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This is [Hervé Tullet](#)[4]'s latest interactive book. All books are interactive, of course, in the sense that readers respond to the story that the author tells, whether in words or pictures. But, as with his other books, Hervé is once more encouraging us to get physical, to press and shake the book and shout out loud. And it's dots and squiggles again. And what he can do with them, and what he can convince his readers to do in response, is once more astonishing. It starts with one blue dot and the invitation to press and welcome it with the simple greeting OH! Then a bigger dot and a smaller dot with the suggestion that we might like to modulate our greetings accordingly: louder for the bigger, quieter for the smaller. From there, we can count in dots, beat in dots, sing in dots, siren in dots, dive in dot sound, shiver and cry in dot sound. And that's just blue dots. So here's a red dot. Say AH! And now there are so many more possibilities. And there are 64 pages, so why not a yellow dot? WAAHOO! We can speak in dot robot. We can have a dot argument and make up in dot. Look out, we're on the dot trampoline! This is a book of restless ingenuity. Brilliant in conception, inviting in design, and wonderful in the way it uses the page and explores the possibilities of shape, sound, and colour. It makes reading into a sound party that will challenge and delight children and adults alike.

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