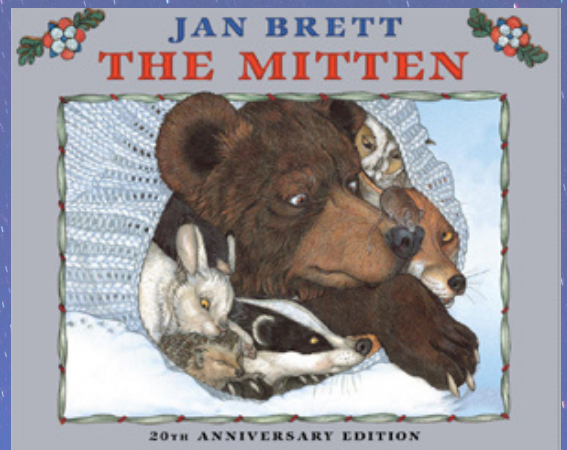


# Awaking Wonder

Jan Brett



## READ:

Jan Brett is an American author and illustrator of children's books. Her whimsical, detailed illustrations encourage children to read and reread her engaging stories. Gather several of her books, and read them with your children. Pay attention to elements like the frames around her pages and the clues she gives to show what will happen next in the story.

## FOLK TALE:

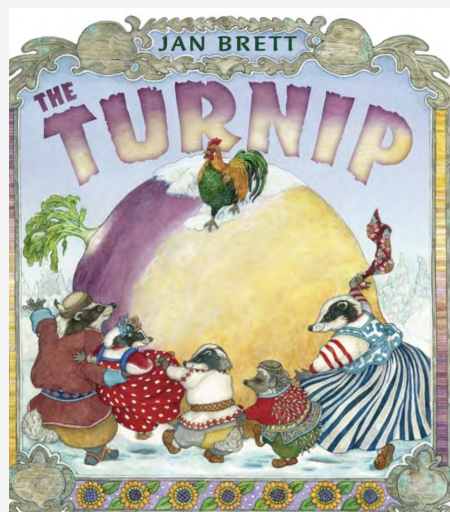
Many of Brett's books are based on folk tales from different countries she has visited. A folk tale is a story that has been passed down orally from generation to generation. Brett's illustrations include details about the traditional clothing and architecture in the place her stories are set. Does your family have stories that have been passed down? Share them with your children.



## COMPARE:

Find books Brett and other authors wrote that tell the same story. *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* and *The Mermaid* are one example of the same story. Compare the stories. What kind of variation would you create?

## WAY 15:



Study Way 15 in *Our 24 Family Ways*. In many of Brett's stories like *The Mitten* and *The Turnip*, the characters work together to help each other. How can you inspire a spirit of cooperation in your home? Are there tasks that your family can work on together? Is there a way you can work together to help others?