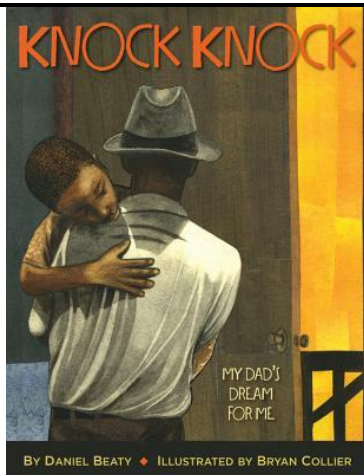


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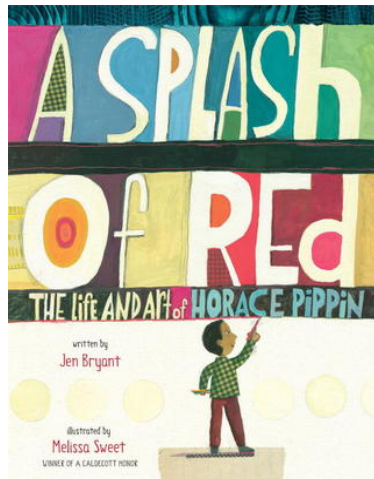


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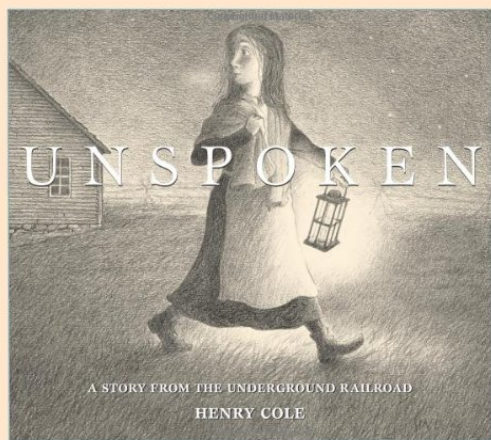
Beaty, Daniel. **Knock Knock: My Dad's Dream for Me.** New York: Little Brown Books, 2013.

A young boy's father wakes him every morning with a "knock knock" on his bedroom door. One day the knock doesn't happen. His father is gone. Morning after morning, the boy misses his father, so he decides to write his father a letter. An unexpected reply offers hope and love.



Bryant, Jen. **A Splash of Red: The Life and Art of Horace Pippin.** New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2013.

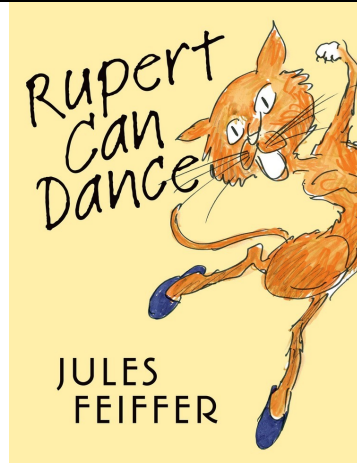
When Horace Pippin was young, he was always drawing, but his life changed forever during the terrible war. While fighting in World War I, he is hit by a bullet. He loses the use of his right arm. Back home, through much determination, he regains some use of his arm and creates paintings that hang in museums today.



Cole, Henry. **Unspoken: A Story From the Underground Railroad.** New York: Scholastic Press, 2012.

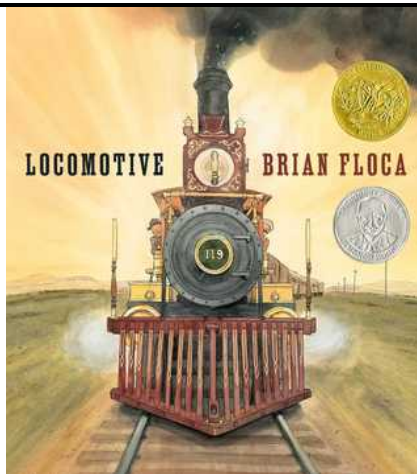
During the Civil War, a girl from the south chooses to do something very brave. At first, she is not sure what to do because she faces a big decision. That doesn't stop her. Her actions end up playing a part in the history of the Underground Railroad.

	<p>DiPucchio, Kelly. Gaston. New York: Atheneum Books, 2014.</p> <p>Do you ever feel like things look right but don't feel right? Then you will want to meet Gaston, a lovable bulldog who lives with his three siblings Fi-Fi, Foo-Foo, and Ooh-La-La. When Gaston has a hard time fitting in, he learns to follow his heart to find where he belongs.</p>
	<p>Diterlizzi, Angela. Some Bugs. New York: Beach Lane Books, 2014.</p> <p>Buzz, bite, stink, flutter and hop. Bugs do all these things and more! Bug hunting is fun and exciting. Start your search today. "So kneel down close, Look very hard, and find some bugs in your backyard."</p>
	<p>Ehlert, Lois. The Scraps Book: Notes from a Colorful Life. New York: Beach Lane Books, 2014.</p> <p>"Don't read this book (unless you love books and art)." Tour Lois Ehlert's studio to learn how she creates art for her books from objects found in nature and everyday things around her. You will also discover where her ideas come from. Best of all, you will get plenty of your own creative ideas!</p>



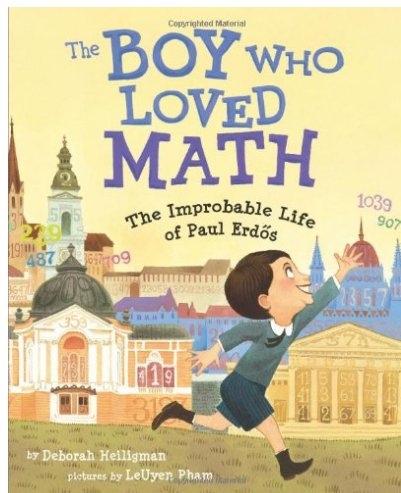
Feiffer, Jules. **Rupert Can Dance.** New York: Farrar Straus Giroux, 2014.

Mandy's cat Rupert can dance! He dances the night away - until the night Mandy catches him, and his secret is out. Now, Mandy wants to give Rupert dancing lessons. Ugh! What will Rupert do? He likes dancing his own way, without lessons.



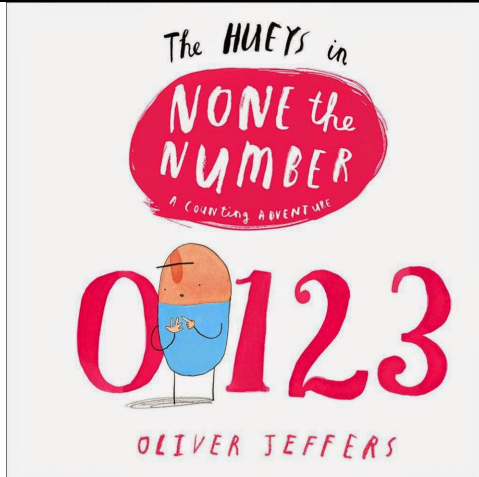
Floca, Brian. **Locomotive.** New York: Atheneum Books, 2013.

All aboard! This train runs from Omaha, Nebraska to Sacramento, California in the summer of 1869. Learn how it operates, and meet the crews that make it run. Experience the sights and sounds of the ride. Feel what it is like to cross a high bridge or to go through a dark tunnel in the mountains. Fifty feet and forty tons, locomotive is one great machine.



Heiligman, Deborah. **The Boy Who Loved Math: The Improbable Life of Paul Erdős.** New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2013.

Paul Erdős loved math from a very young age. He thought about numbers all day. They were his best friends, especially prime numbers. Despite being so good at math, Paul had a hard time with other things, like tying his shoes and buttering toast. He knew he didn't fit into the world in a regular way, so he invented his own way to live.



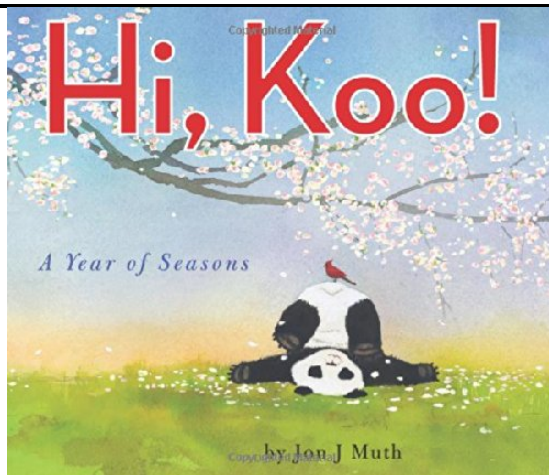
Jeffers, Oliver. **The Hueys in None the Number: A Counting Adventure.** New York: Philomel, 2014.

Believe it or not, numbers and counting can be funny, and this is a very funny number book. For example, number four is “the number of tantrums Kevin throws each day.” None is a number too. The Hueys will explain why.



Joyce, William. **The Fantastic Flying Books of Mr. Morris Lessmore.** New York: Atheneum Books, 2012.

Mr. Morris Lessmore loves to write in his journal. He loves to read too. Then one day a storm destroys everything he owns “even the words of his books.” With his life turned upside down, Mr. Morris discovers how stories will give back what he lost.



Muth, Jon J. **Hi, Koo! A Year of Seasons.** New York: Scholastic Press. 2014.

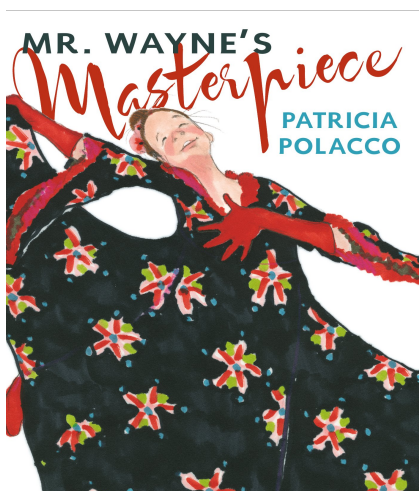
Panda Bear Koo likes all the seasons. Follow this lovable bear and his friends as they explore the outdoors. Enjoy the beautiful haiku poems that also follow Koo and his friends through the seasons.

Hi Koo!
Might inspire **You**
To write haiku too.



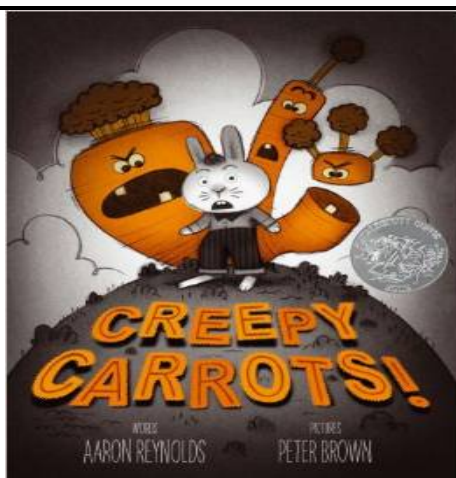
Perdomo, Willie. **Clemente!** New York: Henry Holt, 2010.

Born in Puerto Rico, Roberto Clemente is one of the greatest baseball players in baseball history. He faced many hard times playing ball. Fans even called him nasty names. But he was a very determined person. Today he is known not only as a great baseball player, but also as a great person.



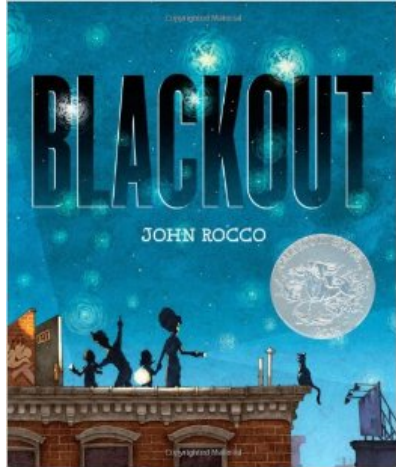
Polacco, Patricia. **Mr. Wayne's Masterpiece.** New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons, 2014.

Patricia loves to write. What she hates is getting up in front of people and speaking. Her knees knock, and her mouth gets so dry, she can't move her lower jaw. When she becomes part of Mr. Wayne's drama class, she enjoys painting the background scenery for the school play. But then, the lead actress leaves, and everyone expects Patricia to fulfill the role!



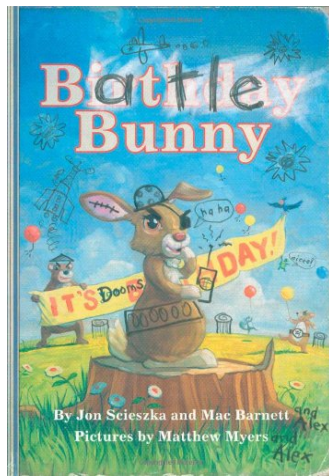
Reynolds, Aaron. **Creepy Carrots!** New York: Simon & Schuster Books, 2012.

Jasper Rabbit has a passion for carrots. He knows where the best ones grow, in a field where they are free for the taking. He can't get enough of them. Until one day, when the carrots start following him home!



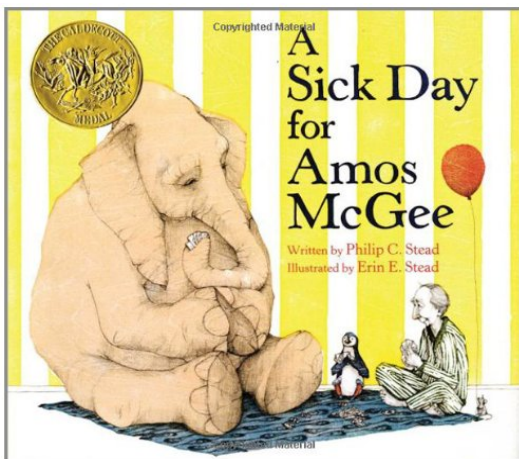
Rocco, John. **Blackout**. New York: Hyperion Books, 2011.

It is a hot summer night in the city, and everyone is busy, busy, and busy. Mom is working on the computer. Dad is cooking. No one wants to play. Then, the power goes out, and the play begins, complete with a rooftop party!



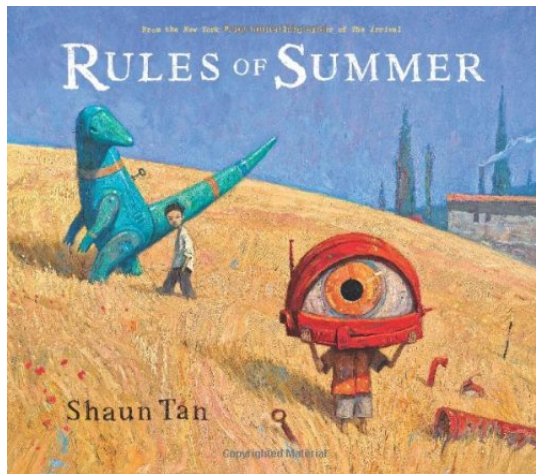
Scieszka, Jon and Barnett, Mac. **Battle Bunny**. New York: Simon & Schuster Books, 2013.

For his birthday, Alex gets a dull baby book from his grandmother about the "birthday bunny." Boring! Alex decides to liven it up and turns birthday bunny into "Battle Bunny." You won't believe Battle Bunny's evil plan. No one can stop him, not even the robot killer bees!



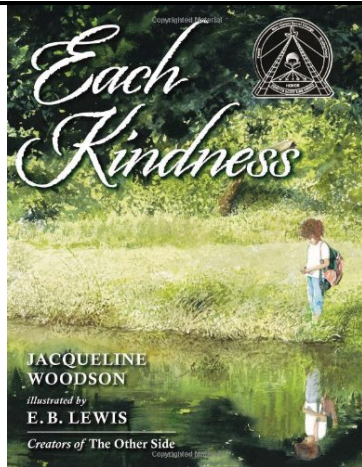
Stead, Phillip. **A Sick Day for Amos McGee**. New York: Roaring Brook Press, 2010.

Meet Amos, a zookeeper who adores his animal friends. He does lots of fun things with them like play chess, run races, and read stories. One day, Amos wakes up with a cold and can't go to the zoo. That's the day his dear friends bring the zoo to him.



Tan, Shaun. **Rules of Summer.** New York: Arthur A. Levine Books, 2013.

Life is filled with rules, but some rules are harder to learn than others. This book will take you on the summer adventures of two boys who make mistakes and learn many lessons. They meet strange creatures and experience strange events, and all their adventures will make you think.



Woodson, Jacqueline. **Each Kindness.** New York: Nancy Paulsen Books, 2012.

The new girl, Maya, is a little different from everyone else. Maybe that's why Chloe and her friends ignore her. They don't play with her at recess or sit with her at lunch. When Maya fails to appear in class, Chloe begins to wish she had acted differently.