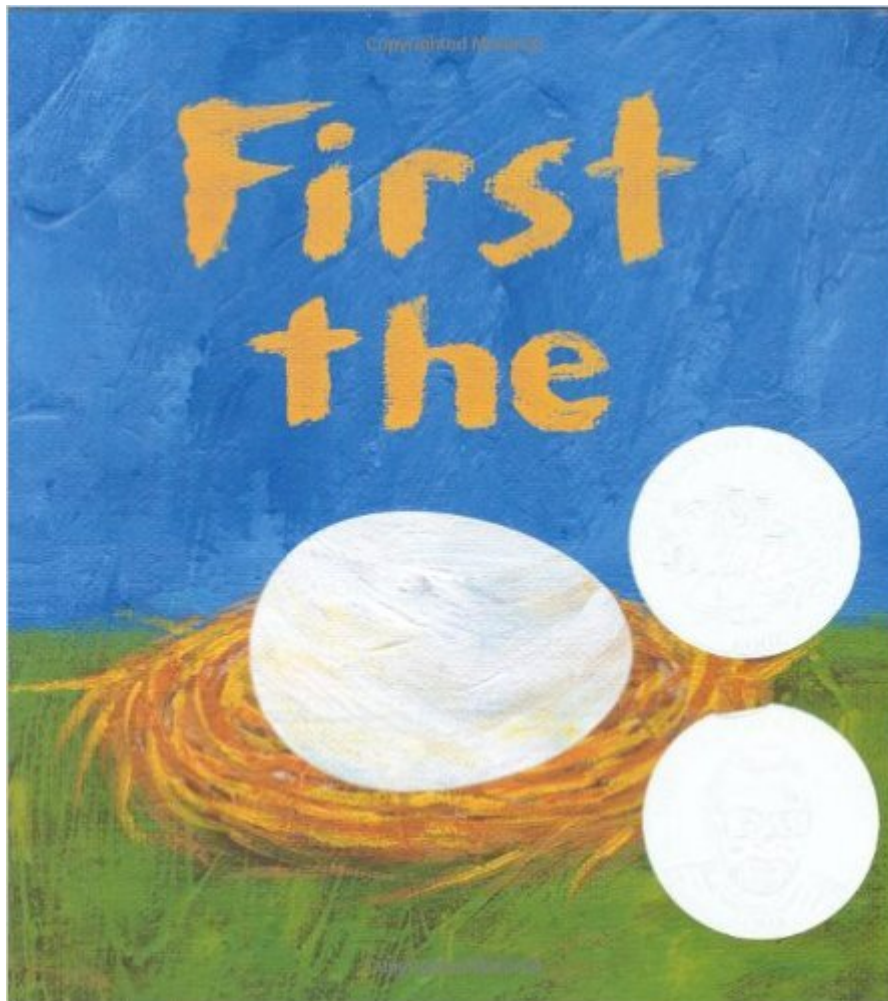


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# First The Egg (Caldecott Honor Book And Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book (Awards))



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WHICH CAME FIRST? The chicken or the egg? Simple die-cuts magically present transformation--from seed to flower, tadpole to frog, caterpillar to butterfly. The acclaimed author of *Black? White! Day? Night!* and *Lemons Are Not Red* gives an entirely fresh and memorable presentation to the concepts of transformation and creativity. Seed becomes flower, paint becomes picture, word becomes story--and the commonplace becomes extraordinary as children look through and turn the pages of this novel and winning book. *First the Egg* by bestselling author and illustrator Laura Vaccaro Seeger is a 2008 Caldecott Honor Book and a 2007 New York Times Book Review Best Illustrated Book of the Year. This title has Common Core connections.

## Book Information

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Which came first--the chicken or the egg? Finally, someone is here to tell us. But the answer later. "First the egg," written and illustrated by Laura Vaccaro Seeger, is a Caldecott honor winner for 2008 and an honor book for the Theodor Seuss Geisel (Dr. Seuss) Award. What makes it special? Both the artwork and the story, or actually, in this case, concepts that lead from one transformation to the next. Two previous clever winners are *Flotsam* (Caldecott Medal Book) by David Wiesner and *Black and White*, an earlier Caldecott by David Macauley. I took this book from a display in our bi-annual Book Fair. I read it in just one minute. Then reread it. And reread it. Every time I pick up

this seemingly simple book, I see something else I missed. Even the covers are part of the story. This book is more than clever--it is brilliant, as in illuminating. Listen, here is the story. Get comfortable and let me read it to you: First the EGG then the CHICKEN First the TADPOLE then the FROG First the SEED then the FLOWER First the CATERPILLAR then the BUTTERFLY First the WORD then the STORY First the PAINT then the PICTURE, First the CHICKEN then the EGG! Well? Exactly! Without the bold colors and almost in-your-face images in the background, the words are fine, but...? A Caldecott Award is given to the most distinguished picture book of the year. Please look at the cover image with this review.

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