

# The 2018 Bell Awards Winners



**READ:** The Library Book

by Tom Chapin and Michael Mark, illustrated by Chuck Goenink

Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2017 ISBN 13: 978-1481460927

*A rainy day entices a girl to the library. Sitting in her favorite chair, she is soon surrounded by literary friends including Winnie the Pooh, Madeline, Pinnocchio, and more. After a fun visit to the library, she checks out her favorite book to take home and read. This book models a child's love of reading and how it can be enhanced by a trip to the library.*

**WRITE:** Little Plane Learns to Write by Stephen Savage

Roaring Brook Press, 2017 ISBN-13: 978-1626724365

*Little Plane loves flight school where he and the other planes are learning to write in the sky. His arcs and dives are excellent, but he can't seem to get the hang of loopity-loops. Finally, tracing the round shape of the moon inspires Little Plane to write the perfect loopity-loops. Drawing circles, arcs, and lines helps children learn to form letters, just like Little Plane.*

**SING:** Motor Goose by Rebecca Colby, illustrated by Jef Kaminsky

Feiwel and Friends, 2017 ISBN 13: 978-1250101938

*Motor Goose is a compilation of classic nursery rhymes that have been rewritten with a transportation theme. Each page is a song centered on a different vehicle and set to familiar tunes such as Mary Had a Little Lamb or Itsy-Bitsy Spider. This book supports singing with children, whether it be classic nursery rhymes or modern children's classics.*

**TALK:** Say Zoop! by Hervé Tullet

Chronicle Books, 2017 ISBN-13: 978-1452164731

*Say Zoop! encourages children and caregivers to interact with the pages of the book by inviting them to place their fingers on different colored dots and make the sounds that the book describes for each dot. Making noises helps children practice the different sounds in words which will help them in acquiring language.*

**PLAY:** Things to Do with Dad by Sam Zuppardi

Candlewick, 2017 ISBN 13: 978-0763681463

*A boy and his dad start the day making pancakes together, but dad's looming to-do list puts a damper on their shared fun. The boy alters the list, inventing imaginative ways he and his dad can complete the chores together. This book models a variety of ways that adults and kids can playfully interact during their daily routine.*

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