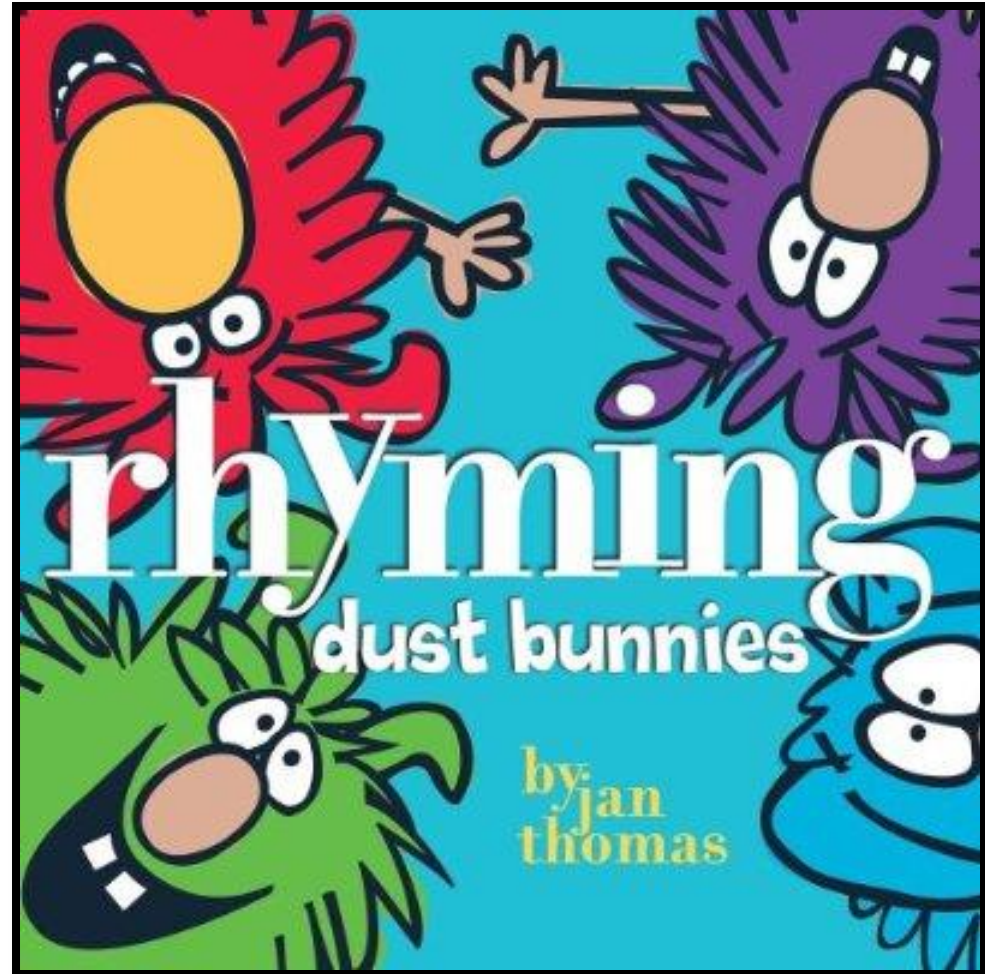
Monarch 2010 Winner

- 156,158 children voted
- 840 schools & libraries
- Winner: ***Scaredy Squirrel*** by Melanie Watt, 35,975 votes
- Second: ***Once I Ate a Pie*** by Patricia MacLachlan and Emily MacLachlan Charest, 20,626 votes
- Third: ***The Gingerbread Girl*** by Lisa Campbell Ernst, 14,498 votes



Monarch 2011 Winner

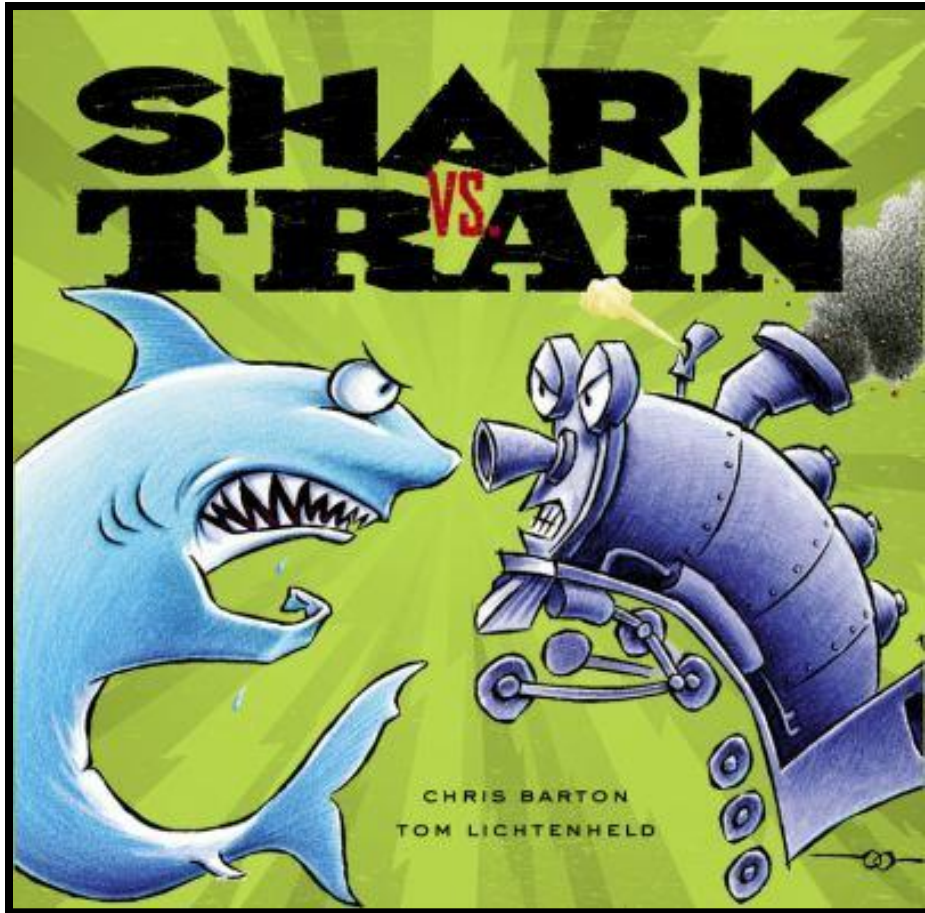
- 140,720 children voted
- 711 schools & libraries
- Winner: ***Rhyming Dust Bunnies*** by Jan Thomas, 23,370 votes
- Second: ***Two Bobbies: A True Story of Hurricane Katrina, Friendship and Survival*** by Kirby Larson, 16,613 votes
- Third: ***Bad Kitty Gets a Bath*** by Nick Bruel, 12,899 votes



Jan Thomas accepts the 2011 Monarch Award



Monarch 2012 Winner



- 140,858 children voted
- 771 schools & libraries
- Winner: ***Shark vs. Train*** by Chris Barton, 32,150 votes
- Second: ***Duck! Rabbit!*** by Amy Kraus Rosenthal, 12,862 votes
- Third: ***Interrupting Chicken*** by David Ezra Stein, 12,899 votes

Monarch Master List Selection

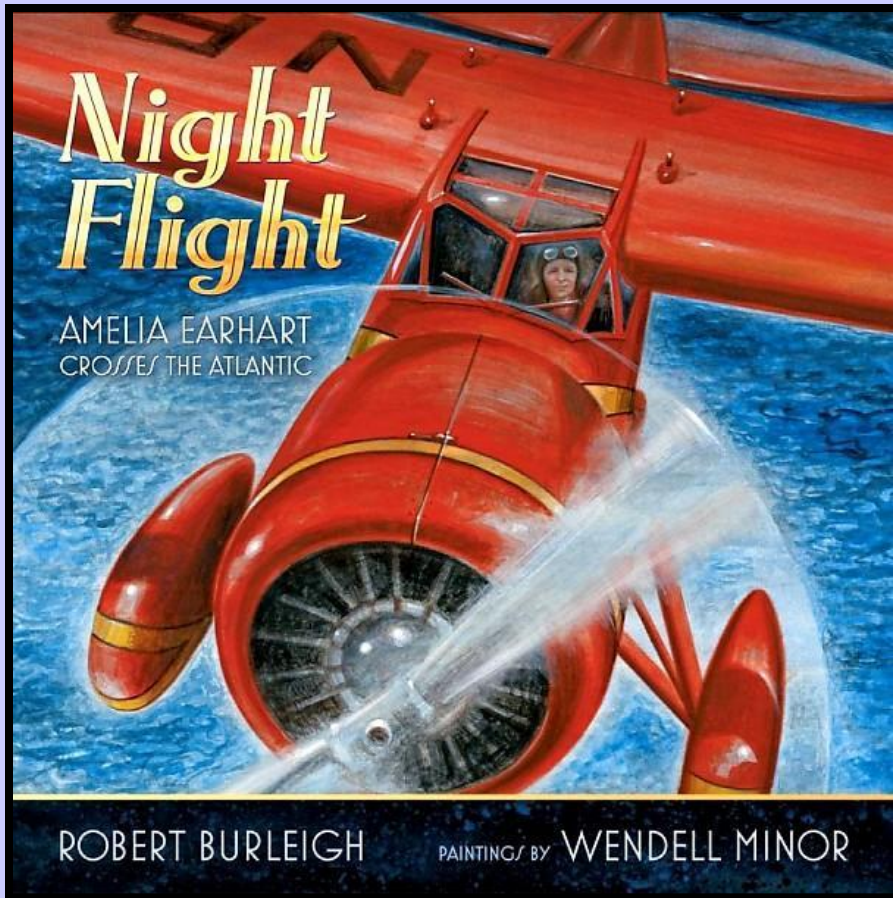
- Librarians, teachers, parents and students may nominate.
- Nominees are narrowed to 100 by the nomination committee, who considers the criteria, and the balance of fiction/nonfiction/picture books/chapter books/easy readers.
- Volunteer readers review groups of 10 books and submit evaluations based on a rubric.
- Their evaluations are used to narrow to 50 nominees.
- Readers attempt to read all 50 nominees.
- At the face-to-face meeting in January, each reader reviews one book in depth.
- Readers vote to select the Master List of 20.
- Volunteer at the website.



Monarch Award: Illinois' K-3 Readers' Choice Award 2013 Master List

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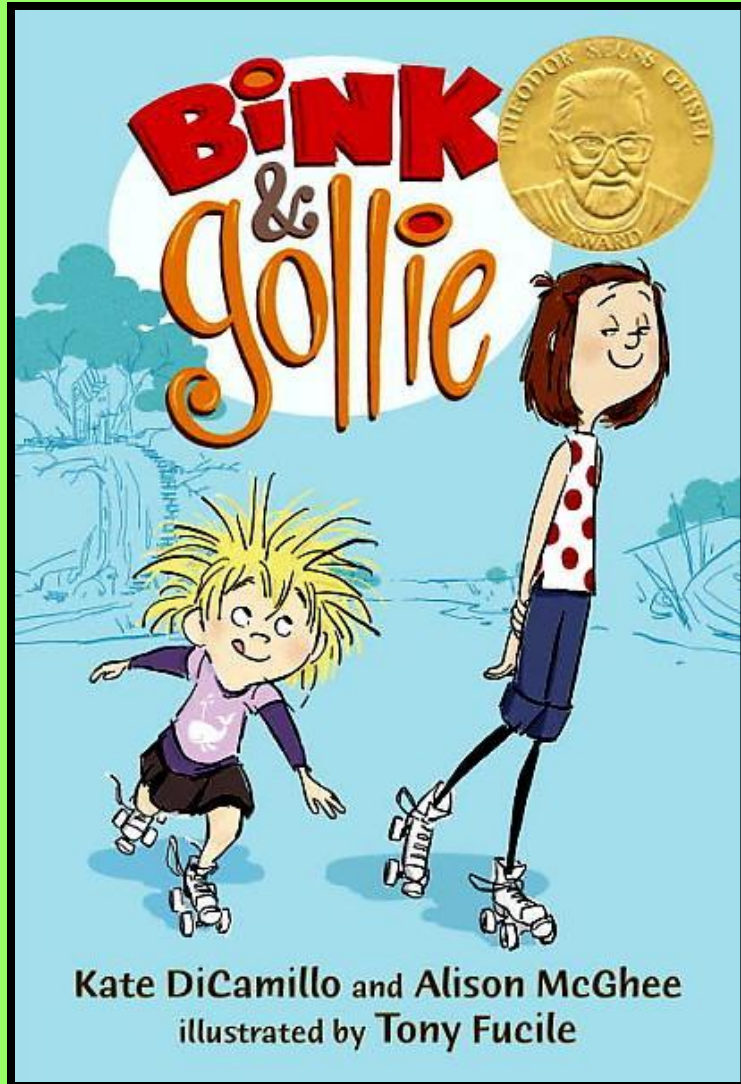
Night Flight: Amelia Earhart Crosses the Atlantic by Robert Burleigh



An account of Amelia Earhart's dangerous 1932 flight across the Atlantic Ocean from Newfoundland to Ireland, in which she survived bad weather and a malfunctioning airplane. Includes a brief biography of the aviator.

Bink & Gollie

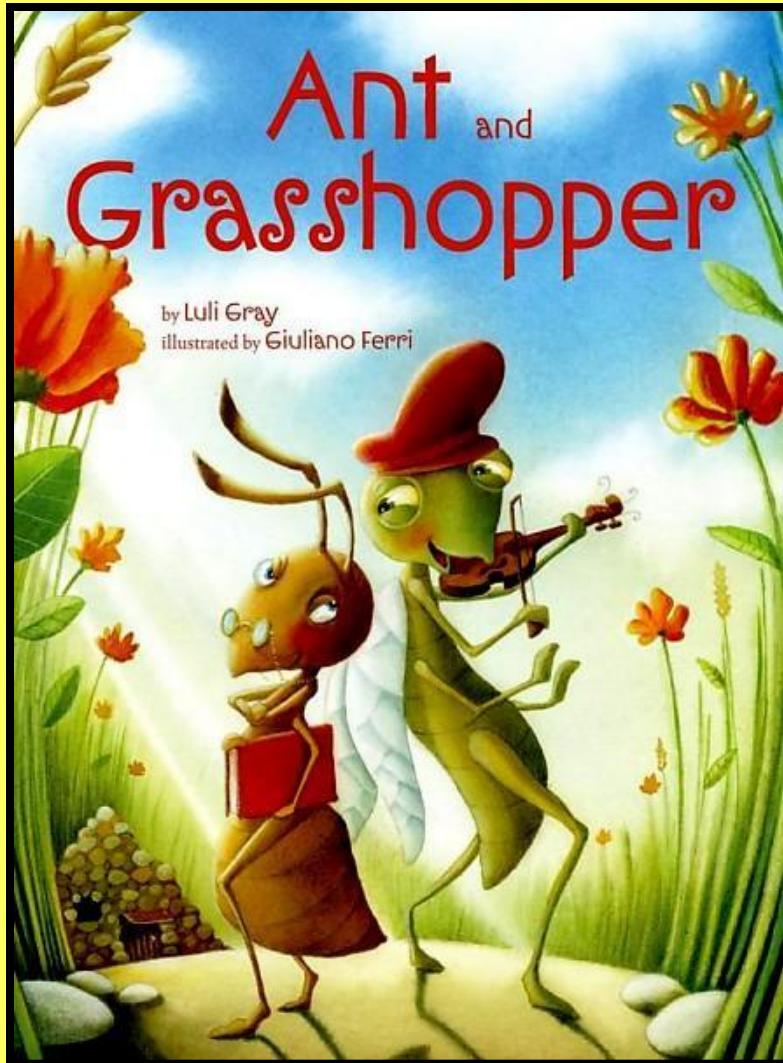
by Kate DiCamillo and Alison McGhee



Two roller-skating best friends--one tiny, one tall--share three comical adventures involving outrageously bright socks, an impromptu trek to the Andes, and a most unlikely marvelous companion.

Ant and Grasshopper

by Luli Gray

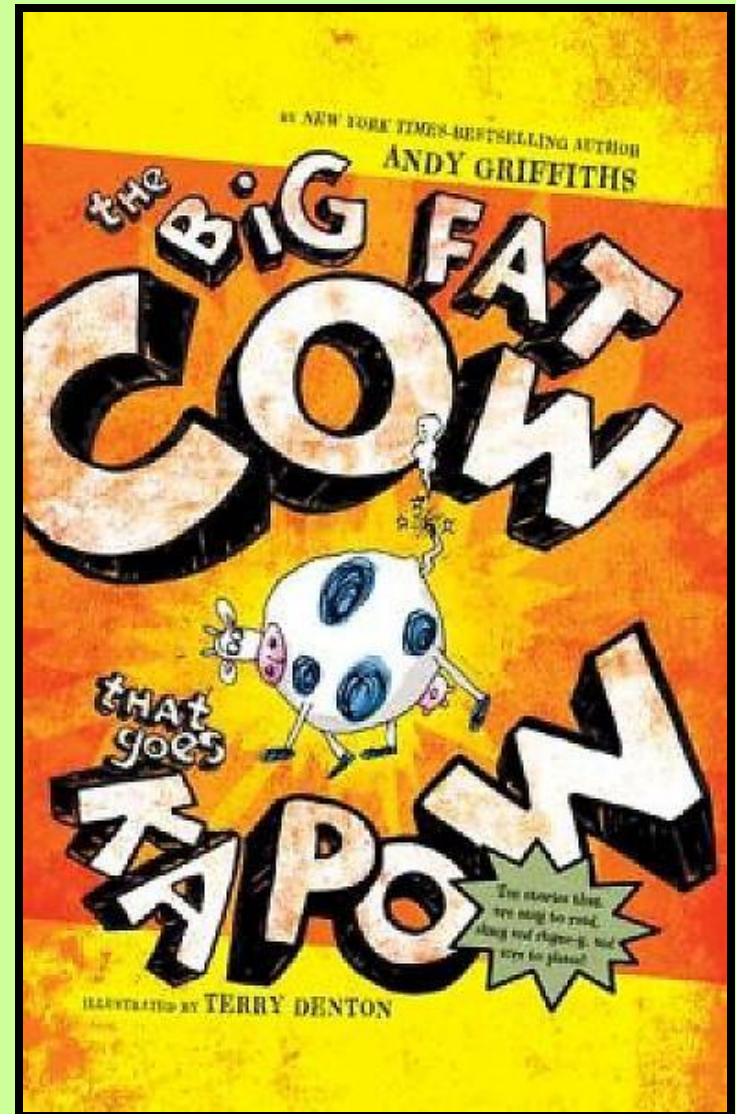


In this variation of the old tale of the ant who gathers food for winter, and the grasshopper who does not prepare, there is an unexpected ending.

The Big Fat Cow that Goes Kapow

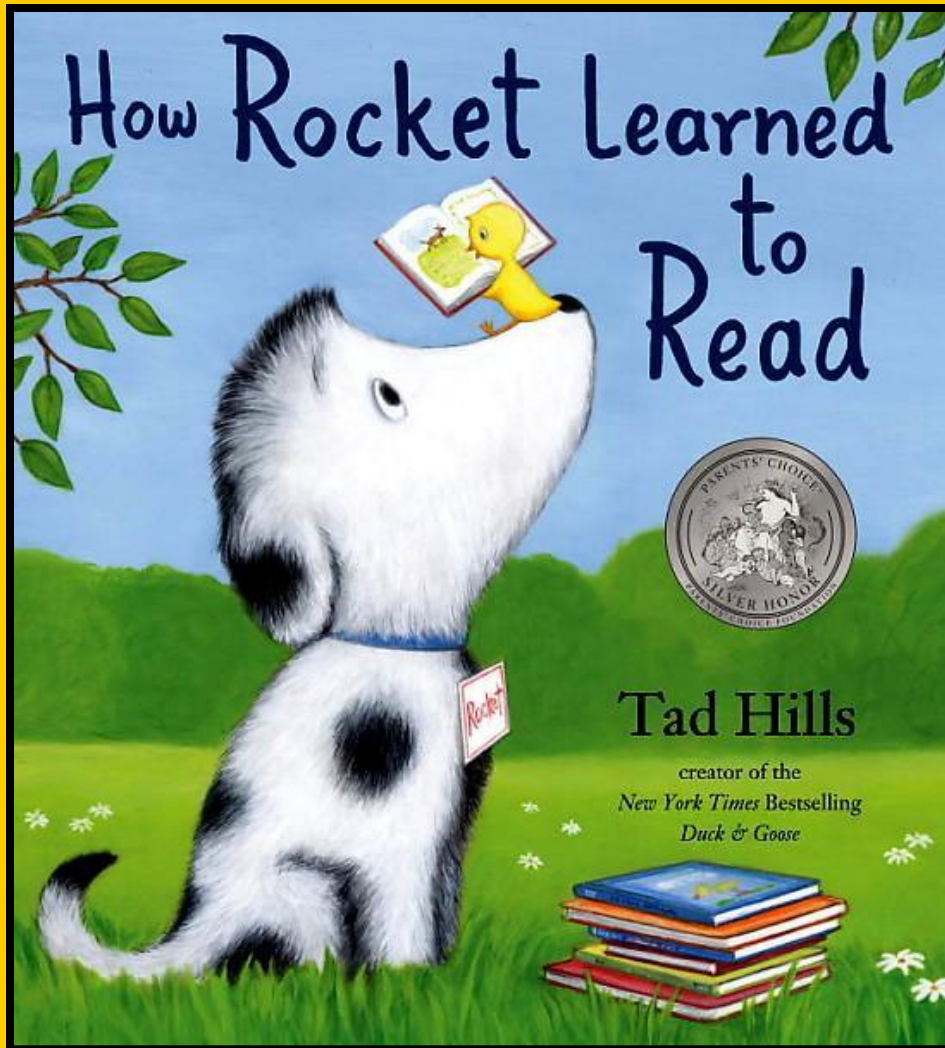
by Andy Griffiths

In these ten easy-to-read stories there is a mixed-up cow that says "miaow," a mole called Noel who plays rock 'n' roll in a hole, and a boy named Mike who rides a bike with a very big spike!



How Rocket Learned to Read

by Tad Hills

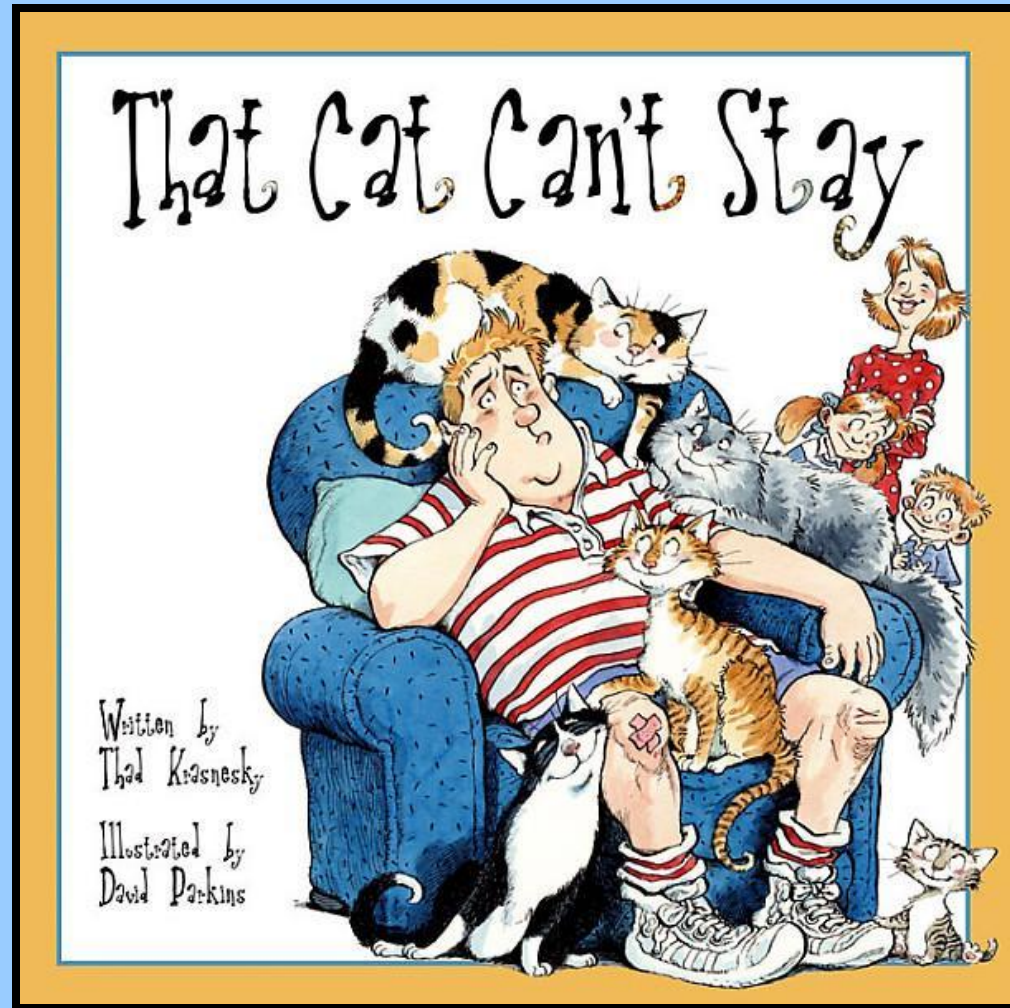


A little yellow bird teaches Rocket the dog how to read by first introducing him to the "wondrous, mighty, gorgeous alphabet."

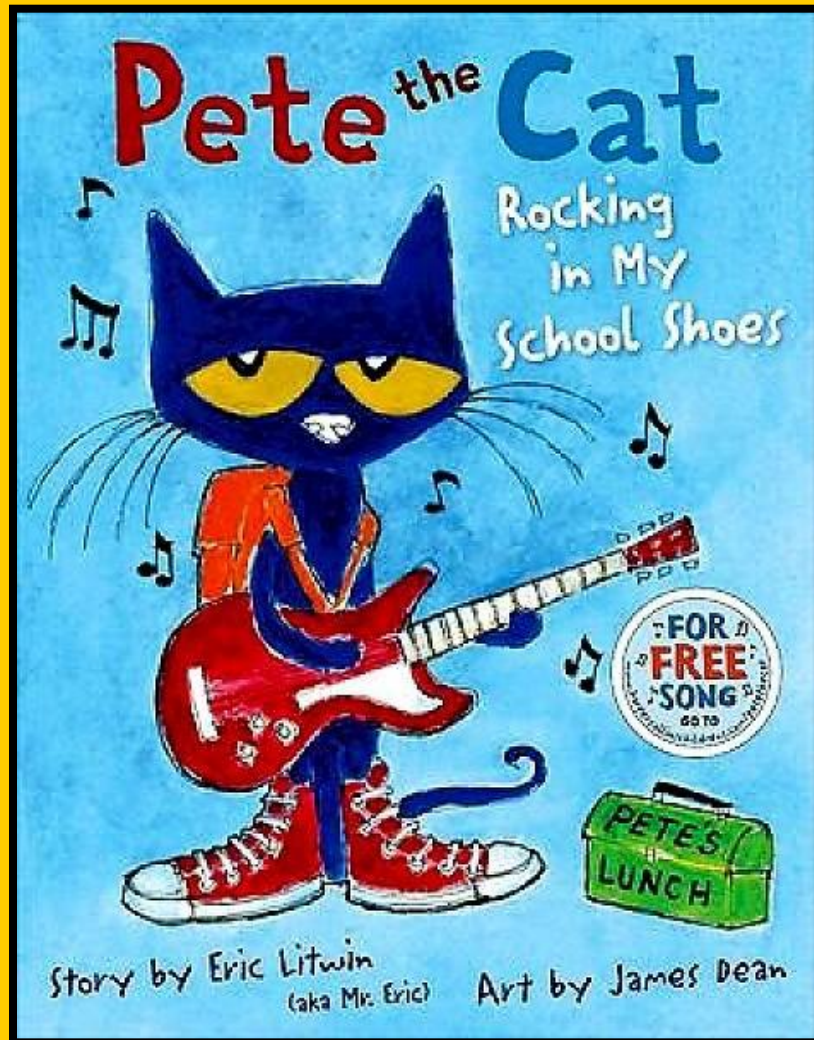
That Cat Can't Stay

by Thad Krasnesky

"Poor Dad is no match for clever Mom, a cat lover who manages to finagle not one, not two, not three, but **FOUR** cats into the household."



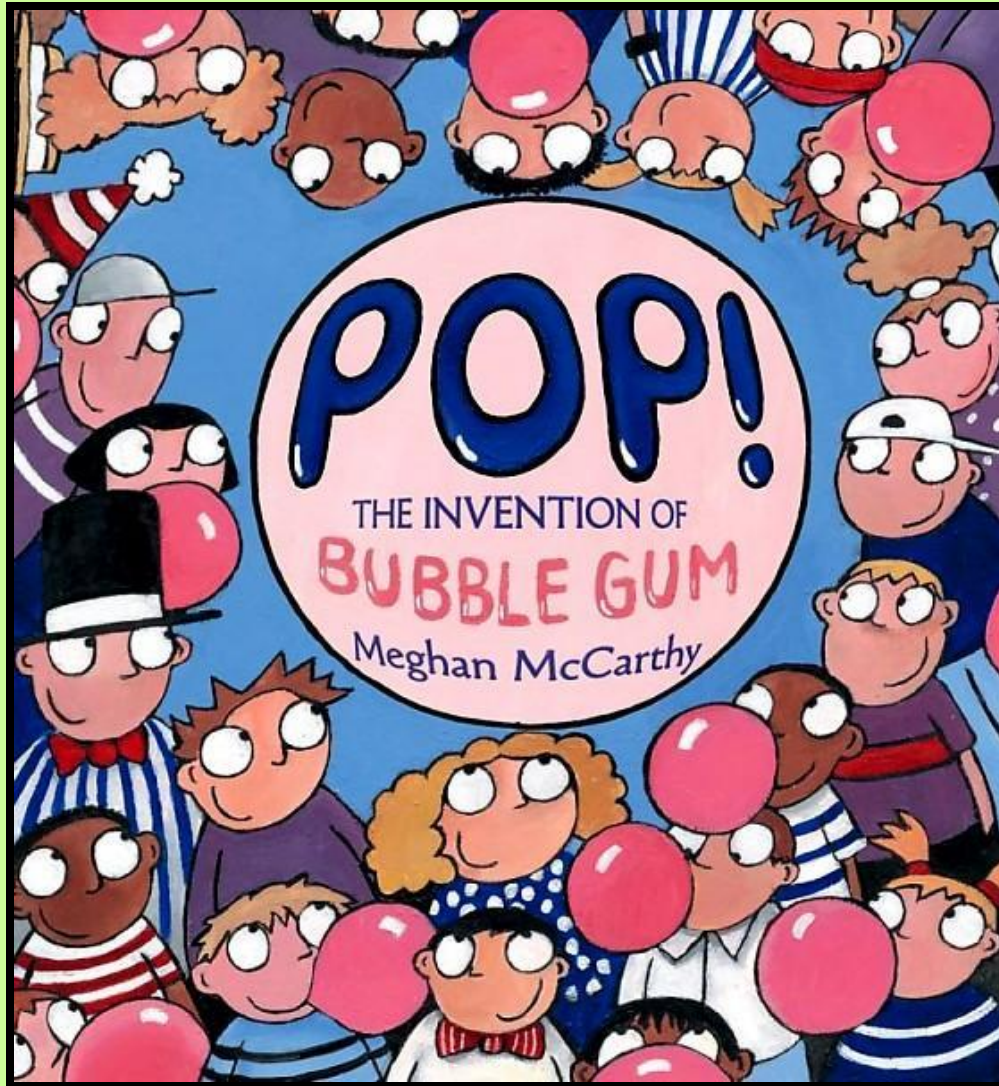
Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes by Eric Litwin



Pete the cat wears his school shoes when visiting the library, the lunchroom, the playground, and more while singing his special song.

Pop!: The Invention of Bubble Gum

by Meghan McCarthy



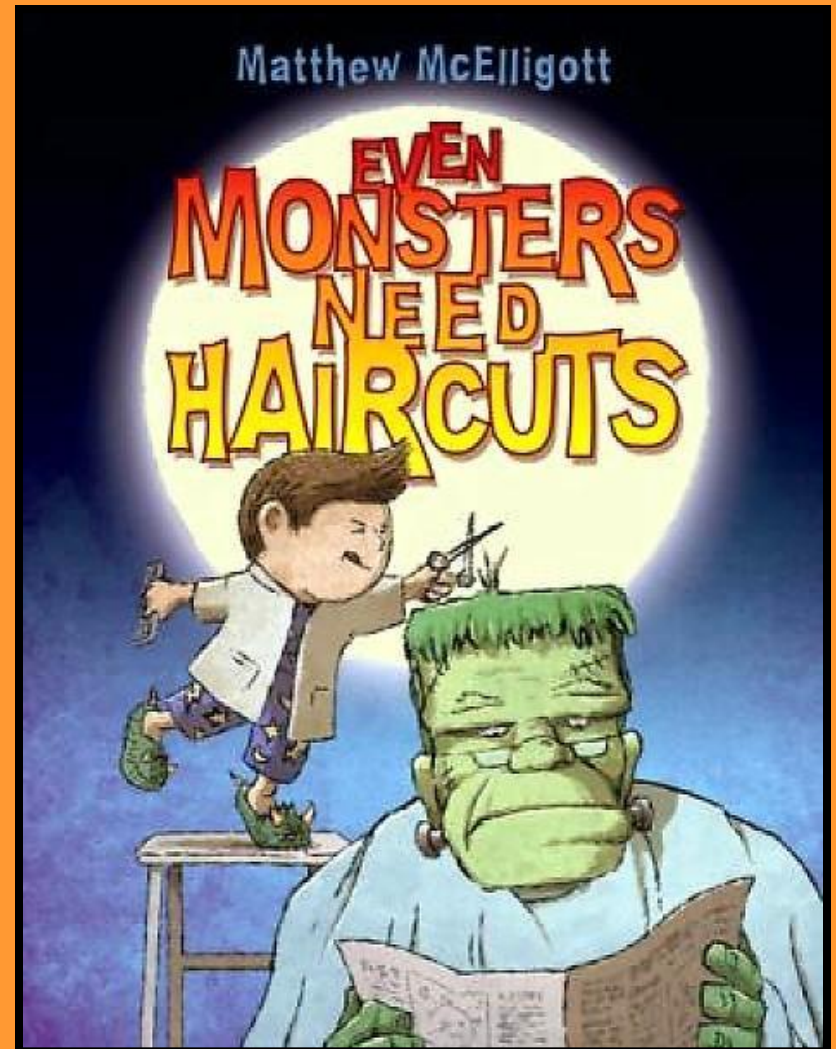
Full of fun historical facts, this book is the true story of how bubble gum was invented.

It also has a “never give up” message for young readers.

Even Monsters Need Haircuts

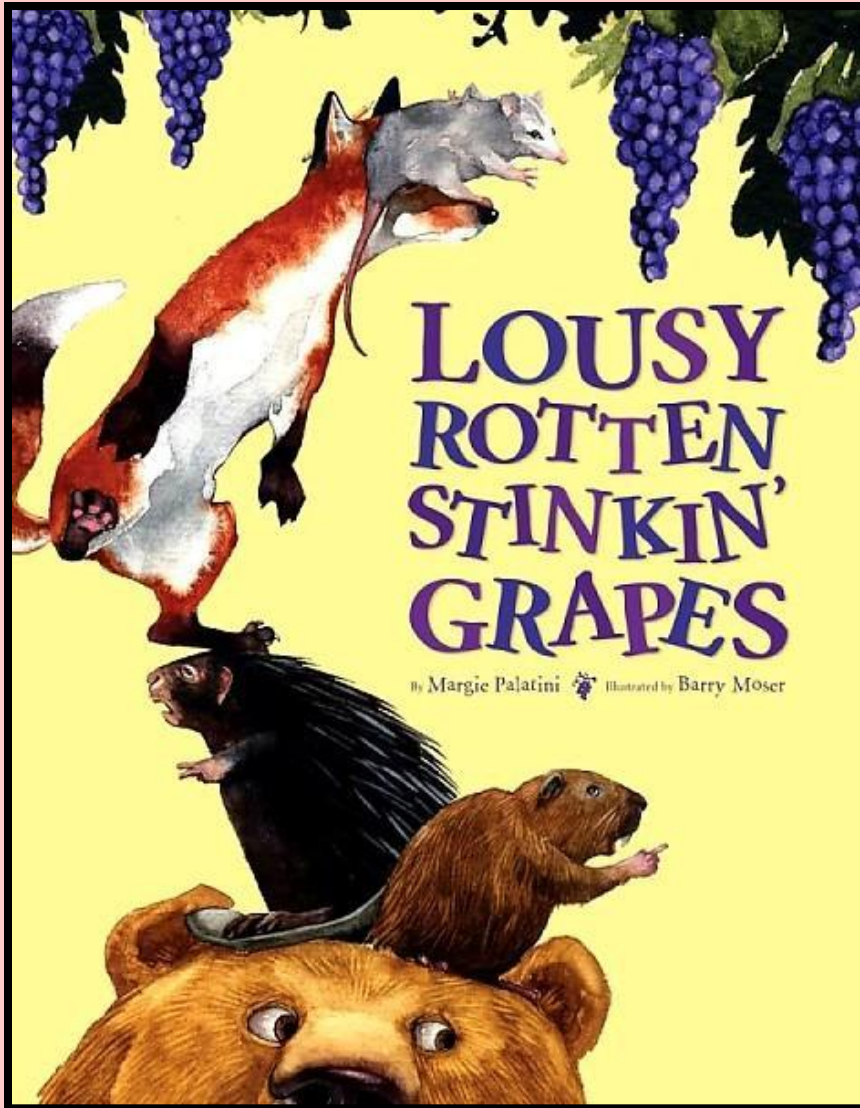
by Matthew McElligott

At night under a full moon,
a child operates a
barber shop with a
monstrous clientele.
I provides readers with a
surprise ending.



Lousy Rotten Stinkin' Grapes

by Margie Palatini

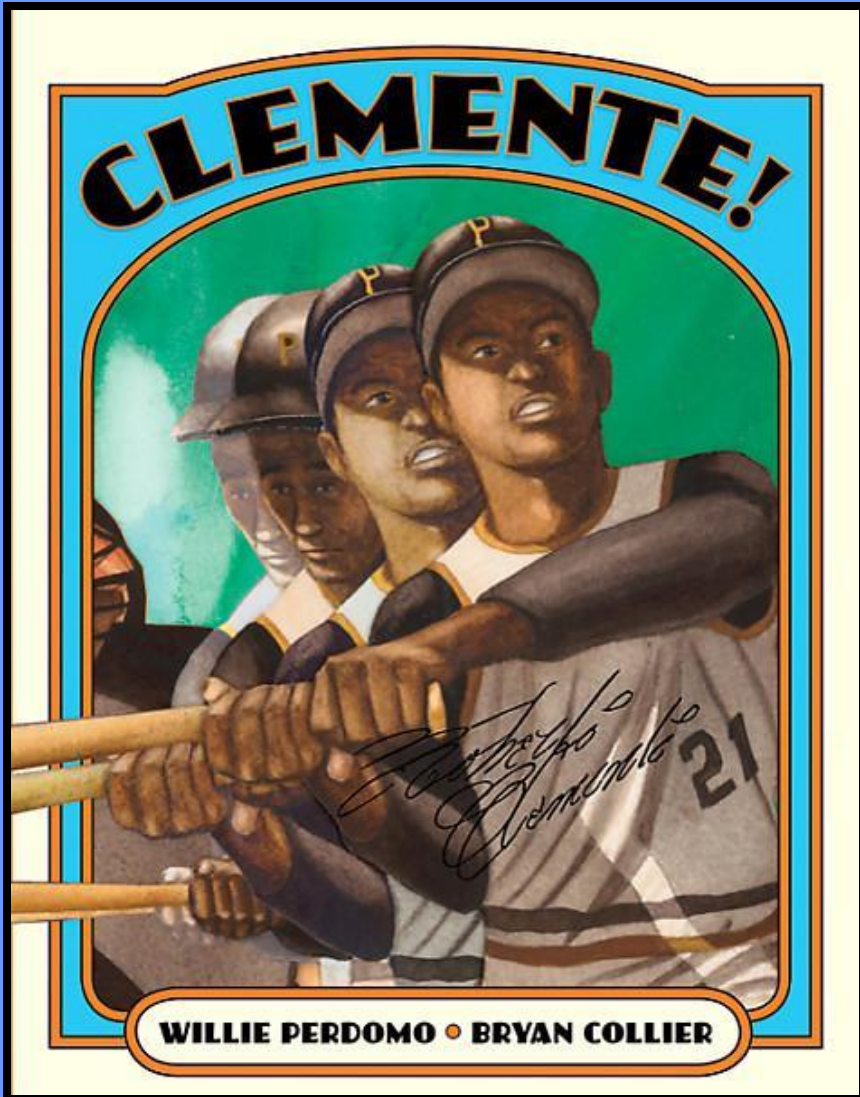


Retells the fable of a frustrated fox that, after many tries to reach a high bunch of grapes, decides they must be sour anyway.

The one with the biggest mouth isn't necessarily the smartest.

Clemente!

By Willie Perdomo



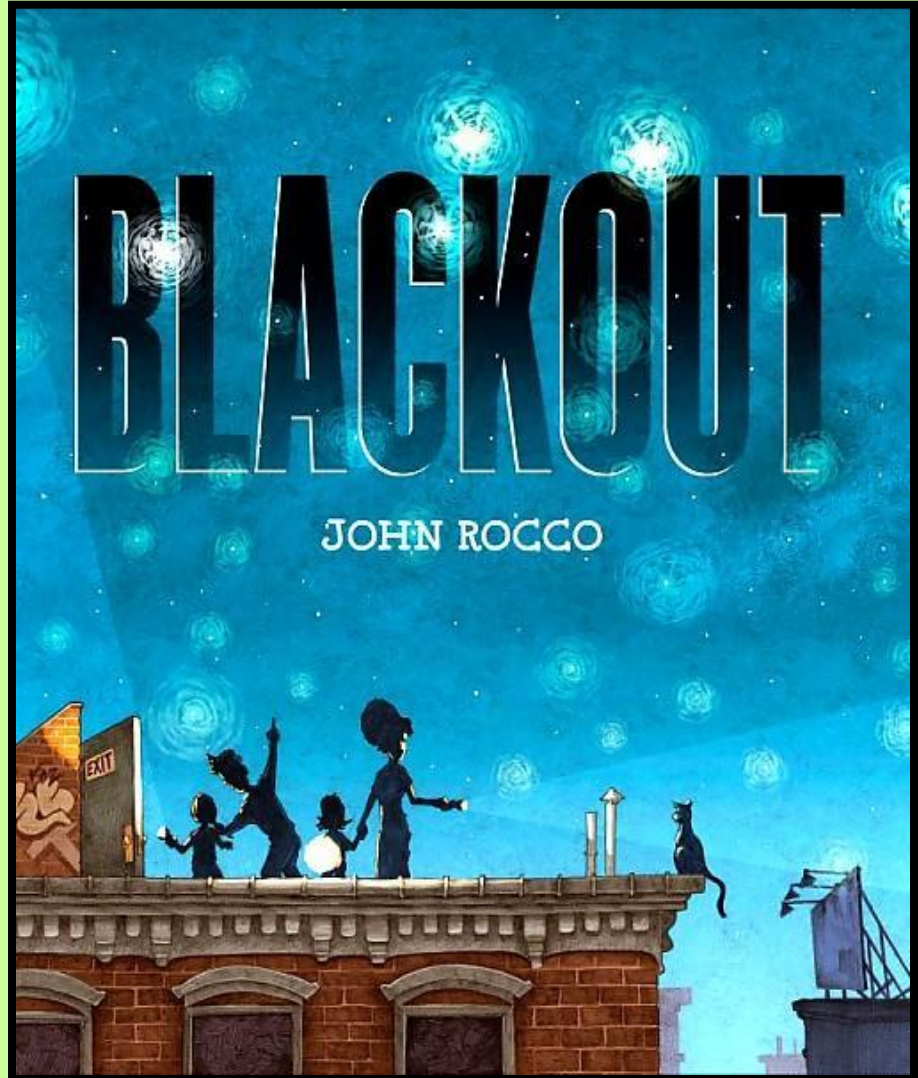
"A little boy named Clemente learns about his namesake, the great baseball player Roberto Clemente"

Blackout

by Jon Rocco

When a busy family's activities come to a halt because of a blackout, they find they enjoy spending time together and not being too busy for once.

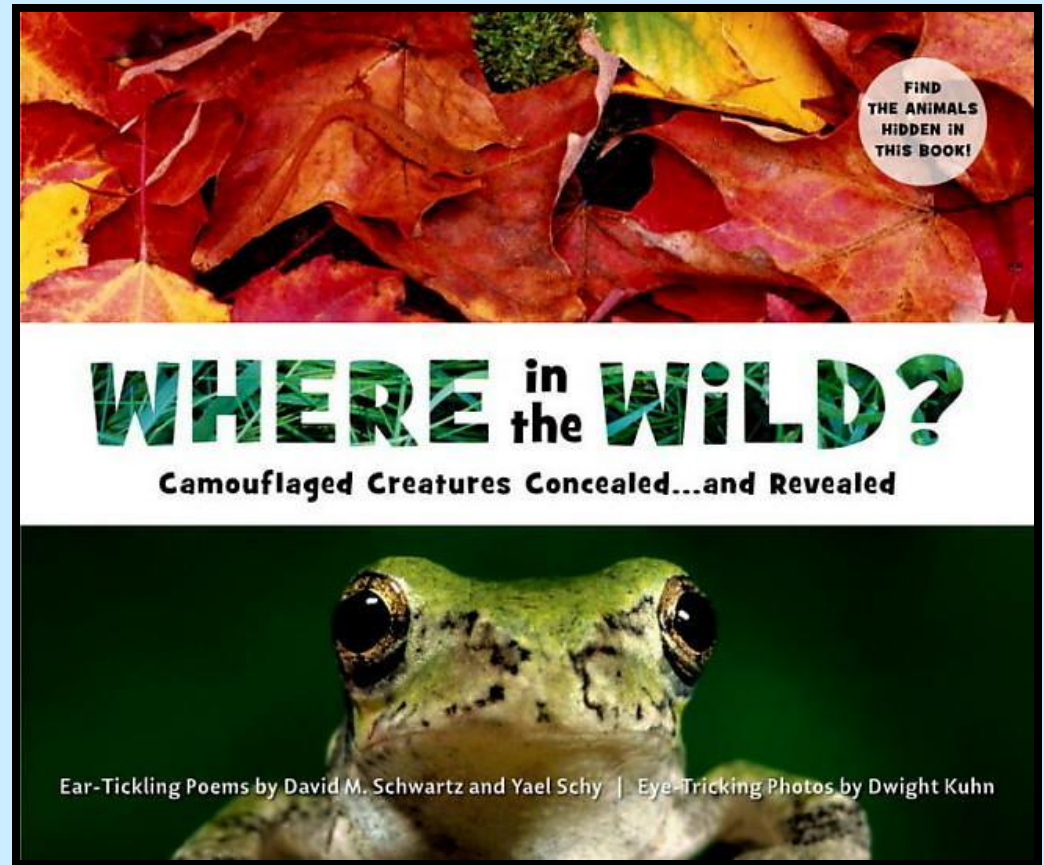
What will happen when the lights come back on?



Where in the Wild?: Camouflaged Creatures Concealed & Revealed

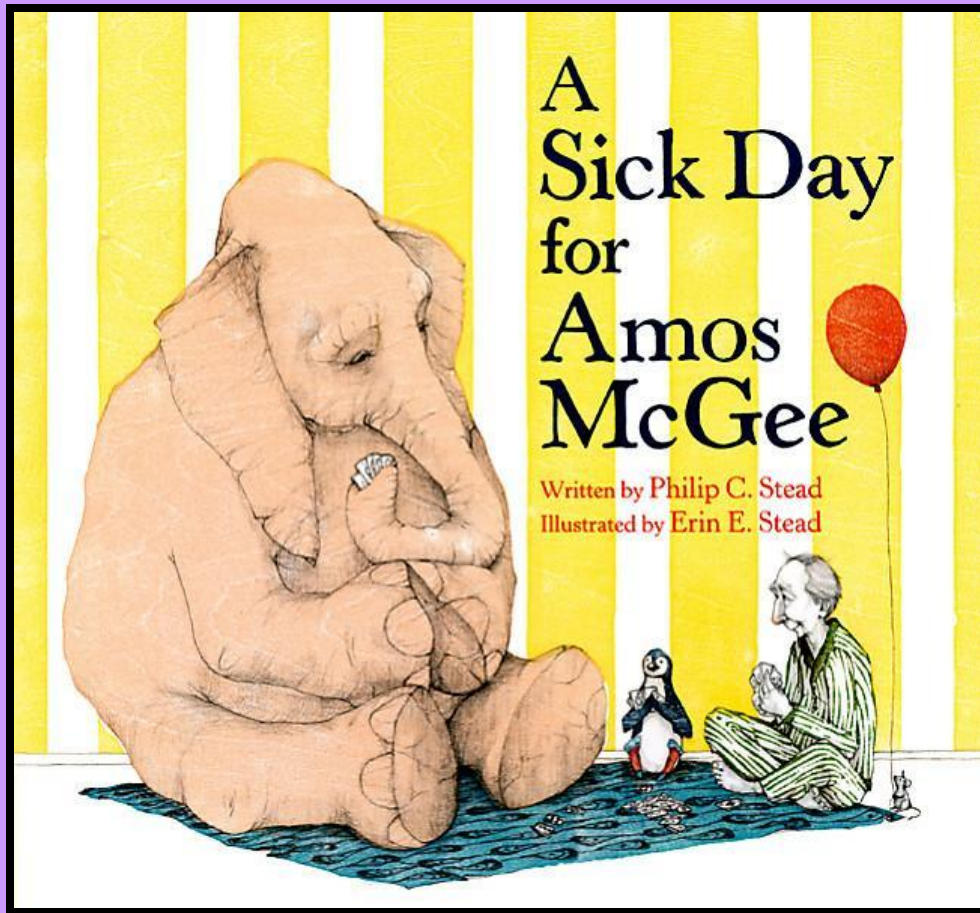
by David M. Schwartz

- Short poem riddles appear on the left-hand side, while a photo of a nature scene is on the right.
- Readers are challenged to find the camouflaged animal in the scene.
- Flipping open the page reveals the animal and provides factual information about the creature.



A Sick Day for Amos McGee

by Philip Christian Stead

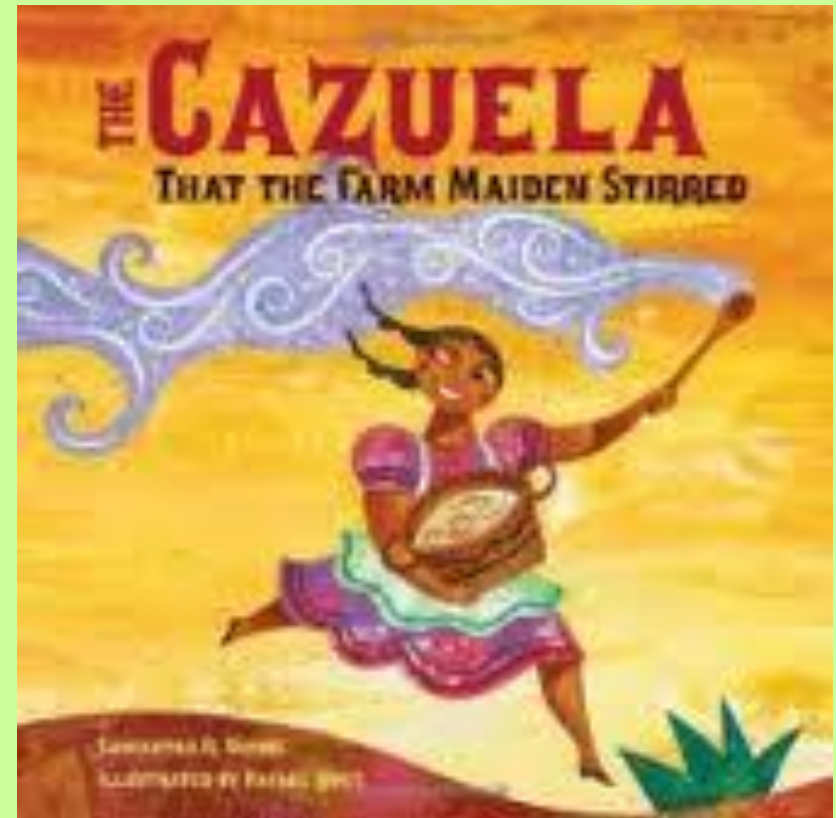


Amos McGee, a friendly zookeeper, always made time to visit his good friends: the elephant, the tortoise, the penguin, the rhinoceros, and the owl. But one day--'Ah-choo!'--he woke with the sniffles and the sneezes. Though he didn't make it into the zoo that day, he did receive some unexpected guests."

The Cazuela that the Farm Maiden Stirred by Samantha R. Vamos

A cumulative tale of a farm maiden who, aided by a group of animals, prepares "Arroz con Leche," or rice pudding.

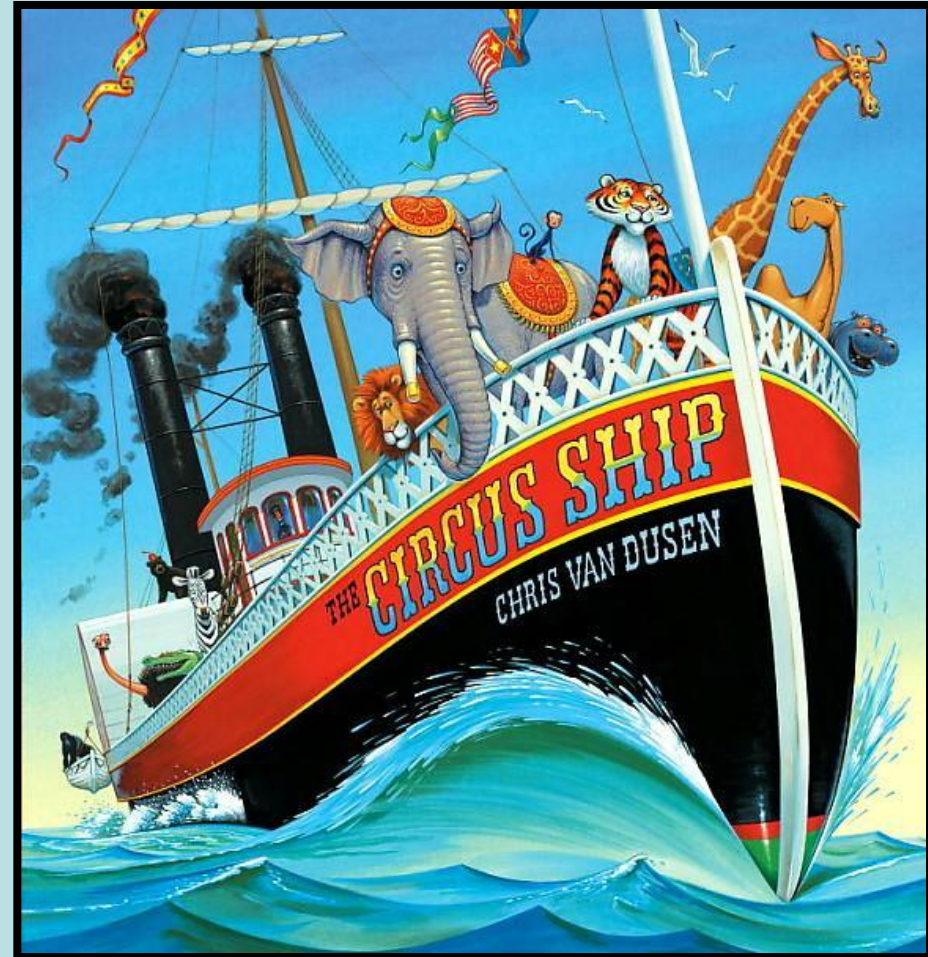
Includes recipe and glossary of the Spanish words that are woven throughout the text.



The Circus Ship

by Chris Van Dusen

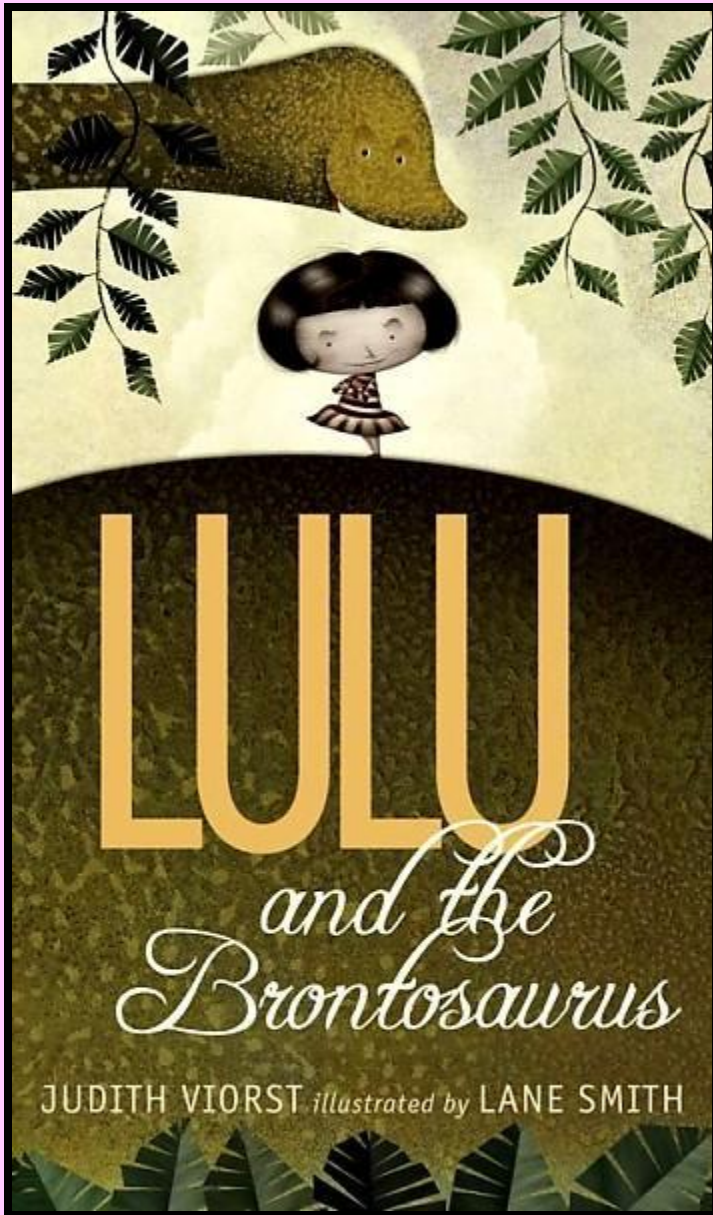
When a circus ship runs aground off the coast of Maine, the poor animals are left on their own to swim the chilly waters. Staggering onto a nearby island, they soon win over the wary townspeople with their kind, courageous ways. So well do the critters blend in that when the greedy circus owner returns to claim them, villagers of all species conspire to outsmart the bloated blowhard.



Lulu and the Brontosaurus

by Judith Viorst

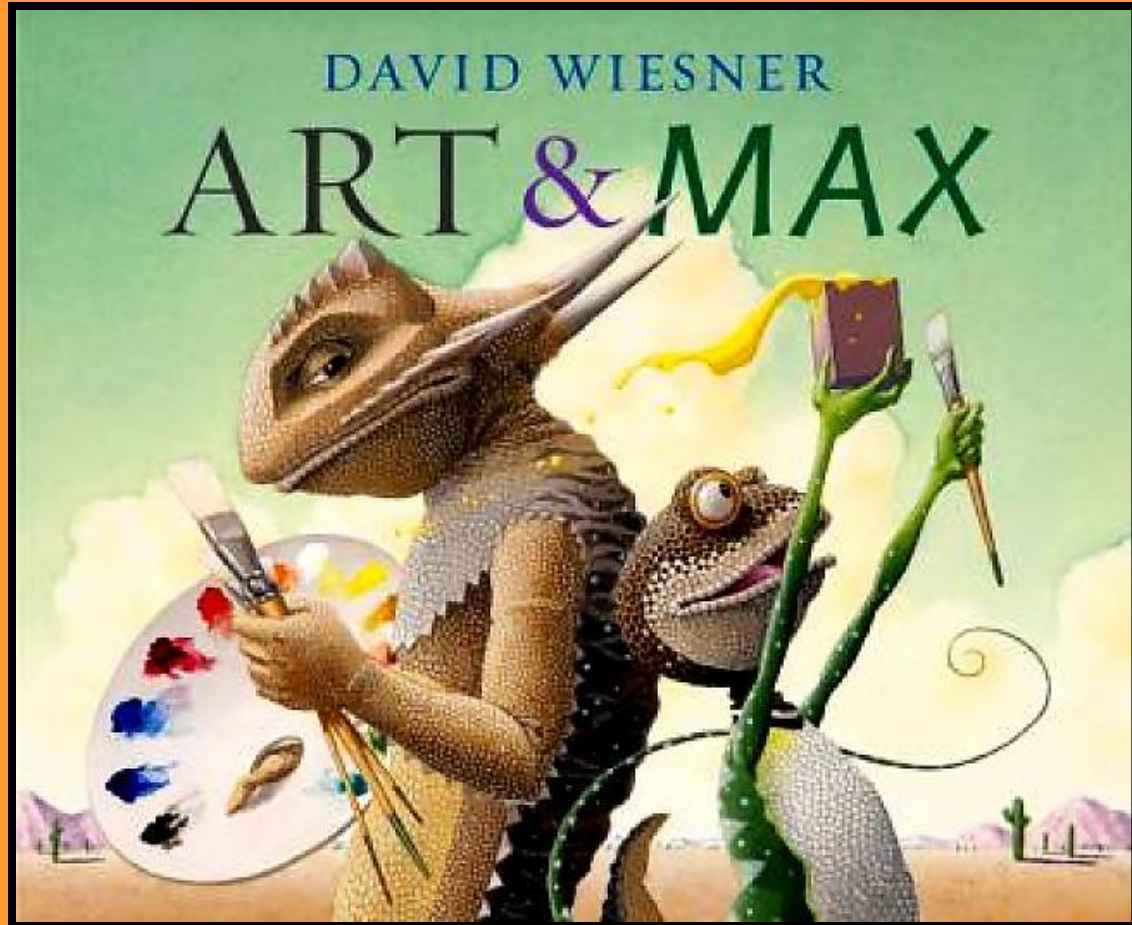
Lulu's parents refuse to give in when she demands a brontosaurus for her birthday and so she sets out to find her own. While the brontosaurus she finally meets approves of pets, he does not intend to be Lulu's.



Art & Max

by David Wiesner

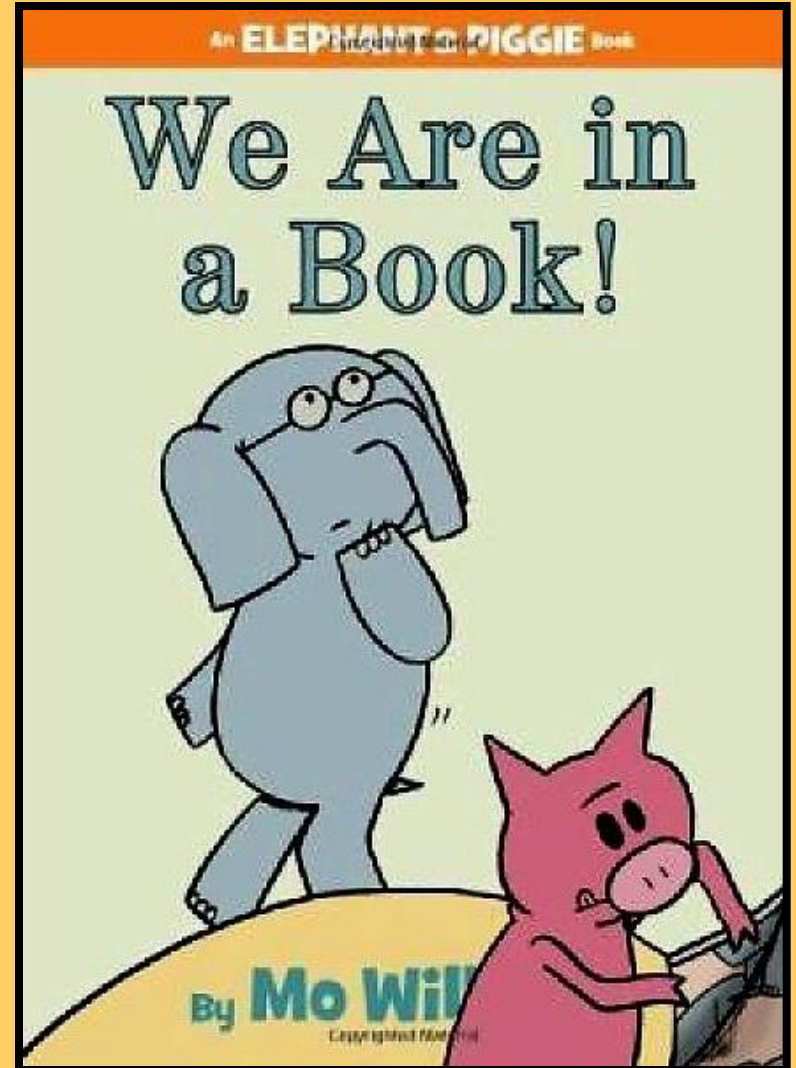
Max wants to be an artist like Arthur, but his first attempt at using a paintbrush sends the two friends on a whirlwind trip through various media, with unexpected consequences.



We Are In a Book

by Mo Willems

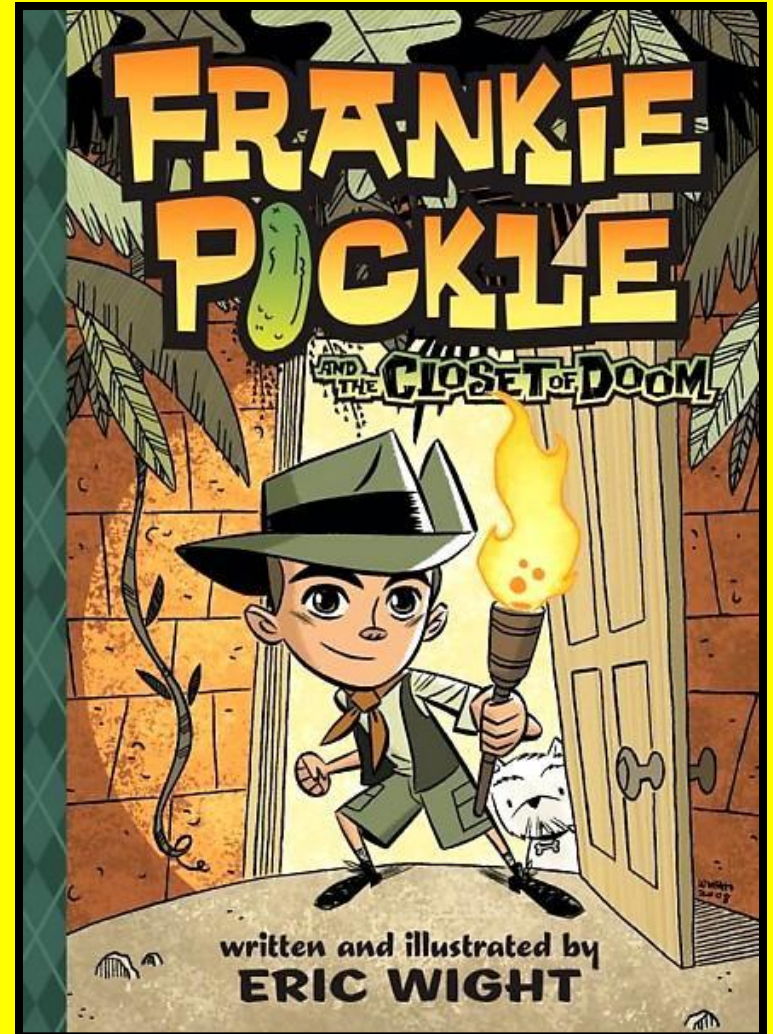
Gerald and Piggie discover the joy of being read. But what will happen when the book ends?



Frankie Pickle and the Closet of Doom

by Eric Wrght

Fourth-grader Frankie Piccolini has a vivid imagination when it comes to cleaning his disastrously messy room, but eventually even he decides that it is just too dirty.



Maximizing the Monarch

- Label the books: orange stickers, orange tape, label protectors, butterfly stickers, logo stickers for sale
- Display ideas: bulletin board, wall, special Monarch shelf
- Reading ideas
 - Reserve/rotate books, to every classroom
 - Offer stickers/certificate for classroom reading ALL 20 nominees
 - Make bookmarks/checklists for kids to keep track of books read
 - Read in classroom/library/home
- Fun gimmicks—orange hat, shirt, butterfly balloons, puppets
- Ensure ALL students get to vote. (Read 5 books to them!)
- Establish voting procedures, ideas on the web.



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Questions/Comments

- Any questions? Just ask!
- Don't forget to register - only \$10! And now you can register online
- Read and Vote!
- Visit the website soon

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