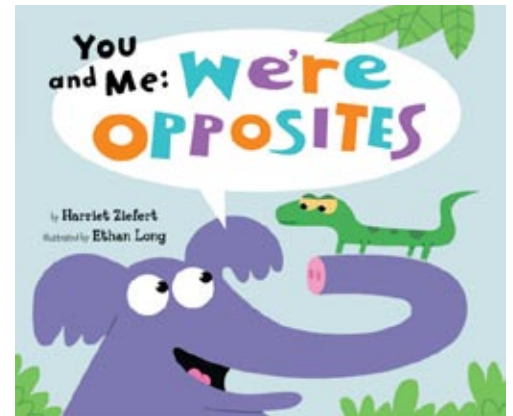
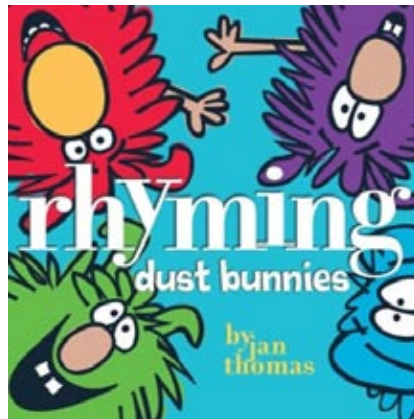
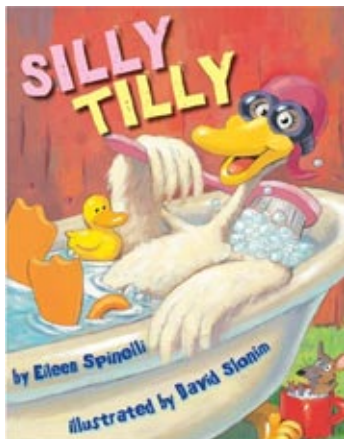
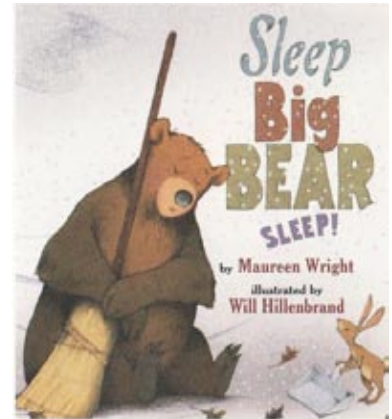
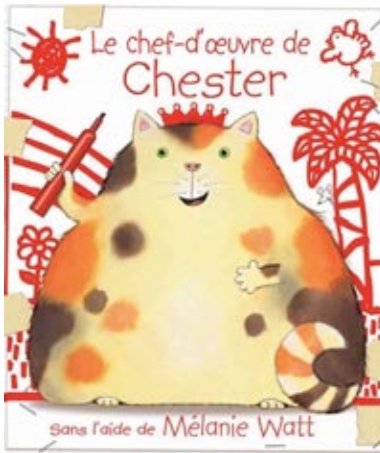


# Cast Your Vote

## For the 2010 Regional Chair Early Years Niagara Literary Award 2010 Shortlist



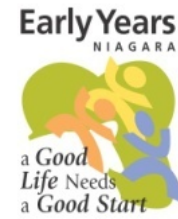
The Regional Chair Early Years Niagara Literary Award is intended to draw attention to the value of reading with children in their early years and the need for quality books for this age group.

Families are encouraged to read the finalists together before voting online at [www.earlyyearsniagara.org](http://www.earlyyearsniagara.org), or by paper ballot at public libraries, Ontario Early Years Centres, and regionally operated child care centres throughout Niagara. Voting is from September 13 - November 12, 2010.

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## Regional Chair Early Years Niagara Literary Award



### **Birds** by Laura Dronzek

Published: 2009

ISBN: 978-0-06-136305-4

Publisher: Greenwillow Books

Summary: Birds come in all sizes, shapes, and colors. Birds are magic. Birds are everywhere. If you listen very carefully you will hear them, no matter where you live. And if you look very closely you will see them, no matter where you are. And if you can't go outside right this minute, you can always read this book!

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### **Rhyming Dust Bunnies** by Jan Thomas

Published: 2009

ISBN: 978-1-4169-7976-0

Publisher: Simon & Schuster

Summary: As three dust bunnies, Ed, Ned and Ted, are demonstrating how much they love to rhyme, a fourth, Bob, is trying to warn them of approaching danger.

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### **Silly Tilly** by Eileen Spinelli

Published: 2009

ISBN: 978-0-7614-5525-7

Publisher: Marshall Cavendish Corporation

Summary: Tilly drives the other barnyard animals crazy with her silliness, but after gruffly telling her to stop, they discover that they miss her old ways.

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### **Sleep Big Bear, Sleep!** By Maureen Wright

Published: 2009

ISBN: 978-0-7614-5560-8

Publisher: Marshall Cavendish Corporation

Summary: As winter comes and Big Bear prepares to hibernate, he keeps thinking he hears Old Man Winter giving him exhausting orders that prevent him from sleeping.

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### **You and Me: We're Opposites** by: Harriet Ziefert

Published: 2009

ISBN: 978-1-934706-48-0

Publisher: Blue Apple Books

Summary: In this lighthearted opposites book, the toucan wants to let the anteater know which one of them is up and which is down. The flamingo thinks she's nice . . . and that the gorilla is grouchy. And the giraffe is peering over the fence to let the penguins know he's tall and they're short.

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### **Le Chef-d'oeuvre de Chester** by Mélanie Watt

Published: 2010

ISBN: 978-1-4431-0145-5

Publisher: Édition Scholastic

Summary: Chester revient en force! Cette fois, le turbulent et vaniteux chat est déterminé à créer son propre livre, sans l'aide de Mélanie! Il a même caché les pinceaux, la peinture et la souris d'ordinateur de l'auteure! Débordant de confiance, Chester se met au travail. Mais les mots ne lui viennent pas facilement! Serait-il atteint du syndrome de la page blanche? / Chester's finally ready to write his own masterpiece — he just needs to get pesky writer-illustrator Mélanie Watt out of the way. Chester's solo attempts at storytelling are messy, to say the least, but he's determined to go it alone. But where's his story going? After several alternative (but always unhappy) endings, Chester is confronted by a problem he never bargained for.