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PICTURE BOOKS ABOUT THE OUTDOORS

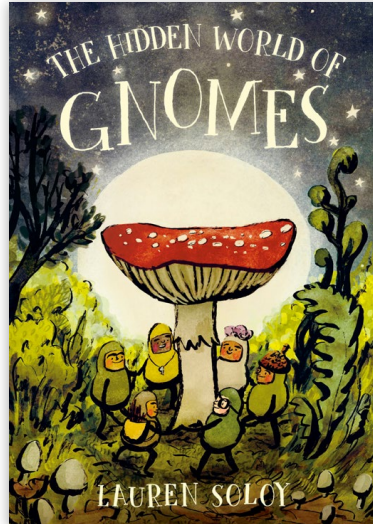


I'M AFRAID, SAID THE LEAF

written by Danielle Daniel
illustrated by Matt James

A touching, playful exploration of empathy and interdependency from an acclaimed author and illustrator.

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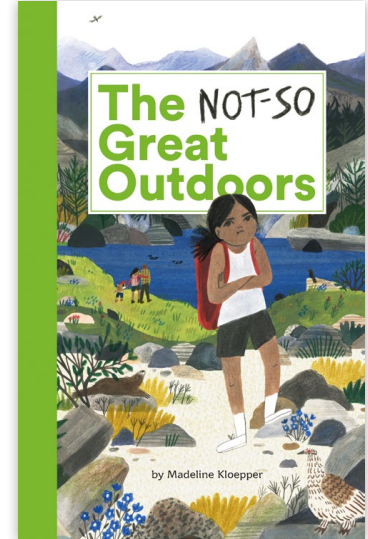


THE HIDDEN WORLD OF GNOMES

by Lauren Soloy

A delightful introduction and collection of facts about the secret lives of gnomes that will charm and fascinate readers of all ages.

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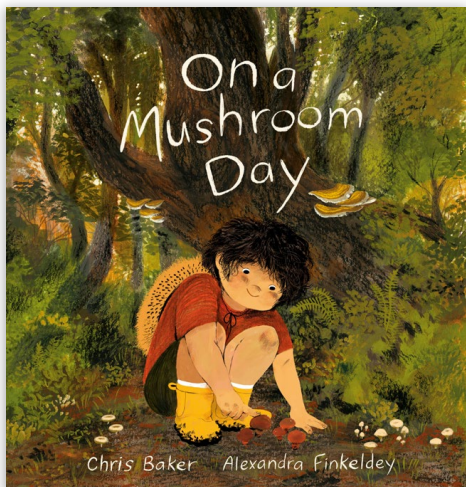


THE NOT-SO GREAT OUTDOORS

by Madeline Kloepper

A reluctant camper discovers that the (not-so) great outdoors can be just as exciting as screens and skyscrapers in this playful picture book celebration of the pleasures of unplugging and embracing nature.

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ON A MUSHROOM DAY

written by Chris Baker
illustrated by Alexandra Finkeldey

Take a magical walk through the forest and learn all about the wild beauty and wonder of mushrooms on this inspiring picture book journey!

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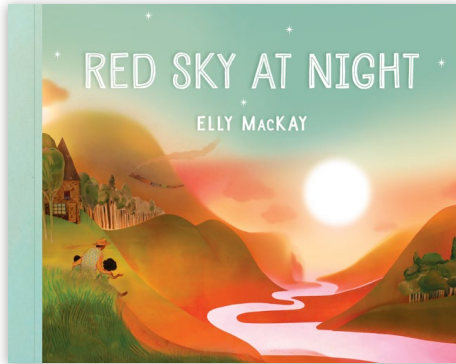
NOW? NOT YET!

by Gina Perry

Peanut and Moe are back, this time on a camping trip. Peanut wants to swim NOW, Moe says NOT YET! A sweet and cheerful book about overcoming differences.

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AGE: 3–7 YEARS • GRADE: PRESCHOOL–2

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RED SKY AT NIGHT

by Elly MacKay

A memorable collection of weather sayings, beautifully arranged in story form and illustrated by renowned paper artist Elly MacKay.

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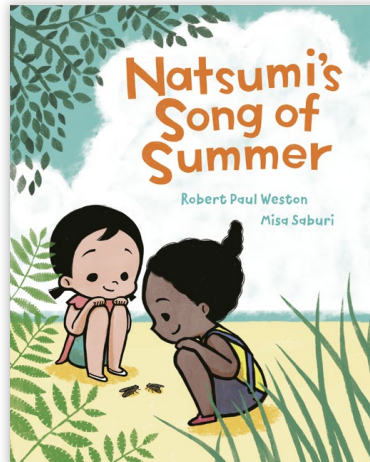


THE BUG GIRL

by Sophia Spencer,
the Bug Girl herself,
with Margaret McNamara
illustrated by Kerascoët

7-year-old Sophia Spencer was bullied for loving bugs until hundreds of women scientists rallied around her. Now Sophie tells her inspiring story in this picture book that celebrates women in science, bugs of all kinds and the importance of staying true to yourself.

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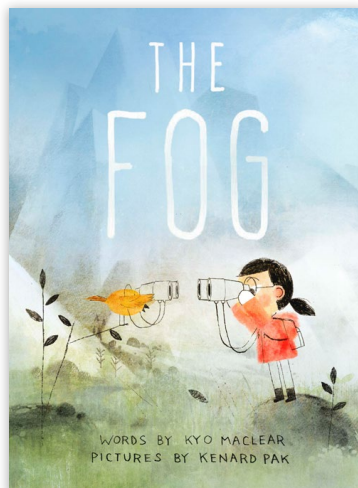


NATSUMI'S SONG OF SUMMER

by Robert Paul Weston
illustrated by Misa Saburi

This sweet and gentle picture book celebrates summer in Japan, as one little girl shares her love for bugs with her cousin who is visiting from America.

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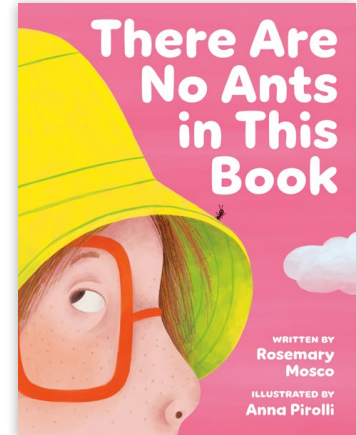


THE FOG

by Kyo Maclear
illustrated by Kenard Pak

A clever and whimsical environmental fable about a bird who is a human-watcher from a dynamic author-illustrator duo.

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AGE: 4–8 YEARS • GRADE: PRESCHOOL–3



THERE ARE NO ANTS IN THIS BOOK

written by Rosemary Mosco
illustrated by Anna Pirolli

Nothing can ruin a picnic faster than a bunch of ants. It's a good thing there are no ants in this book . . . well, maybe there's only one. Or two. . . . Or ten??

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AGE: 4–8 YEARS • GRADE: PRESCHOOL–3



THE GOLDEN GLOW

by Benjamin Flouw

Wes Anderson's *Fantastic Mr. Fox* meets Richard Scarry's *Best Word Book Ever* in this stylish picture book about a quest for a rare and mysterious plant.

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AGE: 4–8 YEARS • GRADE: PRESCHOOL–3

In *I'm Afraid, Said the Leaf*, all the animals, plants and fungi — and even a child — depend on one another and their environment for support. Help the leaf get to the tree so it's not alone anymore.

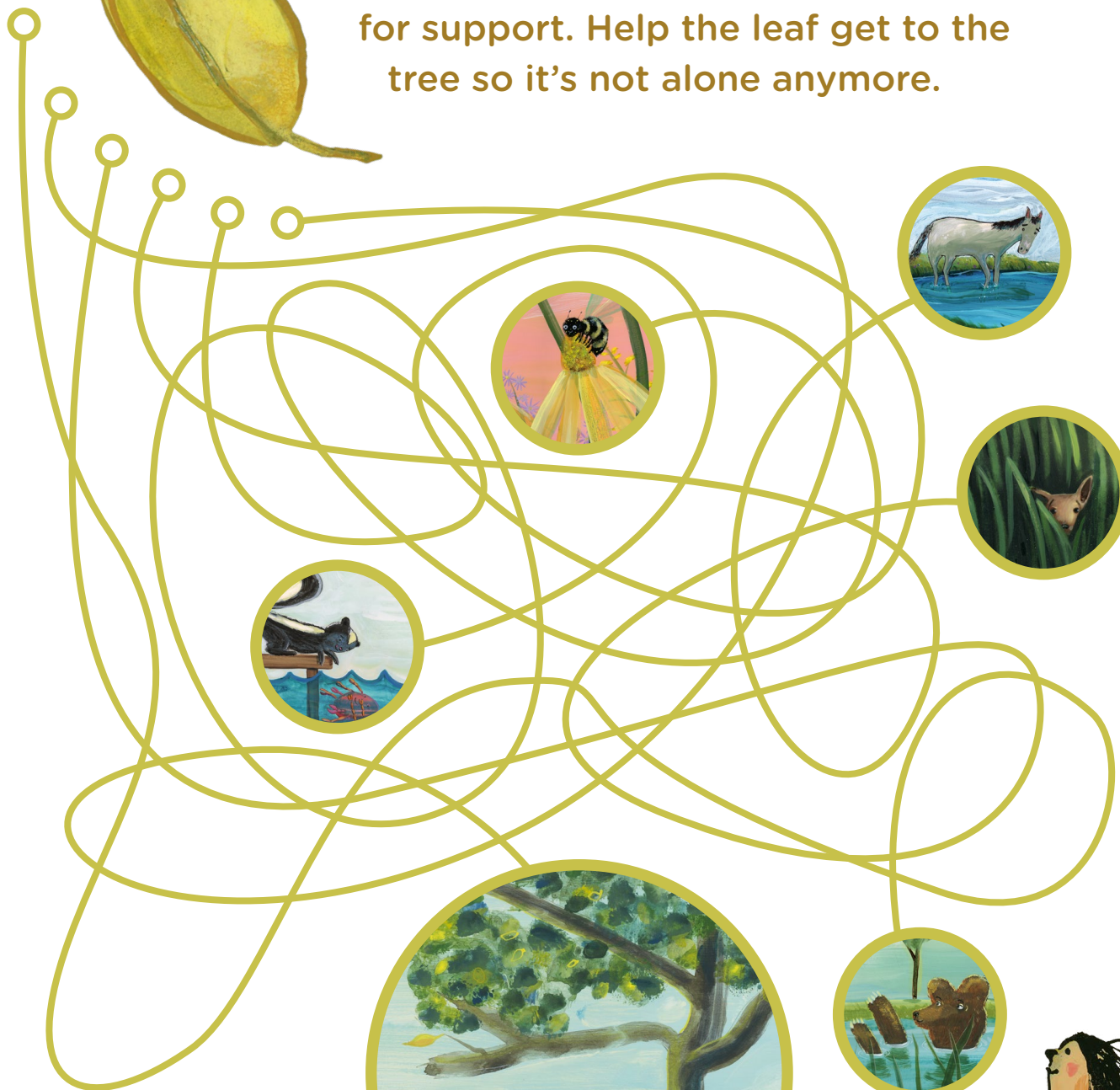


Illustration © 2024 Matt James from *I'm Afraid, Said the Leaf*



In *The Hidden World of Gnomes*, Mrs. Spider leaves the gnomes a “MESSAGE OF THE DAY.” Using the spider web below, leave your own message for the gnomes.



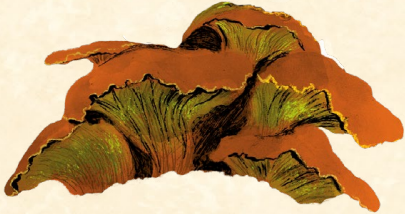
BINGO CARD

In *The Not-So Great Outdoors*, a reluctant camper discovers that the (not-so) great outdoors can be exciting. Embrace nature by filling out a row, column or diagonal line from this BINGO card.

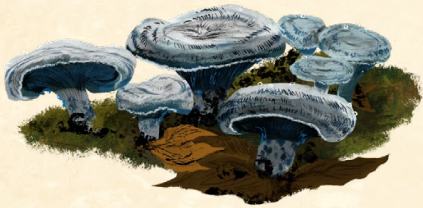


Illustrations © 2019 Madeline Kloepper from *The Not-So Great Outdoors*

During the adventure in *On a Mushroom Day*, the little kid and their mom come across many different types of mushrooms. Can you match the names of the mushroom to the mushroom?



1



2



3



4



5

A Lion's mane

grow in puffy clusters, sometimes decked with drooping white spines that give them a mane-like look. They emerge from wounds on hardwood trees like beech and oak.

B Vermilion waxcaps

are tiny mushrooms that glow red when the light catches them, usually growing in groups under oak trees.

C Destroying angels

are deadly poisonous to eat, but beautiful to look at. They are tall and white all over with a ghostly veil.

D Jack-o'-lanterns

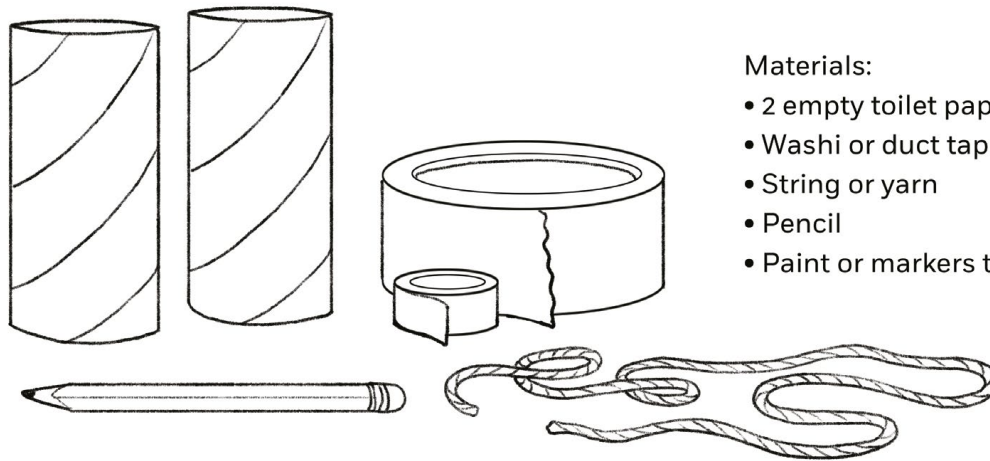
are highly poisonous mushrooms that grow in large, bright-orange clusters and will sometimes glow in the dark of night . . . hence their name!

E Indigo milkcaps

exude a brilliant blue latex ("milk") when their gills are damaged. They prefer oaks and pines as their host trees.

BINOCULAR VIEWS

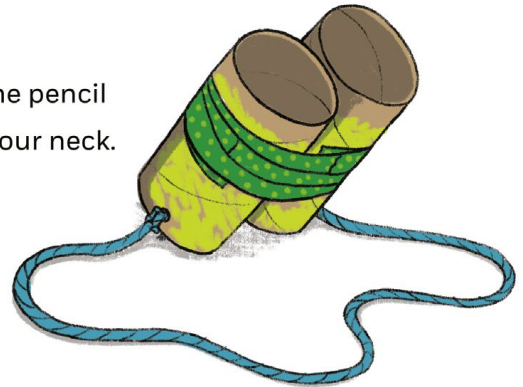
In *Now? Not Yet!*, Moe and Peanut pack a pair of binoculars when they go camping. Here's how you can make your own:



Materials:

- 2 empty toilet paper rolls
- Washi or duct tape
- String or yarn
- Pencil
- Paint or markers to decorate (optional)

1. Decorate your binoculars and let dry.
2. Tape the two rolls together.
3. Have an adult poke holes on the outside of each roll with the pencil and tie string through each, long enough to hang around your neck.
4. Now go outside and look for birds and animals!



WORD SEARCH

In *Red Sky at Night*, the family has to pay close attention to the clues in nature to determine the weather. Look carefully to find these key words in weather folklore in the word search below.

U K R B A Q J X R A I N Y T R
I S N F M L A S V J P E T Y S
T O S V L S S R P X O R K N R
Q J G Y Q C K E W I A V Z U Z
L A D Y B U G S A I H A U F T
C X D I E X S E N B G S C I U
Z W Y O R Q C S I H I H V S O
D G I S G O R F S X X R K H R
H N G N D Z Q T K M Q V D E T
R L U R D J A W I X J V P S U
B D X R I C Y E A V X A N S L

Look carefully to find these key words in weather folklore.

CATS

LADYBUGS

SHIPS

WIND

FISHES

RAIN

TROUT

FROGS

SEABIRDS

TRAINS

TANKA POEMS

Natsumi's Song of Summer is written in a series of tanka poems.

A tanka is a traditional Japanese poem with five lines and thirty-one syllables. The first three lines follow the same pattern as a haiku (5-7-5), but a tanka has two additional lines, each with seven syllables. For example:

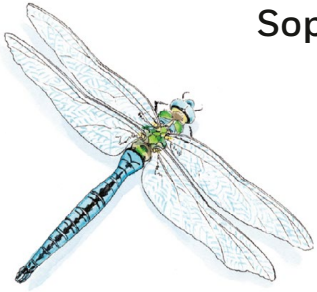
***Natsumi's story
was written in a series
of tanka poems.***

***If you enjoyed it, perhaps
you could write your own.***

Write your own tanka poems on the lines below:

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IDENTIFY BUGS



Sophia Spencer also wrote *Sophia's Big Book of Bugs* in the back of *The Bug Girl*. Based on the bugs you've seen, fill in the categories below.



Biggest bug: _____

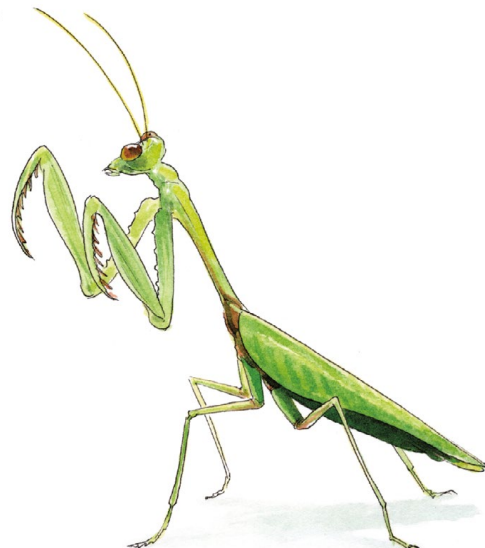
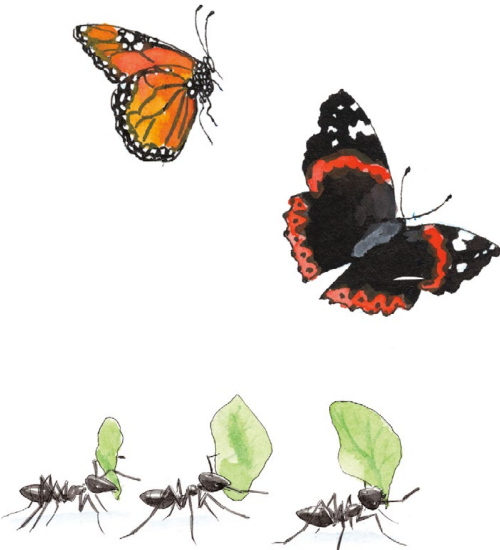
Prettiest bug: _____

Smartest bug: _____

Fastest bug: _____

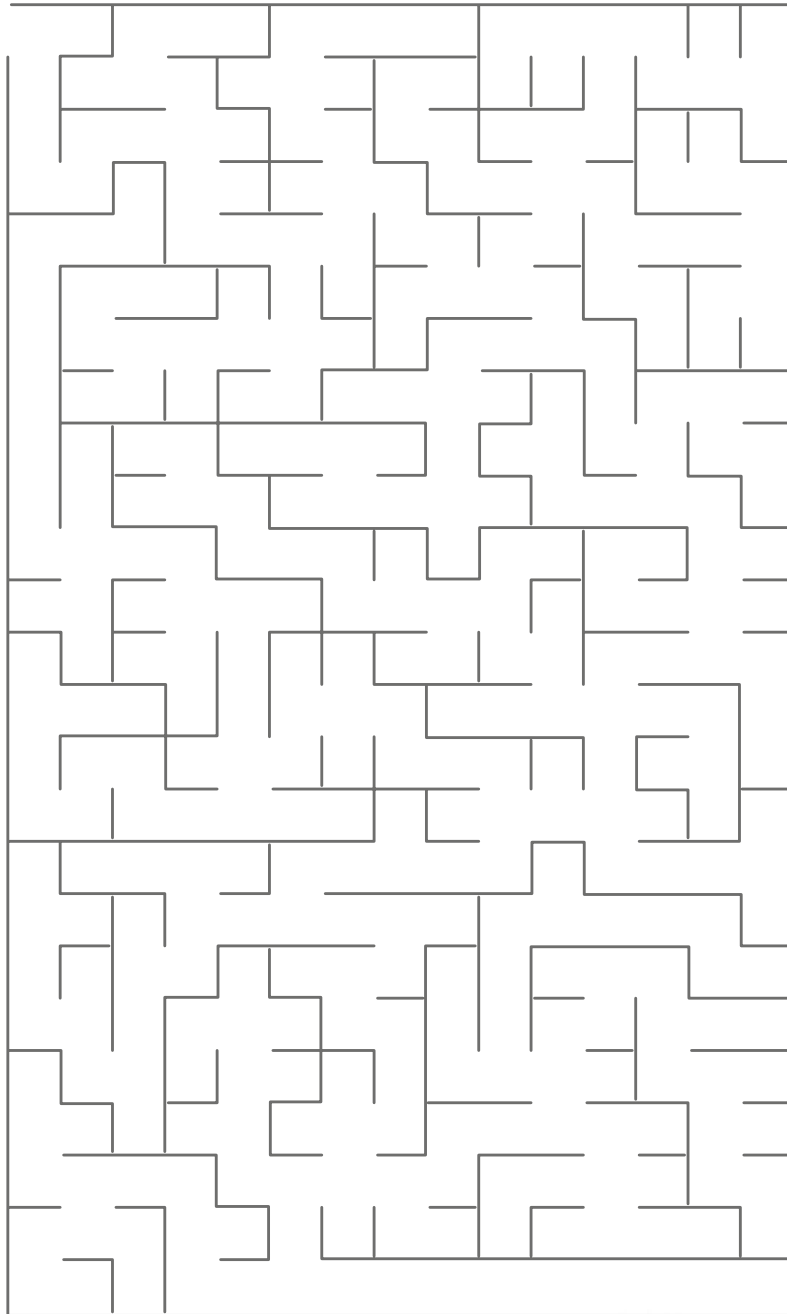
Favorite bug: _____

Grossest bug: _____



A FOGGY MAZE

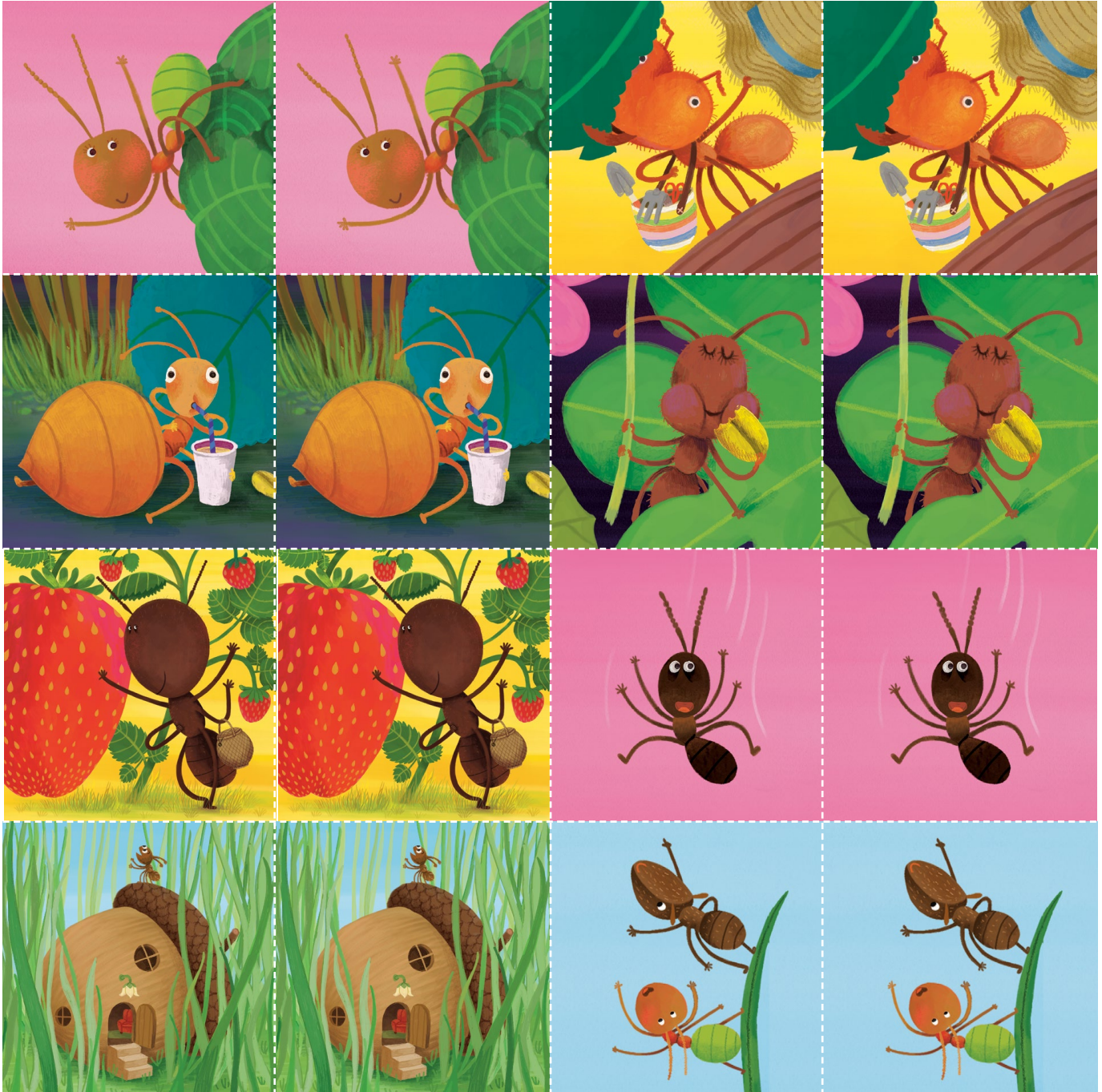
In *The Fog*, Warble is a small yellow warbler who lives on the beautiful island of Icyland, where he pursues his hobby of human watching. But on a warm day, a deep fog rolls in and obscures his view. Help Warble find a path out of the fog to his new friend!



Matching Game

In *There Are No Ants in This Book*, there are lots of different ants! Cut out the cards below. Shuffle the cards and lay them face down in rows on the table.

The first player turns over 2 cards. If the pictures match, the player keeps the cards and tries again for another match. If they do not match, the cards are turned over again and the player to the left takes a turn.



COLORING SHEET

In *The Golden Glow*, Fox enjoys drawing the flower he finds.

Fill in the flower with your favorite colors, then label
the parts of the flower with your pencil.

