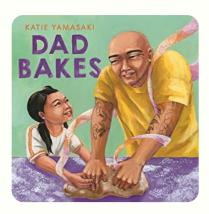


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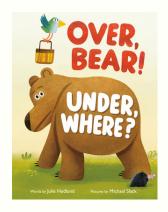


Book Recommendations, Early Literacy Tips, and More from the Deerfield Public Library Youth Services Department

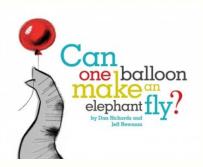
#### **Book Recommendations**



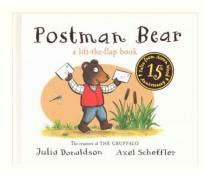
This sweet picture book shows a day in the life of a daughter and her father. The soft rhythm of baking and waiting is joined by beautiful illustrations as they spend time together and apart. The simple tale bakes in the joys we create in our lives with those that we love and the different ways we express it.



Readers follow a bird named Over, a mole named Under, and a bear named Bear in this silly tale. Through humorous situations and dialogue, this book is a great way to introduce compound words and spatial awareness. And who wouldn't laugh at the homophone of "Under, where?"



Evan and his mother visit the zoo. When Evan asks the question in the title, his mother quickly replies, "No!" until she realizes that he's talking about his *plastic* animals. She attaches one or more balloons to various animals and sets them aloft. The reader, however, is in on the joke that, all along, Evan has been handing balloons to the REAL animals! Play along at home by attaching balloons to see what can and can't "fly."



This board book is surprisingly full of science and math concepts.
Postman Bear counts down the number of letters to deliver, while the flaps encourage your little one to guess what might live in that particular habitat (a squirrel in a tree, for example). The birthday surprise makes for a fun ending!

#### News You Can Use

Our <u>Library of Things</u> collection has an incredible selection of items you may not expect a library to have! From board games to telescopes, there is a lot to explore. Be sure to check out the <u>Launchpads</u>, preloaded learning tablets with educational games, that you can use anywhere.



### Author/Illustrator Spotlight

#### LOIS EHLERT

Sometimes an author has so many great titles, we wish we could name them all! This month. we want to highlight the work of Lois Ehlert.

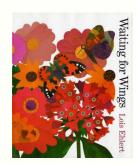
Lois Ehlert is responsible for a number of childhood favorites, whether as an illustrator or an author/illustrator. Her recognizable collage artwork illustrates Chicka, Chicka Boom Boom. She wrote and illustrated many wonderful picture books as well as her autobiography, The Scraps Book: Notes from a Colorful Life. Some personal favorites include Planting a Rainbow, Snowballs, Hands, and Leaf Man. Try creating collages of your own, using found objects from your yard, torn paper, or even fabric! You might be raising the next Lois Ehlert!



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Planting a Rainbow by Lois Ehlert

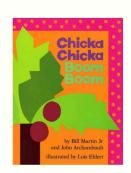


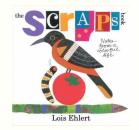












## **Early Literacy Tips**

Easy non-fiction books are also great for readalouds with your child. Some children prefer nonfiction, and we have an extensive collection of books that are perfect for preschoolers. Whether your child wants to dive deep into dinosaurs or blast off into space, whether they love animals or firetrucks, we've got you covered!

Use words like "first," "second," "next," and "finally" when talking about everyday activities with your child. This will help them learn about sequence of events! The kitchen is an especially great place to do this while cooking, but you can do this activity anywhere. You can also have your child guess what you two should do next.