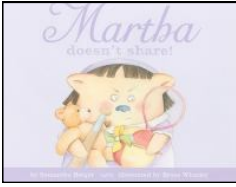
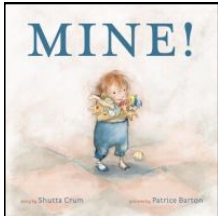


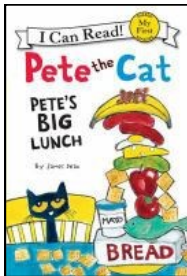
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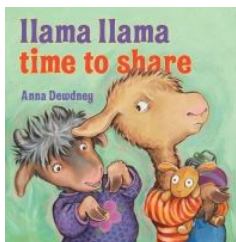
Berger, S. Martha Doesn't Share! Martha overuses the word "mine," until she is left performing magic tricks without an audience, putting on puppet shows with only one puppet, and playing Ping-Pong without a partner. Through the gentle encouragement of her parents, Martha realizes that she can have more fun if she shares. jP Berger



Crum, S. Mine! A baby and a bigger child are brought together to play. Right away the big kid starts grabbing all the toys and shouts, "MINE!" The baby obligingly hands everything to the bigger kid who throws everything over his shoulder to take it away from the baby. One of the toys lands in the dog's water dish and splashes water. The dog joins in the toy grab, barking what one assumes is doggie for "MINE!" and a general melee ensues. It turns into a lot of fun and finally, the baby, in a beautifully illustrated animation-like series of drawings, rises to his feet and toddles to the big kid, grabs him and shouts, "MINE!" jP Crum



Dean, J. Pete the Cat: Pete's Big Lunch. Pete decides to make a sandwich. Of course, the more he adds, the bigger it becomes. This is a good thing because he is really, really hungry. He forgets to remove the wrappers and adds cans, jars, and boxes to the ever-teetering tower of items. As he piles on the food, children's giggles will grow right along with the expanding "sandwich." Once it becomes too big for the small cat to consume, he must think of a clever solution to his dilemma, which he does with a little help from his friends. jE Dean

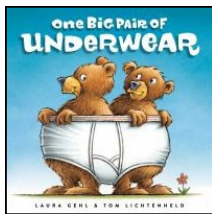


Dewdney, A. Llama Llama Time to Share. Llama Llama has new neighbors! Nelly Gnu and her mama stop by for a play date, but Llama's not so sure it's time to share all his toys. Maybe just his blocks? It could be fun to make a castle with Nelly . . . But wait--Nelly has Llama's little Fuzzy Llama! The fun turns to tears when Fuzzy Llama is ripped in two, "all because of Nelly Gnu!" Fun to read aloud and helpful to children and parents alike, Llama Llama Time to Share is for any child who needs a little encouragement in sharing. jP Dewdney

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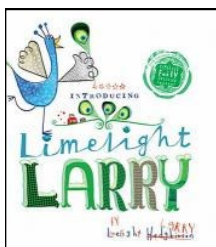
Garland, A. Share. When Bunny's little cousin visits, her mother tells her over and over that she must share. But her cousin wants to do everything Bunny does. He wants to play with Bunny's bear, but he pokes and pulls little Ted. He wants to play dress-up, but he spills Bunny's beads all over the floor. Bunny tries to watch TV, but he blocks her view of the screen, and when Bunny tries to paint, he scribbles all over her artwork! But by the end, an exasperated Bunny discovers the real value of sharing. As Bunny's cousin is getting ready to leave, she realizes she's going to miss him and his constant attention. jP Garland



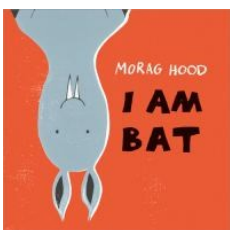
Gehl, L. One Big Pair of Underwear. Count and share with...underwear! What's one thing that two bears, three yaks, four goats, and six cats have in common? They hate to share. But then twenty pigs prove that sharing makes everything twice as fun in this seriously silly picture book! jP Gehl



Gravett, E. Bear & Hare Share! When friends Bear and Hare go for a walk they find a flower, a balloon, and an ice cream cone as big as Hare. Their dialogue invites readers to chime in: " 'Share?' asked Bear. / 'Mine!' said Hare." Petulantly determined not to share, Hare eats the edibles, bursts the balloon (well, they both do that), and glares—"But Bear didn't care." And when Bear goes briefly away, Hare gets some painful comeuppance... but does he really learn to share? jP Gravett

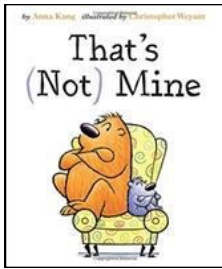


Hodgkinson, L. Limelight Larry. This book is FANTASTIC because it is all about Limelight Larry. In fact, it is SO fantastic that Larry doesn't think there is any room on the pages for anyone but him! But after Larry kicks everyone out, he wonders what IS the point of showing off all by yourself? It certainly isn't much fun. jP Hodgkinson

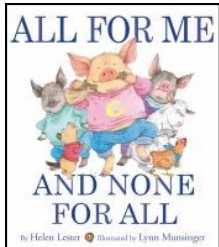


Hood, M. I Am Bat. A comical fruit bat addresses readers about its beloved cherries, not guessing they will soon disappear. It goes on to describe its love of cherries, and then, with a Dracula-like sweep of wings, it warns readers that no one should take its cherries. As cherries disappear, readers see subtle evidence of which animals are taking them. Bat's proclamation of eternal unhappiness is quickly reversed by a thief-engineered fruit replacement. Old and young alike will have to giggle at the bat's show of speedy adaptability. jP Hood, M.

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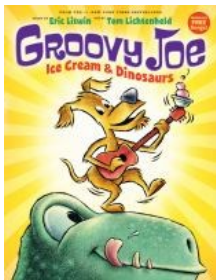


Kang, A. That's (Not) Mine. Told entirely through (increasingly irate) dialogue, a pair of bearlike creatures are fighting over ownership of a chair. "I was sitting in it before," says one. "I'm sitting in it now," responds the other. Using distraction (a spinning, zooming swivel chair) and dirty tricks (a tickle-inducing feather), the animals wrest control of the chair from the other, before giving up to play together. jP Kang

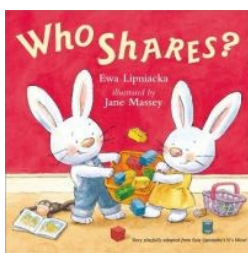


Lester, H. All for Me and None for All. A book about sharing for one and all! Gruntly is a hog—a ball hog, a snack hog, a treasure hog! He doesn't share his toys with his pals and, in fact, helps himself to theirs! And when Gruntly finds out about Saturday's treasure hunt, he can't wait for the first clue so that he may be the one to find the treasure and keep it . . . all for himself. This is a playful and delightfully illustrated tale about the dangers of going hog-wild and show, in the end, that sharing just might have its own rewards!

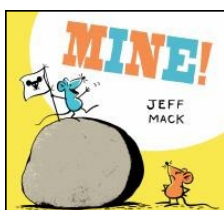
jP Lester



Litwin, E. Groovy Joe: Ice Cream and Dinosaurs. Groovy Joe is a laid-back dog with golden fur. When readers first see him, he's strumming his guitar, serenading a bird. A delicious treat arrives ("Groovy Joe was living the dream/ He had a spoon and a tub of doggy ice cream"), but before he can dig in, a little dinosaur stomps in: "He put on a bib! He pulled up a chair. What did Joe say? `It's awesome to share!'" Two larger dinosaurs appear in succession, but Joe's ready to share with them all. Not even the end of the ice cream stops the fun. jP Litwin

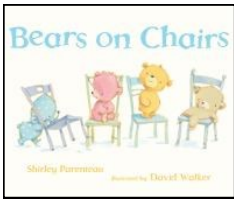


Lipniacka, E. Who Shares? Jack and Georgina are two siblings who do not like to share. So when Mom says they must, they decide to do it in their own way. Georgina shares a worm with Jack, and Jack shares Georgina's teddy bear with the dog! But in a sweet, funny surprise ending, they eventually discover something wonderful that they already share. Filled with humor, charm, and spirit, here's a perfect book for siblings who are trying to learn one of life's first lessons. jP Lipniacka

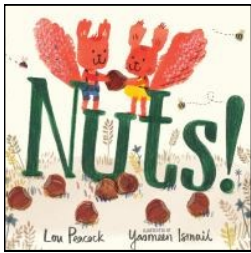


Mack, J. Mine! Start with one rock. Add two mice. The end result? A never-ending battle! Or is it? Using only one word, along with many brightly colored and lively illustrations, Jeff Mack brings his hallmark humor to this rollicking book that will have readers of every age reconsidering whether "Mine!" is the best answer. jP Mack

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Parenteau, S. Bears on Chairs. Four chairs. Four adorable bears. All is well until Big Brown Bear shows up — what a stare! — and wants a seat. Can these clever bears put their heads together (among other things) and make space for one more? With endearing, expressive illustrations and a sustained rhyme in every line, here is a cozy tale that makes it clear there is room for all. jP Parenteau



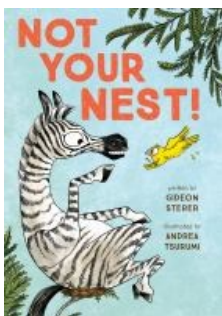
Peacock, L. Nuts! When a little squirrel finds a big pile of nuts, she is very excited! But soon she is joined by another squirrel ... and this squirrel thinks the nuts belong to him. When Rabbit, Bear, and Badger get involved, things get very confusing indeed! They won't even listen to wise old Owl. Will the squirrels ever learn to share? jP Peacock



Rabei, C. Crunch. Crunch the guinea pig loves his food, so it's just as well there's plenty of it, especially when a hungry little mouse wants a share. So why does Crunch refuse? Later, Crunch can't settle to his feast for worrying about the mouse. Although he's never stepped outside his hutch before, Crunch sets off to look for him. Will he find the little mouse? jP Rabei

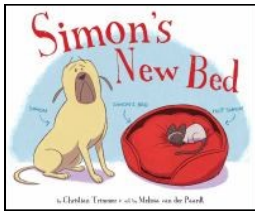


Santat, D. The Cookie Fiasco. "Hey, guys! Cookie time!" booms an enormous purple hippo, setting in motion a real-time story problem when his friends, a crocodile and a pair of squirrels, realize that there aren't enough cookies to go around. As the animals argue, Hippo starts nervously breaking the cookies into pieces, ushering in a fresh round of outrage ("Hippo! What are you doing?" screams one of the squirrels in shocked disbelief) but also leading to a fractions-based solution that ensures that everyone gets his or her fair share of chocolate chip goodness. jE Santat



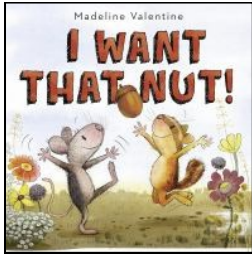
Sterer, G. Not Your Nest! Bird is just about to put the finishing touches on her new home when she suddenly finds that her nest is already full--of someone else. So she reluctantly builds another nest. But Fox finds this new nest quite comfy, and Brush Hog loves the view from Bird's next attempt. Soon the Acacia tree is bursting with happily nested animals of all shapes and stripes--everyone except bird! A hilarious and oh-so-honest look at the art of sharing. jP Sterer

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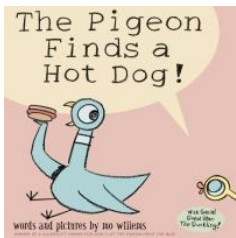
Trimmer, C. Simon's New Bed. Simon's been looking forward to trying out his brand-new dog bed all day. He may be ready for the best nap of his life, but Miss Adora Belle the cat has other ideas. She's taken over his bed before he even gets a chance to try it—and she's not budging. As Simon struggles to find a way to free his bed for the Greatest Naptime Ever, he may just discover something wonderful about his new bed: there's plenty of room for two.

jP Trimmer



Valentine, M. I Want That Nut! Mouse and Chipmunk want the same big, beautiful nut! But who deserves it more? After all, Chipmunk and the Nut read together and lie in the grass and stare at the clouds. Chipmunk wants that nut! And Mouse and the Nut play tic-tac-toe and have a dance party together. Mouse also wants that nut! But then Squirrel comes along and claims the Nut for his own. What's a rodent to do?

jP Valentine



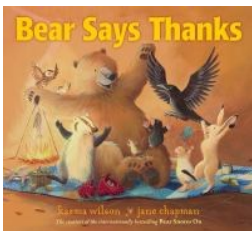
Willems, M. The Pigeon Finds a Hot Dog! When Pigeon finds a delicious hot dog, he can hardly wait to shove the entire thing in his beak. But then a very sly and hungry duckling enters the scene and wants a bite. Who will be the more clever bird? In this hilarious Mo Willems has created another adventure that encourages children to share even their most prized processed foods.

jP Willems



Willems, M. Should I Share My Ice Cream? Gerald has a delicious ice cream cone... should he gobble it up or share it with Piggie? By the time Gerald's conscience finally wins out over his stomach, alas, his ice cream has melted! But all is not lost. Piggie comes to the rescue just in time for the two friends to share not only ice cream but the joy of true friendship as well.

jE Willems



Wilson, K. Bear Says Thanks. Bear has come up with the perfect way to say thanks—a nice big dinner! When Bear decides to throw a feast, his friends show up one by one with different platters of delicious food to share. There's just one problem: Bear's cupboards are bare! When he regretfully admits that he has nothing to offer in exchange, they assure him that his presence is all that they need.

jP Wilson

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Wright, M. Share, Big Bear, Share! Big Bear's forest friends eye his berries hungrily, but he doesn't notice as he digs into his delicious snack. When the old oak tree says, "Share, Big Bear, share," he thinks the tree has said, "Hair, Big Bear, hair!" One comical scene follows another as Big Bear keeps misunderstanding the old oak tree's message until things finally get sorted out. Whimsical illustrations highlight the humor in this gentle story about the importance of sharing something special with friends. jP Wright

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