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Sonnie, Stefan, Anna, Chrissie and Lena are five black American children who live in the rural deep South. They play in the yard and the road - running, jumping and climbing like children everywhere. But Lena, who is a little slow and clumsy, prefers to discover the secrets of odd job man Joseph's tin. In the old man's hands, a piece of string, a shell and a fistful of can ring-pulls unlock a world of imagination for Lena and her friends. Both the story and the strong water-colour illustrations are beautifully composed, expressive and moving. An altogether powerful book - not to be missed.

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