



Missouri Building Block Picture Book Award

2020 Nominees

Piranhas Don't Eat Bananas E BLA

by Aaron Blabey, illustrated by Aaron Blabey

Brian tries to get his fellow piranhas to try his fruit and vegetable platter, but they all prefer meat. When Brian convinces his friends to eat fruit, will they think it is "yucky or yum"?

What Does An Anteater Eat? E COL

by Ross Collins, illustrated by Ross Collins

Anteater wakes up hungry and has a problem: he can't remember what an anteater eats! He decides to take a walk through the jungle, hoping one of the animals can help him find an answer.

Dandy E DYC

by Ame Dyckman, illustrated by Charles Santoso

Sweetie has found a new friend and named her Charlotte. The problem is, Charlotte is the sole dandelion on a perfect lawn. Dandy, with the help of his neighbors, does all he can to get rid of the weed before it spreads.

Pokko and the Drum E FOR

by Matthew Forsythe, illustrated by Matthew Forsythe

When Pokko plays her drum in the forest, she suddenly finds herself surrounded by an entire band of animal musicians.

Everybody Says Meow E LOM

by Constance Lombardo, illustrated by Constance Lombardo

Everybody Says Meow! Or do they? Readers will meow, bark, and ribbit when they read this hilarious picture book about a group of adorable animals that just cannot follow one simple instruction.

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I Can Only Draw Worms E MAB

by Will Mabbitt, illustrated by Will Mabbitt

This fun title teaches the reader to count to ten using worms that have great adventures, or everyday experiences. These events are described but not illustrated due to the author/illustrator's inability to draw anything but worms!

Duck! E MACK

by Meg McKinlay, illustrated by Nathaniel Eckstrom

When Duck runs around the farm shouting "DUCK!" to all the other animals, the animals grow increasingly frustrated as they try to explain to Duck which animal is which. Unfortunately, something is falling from the sky and "DUCK!" just isn't enough of a warning.

Fear the Bunny E MOR

by Richard T. Morris, illustrated by Priscilla Burris

In a forest where everyone fears rabbits, a fierce tiger tries to persuade the animals that they should fear him instead.

Octopants E SEN

by Suzy Senior, illustrated by Claire Powell

An octopus searches in vain for underpants that fit, until a seahorse offers a useful observation that changes the way the octopus sees the problem.

Shake the Tree E VIG

by Chiara Vignocchi and Paolo Chiarinotti, illustrated by Silvia Borando

Various animals take turns shaking a tree in search of a tasty meal. It starts with Mouse who wants a nut so she shakes the tree a little to the right and a little to the left. But it isn't the nut that falls from the tree, it's Fox who thinks that Mouse looks pretty tasty!



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