



# What's New at the Zoo?

**An Animal Adding Adventure** 

#### By Suzanne Slade Illustrated by Joan Waites

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and find out *What's New at the Zoo?* Author Suzanne Slade takes readers along on a wild ride as she introduces mother, father, and baby zoo creatures while practicing math along the way! Do you know what pandas feed their cubs? Or what penguins and their chicks do for fun? The imaginative illustrations of Joan Waites bring the zoo right into your own backyard as you join monkeys swinging in the trees and brown

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### About the Author and Illustrator

**Suzanne Slade** (*What's New at the Zoo?*, *What's the Difference?*, and *Animals are Sleeping*) is the author of over 60 books for children. Her works include picture books, biographies, as well as many non-fiction titles about animals, sports, insects, plants, and various science topics. One of her favorite parts of the writing process is researching and learning about new topics. Ms. Slade lives near Chicago with her husband, Mike, two children, and they tiny dog, Corduroy. Visit Suzanne's website at http://www.suzanneslade.com/.





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