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# Chicken Soup for the Soul

Andrea J. Loney Illustrated by Hazel Quintanilla

## Chicken Soup for the Soul Babies

Keep  
Trying  
(Don't Give Up!)



### Keep Trying (Don't Give Up!)

978-1-62354-465-2 BD \$8.99

Ages 0-3 • February 13

### I CAN'T!

Chick and Lamb want to play outside, but it's raining. Lamb struggles to put on rain boots. As Lamb laments "I can't!", Chick replies, "Keep trying!" Then Chick is struggling to jump over the rain puddles. As Chick cries, "I can't!", Lamb replies, "Keep trying!"

This charming installation in the Chicken Soup for the Soul BABIES series emphasizes perseverance and problem-solving for little listeners.



# Chicken Soup for the Soul Babies



## Board Books



### Global Baby Grandparents

978-1-62354-453-9 BD \$6.99

Ages 0-3 • January 16

*Babies everywhere love their grandparents!*

Grandparents all over the world have a special connection with their grandbabies. They play, sing, read, eat, and cuddle together. Most of all, grandparents give lots of kisses and so much love!

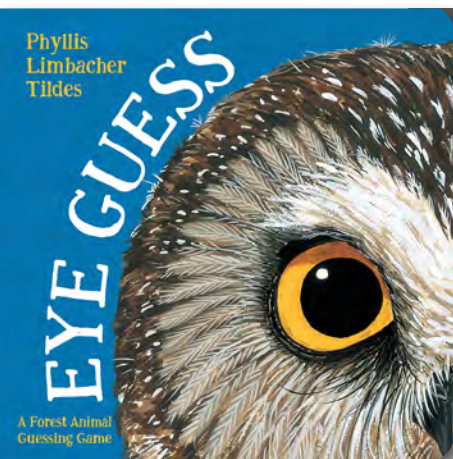
Part of the proceeds from this book's sales will be donated to Global Fund for Children to support innovative community-based organizations that serve the world's most vulnerable children and youth.



## The Global Babies board book series







## Eye Guess

A Forest Animal Guessing Game

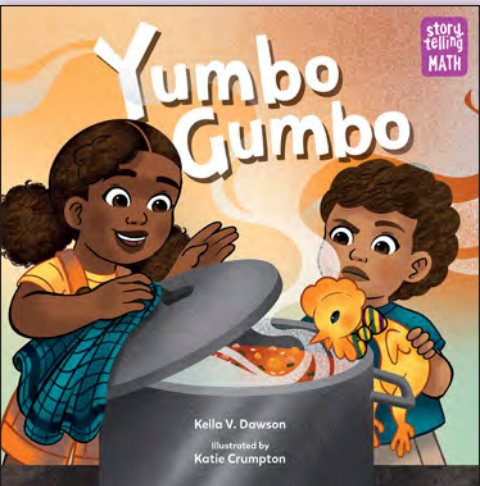
978-1-62354-447-8 BD \$8.99

Ages 0-3 • January 23

### Who is looking at you?

Do you know whose eye is looking at you? Featuring familiar forest animals, toddlers will enjoy guessing, turning the page, and finding out if they're right!





## Yumbo Gumbo

978-1-62354-325-9 HC \$16.99

978-1-62354-326-6 PB \$7.99

Ages 3–6 • February 20

*Time for dinner!*

Annabelle's grandparents are finally going to teach her how to cook gumbo! But the family can't agree on what type of gumbo to make. They vote for their favorite, but the vote results in a tie. Now what?

A playful exploration of data and social-emotional reasoning, featuring Louisiana Creole characters and a glossary of Louisiana Creole words.

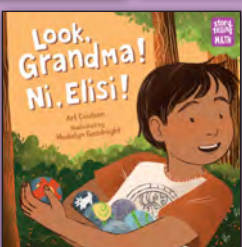
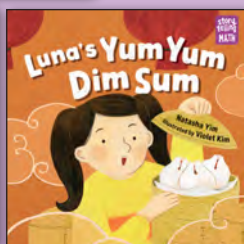




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# Chicken Soup for the Soul



## The Sunshine Garden

*Being a Team Player*

978-1-62354-286-3 HC \$8.99

Ages 4-7 • March 30

### *How can we help?*

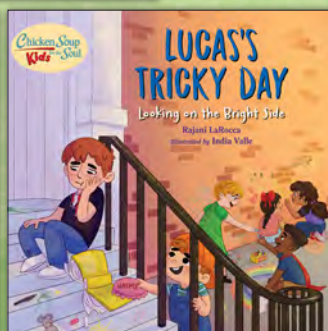
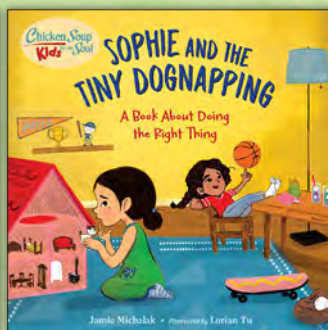
Mia's neighbor Mr. Angelo has been under the weather, so he's asked her to take care of his garden for a bit. Mia is sure she doesn't need help, but after hours of weeding in the sun, she realizes that this is a job for the whole Sunshine Squad!

Chicken Soup for the Soul KIDS picture books impart good values through heartwarming and humorous stories to help kids put their best foot forward.





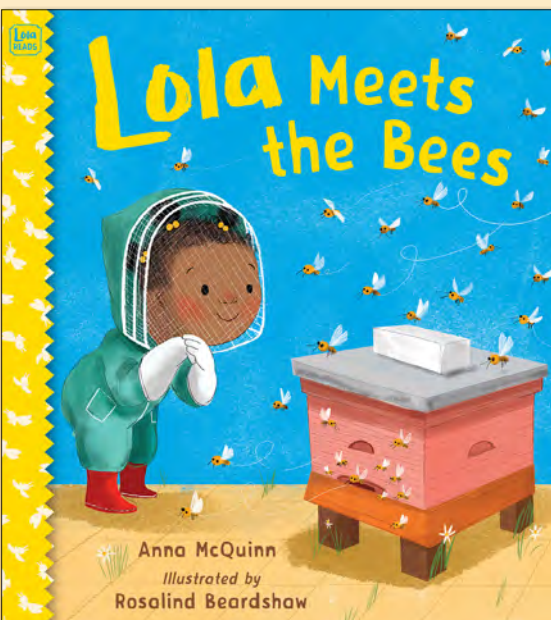
# Chicken Soup Kids for the Soul



## Join the Sunshine Squad!







**Lola Meets the Bees**

978-1-62354-383-9 HC \$16.99

Ages 2-5 • April 9

*How do tiny insects make delicious honey?*

Lola wants to learn more about beekeeping from her mother's friend Zora. The two suit up to visit the hives on the roof of Zora's city apartment building. Lola learns about pollination, the special dance honey bees do to communicate, and how the queen bee and worker bees make the honey stores. Back at home, Lola makes a small garden of her own to attract bees and encourage pollination.

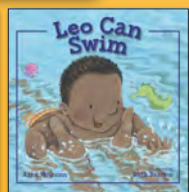
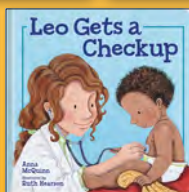
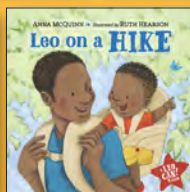
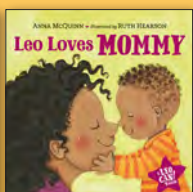
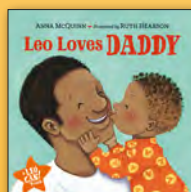
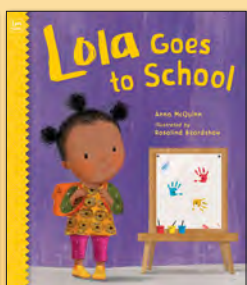
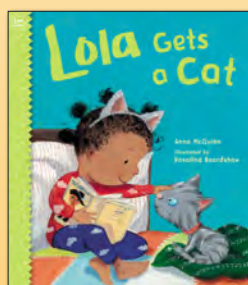
*Lola Meets the Bees* is the ninth title in the much-loved Lola Reads series, as book-loving Lola continues to be curious about the world around her.



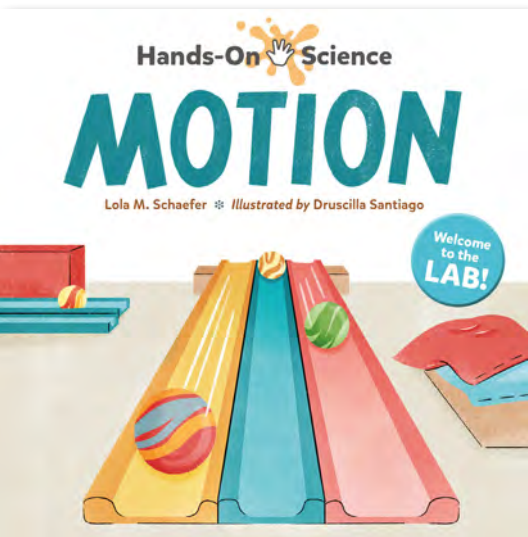


Lola loves reading! Join her  
as she explores her world through books  
with the help of her mom, her dad,  
and her baby brother, Leo.

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## Picture Books



### Hands-On Science: Motion

978-1-62354-245-0 HC \$16.99

Ages 4–8 • February 27

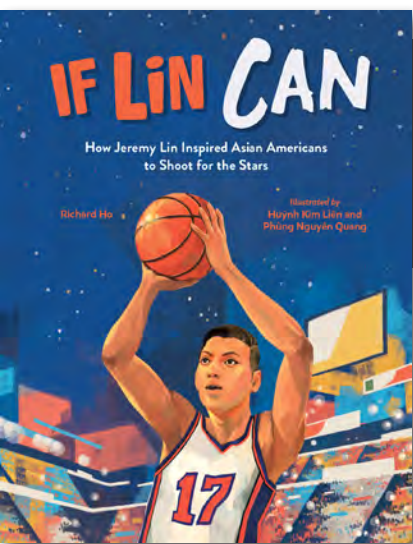
*Press Here meets Bill Nye the Science Guy in this interactive STEM picture book about forces and motion.*

Welcome to the physics lab! In this picture book, young scientists use their imagination to bring experiments to life. They poke whipped cream in the illustrations, tilt the book to roll a ball down a ramp, and slide beanbags to test friction. After predicting what will happen next, eager readers turn the page to see the results.

### Also Available:







## If Lin Can

*How Jeremy Lin Inspired Asian Americans to Shoot for the Stars*

978-1-62354-372-3 HC \$18.99

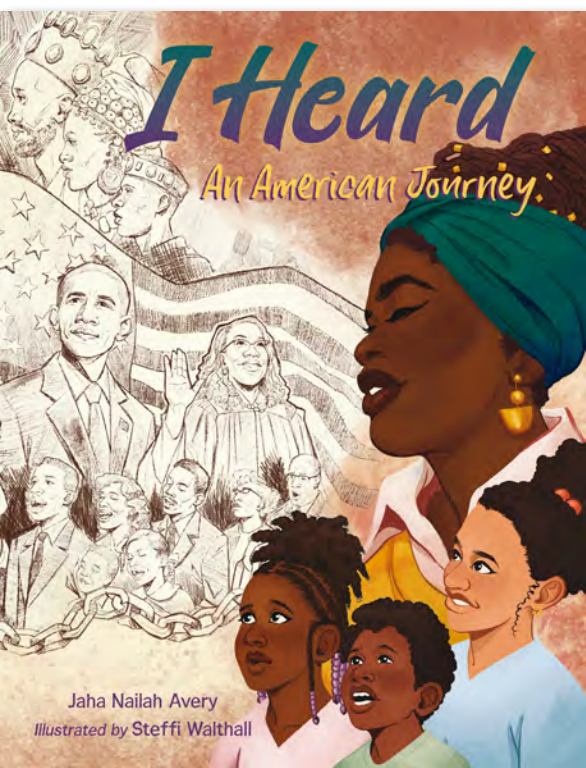
Ages 7-10 • April 16

### *If Lin can, why can't I?*

Have you ever been told that you CAN'T? Growing up in the Bay Area, Jeremy Lin heard that over and over again. People made fun of his size and his race and wouldn't give him a chance. But Jeremy persevered until he became the first Taiwanese American to play in the NBA. And when his big moment came, he seized it!

Jeremy's meteoric rise, dubbed "Linsanity," inspired the world and a whole generation of young Asian Americans. This biography of basketball superstar Jeremy Lin is an anthem of Asian American pride that speaks to any child who feels underestimated or misunderstood.





### **I Heard**

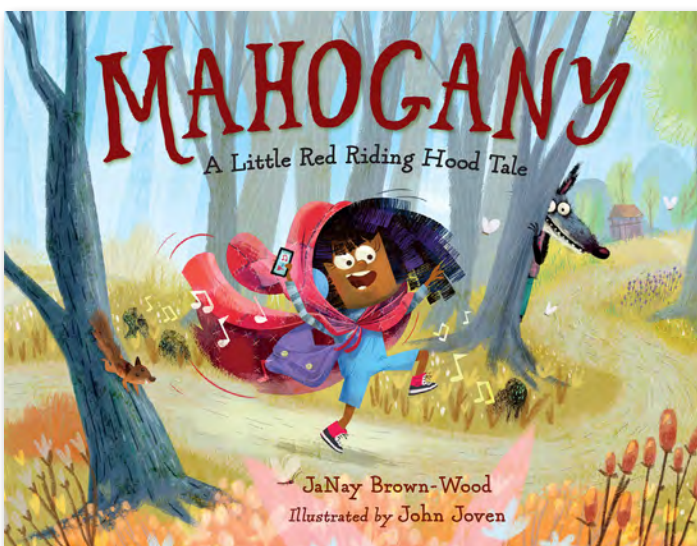
*An American Journey*

978-1-62354-382-2 HC \$17.99

Ages 5–8 • April 30

*A powerful and poetic picture book about Black history in the United States.*

With stunning lyricism reminiscent of traditional African spirituals and today's rhythm and flow of hip-hop, a teacher shares the history of being Black in the US, while continuing to march into present day—undeterred and proud to be Black. Author J. Nailah Avery shows you have to understand the past to shape the future, and knowing who you are gives you the strength to do just that.



### **Mahogany**

*A Little Red Riding Hood Tale*

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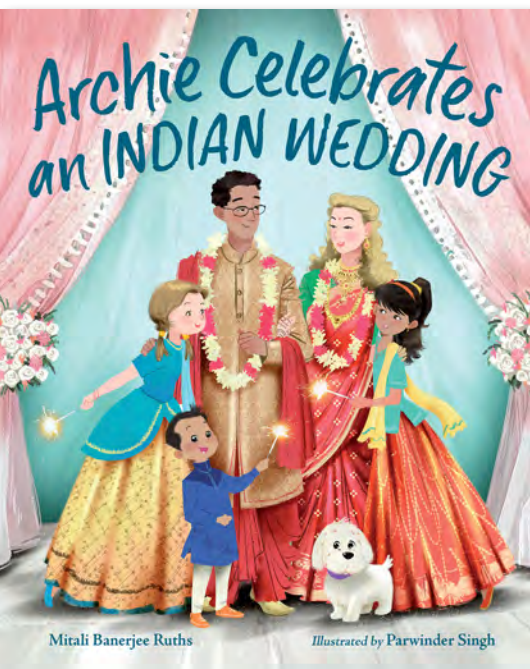
Ages 5–8 • March 19

### *Strange wolves in the woods are not to be trusted.*

Mahogany is a spunky girl who loves to sew, listen to music, and wear fresh kicks. On the way to deliver homemade honey cornbread to Grandma's house, she encounters a hungry wolf. Because Mahogany is clever, she stands by a willow tree, where her long, black curly hair blends with the branches. She hides in the forest, where her ebony skin merges with the shadows. And Mahogany knows the lavender scent of her skin will mix with the smells of flowering plants, tricking any wolf nose.

A clever, Black contemporary twist on Little Red Riding Hood, in which Mahogany embraces the beauty—and magic—of her culture to thwart the Big Bad Wolf.



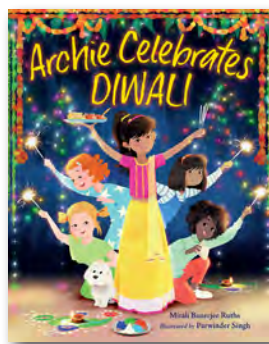


### Archie Celebrates an Indian Wedding

978-1-62354-418-8 HC \$17.99

Ages 4-8 • April 30

### Also Available:



*It's an Indian wedding. You're supposed to have fun and be happy.*

Archie's Poppy Uncle is getting married to Miss Julie! There's so much to do. But then Poppy Uncle introduces Archie to Miss Julie's niece, Emma, who's never been to an Indian wedding. Can Archie help Emma, keep an eye on her little brother, and still enjoy all the festivities?

The girls go to the mehendi party and sangeet together. They help Julie at the wedding, steal Poppy's shoes, and eat ladoos at the reception. Now Archie and Emma are friends—and cousins, too. This warm companion to *Archie Celebrates Diwali* spotlights the importance of love and the joys of cross-cultural friendship.

M. O. YUKSEL Illustrated by HÜSEYİN SÖNMEZAY

# Sami's Special Gift

An Eid al-Adha Story



## Sami's Special Gift

An Eid al-Adha Story

978-1-62354-296-2 HC \$17.99

Ages 3-7 • April 16

### *Eid is a time to share.*

It's Eid al-Adha, and Sami can't wait for the carnival. But this year is different after his grandfather's passing. Sami's grandmother sends him one of Dede's ties all the way from Türkiye, and Sami vows to never take it off.

After going to the mosque for Eid prayer, Sami's family stop at the shelter where Baba and Anne volunteer. Can an unexpected encounter and a special gift help Sami see Eid in a whole new light?

The power of generosity and empathy shine through in this engaging, poignant holiday story.



**On Friday Afternoon**

*A Shabbat Celebration*

978-1-62354-357-0 HC \$17.99

Ages 5–8 • April 30

*It's Friday afternoon, and there's so much to do!*

Leelee and her dog, Pickles, are determined to help with the Friday afternoon mitzvot—cleaning house, collecting tzedakah, and getting Shabbat dinner ready! But the rambunctious duo's efforts go sideways and there are so many items on the to-do list. Will the family be ready in time for candle lighting?

A silly and heartwarming glimpse inside a Jewish home as the family prepares for Shabbat.







## La Mala Suerte Is Following Me

978-1-62354-454-6 HC \$17.99

## La mala suerte me sigue

978-1-62354-455-3 HC \$17.99

Ages 3-7 • March 12



## *I make my own luck.*

Miguel's abuelita warned him that opening an umbrella in the house will bring La Mala Suerte (Mrs. Bad Luck) who will follow him wherever he goes, and now Miguel's life is ruined! He trips, fails an exam, and he can't block a shot to save his life at soccer practice. Nothing he tries works to get rid of Mrs. Bad Luck—looking for a four-leaf clover, his aunt's "existential" oils . . . Now what?

Simultaneously released in Spanish and in English with Spanish vocabulary, *La Mala Suerte Is Following Me* takes a silly and heartfelt look at superstitions.



### **All About Color**

978-1-62354-353-2 HC \$17.99

Ages 4–8 • March 26

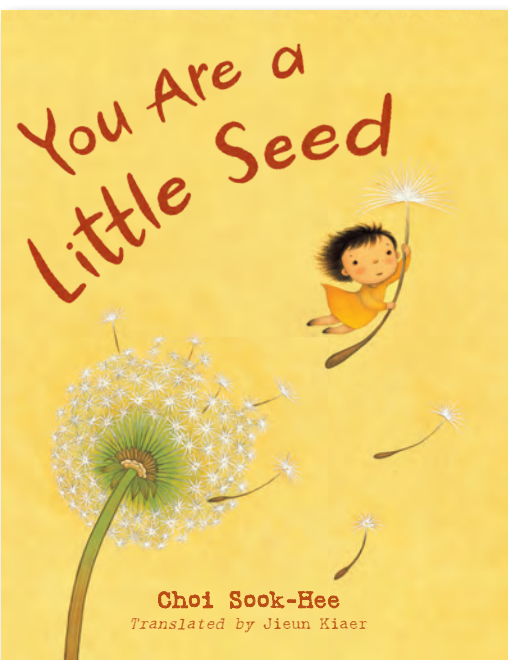
### **Also Available:**



### *What do you know about color?*

Colors don't exist. The sky is not blue. The grass is not green. A violet is not even violet. But color still plays an important role in our lives. Color can be a signal, as in a traffic light. It can be a call for help, like a life jacket. It can help us stand out or blend in, or feel like part of a team. Colors even affect our mood: red can make us angry, blue can make us sad, and yellow can brighten our day. Young readers will never look at color the same way again.

A simple but surprising exploration of the art, science, and emotion of color. This mindful meditation encourages children to see the world differently.



**You Are a Little Seed**

978-1-62354-428-7 HC \$15.99

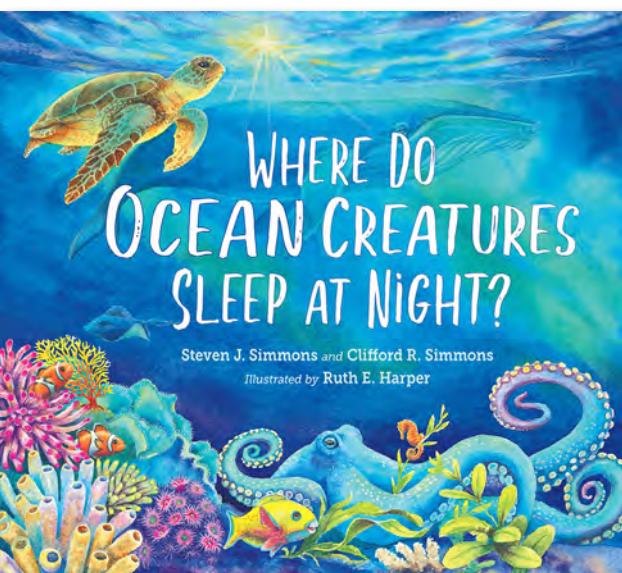
Ages 2-5 • March 19

*A seed, a seed blown on the wind . . .*

Discover seven different flowers that grow from seven different kinds of seeds—each resilient in their own way as they take root. This heartfelt story serves as a metaphor for the strength in seeds—and humans—and the beauty and diversity in flowers, and the people we blossom into.

For green thumbs and giftgivers alike, this lyrical story expresses how seeds—like children—can blossom despite the odds.





Also Available:



### **Where Do Ocean Creatures Sleep at Night?**

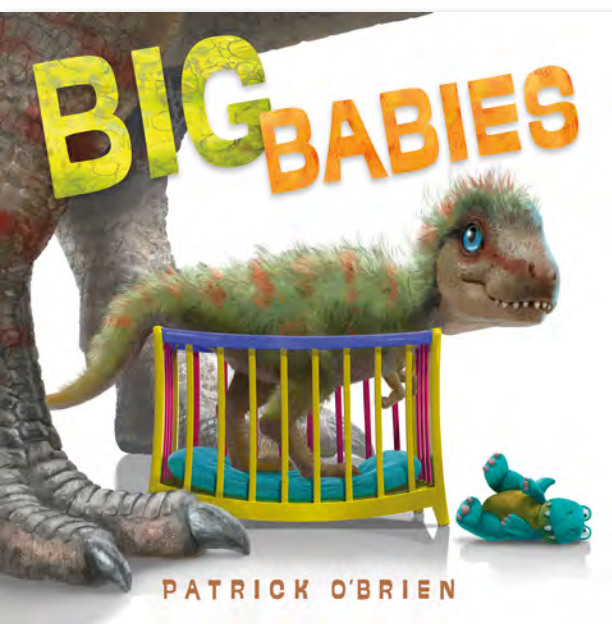
978-1-62354-297-9 HC \$17.99

Ages 3-7 • April 16

### *Ocean animals sleep, just like you!*

Many ocean animals are active during the day, but where and how do they sleep at night? From sharks to dolphins and sea turtles to octopuses, plus parrotfish and whales and more, discover what these ocean creatures do when it's time to go to sleep and the day is through.

This informative, rhyming picture book dives deep to look at where and how ocean animals sleep in the sea.



## Big Babies

978-1-62354-366-2 HC \$17.99

Ages 3-7 • January 23

### *It's time for some prehistoric baby pictures . . .*

How big (or small) was your favorite dinosaur—as a baby? We see how some stack up alongside childhood favorites such as a toy truck or a rubber duck. Did you know that T. rex hatchlings were only about the size of a turkey? Or that the huge, long-necked brontosaurus was only eleven pounds at birth?

This unexpected look at prehistoric life explores what is known about our favorite extinct creatures before they became massive, full-grown adults.



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### Lola's Nana-Bibi Comes to Visit

978-1-62354-460-7 PB \$7.99

Ages 2-5 • April 2



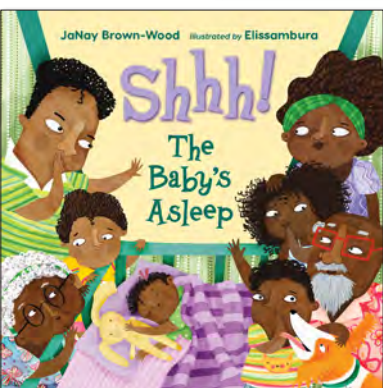
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Ages 5-8 • January 9



### Shhh! The Baby's Asleep

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Ages 2-5 • April 9





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*See How They Grow*

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Ages 3-7 • March 12





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Ages 4-8 • February 13

### No es un frijol

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Ages 3-7 • April 2



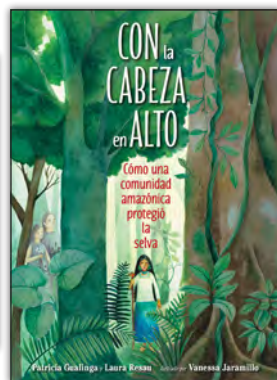
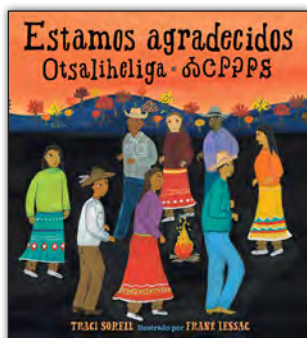
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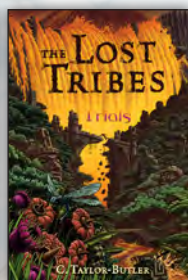
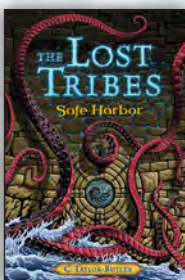




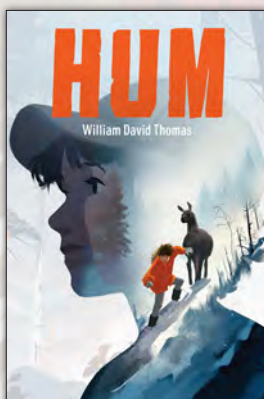
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