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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)
- Rock-a-Bye Romp by Linda Ashman, illustrated by Simona Mulazzani (published by Nancy Paulsen 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)