

## Division One Booklist -2011

Bramsen, Kirsten

### ***The Yellow Tutu***

What happens when Margo wears her new yellow tutu on her head to school?

Hills, Tad

### ***How Rocket Learned to Read***

Follow along as Rocket masters the alphabet, sounds out words, and finally . . . learns to read all on his own!

Kerby, Johanna

### ***Little Pink Pup***

A cute pink piglet that is the runt of the litter is adopted by a dachshund mom and raised with the rest of her litter. This true story with real photographs makes this attractive to young children.

King, Stephen Michael

### ***You!***

This beautifully poignant picture book follows two lovable characters as they frolic in the world around them and celebrate the true meaning of friendship. In simple text and touching illustrations, this happy duo rejoice in all of the colourful, musical and exciting things the world has to offer, including, of course, YOU. The universal message of love and togetherness makes this the ideal book for snuggling, reading aloud and telling the ones we love that the most important thing is YOU!

Phillips, J.C

### ***Wink: The Ninja Who Wanted to Be Noticed***

Children can relate to the difficulty Wink has in listening and sitting still in this story. Channeling your desire to please is a lesson well learned. In the end Wink finds a way to combine ninja discipline and positive attention.

Scillian, David

***Memoirs of a Goldfish***

*Day One*

I swam around my bowl.

*Day Two*

I swam around my bowl. Twice.

And so it goes in this tell-all tale from a goldfish.

With his bowl to himself and his simple routine, Goldfish loves his life...until one day...

When assorted intruders including a hyperactive bubbler, a grime-eating snail, a pair of amorous guppies, and a really crabby crab invade his personal space and bowl, Goldfish is put out, to say the least. He wants none of it, preferring his former peace and quiet and solitude.

But time away from his new companions gives him a chance to rethink the pros and cons of a solitary life. And discover what he's been missing.

Thomas, Jan

***Can You Make a Scary Face?***

What kind of a face would you make if a tickly green bug were sitting on *your* nose?

Or -- eek! -- inside your shirt?

Could you make a scary face to frighten it away? Or, even better, stand up and do the chicken dance? Yes?

Then better get to it!

This exuberant, interactive picture book starring a bossy little ladybug and a GIANT hungry frog will have kids leaping up and down and out of their seats to dance and make silly-scary faces of their own.

Thomas, Jan

***Here Comes the Big, Mean Dust Bunny!***

The dust bunnies are back to play the rhyming game with a big, mean dust *bully*. But this hilarious story still ends with...smiles!

Tullet, Herve

***Press Here***

Press the yellow dot on the cover of this book, follow the instructions within, and embark upon a magical journey! Each page of this surprising book instructs the reader to press the dots, shake the pages, tilt the book, and who knows what will happen next! Children and adults alike will giggle with delight as the dots multiply, change direction, and grow in size! Especially remarkable because the adventure occurs on the flat surface of the simple, printed page, this unique picture book about the power of imagination and interactivity will provide read-aloud fun for all ages!

Underwood, Deborah

***The Loud Book***

CRACKLE!

BOO!

Just like there are lots of quiets, there are also lots of louds:

Good louds

(HOORAY!)

and bad louds

(CRASH!) And louds that make you feel like you are the center of attention (BURP!).

The Loud Book compiles all these kid-friendly noises from morning to night, in a way that is sure to make readers CHEER!

Vere, Ed

***Banana!***

Join two little monkeys as they tussle over a banana, until finally they learn to say the magic word - please! From envy to joy, follow the emotional ups and downs every child goes through when somebody else has what they want. Packed with humour, fun and a riot of colour, Ed Vere skillfully teaches the value of manners and sharing through cleverly depicted toddler behaviour and only two words.

Watt, Melanie

***You're Finally Here***

**(Canadian Author)**

A zany picture book that will resonate with anyone who's ever been kept waiting. The latest from the creator of the best-selling Scaredy Squirrel series stars a hilariously needy and impatient bunny. This is no ordinary picture-book character, and it will quickly become clear that this is no ordinary picture book ? namely because you, the reader, are on the spot. You're late! At first, this little bunny is deliriously excited by your arrival, but now that you're finally here, he wants to know: where were you? He's been waiting long enough to learn an accordion solo, among other time-consuming pursuits. After he's shown you how it feels to be kept waiting and just when he's finally satisfied that you're a good steady page-turner who's here to stay, something happens to turn the tables. The result is an off-beat ending worth waiting for!

Watt, Melanie

***Scaredy Squirrel Has a Birthday Party***  
(Canadian Author)

In the fifth book, Scaredy Squirrel plans his own birthday and surprise!... things get very crowded. Scaredy Squirrel is planning his own birthday party for one ? but despite his detailed plans, things get out of control when the party animals arrive. He's back! Scaredy Squirrel, the loveable worrywart, returns for another nutty adventure. Scaredy never plans big birthday parties. He'd rather celebrate alone quietly in the safety of his nut tree and avoid those pesky party animals (ants, clownfish, ponies and Bigfoot). When all his excessive plans are thrown up in the air like confetti, will Scaredy play dead and cancel? Or will he face the music?

Willems, Mo

***City Dog, Country Frog***

In spring, when City Dog runs free in the country for the first time, he spots Country Frog sitting on a rock, waiting for a friend. "You'll do," Frog says, and together they play Country Frog games. In summer, they meet again and play City Dog games. Through the seasons, whenever City Dog visits the country he runs straight for Country Frog's rock. In winter, things change for City Dog and Country Frog. Come spring, friendship blooms again, a little different this time.

Willems, Mo

***Hooray for Amanda and Her Alligator***

6½ stories about 2 surprising friends.

Having a stuffed alligator for a best friend can be surprising.

Sometimes Amanda surprises her alligator with books. Sometimes Alligator surprises Amanda by *eating them*.

But what happens when Amanda brings home a special—and not entirely welcome—surprise? The result might be unexpected indeed.

Beloved author-illustrator Mo Willems has created a funny and tender portrait of friendship that readers of any age will love.