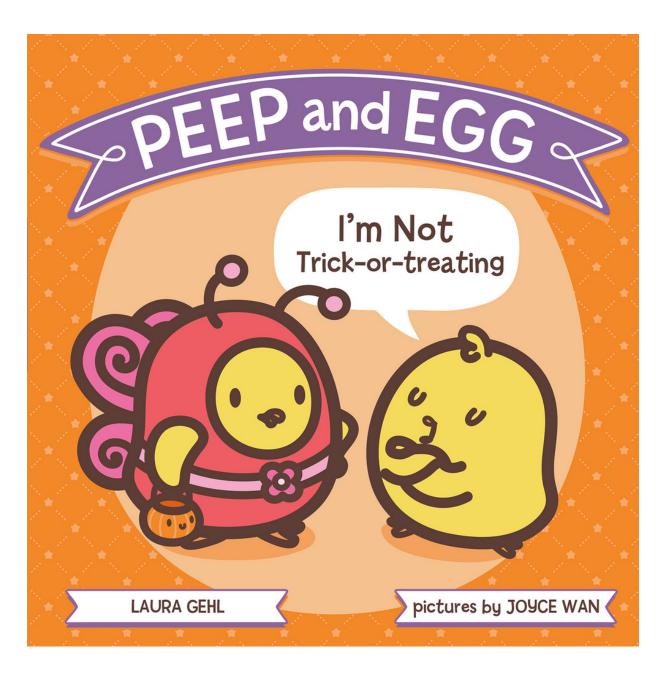
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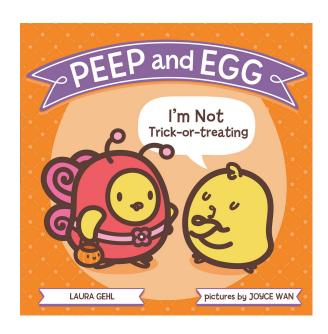
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PEEP AND EGG: I'M NOT TRICK OR TREATING

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Peep is so excited to go trick or treating with Egg! But Egg is *not* trick or treating! No way. No how. With monsters, witches, and mummies lurking around every corner, it is just too scary out there.

Can Peep find a way to convince Egg that trick or treating is not so frightening with someone you love by your side?

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Peep and Egg: I'm Not Trick or Treating can be a fun writing prompt in your classroom. After you read the book aloud, here are a few ideas to use with students to spark writing and conversations.

- 1) Peep and Egg wear coordinated Halloween costumes. Peep is a butterfly, while Egg is a caterpillar. Challenge your students to make a list of other coordinated Halloween costumes that would be fun for siblings or friends to wear. Some possibilities include salt and pepper, ketchup and mustard, or milk and cookie. For an extra challenge, see if students can come up with ideas that work especially well for an older sibling and a younger sibling, the way a butterfly and a caterpillar work for Peep and Egg. A seed and a flower, a tadpole and a frog...how many examples can your students think of?
- 2) Peep tells Egg Halloween jokes to help Egg feel less scared. What other strategies can your students think of for helping a friend or younger sibling who finds Halloween frightening?
- 3) As a class, brainstorm a list of "scary" Halloween characters—monsters, zombies, etc. Then work with your students to make each character less scary by adding nontraditional traits. How about a monster who loves to sing songs from Disney movies, or a zombie who wears a rainbow bikini?
- 4) For many kids, the best part of trick or treating is the CANDY. Ask your students to invent their own Best Halloween Candy Ever. Would it be a dark chocolate bar studded with white chocolate chips in the shape of a skull? Or a lollipop that looks like an eyeball, with an oozing red center that tastes like cherry cola? Anything goes!

- 5) Even though many kids find trick or treating fun, there are plenty of kids who are scared by Halloween in general and trick or treating in particular. Can your students make a list of other activities that are fun for some kids but scary for others? Rock climbing? Horseback riding? Ziplining?
- 6) **Peep and Egg: I'm Not Trick or Treating** is the second book in the Peep and Egg series, following **Peep and Egg: I'm Not Hatching**. Talk with your students about what a series is, and make a list of other series that your students enjoy. Tell students that all of the Peep and Egg books have the words "I'm Not" in the titles. Ask your students to make up their own "I'm Not" titles. I'm Not Eating Vegetables! I'm Not Cleaning My Room! Maybe even...I'm Not Doing My Homework!

