A Tangle of Brungles

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How surprising is it to discover that a “clowder” really is the word for a bunch of cats? As four bewitching members of a coven put together a brew to summon a groom, readers will discover a whole slew of disturbing new vocabulary words. Cobras, for example, are a “quiver” when they gather together. A group of mice is a very apropos “mischief.” Find out more as the witches gather toads, goldfish, worms, and more—only to discover that the desired groom, Brungles himself, is less than willing to find matrimonial bliss.

Educational, hilarious, and a wee bit gruesome, this is an excellent tale for children of any age who would like to expand their vocabulary to include groups of various beasts. These beasts also seem to create the perfect mixture for ladies in want of a man. Well, not exactly a man, but a male none the less. Brewers can’t be choosers after all! The illustrations are done in bright Halloween colors with lots of green, orange, and purple. The witches are almost cute with details that make them a bit less than attractive (though they might be a little scary to young readers). Long nails and sharp teeth disfigure the faces making them delightfully demented dames. Pick this one up to scare others with your in-depth knowledge of creepy creature conglomerates.