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Oh, Macavity! T. S. Eliot?s well-loved feline lives again in this sparkling interactive board book. The cat character on the cover intrigues, as Macavity stands there with a huge hunk of iced layer cake, a sneaky expression on his face. There?s a question posed on each left hand page: ?Is he in the kitchen?? with the repeated response, ?Macavity?s not there!? on the right, an immediate invitation to join in. The well-designed flap reveals just who is hiding where, and on the final page, guess who is hidden under the tablecloth! The pawprints across the page may give a clue. It is Macavity, of course, having helped himself to someone?s 3rd birthday cake and hidden away to enjoy it. Arthur Robins (famed illustrator of [Little Rabbit Foo Foo](#) [4] amongst others) energetically captures this mischievous cat, one we hope readers will meet later in life in T. S. Eliot?s original poem. A treat to be enjoyed over and again.

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