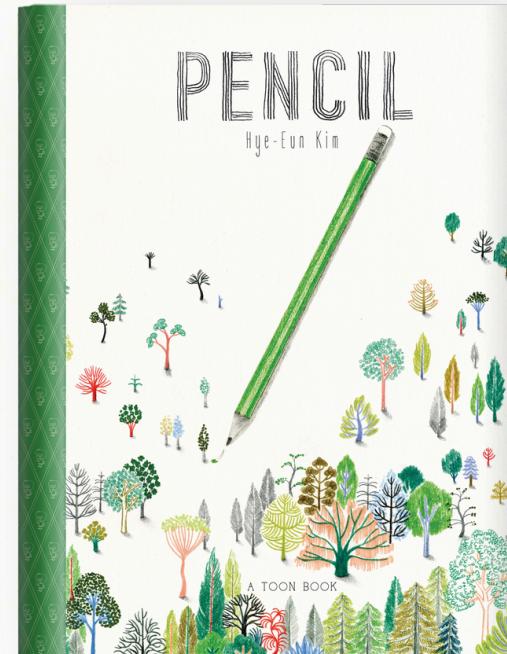


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How to read a silent book

- 1 Start by creating a quiet space. Try going through the story silently for the first read. Encourage those present to handle the book and turn the pages.
- 2 Encourage re-reading. Then have readers speak about their interpretations and responses to the text. Let young readers point things out. Listen to what happens.
- 3 Encourage everyone (yourself included) to communicate with both verbal and non-verbal responses. Coax young readers into saying and miming what they see and imagine. Take turns miming, working in groups. Try being the girl drawing or a tree growing or being drawn.
- 4 Ask the question: what other everyday objects, like a pencil, are around you? Encourage readers to imagine their prior lives. (Hints: anything made from wood or bamboo, perfume, erasers or rubber bands, silk or cotton, foods, etc...)
- 5 When you close the book, have a moment of silence to give everyone the space to reflect on the experience. Follow up by having readers tell imagined stories of everyday objects.

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