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As if plucked from dreamscapes, the swirling paint illustrations of this picture book will sweep children away into a magical tale about the power of books. A curious bear sets out in search of a place to belong, bringing only her copy of *Bear's Big Book of Being Wise*; with it, she helps creatures she meets along the way, forging new friendships. Ultimately, her book guides her to a place where even her boundless curiosity can be satisfied.

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