

## Annotated Bibliography

Cronin, D., & Lewin, B. (2000). *Click, clack, moo: Cows that type*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers.

Farmer Brown tries to run a tight ship, but when the cows get a hold of the old typewriter, demands begin. As if the cows' demands aren't enough, the hens and other animals make their lists and go on strike to keep solidarity with the cows. Only third party negotiations will help (although Duck isn't exactly the neutral party you might imagine). Frivolous fun!

Cronin, D., & Lewin, B. (2002). *Giggle, giggle, quack*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers.

Farmer Brown and his farm animals are back for another silly tale. When the Farmer leaves for vacation, his brother, Bob, takes over. He is instructed to keep a "close eye" on Duck. Little does he know, Duck can use a pencil! Once again, the animals take over with bubble baths, fuzzy towels, *moovies*, and pizza. Great fun for all ages!

Cronin, D., & Bliss, H. (2003). *Diary of a worm*. New York: Joanna Cotler Book.

Cronin teams up with a different illustrator, Harry Bliss, for her new Worm Diary. A worm's life may not be so different from ours...except that his friends are spiders, he eats his own homework, and he tells his sister that her head looks like her rear. Turns out, a worm's life isn't so easy, after all.

Cronin, D., Lewin, B., Potash, D., & Simon and Schuster Books for Young Readers (Firm),. (2004). *Duck for President*. New York: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers.

When Duck grows tired of doing his own chores, he stages an election to oust Farmer Brown. Realizing that being a farmer is too much work, he moves on to higher offices. Watch the hilarity ensue as Duck ultimately decides to run for president. A fun book to spark debates during an election year!

Cronin, D., & Bliss, H. (2005). *Diary of a spider*. New York: Joanna Cotler Books.

Now Worm's friend, Spider, has his own story. It seems not many people really take the time to get to know spiders, but now they can possibly relate to one tiny guy. Hearing his fears (shoes) and seeing what he's proud of (his molted skin at show and tell), may just give readers a new appreciation for their arachnid neighbors.

Cronin, D., & Menchin, S. (2005). *Wiggle*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers.

Teaming up with yet another great illustrator, Scott Menchin, Cronin introduces a rollicking pup with exuberance that preschoolers can relate to. The first in a series of three "moving" books, Doreen widens her audience with a simply delightful story.

Cronin, D., & Bliss, H. (2007). *Diary of a fly*. New York, N.Y.: Joanna Cotler Books.

We may have warmed up to worms, and even spiders, but can Cronin get us to actually LIKE a FLY? It seems she can! The red bow and superhero aspirations really do add to Fly's appeal. And who wouldn't feel for a girl with 327 siblings? Fly may just end up being the hero we've been looking for...

Cronin, D., & Lewin, B. (2008). *Thump, quack, moo: A whacky adventure*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers.

As the annual corn maze approaches, Farmer Brown has BIG plans for his own corn maze creation. As he and the other animals work tirelessly, Duck hatches a plan of his own! Wait until you see what he pulls off. Another fun adventure with Cronin's irresistible farm friends.

Cronin, D., & Menchin, S. (2009). *Stretch*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers.

Now that you've Wiggled, make sure to Stretch! Pup is back - bending into all kinds of cool poses. He can stretch with a giraffe, an elephant, and even a leopard! Great illustrations and subtle yoga references make this a super read for toddlers and preschoolers!

Cronin, D., & Menchin, S. (2010). *Rescue Bunnies*. New York: Balzer + Bray.

Cronin has come up with yet another lovable set of animal friends. These darling bunnies attempt to rescue a giraffe stuck in mud. When attempts fail and hyenas get in close, a Code Red is called. The littlest bunny, Newbie, realizes that Code Red means drop the rescue and RUN. She steps in *all alone* to save the day. Filled with quippy move one-liners, adults and kids will enjoy this daring rescue.

Cronin, D., & Cornell, L. (2011). *M.O.M. (Mom Operating Manual)*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers.

If you have a M.O.M., you will want this operating manual! All you need to know for the daily care and maintenance of your model. Plenty of Do's and Don'ts to ensure you will not have any minor malfunctions, like heavy sighs and groans. Be sure to avoid a **major malfunction**, where your instructions are similar to someone encountering a wild grizzly. Keep your mom safe and happy and she will perform like a...well...a MOM.

Cronin, D., & Cornell, K. (2011). *The trouble with chickens: A J.J. Tully mystery*. New York, NY: Balzer + Bray.

J.J. Tully wants nothing more than a little rest after his career as a search and rescue dog, but a persistent mom wants his help finding her chicks. His need for cheeseburgers overrides his desire to rest, and he takes the case. See what trouble these "popcorn on legs" creatures cause him in Doreen Cronin's first chapter book.

Cronin, D., & Lewin, B. (2013). *Click, clack, boo!: A tricky treat*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers.

Farmer Brown may love the corn maze, but he does *not* love Halloween. Witches, pirates and jack-o-lanterns are more than he can take. But that doesn't stop the farm animals from throwing a huge costume party. I'll bet you can't guess who has the best costume?? **Quack.**

Cronin, D., & Cornell, K. (2014). *The Chicken Squad: the First Misadventure*. New York: Atheneum Books for Young Readers.

They have been around since JJ Tully took his first case, but now they have struck out on their own. Meet the “shortest, yellowest, fuzziest detectives in town.” They are convinced they have the case of the century... a possible UFO problem. With JJ narrating and keeping a distant, yet watchful eye, they are bound to find some trouble.