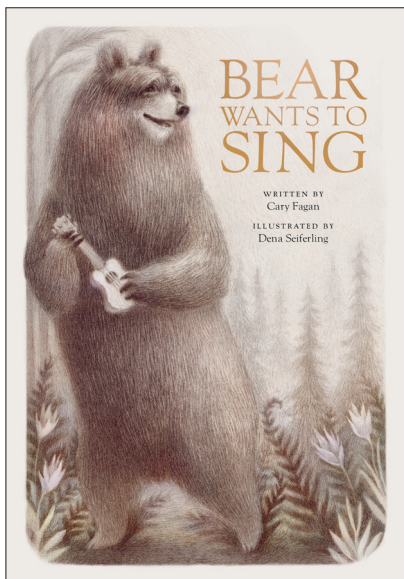


#TundraTime Activities



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ABOUT THE BOOK

A bear finds a ukulele in the woods. It makes a nice sound — *plink!* — and inspires him to write his own song. His friend Mouse would love to hear it. But Bear isn't the only animal in the forest to find musical inspiration that day, and Snake, Crow and Tortoise keep taking his turn to perform. When they finally give him the opportunity and meet his song with less enthusiasm than he'd like, Bear shelves his music career forever . . . but the kindness, empathy and appreciation of his best friend will prove that his art deserves recognition and can even inspire others. This dryly humorous and sweetly profound collaboration between two critically acclaimed children's book creators, a follow-up to the masterful *King Mouse*, has the makings of a modern classic.

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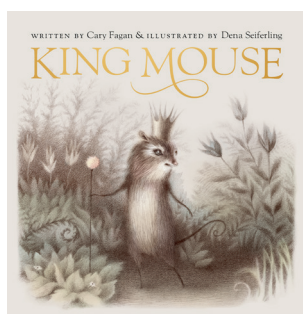
Here are some ideas, activities and questions to consider after you've read the book:

- Make a list of all the instruments mentioned in *Bear Wants to Sing*. Which instrument is your favorite? What household items can you turn into an instrument?
- How do you feel when others don't wait for their turn? What do you do when someone else takes your turn?

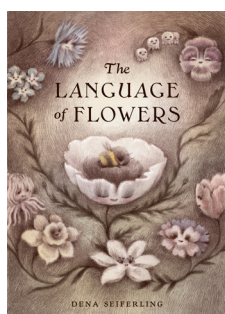
- Host a singing contest with your family or friends, asking them to perform their version of Bear's song or making up their own song.



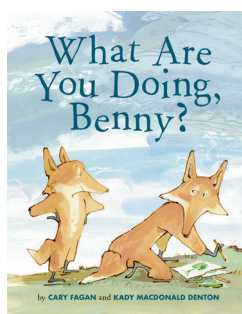
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ACTIVITY

Try to come up with your own song about what makes you unique. Then, write a song about a friend and what makes them unique. Which one was easier to write and why?



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