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Though all of his forest friends are deep in dreams, little bear is wide awake and restless. He decides to wander into town, where, in an alleyway, he discovers a thingity-jig. Though others might dismiss his find as just a couch, he knows that it's a gateway to entertainment. He springs, bounces, and jumps his way to fun, generating a few complementary inventions along the way, in this intricately illustrated picture book that rejoices in creative play—and in imaginative takes on ordinary objects.

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