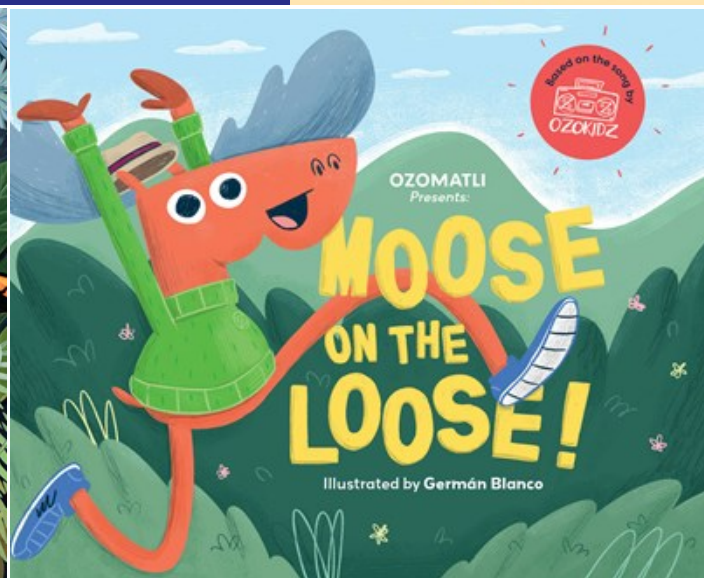
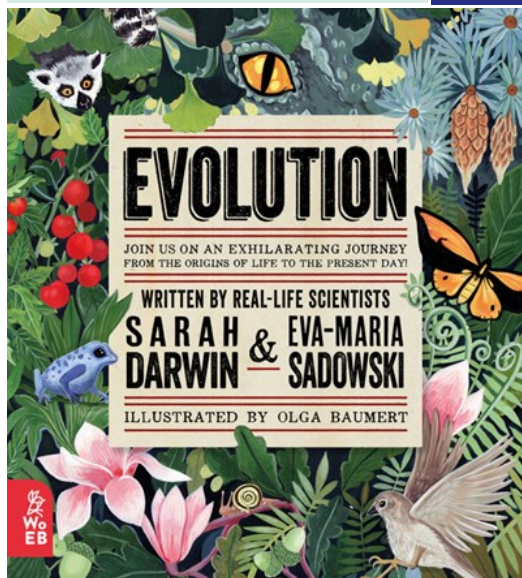
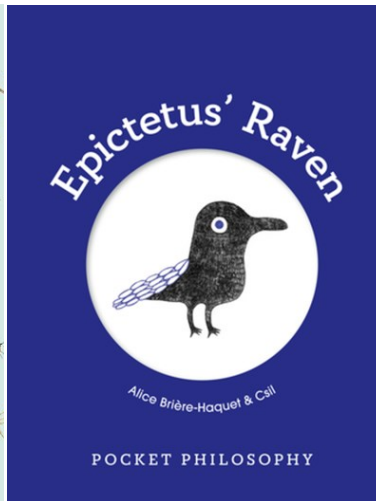


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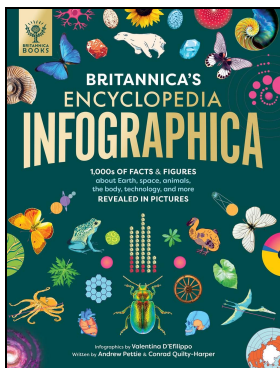
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## Britannica's Encyclopedia Infographica

**1,000s of Facts & Figures—about Earth, space, animals, the body, technology & more—Revealed in Pictures**

Andrew Pettie, Conrad Quilty-Harper, Valentina D'Efilippo, Britannica Group

### Summary

**An awe-inspiring encyclopedia with more than 200 original infographic illustrations--the perfect book for visual learners.**

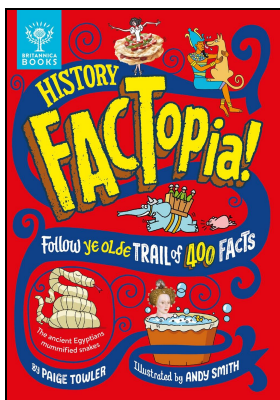
This authoritative visual encyclopedia reveals astonishing information about space, Earth, animals, humans, and technology through illustrations and graphics (and not too many words!). Grasp facts at a glance as you turn every page: Discover the size of our Sun in comparison to the largest star in the universe; find out which animal could leap the human equivalent of three soccer fields; learn how many cups of snot your body makes a day; compare the sizes of the biggest beasts that have ever lived; witness what happens in a single second across the world. With stunning infographics by internationally renowned data visualizer Valentina D'Efilippo, along with beautiful color photography, as well as interviews with the expert consultants for every chapter, this ravishing book from Britannica offers a groundbreaking visual way to understand and marvel at the world around us.

### Contributor Bio

**Andrew Pettie** is a UK-based writer, editor, and journalist who has contributed to *The Times*, *Sunday Times* and *The Daily Telegraph*, where he was Head of Culture. Andrew is the author of *Listified!* (published by Britannica Books), and the editor of the *Britannica Magazine*.

**Conrad Quilty-Harper** is a journalist at Bloomberg News in London, UK. He previously worked at *New Scientist*, *British GQ*, the *Daily Mirror*, and *The Daily Telegraph*, often using data and infographics to tell stories. He plays the trombone, likes airplanes, and his favorite type of graph is the sankey diagram.

**Valentina D'Efilippo** is an award-winning data visualizer and illustrator. She is the co-creator of *The Infographic History of the World* (Firefly, 2013) which has been sold in 9 languages, she presented a TedX talk on Data Design in 2021. and she leads workshops for students and professionals. including masterclasses with



## History FACTopia!

**Follow Ye Olde Trail of 400 Facts**

Paige Towler, Andy Smith, Britannica Group

### Summary

**An enthralling and hilarious journey through global history in 400 connected facts!**

In this blast-from-the-past adventure you'll discover hundreds of the most mind-blowing facts from history. Hidden tombs, ghostly ships, boiled vipers, samurai warriors, snow machines, pet lions, hidden pyramids, secret codes, flaming fireballs, wooden bathing suits, sparkling jewels, and many more are all woven together in this ingenious web of connected facts.

And there isn't just one trail through these facts. Sometimes your path branches, and you can choose to fast forward or rewind to a completely different (but still connected) part of history. Where will your curiosity take you?

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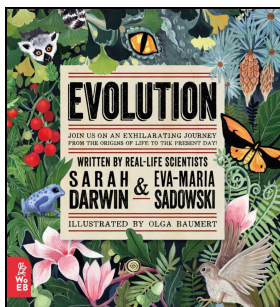
**Paige Towler** is an author and editor based in Washington, D.C. A former editor for National Geographic Kids Books, she writes poetry about animals doing yoga and weird facts about the world.

**Andy Smith** is an award-winning illustrator, and studied illustration at the University of Brighton and the Royal College of Art, UK. His work combines illustration and typography to create images that have humor, energy, and optimism executed with a handmade, hand-printed, tactile feel. He lives by the sea in East Sussex, UK.

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## Evolution

Sarah Darwin , Eva Maria Sadowski, Olga Baumert

### Summary

**Discover the story of life on Earth and how it came to be, with real-life scientists Sarah Darwin and Eva Maria Sadowski.**

The Earth has come a very long way from the molten planet with oceans of magma that existed 4.5 billion years ago. Since then, the land has shifted, the climate has changed, and life has flourished. But how exactly did living things come to be?

Let real-life scientists Sarah Darwin and Eva Maria Sadowski enlighten you about the fascinating facts of evolution: what it is and how it works. Dive into the history of life on Earth and learn about the theory of natural selection that Sarah's great-great-grandfather, Charles Darwin, and naturalist Alfred Russel Wallace came up with together. In this beautifully illustrated book, feature spreads explain the important things that you need to know and a timeline plots the history of life on Earth.

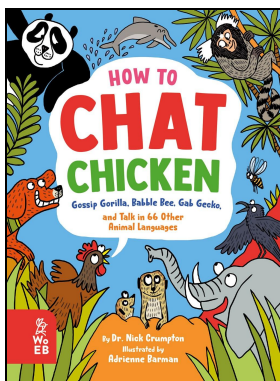
Budding botanists will be delighted by this in-depth tour of life that leaves no stone unturned and will keep children (and adults) enthralled for hours. Find out how plants, humans, pet dogs, and everything else came to be and what ...

### Contributor Bio

**Dr Sarah Darwin** originally trained as an artist and then as a scientist, specializing botany. She spent several years living and working in the Galápagos Islands and studying the Galápagos tomatoes there. More recently she has been part of a project in Berlin studying nightingales. Sarah is the great-great-granddaughter of Charles Darwin and works at the Museum Für Naturkunde, Berlin.

**Dr Eva-Maria Sadowski** is a palaeobotanist, who mainly studies plant remains that are enclosed in amber. Eva lives in Berlin and works at the Museum Für Naturkunde, Berlin.

**Olga Baumert** is an artist, illustrator, and graphic designer. Originally from Poland, she studied Fine Art and



## How to Chat Chicken, Gossip Gorilla, Babble Bee, Gab Gecko, and Talk in 66 Other Animal Languages

**Your guide to the languages of elephants, dolphins, bees, geckos, and lots more!**

Dr Nick Crumpton, Adrienne Barman

### Summary

**It's time to walk on the wild side and talk with the animals. This book will teach you not just how to chat chicken but also gossip with gorillas, mumble with meerkats, and warble with whales. You'll be ready for any adventure into the animal kingdom.**

It's a noisy world out there. Almost eight *billion* people are saying hello, asking for directions, buying food, singing lullabies, paying compliments, and all in their own languages--of which there are six or seven thousand! And *that's* just humans... animals have millions of languages!

Insects, birds, reptiles, mammals, and amphibians are all talking to each other too, with grunts, squeaks, and tweets, as part of the natural orchestra that is Life on Earth. Some of those noises can sound scary, others sweet... wouldn't it be nice to be able to understand what they were all trying to say?

Author Dr Nick Crumpton acts as our translator and guide through the animal kingdom in this fun, and funny, book. He teaches us what our pet dog's bark means and how an orangutan says "Hello!" (*Whuuu-whuuu-whuuu* just in case you ever need it!). Each sound has ...

### Contributor Bio

**Nick Crumpton** is a children's writer and zoologist. He wrote his first book for children whilst completing his PhD in zoology at the University of Cambridge, UK, and his second when working at the BBC Natural History Unit and the Natural History Museum, London. Although a research scientist by training, he is most passionate about the communication of science and sharing the secrets of the natural world through public engagement. He lives in a tumbling down house in North London with his partner and young daughter.

**Adrienne Barman** illustrates from her home in Switzerland. She has published about thirty books and comics and her book *Creaturenadia* has been translated into 18 languages, and also won the Swiss Youth and Media

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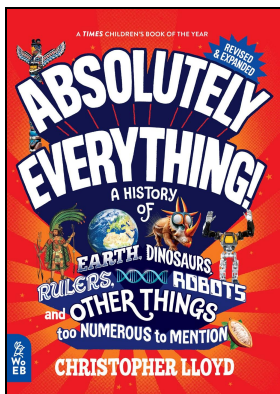
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## Absolutely Everything! Revised and Expanded (2nd Edition)

**A History of Earth, Dinosaurs, Rulers, Robots, and Other Things too Numerous to Mention**

Christopher Lloyd, Andy Forshaw

### Summary

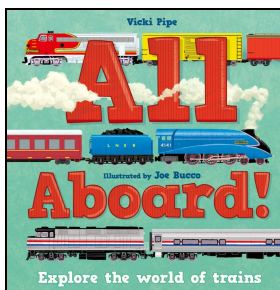
**The most remarkable true stories of all time and around the world brought vividly to life – from the Big Bang right up to the present day.**

Embark on a journey across millennia and around the world, from the latest understanding of the origins of the universe through the birth of the Earth, the very first life, the age of dinosaurs, the rise of humans, ancient civilizations, colonialism, wars, technology, everyday life, global struggles for freedom and equality, pandemics – and much more. Eye-catching and informative illustrations and photographs throughout join with author Christopher Lloyd's engaging narrative to bring to life the most remarkable true stories of all time. The 2nd edition is revised for fuller global coverage and updated with the latest research, as well as with events that have occurred since the first edition. The design has received a fresh treatment and many new photographs have been included.

### Contributor Bio

**Christopher Lloyd** began his career as a journalist with the *Sunday Times* newspaper in London. Then, one day, he had a realization: even with a degree in history from Cambridge University and experience as a science writer, there was so much about the world he didn't know. So, he set out to write a book that showed how seemingly unrelated events fit together. After his adult world history book *What on Earth Happened?* sold 500,000 copies around the world, Chris set out to tell the story to children. *Absolutely Everything!* is the result. Chris lives in Tonbridge, UK, with his wife and two adorable terriers.

**Andy Forshaw** graduated in graphic design and illustration from London's Central Saint Martin's College and has worked on numerous online and publishing projects. Andy has created more than 5,000 illustrations for children's books. When not illustrating, he can be found art directing other illustrators and exploring the countryside on his bike. He lives in London with his partner and daughter.



## All Aboard!

Vicki Pipe, Joe Bucco

**Are you ready to come aboard and learn all about trains? Toot toot!**

### Summary

*Are you ready to come aboard and learn all about trains? Toot toot!*

From trains that climb up mountains, through tunnels, across bridges and deep underground – take an exhilarating ride through the world of trains. Discover singing tracks, speedy bullet trains, powerful tunnel borers, super steam engines and so much more to delight young train fans. Unfold multiple pages to reveal busy stations, cross-sections and lots of details and facts to pore over. A 'can you spot?' page at the back of the book encourages readers to go back through the book to find out even more. All aboard!

### Contributor Bio

**Vicki Pipe** is an improviser, presenter, YouTuber and now author. Her first book, *The Railway Adventures: Places, Trains, People and Stations* was published in October 2018. In 2017 Vicki travelled to every railway station in Great Britain with her partner Geoff Marshall. They filmed the entire experience, sharing vlogs on YouTube - now watched by more than 6 million people. Her spin-off series, *Vicki Explores*, sees her journeying across the country in pursuit of more adventure, looking for those places where history really happened. Her interest in the railways lays with the stories of people, social change and how the railways impact on our sense of space and surroundings.

**Joe Bucco** studied illustration at the Columbus College of Art and Design, and after spending some time in New York returned to his home town of Cleveland where he lives with his wife and two children. As well as illustrating children's books, he has worked on graphic novels, comic books, greeting cards, and stage design.

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## The Essential Harry Styles Fanbook

His life, his songs, his story

Mortimer Children's

**The no.1 guide for all young fans to celebrate the music phenomenon that is Harry Styles.**

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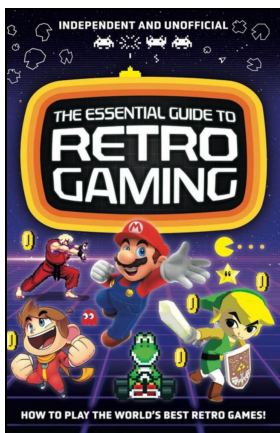
**The no.1 guide for all young fans to celebrate the music phenomenon that is Harry Styles.**

Packed with inspirational quotes, cool facts and amazing photography - follow Harry's incredible journey from X-Factor beginnings and One Direction days to spreading his wings as a solo artist, breaking records and smashing stereotypes along the way.

How well do you know Harry? Find out what inspires his music, just why so many of his songs involve fruit and more. Explore his fashion choices, acting roles and just what Harry means by "TPWK".

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Biography & Autobiography  
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## The Essential Guide to Retro Gaming

All the classic games you can play today

Joe Barnes

**How can you access the fantastic videogames from the 80s, 90s and beyond? You need this essential guide to the very best retro games out there - including how to play them, the best versions of each title, and lots of tips, hints and hacks for beating them.**

### Summary

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This guide includes reviews and ratings for over 120 amazing games, from Super Mario Brothers to Street Fighter II, Sonic the Hedgehog, Doom, Donkey Kong, Pac Man, and many more, for formats including tablet, mobile, Switch, PC and consoles. There are even cool facts, stats and timelines about the original consoles compared with today's machines. Every modern gamer needs this fun and accessible gaming guide.

### Contributor Bio

**Joe Barnes** is an experienced creative writer for children's publishing and special-interest magazines, including for global brands such as Disney, Pixar and Nickelodeon.

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## Soccer Legends 2024

David Ballheimer

### Summary

**Messi may have won the World Cup in 2022 but is he really a better striker than Mbappé? Which midfielder creates more chances for his side - City's De Bruyne or Barca's Pedri? Who's the best penalty saver - Alisson or Neuer? While every fan has their opinion, back yours up with the latest stats featured in *Soccer Legends 2024* and show them who's the best soccer pundit!**

Showcasing the top 100 stars in the modern game, *Soccer Legends 2024* offers the latest facts and stats of players in every position who play in Europe's elite leagues.

With a star profile on each page, this visually arresting almanac is packed with incisive data and includes stunning heat maps that show the pitch movements of every player featured. Get your copy now and start comparing the goals, assists, saves, freekicks (and a host of other data) of the current icons in world soccer.

### Contributor Bio

**David Ballheimer** is a writer and sports journalist with more than 25 years of experience. He also featured as a contestant on the hit quiz show Countdown in 2000, racking up eight wins and an aggregate score of 474 to become an octochamp and the No.1 seed for the series. David is a lifelong fan of Hendon Football Club.



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Juvenile Nonfiction / Sports  
& Recreation  
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## Minecraft Master Builder: Around the World

**Independent and Unofficial**

Mortimer Children's

### Summary

**Travel the world in Minecraft!**

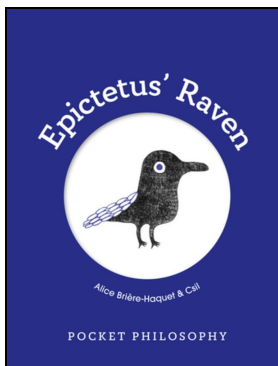
This easy-to-follow guide is filled with detailed instructions on how to make your own versions of the world's greatest landmarks. It includes straightforward instructions on how to build 13 different structures from around the world, including the Statue of Liberty, the Easter Island Heads, Sydney Opera House, Burj Khalifa, the Eiffel Tower, and many more.

Builds range in difficulty, so there's something for every reader to try. Plus, every section is filled with cool info about the world's greatest wonders, meaning this is the perfect title for young learners. It's a fantastic way to combine geography, history and creativity into an amazing, fulfilling Minecraft experience.

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## Pocket Philosophy: Epictetus' Raven

Alice Brière-Haquet

### Summary

**Epictetus (c. 50-c. 135 AD) was a Greek Stoic philosopher. He believed that philosophy should be a way of life and not just a theoretical study.**

In this story, Epictetus is reminding us to focus only on what we can control - our own actions - and not spend time worrying about what we can't control. Happiness can only be achieved when we accept what we can't control and adopt the most positive outlook we can.

By adapting famous animal parables, the *Pocket Philosophy* series seeks to introduce inquisitive readers of all ages - from 1 to 100! - to the biggest names in philosophy.

### Contributor Bio

**Alice Brière-Haquet** was a cherry picker and a high school teacher before she turned to writing books. The cherries have blossomed, the students have grown up, and about a hundred of her books are now scattered throughout people's homes, even throughout the world thanks to numerous translations. She saw some of the world herself before returning to Normandy, France, with her cello and her family.

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Determinism  
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## Pocket Philosophy: Heidegger's Lizard

Alice Brière-Haquet

### Summary

**Martin Heidegger (1889-1976) is one of the most influential -- and controversial -- philosophers of the twentieth century. He is mostly associated with existentialism (the study of human experience) and phenomenology (the study of consciousness), and his work was enormously influential.**

In this story, Heidegger is exploring the relationship between "beings" and their environments. How much does each - the rock, the lizard and the human - understand of the world around them?

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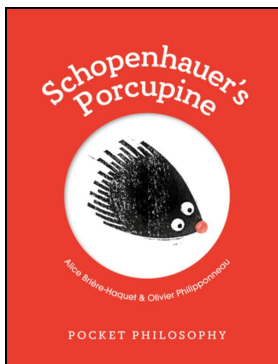
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## Pocket Philosophy: Schopenhauer's Porcupine

Alice Brière-Haquet

### Summary

**Arthur Schopenhauer (1788-1860) was a German philosopher and a proponent of pessimistic philosophy. Deeply cynical of love and the want for children, he believed humans are all mere animals -- just far more unhappy, because of our self-awareness.**

The porcupine dilemma is a metaphor about the challenges of human intimacy. Schopenhauer believed that, despite our good intentions, human intimacy cannot occur without substantial harm.

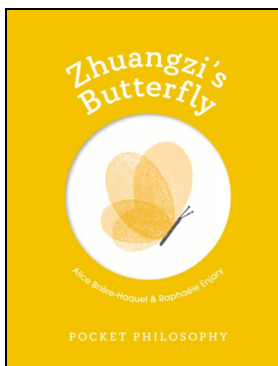
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## Pocket Philosophy: Zhuangzi's Butterfly

Alice Brière-Haquet

### Summary

**Zhuangzhi (late 4th century BC) was one of China's most significant proponents of Daoism. Daoism is an ancient philosophy that strives for harmony with nature, virtuousness and self-development.**

Zhuangzi's story of the dreaming philosopher and the butterfly is meant to challenge us to think about one big question: how do we really know what's real?

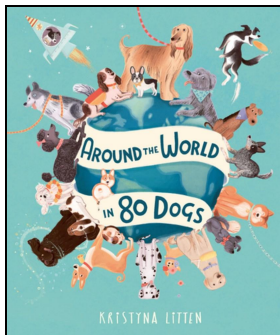
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## Around the World in 80 Dogs

Kristyna Litten

A visual celebration of the huge variety of dogs found across the world, from those you already know and love to those that may surprise you. As the book takes the reader on a journey around the world, it reveals dogs with the most important jobs, breeds with unusual features, record-breaking dogs a...

### Summary

**What is the oldest breed of dog? Can dogs sniff out illnesses? Which breed has six toes?**

Including a stunning central gatefold that opens out to reveal all 80 dog breeds and where they come from, this book is a visual celebration of the huge variety of dogs found across the world, from those you already know and love to those that may surprise you. As the book takes the reader on a journey around the world, it reveals dogs with the most important jobs, breeds with unusual features, record-breaking dogs and more.

Focus spreads will explore subjects such as the canine family, dogs' superpower sense of smell, and how dogs became man's best friend.

### Contributor Bio

**Kristyna Litten** is an award-winning illustrator based in Yorkshire, England. Since graduating from Edinburgh College of Art in 2010, Kristyna has gone on to illustrate and write numerous picture-books for children and her enthusiasm for nature, typography, fashion, architecture and pattern has led to many exciting projects with a wide variety of clients, such as Aardman, Gucci and DFS, and across many mediums. Though her passion lies with children's books and publishing, her love for design and a fresh challenge brings energy and originality to every new project.

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## One Million Insects

Isabel Thomas, Lou Baker Smith

### Summary

*A fascinating welcome to the wonderful world of insects' - LoveReading4Kids*  
*'Fun, inspiring, and well researched.' - Kirkus Reviews, starred review*

**A beautiful illustrated tour of some of the world's most fascinating insects, perfect for readers 8+.**

Did you know that without insects, humankind could not survive? This illustrated, fact-filled title explores the huge variety of insects, with a focus on what makes an insect an insect, the differences between the groups, and why insects are the most important animal group on Earth.

Broken down into sections exploring each of the main types of insect, each section takes a different, playfully visual approach to really capture the character of the insects in the order being explored. As well as including practical advice for observing insects safely, a section at the back of the book describes ways to help insects and encourage them into a garden no matter how small.

### Contributor Bio

**Isabel Thomas** is an award-winning science and nature writer. She is the author of more than 150 books for children and a journalist for *The Week Junior* and *Whizz Pop Bang* magazines. Her critically acclaimed picture book, *Moth: An Evolution Story*, illustrated by Daniel Egnéus, is nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal 2019 and was named book of the year by the *Financial Times* and *Books for Keeps* in the UK. In the US it was named a book of 2019 by The Horn Book and the National Science Teaching Association, and winner of the AAAS Subaru Prize for Excellence in Science Books. Isabel has also been shortlisted for the Royal Society Young People's Book Prize, the English 4-11 Picture Book Awards, and the Blue Peter Book Awards.

**Lou Baker Smith** is a freelance illustrator and designer, working in book publishing and packaging design. Her work is diverse in subject matter and technique, the common thread that runs through it is a love of colour, textures and layers.

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## Dinosaur Adventures

The fold-out book that takes you on a journey

Mia Cassany, Susie Hammer

### Summary

This fold-out story book allows you and your child to discover where dinosaurs used to live.

It transforms itself into a mat where you can see where they hunted, ate, slept and played, including forests, swamps, lakes, volcanoes...

### Contributor Bio

**Mia Cassany** is editor, creative director, and founder of Mosquito Books. She is currently teaching at the master's degree in Illustration and Comic at the Elisava School in Barcelona and is a creative consultant for the publishing house The Story Tailors. She has written several successful books for children for Mosquito Books.

**Susie Hammer** (59K on IG) uses simple shapes and vivid colors to create playful and happy imaginary worlds. She has published many children's titles with Simon and Schuster among others, and collaborated with the New York Times in their Mother's Day Campaign.

Orange Mosquito  
9781914519925  
Pub Date: 9/5/23  
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Hardcover

12 Pages  
Carton Qty: 20  
Ages 3 to 5, Grades P to K  
9.1 in H | 7.8 in W



## Space Adventures

The fold-out book that takes you on a journey

Mia Cassany, Susie Hammer

### Summary

This fold-out story book allows you and your child to discover what goes on into space.

It transforms itself into a mat where you can see all sorts of amazing planets, comets, asteroids, stars and rockets!

### Contributor Bio

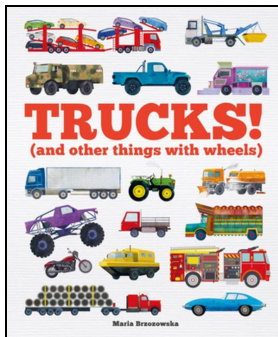
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## Trucks!

(And Other Things With Wheels)

Welbeck Children's, Maria Brzozowska

### Summary

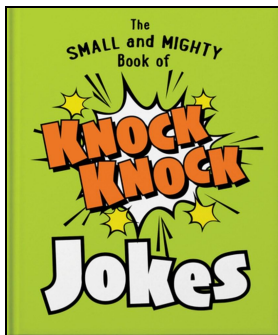
**A fun book for younger children who love anything related to cars and wheels!** Each double-page spread features a different group of fascinating vehicles to pore over, such as trains, race cars, emergency vehicles, and even some at a junk yard.

Filled with hundreds of different trucks and other vehicles from around the world, even the most avid young transportation fanatic will discover surprising new machines they haven't seen before!

### Contributor Bio

Maria Brzozowska is a Polish artist and illustrator. She combines digital aids with traditional painting techniques to produce beautiful imagery for children's books. With vivid colours and a knack for detail, her take on the world of vehicles is sure to delight parents and children alike.

Welbeck Children's  
9781804535899  
Pub Date: 10/31/23  
\$9.95 USD/\$12.99 CAD  
Paperback  
  
48 Pages  
Carton Qty: 20  
Ages 3 to 5, Grades P to K  
Juvenile Nonfiction /  
Transportation  
JNF057030  
Series: Things That Go  
11.7 in H | 9.8 in W



## The Small and Mighty Book of Knock Knock Jokes

Who's There?

Orange Hippo!

**Knock-Knock is the world's oldest joke and yet has never gotten old! (It just feels it)**

### Summary

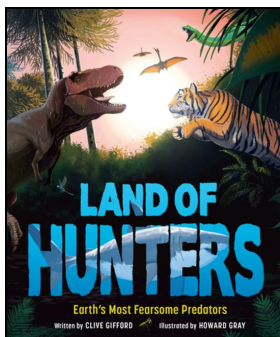
**Knock-Knock is the world's oldest joke and yet has never gotten old! (It just feels it.)**

Invented by William Shakespeare in 1606, (appearing in his famed tragedy, *Macbeth*; bet you never knew that) the humble Knock-Knock joke has made eyes roll, noses snort and mouths chuckle for centuries. Since the Bard's drunken Beelzebub bit the long-suffering gag became a global 'punomenon' (in 1936) before settling today as the world's best kids (and Dads) joke format that encourages giggles and grimaces in equal measure... with endless punning potential.

The latest kid on the block in Welbeck's big-selling Small and Mighty gift series, compiled by (self-proclaimed) 'World's funniest joke compiler', Malcolm Croft, *The Small and Mighty Book of Knock Knock Jokes* is a tiny bundle of joy that includes all the classic and vintage Knock-Knock jokes, as well as all the modern, twenty-first century ones too. And because the jokes are all clean and family-friendly, you can share them with kids of all ages without worrying about anything inappropriate.

If laughter is indeed the best medicine, we recommend yo...

Orange Hippo!  
9781800695436  
Pub Date: 10/17/23  
\$8.95 USD/\$11.99 CAD  
Hardcover Paper over boards  
  
192 Pages  
Carton Qty: 40  
Ages 5 And Up  
Juvenile Nonfiction / Humor  
JNF028020  
Series: Small & Mighty  
5.4 in H | 4.4 in W



## Land of Hunters

### Earth's Most Fearsome Predators

Clive Gifford, Howard Gray

Explore seas, swamps, deserts and mountains, from the earliest life on Earth to our present day, and get up close to our planet's all-time deadliest predators. Includes a visual timeline.

### Summary

**Explore seas, swamps, deserts and mountains, from the earliest life on Earth to our present day, and get up close to our planet's all-time deadliest predators.**

Join the hunt with *Velociraptor*, defend your prey with mighty *Smilodon*, see how you measure up to the biggest shark of all time and take to the skies with some of the world's most incredible birds of prey.

A stunning central gatefold opens to reveal a timeline of life on Earth and the size of these incredible hunters.

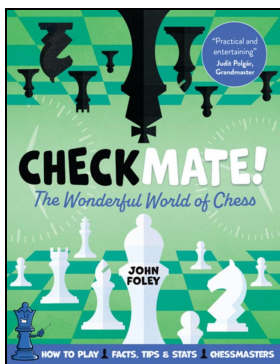
### Contributor Bio

**Clive Gifford** is an award-winning author of over 150 books for children and adults. These include the Blue Peter Book Award-winning *The Colors of History*, *Eye Benders: The Science of Seeing and Believing*, winner of the prestigious Royal Society Young People's Book Prize in 2014, and *Cool Technology*, which won the School Library Association Information Book Award 2013. Clive lives in Manchester, UK.

When **Howard Gray** was younger, he was always content with a few sheets of paper and whatever else he could lay his hands upon to make his mark. Growing up, he was also captivated by animals and nature. Howard pursued Art throughout school but, after much deliberation, he decided to pursue a career in science, completing a BSc in Zoology and then a PhD in Arabian bottlenose dolphin genetics! Now a doctor in genetics, Howard has returned to his dream career of becoming an illustrator. Howard lives in Durham, UK.

Welbeck Children's  
9781783129713  
Pub Date: 10/17/23  
\$19.95 USD/\$25.99 CAD  
Hardcover

56 Pages  
Carton Qty: 20  
Ages 6 to 8, Grades 1 to 3  
Juvenile Nonfiction /  
Animals  
JNF003050  
11 in H | 9.1 in W



## Checkmate!

### The young player's complete guide to chess

John Foley

The perfect introduction to chess, whether you're a budding master or you've never played before. As well as a glossary of chess terms and profiles of some of the world's greatest players, there's also unusual trivia and unbelievable true chess stories from history.

### Summary

**Chess is the ultimate fun strategy game – and this is the perfect introduction to chess, whether you're a budding master or you've never played before.**

In simple, fun stages, readers will learn what every piece can do, and how to use them on the board. Clear, original board diagrams make the action easy to understand. Readers will also discover the best tactics to use against their opponent, from how to counter the Queen's Gambit to how to avoid the Fool's Mate. There's plenty to discover about the wider world of chess too – including unusual trivia and unbelievable true chess stories from history. You'll also find a full glossary of chess terms and profiles of some of the world's greatest players inside.

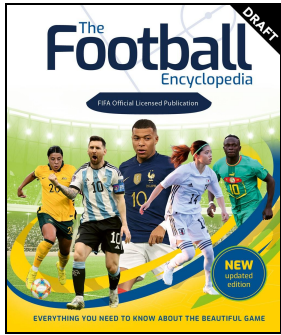
Written with clarity and humour, this is the only guide any young chess player will need.

### Contributor Bio

**John Foley** is the Secretary of the Education Commission of the European Chess Union. He has authored workbooks for children and also works as a chess tutor.

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Pub Date: 10/3/23  
\$14.95 USD/\$19.99 CAD  
Hardcover Paper over boards

112 Pages  
Carton Qty: 20  
Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 7  
Juvenile Nonfiction / Games  
& Activities  
JNF021010  
9.7 in H | 7.4 in W



## The Soccer Encyclopedia (FIFA)

Emily Stead

This newly updated edition of *The Soccer Encyclopedia (FIFA)* will make you an expert of the most popular game in the world.

### Summary

This newly updated edition of *The Soccer Encyclopedia (FIFA)* will make you an expert of the most popular game in the world.

The pages are brimming with the latest facts, stats and records, plus punchy profiles of the best international teams on the planet, as well as essential info about the top leagues and tournaments in world soccer. What's more, you can get the lowdown on all the FIFA competitions from the World Cup to the eWorld Cup and the latest recipients of the FIFA awards. With a comprehensive list of honours citing every international and intercontinental competition, FIFA's *The Soccer Encyclopedia* is a must-have for every young fan of the sport.

### Contributor Bio

**Emily Stead** is an accomplished author who has written hundreds of children's titles, from best-selling character annuals through to story and activity books, including several coloring and activity books for top UK soccer clubs.

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9781804535400  
Pub Date: 10/31/23  
\$19.95 USD/\$25.99 CAD  
Hardcover Paper over boards

128 Pages  
Carton Qty: 10  
Ages 8 to 12, Grades 3 to 7  
11 in H | 9.1 in W



## YouTube World Records 2024

The Internet's Greatest Record-Breaking Feats

Adrian Besley

*YouTube World Records 2024* showcases the greatest feats ever recorded on the file-sharing website, and includes on-the-page QR code links to more than 250 videos.

### Summary

YouTube is the world's most-visited video sharing site. It is home to over 100 million videos and contains a host of amazing clips, many documenting incredible feats of human endeavor and endurance. *YouTube World Records* is the first glorious interactive celebration of these heroic and often jaw-dropping efforts. Super-powered with on-the-page links to over 250 amazing videos, *YouTube World Records* showcases the greatest feats ever recorded on the file-sharing website. From the tallest and smallest to the greatest and maddest, *YouTube World Records* has it covered. This unique collection contains a host of amazing feats, stunts and tricks – including pancake tossing and fiery-hot pepper eating, mega-quick drumming and unbelievable basketball slam-dunks. This is the ultimate celebration of the world's greatest records.

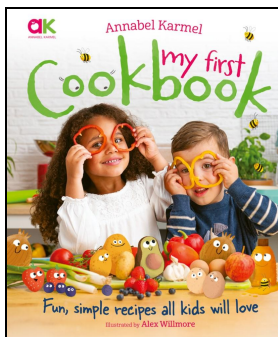
### Contributor Bio

**Adrian Besley** is the bestselling author of *The Most Amazing YouTube Videos Ever*, *The Most Awesome YouTube Videos Ever* and *The Best of YouTube*. He is the author of more than 30 celebrated books including *The Dangerous Book for Idiots* and *The Retrosexual Manual: How to be a Real Man*.

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Hardcover Paper over boards

160 Pages  
Carton Qty: 12  
Ages 10 And Up  
Young Adult Nonfiction /  
Computers  
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10.6 in H | 8.1 in W





## Annabel Karmel's My First Cookbook

Annabel Karmel, Alex Willmore

A fun and accessible first cookbook - a great way to get young children involved in the kitchen.

### Summary

**Put on your aprons - it's time to get cooking with the UK's best-selling children's cookery author!**

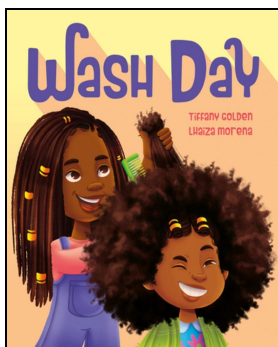
Based on a lifetime's experience creating child-friendly recipes, **Annabel Karmel** has put together the most fun and accessible first cookbook ever - it's a great way to get young children involved in the kitchen.

Recipes include Monster Pizzas, Sticky Chicken and Teddy Bear Pasta, plus lots of tempting, easy-to-make treats like banana and blueberry loaf cake and oreo brownies. On the way, children will learn essential hands-on kitchen skills, from simple sandwich making all the way to cake baking. Each recipe is easy to follow, beautifully photographed, and features hilarious illustrations from Kate Greenaway Award-nominated artist Alex Willmore.

### Contributor Bio

**Annabel Karmel** is the UK's best-selling children's cookbook author, with over 4 million copies of her *Complete Baby And Toddler Meal Planner* sold worldwide. She has written over 40 books on baby, toddler, child and family food and nutrition.

**Alex Willmore** has illustrated *The Runaway Pea*, which was selected for the BookTrust's 2020 Time to Read Campaign. Alex has won the 2020 Shrewsbury Book Fest award and The FCBG 2020 award for his illustrations in *The Runaway Pea*, as well as being nominated for the Kate Greenaway Medal, and was a finalist in the 2020 Oscar's Book Prize.



## Wash Day

Tiffany Golden, Lhaiza Morena

**A sweet and honest exploration of the ups and downs of wash day.**

### Summary

Meet Jelaya (jeh-LAY-uh.) She *hates* wash day.

The tugs! The scrubs! The pinching and pulling! Jelaya can't think of a worse way to spend the day. That is, until her big sister Jasmine explains that *this* wash day will be different. Jelaya is going to wash Jasmine's hair instead!

*Wash Day* is a sweet and honest exploration of the beauty and tradition of wash days. Offering gentle guidance and framing the all-day affair as an act of self-care, this picture book also serves as an avenue to demystify and educate others on natural haircare routines, which are often misunderstood and stigmatized.

**Mayo Clinic Press Kids creates empowering health and wellness content in partnership with pediatric experts. Proceeds from the sale of every book go to benefit important medical research and education at Mayo Clinic.**

### Contributor Bio

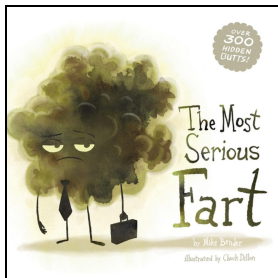
**Tiffany Golden** writes picture books, middle-grade, and YA fiction, mostly inspired by her experiences as a Black, disabled woman. Her debut picture book, *I Want to Be Big*, an ode to #BlackBoyJoy, will come out with Page Street Kids in 2023. She is also the winner of Lee and Low's New Visions Award for 2021, and her middle grade debut RIKKI AND RAI is forthcoming with Tu Books as a result. She teaches creative writing to third-to-eighth-grade students, is a member of SCWBI, and received the Judith Tannenbaum Teaching Artist Fellowship. [www.tiffanygolden.com](http://www.tiffanygolden.com)

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64 Pages  
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Ages 4 And Up  
Juvenile Nonfiction /  
Cooking & Food  
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\$18.99 USD/\$24.99 CAD  
Hardcover

32 Pages  
Carton Qty: 0  
Ages 4 to 7, Grades P to 2  
Juvenile Fiction / Diversity  
& Multicultural  
JUV074000  
10 in H | 8 in W



## The Most Serious Fart

Mike Bender, Chuck Dillon

### Summary

**The Most Serious Fart is a seriously fun children's illustrated picture book about not taking ourselves so seriously.**

Meet Siegfried, a most serious fart who is sick and tired of farts being a laughing matter. When he sets out on a most serious mission to change the fart as we know it, he ends up learning to embrace his fartness and the fun and friendship that come with it. The book also includes over 300 hidden butts from legendary Highlights Hidden Pictures illustrator, Chuck Dillon.

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**"I would've laughed myself silly as a kid reading this book. Also, full disclosure, I laughed myself silly as a grownup reading this book. A work of fart!"**

-Brad Montague, creator of the hit web series *Kid President*, author of *Becoming Better Grownups*, and the New York Times bestsellers *Kid President's Guide to Being Awesome* and *The Circles All Around Us*.

**"I must point out that obviously, I never fart. And certainly not in front of my boyfriend. But when I do, it's hilarious... just like this book."**

-Karen McCullah, screenwriter *Ten Things I Hate About You*, *Legally Blonde*

**"This book is delightful. It's ...**

### Contributor Bio

Mike Bender is the #1 NY Times Bestselling coauthor of *Awkward Family Photos* and screenwriter of *Not Another Teen Movie*. He has written the Junior Library Guild selection, *The Book About Nothing*, and *The End Is Just The Beginning* which was inspired by his healing journey from Lyme disease. He lives in California with his own awkward family.

## The Camper and The Counselor

Jackie Oshry

### Summary

**Come along with our camper on her summer filled with adventure, friendship, and new-found independence.**

*It's the first day of camp, I can't wait to arrive, I have goosebumps and chills as we enter the drive.*

It's our camper's first summer away from home. Her stomach tosses and turns. Saying goodbye is hard, but there are so many exciting activities in store. And Counselor Snitch is ready to show her just how much fun camp is. THE CAMPER AND THE COUNSELOR is a touching story about the love and support a counselor can offer all summer long.

### Contributor Bio

Jackie Oshry is a mom, lifestyle influencer, and entertainment personality. She hosts and produces the top-rated millennial podcast, *The Toast*, and she co-founded the podcast network *Toast News Network*, which elevates voices across TV, lifestyle, wellness, and business. She is also the creator and host of *The Readheads Book Club*, an influential book club and podcast with thousands of dedicated readers and listeners. In 2021, she co-founded the award-winning canned beverage company, *Spritz Society*, which is a line of sparkling wine cocktails. She is a born and raised New Yorker who currently resides in sunny South Florida with her husband, Zach, her son, Harry, and their King Charles Cavalier Spaniel, Bruno.

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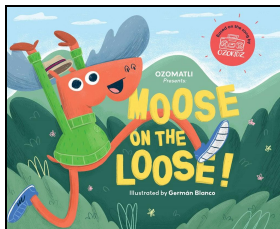
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Juvenile Fiction / Humorous  
Stories  
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Hardcover Picture Book

32 Pages  
Carton Qty: 30  
Print Run: 30K  
Ages 5 to 9, Grades 1 to 4  
Juvenile Fiction / Social  
Themes  
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## Moose on the Loose

Ozomatli, Germán Blanco

### Summary

**Based on the popular hit children's song from the Grammy Award winning band, Ozomatli!**

Picture this: it's a beautiful day in the woods. The birds are chirping—the weather's good. You and your friends are camping, fishing, hiking, swimming. But then day turns to night and something isn't right. There's a rustling and a huffing, and a shuffling and a puffing. OH NO, is it a caboose? NO...RUN...there's a moose on the loose!

This hilarious adventure will have kids laughing out loud along with one of Ozomatli's most popular songs for kids. Moose on the Loose is based on the Ozomatli presents Ozokids hit single of the same name. The song "Moose on the Loose" is one of Ozomatli's most streamed songs and a favorite at live OzoKidz performances!

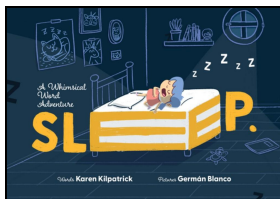
### Contributor Bio

If the city of Los Angeles had a soundtrack, it would be Ozomatli's music. Since forming in 1995, the lineup's collaborative, energetic blend of multi-cultural music and activism has earned the band three GRAMMYS®, four Hollywood Bowl shows, a TED Talk and much more. But more importantly, Ozo has inspired and energized listeners worldwide.

2023 brings an exciting new chapter for Ozomatli, as they embark on something they've never done before: a children's book! Titled "Moose on the Loose," the book is based on the Ozomatli presents Ozokids hit single of the same name. The song "Moose on the Loose" is one of Ozomatli's most streamed songs and a favorite at live OzoKidz performances.

No matter the circumstances, Ozomatli are driven: Driven to make themselves, their music and the world a better place.

**Raúl Pacheco - Lead & Backing Vocals, Guitar, Tres, Jarana**



## SLEEP

**A Whimsical Word Adventure into the Imaginative World of Sleep**

Karen Kilpatrick, Germán Blanco

### Summary

Once there was a girl who couldn't sleep. She had trouble catching her Zs. When she decides to follow them, she is led on an extraordinary word adventure over mountains, down waterfalls, and into caves...until she finally catches the Zs, falling asleep under the pale light of the moon. SLEEP captures the magic of childhood and imagination through a unique and creative perspective, revealing the whimsy of dreams through word and letter concepts that will be sure to delight readers both young and old.

### Contributor Bio

Karen is the award-winning and bestselling author of several picture book and early graphic novel series, a toy inventor, and a former lawyer. She currently writes for children from S. Florida, where she lives with her three kids. Karen founded the nonprofit, Authors4Education, which has donated thousands of books to kids in need. She also runs a media company that focuses on supporting creatives, brands, and storytellers in their publishing journeys. Learn more at [www.geniuscatbooks.com](http://www.geniuscatbooks.com) and [www.kayppin.com](http://www.kayppin.com). Germán Blanco likes doodling so he draws some caricatures and then puts them on the computer, voila! He is also a graphic designer, a former Creative Director for a global toy company, and a member of the board of directors for a nonprofit organization donating books to kids in need, Authors4Education. Some of Germán's award-winning illustrated books include *When Pencil Met Eraser* and *Pop!*.

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Hardcover Picture Book

32 Pages  
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Print Run: 30K  
Ages 3 to 7, Grades K to 3  
Juvenile Fiction / Animals  
JUV002290  
Series: OzoKidz  
9 in H | 11 in W | 0.5 in T

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Pub Date: 9/5/23  
\$14.99 USD/\$19.99 CAD  
Hardcover Picture Book

32 Pages  
Carton Qty: 45  
Print Run: 15K  
Ages 3 to 7, Grades P to 3  
Juvenile Fiction / Bedtime & Dreams  
JUV010000  
Series: Whimsical Word Adventures  
5 in H | 7 in W | 0.5 in T





## P.I. Butterfly

### Disappearing Daisy

Karen Kilpatrick, Germán Blanco

#### Summary

It's the opening night of the school play but Daisy, the lead of the show, has disappeared! There's no way Daisy would ever miss her starring role. With a class full of suspects, and a mysterious feather trail, can P.I. Butterfly crack the case before showtime?

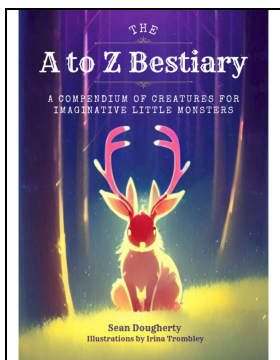
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Print Run: 15K  
Ages 6 to 11, Grades 1 to 4  
Juvenile Fiction / Comics &  
Graphic Novels  
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Series: P.I. Butterfly  
8 in H | 6 in W | 0.6 in T



## The A to Z Bestiary

### A Compendium of Imaginary Creatures for Little Monsters

Sean Dougherty

#### Summary

**A collection of imagined creatures through the eyes of a little monster.**

Monsters by nature are a scary and unnatural thought, long rooted in the imaginations of people around the world. They have been used to scare people and teach lessons since before written history, but this book aims to shift that perception. What if you could see a different side of monsters - a side that was approachable and vulnerable - that removed the fear and replaced it with empathy?

*The A to Z Bestiary* is a classic alphabet book for children that offers a different look at the fabulous creatures of an active imagination. Each letter of the alphabet showcases a monster by name or the legendary form it takes. In the fashion of a classic bestiary, each creature is given a brief description and a thought or two for how to deal with them. Whether it be patience, responsibility, or empathy, it is recommended by the book to give each monster a certain type of treatment to make sure you don't hurt their feelings.

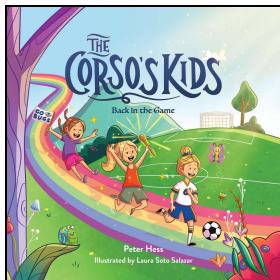
By making the monsters seem almost human with their various flaws and sensitivity it makes them less ...

#### Contributor Bio

**Sean Dougherty** is an undergraduate student at Emerson College in Boston aiming to receive a Bachelor's Degree in publishing in the Spring of 2023. He has dedicated his time in college to learning about the industry from both ends, as an author and a publisher. Taking a class on the history of horror and monsters in popular media over the years brought back his memories of the nights he spent picturing his own monsters, and inspired him to start a small passion project that grew into his first full manuscript.

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Paperback Picture Book

60 Pages  
Carton Qty: 36  
Ages 4 to 6, Grades K to 2  
Juvenile Fiction / Concepts  
JUV009010  
8 in H | 8 in W



## The Corso's Kids: Back in the Game

Peter Hess, Laura Soto Salazar

### Summary

**Join The Corso's Kids on their second fantastic adventure to Storytown!**

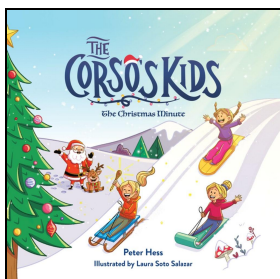
When Giorgia's soccer teammate, Carlos, quits the team because he believes he's too small to play goalie, the three sisters travel to Storytown for inspiration on how to help their friend. While there, they run into the Cute Critters, who remind them how being small doesn't mean that you can't also be mighty! Will the Cute Critters be able to help Carlos get back in the game?

In a place where children's fantasies become real, Giorgia, Marlie, and Zoey discover the magic in Storytown, and themselves, in this second adventure of The Corso's Kids that shows how it's the size of your heart that matters!

### Contributor Bio

After watching the emotional and psychological impact a global pandemic had on his three daughters and their friends, Peter Hess was inspired to begin writing stories to inspire and encourage young people to be themselves, be adventurous and follow their dreams. Peter Hess is the co-founder and CEO of Corso's Cookies, America's largest decorated cookie company. He lives in Syracuse, New York.

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## The Corso's Kids: The Christmas Minute

Peter Hess, Laura Soto Salazar

### Summary

**Join The Corso's Kids on a heartwarming adventure that reminds us of the true magic of Christmas!**

In the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, Marlie finds that her family is too busy to go on their annual holiday shopping trip with her: Zoey is focused on winning a tree decorating contest, her mom needs new cookie ideas, and Giorgia and her dad want to find the perfect tree. Will a trip to Storytown, and a surprise meeting with Santa, bring them back together?

In a place where children's fantasies become real, Giorgia, Marlie, and Zoey discover the magic in Storytown, and themselves, in this heartwarming holiday adventure!

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## Amelia Earhart

### Little Trailblazers

Marjorie Spitalnik, Sebastián Viqueira

### Summary

#### Anything is possible when you believe in yourself!

Once upon a time that was a little girl named Amelia, who loved the skies. Her biggest dream was to touch the clouds but people said that her dream was impossible.

Amelia didn't listen to them. She worked hard to become an aviator. And she succeeded! Not only did she become an aviator, but Amelia was actually the first woman to ever fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean.

She embarked on amazing adventures with her beloved plane, which she named The Yellow Canary.

Amelia and her plane went on many adventures, so many that she later decided to open an organization only for women who wanted to become aviators, like her! She named it the 99's and she was its first president. She even designed the uniforms!

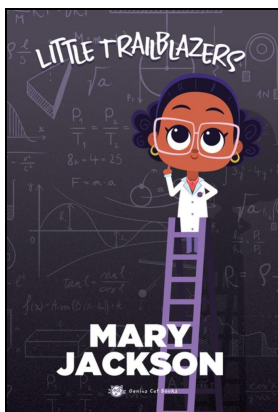
Amelia is a reminder that anything is possible when you believe in yourself!

### Contributor Bio

Marjorie Spitalnik is a Latin American entrepreneur with over 20 years of experience in communication.

Motivated by her daughter, she decided to create Little Rebels, a plush line doll collection inspired by historic women. As an entrepreneur and speaker, she is always looking for ways to empower girls around the world, and that is how Little Trailblazers was born.

An illustrator and graphic designer with over 20 years of experience, Sebastián began his career by working at an old school printing company, starting his days as a photomechanic. Today he is an expert on both animation and design and the illustrator for the Little Trailblazers book series.



## Mary Jackson

### Little Trailblazers

Marjorie Spitalnik, Sebastián Viqueira

### Summary

#### Anything is possible when you believe in yourself!

Once upon a time there was a little girl named Mary who loved science and was very good at math. Her biggest dream was to work with astronauts.

Mary lived during a time when Black people were segregated. Because of that, she wasn't able to attend the same school as white people. But in order to become an engineer, she needed to.

Mary didn't give up. She went before a judge and demanded her right to study. The judge allowed her to go to school, but only at night. Mary didn't let any obstacles stand in her way. She kept working, and went on to become the first black female engineer at NASA.

Mary is a reminder that anything is possible when you believe in yourself!

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## Cat Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

### Summary

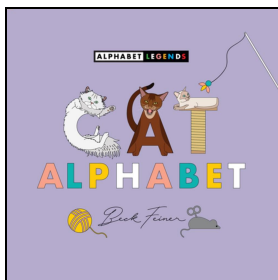
From Ragdolls to Exotics, British Shorthairs to Siamese, Cat Alphabet leaps and prowls its way through the A to Z of the most popular, intriguing, and plain legendary breeds. Written with feline fanaticism and illustrated with flair, you can't afford to be aloof about this purr-fect handbook for cat lovers of all ages.

### Contributor Bio

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## Fish Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

### Summary

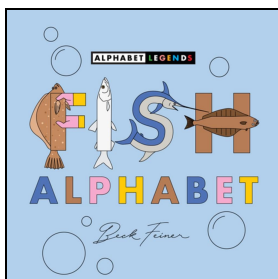
From salmon to swordfish, mahi-mahi to marlin, the Fish Alphabet swimmingly presents some of the most iconic catches in the world. Reel in young readers hook, line, and sinker while teaching them everything they need to tell fish tales of their own.

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## Diva Legends Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

### Summary

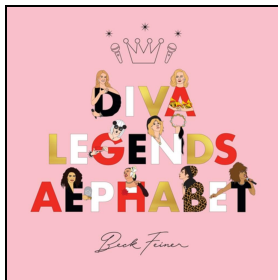
From Adele to Madonna, Stevie Nicks to Whitney Houston, Diva Legends Alphabet explores the A to Z of powerful female soloists who have broken boundaries for women in modern music. Get this book under the spotlight, as it's sure to be a smash hit with your little diva.

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## Elvis Legends Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

### Summary

From Always on My Mind to Hound Dog, Jailhouse Rock to Blue Suede Shoes, Elvis Legends Alphabet is a gyrating journey through the most memorable hits of one of the greatest performers to ever strut the stage and screen. Slick back your hair and get ready because you and the little ones won't be able to help falling in love with this Elvis sensation.

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## Queen Legends Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

### Summary

From We Will Rock You to Bohemian Rhapsody, Don't Stop Me Now to We Are the Champions, Queen Legends Alphabet is a passionate rock opera detailing the greatest hits of one of history's greatest bands. Young and not so young fans will enjoy this stunningly illustrated and respectfully written masterclass in Queen fandom.

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## Latina Legends Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

### Summary

From AOC to Eva Perón, Sonia Sotomayor to Jennifer Lopez, Latina Legends Alphabet celebrates an A to Z of women who inspire powerful Latino community pride. Illustrated with wow and written with pow, this book sends your little Latina legend off to sleep reaching for the stars. ----- De AOC a Eva Perón, de Sonia Sotomayor a Jennifer López, el Alfabeto de Leyendas Latinas celebra a las mujeres que inspiran un poderoso orgullo en la comunidad latina, de la A a la Z. Ilustrado con wow y escrito con pow, este libro hace que tu pequeña leyenda latina se duerma soñando con alcanzar las estrellas.

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## Max and the Purple Worry

Kitty Black, Jess Rose

With humor and sensitivity, *Max and the Purple Worry* delves into the quest for perfection, the anxiety it creates, and the inherent value in simply offering our best.

### Summary

**When Max has a hard time starting his math, he's joined by someone new: Worry.** Worry is no help. Worry doesn't listen. Max begins to think that Worry will never leave! Will Max ever be able to escape Worry?

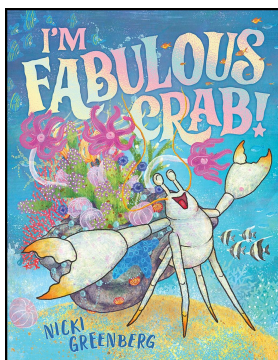
With humor and sensitivity, *Max and the Purple Worry* delves into the quest for perfection, the anxiety it creates, and the inherent value in simply offering our best.

The book includes an author's note about how to support children who are struggling with worry and anxiety. A discussion and activity guide for children will be available September 2023 at [www.flyawaybooks.com/resources](http://www.flyawaybooks.com/resources).

### Contributor Bio

**Kitty Black** studied psychology and education prior to becoming an author of children's books. Her research, including many hours talking with children, reinforced that stories are invaluable for helping process emotions. She lives in Western Australia. [www.kittyblackauthor.com](http://www.kittyblackauthor.com)

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## I'm Fabulous Crab

Nicki Greenberg

**Henry is tired of life on the dim ocean floor. He wants glamour! He wants bling!** Even when his new dazzle leads to the unexpected, he still wants to be . . . Fabulous Crab!

### Summary

**Henry is tired of life on the dim ocean floor. He wants glamour! He wants bling!** Even when his new dazzle leads to the unexpected, he still wants to be . . . Fabulous Crab!

*I'm Fabulous Crab* is a sparkling story about joyfully wearing your true colors—and perhaps a touch of glitter!

A reading guide with discussion questions based on the book and activities to help children explore its themes will be available September 2023 at [www.flyawaybooks.com/resources](http://www.flyawaybooks.com/resources).

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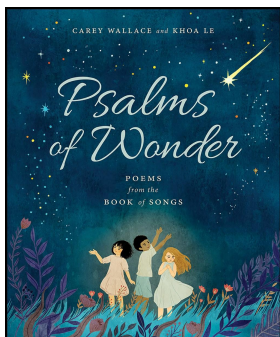
**Nicki Greenberg's** many works for children include fiction, nonfiction, and picture books. Her favorite activity is making books, but Nicki also loves to roller skate and crochet bizarre sea creatures. She lives in Australia. [www.nickigreenberg.com](http://www.nickigreenberg.com)

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## Psalms of Wonder

### Poems from the Book of Songs

Carey Wallace, Khoa Le

For readers of all ages, these inviting poems and gorgeous illustrations inspired by the book of Psalms echo all its wonder and courage, comfort and joy, protection and love.

### Summary

**A psalm is a song that we sing to God.**

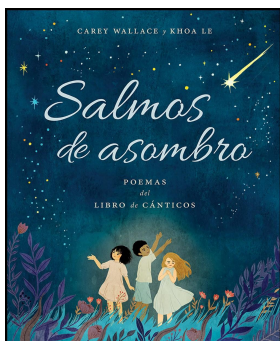
Sometimes the psalmists are joyful, sometimes troubled. Sometimes they're angry, at the world or at God. Sometimes they're overwhelmed by God's love or dazzled by the beauty of God's world. But however they feel, they bring it all to God—their mess, their pain, and their joy. Through many generations, people have called on the beloved ancient songs to express their deepest emotions to God and one another.

For readers of all ages, these inviting poems and gorgeous illustrations are inspired by the book of Psalms, echoing all its wonder and courage, comfort and joy, protection and love. For children, *Psalms of Wonder* offers an introduction, bridging to the beloved phrases and images of Scripture. For readers who already know and love the Psalms, the poems reveal a refreshing new perspective while holding true to respected biblical translations. Perfect for savoring and sharing, this luminous collection will resonate deep in the hearts of God's children.

### Contributor Bio

**Carey Wallace** is a writer of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry, including *Stories of the Saints: Bold and Inspiring Tales of Adventure, Grace, and Courage* and the novel *The Ghost in the Glass House*. She is the founder of several innovative organizations that offer encouragement and connection for artists of all kinds. Raised in small towns in Michigan, she now lives in New York City. [www.careywallace.com](http://www.careywallace.com)

**Khoa Le** is the illustrator of a number of acclaimed books for children, and her paintings have been honored and exhibited across Asia. She lives in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. [www.khoaleartwork.com](http://www.khoaleartwork.com)



## Salmos de asombro

### Poemas del libro de cánticos

Carey Wallace, Khoa Le

Poemas originales y espléndidas obras de arte inspiradas en el libro de los Salmos que hacen eco de sus temas de asombro, valentía, consuelo, alegría, protección y amor.

### Summary

Una magnífica colección de poemas nuevos inspirados en los salmos.

**Un salmo es un cántico que cantamos a Dios.**

En ocasiones, el libro de los Salmos está lleno de gozo, pero en otras ocasiones puede estar lleno de aflicción. A veces los salmistas están llenos de enojo con el mundo o con Dios. Sin embargo, sea como sea que se sientan siempre llevan todo a Dios: su desorden, su dolor y su alegría. A través de muchas generaciones las personas han dependido de los amados cánticos antiguos para expresar sus emociones más profundas hacia Dios y hacia las demás personas.

Estos encantadores poemas, para lectores de todas las edades, tienen bellas ilustraciones y están inspirados en el libro de los Salmos. Estos hacen eco de toda su maravilla y valentía, de su consuelo y alegría, y de su protección y amor. Para la niñez, *Salmos de asombro* ofrece una introducción y sirve como puente a las amadas frases e imágenes de la Biblia. Para quienes ya conocen y aman los salmos, los poemas revelan una perspectiva nueva y refrescante, manteniéndose fieles a traducciones bíblicas respetables. Esta luminosa co...

### Contributor Bio

**Carey Wallace** es una escritora de ficción, no ficción y poesía, que incluye libros como *Stories of the Saints: Bold and Inspiring Tales of Adventure, Grace, and Courage* y la novela *The Ghost in the Glass House*. Es la fundadora de varias organizaciones innovadoras que ofrecen apoyo y conexión para artistas de todo tipo. Fue criada en pequeños pueblos de Michigan, y ahora vive en la ciudad de Nueva York. [www.careywallace.com](http://www.careywallace.com)

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## Snippets

### A Story About Paper Shapes

Diane Alber

### Summary

**You can change the world one snippet of kindness at a time.**

Snippets is a story that revels the power of kindness and the beauty of being unique. And it does so though the journey of two different groups of shapes (the polygons and irregular polygons).

In Snippets, discover a very powerful message while learning shapes at the same time. Snippet finds himself in a world full of perfect shapes and soon realizes his odd shape doesn't fit in. Despite being put down by his abnormally long top, Snippet's confidence in his unique shape gives him the ability to show how everyone is stronger together than they are apart.

**The best book for raising confident children** Snippets has the key message of love and positivity which is supported by many positive parenting solutions today. It will pair nicely with other books that focus in on emotions and inclusion. Like the work of RJ Palacio (*We're All Wonders*), Laurie Wright (*I Can Handle It*), and Barney Saltzberg (*Beautiful Oops*).

**Searching for bullying books for children?** Teasing is often part of growing up, and almost every child experiences it, but som...

### Contributor Bio

Diane Alber has had a passion for art since she held her first crayon at age two, which inspired her to subsequently earn a Bachelor's Degree in Fine Arts from Arizona State University. She is a wife and a mother of two young energetic children who love books. She became inspired to start writing and illustrating books because she saw a need for books that inspired art and creativity in children, and later, for books that help children identify and manage big emotions!

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## Penny Pickleberry

### Anti-Anxiety Workbook

Meghan Grana, Fanny Liem

### Summary

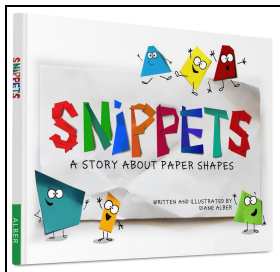
***And that's when it started . . . the inside-out squeezing, pulsing, whirly feeling in Penelope's belly.***

Meet Penelope Pickleberry, first-grader extraordinaire. Penelope can do lots of things, like pack her own snack and tie her shoelaces in under thirty seconds. But Penelope has one *huge* problem—Nelly, the negative voice in her head that tells her about bad things that might happen.

At the final game of the soccer season, Nelly's *I-just-can't* message is getting louder. Luckily, Penelope also has Penny, the positive, confidence-boosting voice inside her that tells her to be brave and persevere. Will Nelly win the battle? Or will Penny's words of encouragement prove more powerful?

This fun and relatable picture book helps kids manage childhood anxiety by learning to quiet their negative self-talk and listen to their own Penny, the inner voice that fills them with the courage to conquer everyday obstacles.

**Includes "A Guide for Shushing Your Nelly"— practical tips to help children overcome anxious thoughts.**



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## Butterfly Girl

Ashling Kwok, Arielle Li

Olivia's only friends are butterflies. When Olivia and her mother move from the countryside, Olivia must leave her fluttering friends behind. 'You'll make new friends,' her mother reassures her — but no butterflies visit Olivia's balcony. Olivia will need to transform her new environment if she want...

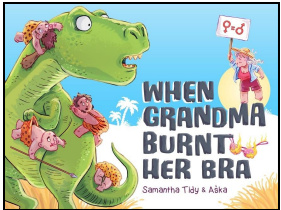
### Summary

Olivia and her butterfly friends spend all of their time together, until one day everything changes, and Olivia and her mother move to an apartment in the city. Olivia is heartbroken because she doesn't want to leave her butterfly friends behind but her mother assures her that she will make new friends in the city. When Olivia and her mum arrive in the city, it's so grey and gloomy that everyone is sheltering inside. Olivia waits for new friends to come and play but no one appears. So Olivia stands on her empty concrete apartment balcony and calls out to her butterfly friends — because they always come when she needs them. But this time, even her butterfly friends don't appear. Then Olivia remembers that butterflies need colourful nectar plants, a puddle pool and rocks to rest their wings on, but Olivia doesn't have a garden anymore so she decides to build a butterfly balcony garden using whatever she can find. Olivia waits and waits and waits but her butterflies stay away. Just as Olivia is about to lose hope, a gust of wind blows flowers from her balcony garden across the grey sky...

### Contributor Bio

Ashling Kwok is a children's author from Sydney. She is obsessed with children's literature and loves immersing herself in a magical world where anything is possible. When she's not working on her manuscripts, Ashling can be found scouring local bookstores in search of inspiration. She hopes to continue to write stories that take children on a journey and hopefully touch their hearts.

Arielle Li is a Taiwanese-Australian illustrator based in Adelaide. She has been passionate about creating art from a young age and has been pursuing illustration as a career since 2019. When she's not working, she enjoys long walks at the beach, chasing her cats around the house and practising Taekwondo.



## When Grandma Burnt Her Bra

Samantha Tidy, Aska

This hilarious illustrated tale explores how children hear stories and reproduce them in their minds, often with unexpected consequences! The narrative uses invading dinosaurs to highlight how women have struggled for equality across the ages — taking the story all the way back to when people lived ...

### Summary

In *When Grandma Burnt Her Bra*, author Samantha Tidy and illustrator Aska depict the world as seen by a child whose own grandma, a loud and proud feminist, was part of the revolution that now benefits us all. Readers of all types will enjoy this humorous story that plays on how children hear stories and reproduce them in their minds. The narrative uses dinosaurs slowly invading the backyard (and the story itself) to convey the shift across time in the fight for women's equality and rights — taking the story all the way back to a time when people lived in caves and stone-age attitudes dominated. This unashamedly feminist text uses humour, history, the childhood perception of age, underwear and the unexpected appearance of dinosaurs to broach a tricky subject without casting blame. The book communicates that across history, both men and women (as depicted in the illustrations) have broken down barriers that women should no longer need to face. It conveys carefully and quirkily the complex message that things were not always equal — and that they are not yet equal —but the continued fig...

### Contributor Bio

Samantha Tidy is a writer of fiction and non-fiction for both children and adults. She seeks out stories that cultivate connection and resilience and that help build community. She believes strongly that books can help us imagine a better world for the next generation to inherit. She is passionate about libraries, sustainable stewardship of our planet and using hope, action and compassion to regenerate our future. Samantha's previous titles include *Our Bush Capital* (Storytorch Press, 2020) and *The Day We Built the Bridge* (MidnightSun Publishing, 2019).

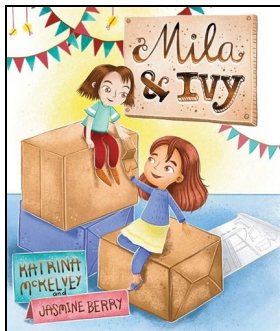
Aska is an award-winning illustrator, artist and scientist. As an Arts and Physics graduate, she has lived all over the world but now calls Australia home. She has also been telling stories through pictures all of her life. Through her illustrations, Aska loves to create energetic characters with a curious streak - the best type of friend to take on an adventure uncovering the wonderfully diverse and inspiring world around us. Aska's

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## Mila & Ivy (2nd Edition, New edition)

Katrina McKelvey , Jasmine Berry

This tale of two sisters is a fun story about how different people work in different ways, and how we can discuss and harness those differences to get better results.

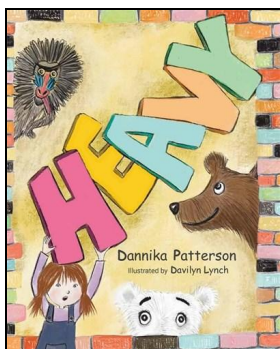
### Summary

Mila likes to build things and is designing a cupcake catapult with her little sister, Ivy. However, a problem arises when it seems like Ivy is more intent on destroying things than she is on building them. Frustrated by her sister's behavior, Mila decides to build the catapult on her own, but it soon becomes clear that something is missing. Something that only Ivy can help with... This tale of two sisters is a fun example of how different people work in different ways, and how we can embrace and harness those differences to get better results. A great book for siblings that don't always see eye to eye. Mila likes to build things and is designing a cupcake catapult with her little sister, Ivy. However, a problem arises when it seems that Ivy is intent on destroying things. Frustrated by her sister's behavior, Mila decides to build the catapult on her own, but it soon becomes clear that something is missing. Something that only Ivy can help with... This is a fun story about how different people work in different ways, and how we can embrace and harness those differences to get better r...

### Contributor Bio

Katrina McKelvey is a children's author, picture book manuscript assessor, former primary school teacher, and wife and mother living in Newcastle, NSW, Australia. She's highly involved in Children's Book Council of Australia, SCBWI, LittleScribe, community events, literary conferences and festivals, and loves visiting schools. She's written many children's picture books and educational readers including her new title Mila and Ivy. Other much-loved books include Isla's Family Tree, Chasing Rainbows, No Baths Week and Up To Something. Katrina's left-handed, loves tea, scary movies and rollercoasters, and is addicted to mint chocolate. When she was little, a hot air balloon accidentally landed in her backyard.

Jasmine Berry grew up in beautiful Albany, Western Australia. She has been drawing to impress the other kids since she was old enough to hold a colouring pencil. More recently, she crafts exciting and magical worlds with her computer, iPad and many coffees. She lives in Perth with her husband and with two adorable cats, and a rather large collection of succulents.



## Heavy

Dannika Patterson, Davilyn Lynch

Nina teaches her family of incredibly strong women how to take a break from their busy and exciting lives with her amazing inventions. The author and illustrator blend exciting language with dynamic artwork to create a fun story for children about letting go of our burdens. Heavy is author Dannika ...

### Summary

A light-hearted story about carrying heavy loads and the strength to be found when women and girls find ways to lift each other up. Heavy is an empowering children's picture book about intergenerational and societal patterns of burden carrying for women and girls. It addresses the glorification of business and burden-carrying in today's world in a gentle, age-appropriate, and accessible way, with lightness and humour. It's an anti-multitasking story for 4-8 year olds that advocates for lighter living and focusing on just one important thing at a time to avoid overwhelm and burnout. At the wild animal rescue center run by her family of incredibly strong women, Nina watches as her older female relatives piggyback polar bears and carry boa constrictors. Every day, they pick up more and more. The trouble is, they never put anything down! Seeing her family struggle, Nina is determined to find a way to show them that just because they can carry heavy things around all the time, doesn't mean they have to. Will Nina's inventions help lighten their loads? Heavy is an empowering picture book a...

### Contributor Bio

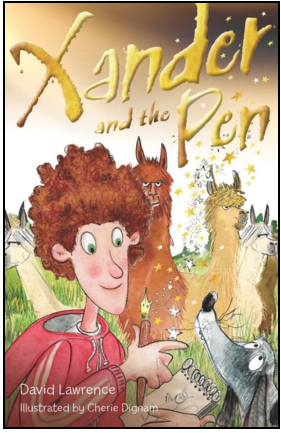
Dannika Patterson is an Australian children's author with degrees in Psychology and Journalism. After a successful international career using her wordsmithing skills to help businesses tell their stories, Dannika has found her true passion writing stories and presenting workshops for children.

Davilyn was born and raised in Melbourne, Australia, where she would spend most days drawing, escaping into a world of creativity and wonder. She grew up in an inspiring household surrounded by her father's abstract canvases on every wall. After the distractions of life, it wasn't until her first child came along that she rediscovered her love of drawing and decided to make it a major part of her life. With the help and support of her husband and close friends she was able to make her dream a reality and became a full-time illustrator. Davilyn is self-taught, letting her passion and creativity be her guide in the picture books she works on.

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## Xander and the Pen

David Lawrence, Cherie Dignam

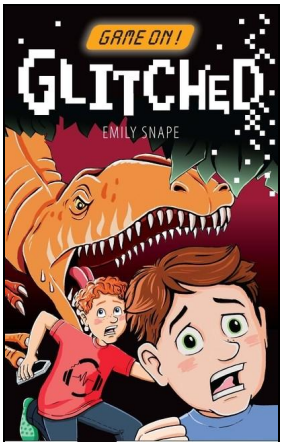
Xander, a boy who loves to draw superheroes, buys a pen from a mysterious market stall. He soon learns that the pen has a magical power. At first, the pen improves life for Xander's family and friends, but there are unintended consequences. As events spiral out of control, Xander has a new set of pr...

### Summary

Xander buys a pen that gives him the power to improve his family's fortunes, only to discover that power comes with its own problems. Xander and the Pen is the story of a boy who loves to draw superheroes, and the pen he buys from a mysterious market stall. He soon learns that the pen has a magical power: whatever he draws, happens! At first the pen helps Xander improve his family's fortunes, but there are many unintended consequences and soon everybody is angry at him. Xander sees that the power of the pen has changed him into somebody his sister and his friends despise. But how else to deal with the bullying Bruise Brothers and solve the mystery of the poisoned llamas? Can Xander win back the respect of his sister and friends without using the pen? Or will he succumb to the temptation of an easy fix? Featuring hilarious illustrations, and with messages about bullying, family dynamics, disability and the environment, this is fast-paced, entertaining middle grade fiction that will resonate with kids everywhere. After all, who wouldn't want to fix all their problems with the stroke of...

### Contributor Bio

Unlike most children's authors, David Lawrence started out as a financial analyst! He went from creating profit-and-loss statements to performing stand-up comedy and TV writing, before penning his first book in 2007. Since then, he has written another 12 fun-filled children's books aimed at engaging reluctant readers. David is passionate about children's literacy and is a proud Ambassador of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Cherie Dignam has always loved drawing and works in a variety of mediums including coloured pencils and watercolour. However, she is at her happiest with a good old-fashioned dip pen and ink. When she's not working to keep her pet cat Boris supplied with endless tins of tuna, Cherie creates from her home, a short walk from the beach in sunny Perth, Australia.



## Game On: Glitched

Emily Snape

When Max's rebellious younger brother Liam starts playing 'Glitched' on Miss McBoob's phone, the app transports the two brothers through time to different versions of their home town. To return to their own time, Max and Liam must dodge many historical dangers and photograph some historical artefact...

### Summary

Warring brothers Max and Liam find themselves trapped in a time-travel game. Can they survive the dangers and solve the riddles without killing each other? Gaming-obsessed Max and his infuriating younger brother, Liam, are forced to work together when a new game on Miss McBoob's mobile phone sucks them into a time-travelling vortex. The 'Glitched' app transports the brothers to earlier versions of their home town where they find themselves in the Stone Age, in Roman times, in the Middle Ages and in the age of the dinosaurs. To return to their own time they must solve riddles while dodging woolly mammoths, jousting knights and all manner of bodily fluids, both human and animal! Author and illustrator Emily Snape's sons were both reluctant readers, which made her want to write books they could not resist reading! Reading should be a pleasure and it was Emily's aim to write books that pull you in and hook you from the start. 'Hopefully, then you can't help being moved by the characters as they grow and develop. I love comedy in books, but funny books also have to have heart, believable ...

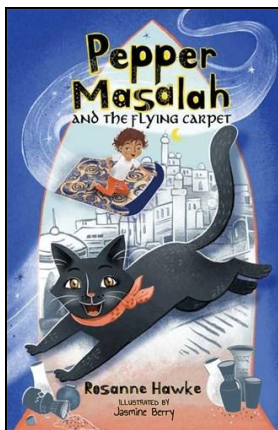
### Contributor Bio

Emily Snape is a children's author and illustrator living in London. Her work has appeared online, on television, in shops and even on buses! She loves coffee and notebooks, and has three cheeky children, Leo, Fin, and Flo, who keep her on her toes and give her lots of inspiration for stories.

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## Pepper Masalah and the Flying Carpet

Rosanne Hawke, Jasmine Berry

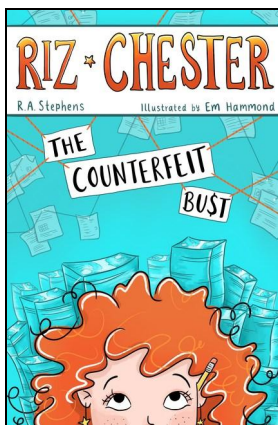
Pepper Masalah and the Flying Carpet takes us on a magic carpet adventure with black cat Pepper and her 9-year-old human, Zamir. Stranded in a distant land, how will they find their way back home to Australia? The author blends culture, legend and history throughout the story. This is the first juni...

### Summary

Pepper Masalah adventure series is based on a black cat called Pepper Masalah, a nine-year-old boy called Zamir and a flying carpet. Pepper Masalah lives with Zamir and his family on an olive farm in Australia. Zamir's grandmother is from the old country (Kashmir) and when coming to Australia she brought with her an ancient carpet. A charming story about the importance of family and caring for those in need. Readers who loved the magic and playfulness of the bestselling Tashi series, will also love Pepper and her friend Zam. With her usual flair, Rosanne Hawke blends culture, legend, and history throughout her stories, as Pepper and Zamir are whisked off together on adventures around the globe. The concept has broad appeal: mystery, adventure, travel, exotica, and three very memorable characters: Pepper Masalah, Zamir and the Flying Carpet. Pepper Masalah and the Flying Carpet is a junior fiction story based on the adventures of a Bombay/British Shorthair cross cat called Pepper Masalah, a 9-year-old boy called Zamir and a flying carpet. Author Rosanne Hawke blends culture, legend, an...

### Contributor Bio

Rosanne Hawke has authored over 30 children's and YA books. She has been a teacher, an aid worker in Pakistan & the UAE, and a lecturer in Creative Writing. Her books explore cultural and social issues, history, mystery, family and faith. She often writes of displacement, belonging and reconciliation and tells stories of children unheard. Many of her books have been longlisted, shortlisted or won awards in Australia and Cornwall. Rosanne is a Bard of Cornwall and lives in South Australia. Jasmine Berry grew up in beautiful Albany, Western Australia. She has been drawing to impress the other kids since she was old enough to hold a colouring pencil. More recently, she crafts exciting and magical worlds with her computer, iPad and many coffees. She lives in Perth with her husband and with two adorable cats, and a rather large collection of succulents.



## Riz Chester: The Counterfeit Bust

**The Counterfeit Bust**

R. A. Stephens, Em Hammond

Riz Chester is an average 11-year-old girl. She doesn't think she can do anything special and is average at school. But Riz is particularly observant. When she finds out about a counterfeit ring, can she use her powers of observation to work out who is behind it? Will they even believe her?

### Summary

Riz Chester is an average 11-year-old girl. She can't do anything special and is average at school. But Riz is particularly picky, she notices when the teacher is 2 minutes late, or when the food brand used in the cheese sandwiches changes. She also notices when money doesn't feel quite right. Spotted by a police officer, Riz gets called in for questioning. She demonstrates she indeed does easily notice the difference between the normal notes and the counterfeit ones, even though before her interaction with the officer she had never heard of counterfeiting. The officer explains that there is a ring of counterfeiting occurring locally but they haven't been able to pinpoint the criminal source. Mum cannot remember where the notes came from, but something sticks out to Riz when she thinks about it later. She recruits her friends to help her help investigate, carefully planning a course of action to track down the counterfeit notes. With the help of Riz and her friends, the police uncover the counterfeit operation. Riz Chester is an average 11-year-old girl. She doesn't think she can do any...

### Contributor Bio

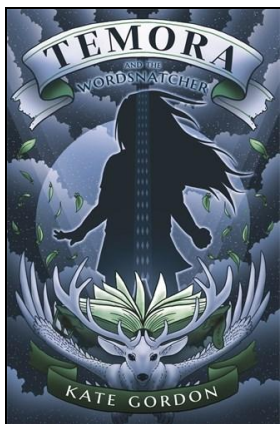
R. A. is a teacher by day, writer, editor and publisher by night. She is passionate about the written word, what stories can do to take a reader to a new world and open our eyes to love, compassion, the bigger picture and much more.

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Series: Riz Chester  
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## Temora and the Wordsnatcher

Kate Gordon

Temora Murphy lives in an immaculate house, with a controlling mother. The only other children she sees are the "shining" girls her mother selects for her as friends. Girls who tease her for her size and shyness. To escape, she reads books about adventure and magic. Then, on her twelfth birthday, Te...

### Summary

Temora and the Wordsnatcher is a book of magic and adventure, self-discovery and the true power of words. It is peopled by children who are discovering their true selves and the way they fit in the world. Temora Murphy is eleven years old. She lives in an immaculate house, with a mother who wishes to control and mold her. The only other children she sees are the "shiny" girls her mother selects for her as friends. Girls who tease her for her size and shyness. Girls who call her "Puddingface.". Temora wants more. Temora loves reading, books about adventure and magic. She finds these books in a black pearl box at the bottom of the garden, beneath the Bloodwood tree. She does not know how they come to be there or who sends them, and every time she thinks too hard about it, some strange impulse in her mind compels her to stop. The books help her to escape. But only so much. Then, at a party for her twelfth birthday, Temora Murphy makes another wish. And with that wish, her life alters forever. Temora and the Wordsnatcher is a literary children's story,; a portal fantasy work, featuring c...

### Contributor Bio

Kate Gordon grew up in a small town by the sea in Tasmania. She is the author of six novels for teenagers, as well as the picture books, Bird on a Wire and Amira's Magpie, and the junior fiction series, Juno Jones. She now writes middle grade fiction.

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Series: The Wordspinners  
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## Puzzles

Worldwide Buddies

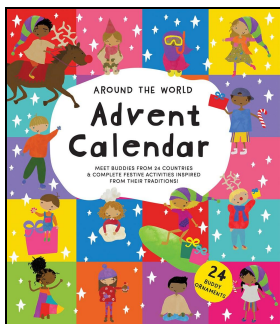
### Summary

"Puzzles" is a colorful, easy and fun way for littles (and not so littles) to meet our buddies from all corners of the world! A double-sided, 100-piece jigsaw puzzle for children to spend some constructive, screen-free and creative time at home.

- Double-sided for extra hours of creativity.
- 100 big pieces that create two wonderful designs.
- Comes with a cloth bag inside that makes it easy for tidying up + a great travel companion.
- One side features 36 worldwide buddies with their names and countries, while the second side features a more playful pattern of the buddies!
- Each side is of a different level of difficulty, making it suitable for different age groups.
- Sturdy, gorgeous box that's ready for gifting! Just add a ribbon and it's ready to go.
- Ideal for ages 4+.
- The puzzle size is 23.6 x 23.6".

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\$24.99 USD

100 Pages  
Carton Qty: 20  
Ages 4 to 12  
Juvenile Nonfiction / Games & Activities  
JNF021040  
7.9 in H | 7.9 in W



## Around the World Advent Calendar

with buddies and adventures

Worldwide Buddies

### Summary

Countdown the days to Christmas with buddies from around the world!

Every day, travel to a different country, meet a buddy that lives there and complete a holiday-related activity inspired from that culture!

Each day's window will be dedicated to one country and will reveal:

- A buddy figurine that can also be used as a tree ornament.
- A card with a holiday-related activity or challenge inspired from that place.

By Christmas, you will have completed 24 screen-free activities and you will have 24 new buddies from around the world to celebrate with you!

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Carton Qty: 0  
Ages 4 to 12  
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Holidays & Celebrations  
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## The Little Explorer's Words

Evi Triantafyllides

### Summary

A heartwarming tale of a little explorer who travels around the world collecting 30 unique, untranslatable words from different cultures and their meanings.

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Hardcover

64 Pages  
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Ages 4 to 12  
Juvenile Fiction / Concepts  
JUV009080

5.9 in H | 7.9 in W



## Around the World Coloring Book

Worldwide Buddies

### Summary

Color the world in 30 activities (+ over 100 stickers)! A fun collection of 30 outside-the-box coloring activities designed for creative breaks and mindful days.

Inspired by buddies from all corners of the planet, this coloring book introduces children to traditions and cultural facts from around the world. It's the ideal mindful activity for children to focus, relax and create, and the perfect booklet to wake up the little artist in all of us. And the best part? It also includes over 100 stickers!

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Sticker Book

40 Pages  
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Ages 4 to 12  
Juvenile Nonfiction /  
Activity Books  
JNF001010  
Series: Around the World  
9.4 in H | 7.5 in W



## Around the World Activity Book

with buddies from 15 countries

Worldwide Buddies

### Summary

Every day, meet a new buddy and pretend you're in their country! Spend your afternoon learning about their culture through fun quizzes and interactive activities. An activity book specially created to transport children to 30 different cultures, all from the comfort of their home.

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## The Stitch Clique

Tina Wells

Another series by bestselling author Tina Wells, *The Stitch Clique* weaves a heartfelt story told in alternating perspectives about family, first crushes, and new friendships to last forever.

### Summary

**Meet the StitchClique, five stylish girls who share a passion for fashion!**

When the store Zoey's Closet opens its doors to offer sewing classes for beginners, Ava, Gracie, Lily, Maya, and Sophia walk in not knowing each other or what to expect. But as they talk about their favorite fashion looks and trade stories about their families, something just clicks. They discover they have a lot in common—in fact, their differences only make each other more interesting!

Everything seems to be going well until a hurricane hits Maya's old hometown, leaving it in devastation. Determined to help, the girls come up with an idea: they can raise money for the town's recovery by putting on a charity benefit... plus a fashion show! They just need to contact the vendors, get the word out, design and sew all the clothes... Will the girls be able to pull it off in time?

From bestselling author Tina Wells, *The Stitch Clique* weaves a heartfelt story told in alternating perspectives about family, first crushes, and new friendships to last forever.

### Contributor Bio

Tina Wells is a business strategist, advisor, author, and the founder of RLVNT Media, a multimedia content venture serving entrepreneurs, tweens, and culturists with authentic representation. Tina has been recognized by *Fast Company's* 100 Most Creative People in Business, *Essence's* 40 Under 40, and more. For over two decades she led Buzz Marketing Group, an agency she founded at age 16 with clients like Dell, The Oprah Winfrey Network, Kroger, Apple, P+G, Johnson & Johnson, and American Eagle that Tina connected with her network of 30,000 buzzSpotters® and 7,000 "momSpotters", all influential millennials and passionate end-consumers. Tina is also the author of several books, including best-selling tween fiction series *Mackenzie Blue* and its 2020 spinoff series. *The Zee Files*. *Honest June*. *The Stitch Clique* series. and the marketing



## Gracie Opens Shop

Tina Wells

In the third installment of *The Stitch Clique*, Gracie feels great: she's spending more time with her crush, Ali Mansourian, and she's starting a business with her Passion for Fashion friends! But when starting a business together starts to strain her Passion for Fashion friend group, Gracie wonders ...

### Summary

Everything seems to be working out for Grace "Gracie" Alexander-Cline. She's made an amazing group of besties through the Passion For Fashion class at her mama's studio, Zoey's Closet, she's spending more time than ever with her crush Ali Mansourian, and her peers at school are finally starting to appreciate her signature punk style—she's even getting a style feature in the school paper! But the very best part? She and the rest of the Passion For Fashion girls are starting a business together. The business has been something Gracie has been wanting to do for months now and she's thrilled her friends have finally agreed to get started on it. But as the school year progresses, tension builds as Gracie senses that her girlfriends might not be as passionate about the business as she is. While Gracie has abstained from any and all extracurriculars so that the business can be her primary focus, her friends seem to be too preoccupied with their other after school activities to put their all into it. Luckily Gracie has Lily, who has slowly become the closest to her of the P4F crew, in her co...

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## Best Friends Forever?

Tina Wells

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### Summary

**The Hollows is going on a ski adventure! Journey to Switzerland with Zee as she takes on the slopes in Book 6 of The ZeeFiles.**

The school winter field trip promises a week of snow-filled fun that everyone in year nine is looking forward to—everyone except Zee. Not only is this her first trip anywhere without her parents, but Zee doesn't know how to ski! What if she falls and embarrasses herself? Will everyone laugh at her?

Then right before the trip, Zee gets some shocking news: her best friend Ally is transferring... to The Hollows! Zee knows she should be excited, so why does she have a weird feeling about it?

### Contributor Bio

**Tina Wells** is a business strategist, advisor, author, and the founder of RLVNT Media, a multimedia content venture serving entrepreneurs, tweens and culturists with authentic representation. Tina has been recognized by Fast Company's 100 Most Creative People in Business, Essence's 40 Under 40, and more. For over two decades she led Buzz Marketing Group, an agency she founded at age 16 with clients like Dell, The Oprah Winfrey Network, Kroger, Apple, P+G, Johnson & Johnson, and American Eagle that Tina connected with her network of 30,000 buzzSpotters® and 7,000 "momSpotters", all influential millennials and passionate end-consumers. Tina is also the author of seven books, including the best-selling tween fiction series Mackenzie Blue, its 2020 spinoff series, The Zee Files, and the marketing handbook, Chasing Youth Culture and Getting It Right. Tina's board positions have included THINX, the United Nations Foundation's Global Entrepreneurs Council, The Franklin Institute and Young Entrepreneur's Council. She has also served as the Academic Director for Wharton's Leadership in the Business World Pro...

## Call of Doody

David Mansch

*Call of Doody* is the first installment of *The S.N.O.T.S.*, a graphic novel series about incredible superpowers, space robots, Bad Dudes, and a regular kid who gets the call to save the world—with video games!

### Summary

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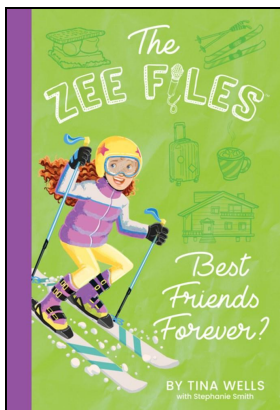
Meet Rusty Crumb, a boy who loves pizza, picking his nose, and playing video games. And he's really good at gaming. In fact, he's so good that every game now is just too easy for him. All he wants is a challenge, something that will make things fun and interesting again.

Meanwhile, in space, Commander Newton Bean of the Superpixel Ninja Officer Tweens of Space is looking for a new recruit to help him defeat the evil Baron Buttz and his nefarious pranks. Newton needs someone who's not just courageous and smart, but also an amazing gamer to be able to wield the immense powers of the Super Game Dude device. Could Rusty be just who the S.N.O.T.S. are looking for?

A ridiculously hilarious romp through space filled with action, adventure, and out-of-this-world fun!

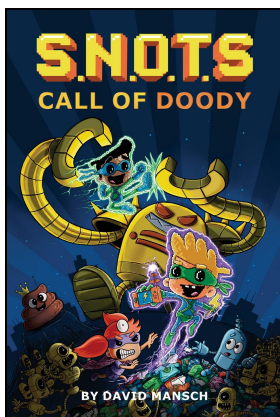
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## Sound Switch Wonder

Christine Ko, Owen Whang, Katie Crumpton

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With whimsical, bright illustrations and lyrical words, *Sound Switch Wonder* is a sweet and gentle story about sharing and embracing differences.

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**Dr. Christine Ko** is an author, mother, and a Professor of Dermatology and Pathology at Yale University. Her debut children's book, *Sound Switch Wonder*, was inspired by her son and was written to include more representation of deaf people in books and the spectrum and range of deafness. Christine lives with husband and their daughter and son in New Haven, Connecticut.

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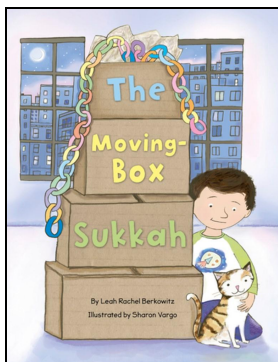
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## The Moving-Box Sukkah

Leah Berkowitz, Sharon Vargo

A boy and his mom find a creative way to make a new apartment in a new city feel like a bit more like home as they celebrate the fall holiday of Sukkot

### Summary

**A boy and his mom find a creative way to make a new apartment in a new city feel like a bit more like home as they prepare to celebrate the fall holiday of Sukkot.**

Everything is different and nothing feels like home for a boy who has moved to a new city with his mom. As they unpack together, he can't find his special blue blanket, he misses his old yard, and he worries that they won't be able to celebrate holidays as they once did. Calm and sensitive guidance from his mom, who describes how the Israelites had to move and adapt to new surroundings throughout the ages, also includes some hilarious ideas from the rabbis of long ago as they tried to imagine where it might be possible to build a sukkah—the temporary hut where ancient Israelites sheltered during their pilgrimages. The boy begins to see that different isn't necessarily worse, and a new place can begin to feel more like home, especially when family is together.

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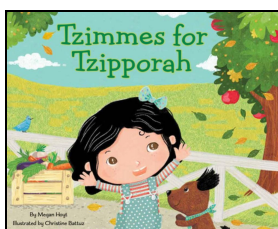
Rabbi Leah Rachel Berkowitz is the spiritual leader of Congregation Kol Ami in Elkins Park, PA. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Near Eastern and Judaic Studies and Journalism from Brandeis University (2003) and was ordained at HUC-JIR, where she earned dual masters degrees in Hebrew Literature and Religious Education (2008). A contributor to *The Sacred Calling: Four Decades of Women in the Rabbinate* (CCAR Press 2016, Winner of the National Jewish Book Award), Leah is also the author of two children's books: *Queen Vashti's Comfy Pants* (Apples and Honey Press 2021) and *The World Needs Beautiful Things* (Kar-Ben 2018), as well as the middle-grade midrash collection *Maybe It Happened This Way: Bible Stories Reimagined* with co-author Erica Wovsaniker (Apples and Honey Press 2022). She lives in Elkins Park, PA

Sharon Vargo is a children's book illustrator whose work has appeared in books, magazines, textbooks, as murals, limited edition prints, and in the Mazza Museum in Findlay, Ohio. She earned a BFA from the Pratt

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## Tzimmies for Tzipporah

Megan Hoyt, Christine Battuz

A young girl is excited to now be old enough to join the fall harvest on her family's farm, helping to dig up vegetables, prepare, and cook them for a Rosh Hashanah holiday celebration with friends and neighbors.

### Summary

**This count down to the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah explores life and celebration on a family farm through the eyes of a young girl allowed to help with preparations for the first time.**

**It's just three days until the holiday of Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year. A young girl and her family are getting ready for the traditional holiday feast.** Family and friends gather to help harvest and clean the fall root vegetables, mix them with honey and dried fruits, and cook them into the traditional sweet vegetable stew, called tzimmes, 'for a sweet new year.' It's hard but satisfying work that leaves everyone with aching arms, sore feet and happy hearts. When Rosh Hashanah morning arrives, they join together at the synagogue to hear the shofar, the horn that is blown to announce that the holiday has arrived. Back at home on their farm with a diverse group of friends and neighbors, they celebrate both a new year and the joy of being together.

**This food and farm-focused story is sweetened by illustrations full of cheerful colors and textured patterns.** Award-winning author Megan Hoyt helps re...

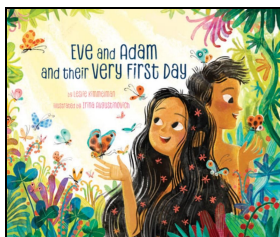
### Contributor Bio

Christine Battuz received her master of fine arts degree from the Academy of Fine Arts of Perugia, Italy. She has illustrated more than sixty children's books, including *Jackie and Jesse and Joni and Jae*, by Christine Barash. She teaches art to adults and children. She was born in France and now lives in Quebec, Canada. Megan Hoyt is the winner of the 2017 SCBWI Work in Progress Award and serves as Membership Coordinator for the SCBWI Carolinas region. Megan's debut picture book, *Bartali's Bicycle* (February 2021) has garnered

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## Eve and Adam and their Very First Day

Leslie Kimmelman, Irina Avgustinovich

A bold Eve, full of wonder at the newness of everything, helps Adam face the unknown of their very first day.

### Summary

**In this unusual retelling, the biblical story of creation is told from Eve's perspective and explores what it might have been like emotionally for the world's first two people to experience everything for the very first time**--seeing and naming the animals; feeling the rain; fearing the night; becoming excited by the stars, and having faith that they are not alone.

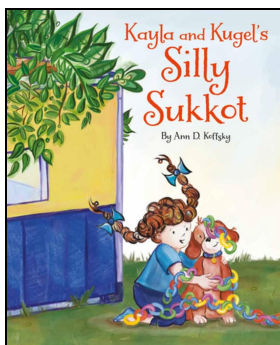
Lush illustrations bring the wonder of the new world to life, while children will enjoy looking for the recurring cat and dog characters throughout the story.

The story stops well before the infamous apple-eating scene, focusing instead on themes of curiosity, discovery, new experiences, handling fear, and having faith. Author's note further explores the nature of faith for young children.

### Contributor Bio

Leslie Kimmelman has written more than 50 children's books. She was a longtime children's book editor at various publishing houses, including more than 24 years at Sesame Workshop where she created Julia, the Muppet on the autism spectrum, for the book that first introduced her as a Sesame Street character. She lives in Ardsley, NY.

Irina Avgustinovich has illustrated more than 50 books for children. Originally from Belarus, she emigrated to Portugal with her family when war against Ukraine broke out. She currently lives in Stugal, Portugal.



## Kayla and Kugel's Silly Sukkot

Ann D. Koffsky

The 4th in the series; Kayla and Kugel decorate the sukkah, learn the story of the Israelites staying in little huts in the desert, and prepare for guests in the sukkah.

### Summary

*My dog Kugel helps me get ready for Sukkot.*

*Kugel! The branches are for the roof of the sukkah, not for playing fetch.*

*Oh, no, Kugel! Glitter is too messy for decorating the sukkah. It's okay, the stars will look like glitter tonight.*

**Celebrate Sukkot with Kayla and her mischievous dog, Kugel, as they decorate the sukkah, a reminder of the little huts the Israelites lived in when they traveled through the desert long, long ago.**

### Contributor Bio

Ann D. Koffsky has written and/or illustrated more than thirty books for children, including *Kayla and Kugel*, *Kayla and Kugel's Almost-Perfect Passover*, *Kayla and Kugel's Happy Hanukkah*, *What's In Tuli's Box?* and *Under-the-Sea Seder*. She lives in West Hempstead, New York.

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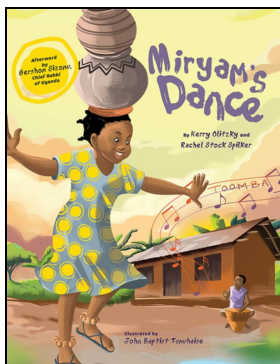
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## Miryam's Dance

Kerry Olitzky, Rachel Stock Spilker, John Baptist Tumuhaise

A young girl twirls and dances her way through her Ugandan village, much to her family's frustration. She learns to channel her creative spirit and prepares a Sabbath surprise for her family.

### Summary

**Ugandan artist John Baptist Tumuhaise brings a Jewish Ugandan village to life in this story of a young girl who is distracted from her Shabbat preparation chores by the lure of a dance troop that comes to her village.**

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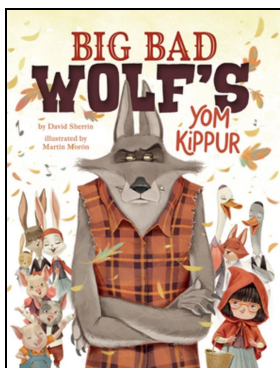
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Young Miryam wakes to a bright morning and the many chores needed to help get ready for Friday night and Shabbat in her small Ugandan village. As readers follow her through her day, they learn elements of celebrating this weekly Jewish ritual that are both universal in Jewish culture and unique to the Jewish Ugandan community, the Abuyadaya, or Tribe of Judea. A glossary explains the names of ritual foods, Ugandan terms, and landmarks used in the story.

### Contributor Bio

Kerry Olitzky was named one of the fifty leading rabbis in North America by *Newsweek* and is well-known for inspiring books that bring Jewish wisdom tradition into everyday life. He is the former longtime executive director of Big Tent Judaism (formerly Jewish Outreach Institute) and served on the faculty/administration of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. His most recent children's book is *The Desert Unicorn* (with Bonnie Grubman, Apples and Honey Press). He lives in North Brunswick, NJ.

Rachel Stock Spilker has served as a cantor at Mount Zion Temple in St. Paul, Minnesota since 1997. She was ordained in 1996 from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. She is currently working to establish an egalitarian mikveh in Minnesota. Rachel loves to travel and learn about other Jewish communities and has led congregational trips to Santa Fe, Cuba, and Morocco. She enjoys yoga, painting, and cooking. Rachel and her husband, Rabbi Adam Stock Spilker, are the proud parents of three children -- Eiden (who traveled with her to Uganda), Miri, and Liam. She lives in Minneapolis, MN.



## Big Bad Wolf's Yom Kippur

David Sherrin, Martín Morón

In this fractured fairytale mash-up, The Big Bad Wolf learns the value of kindness on Yom Kippur.

### Summary

**"This sweet, humorous tale conveys the meaning of this important Jewish holiday in a way that's understandable for children. Its premise proves it's easy to err on the side of good; each of us has kindness within, and it's satisfying to let it show." --Kirkus Reviews**

**In this fractured fairy tale mash-up that explains the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur, Bid Bad Wolf struggles to understand whether he has the capacity for change, and in the process discovers friendship among those he once thought of only as tasty snacks.**

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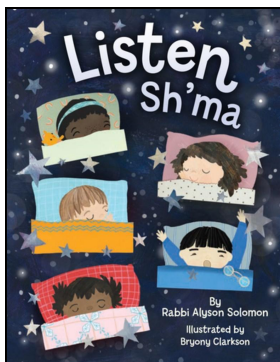
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When Raccoon invites the Big Bad Wolf to Yom Kippur services, Wolf agrees to go. While he is there, he hears how everyone can use Yom Kippur as a day to become better and brighter. Wolf's not so sure...a big bad wolf can't become good! Can he? Will helping the girl in a red hood, her granny, and the three little pigs show him the way?

**It is a regular morning, and Big Bad Wolf is just getting ready for another day full of bad, when something very different happens. Raccoon knocks on his door to apologize for rummaging through his garbage and invites him to synagogue services. ...**

### Contributor Bio

David Sherrin is a national-award-winning teacher at Scarsdale High School in Scarsdale, New York. This is his debut picture book. His second book, *The Great Sabbath*, will be published in Spring 2024. He is also the author of...



## Listen Sh'ma

Alyson Solomon, Bryony Clarkson

By slowing down the first word of the Sh'ma prayer—shhh, mmm, ahhh—we hear the sounds of the world, around us and within us, in this bedtime expression of love and tenderness for very young children.

### Summary

From bathtime to storytime to cuddling, young children of all sizes, shapes, ethnicities, and abilities get ready for bed with loving parents and caregivers. Poetic text prompts children to connect the sounds of bedtime to the *Sh'ma* prayer, traditionally said at bedtime to express love, peace, and the Oneness of God.

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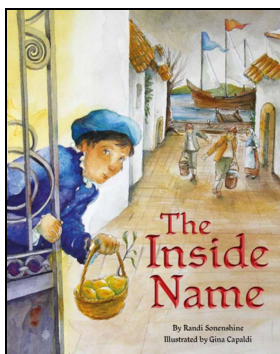
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The *Sh'ma* is one of the oldest and most foundational prayers of the Jewish religion. It implores us to listen. This gentle introduction for young children helps them sound out the very beginning of the prayer and to begin to glimpse its meaning. By slowing down the first word—*shhh, mmm, ahhh*—this quiet book helps them hear the sounds of the world around us and within us.

### Contributor Bio

Rabbi Alyson Solomon is the author of *Thank You, Modeh Ani*. She is passionate about Judaism as a vibrant wisdom tradition and believes that spirituality is about asking questions that matter and then living courageously. Ordained by Hebrew College in Boston, she is a coach, yoga instructor, and change-management consultant. She lives in Eugene, Oregon.

Bryony Clarkson also illustrated *Thank You, Modeh Ani*. She is a collage artist and illustrator from Oxford, UK. She graduated from the Royal College of Art, London, with a degree in textile design and worked as a print and embroidery designer before turning her focus to illustration. She lives in Oxford, UK.



## The Inside Name

Randi Sonenshine, Gina Capaldi

During the Portuguese Inquisition a boy and his family are forced to hide their Jewish identities from the outside world until a secret message sets them on a course to freedom in this illustrated historical fiction beginner chapter book.

### Summary

**Felipe has a secret. He and his family are conversos—Jews forced to convert to Christianity after 1497 but who maintained their Jewish identities and practices behind closed doors.** Even his real name, his Jewish name, is a secret. Felipe is his outside name, the only one it is safe to use. The one his mother tries not to use. She whistles for him instead. But with the coming of the Inquisition from Spain to Portugal, it becomes more dangerous for them to continue to live a secret life. That is when a local priest, also a converso, finds a way for Felipe and his family to escape, to emigrate to a place where a young boy can be called by his real name.

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Spotlighting the Sephardic Jewish converso culture in 1500's Portugal, this illustrated historical fiction chapter book includes an end note explaining the lives of Portuguese conversos, how the Inquisition came from Spain to Portugal in 1536, making life even more dangerous for them, and the role of Gracia Nasi Mendes, a wealthy and influential converso who used her large sailing fleet and her international connections to help families f...

### Contributor Bio

Randi Sonenshine is a children's author, literacy specialist, and instructional coach. Her picture books include *The Nest That Wren Built*, *The Lodge That Beaver Built*, and the forthcoming *The Den That Octopus Built*, all from Candlewick Press. *The Inside Name* is her first chapter book. Randi lives with her husband, two sons, and a sock-eating poodle in Cartersville, Georgia.

Gina Capaldi has both written and illustrated books and products for trade, historical non fiction, educational, and the toy industries. She often combines traditional painting techniques and mediums with collage and digital elements to add additional layer of visual story telling. Gina studied fine arts at Pennsylvania University and Pitts...



## The Giant, the Slingshot, and the Future King

Tammar Stein, Dodo Maeder

An easy-reader chapter book about bravery, friendship, and empathy in the early years of the biblical David, that goes beyond his defeat of Goliath.

### Summary

**Young David felt stuck tending his family's sheep every day—yes, the sheep were important, but they were also boring, stubborn, and had no sense of humor.** David wanted excitement. When excitement appeared in the form of a mountain lion that carried away one of the lambs, David vowed to never let that happen again, and set about learning to fight, using a slingshot. But a slingshot is no easy weapon, and it took David a long time to learn to use it well enough to make a difference—but learn he did, setting himself on the road to saving the Israelites in the war against the Philistines, and eventually becoming king.

**This easy-ready chapter book expands on the story of David and Goliath known to so many children and follows David on his path of learning and practice as he develops the skills that will make him a courageous warrior, a talented musician, a faithful friend, and eventually, king.** A note at the end explains archeological evidence about the actual reign of David, and an author's note discusses the persistence and patience David needed to achieve his goals.

### Contributor Bio

**Tammar Stein** is the author of books for children and youngadults, including *Beni's War*, winner of the Middle East Book Award and *TheSix-Day Hero*, a Junior Library Guild Selection and Sydney Taylor Honor. She has a BA in English Literature from University of Virginia, and is a member of the Children's Book Guild of Washington DC. Tammarhas lived on three continents, in five countries, and six states. She currentlylives Singapore.

Dodo Maeder is an artist and illustrator with heart and joy. When not drawing, she works as an animal keeper, makes music, and takes long walks with her dogs. She lives with her family in Turbenthal, Switzerland.



## ¡Temple lo hizo y yo puedo, también!

**Siete normas de vida simples**

Jennifer Gilpin Yacio, Linda Farrington Wilson

### Summary

**Este es un libro infantil que ayudará a guiar e inspirar a todos los niños para que alcancen su potencial máximo. ¡Temple Lo logró, y yo también puedo! explica los obstáculos que la Dra. Temple Grandin enfrentó mientras crecía, luego da las reglas que ella siguió para superarlos y convertirse en una destacada científica de animales.** Este libro colorido, fue escrito con la contribución y guía de la Dra. Grandin e incluye una introducción escrita por ella misma.

This is a children's book that will help guide and inspire all children to reach their full potential. Temple did it, and so can I! explains the obstacles Dr. Temple Grandin faced growing up, then gives the rules she followed to overcome them and become a leading animal scientist. This colorful book was written with the input and guidance of Dr. Grandin and includes an introduction written by her.

### Contributor Bio

Lynda Farrington Wilson is an artist and former marketing executive. Her talents and experiences have culminated in writing, illustrating, and advocating for children with autism and Sensory Processing Disorder. Lynda and her husband live in North Carolina with their three beautiful sons, the youngest a sensory-seeker with autism. Lynda has illustrated several books and written two children's books: *Squirmy Wormy* and *Autistic? How Silly is That!* You can learn more about her at [www.lyndafarringtonwilson.com](http://www.lyndafarringtonwilson.com).

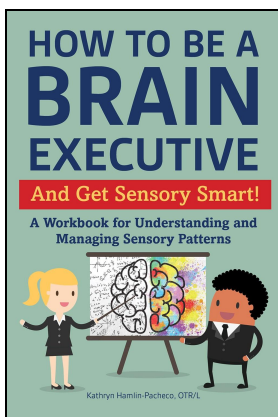
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## How to Be a Brain Executive

### And Get Sensory Smart!

Kathryn Hamlin-Pacheco, OTR/L

#### Summary

**Brain Executive: Sensory Modulation** is an innovative workbook for children, ages nine through twelve, designed to support the understanding and management of sensory patterns. This book empowers young readers and their families, through the use of engaging concepts and child-friendly language, to apply the neuroscience of sensory modulation to increase self-understanding and to make functional changes that support engagement and well-being.

Key Features: presents neuroscience of sensory modulation in a manner that is comprehensible and applicable for the young reader; language that is engaging and entertaining; innovative concepts such as a "brain security team" to describe complex neural concepts.

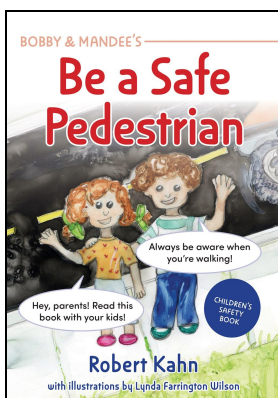
#### Contributor Bio

**Kathryn Hamlin-Pacheco, M.S., OTR/L**, is an occupational therapist, former teacher, and founder of the Brain Executive Program. She has combined her clinical knowledge with her experience as an educator to create this program, aimed at empowering children and their families through everyday neuroscience to be the power-holders and change-makers in their own lives. Kathryn graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a Master's degree in Occupational Therapy, where she also worked with the Virginia Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities program to pursue her desire to be an advocate and leader in pediatric healthcare. She enjoys life with her husband, Justin, and their daughter, Mackenzie, wherever the military sends them.

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Paperback

200 Pages  
Carton Qty: 20  
Ages 8 to 12  
Juvenile Nonfiction /  
Neurodiversity  
JNF072000

9 in H | 6 in W



## Bobby and Mande's Be a Safe Pedestrian

### Children's Safety Book

Robert Kahn

#### Summary

**Children are at an increased risk for pedestrian injury and death. This is because the traffic rules and risks often are beyond their thinking, developmental, behavioral, physical, and sensory abilities. In addition, parents and caregivers often overestimate their child's traffic skills. Bobby and Mande's Be a Safe Pedestrian is an excellent resource to help kids easily learn the basics of pedestrian safety.**

Topics include the definition of a pedestrian, types of intersections, making eye contact with drivers, and much more. In the words of the author: "I've written a book to help child-pedestrians stay safe and avoid accidents."

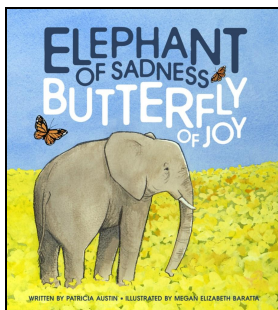
#### Contributor Bio

**Robert Kahn** has a Master's Degree in Education. It was during Kahn's tenure as a sixth grade teacher that he became concerned about the safety issues that involve children and decided to become a Deputy Sheriff to help educate and protect our youth from harm. He started a Stranger Danger program in local schools and community service organizations. Local law enforcement credits this program in foiling over 40 attempted abductions by strangers. To-date, Robert has given over 20,000 presentations covering 15 different topics on children's safety issues.

All of his books are told in the voice of his own children, Bobby and Mande! Kahn's daughter Mande is the main character although Bobby plays a very important role in the books. As a high-functioning autistic, "If he can understand the books, anybody can!" Kahn stresses the books simplicity so that anyone can benefit from them. Using simple language, the books introduce the concepts and then provide tips on how to deal with them.

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Health  
& Daily Living  
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Series: Robert Kahn's  
Children's Safety Books  
10 in H | 8 in W



## Elephant of Sadness, Butterfly of Joy

Patricia June Austin, Megan Elizabeth Baratta

### Summary

***Elephant of Sadness, Butterfly of Joy* is a collection of twenty-four picture poems that explore the realm of human emotion.**

Each poem links an animal with an emotion and uses sensory imagery to spark childlike wonder, paint word pictures to ponder, and see the world from a new perspective.

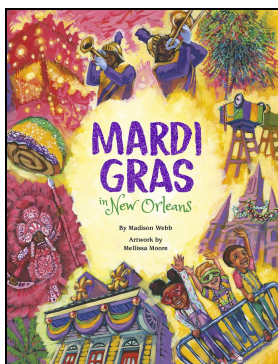
*Elephant of Sadness, Butterfly of Joy* evokes metaphoric thinking in young readers. From the "Mosquito of Worry" and "Snail of Anticipation" to the "Hummingbird of Happiness" and "Lanternfish of Love," the poems vary in tone—some light, some dark, some humorous, and some serious. The animals represent a diversity of species, including mammals, reptiles, cephalopods, mollusks, fish, insects, arachnids, and birds.

Whether hopeful, frustrated, surprised, or content, this book helps illustrate the emotional spectrum that encompasses the human experience and bridge a gap in understanding so that children are better equipped to label their feelings.

For teachers, parents, and caregivers, these poems open space for discussions about social-emotional learning, which, now more than ever, are needed conversations...

### Contributor Bio

After 16 years as an elementary school teacher, **Patricia Austin** earned a doctorate in curriculum and instruction from the University of New Orleans, where she went on to serve as a faculty member for 26 years. In 2022, Austin was awarded the Light Up for Literacy Humanities Award by the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities. Austin, who has said one of her all-time favorite activities is reading to children, served as curator of UNO's Children's and Young Adult Library for two decades and mentored countless student library volunteers and librarians in training. She has authored more than 40 articles in educational journals, hundreds of book reviews, *Tales From a Teaching Life: Vignettes in Verse* and an award-winning picture book, *The Cat Who Loved Mozart*. Over the course of her more than 40-year career as an educator, Austin helped develop the literacy



## Mardi Gras in New Orleans

Madison Webb, Mellissa Moore

### Summary

**We Mean To Cause A Scene!**

Every young reader will delight in *Mardi Gras in New Orleans*. This treasurable, collectable and coveted of New Orleans' famed Mardi Gras celebrations comes alive through this vibrant family-friendly picture book that highlights the culture, diversity frivolity, and spirit of one of America's most beloved cities.

Madison's rhyming verses are crisp and refreshing, and they offer an infusion of local vocabulary is often familiar to children of New Orleans and fun to learn for people of all ages. Experience the floats, the bands, the beads, and the grandeur. The gorgeous gallery-quality illustrations bring the pages to life and transport readers into the heart of the region's beloved celebrations with an incredible sense of detail, emotion, and local flavor. The book celebrates Mardi Gras in all its glory.

From Twelfth Night to Fat Tuesday, this is the story for the those who love New Orleans' Carnival season. Highlighted by iconic landmarks and revered Mardi Gras customs and traditions. Mardi Gras In New Orleans is carnival personified.

Every year, New Orleans u...

### Contributor Bio

**Madison Webb** is a mom of three young boys. She studied Journalism at the University of Florida and was a contributing writer for the Independent Florida Alligator, the Coronado Eagle & Journal, and Cleveland.com. She spent her career in development and grant writing at science museums in North Carolina and California. She has lived all over the country, but New Orleans is the only city that feels like home. Madison enjoys writing about inspirational people and places. She lives in New Orleans with her husband, Matt, their three boys, and their dog, Margeaux.

**Mellissa Moore** is one of New Orleans' beloved Jackson Square artists. Much of her artwork depicts New Orleans themes as well as her love of animals and pop culture. You can find prints of her work or contact her about original artwork via her online store.

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## Someday I'll Be a Queen

### A Pawn's Journey Across the Chess Board

Christel Minne

#### Summary

##### How is this book different from other chess books for young children?

It starts as a fairy tale about a king, a dragon, and a young girl with a dream. A young girl is the main character to encourage girls and make it clear that chess is also for them. The history of the game of chess is incorporated as you get acquainted with the characters.

The picture book is very inviting, with plenty of funny and beautiful drawings. There is a lot to discover! For the youngest preschoolers, it is best to tell the story in your own words, but the older preschoolers fully enjoy the rhyming story.

Every chess rule can be found in an attractive drawing. This was an important didactic choice made by the author, like the choice to tell the story in rhyme. Preschoolers love repetition and this is a handy tool when memorizing the chess rules.

#### Contributor Bio

**Christel Minne** has been teaching in an elementary school in Bruges for 38 years, including more than 25 years as a kindergarten teacher. After 7 years being a teacher in a traditional school, she decided to switch to the more liberal and methodological way of teaching, by starting at the Freinet school. She thought she could develop her educational skills to much more benefit in a free educational environment rather than being stuck in a traditional one. Improvisation and creativity were the key elements Christel always put first. So, finally, it came as no surprise Christel caught the idea of writing the book(s) that lie(s) in front of you. Her dynamic way of life, and teaching included empowered her to become the inspiring person 'children' need in their younger years. Chess being a handy tool, and that has clearly been proven in her book(s). These are her first books for Thinkers Publishing.



## Someday I'll Be a Queen - Bundle

### A Pawn's Journey Across the Chess Board

Christel Minne

#### Summary

**This bundle consists of two books: a children's picturebook, *Someday I'll Be a Queen*, along with a *Toolbox* for adults who want to teach children to play chess.**

How are these books different from other chess books for young children?

The picture book starts as a fairy tale about a king, a dragon and a young girl with a dream. A young girl is the main character because I want to encourage girls and make it clear that this game is also for them.

- The history of the game of chess is incorporated as you get acquainted with the characters.
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- Every chess rule is found in an attractive drawing. This was an important didactic choice made by the author.
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The accompanying *Toolbox* explains in a unique way how to start playing chess: the rules, the tips and trick...

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Juvenile Nonfiction / Games  
& Activities  
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110 Pages  
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Games & Activities / Chess  
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## Tree Spirits

Louise Wannier, April Tatiana Jackson

***Tree Spirits* is an interactive picture book that encourages creativity, social emotional intelligence, and seeing the world with fresh eyes.**

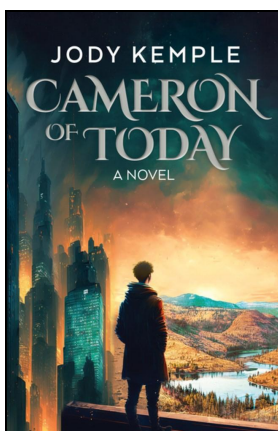
### Summary

*Tree Spirits* is an interactive picture book that encourages creativity, social emotional intelligence, and seeing the world with fresh eyes. Encouraging children to develop their imagination, creativity and emotional intelligence. With 25 color photographs of trees, the rhyming text asks, "What do you see when you look up at this tree?" inviting a child to use their imagination. Turning the page reveals an illustrated overlay of a charming animal inspired by the lines and shapes of the tree bark. Each animal introduces a different emotion helping children to understand their own inner spirit and feelings. For parents and grandparents and friends and family it is a fun book to read with the children in their lives. The book includes 4 sheets of tracing paper to invite them to begin drawing what they see and ends with encouraging children to go out and look at the trees in their neighborhood and keep noticing, "What do I see?" LOUISE WANNIER "Safta" – "Safta" is Hebrew for grandmother and, as of this printing, is very lucky to have five grandchildren. As an artist, Louise is fascinated...

### Contributor Bio

**Louise Wannier** is a Serial Entrepreneur, Artist and now Author. This is her first Interactive Childrens' Picture Book: *Tree Spirits*, the first in an envisioned series to help stimulate the imagination and help develop emotional intelligence. As an artist, Louise is fascinated by observing patterns, noticing closely how light interacts with both nature and our intense, dynamic urban landscapes. She attempts to capture and present visually the energy and spirit she observes and feels in our complex world. She has become captivated by the presence of abstract patterns within both natural and manmade objects and structures and noticing that some can be revisited whilst others are only present in the moment the picture was taken. Louise loves the discovery too of how the camera shifts our focus and emphasis from what our eyes natively see. She currently resides in Pasadena, CA.

**April Tatiana Jackson** has worn many creative hats throughout her multifaceted freelance career, but being a children's book illustrator has by far been the most rewarding. April is a Los Angeles native who grew up w...



## Cameron of Today

Jody Kemple

A middle-grade tale of one boy's defining summer away from home, *Cameron of Today* answers the question, "What would the world look like if we found a way to transform the lives of hopeless, dreamless children into becoming visionary servant leaders?"

### Summary

**The most powerful way to alleviate hopelessness is to bring meaning and purpose to suffering. *Cameron of Today* demonstrates the power of mentorship, gratitude and the unfathomable omnipotence of unconditional love.**

Jody Kemple's *Freedom* series features the lives of children walking in the rut of life with no hopes, dreams or passion and poignantly interweaves lessons of loyalty, humility, trust, integrity, and faith into the fabric of rigorous, coming-of-age adventures. Through mentorship, thankfulness, and love, each child transforms into a visionary trailblazer, giving back to their community in big ways.

*Cameron of Today* tells the story of Cameron, an Italian-American boy living in the Bronx of New York City who travels west with his Uncle Ed to Oregon for a summer of fly fishing and whitewater rafting. Cameron's summertime adventures and new challenges help him to develop the character and resilience he needs to become an intentional and effective servant leader.

### Contributor Bio

After being a longtime resident of Bend, Oregon, **Jody Kemple** now enjoys ocean views on Cerritos Beach, Mexico. Spiritual, sales, marketing and children's curriculums-including the popular non-fiction *Recapturing Your Original Blueprint*-paved the way for *Cameron of Today*, the first release of Kemple's *Freedom* series.

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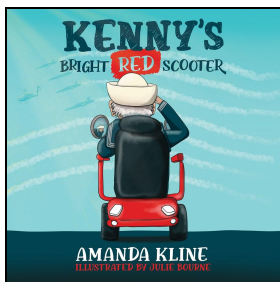
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Ages 9 to 12, Grades 4 to 6  
Juvenile Fiction / Social  
Themes  
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## Kenny's Bright Red Scooter

Amanda Kline, Julie Bourne

Based on a true story, *Kenny's Bright Red Scooter* shares the story of a senior citizen veteran who receives unexpected kindness after his mobility scooter breaks down. With the help of his neighbors (and the world via social media), he becomes determined to pay it forward.

### Summary

*Kenny's Bright Red Scooter* is the true story of a senior citizen Navy veteran who accidentally (but not surprisingly) captured the hearts of people from around the world through TikTok, of all places. However, that wasn't always his story.

Kenny came from humble beginnings and later enlisted and proudly served in the U.S. Navy. As he aged, his health continued to decline, to the point of needing a mobility scooter to get around and do his favorite thing: spending quality time with people. A favorite happenstance occurred when Kenny met his neighbors, two of them Deaf, and formed a lifelong friendship deemed, "The Crew".

Until one sad morning, Kenny discovered his mobility scooter was broken beyond repair and was no longer able to go out and be a light to people. With some love and help from The Crew and TikTok, unexpected turn of events completely changed his life! In turn, he became determined to pay it forward. A few simple acts of kindness altered his course of history, and to think it started with an interaction of neighbors.

You'll find unique and practical ways to "scoot along"...

### Contributor Bio

**Amanda Kline** founded the viral account, @patriotickenny on TikTok/Instagram and has been featured with Kenny on *The Today Show*, *The Kelly Clarkson Show*, *Newsweek*, *GoFundMe Heroes*, and many others. She is a teacher of Deaf/Hard of Hearing students and is currently a PhD student at Gallaudet University. *Kenny's Bright Red Scooter* is her debut book.



## The Great Weather Diviner

**The Untold Origin of Punxsutawney Phil**

Rob Long, Andrew Dolberg

This young adult fantasy novel *The Great Weather Diviner* is a heartwarming and action-packed twist on a classic American story about the untold origin story of Punxsutawney Phil.

### Summary

*The Great Weather Diviner* is a young adult fantasy novel about the untold origin story of Punxsutawney Phil. When a flood strikes the small mining town of Punxsutawney, Junior the groundhog embarks on a journey to uncover why nature itself has turned on his people.

As Junior confronts difficult questions about responsibility, environmental protection, and the power of storytelling, he sets out to find the Guardians, legendary superpowered animals from his childhood stories who have always offered help in times of need. Along the way, he is pursued by Callidus, the evil raven overlord who seeks to stop him from discovering the truth about the Guardians and his family's role in their community's history.

With the help of his new friend Jill, a brilliant hedgehog, Junior strives to create a more harmonious future for all animals in their fantastical world. *The Great Weather Diviner* is a thought-provoking and action-packed adventure that addresses themes of self-discovery, generational change, and the consequences of greed.

### Contributor Bio

**Rob Long** is a sixth-generation Punxsutawneyian who grew up amidst the lore and magic of the world's greatest weather predictor. After moving to Delray Beach, Florida, Rob became Chair of Palm Beach County's Soil & Water Conservation District. He regularly publishes editorials in the local papers and releases a monthly newsletter advocating for environmental protection and water quality. In 2022 he received the Public Service Award from the National Association of Clean Water Agencies.

**Andrew Dolberg** is a Florida native with a passion for using storytelling to effect change. With extensive

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Biography & Autobiography  
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270 Pages  
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Juvenile Fiction / Fairy Tales  
& Folklore  
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## Odin's On The Go!

Kelsey Mills, Sam Wilson

*Potted* is a children's story that shares Odin's journey as a military child navigating the ups and downs of moving.

### Summary

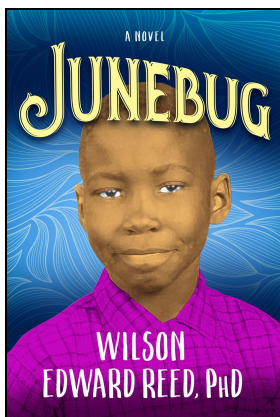
**Odin is preparing to move...again.**

Odin's daddy is in the military, and though he is very proud of his daddy, the thought of having to uproot their life one more time is terrifying. Thankfully, Odin has his mom. Throughout their moving journey from the United States to Japan, Odin's mom reminds him that being a military child is different from normal families. Their family still has all the love, support, and roots as others, but it is all tucked nicely in a pot. Now, Odin can't wait to start their new adventure!

### Contributor Bio

**Kelsey Mills** is a former military child, current teacher and writer who resides in Montgomery, Alabama. She is a military spouse and has lived in many states throughout the country. Kelsey is also a mother and wants to raise her daughter with the understanding that everyone is human and has value in this world.

**Sam Wilson** is an Animator, illustrator, and new father. He's worked for companies all over the world, helping create books, TV shows, commercials, and movies. Sam and his wife Makenna live with their new son in northern Indiana



## Junebug

A Novel

Wilson Edward Reed, PhD

Set in the 1950's and 1960's American South, *Junebug* is a middle grade novel that fictionalizes Wilson Edward Reed, PhD's experience growing up Black under Jim Crow—and finding a way out.

### Summary

**A fictionalized account of Wilson Edward Reed, PhD's experience growing up Black in the South during the 1950's and 60's, *Junebug* is a middle-grade novel that shows how to move beyond hardships, like those many faced while living under Jim Crow.**

Full of humor and heartache, *Junebug* depicts a young person's journey to find self-worth despite American society's onslaught of negative messaging determined to define one's identity and future—the kind that can come from any side. The story follows Junebug's exploits with his friends, the loss of his mother, and his struggles with racial discrimination, before he sets his sights beyond Mississippi. After taking the 2,600 mile bus journey to Seattle, Junebug is encouraged by his three aunts to earn a college degree, all while his spiritual and emotional growth is on display.

Like the Sankofa bird, Junebug is able to make peace with his past and use that knowledge to move forward as he takes responsibility for his mistakes and forgives those who hurt him. *Junebug* shows how familial support and community involvement can help motivated individu...

### Contributor Bio

**Wilson Edward Reed, PhD** was born on a family farm in 1950's Mississippi, during the height of Jim Crow segregation. As an African American, he lived under the twenty-two laws that restricted miscegenation (racial mixing) and prevented African Americans from participating as full citizens-for over seventy-five years.

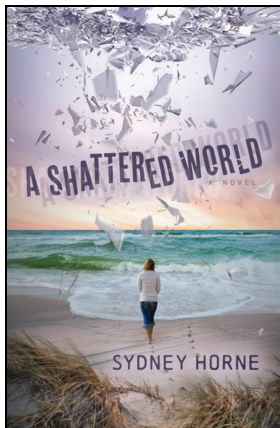
Dr. Reed learned at an early age that he must obey Jim Crow or face punishment. He attended a segregated school, church, movie theater, and a public library, and was able to maintain his dignity by working hard in

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## A Shattered World

### A Novel

Sydney Horne

*A Shattered World* is a dramatic and moving young adult novel told from the eyes of Eleanor, a fourteen year old who struggles to find her voice after losing her twin sister to cancer.

### Summary

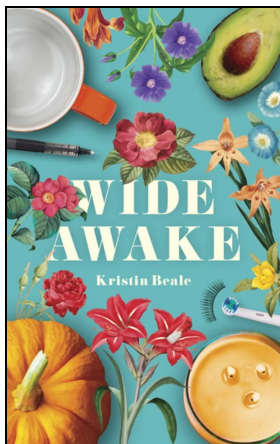
**Eleanor Andrews was just trying to make it through 8th grade when her twin sister, Hannah, passed away from cancer. And now that her dog—her last connection to her sister—has been taken from her own backyard, she's forced to ditch her typical quiet and cautious demeanor to get it back.**

Simultaneously battling issues at home, at school, and within her own mind, Eleanor Andrews finds a quick friend in Kelsey, who's just moved in next door. The two grow closer as Eleanor enters the new school year without her twin sister, but is Kelsey the right kind of friend to rely on?

*A Shattered World* depicts Eleanor's struggle to find her voice, heal from grief, and face toxic relationships at school and at home. Author Sydney Horne portrays these difficult teenage and family relationships through an inquisitive, hopeful lens that shows how to find a way through the turmoil of losing a loved one.

### Contributor Bio

**Sydney Horne** is a teenage author previously published in *GirlStory* Magazine. She has always had a passion for books, which evolved into a love for writing fiction and poetry. Sydney continues to refine her craft and recently was selected to attend the Young Writer's Conferences at Sewanee University. She currently resides in Charlotte, NC with her family and two dogs, Yogi and Reeces. You can find more of her work at [sydneyhornewriting.com](http://sydneyhornewriting.com)



## Wide Awake

Kristin Beale

Revealed through a series of journal entries, the story of *Wide Awake* explores the perspectives of inanimate, everyday objects, surveying Madison's interior life as she navigates early adulthood.

### Summary

**For anyone who has wondered about the experience of objects that make up their everyday lives—*Wide Awake* is passing them the mic.**

*Wide Awake* is a collection of interviews with the inanimate objects that make up our everyday. The objects belong to Madison, a 20-something girl who is living on her own, in a relationship, and battling mental illness for the first time. The story unfolds through Madison's journal entries, and through the perspectives of the objects of her life.

### Contributor Bio

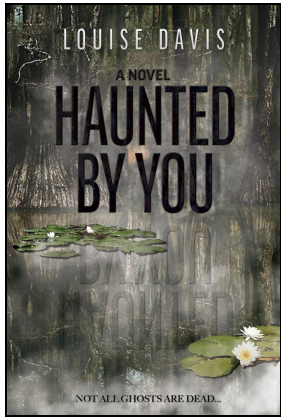
**Kristin Beale** is a regular contributor to the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation's blog, and author of *Greater Things*, *Date Me*, and *A Million Suns*. She's a 16-time marathon finisher, parafencer, and weekly comic strip artist. She currently resides near Richmond, VA.

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Ages 12 to 17, Grades 7 to  
12  
Young Adult Fiction / Social  
Themes  
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## Haunted by You

Louise Davis

Two South Carolina teens learn more than they bargained for about life, love, and loss as they get caught in a disastrous web of deceit and heartache that threatens to tear their known worlds apart.

### Summary

*What if one accidental mistake could rewrite your future forever?*

That's the tragic dilemma two seemingly opposite, yet romantically bound teens – Genevieve and Steve – must answer if they want to explore their deep connection while saving the lives of those they love the most.

Genevieve – a quiet, high-achieving high school senior – falls head over heels for Steve – a popular, yet reclusive boy – who himself is still healing from the tragic loss of his parents. As the two watch their love blossom, Steve suddenly disappears, leaving not a clue behind.

In the midst of grappling with her love's mysterious disappearance, Genevieve's perfect world is unexpectedly shattered when her family is blackmailed into revealing a dark secret.

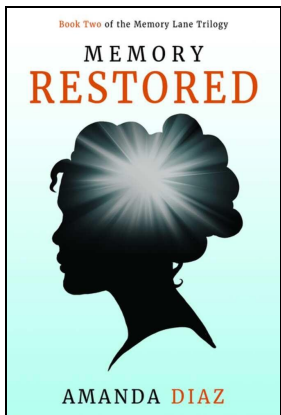
But, this isn't just *any* secret.

Because if the truth is exposed, it will change *how* Genevieve views her family and inevitably push them all onto an even more dangerous path.

Set in the backdrop of charming and quaint Moncks Corner, South Carolina, *Haunted By You* is an intense romantic suspense that takes readers on a highly-entertaining psychological journey thr...

### Contributor Bio

**Louise Davis** is a powerful, up-and-coming, young adult author who has an innate ability to instantly draw readers into her stories with her dramatic realism. By combining a commercial and accessible writing style with highly-riveting and twisting plotlines, Louise's novels are truly unique works of literary art. Her recent book



## Memory Restored

**Memory Lane Trilogy: Book 2**

Amanda Diaz

### Summary

**All roads lead back to Memory Lane.**

The impossible happened when Hannah found her younger sister alive. Leslie's miraculous return opened the door to more questions than answers. The memories of those four years inside Memory Lane are broken and scattered, but one thing is certain. She wasn't the only child in the program.

The key to Gideon Wesley's sinister plans lies in Leslie's jumbled memories. As Hannah and their cousin Thomas begin to unravel the horrors of Memory Lane, they discover that the depth of their power and control is greater than they ever knew.

Pressure is mounting for Hannah's friends Kate, Jenson, and Gill as they work with the rebel group, The Memorizers, to gain control of Memory Lane. With Gideon Wesley and all of Memory Lane hunting them, can The Memorizers keep them all safe? Is everyone's loyalty true, or is there a traitor in their midst?

### Contributor Bio

**Amanda Diaz** lives in Fort Worth, Texas, where she teaches high school chemistry. Her passion for teaching inspired her to write, encouraging students to love reading as much as she does. *Memory Restored* is her second novel.

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## Outcasts

### A Starcrossed Novel

Josephine Angelini

### Summary

***The much-anticipated continuation to Scions, the prequel to the Starcrossed series, the #1 international bestseller. This Greek mythology series is ideal for fans of Alexandra Bracken and Chloe Gong.***

Presumed dead, Daphne and Ajax try to steal away what happiness they can while living as Outcasts, when they discover that the Fates aren't done with them yet. Ajax may have escaped death, but his fate is sealed.

Like mice in a maze, both are led back to New York City, where Daphne must find a way to keep the Fates from killing Ajax. But returning to the city puts them both in grave danger, and they are forced to seek help in the unlikely of places -- from a reluctant Heir to the House of Athens, and from a Prince of the House of Rome.

But their biggest challenge will come from Tantalus, Heir to the House of Thebes, who has been busy plotting to start the war he knows he is destined to win, but who tragically finds himself caught between his devotion to his brother, and his obsession with Daphne.

### Contributor Bio

Josephine Angelini is a #1 international bestselling author. A Massachusetts native and the youngest of eight siblings, she graduated from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts in theater with a focus on the classics. She now lives in Los Angeles with her husband and daughter.



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## A Talent Ignited

Suzanne Lenoir

When Evelyne is abducted and Annika believes she has been abandoned, they must risk everything to find each other again.

### Summary

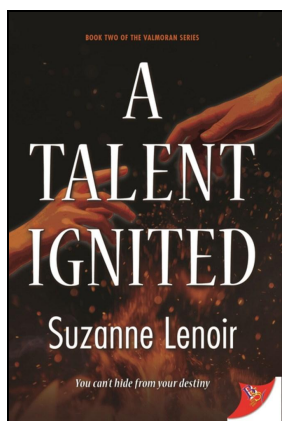
Evelyne, a disowned noblewoman, and Annika, a peasant girl with unusual powers, made the choice to be together in a kingdom where men make the rules. Now the Temple elders want Annika for murder and mercenaries want Evelyne for theft. But when Evelyne is abducted and Annika believes she has been abandoned, they must risk everything to find each other again.

Annika discovers the Temple has imprisoned children with abilities like hers, and she alone stands between them and death. She's forced to face her fear of her own powers and soon learns to use them with the help of Zuri, a former slave who is also gifted with magic. Evelyne, no longer entitled to the favors and respect bestowed on the nobility, must convince her beautiful captor to help her return to Annika.

Doubt and questions plague them both, but one thing is for certain. The Temple has a long memory, and a familiar foe is coming for them.

### Contributor Bio

Suzanne Lenoir is originally from the East Coast and is currently a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio. Suzanne's strongest childhood memories are of exploring medieval city walls, feeling the coolness of dark, ancient churches, and staring at arms and armor while dreaming of being a knight. Her debut novel, *A Talent Within*, combines her love of YA fantasy with her interest in medieval history.



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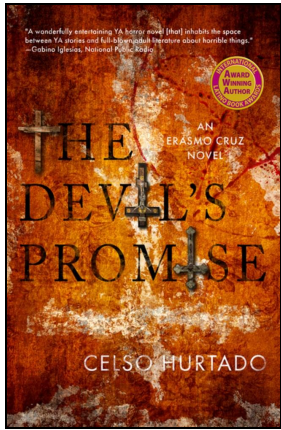
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## The Devil's Promise

Celso Hurtado

Erasmio Cruz endeavors to solve a bloody Faustian pact with the Devil while dealing with his own sudden poor health and abandonment by his best friend.

### Summary

**San Antonio is full of secrets, and seventeen-year-old Erasmio Cruz investigates the strangest of them.** After gaining renown for surviving the city's legendary Ghost Tracks, he has set up shop as a paranormal investigator. But helping exorcize other people's demons doesn't seem to relieve his own; his best friend Rat has abandoned him, his grandmother is nearing death, and his own health has taken a sudden decline.

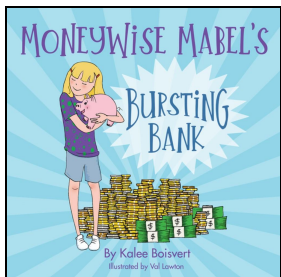
None of these hardships can prepare Erasmio for the story his newest client brings him. Two decades after a strange ritual at a rural ranch, Bradley Erickson is being hunted by the Devil. In exchange for the life of his dreams, Bradley must surrender the blood of his child. The case hurls Erasmio into a dark web of cults, bargains, and broken pacts. Only one thing is certain: the Devil keeps his promises.

### Contributor Bio

Celso Hurtado has been a punk guitarist, worked in the political arena, and played entirely too many hours of *The Legend of Zelda*. His first book, *The Ghost Tracks*, was praised by NPR and won Best Young Adult Fantasy & Adventure from the International Latino Book Award. *The Devil's Promise* is his second novel. He was born, raised, and continues to live in San Antonio, TX.

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## MoneyWise Mabel's Bursting Bank

Kalee Boisvert

A fun, colorful, and accessible story about a young girl named Mabel who gets her first bank account and watches her money grow, this book is a fantastic resource for parents who want to teach their kids aged four to eight about the value in budgeting, saving, and managing money!

### Summary

*What should Mabel do now that her piggybank is full to the brim? Buy lots of candy? Spend it all on that toy she's been eyeing? Finally get that unicorn sprinkler that sprays water from its horn?*

When Mabel pulls her piggy bank out from under the bed, it's stuffed. She can't fit one more coin inside—Piggy is *bursting*!

What should Mabel do with all that money? Buy candy? Toys? Games!? Mabel's so excited that her bed becomes a trampoline and she wants to spend it *all*. But then her mother explains that money doesn't have to burn a hole in your pocket—a lesson that sends Mabel on a journey to learn what it means to become "moneywise." Follow her as she takes her first steps to independence by opening a bank account!

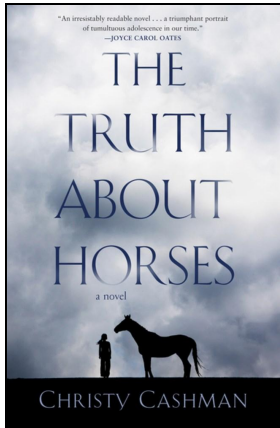
Teach your school-aged kids fundamentals about money management with this approachable, fun, and charming debut from Kalee Boisvert, full of colorful illustrations and easy-to-understand concepts.

### Contributor Bio

Kalee Boisvert has been in the financial industry for over fifteen years, but her love of money began very young. Growing up in a single parent household, she watched her mom struggle with finances and wished there was something she could do to help. She wasn't going to allow her circumstances to define her, and thus her own journey into financial literacy and wealth management began. Kalee now has an MBA in Finance from the Haskayne School of Business and is a financial professional whose focus remains on sparking healthy and positive conversations around wealth and investments. She is also a proud mom to eight-year-old Ivy and new baby Jax. She lives with her family in Calgary, Alberta. *MoneyWise Mabel's Bursting Bank* is her first book for children. Her self-help title *Make Money Your Thina* will be released by RE: Books in Spring 2023.

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## The Truth About Horses

### A Novel

Christy Cashman

**Following her mother's sudden death, fourteen-year-old Reese and her father lose one another, as well their family horse business, and go on separate, grief-stricken paths. In this tender tale of not giving up hope, Reese meets a selective mute and decides to trust a force beyond explanation to run ...**

### Summary

Fourteen-year-old Reese's dream of winning the Black Elk race is shattered when her beloved horse, Trusted Treasure, falls at the last jump. While still reeling from that loss, her family suffers a second tragedy—one that results in the end of their family business, the sale of Trusted Treasure, and irreparable damage to Reese's relationship with her father.

Heartbroken and still longing to find Trusted Treasure, Reese meets Wes, a Lakota Indian, whose way of training horses is unlike anything she's ever seen. If anyone can win the Black Elk, it's Wes—but he's struggling with his troubled past, and having a teenage girl hanging around his barn isn't exactly what he'd planned. Through heartaches and triumphs, Reese must prove her worth if she wants to heal her family, help Wes, and show them all that some dreams are worth fighting for.

A spellbinding tale in which every teenager has magical powers within them just waiting to be discovered, this book will have you laughing and crying—sometimes on the same page—all the while rooting for Reese, the most unlikely of heroes.

### Contributor Bio

**Christy Cashman** is an American author, actress, and producer who has appeared in more than twenty films, including *Kettle of Fish*, *The Love Guide*, *American Hustle*, *Joy*, *The Descendants*, *Ted 2*, *The Women*, *The Golden Boys*, and *The Forger*. She has also written two children's books set in Ireland: *The Not-So-Average Monkey of Kilkea Castle* and *Petri's Next Things*. *The Truth About Horses* is her first novel. Christy lives with her husband, Jav; two sons, Jav Michael and Quinn; their three dogs, Ben, Dan, and Violet; and three horses.



## Follow the Shadows

### The Tales of Moerden Book 1

Rosemary Drisdelle

When Marise Leeson dabbles in magic, she accidentally catapults herself into the world of Moerden—and into a life-and-death struggle with the dragons that live there.

### Summary

**When Marise Leeson gets her hands on a crystal ball, she believes her knowledge of Wicca is about to expand.** The magic, however, goes horribly wrong. In short order, she's thrown into an alternate world, attacked by a dragon, and rescued by Javeer, a young male dragon in search of a friend.

Marise is desperate to get home alive. Instead of dabbling in scrying and spells, she must now use her Wicca skills to survive in Moerden—navigating rival dragon factions, riding Javeer without falling, and dodging unknown perils of an alien landscape. Through a series of adventures and mishaps, she learns that the dragons face slow extinction from a mysterious disease. Some see Marise as part of the cause. Some hope she's a key to a cure.

Marise grows up fast as her focus switches from escape from Moerden to saving the dragons. She draws upon her powers, intuition, and some help from home as she and Javeer begin a quest to solve the puzzle of the stagger. If they survive, and if their trust and courage are strong, they may succeed. If they do not, the dragons of Moerden will cease to exist.

### Contributor Bio

**Rosemary Drisdelle** has written on various nonfiction science and professional topics. A fascination with parasites—where fiery serpents are not unknown—inspired her science book *Parasites: Tales of Humanity's Most Unwelcome Guests*. She's always had a weakness for reptiles and hopes to meet a real live dragon some day; however, there don't seem to be any in Bedford, Nova Scotia, where she currently lives.

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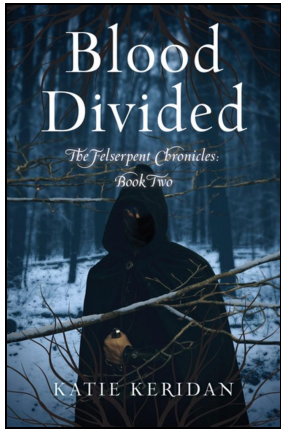
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## Blood Divided

### The Felserpent Chronicles: Book Two

Katie Keridan

Now that Kyra Valorian and Sebastian Sayre have remembered their pasts as the former Felserpent Queen and King, they are ready to reunite the realms and bring peace between Astrals and Daevals. Unfortunately, their arch-enemy, Tallus, has also returned, determined to stop them. Can they outwit him, ...

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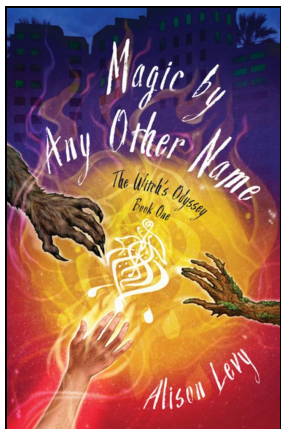
**Kyra Valorian and Sebastian Sayre have finally remembered their pasts as the former Felserpent Queen and King, and now it's time for them to change the future—by reuniting the realms and bringing peace to Astrals and Daevals. But tensions between Aeles and Nocens have never been higher, and those of silver and gold blood are more divided than ever.**

In addition to improving her recovrancy abilities and completing internship, Kyra is determined to uncover her father's role in the evil Astral experimentation program, no matter the danger. As Sebastian learns to be in a relationship, he finds himself facing the traumas of two very different pasts, forcing him to make tough decisions about his chosen profession and who he wants to be. Meanwhile, Tallus, arch-enemy to the Felserpent monarchy, has also returned—and it will take help from Cyphers, as well as friends both old and new, to find and stop him.

As Kyra and Sebastian struggle to navigate the differences between their past and current relationship, one thing's clear: part of fulfilling their destiny means accepting their fate. The cho...

### Contributor Bio

**Katie Keridan** made her literary debut at ten years of age when she won a writing contest by crafting a tale about her favorite childhood hero, Hank the Cowdog. After that, Katie continued to write, through college and graduate school and during her career as a pediatric neuropsychologist. But while Katie enjoyed being a doctor, scientific research didn't bring her nearly as much joy as creating her own characters and worlds, so she slowly left the medical world behind to focus exclusively on writing. Her debut YA fantasy novel, *Reign Returned*, was published by SparkPress in 2022, and her work has been featured in *Highlights Hello Magazine*, *The Blue Nib*.



## Magic By Any Other Name

Alison Levy

After fleeing from her wealthy, manipulative family and changing her name from Ivy to Georgette, a young witch travels with her Wood Nymph friend, Mei-Xing, across the country in search of a new life. When they meet a Werehyena who needs magical assistance to find his kidnapped wife, Georgette wants...

### Summary

**Ivy Nichols O'Reilly has grown up in a wealthy family full of magic, fantasy creatures, and emotional abuse—but when her narcissistic mother arranges an unwanted marriage for her, the young witch reaches her breaking point.** She drops out of college, changes her name to Georgette, and flees across the country with her best friend, a Wood Nymph named Mei-Xing.

Georgette is determined to build a new identity and a new life. But her journey leads her to cross paths with a number of magical characters—a Werehyena searching for his kidnapped wife; a Vampire who runs a unique magical business; a *curandero*, a shamanistic practitioner of traditional medicine; and a Valkyrie who, along with her raven partner, wants to make a risky deal—who make it clear to her that the past is not so easily left behind. In order to grow into her new identity, help her new friends, and develop a healthy relationship with a man she's beginning to care for, Georgette will have to confront the privileges that have shielded her from the pain and ugliness of the magic community in which she was raised—and find the st...

### Contributor Bio

**Alison Levy** lives in Greensboro, North Carolina, with her husband, son, and variety of pets. When she's not writing or doing mom things, she crochets, gardens, and walks her collies.

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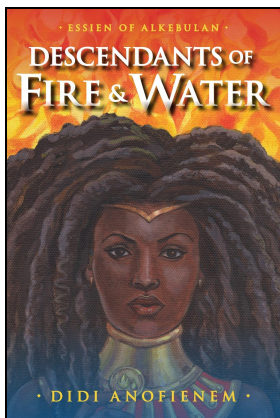
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## Descendants of Fire & Water

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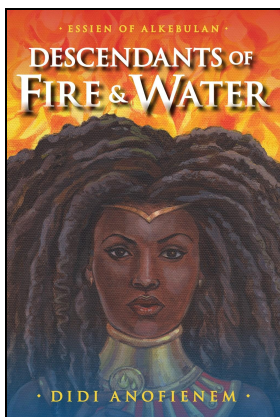
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