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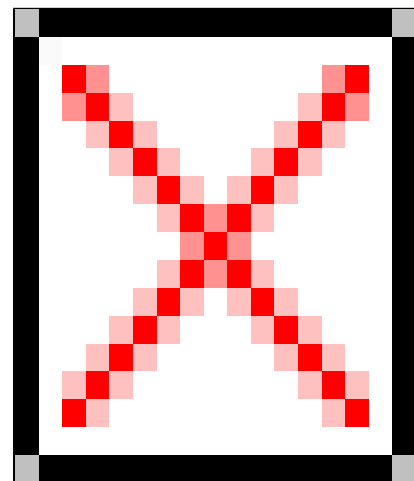
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This book should be shared by all children everywhere! It is a powerhouse of super silly scenarios to delight all readers, and will show the endless possibilities in the world of the imagination. ?What would happen if you showed a T-Rex a book? Well, she won't know what to do with it, will she?? But teach that dinosaur to read, and the world indeed becomes her oyster. She can travel far and wide, through time and space, and become very, VERY clever! She might tire of being a dinosaur and may become an artist, a doctor, architect, computer scientist or an astronaut? even become Prime Minister! Oh yes, and in this last role, she would have libraries everywhere! And she would want all her friends to learn to read too. Then what would happen? Can you imagine? The child that begins this laugh-out- loud adventure has a vivid imagination that shows there really are no limits to where one can go, in a creative mind. The playful text is illustrated with great attention to detail in gloriously vibrant colours, the partnership between the author and illustrator is perfect. Each feature is outlined in black then painted in water colour and acrylics, the whole embellished using Photoshop. In the girl?s imagination we see a huge variety of objects, from carrots to trumpets, from planets to pirate ships; and readers can see the titles of the books T-Rex borrows from the library range from Funny Poems to Beowulf, from Coppelia to Mega Maths, from football to origami. No wonder she becomes so clever! This is a book to travel far and wide, to linger long over, one that all teachers and librarians will want to share liberally, proving the transformative power of books.

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