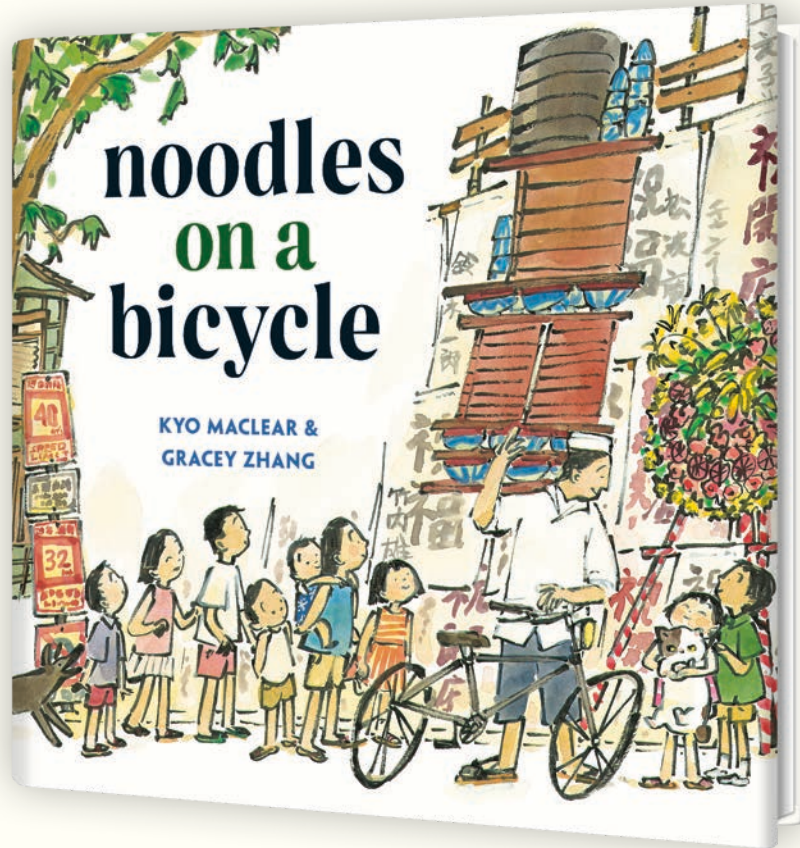


Noodles on a Bicycle

Storytime Activities



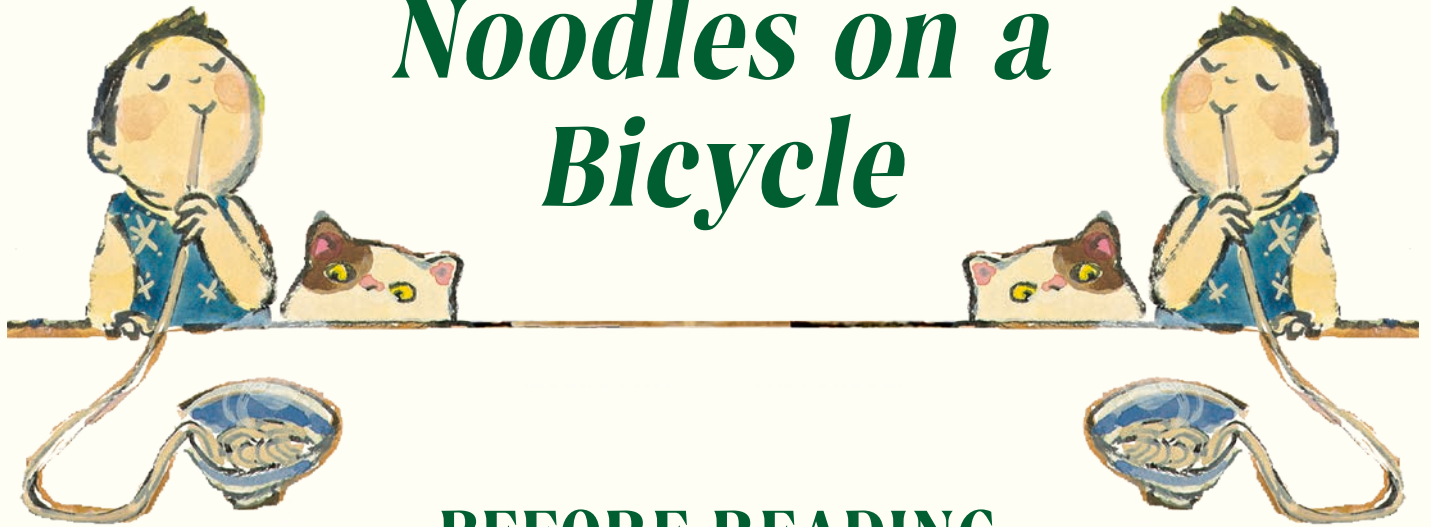
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ABOUT THE BOOK

A vibrant historical picture book about Tokyo's bicycle food deliverers, or demae, who balanced towering trays of steaming hot noodles on their shoulders while navigating crowded city streets. This beautifully crafted, visually exciting story by a powerhouse author and illustrator team is sure to be adored by food lovers, young and old.

Discussion Questions for *Noodles on a Bicycle*



BEFORE READING

Hold up a copy of *Noodles on a Bicycle* and ask the storytime readers if they have ever ordered food to their home, and if they have, what is their favorite kind of food to order?

AFTER READING

Ask readers to describe the bustling streets that the deliverers must ride through to make their deliveries. Would they like to try delivering noodles in Tokyo?



SEEK AND FIND!

Cross off any items below that appear in the story—not everything listed below will be found in the book.

Geta
(Japanese Sandals)

Kids

Oven

Microwave

Bowls

Kimono
(Traditional Garment)

Giraffes

Rocks

Bats

Cars

Cat

Zebras

Lions

Soy Sauce

Rugs

Flowers

Kite

Bicycles

Flag

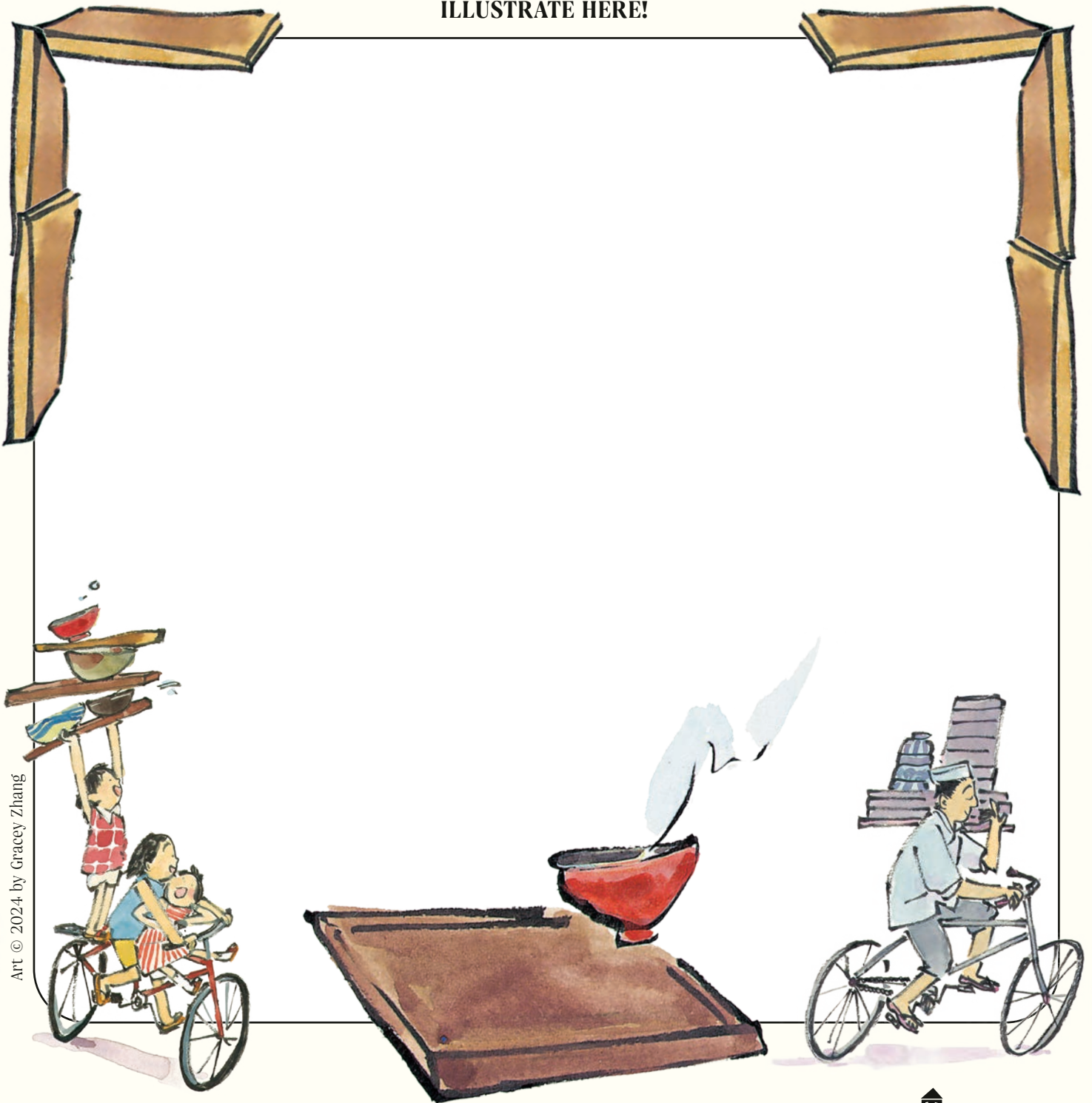
Rabbits



DRAW YOUR OWN STACK OF NOODLE TRAYS AND WOODEN SOBA BOXES

Ask readers to look at the spread on page 5-6. Then ask them to draw their favorite bowls of food in stacks like the picture. Encourage them to make it colorful and to use more than one type of food.

ILLUSTRATE HERE!



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