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READ

- *ABC: The Alphabet from the Sky* by Benedikt Gross and Joey Lee (published by Price Stern Sloan)
- *Bears Make the Best Reading Buddies* by Carmen Oliver, illustrated by Jean Claude (published by Picture Window Books)
- *Lines, Squiggles, Letters, Words* by Ruth Rocha, illustrated by Madalena Matoso (published by Enchanted Lion Books)
- *The Summer Nick Taught His Cats to Read* by Curtis Manley, illustrated by Kate Berube (published by Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman Book)
- *Surf's Up* by Kwame Alexander, illustrated by Daniel Miyares (published by NorthSouth Books)

WRITE

- *Alphonse, That is Not OK to Do!* by Daisy Hirst (published by Candlewick)
- *Frida and Bear Play the Shape Game* by Anthony Browne, illustrated by Hanne Bartholin (published by Candlewick)
- *It Came in the Mail* by Ben Clanton (published by Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers)
- *Maybe Something Beautiful* by F. Isabel Campoy and Theresa Howell, illustrated by Rafael López (published by Clarion Books)
- *A Squiggly Story* by Andrew Larsen, illustrated by Mike Lowery (published by Kids Can Press)

TALK

- *Can One Balloon Make an Elephant Fly?* by Dan Richards, illustrated by Jeff Newman (published by Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers)
- *Maggie and Michael Get Dressed* by Denise Fleming (published by Henry Holt and Co.)
- *Puddle* by Hyewon Yum (published by Farrar, Straus and Giroux)
- *A Small Thing . . . but Big* by Tony Johnston, illustrated by Hadley Hooper, (published by Roaring Brook Press)
- *Tell Me a Tattoo Story* by Alison McGhee, illustrated by Eliza Wheeler (published by Chronicle Books)
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SING

- *Groovy Joe: Ice Cream & Dinosaurs* by Eric Litwin, illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld (published by Orchard Books)
- *Hoot and Peep* by Lita Judge (published by Dial Books)
- *Old MacDonald Had a Truck* by Steve Goetz, illustrated by Eda Kaban (published by Chronicle Books)
- *Sing With Me! Action Songs Every Child Should Know* by Naoko Stoop (published by Henry Holt and Co.)

PLAY

- *Box* by Min Flyte, illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw (published by Nosy Crow)
- *Bringing the Outside In* by Mary McKenna Siddals, illustrated by Patrice Barton (published by Random House Books for Young Readers)
- *Cat Nap* by Toni Yuly (published by Feiwel & Friends)
- *Clive and His Babies* by Jessica Spanyol (published by Child's Play International)
- *Gator Dad* by Brian Lies (published by Clarion Books)