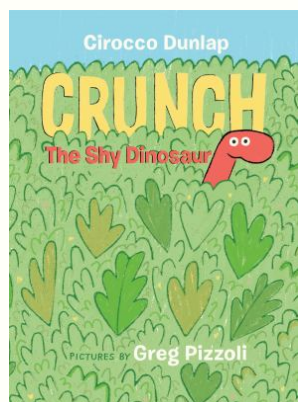


# Preschool Pages: Dinovember Edition

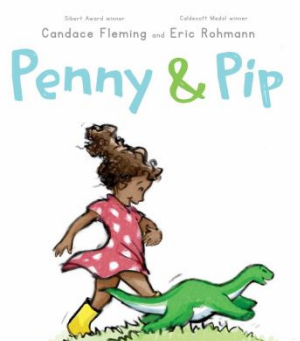


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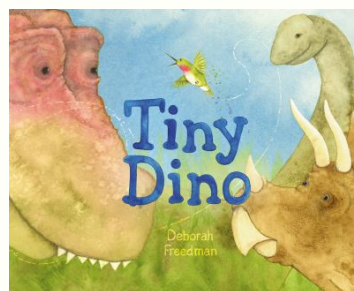
## Book Recommendations



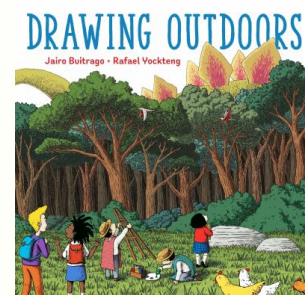
This is one of our favorite read-alouds. Crunch is an extremely shy dinosaur. You'll need to try to say the correct things, in the right way, for him to interact with you. Like singing "Happy Birthday" or complimenting him. This is a fun, silly book that's perfect to get kids to interact with the story!



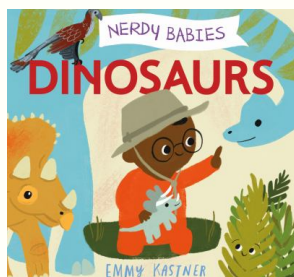
When Penny goes to a natural history museum with her class, she discovers an egg. Then something amazing happens: a dinosaur hatches! Becoming fast friends, can Penny find a way to take Pip home with her? This is a great book to reflect on one's own visits to museums and imagine what could happen.



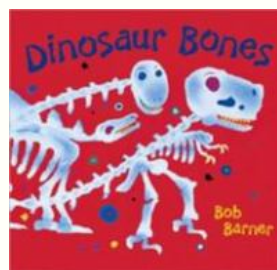
Can a small bird actually be a dinosaur? The delightful main character in this book makes a strong case that it is a tiny dino. Freedman's beautiful watercolor illustrations accompany this fun but informative story. Inset pictures and text add a layer of knowledge, as we learn that all animals are connected.



Perfect for older preschoolers, this is the story of a school that has little, but its imaginative teacher brings the enormous world of dinosaurs to life! The students AND the reader embark upon an adventure. Your little one will feel like an explorer and may well be inspired to create some artwork of their own.



Even though this is a board book, Kastner packs in a lot of facts about dinosaurs. This is a great introduction to preschool kids on dinosaurs and concepts such as digging for fossils and how dinosaurs are named.

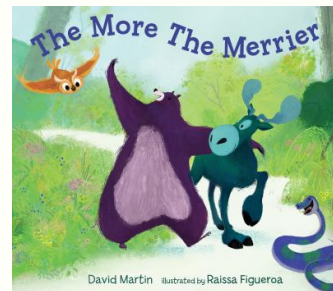
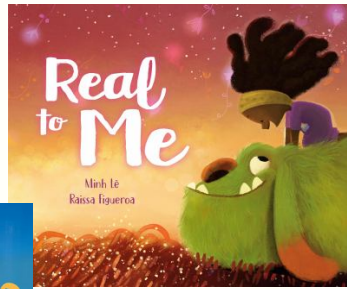
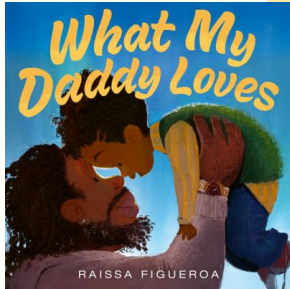
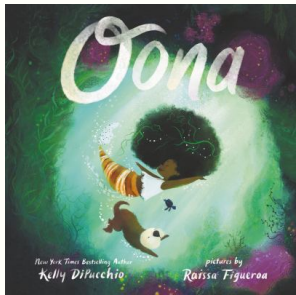


This non-fiction picture book has it all: rhymes (to enhance phonological awareness), extra facts on each page, and great back matter after the rhyme is over. Measure how tall your child is compared to a compsognathus (5') or a brachiosaurus (40'!!).

# Author/Illustrator Spotlight

## RAISSA FIGUEROA

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 Raissa Figueroa! Often featuring a blend of watercolors and digital art, Figueroa's bold, bright illustrations are a joy to look at and enhance a variety of authors' works, including her own.



## Early Literacy Tips

Possessing background knowledge on a multitude of topics can help kids comprehend what they're reading and understand characters better. While you're reading with your child, ask them questions and have a conversation. Prompt them to connect parts of a story to something they've done (like going to a museum). This can help them understand the context of the story or feel what a character is feeling.

Reading picture books to your child builds their background knowledge of content areas, like science and social studies. Even if the book isn't about a scientific topic, you and your child can look at the pictures to talk about things like habitats or characteristics. Examining the setting of a story might introduce your child to other geographical locations or types of living situations.