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Piper Crow and her brother Otto like to play together. Otto likes twirling yellow pipe cleaners while he spins, and he likes to play outside, go to story time at the library, and to sell yellow lemonade to the neighbors. Otto wears the same yellow sweatpants and yellow T-shirt every day and will do naughty things if you try to give him a shirt that is red or pants that are blue. Otto loves to swing higher and higher at Pinecone Park, to eat at the Organic Worm, and to get bear hugs from his dad.

Follow the adventures of this lively little crow and learn that even though he sometimes acts differently than other kids, he is really just a little crow who likes to play, learn, have friends, and be loved—just like you and me! This book is a wonderful tale about how love, acceptance, and a little understanding go a long way in helping us all see the world in a brighter shade of yellow.



My Brother Otto

My name is
Piper Crow.



This is my brother
Otto Crow.
We like to play together.



Otto and I like to sell
lemonade to our neighbors.
Yellow lemonade—not the pink kind.



He wears the same
yellow sweatpants
and yellow T-shirt
every day.



Sometimes Otto needs someone
to help him stop his swing.



Dad says that's because Otto gets
so excited and feels like he is flying—



and who would want to stop flying?

Otto plugs and unplugs his ears
as the library lady speaks in different
character voices.

This makes me giggle because he looks
like he's not listening.





Every night
after dinner and bath time,
Mom and Dad tuck us in bed.



They kiss our foreheads,
give Otto a shoulder squeeze,
and turn off the light.



Sometimes Otto may act differently
from other kids, but he really is
just a little crow who likes to play, learn,
have friends, and be loved—



just like me!



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