Dedication to Rose Trevino:

Members of the 2010 2 x 2 Committee wish to dedicate this year’s list to the memory of Rose Trevino, who passed away in April of 2009. Rose took the position of Chair in the year 2000 and brought the 2 x 2 vision to reality as a tool for day cares, teachers, parents and librarians in the selection of commendable and diverse children’s literature for children aged 2 to grade 2.

Rose’s passion for diversity and inclusion in books for children and her dedication and commitment in providing tools and knowledge to educators inspired those who worked closely with Rose to continue the work she began. – Sally Meyers, Tom Green County Library System

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simple message brings history alive, inspiring readers to soar higher, faster and stronger into their future.

Emberley, Rebecca and Ed. **Chicken Little.** Roaring Brook Press. ISBN-13: 978-1-59643-464-6. $16.95. Ages 3-7. This classic repetitive folktales is brought to new life with bold colors and shapes as Chicken Little believes the sky is falling and creates confusion among all his feathered friends.

Feldman, Eve B. **Billy & Milly Short & Silly.** Illustrated by Tuesday Mourning. G. P. Putnam’s Sons, a division of Penguin Young Readers Group. ISBN-13: 978-0-399-24651-7. $16.99. Ages 3-6. Thirteen short stories, each with only three or four words, stretch the imagination of even the youngest readers. Billy and Milly are cool kids who stir up a lot of action as they skip across the pages.


Long, Loren. **Otis.** Philomel, a division of Penguin Young Readers Group. ISBN-13: 978-0-399-25248-8. $17.99. Ages 4-8. This story of unlikely friendship between an outdated tractor and a scrappy little calf is also a tale of change and progress. The gentle text celebrates love and caring with illustrations bringing action, humor and emotion to this comforting story.

Mora, Pat. **Gracias*Thanks.** Illustrated by John Parra. Lee & Low Books Inc. ISBN-13: 978-1-60060-258-0. $17.95. Ages 5-8. Family, friends, fun times, nature and music are just some of the things one little multiracial boy is thankful for in his life. Told with humor and love, illustrations reflect the celebration of family with the bonus of bilingual text.


think? Readers will be amused by their own indecision as the playful drawings become a guessing game.

Scanlon, Liz Garton. *All the World.* Illustrated by Marla Frazee. Beach Lane Books, an imprint of Simon & Schuster Children’s Publishing Division. ISBN-13: 978-1-4169-8580-8. $17.99. Ages 4-8. Together is better as family and friends experience a day that begins on the beach and continues through wind and rain with unplanned activities. A beach shell found on the beach serves as a remembrance and souvenir of a special day when all are safe at home.

Solomon, Sharon K. *A Walk With Grandpa/Un paseo con abuelo.* Illustrated by Pamela Barcita. Raven Tree Press, a division of Delta Systems Co., Inc. ISBN-13: 978-1-932748-91-8. $16.95. Ages 4-8. Daniela and her grandfather express their love for one another playing a word game, during a walk through the woods. Bilingual phrases become a special language to inspire children to explore their own words of comparison and contrast.


Van Dusen, Chris. *The Circus Ship.* Candlewick Press. ISBN-13: 978-0-7636-3090-4. $16.99. Ages 4-8. After a ship of circus animals crashes and sinks off an island in Maine, the animals are safe and become a part of the island life. When the mean circus boss searches for them they are hidden by the townspeople. Children will enjoy finding the hidden animals at the end of this adventure story.