

# PETE THE CAT AND THE MISSING CUPCAKES

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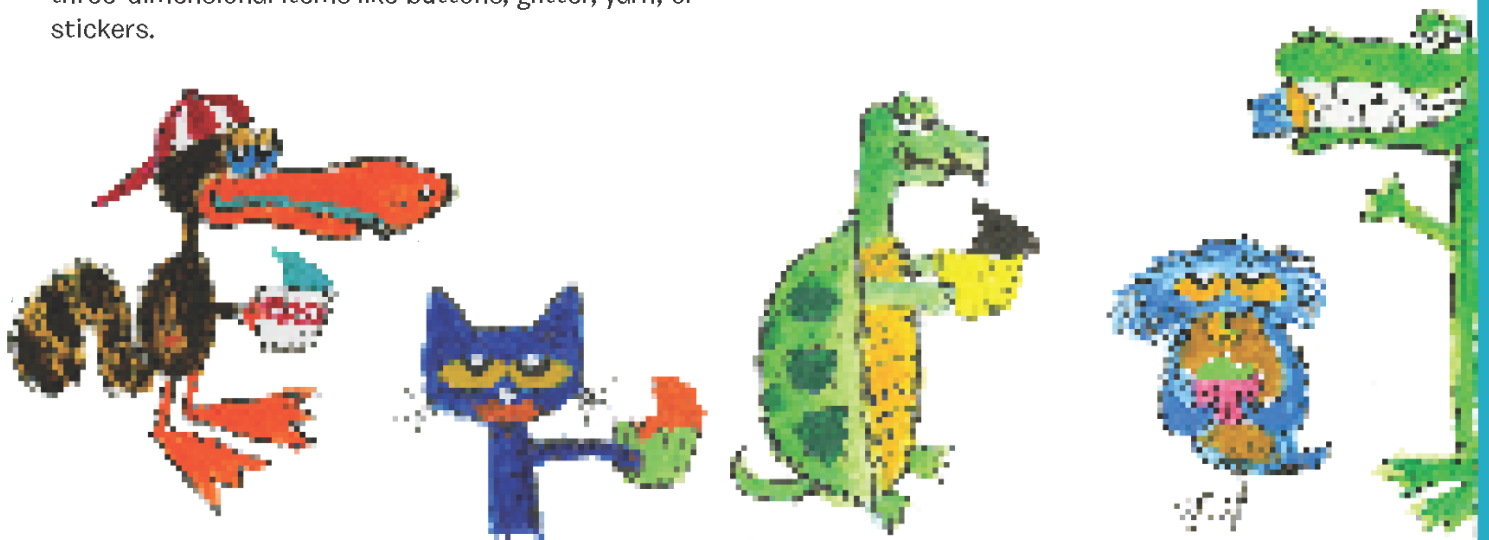
## ABOUT THE BOOK



Pete the Cat and his friends are busy as can be baking cupcakes for a cupcake party, and Pete can't wait to perform with his groovy band. But some of the cupcakes have gone missing. Who could have taken them? In this latest Pete the Cat picture book adventure by *New York Times* bestselling authors James and Kimberly Dean, Pete and the gang solve the mystery of the missing cupcakes and learn that it's cool to be kind.

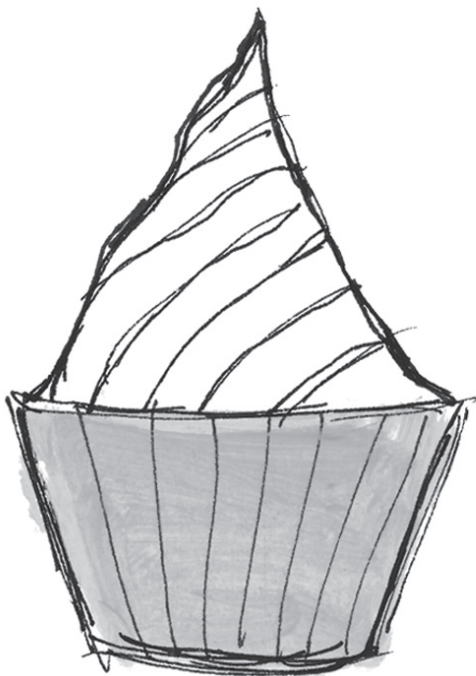
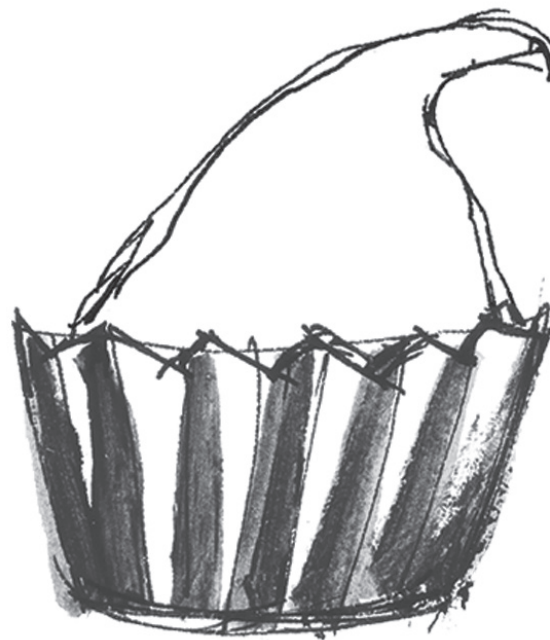
## STORYTIME ACTIVITIES

- **CUPCAKE HIDE AND SEEK:** Hide some cupcakes around the room before the children arrive. After reading the story, invite them to look for cupcake clues (sprinkles, cupcake liners, paw prints, etc.) around the room to find their own missing cupcakes.
- **CUPCAKE COUNTING:** Line up ten children and practice subtracting by twos as the cupcakes disappear, as in the book. Do this activity several times so that each child has a chance to be a cupcake and everyone has multiple chances to practice counting down.
- **DECORATE A CUPCAKE:** The cupcakes in the book are all very unique. Invite children to decorate a paper cupcake. Provide either crayons/markers or three-dimensional items like buttons, glitter, yarn, or stickers.
- **WHO TOOK THE CUPCAKES FROM THE CUPCAKE JAR?:** Rewrite the popular chant to be about cupcakes. Teach the children the call and response answers. Use animals from the book as your potential culprits and save Toad for last.
- **SECOND CHANCES:** Pete gives Grumpy Toad a second chance to make his mistake right. Talk with the children about Grumpy Toad's feelings before and after Pete gives him a second chance. Have everyone get up and join you in a Grumpy Toad happy dance after Pete forgives him.



# PETE'S COOL CUPCAKES

Decorate Pete's cupcakes below. Draw, color, and even use your Pete the Cat event kit stickers—but hurry, before they go missing!



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# PETE'S WILD WORD SEARCH

Use a pencil to hunt for all the words that are listed below!  
They can be found vertically, horizontally, diagonally, or backward.

Cupcake

Friends

Clue

Sprinkles

Squirrel

Alligator

Turtle

Sweets

Toad

Icing



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