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Sally Mallam, Publisher
Hoopoe Books
P.O. Box 176
Los Altos, CA 94022

Dear Sally,

We have recently received 2,000 copies of several titles of books for distribution to teachers, parents and preschoolers through our Literacy Caravan projects in Connecticut and New York. I want to thank you and express my overwhelming appreciation for the look, feel, and most importantly the content of those books.

These books share not only wonderful folk stories from a region not often represented in current children's literature, but there is also an innate potential in these books for supporting skills such as prediction, critical thinking, and social/emotional development skills of demonstrating empathy and conflict resolution. This is all done with humor, bold attractive art, and a strategic use of vocabulary.

I look forward to sharing these books with the thousands of educators, parents and children that we expect to visit on the Literacy Caravan within the coming year. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Laurie R. Noe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

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