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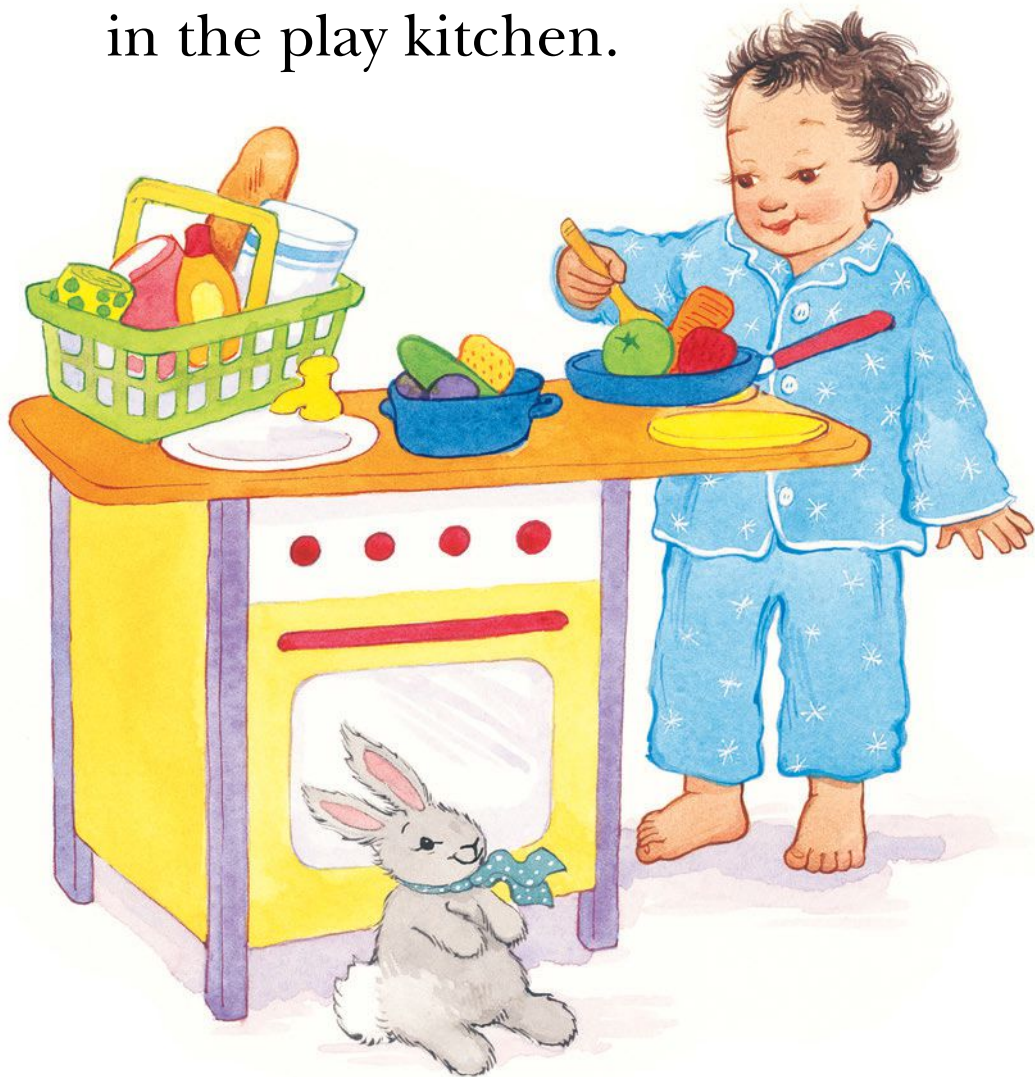
Kim and Carrots

by Clara Vulliamy



It is morning, and Carrots is hungry!

Kim cooks breakfast
in the play kitchen.



Would you like a drink, Carrots?



Now Kim is hungry, too.

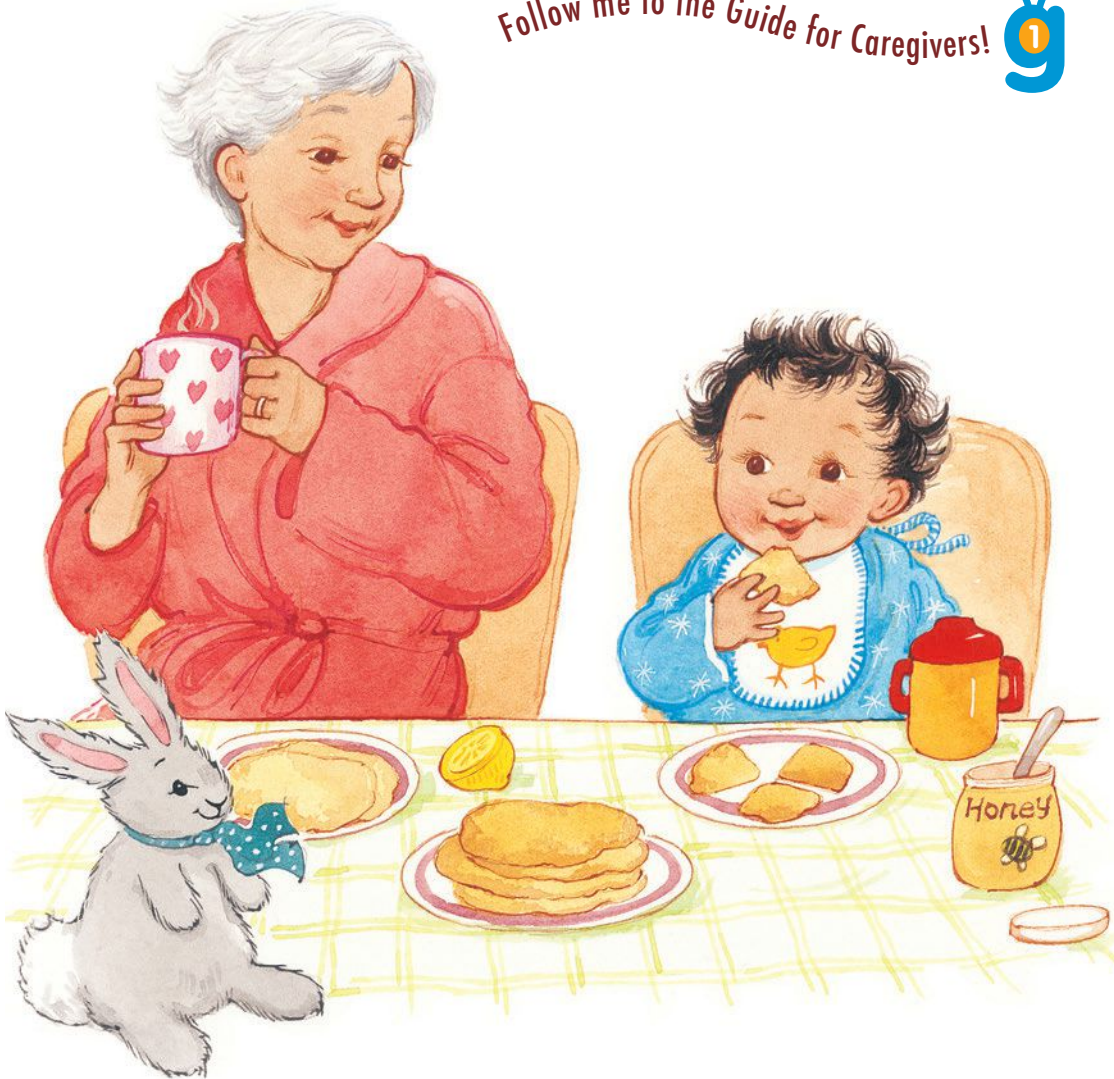
Where is Grandma?





Grandma is cooking breakfast.
Careful, Carrots—it's hot.

Follow me to the Guide for Caregivers!



Yummy, pancakes...Kim's favorite!

Lion Yawn

by Sunny Dée

Art by David Creighton-Pester

Stretch your jaw
with a great big yawn,
The lion way to
greet the dawn.





Pull-Toy Parade

by Cathey J. Widell
Art by Chiara Fiorentino

The pull-toy parade
comes out of the sack,
Goes down the hallway,
and then comes back.

Whir and pop and clickety clack!





FUNNY FACE

by Ellen Javernick
Art by Beth Ann Bogert



Touch your ears,



Wiggle your nose,



See how far out
Your tongue goes.



Raise your eyebrows,
Show me a grin,



Open your mouth,
And I'll put some food in.





LULU'S Laundry

by Lura Sanborn

Art by Leah Danz

Pop! Daddy opens a round door
on the square machine.

Glug, glug. He pours blue soap.
In go the clothes.





Clink, clink.
Daddy drops
in coins.

Beep, beep.
He presses
buttons on
the front.



Swoosh, swoosh. The laundry bubbles
and spins.



I smell the air, warm and clean.
A steamy clean, made by the whirring
laundry machine.



A FIRST CONCEPT

My Blocks

by Tina Twito ❁ Art by Mette Engell



I like to stack my blocks so high:
First one, then two, then three, then four.

But most of all I love to push them—
Crash! onto the floor.





LET'S EXPLORE

Nighty Night

by James Walter



A tickle and a scrub,

A warm towel after
the tub,

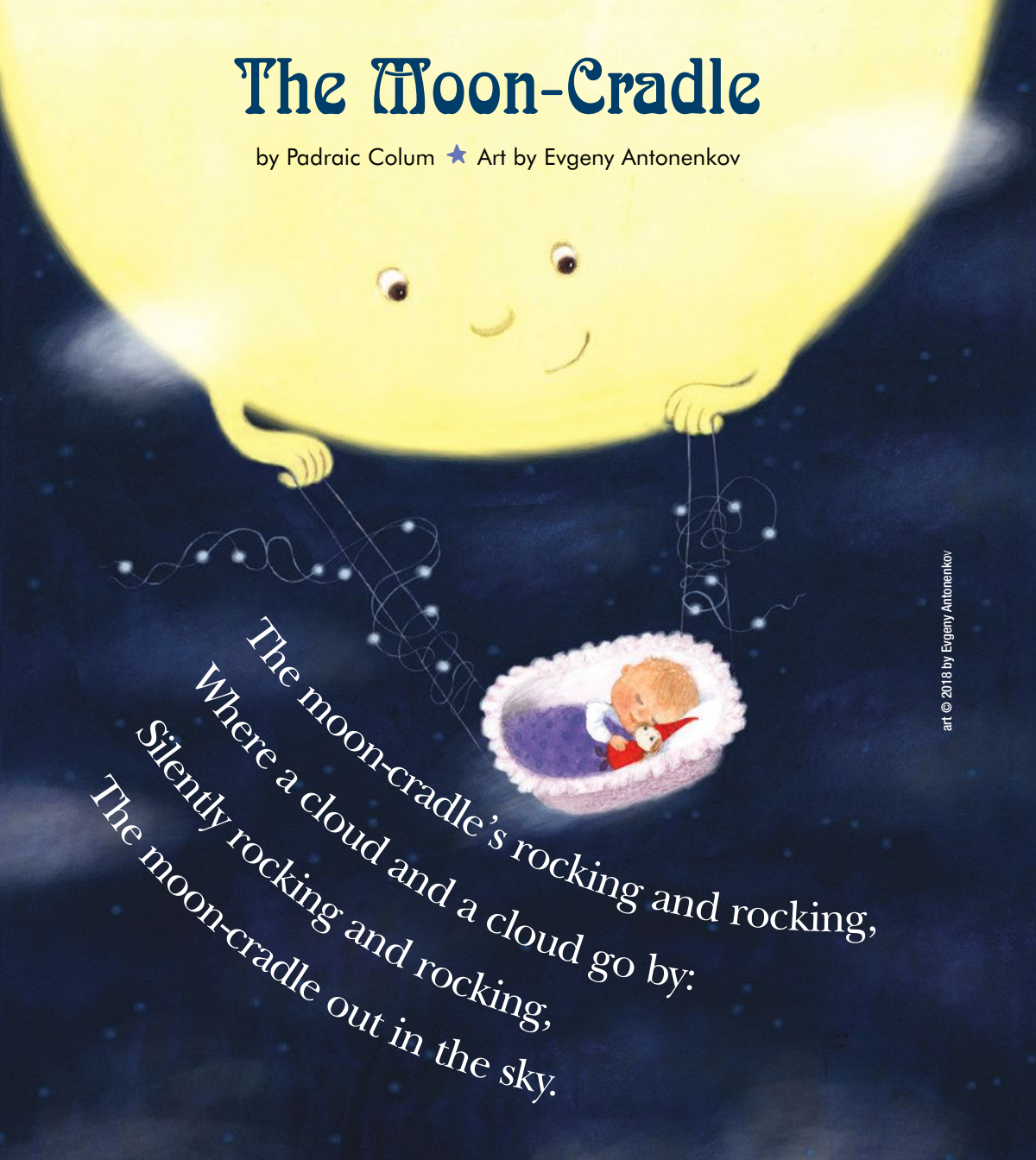
Feeling fresh
and clean!



Now teeth are bright,
Sweet dreams tonight.

The Moon-Cradle

by Padraic Colum ★ Art by Evgeny Antonenkov



The moon-cradle's rocking and rocking,
Where a cloud and a cloud go by:
Silently rocking and rocking,
The moon-cradle out in the sky.



guide for caregivers



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 “play day” issue of BABYBUG.

1. Kim and Carrots: Kim delights in some pretend cooking in a toy kitchen while Grandma fixes breakfast. You can make a simple stove for your child by turning a cardboard box upside down and sketching in burners and knobs. You could even cut a door in one side for an oven. Add your smallest pots and pans, a few plastic bowls, wooden spoons, and maybe a pancake turner, and you are ready to play. Toys needn't be elaborate or expensive to be fun and worthwhile.

2. Pull-Toy Parade: Once your child has mastered push-toys, offer pull-toys. Turning around to check on a pull-toy's progress while walking and holding a cord

requires slightly more toddler coordination and balance. To make your own, tie a curtain ring to a 12" string. Tie the other end to a shoebox so a teddy bear can have a ride. Or put plastic balls in a coffee can for a clickety-clack, down-the-hall-and-back toy. (The cord can easily be attached to the lid after poking holes in it.)

3. LuLu's Laundry: Circles come naturally to toddlers—stirring with a spoon develops into drawing circles with a crayon. Together, explore running your fingers around the many circles in this story.

– Sally Nurss, M.Ed.



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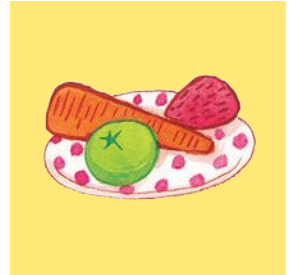
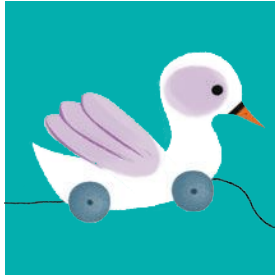
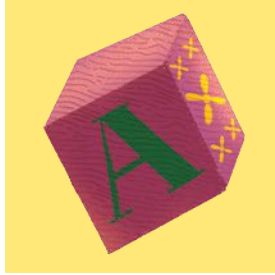
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