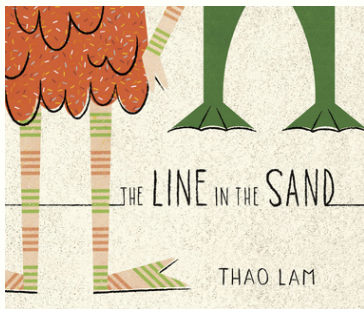


# Preschool Pages

*Book Recommendations, Early Literacy Tips, and More  
from the Deerfield Public Library Youth Services Department*

## Book Recommendations



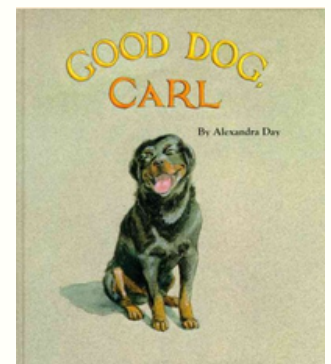
There is a line in the sand! One monster wants to cross, but another won't let them. As an argument forms, more lines are drawn. Can the monsters all remain friends? This is a good story to discuss conflict and sharing. And can you spot who drew the lines?



This story starts on this book's cover as a group of kids board a helicopter to Volcano Island. Wearing safety gear, the group trek along as one child picks up flowers. But once they reach the volcano, the child's flowers blow away! As they attempt to get the flowers back, they meet a surprise.... A tale of exploration and adventure!



A normal outing to the park with her father offers plenty of opportunities for the main character and her bunny to save the day! Even without knowing that "kunoichi" means "female ninja," your child will delight in this mostly wordless comic-style graphic novel. The beautiful illustrations are an added bonus!



There's a reason this book from 1985 is still around: it's a hilarious story of what a dog and a baby will do when left to their own devices. The mother's admonition to "look after the baby" doesn't preclude many adorable adventures! Your child will love being in on the secret once the mom returns.

## Did You Know?

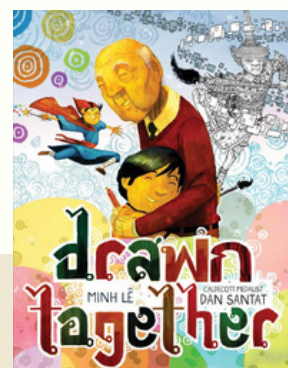
The Youth Department has a Spotify account! That's our way of finding and creating playlists for storytimes and other programs. You can view our [public profile](#) to see some of the playlists we use. If you don't have an account, you can create one for free; you'd just get ads. You can also listen to music for free with a [Hoopla account](#) using a [Deerfield Public Library card](#). We love exploring new kids' music and are always happy to give recommendations!



# Author/Illustrator Spotlight

## MINH LÊ

Sometimes an author or illustrator has so many great titles, we wish we could name them all! This month, we want to highlight the work of Minh Lê! His picture books explore themes of family in humorous, fun, and heartfelt ways.



## Early Literacy Tips

Wordless picture books may seem intimidating to read as they have, well, no words to the story. But there's nothing to fear! They provide a great chance to create a different kind of storytelling experience with your child. You can use expanded vocabulary and words to describe the scenes, make connections to you and your child's life, and demonstrate visual literacy by pointing and explaining why you think characters are acting or feeling a specific way!

Wordless picture books can offer your child a chance to take control of the story. Ask your child to read you the story. You can share the responsibilities and trade pages: you tell the story on the first page, your child continues on the second page, and so on. Or have your child lead a storytime for their stuffed animals, who will be sure to listen intently!

