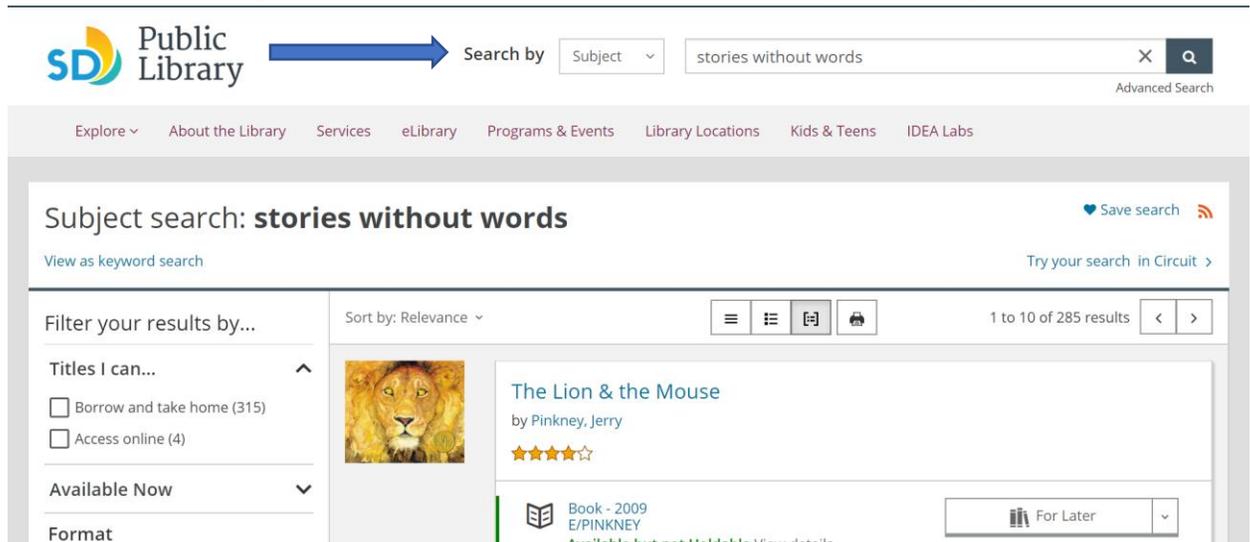


How to Read a Wordless Book

1. Select a wordless book

- Wordless books are usually found in picture book format
- Searching for wordless books in the Library Catalog



- Limit the search by Subject and the phrase “stories without words”

2. Ask questions about the title and cover to “guess” what will happen in the story
3. Remember, wordless books allow the reader and the child to make up their own story
4. Use open ended questions to help a child develop the narrative
 - “What do you think will happen next?”
 - “What is happening in this picture?”
 - “How do you think the character feels?”
5. Follow your child’s lead and remember the same book can be told several different ways
6. At the end, ask questions about the book and illustrations