

## Creative Thinking

### Ada's violin : the story of the Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay

39516 BK  
PI 38 p. 2016 Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers  
Susan Hood ; illustrated by Sally Wern Comport.  
Tells the true tale of an orchestra, called the 'Recycled Orchestra of Paraguay', that is made up of children playing instruments built from recycled trash. A factual book in a picture book format.

Asunción (Paraguay); Creative thinking; Orchestra—Asunción (Paraguay); Orchestral musicians; Recycling; Bordados, Ada Maribel Rios; Comport, Sally Wern,—illustrator; Orquesta de Instrumentos Reciclados Cateura

### The adventures of Beekle : the unimaginary friend

37525 BK  
P 40 p. 2014 Little Brown and Company  
Dan Santat.

An imaginary friend waits a long time to be imagined by a child and given a special name, and finally does the unimaginable -he sets out on a quest to find his perfect match in the real world.

Courage—Fiction; Creative thinking; Friendship—Fiction; Imaginary playmates—Fiction

### After the fall : how Humpty Dumpty got back up again

37826 BK  
P

a story by Dan Santat.  
After falling off the wall, Humpty Dumpty is very afraid of climbing up again, but is determined not to let fear stop him from being close to the birds.

Ability—Fiction; Characters and characteristics in literature—Fiction; Creative thinking; Fear—Fiction

### Beautiful oops

37360 BK  
PI 2010 Workman  
Barney Saltzberg.

Demonstrates the many ways that torn, crinkled, and smudged bits of paper can be transformed into various shapes and images. On board pages with lift-the-flap activities.

Creative thinking; Errors—Humor; Paper crafts—Miscellanea; Shape—Humor; Toy and movable books

### Bob and Flo

39941 BK  
PI 2014  
Rebecca Ashdown.

"On her first day of preschool, penguin Flo loses her lunch bucket -and finds a funny new friend"—Provided by publisher.

Creative thinking; First day of school—Fiction; Friendship—Fiction; Nursery schools—Fiction; Penguins—Fiction; School stories

### The book with no pictures

39513 BK  
PI 2014  
B.J. Novak.

"In this book with no pictures, the reader has to say every silly word, no matter what"—Provided by publisher.

Books and reading—Fiction; Creative thinking; Humorous fiction

### Box

39575 BK  
PI 2015  
Min Flyte ; illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw.

"When four toddlers find some toys in cardboard boxes, they play with them for a while. But, before long, the friends' interest in the toys wanes and their attention turns to the boxes themselves ..."—OCLC.

Boxes—Fiction; Creative thinking; Imagination—Fiction; Lift-the-flap books; Play—Fiction; Toy and movable books; Beardshaw, Rosalind,—illustrator

### Chalk

39506 BK  
P 2010 Marshall Cavendish Children by Bill Thomson.

A wordless picture book about three children who go to a park on a rainy day, find some chalk, and draw pictures that come to life.

Creative thinking; Drawing—Fiction; Stories without words

### The day the crayons came home

37529 BK  
PI 2015  
Drew Daywalt ; Oliver Jeffers.

One day, Duncan is happily coloring with his crayons when a stack of postcards arrives in the mail from his former crayons, each of which has run away or been left behind, and all of which want to come home.

Color—Fiction; Crayons—Fiction; Creative thinking; Postcards—Fiction; Companion to:—Daywalt, Drew.—Day the crayons quit; Jeffers, Oliver,—illustrator

### Extra yarn

39509 BK  
P 2012 Balzer & Bray  
by Mac Barnett ; illustrated by Jon Klassen.

With a supply of yarn that never runs out, Annabelle knits for everyone and everything in town until an evil archduke decides he wants the yarn for himself.

Creative thinking; Humorous fiction; Knitting—Fiction; Yarn—Fiction; Klassen, Jon,—illustrator

### Fern and Horn

39537 BK  
P 2019  
Marie-Louise Gay.

"Fern and Horn are twins who look like two peas in a pod or two stars in the sky. But Fern and Horn have different ways of seeing the world. Fern loves to draw flowers and butterflies, birds and bees, caterpillars and orange trees. Horn wants to draw too, but he thinks his flowers look like purple pancakes and his caterpillars like striped socks. 'Draw whatever you want!' Fern tells him. And Horn does just that..."—Provided by publisher.

Creative thinking; Drawing—Fiction; Imagination—Fiction; Twins—Fiction

### How I learned geography

39602 BK  
PI 2008 Farrar, Straus and Giroux  
Uri Shulevitz.

As he spends hours studying his father's world map, a young boy escapes the hunger and misery of refugee life. Based on the author's childhood in Kazakhstan, where he lived as a Polish refugee during World War II.

Creative thinking; Geography—Fiction; Maps—Fiction; Refugees—Fiction; Shulevitz, Uri,—1935—Fiction

### If I built a house

36024 BK  
2012 Dial Books for Young Readers  
by Chris Van Dusen.

Imaginative Jack describes the kind of house he would build—one with a racetrack, a flying room, and a gigantic slide.

Creative thinking; Houses—Fiction; Imagination—Fiction; Stories in rhyme

### If you find a rock

37315 BK  
PJ 2008 Voyager Books  
written by Peggy Christian ;  
photographs by Barbara Hirsch Lember.

Photographs and thoughtful text celebrates the variety of rocks that can be found -including skipping rocks, chalk rocks, and splashing rocks.

Creative thinking; Rocks; Rocks—Pictorial works; Lember, Barbara Hirsch,—pht

### Imagine a day

38804 BK  
PI 2005 Atheneum Books for Young Readers

paintings by Rob Gonsalves ; written by Sarah L. Thomson.  
Reproductions of acrylic paintings by Canadian artist Rob Gonsalves are accompanied by whimsical thoughts to encourage parents and children alike to look beyond the everyday world and imagine. The illustrations in this book would also be useful for art classes.

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Some readers may be reminded of works by M.C. Escher.

Creative thinking; Imagination–Fiction; Imagination–Pictorial works; Perspective–Pictorial works; Surrealism–Pictorial works; Thomson, Sarah L

### Immi's gift

39770 BK  
P 2010 Peachtree  
Karin Littlewood.

Day after day in the frozen north, a young Inuit girl catches brightly-colored objects while ice fishing and uses them to decorate her igloo, until the ice begins to melt and she drops in a gift of her own before leaving for the season.

Arctic regions–Fiction; Creative thinking; First Nations; Gifts–Fiction; Ice fishing–Fiction; Inuit–Fiction

### Journey

36027 BK  
P 2013

Aaron Becker.  
A young girl, having escaped from her loneliness through a door she drew on her bedroom wall, is captured by an evil emperor and must find a way to escape.

Creative thinking; Doors–Fiction; Drawing–Fiction; Fantasy fiction; Magic–Fiction; Stories without words

### The line

39163 BK  
P 2013

Paula Bossio.  
A wordless story in which a little girl has fun with a line drawn by a pencil.

Creative thinking; Line (Art)–Fiction; Pencil drawing–Fiction; Stories without words

### The most magnificent thing

37524 BK  
P

written and illustrated by Ashley Spire.  
A little girl has a wonderful idea. With the help of her canine assistant, she is going to make the most magnificent thing! She knows just how it will look. She knows just how it will work. But making the most magnificent thing turns out to be harder than she thinks.

Anger–Fiction; Creative thinking; Dogs–Fiction; Frustration–Fiction; Girls–Fiction; Perseverance–Fiction; inventions–Fiction

### Not a box

37521 BK  
PI 2006 Harper Collins  
Antoinette Portis.

To an imaginative little bunny, a box is not always just a box.

Boxes–Fiction; Creative thinking; Imagination–Fiction; Rabbits–Fiction

### Rosie Revere, engineer

39512 BK  
PI 2013 Abrams Books for Young Readers  
by Andrea Beaty ; illustrated by David Roberts.

A young aspiring engineer must first conquer her fear of failure.

Creative thinking; Engineers–Fiction; Failure (Psychology)–Fiction; Perseverance–Fiction; Stories in rhyme; inventions–Fiction; Roberts, David,–1970—illustrator; English/Language Arts; Career Education; Applied design, skills and technologies

### Rufus the writer

37530 BK  
PI 2015

by Elizabeth Bram ; illustrated by Chuck Groenink.

Rather than a lemonade stand, Rufus sets up a story stand one summer and makes a series of trades with his friends—a story for a shell, for a kitten, for a surprise, and one more as a special birthday gift for his sister.

Authorship–Fiction; Barter–Fiction; Creative thinking; Creative writing–Fiction; Groenink, Chuck,–illustrator

### Sarabella's thinking cap

39522 BK  
PJ 2017

Judy Schachner.  
Sarabella spends so much time thinking that she has a hard time focusing in school until an understanding teacher finds a way to help.

Creative thinking; Imagination–Fiction; Individuality–Fiction; School stories; Thought and thinking–Fiction

### Secret of the dance

37357 BK  
story by Andrea Spalding and Alfred Scow ; illustrations by Darlene Gait. In 1935, young First Nations boy witnesses a forbidden Potlatch -a ceremonial dance -in the village of Kingcome.

Civil disobedience–Fiction; Creative thinking; First Nations–Pacific Northwest–Fiction; First Nations–Government relations–Fiction; First Nations dance–Fiction; Historical fiction; Kingcome Inlet (B.C.)–Fiction; Kwakiutl (First Nations people)–Fiction; Potlatch–Fiction; Gait, Darlene,–1968—illustrator; Scow, Alfred,–author

### Shi-shi-etko

39051 BK  
PJ 2005 Groundwood Books/House of Anansi Pr  
Nicola I. Campbell ; pictures by Kim LaFave.

Shi-shi-etko gathers together many of the things of nature and places them into her bag of memories so that she will never forget her people and land as she prepares to go many miles away to the required residential school.

Creative thinking; First Nations–Residential schools–Fiction; First nations children–Fiction; LaFave, Kim,–ill

### Sky color

37363 BK  
P 2012 Candlewick

Peter H. Reynolds.  
A teacher asks Marisol, who loves to paint, to help create a mural in the school library, but when Marisol does not have blue to use for the sky, she watches day turn to night and begins to dream.

Artists–Fiction; Color–Fiction; Creative thinking; Paint–Fiction; School stories

### Structures & bridge building kit

36371 KT  
PI  
This kit includes 7 K'nex bridge kits and wooden building materials to strengthen students understanding of science structures and math geometry concepts.

Applied design, skills and technologies; Architecture; Bridges; Building; Creative thinking; Geometry; Maker spaces; Math; Mathematics; Numeracy; Science; Structures

### This is Sadie

39515 BK  
2015  
Sara O'Leary ; with illustrations by Julie Morstad.  
Sadie is a small girl with a big imagination. She likes to make and do and be lots of different things. Maybe you're a bit like Sadie?

Books and reading–Fiction; Creative thinking; Imagination–Fiction; Storytelling–Fiction; Morstad, Julie,–illustrator

### What to do with a string

39534 BK  
PI 2019

Jane Yolen ; illustrated by C.F. Payne.  
"Extolls the marvelous virtues of string, a material that can snag the spirit of adventure, lasso the limitless horizons of imagination, and connect us to one another"—Provided by publisher.

Creative thinking; Imagination–Fiction; Play–Fiction; Stories in rhyme; String figures–Fiction; Payne, C. F.,–illustrator

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### **Willow**

39189 BK

PI 2008 Sleeping Bear Press  
by Denise Brennan-Nelson and  
Rosemarie Brennan ; illustrated by  
Cyd Moore.

In art class, neatness, conformity, and  
imitation are encouraged, but when  
Willow brings imagination and  
creativity to her projects, even straight-  
laced Miss Hawthorn is influenced.

Art-Fiction; Creative thinking;  
Imagination-Fiction; Painting-  
Fiction; Brennan, Rosemarie;  
Moore, Cyd,-ill