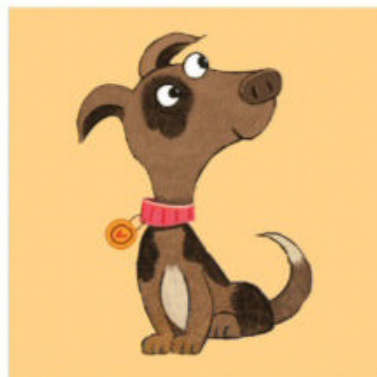


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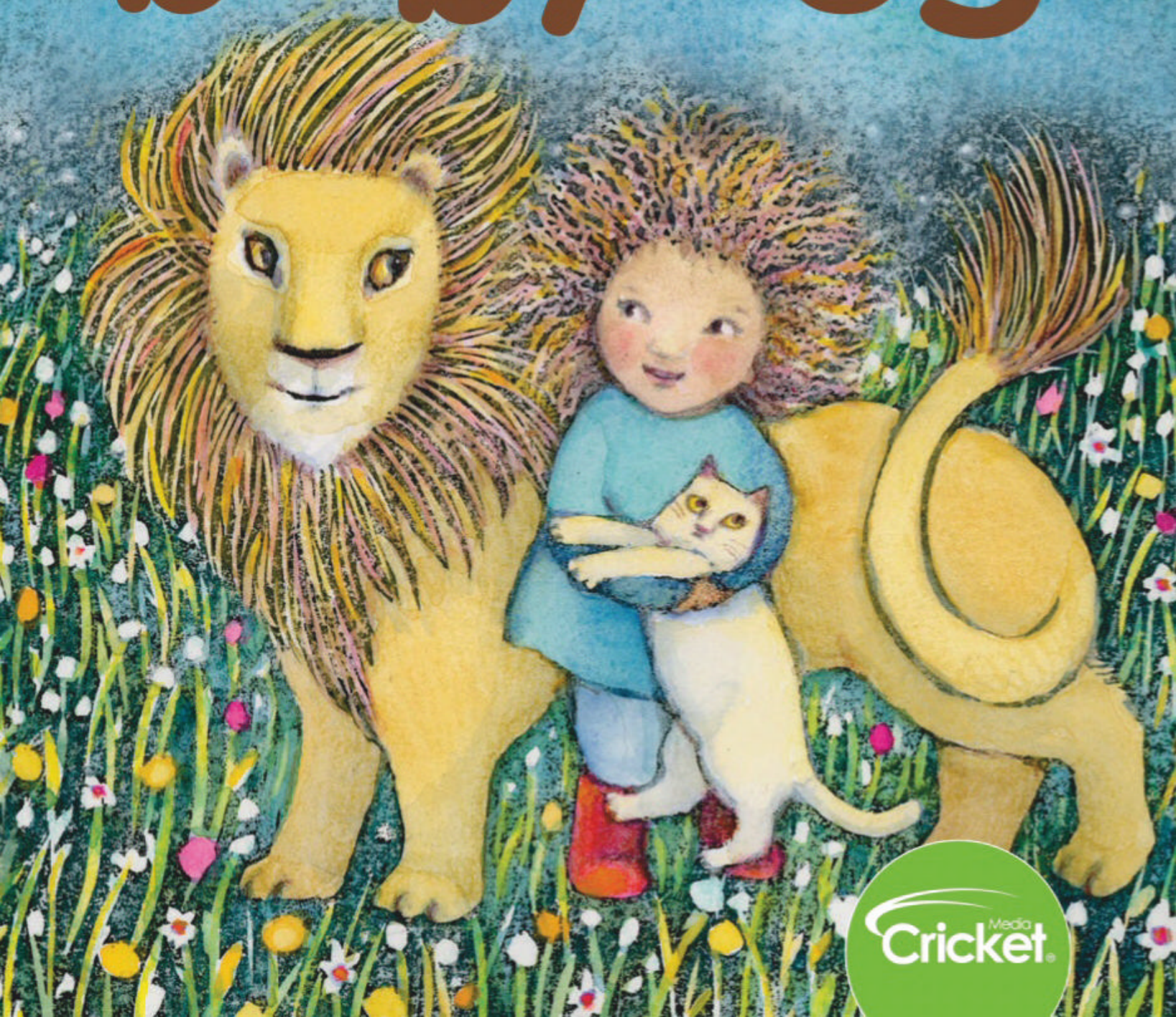
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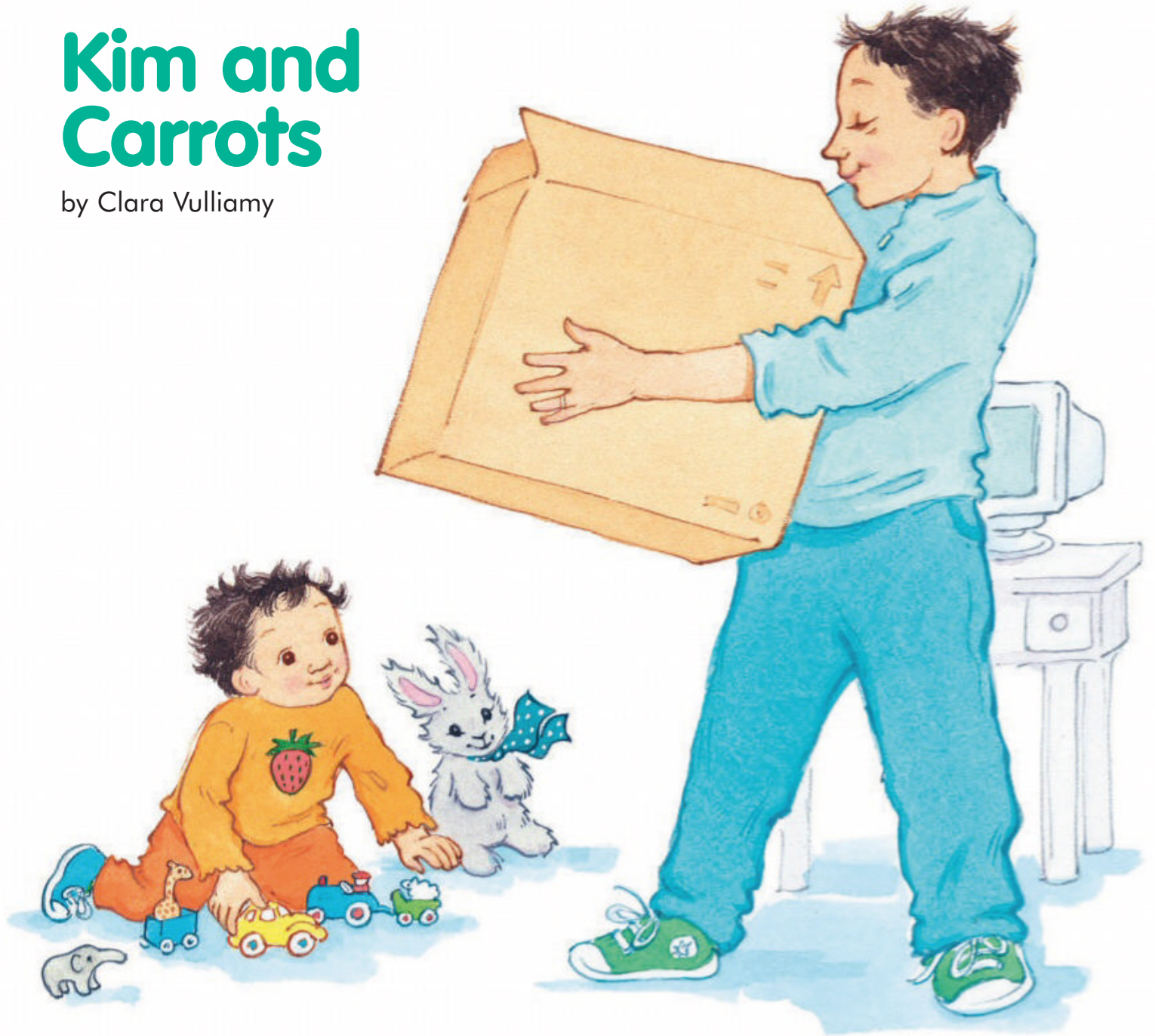
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Kim and Carrots

by Clara Vulliamy



Daddy brings a box for Kim
and Carrots to play with.



Kim draws a door
and some windows.



Now Kim and Carrots have
a little house, just for them!



Add a flag made from Kim's
broom and a dishtowel . . .

and now Kim has a boat!



Kim sees Carrots,
all alone on an island in the sea.

Follow me to the Guide for Caregivers!



All aboard, Carrots!
Let's sail across the sea!

Tunnel of Fun

by Heidi Bee Roemer
Art by Cinta Villalobos

Tracy and Trevor are hiding.
But where?
They're inside the tunnel
at Daisy's Daycare.



Tracy and Trevor,
what do they do?
They poke out their heads
and shout, “Peekaboo!”



A FIRST CONCEPT

GOODBYE, WINTER

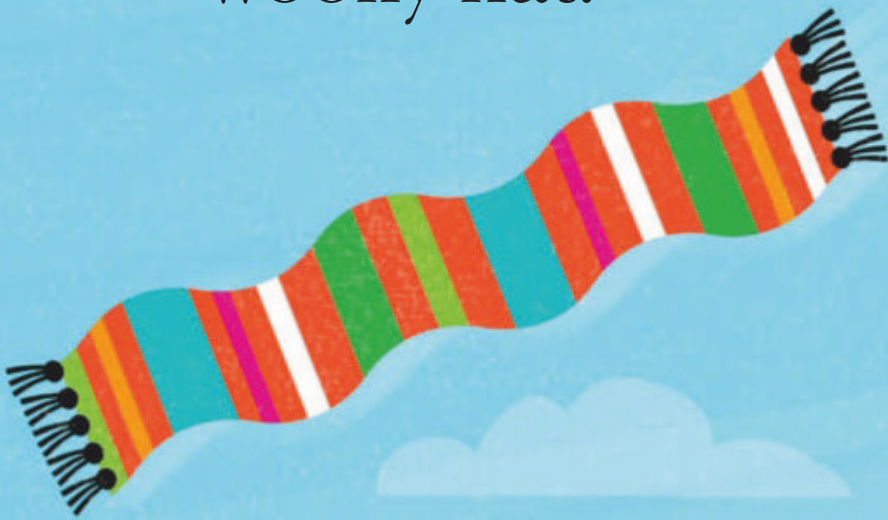
by Katelyn Thomas
Art by Michelle Berg



Goodbye,
woolly hat.



Goodbye,
cozy boots.



Goodbye,
fuzzy scarf.



Goodbye,
red mittens.

Goodbye,
purple coat.



Hello, spring!

Baby Dance Party

by Jenner Porter  Art by Susan Miller



Let's have a baby dance party,
Let's wiggle all around.



We'll dance until we're tired,
Then tumble to the ground.



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The Chorus

Even though
they have no words,
my favorite songs
are sung by birds.



by Eileen Sheridan
Art by Nancy Cote



My Stump

by Pamela Love
Art by John Sandford

There's a stump in my yard.
I sit on it and watch the clouds.





It's a table for a tea party.



When I stand on it, I'm a giant!

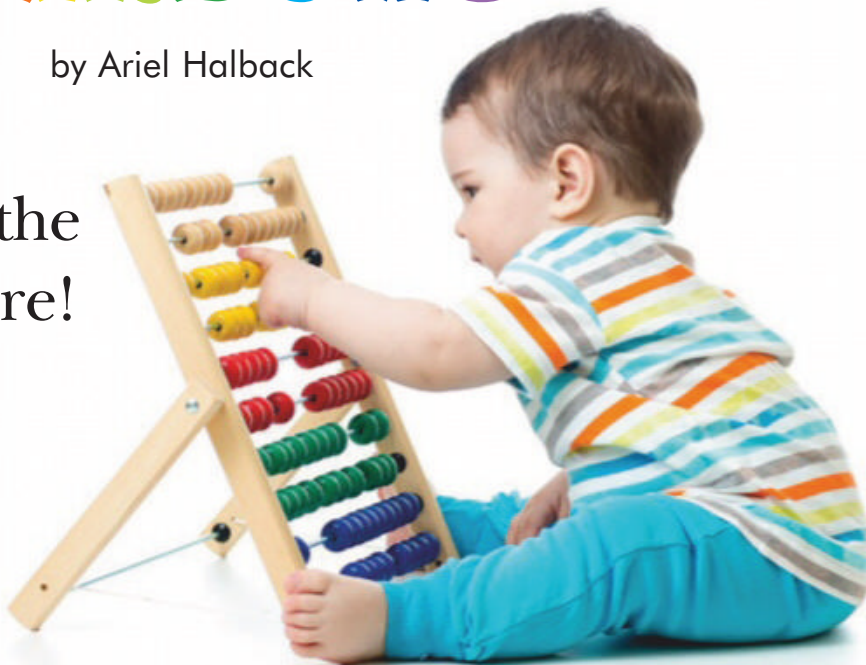


LET'S EXPLORE Rainbows

by Ariel Halback

I see the colors of the
rainbow everywhere!

Rainbow beads to
slide and rainbow
blocks to click.





Rolling rainbows and rainbows that make music!

Rainbow rings stack up
so high.



My car rides a rainbow
ramp to the sky!



If I Were a Lighthouse

If I were a lighthouse
And you were a ship at sea
I'd shine my light
through the night
Till you returned to me.



by Charles Ghigna
Art by Kristina Swarner



BABYBUG is for babies who love to be read to—and for adults who love to read to them. Here are a few tips to help you get the most out of this “let’s pretend” issue of BABYBUG.

1. Kim and Carrots: Playing with your toddler is important, of course. But you can also support play as you go about your own routine. Simply watch and then offer additional materials based on what you notice. In this story, Daddy brings out a big box and sets a basket of chalk close at hand. After seeing Kim draw windows and a door, Daddy makes a tea set and comfy pillows available. Once pretending to live in a little house begins to wane, Daddy rekindles Kim’s interest in playing with the box by offering something new, a flag. Kim



is free to use the play materials, or not, and also free to decide their meaning. Experience in making choices matters, both in play and in life.

2. The Chorus: In early spring, when branches are still bare, birds are easier to see. Put a simple bird identification book with good clear photos near a window, or take it along when you go outdoors. Eventually, your child might begin to identify various birds such as the bright red cardinal in this selection.

3. If I Were a Lighthouse: This poignant verse contains a heartfelt parenting truth good for all the years ahead. Memorize its comforting words for yourself as well as for your child.

—Sally Nurss, M.Ed



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