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Seth and Beth

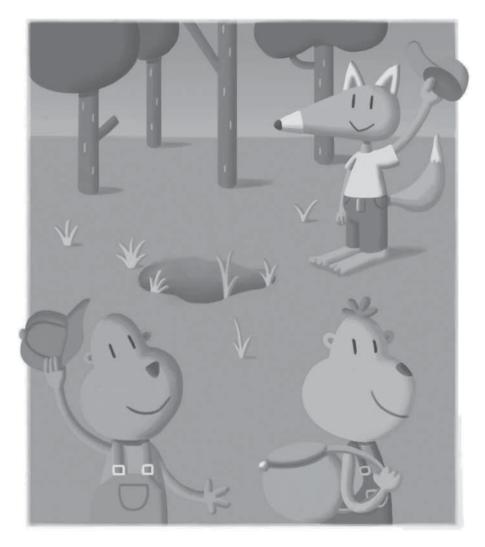
by Anna Guzman illustrated by Piero Corva



Seth and Beth met at the path.

Beth has a big map. It can help.

They will go and see Bob Frog.



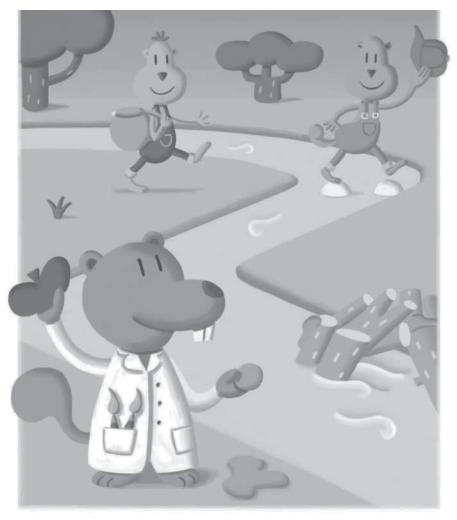
This trip is far.

Seth and Beth pass Ben. Ben
can see them. Seth tips his cap.

Then Ben tips his cap.

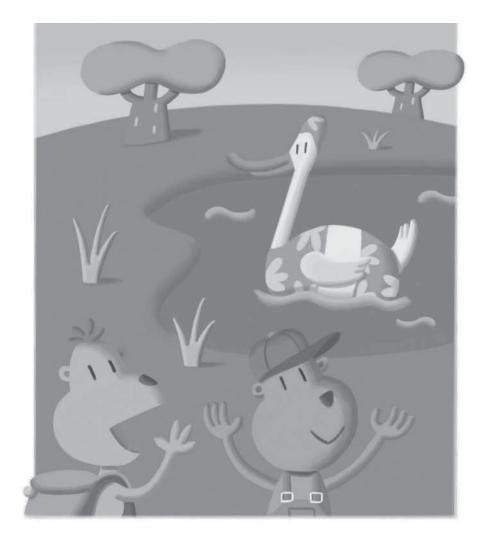


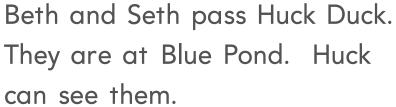
"Get up, Bob Frog!" Seth and Beth call. "Play with us! This is fun! It is fun."



This trip is far.

Beth and Seth pass Sam. Sam
can see them. Seth and Sam tip
their hats.





"Where is Bob Frog?" Beth yells.



"Does Bob Frog live here?" Seth asks.

"Bob Frog is in this pond," Huck quacks.

Zeb Yak

by Jane Tyler illustrated by Katherine Lucas



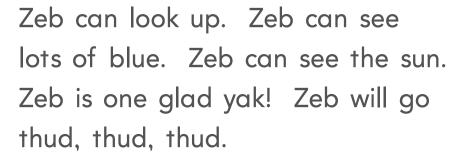
This is Zeb. Zeb is a yak. Zeb is a little yak. Zeb is not big yet.



Zeb will get big and look like this. Zeb will be like his big dad. Then Zeb will go thud, thud, thud.

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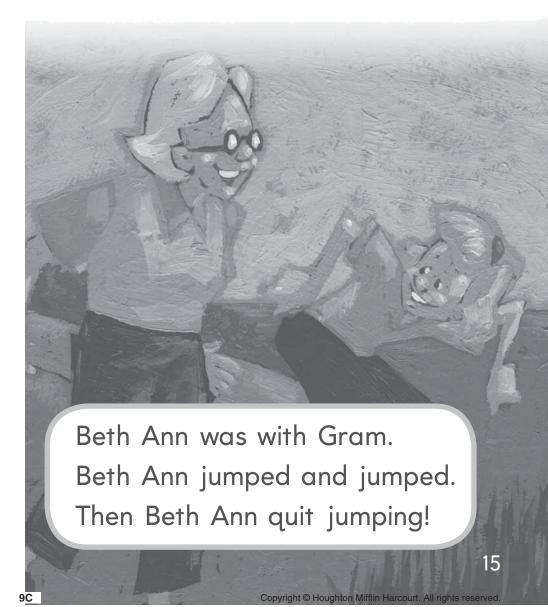
Zeb is with his mom. His mom will eat grass. Zeb can eat grass. Then Zeb and Mom will nap.



Zeb and his mom and dad live on this cold hill. Lots of yaks live with Zeb and his mom and dad. Yaks cut big paths on the hill. Big yaks go thump, thump, thump.
Big yaks go thud, thud, thud.
The paths get big. No grass is on this yak path.

The Duck Nest

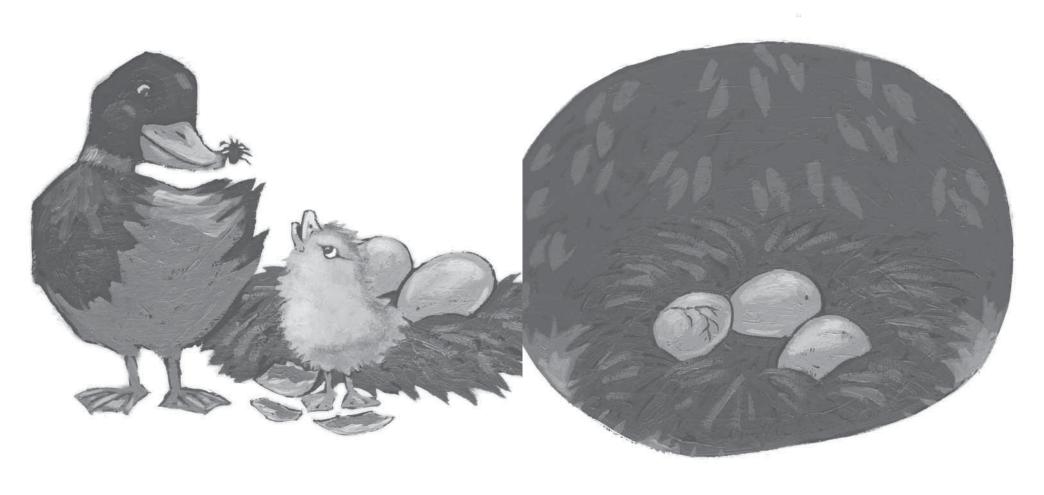
by Michael Frost illustrated by Joe Cepeda





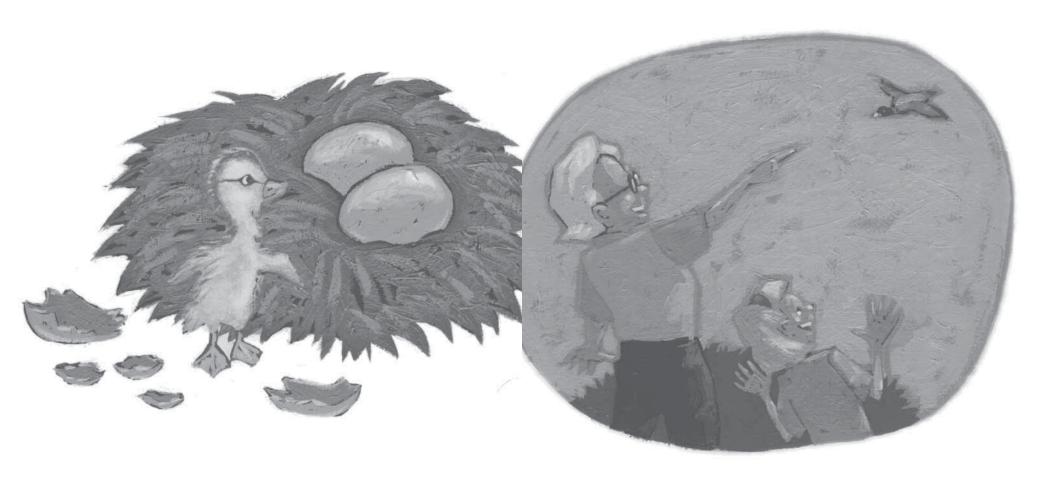
"Is that a nest?" Beth Ann asked Gram.

"Yes," said Gram. "It is a duck nest filled with eggs."



Mom Duck had a bug.
Did that little duck get that bug?
Yes! Yum! Yum!

"Gram, is that egg cracked?" asked Beth Ann.
"Yes," said Gram. "That egg has lots of cracks."



"Look at this little duck!" said Gram.

"Where is its mom?" Beth Ann asked. "I bet it misses its mom."

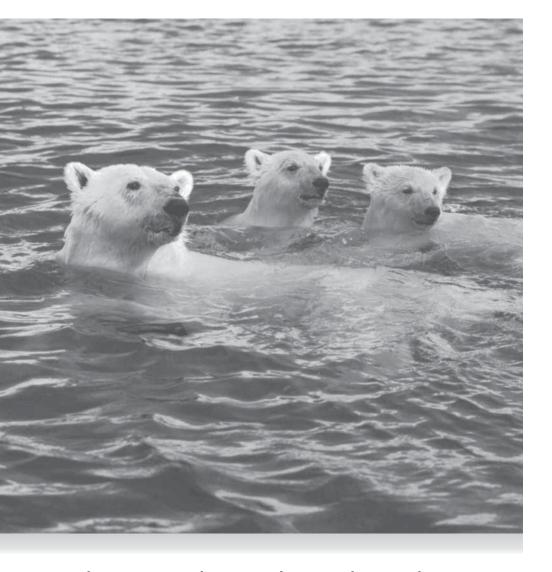
"Not far," said Gram. "That big duck must be its mom. She will not come back with us here." Gram and Beth Ann left.

Animal Moms

by James Wang

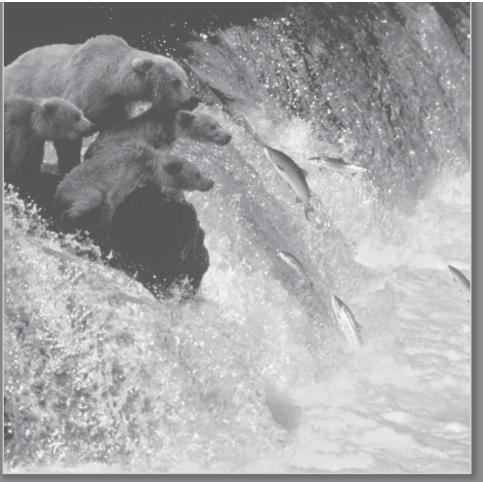


This mom has pups. She is resting on the rocks with them. Rest, pups. Rest, mom.



This mom has cubs. The cubs are just like their mom. They can swim in this cold water! Swim, cubs. Swim, mom.





This mom is with her little ducks.

Ducks swim and swim. It is fun.

Have fun, ducks! Swim, swim, swim!

This mom is hunting with her cubs. What is jumping in that water? Hunt, cubs! Grab a snack!



This mom is with her kits. They swim in a pond. Their pond has lots of sticks, grasses, and twigs. Swim, kits. Swim, mom.

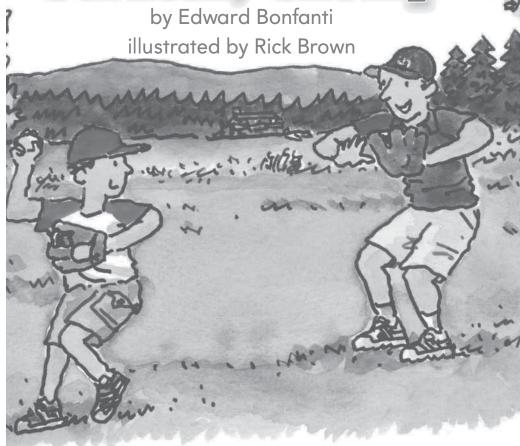
This mom is with her pups.

Their pond is filled with mud.

They can swim fast in wet mud.

Swim, pups. Swim, mom.

Scratch, Chomp



Chuck and his dad went off on a trip. At Finch Pond, Chuck and his dad played catch. Chuck has a fast pitch.



Dad can catch, but Dad did not catch this pitch.

"You never miss, Dad. Why did you miss?" Chuck asks.





The lump has an animal on it.

This animal can scratch, scratch, scratch, scratch. It can chop, chop, chop, chop, chop. It can chomp, chomp, chomp. Can you tell what it is?

"I hear scratch, scratch, chomp, chomp. Do you?" asks Dad. "Yes! Scratch, scratch, chomp, chomp. What is it?" asks Chuck.





Scratch, scratch, scratch. Chomp, chomp, chomp. Can Chuck and Dad find out what is scratching and chomping?

Scratch, scratch, chomp, chomp.
Chuck and Dad can see a stump
and lots of chips. A big brown
lump is in the pond.

Rich Gets a Dog

by Rick Eduardo illustrated by Beth Spiegel



Mom and Dad tucked Rich in bed.

"Can I get a dog?" asked Rich.

"Hmmm," said Dad.

"Hmmm," said Mom.



Then Mom and Dad said yes. Rich sat up in bed. Mom, Dad, and Rich like dogs very much.



Rich hugs Fletch. Fletch and Rich will be pals.

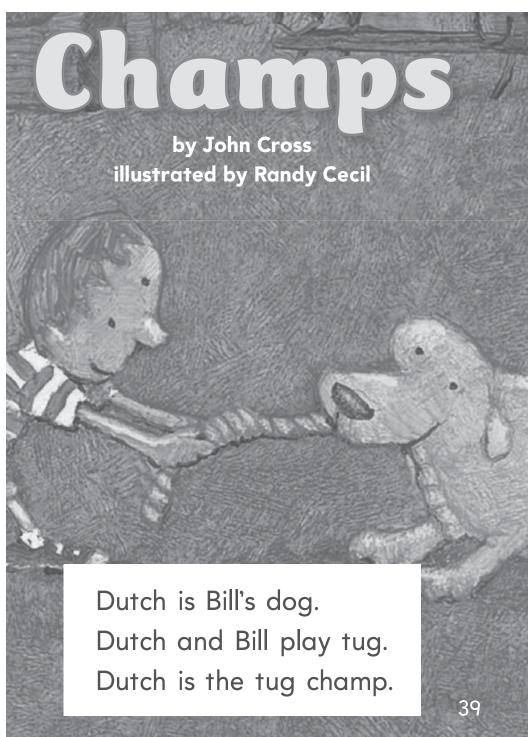


Today, Mom and Dad will get Rich a dog. Rich can see dogs, dogs, dogs. Rich can get just one dog.



Here are big dogs and small dogs. Here are fat dogs and thin dogs. Dogs, dogs, dogs!

Rich picks a brown dog called Fletch. Fletch is big and can run fast. Rich has his own dog!





Bill sits on his bench to rest.

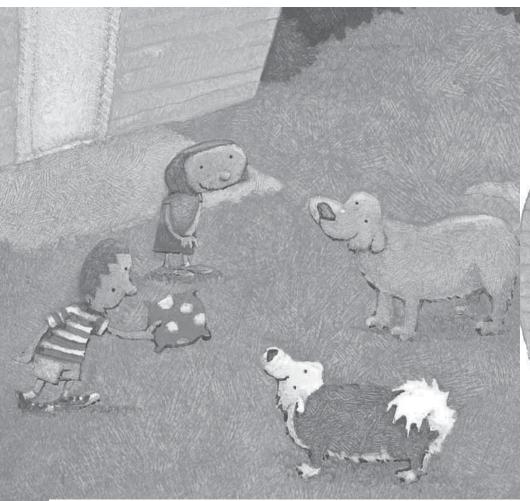
Dutch has his own spot to rest.

Dutch's spot is not a bench.





It has been such fun! Chet and Dutch are such good dogs! They are champs! Fran is here. Fran is Bill's pal. Chet is Fran's dog. Dutch and Chet play. Bill and Fran chat.





Dutch and Chet like to play with Bill and Fran. Dutch and Chet get set to play catch. They know Bill and Fran will play with them. "Catch it, Dutch!" yells Bill.

Dutch jumps up, up, up to catch.

Then Fran yells, "Catch it, Chet!"

Chet jumps and catches, too.

Kits, Chicks, and Pups

by Lara Heisman



Cats, dogs, and ducks have moms and dads.



Dog moms have pups. This mom and her pups sit still. They make such a good picture.



This mom and dad know that chicks must eat. This mom's chicks will get fed. Mom and dad will do it. The chicks will get big.

Ducks do not have pups. Ducks have chicks. Ducks swim in a pond. Dad duck is with his chicks.



This mom duck has a nest. Eggs will hatch in it. Chicks will pop out! Mom will get off the nest.

This kit can run. Mom cat will run, too. The kit and her mom will run and then stop and nap.

Phil's New Bat

by Edward Bonfanti illustrated by Jennifer H. Hayden



Phil's dad got him a new bat. It was just what Phil wished for!



When Phil got his new bat, he hit with it. When Phil got a hit, his bat went, "Wham! Bash!"

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Phil's bat is in good hands.

Phil and his dad can play catch.

You do not catch with a bat!

Phil got many hits and runs. His mom and his dad and his pal had fun! Did Phil get a hit? Yes!



Did Phil fall? Yes! Phil fell down on his leg. Phil cannot play with his bat for a bit.

Phil is not sad. If Phil cannot play with his bat, Phil will let his pal play with it.

In a Rush

by Sue De Marco illustrated by Maria Maddocks

Shan is in a rush. She has to splash in cold, wet slush. She goes splish, splash, splish, splash.



Wham! Slip! Slop! Bash! Shan fell down in the wet slush. Shan just sat in slush. It felt like mush.



Look at Shan! Shan is all in yellow. Slush is fun now. Shan is glad. Splish, splash, splish, splash, Shan!

Then Shan got up. Shan did not rush. Shan did not dash in the wet slush. Shan went plop, plod.



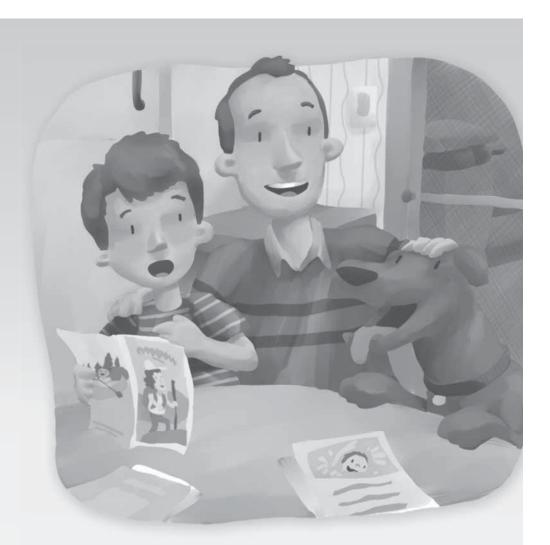
Plop, plop, plod. Shan must get to Phil's Best Stuff Shop. That shop has lots and lots of stuff. Shan must get to that shop. Phil's Best Stuff Shop is still open! Shan got to it at last. Shan will rush in. Shan has cash. What new stuff will Shan get?

Ralph Goes to Camp

by Adam Feldman illustrated by Barry Gott

Ralph asks his mom and dad if he can go to camp. "Yes," said Dad, "if you do some jobs."

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Ralph was shocked.
"Jobs?" Ralph asked.
"Yes," said Dad, "but it isn't
that bad. It's just the dog and
the trash."



Ralph went to camp at last! Ralph had fun at camp, and he had no jobs!

Shep is Ralph's dog. Ralph had to give Shep a bath. Shep had fun splishing and splashing. Ralph got wet, but Ralph did his job well.



When Ralph had to tug big trash bins, he didn't rush. Ralph didn't spill trash. Ralph didn't trip. Ralph did his job well.

"Ralph goes to camp today!" said Ralph's mom.
Ralph got his yellow bag and hat.

Trish's Gift

by Bryn Haddock illustrated by Mircea Catusanu

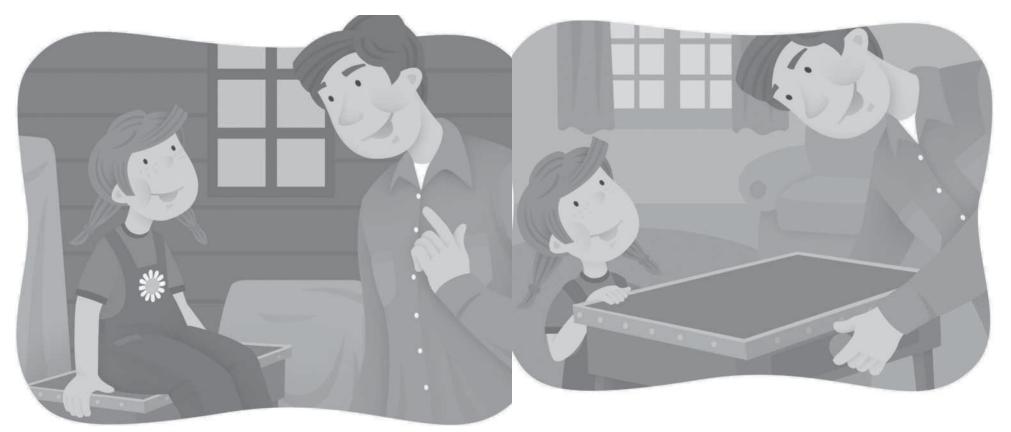


When Trish was ten, Gramps sent a gift. Trish and Mom opened it. It was a new desk.



"Dad," said Trish, "Gramps sent this desk with brass trim, but I can't sit at it."

"Let's see that desk with brass trim," said Dad.



"Did Gramps know that we had this bench with brass trim?" asked Trish.

"We can ask him," said Dad.

"Let's call Gramps and ask."

"Back when I was just ten," said Dad, "I had a bench with brass trim on it. I got big, but that bench with brass trim didn't grow big."

"Where is that bench?" asked Trish.



"Gramps put that bench in his shed," said Dad.

"Is that the shed Gramps had?" asked Trish.

"Yes, it's his shed," said Dad. Dad and Trish ran fast. Trish and Dad hunted and hunted. Then Dad lifted up a big green cloth.

"That's it!" yelled Trish.

Tate's Cakes



Tate had never made a cake.

Tate did know that cakes must bake. Can Tate make cakes?



"This sand is hot, hot, hot. Cakes can bake in it. What goes into cakes? If Wade has made cakes, Wade will tell me," said Tate.





Wade got four cakes. Tate got five cakes. Jade's bake sale was over. Tate and Wade ate Jade's cakes. Tate and Wade never did make cakes. They ate Jade's.

"Well, I never made a cake," said Wade. "Let's ask Jade. If Jade has made cakes, Jade will tell us."

"Yes," said Tate, "let's ask Jade."



Wade and Tate went to Jade's big cave. Jade was in.

"I am glad you came," said Jade.

"I just made ten cakes."

"This cake is on sale. That cake is on sale and that cake is on sale. The big cakes are all on sale,"

Jade said. "I just made them."

Dave and the Whales

by Andrew Hathaway illustrated by Julia Woolf



Dave is a whale. Dave is fast. "Let's play," Dave yelled. "Chase me! Chase, chase, chase me!"



Dave's pals watch. Not one whale is as fast as Dave is. Dave did not get his pals to chase him. "Why chase Dave?" asked Jake. "We can't catch him."



"Sing, whales!" yelled Dave. "Let's make a tape. Let's name it Dave and the Whales! It will be a big hit!"

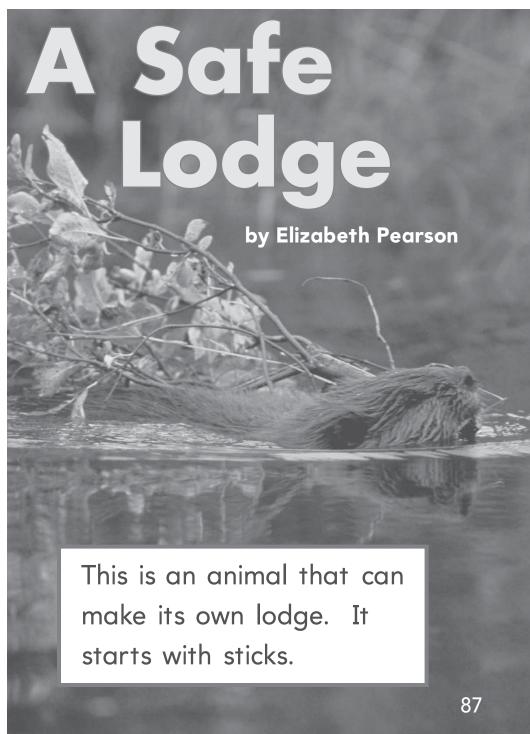
Dave made waves as big as hills.
"Let's make waves!" yelled Dave.
"Why?" asked Lane. "We can't
make waves as big as Dave's."
Dave did not get his pals to make
waves.



Dave is sad. His pals will not play with him.

"I get it," said Dave. "I am fast and can make big waves. But, I can't sing!" "Let's sing!" yelled Dave.

Two whales came. Three whales came. Then four and five whales came.





This animal cuts sticks. It drags the sticks and makes a big lodge with them.



Mom, Dad, and the kits made this dam. If water spills over it, Mom, Dad, and the kits will fix it. This dam helps make their lodge safe.

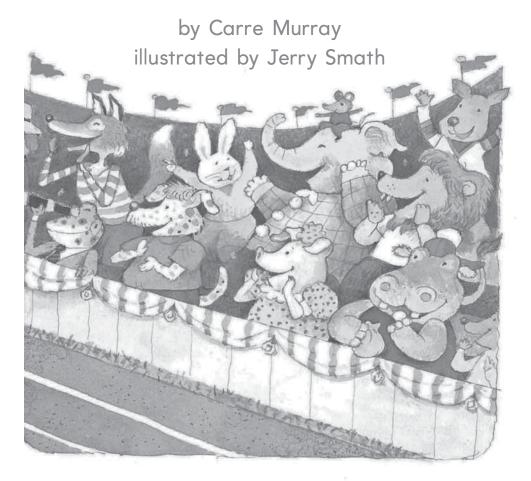
This lodge is a safe place. It is in a lake. It is made of sticks and mud.



This lodge has space for kits. Kits romp and rest. When kits get big, they can go out. They can watch Dad and Mom cut sticks.

Big kits can cut sticks. Kits can drag sticks and help make a dam. A dam holds water back.

The Race



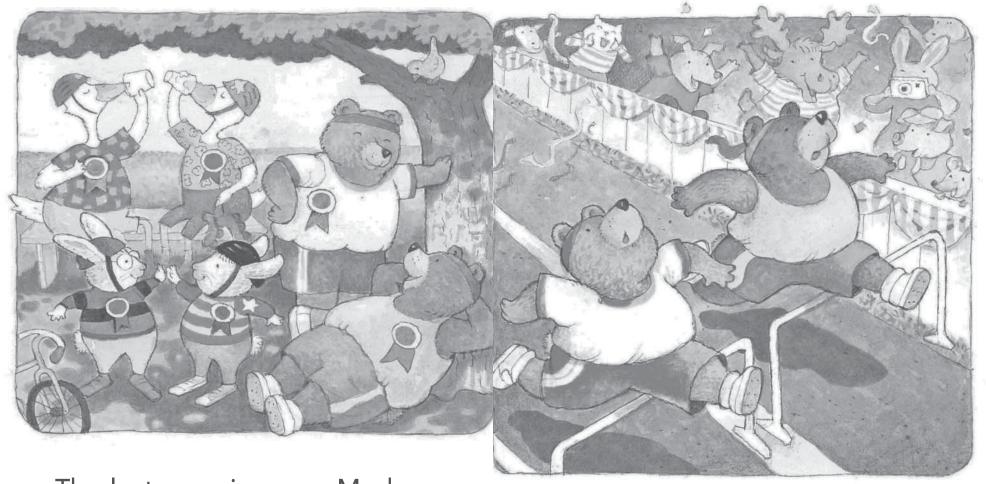
This race is fun to watch. Get into the fun! Yell, yell. Clap, clap. Race, race!



Dave and Ace got in this race.

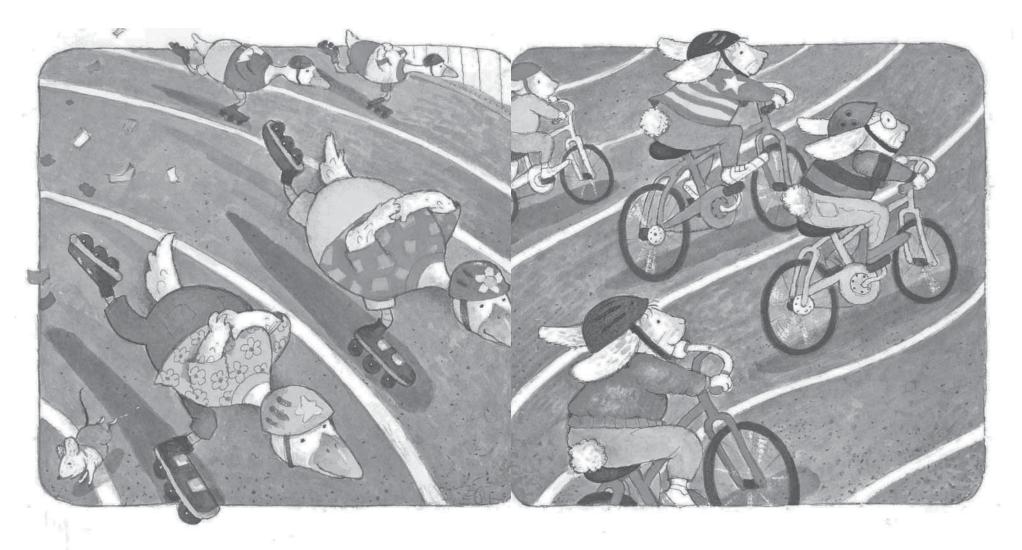
Dave will run fast. Ace will run
fast. Crack! The race starts.

Dave and Ace take off.



The last race is over. Madge, Grace, Blake, Trace, Dave, and Ace sit in the shade. The judge gave two of them red badges and four of them blue badges.

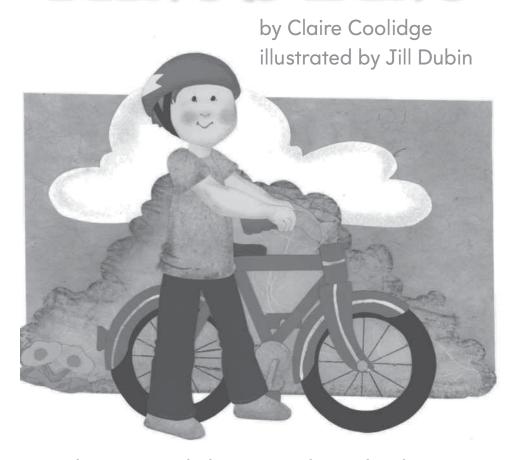
Dave has a lane. It is his space.
Ace has a lane. It is his space.
They must run and jump in that lane. They can't trade lanes.



Madge and Grace got in this race. They will skate fast. Go, Madge! Go, Grace! Skate as fast as you can. Race, race, race.

Blake and Trace got in this race.
Blake and Trace set the pace.
Will Trace race past Blake? Go,
Blake! Go, Trace!

Mike's Bike



Mike's new bike is red and white. Mike just got it. Mike can ride it well. Mike rides his bike with pride.



Mike will ride his bike to see Nell. His dad will ride with him. Nell will like Mike's bike. Nell's bike is red and white, too.



They stop at Nell's place.

"That was fun, Mike," said Nell. Mike had a big, wide grin on his face.

"Best time of my life!" said Mike.

Nell did like Mike's bike.
"I like its white stripes. Mine has red stripes. Both bikes have stripes," Nell said.



Mike, Dad, and Nell take a ride.
"This bike path is fun. I like it,"
said Mike. "It is nice to ride on."
"I like it too," said Nell.

Dad, Nell, and Mike ride for five or six miles. It is a long ride.
"This is the end," said Nell. "It is time to go back."

The Nest

by Amy Long



This big bird has a name. His name is Pale Male. Pale Male's chest is white. Pale Male's neck is white.



Pale Male has a nest. The nest is wide. It is a big, big nest. Pale Male made it. It can take a long time to make a big nest like this.





This big chick can fly like Mom and Dad. This chick can rise up and dip down. Rise and dive, chick. Rise and glide, chick. Fly!

If you walk past it, look up. Pale Male's nest is not just a big pile of sticks and vines. It is a fine nest.



The nest had eggs in it. It has small chicks in it now. Dad and Mom find mice for them. Those chicks get quite big, as big as Mom and Dad.

It is time to fly. Chicks grasp the nest at its side. Chicks flap and flap and flap. Then they let go and glide. Glide, flap, flap, glide. Both can fly!

The Nice Vet

by Vince Delacroix illustrated by Dave Klug



Kate's dog Spike has an itch. Spike rubs and rubs his eyes. Kate calls Spike's vet.



"Spike has an itch," Kate tells Spike's vet. "Spike rubs and rubs his eyes." The vet has time to see Spike.





Kate hands Spike's vet a dime. Nice price, isn't it? Who is Spike's nice vet? It's Kate's dad! Kate and Spike walk fast.
Kate's mom goes with them.
Spike still has an itch.
Spike whines and whines.





At last, they get to the vet's place. It's not a long walk.
"I can fix Spike's itch," the vet tells
Kate. "I will make his eyes numb."

Spike's vet puts five drops in Spike's eyes. Spike's eyes stop itching! The vet writes in Spike's file.

Kite Time

by Zach Mathews illustrated by Chi Chung

The wind is up. It's time to fly a kite. It's kite time! It's fun time!



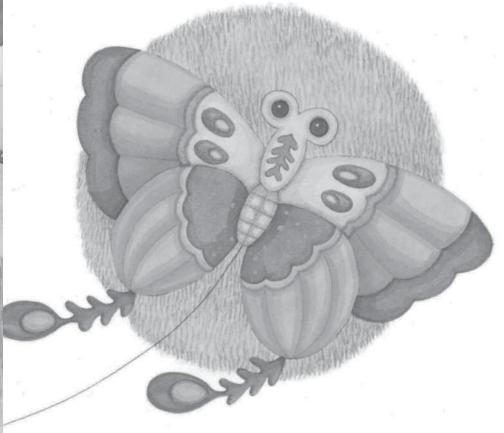
A kite can ride on the wind. It can glide up on the wind. Wind takes a kite up and up. Wind can knock it down, too.



If the wind stops, it's time to quit. Wrap up the kites.

A kite can dip down. Then it can rise back up. A kite can dip or rise. It can rise, dip, and rise. Wind can play with it.





Make fists and run with the kite's line in them. Run with it. Run, run, run. Run fast! Then the kite will fly like a bird. Up, up, up it will rise.

It is up. Then it dips. It is up. Then it glides. It is up. Then it dives. It is up. Then it slides. Hold on to the kite's line. Do not let it go!



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