

# p.e. sampler

• **"Patriots, Pirates, Heroes & Spies: Stories from Historic Philadelphia"**

edited by Sandra Mackenzie Lloyd (Grosset & Dunlap, \$9.95). Historic Philadelphia, Inc., is in charge of this book that chronicles 20 favorite stories heard from the Once Upon a Nation storytelling benches. Hear about real people who led exciting lives in our region in this must-have book for kids. For more, visit [www.historicphiladelphia.org](http://www.historicphiladelphia.org).

• **Busy Ball Choo Choo**

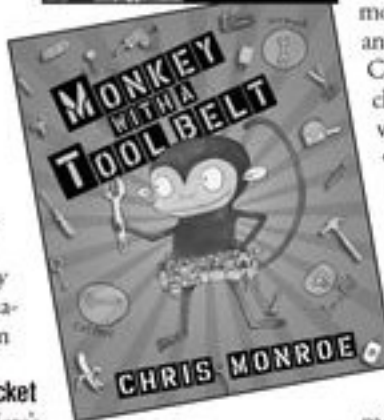
(Playskool, \$19.99). This ball-dropping toy train will have your little one (ages 9 months+) giggling and exploring as it swirls the brightly colored balls around. When the train moves, its sounds and tunes keep your baby following along.

• **"Monkey with a Toolbelt"**

by Chris Monroe (Carolrhoda Books, \$16.95). You've never met a monkey like Chico Bon Bon, the tool carrying, hammer wielding, invention making hero of this story. Fun illustrations accompany the crazy story of a little monkey who has a very imaginative way to escape from the circus!

• **Remote Control Rocket** (SmartLab, \$19.99) Here's a chance for your child ages 8+ to have some real rocket fun using an everyday chemical reaction, a two-piece rocket and a battery-powered electronic remote control launcher. Comes with a "Mission to Mars" book by Paul Beck that tells everything an astronaut on their way to the red planet should know!

• **Kid Motion Easy Dunk Basketball** (Playskool, \$14.99) Ages 3+ can enjoy basketball at their level



with this new item that hangs on a doorknob or handle. It's the perfect height for preschoolers, allowing them to do lay-ups, jump shots or

dunks. • **"Saturn for My Birthday"** by John McGranaghan and illustrated by Wendy Edelson (Sylvan Dell, \$16.95). For his birthday, Jeffrey wants Saturn, but he's willing to share the ringed planet and its 47 moons. Learn facts about the planet while you see how Jeffrey plans to care for it.

• **KABOOST portable chair booster**

(KABOOST, \$39.95) This lightweight but durable product (can hold up to 300 pounds) is a quick solution to chairs that are too low for your young one. With two height positions (the same as standard booster seats) the product stays attached to the chair even when it's moved. Snaps on in second and no assembly required. Comes in green, gray and chocolate. Information at [www.kaboost.com](http://www.kaboost.com).

• **Mythic Non-Toxic Paint** (Mythic Paint, various prices). The first and only high performance paint that guarantees zero volatile organic compounds and zero carcinogens. Safe for the environment and proven to outperform all other premium paint lines. Available in an over 1200-color palette. More information at [www.mythicpaint.com](http://www.mythicpaint.com) or 888-714-9422.

• **Bright Beginnings items** (RUSS Kids, various prices). A series of plush toys, perfect for your baby.

Includes: **Activity Princess Castle**, with removable characters that rattle and squeak; **Bright Buddies Activity Doll**,



which zips, buttons and ties; **Jiggle Brights**, an animal plush that rattles; **Giggling Piggy Booties**; and **animal wrist wrap**. All are soft, with bright colors and smiling faces.

• **Recess Monkeys' "Tabby Road"** (Monkey Mama, \$15). With this follow-up to the successful two-disc adventure, "Wonderstuff," the Seattle band creates more music children can love. The disc includes recordings where children sing live at two Seattle shows. The new CD is an kinder-

garten/elementary school take on life, with such topics as: loose teeth; circle time; cupcakes for someone's birthday; and more zany, brainy creativity.



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