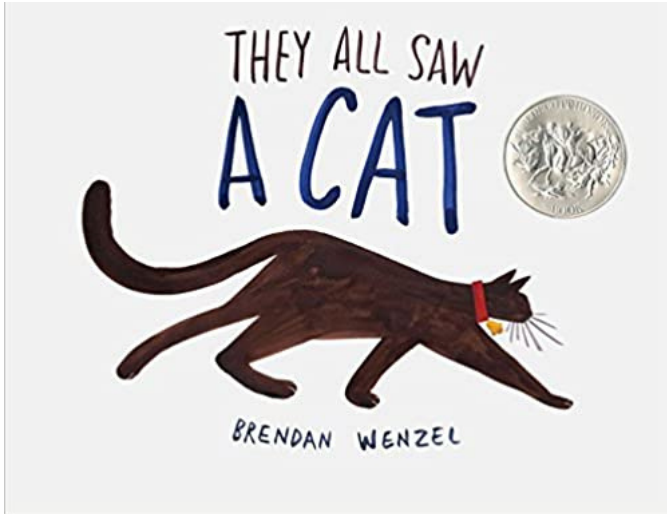


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Readers use strategies to make sense of what they read.

Everyone can be a reader and writer.



GATHER MATERIALS

- Your Reader's Notebook or a piece of paper
- Writing and drawing tools: pencil, pen, pencil crayons, or any other mark making tool you want to try.

READ, THINK, RESPOND

Listen [here](#) to author/illustrator Brendan Wenzel discuss the inspiration behind his picture book *A Stone Sat Still* and hear what he hopes readers of all ages takes away from it. In his book, *They All Saw A Cat*, he shows us the many lives of one cat, and how perspective shapes what we see. When you see a cat, what do you see?

Read along with his books:

- [They All Saw A Cat](#)
- [A Stone Sat Still](#)
- [Hello, Hello](#)

Here are two books that he has beautifully illustrated and that show his desire to protect and conserve wild places and creatures.

- [Some Bugs](#)
- [Life](#)

In your reader's notebook, write something about any of his books and or his illustrations. What captured your attention? Why? What do you imagine he wanted readers to think about?

