



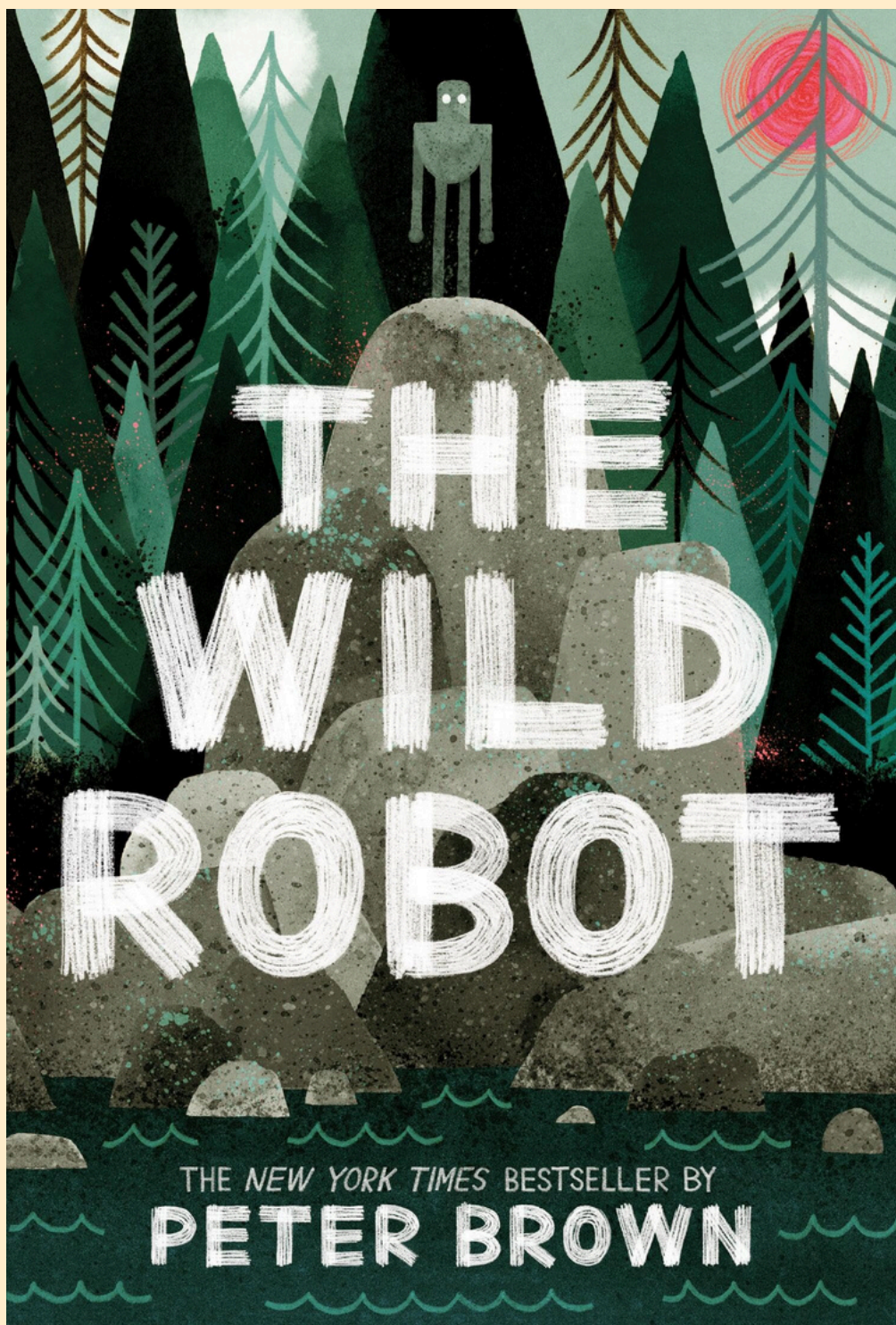
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# Suggested Books

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## The Wild Robot

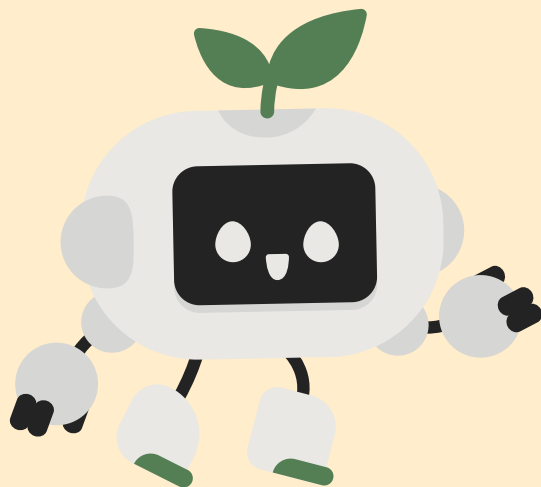
by Peter Brown





# ABOUT THE BOOK

**The Wild Robot is about the adventure of a robot (“Roz”) as she learns to survive in nature, build relationships, and find her place in the world. This book encourages empathy, resilience, and an appreciation for nature.**



**We chose this book as it mapped on to one of our recent studies investigating how children learn from robots (and it is a *\*really\** lovely story!). In our work, we found that school-age children learned new information from the process of teaching robots, particularly when the robot made a mistake! (Bowman-Smith et al., 2025).**



# SOURCES

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