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The Night World Gerstein, Mordicai

2015. \$18.00 hc. New York: Little, Brown and Company (Hachette Book Group, Inc.). 978-0-316-18822-7.

This is a story that is told by its pictures just as much as by its words. The book's main characters are a boy and his cat named Sylvie, who leads him through the shadows of night to see the coming day with all the other expectant animals. While much of the dialogue is from Sylvie and the other animals, it is written in a very natural, earthy way. Gerstein's pictures artfully illustrate the eye's perceptions, both in the hushed activity in the night and the invading color brought in the morning. This simple book could likely be enjoyed by kids in a range of ages, especially if connected with their own experiences through reading it at home as bedtime story or otherwise.

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