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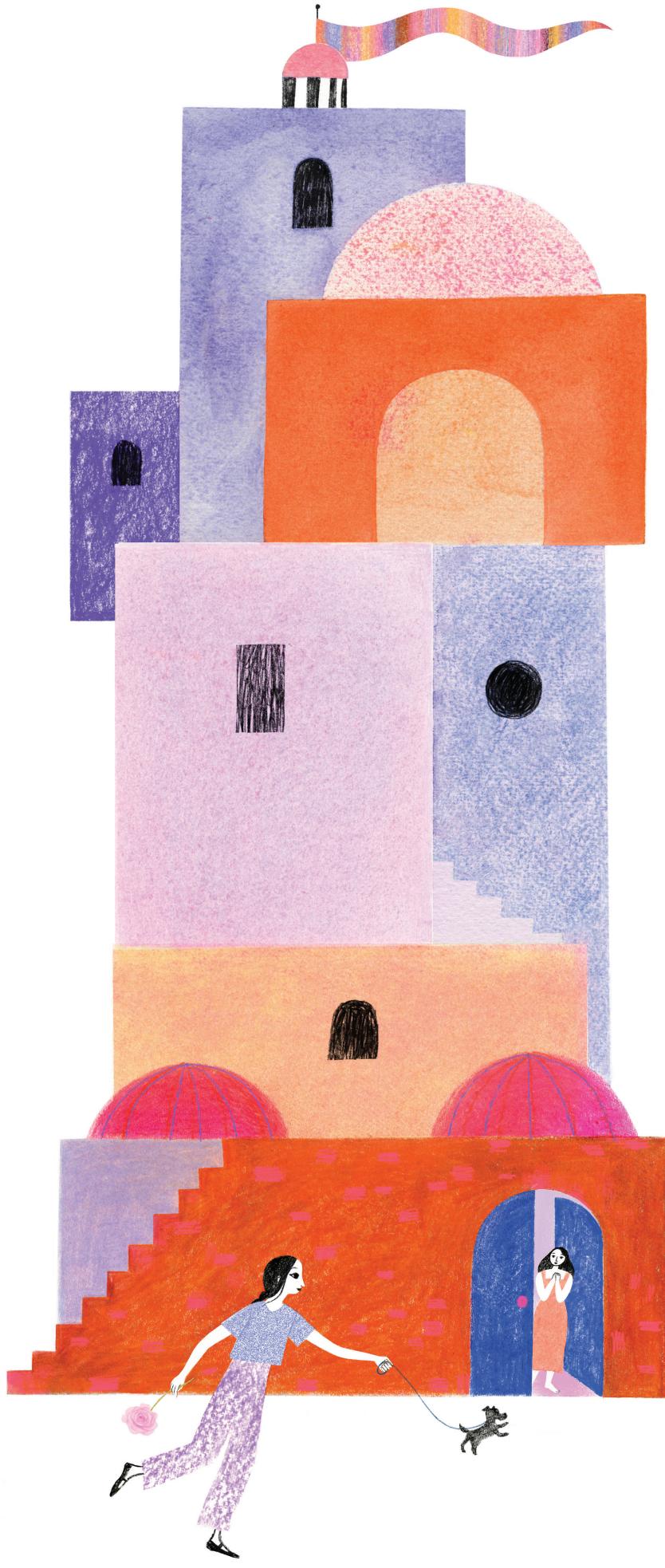




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Preschool

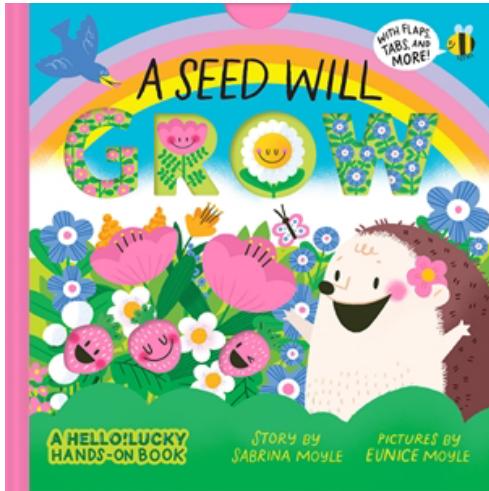


A HELLO!LUCKY BOOK

A Seed Will Grow (A Hello!Lucky Hands-On Book)

- A HELLO!LUCKY BOOK; STORY BY SABRINA MOYLE; PICTURES BY EUNICE MOYLE

From Hello!Lucky, the creators of *My Mom Is Magical!* and *My Dad Is Amazing!*, comes a brand-new novelty series with tabs to pull and surfaces to touch



Just like a seed, here's what you need:
patience, warmth, a caring heart,
so you can bloom and play your part
in Mother Nature's brilliant art!

Filled with exuberant illustrations in Hello!Lucky's inimitable style, *A Seed Will Grow* introduces young readers to the plant life cycle, starting with sowing seeds and nurturing the resulting plants, and ending with a brilliant double gatefold that opens to showcase a garden in full bloom.

With a little water, a little sun, and some pollination from bees and butterflies, out shoot roots and leaves and fruits as plants grow. Each page has a different interactive element to highlight the seed-to-plant-to-fruit transformation, and with a fifth color of ink throughout, this deluxe board book is sure to catch the eye of aspiring gardeners and educators alike!



Hello!Lucky is all about using creativity to spread joy, fun, and kindness. Founded by sisters Eunice and Sabrina Moyle in 2003, Hello!Lucky is an award-winning letterpress greeting card and design studio working with dozens of partners to create products, including Abrams' pun-derful children's books: *My Mom Is Magical!*; *My Dad Is Amazing!*; *My Grandma Is Great!*; *My Grandpa Is Grand!*; *My Brother Is the Best!*; *My Sister Is Super!*; *Super Pooper and Whizz Kid: Potty Power!*; *Kindness Rules!*; *Christmas Is Awesome!*; *Sloth and Smell the Roses*; *Go Get 'Em, Tiger!*; *Thanks a Ton!*; *School Is Cool!*; *Bananas for You!*; and *Halloween Is a Treat!* and the Astrid and Stella graphic novel series. They also offer gifts, ceramics, stationery, kids' partyware, and more. Hello!Lucky is based in San Francisco. Find them @helloluckykids.

SELLING POINTS

STRIKING ILLUSTRATIONS:

Cleverly designed and illustrated with a fifth color of ink throughout.

SPECIAL NOVELTY ELEMENTS:

Includes an interactive element (such as a touch surface, a pull tab, or a flap to lift) on every page, perfect for curious hands.

SENSATIONAL SALES: More than 1.5 million combined sales for the Hello!Lucky program!

STRONG FOLLOWING:

Hello!Lucky has over 75,000 followers on Instagram and nearly 70,000 followers on Pinterest.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 12 pages
- * WIDTH: 8" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - mm
- * Casebound Board Book

PUB MONTH: FEBRUARY 2024

AGES up to 3

BOARD BOOK, KIDS
NOVELTY, KIDS NATURE &
ENVIRONMENT

ISBN 978-1-4197-5982-6

US \$14.99





HELLO!LUCKY

THE DESIGN STUDIO FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART!

Hello!Lucky is a sister team creating playful products for all ages, and we love to have **pun!** Our ultimate goal is to spread joy, creativity, kindness, and connection worldwide with delightful, well-crafted products. Hello!Lucky can be found in independent bookstores, mass-market retailers, boutiques, museum stores and chains like Barnes & Noble, Urban Outfitters, Paper Source, and Target.

PRODUCTS FOR 2023 AND BEYOND

ROBERT KAUFMAN

Fabrics by the yard
Hello Sleepy collection
DIY Unicorn Doll Kit

CROWN CRAFT

Yeti & Unicorn
Stuffies

REMOVABLE
BUNNY STUFFIE
IN POUCH!



C.R. GIBSON

Unicorn Dress-Up | Mix & Match Puzzle
Space Yeti | Shaped Play Puzzle
Bananas for You! | Double-sided Puzzle



DAYDREAM SOCIETY

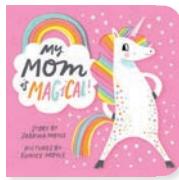
Kids party goods, temporary tattoos,
patches & novelty gifts

STATIONERY

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Digital invitations | Paperless Post
Offset | Recycled Paper Greetings
Risograph & stationery | Ohh Deer

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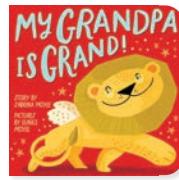
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GRAPHIC NOVELS



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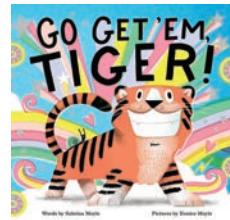


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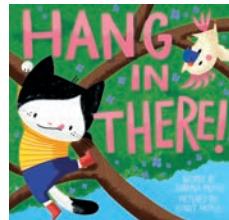
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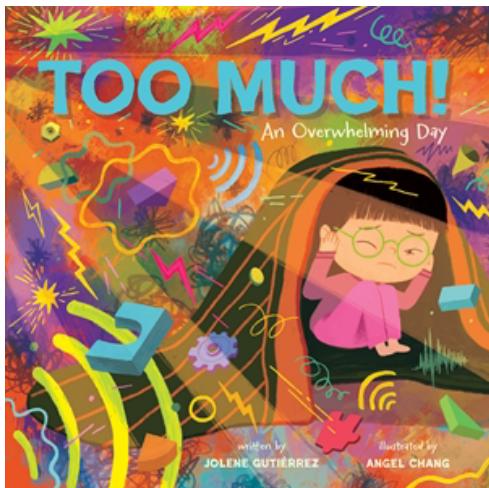
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Too Much!

AN OVERWHELMING DAY

- WRITTEN BY JOLENE GUTIÉRREZ; ILLUSTRATED BY ANGEL CHANG

A reassuring rhyming picture book about sensory overload and what you can do when everything is too much



When feelings go on overload,

I pause and breathe
and all is . . . slowed.

Sometimes everything is too much! Too loud, too bright, and all too overwhelming. Writing from her own experience with sensory processing disorder, Jolene Gutiérrez's compassionate text—paired with Angel Chang's beautiful illustrations—explores the struggles of a sensorily sensitive child and how they settle themselves. An extensive author's note to caregivers and educators explores sensory systems, sensory processing issues, and specific information about how to support kids with overstimulated nervous systems.



Jolene Gutiérrez is an award-winning teacher-librarian who has been working with diverse learners for the past 28 years. When she was little, she would squint to protect her eyes from bright lights and cover her ears to protect herself from loud noises. Now, she wears sunglasses when she's outside and brings earplugs if she thinks she'll need them. She hopes *Too Much!* will help caregivers and educators recognize and support sensory processing challenges. Learn more at www.jolenegutierrez.com. Angel Chang was once a young girl who felt too much and often thought she didn't belong because of it. It took a long time for her to learn that her feelings matter as much as everyone else's. She hopes this book will help young readers realize theirs do too. Chang is the illustrator of *Most of the Better Natural Things in the World; Just Like Me*; and *Lunar New Year Around the World*. She lives in Taiwan with a cat who loves to chew papers and sleep on books. Learn more at angelchangart.com.



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Inuk (Spanish + Catalan)

SELLING POINTS

INCLUSIVE CONTENT: *Too Much!* takes a simple and gentle approach to discussing sensory sensitivity issues, which is greatly needed in the picture book space.

BACK MATTER: Gutiérrez's author's note speaks to her own experiences with sensory processing disorder and includes suggestions for caregivers and educators who want to help neurodivergent kids in their care.

RHYMING TEXT: The simple, rhyming text tackles a tricky subject as a child works through overwhelming situations.

INCREDIBLE ART: Chang's commercial and kid-friendly art hits the core of the text perfectly.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: AUGUST 2023

AGES 3 to 5

PICTURE BOOK

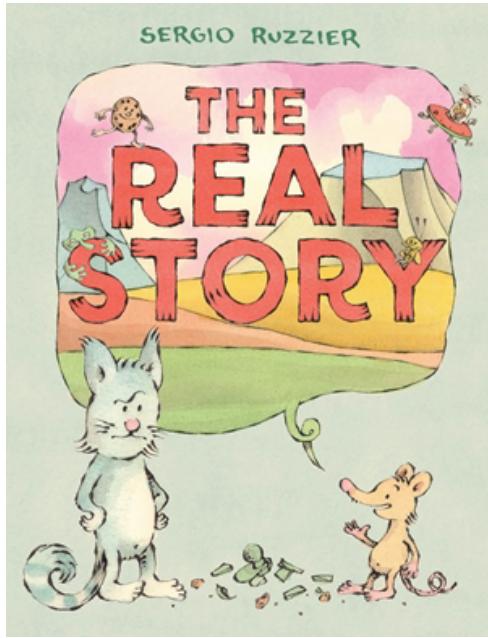
ISBN 978-1-4197-6426-4

US \$15.99

The Real Story

● BY SERGIO RUZZIER

From award-winning creator Sergio Ruzzier, a hilarious, imaginative whodunit in which Cat and Mouse debate the truth behind a broken cookie jar



Cat has found a broken cookie jar.

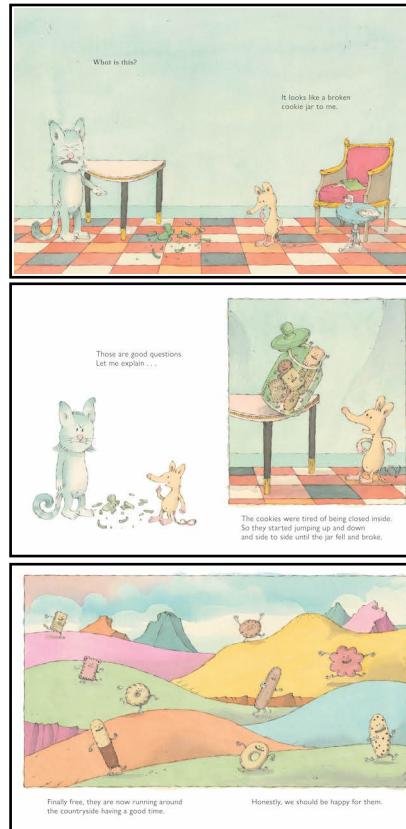
How did it happen?

And where are the cookies?

With his signature brilliant humor and eccentric characters, Sergio Ruzzier draws the line between truth and fiction in this exuberant whodunit. It's important to know the real story. But what is the best story?



Sergio Ruzzier is a Sendak Fellow who has written and illustrated many critically acclaimed children's books, including *NO! Said Custard the Squirrel*. Born in Milan, Italy, he now divides his time between Brooklyn, New York, and the Apennine Mountains in Italy.



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SELLING POINTS

BELOVED, AWARD-WINNING

CREATOR: Ruzzier's books have received countless accolades and starred reviews, earning him a stellar reputation in the S&L market, including his Fox + Chick chapter book series, the first book of which won a Geisel Honor. At Abrams, his *NO! Said Custard the Squirrel* received two starred reviews.

KID HUMOR: Ruzzier's offbeat, absurdist sense of humor as Mouse invents increasingly preposterous stories will have his young audience laughing out loud.

TELLING THE TRUTH: Examines the importance of honesty as Cat relentlessly pursues "the real story" behind a broken cookie jar and Mouse ultimately admits fault.

CELEBRATION OF

IMAGINATION: For young kids, the line between imaginative play and lying can be blurry. But once the truth is uncovered, this story becomes a celebration of children's imaginations and boundless creativity.

ENERGETIC READ ALOUD: With its young, spare text and spirited back-and-forth between characters, this rollicking read aloud will delight kids.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8" - 203mm

* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* Hardcover, Picture

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2023

AGES 3 to 6

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-5526-2

US \$16.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

NO! Said Custard the Squirrel

ISBN 978-1-4197-5524-8

US \$15.99 CAN \$19.99

UK £11.99

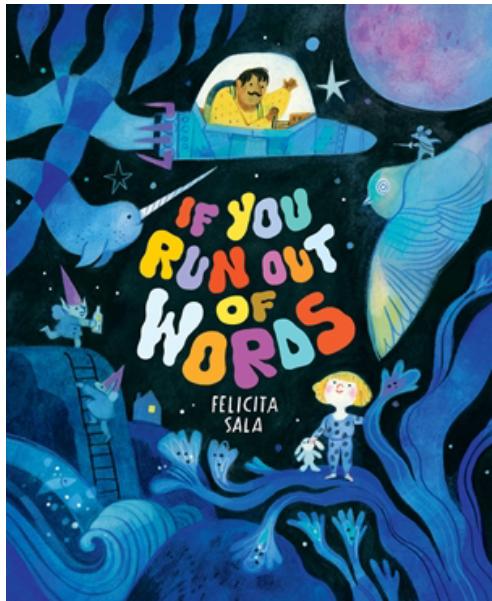


Picture Books

If You Run Out of Words

• WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY FELICITA SALA

In this imaginative bedtime adventure from award-winning artist Felicita Sala, a father reassures his daughter of the fantastical lengths he'd go to in order to show his love



What happens if you run out of words?

Will you have any left for me?

Don't be silly!

I could NEVER run out of words!

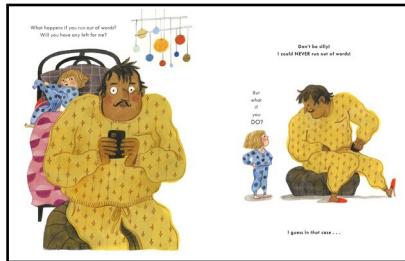
But what if you DO?

Seeking reassurance of her father's attention, a young girl peppers her dad with elaborate, anxious what-ifs. Dad soothes each worry with the perfect answer: if he ever ran out of words, he'd visit the Elves' Word Factory so that he never runs out again, of course! Even if it means having to brave the darkest woods, escape pirates, or even fly a rocket ship back home, there's nothing that could ever come between them—and there aren't enough words to describe how much he loves her.

Imaginative, humorous, and heartfelt, this new classic from internationally celebrated creator Felicita Sala is a whimsical ode to a parent's boundless love for their child.



Felicita Sala is the self-taught illustrator of several picture books, including *All from a Walnut* by Ammi-Joan Paquette, *Be a Tree!* by Maria Gianferrari, and *The Hideout* by Susanna Mattiengeli, as well as her own book of recipes for children, *What's Cooking at 10 Garden Street?* She grew up between Italy and Australia and now lives in Rome, Italy, with her family.



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Complex Chinese
(Commonwealth)
French (La Pasteque)
Italian (Rizzoli)
Portuguese SA (V&R)

SELLING POINTS

NEW CLASSIC: This gorgeous, fresh, imaginative story feels like a modern classic.

STAR ILLUSTRATOR: Sala has been a Kate Greenaway Medal nominee and on the *New York Times* Best Illustrated List.

COMMERCIAL APPEAL: While in the vein of hits like *Guess How Much I Love You*, *Mama Do You Love Me?*, and *I Love You to the Moon and Back*, this book offers a fresh and funny twist on the "I love you" genre.

GIFTY: With gorgeous art and a universal message, this is a perfect gift all year-round, but especially for Valentine's Day and Father's Day.

SOOTHING READ-ALOUD: The question-and-answer structure perfectly captures a child's imagination and reflects the real anxieties that kids feel, while also showing the comfort and security that a steadfast caregiver can provide.

HEARTFELT ENDING PERFECT FOR BEDTIME: A brilliantly open-ended final spread leaves caregivers and their little ones room to exchange their own intimate words of love with one another before it's time to sleep.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 48 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: APRIL 2024

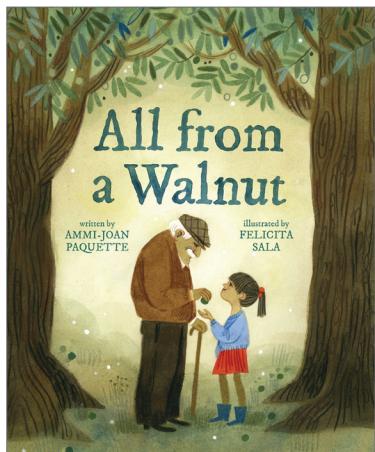
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PICTURE BOOK

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US \$18.99

★ "Captures the personal-feeling family story with a poignant immediacy that also enshrines respect for the family's legacy." —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review



All from a Walnut

When Emilia finds a walnut one morning, Grandpa tells her the story behind it: of his journey across the ocean to a new home, with only one small bag and a nut in his pocket. Step by step, Grandpa teaches Emilia how to cultivate her own seed. But as her little nut grows, Grandpa begins to slow down—until one sad day, Emilia has to say goodbye. Emilia's sapling looks as droopy as she feels... but she knows just what to do. From acclaimed author and illustrator Ammi-Joan Paquette and Felicita Sala, this tender story is a poignant reminder that the best things grow with time—and that even when they are no longer here, the ones we love are always a part of us.

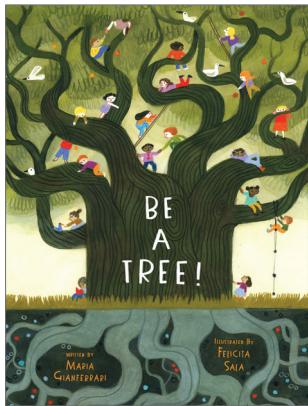
SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout • Page Count: 40 • 229 × 279 mm • **Hardcover with jacket**

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2021

RIGHTS SOLD: CHINESE COMPLEX (SAN MIN), DUTCH (STANDAARD), FRENCH (LA PASTEQUE), GERMAN (INSEL), ITALIAN (RIZZOLI), JAPANESE (HYORONSHA), SIMPLIFIED CHINESE (CHINA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY), SLOVENIAN (DESK), TURKISH (FIBULA)

Be a Tree



SPECIFICATIONS

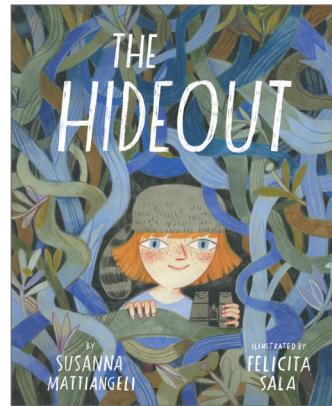
- Color illustrations
- 40 pages • 216 × 267 mm
- **Hardcover with jacket**

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2021

RIGHTS SOLD:

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ITALIAN (RIZZOLI)
JAPANESE (HYORONSHA)
KOREAN (BEAR BOOKS)
PORTUGUESE EU (20/20)
RUSSIAN (NIGMA)
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VIETNAMESE (MESSY)

The Hideout



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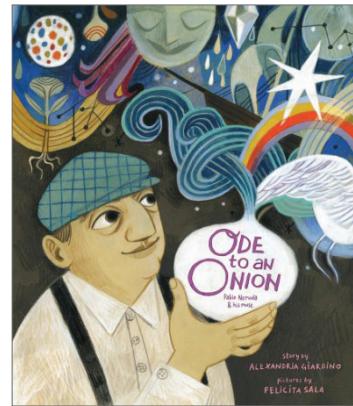
- Color illustrations
- 40 pages • 216 × 241 mm
- **Hardcover with jacket**

PUB MONTH: JUNE 2019

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CHINESE SIMPLIFIED (GUIZHOU)
GERMAN (INSEL)
ITALIAN (LUPO GUIDO)
SPANISH/CATALAN/BASQUE (EDELVIVES)

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SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 40 pages • 254 × 292 mm
- **Hardcover with jacket**

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2018

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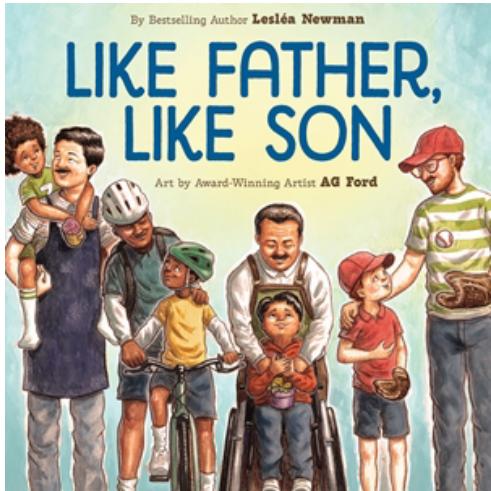
CHINESE SIMPLIFIED (GUIZHOU)
FRENCH (CAMBOURAKIS)
ITALIAN (RIZZOLI)
SPANISH (PANAMERICANA)

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Like Father, Like Son

• BY LESLÉA NEWMAN; ILLUSTRATED BY AG FORD

For fathers and sons everywhere, this warm, universal picture book from a *New York Times* bestselling and award-winning team celebrates everything that makes dads special

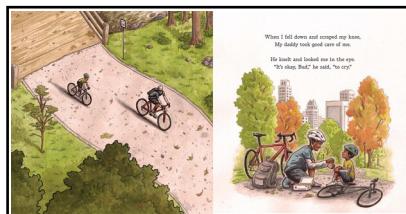


*My daddy teaches me each day,
To be strong in a gentle way.
And every single day I'm glad
That I'm his son and he's my dad.*

From award-winning author Lesléa Newman, known for her groundbreaking children's book *Heather Has Two Mommies*, and *New York Times* bestselling illustrator AG Ford, comes a sweet ode to all the amazing things that daddies can do—from knitting to cooking, from bike rides to camping trips, from telling stories to bandaging scraped knees. But most of all, this tender picture book highlights the best lesson a father can teach his son: how to show love and kindness.



Lesléa Newman is the author of over 80 books for children and adults. She has received many awards, including two Stonewall Book Awards honors, the National Jewish Book Award (*Gittel's Journey*), a Sydney Taylor Book Award and Honor, the Highlights for Children Fiction Writing Award, and the James Baldwin Award for Cultural Achievement, among many others. Nine of her books have been Lambda Literary Award finalists. She is also a popular guest lecturer at college campuses across the country, and currently she is a faculty mentor at Spalding University's School of Creative and Professional Writing. **AG Ford** is a *New York Times* bestselling children's book illustrator and recipient of two NAACP Image Awards. He has illustrated picture books for Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Sharon Robinson, Ilyasah Shabazz, Martin Luther King III, Nick Cannon, Jonah Winter, the Archbishop Desmond Tutu, and many others. Mr. Ford has over 30 published books for children, including picture books, chapter books such as the Magic Tree House series, and YA covers. He lives in Frisco, Texas, with his lovely wife, Brandy, and their two sons, Maddox and Carter.



SELLING POINTS

AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:
Newman's books have won two National Jewish Book Awards, a Sydney Taylor Body-of-Work Award, four Sydney Taylor Awards and Honors, and two Stonewall Book Award honors, among many other accolades.

BESTSELLING ILLUSTRATOR:
Ford's bestselling books include *Construction Site: Farming Strong, All Year Long*, *Construction Site: Mission Demolition, What Color Is My World?*, and *Barack*, and he's received two NAACP Image Awards.

HOLIDAY TIE-IN: With a sweet, rhyming text and buoyant commercial art, this is a universal, must-have gift for dads during any time of year, but especially for Valentine's Day and Father's Day.

REFRESHING GENDER ROLES:
Featuring dads who knit, cook, and tell their sons that it's OK to cry, this book shows the most important lessons that a dad can teach his son: how to love, show kindness, and be emotionally open. Just as with *Heather Has Two Mommies*, Newman has written a warm, universal family story that also challenges norms; here, she subtly subverts traditional ideas of masculinity.

DIVERSE FAMILIES: Portrays ethnically diverse father-son pairings, and families who live in urban, suburban, and rural areas.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 32 pages

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK

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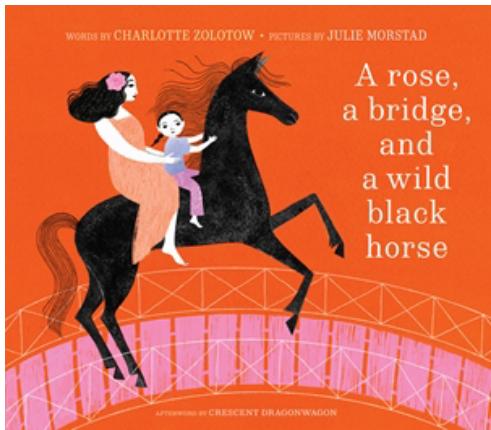
ALSO AVAILABLE

The Fairest in the Land
ISBN 978-1-4197-5709-9
US \$17.99 CAN \$22.99
UK £12.99

A Rose, a Bridge, and a Wild Black Horse

• BY CHARLOTTE ZOLOTOW; ILLUSTRATED BY JULIE MORSTAD; AFTERWORD BY CRESCENT DRAGONWAGON

A fresh new edition of a classic picture book by a legendary author and a beloved illustrator, about a girl and her mother, with themes of growing up, dreams, and letting go



A girl declares all the things she'll do for her mother when she is all grown up—from climbing mountains and swimming across oceans, to picking the pinkest rose, to building the biggest bridge and a castle for her mother to live in, to taming a wild black horse for her mother to ride—ending with the friend she will bring her mother to keep her company while she travels the world.

Originally published in 1964, *A Rose, a Bridge, and a Wild Black Horse* is a new edition of a beloved picture book by renowned children's book author Charlotte Zolotow, reenvisioned by her daughter, celebrated author Crescent Dragonwagon, and illustrated by award-winning artist Julie Morstad.

The book includes an afterword by Crescent Dragonwagon about her mother and this special new edition of their book.



Charlotte Zolotow was a children's book editor for HarperCollins, where she edited hundreds of books over her 50-year career. In addition to editing, she authored over 90 books for young readers, including *William's Doll*, which has been in print for over 50 years, and the original version of *A Rose, a Bridge, and a Wild Black Horse*, published in 1964 by Harper & Row, which featured a brother and his younger sister. **Crescent**

Dragonwagon is the author of more than 50 books for readers of all ages, including a new edition of her 1977 classic *Will It Be Okay?*, illustrated by Jessica Love and published by Cameron Kids. Crescent is the daughter of and literary executor for her late mother, Charlotte Zolotow. A native New Yorker, Crescent lives in the Arkansas Ozarks. **Julie Morstad** is an award-winning fine artist, author, and illustrator. Her illustrations can be found in numerous picture books, including *The Dress and the Girl*, published by Abrams. Julie lives in Vancouver, British Columbia.



SELLING POINTS

MODERN CLASSIC: A reenvisioned edition of a classic picture book and a poignant coming-of-age story for all ages.

ICONIC AUTHOR: Charlotte Zolotow is the celebrated and beloved author of over 90 books for young readers. She has sold over 255,000 copies.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BOND: New edition is by and about a mother and daughter and features an afterword by Zolotow's own daughter, author Crescent Dragonwagon.

ADORED ILLUSTRATOR: Julie Morstad's award-winning work is well received and loved. Her previous book with Abrams, *The Dress and the Girl*, has sold over 25,000 copies.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/4" - mm

* HEIGHT: 7 1/4" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 5 to 7

CHILDREN'S

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US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Will It Be Okay?

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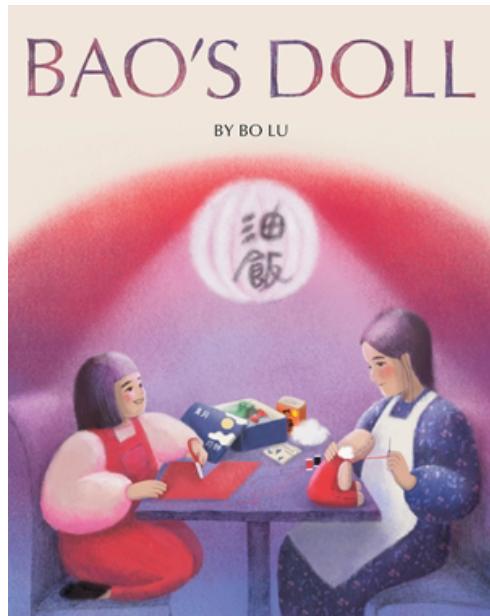
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UK £13.99

Bao's Doll

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY BO LU

In this moving story of empathy, forgiveness, and connection, an immigrant mother and her daughter discover they have more in common than they ever knew



Whenever Mama says, "when I was a little girl in Taiwan, we had nothing," Bao stops listening. Mama does not understand Bao, and Bao certainly does not understand Mama.

So when Bao desperately wants a doll—specifically, the beautiful, blonde All-American Artist Amanda doll that everyone else has—Bao takes matters into her own hands and steals Amanda from the store. After getting caught, Bao's chest feels heavy like a giant rock. But gradually, the awkward silence between Bao and Mama shifts to honesty, and eventually, a deeper understanding of what binds them.

Inspired by the childhood of debut talent Bo Lu, this poignant picture book brings emotional layers to the story of a parent and child learning to connect with their heritage and each other.



Bo Lu moved from bustling Taipei to suburban Kansas as a little girl. Before English words made sense, the world of picture books welcomed her in. It was in those pictures that she found comfort in her new beginning. As an author and illustrator, she hopes to create a safe space to explore big feelings through images and stories. Bo also finds comfort in slurping noodle soups, exploring the Bay Area Redwoods, and dancing with her girls around their dad at the dinner table. This is her debut picture book.



SELLING POINTS

IMPRESSIVE DEBUT: In her first picture book, talented author-illustrator Bo Lu tackles big feelings and complicated topics beautifully, while centering the child reader.

INTERGENERATIONAL

IMMIGRANT STORY: Featuring similar themes to *Watercress*, this story deals with identity, immigration, family, and multigenerational trauma and healing in a subtle yet powerful way.

DEEPLY PERSONAL: In an author's note, Lu recounts how after her family moved from Taiwan to rural Kansas and became Chinese restaurant owners, she stole a Barbie, ashamed that she couldn't have the same things as her friends. Lu hopes this book "offers a space to forgive, understand, and connect with ourselves and one another."

ASIAN AMERICAN HERITAGE:

As proven by the massive success of books like *Eyes that Kiss in the Corners*, more books that feature Asian American protagonists and show cultural pride are very much in demand.

UPLIFTING ENDING: Together, mother and daughter ultimately make their own doll "from Mama's memories and Bao's hopes"—a doll that looks just like Bao.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* HEIGHT: 10 3/4" - 273mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK

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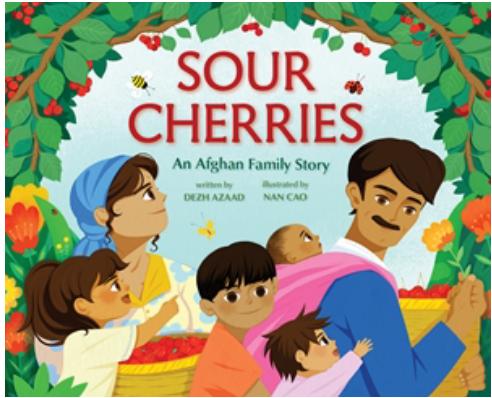
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Sour Cherries

AN AFGHAN FAMILY STORY

● BY DEZH AZAAD, ILLUSTRATED BY NAN CAO

A moving, personal story about an Afghan refugee child and the sour cherries that connect him to family and home



*My favorite day is in the summer,
picking cherries with my mother.*

Sour Cherries follows a summer day as an Afghan child learns to make sour cherry jam, stew, and tea with his mother, just like she learned from her mother. Pull the stem, pop the seed—together, they carefully prep their family dishes while sharing stories of his grandmother and the place they come from. Inspired by the author's life, this warmhearted companion to *The Carpet: An Afghan Family Story* celebrates the taste of home.



Dezh Azaad is an Afghan writer who's been a refugee his whole life. He lives in Germany, where he teaches Persian to refugee children and leads seminars for teens and young adults on social change, race, and the climate crisis. Azaad loves tinkering with electronics and cooking meals that take five hours to make and five minutes to eat. Visit him online at dezhaaad.com. **Nan Cao** is a New York-based illustrator. Her work is inspired by surrealistic imagery and her daily life in the big city. When she is not drawing, Cao loves to hang out with the squirrels in the park, daydream under the sun, or get lost in her book collection. She has worked with clients such as *Johns Hopkins Magazine*, *Anorak Magazine*, *Link NYC*, *Bulletin Magazine*, *Spectrum*, and *Washingtonian magazine*. Cao holds an MFA in illustration as visual essay from the School of Visual Arts. Her work has been recognized by *American Illustration*, *Society of Illustrators*, *Communication Arts*, *AOI*, *3x3*, and *Creative Quarterly*.



SELLING POINTS

COMPANION BOOK: Reuniting the talented team behind *The Carpet*, this follow-up features the same family seen in that book, with a different sibling narrating.

PERSONAL INSPIRATION:

Based on the author's experience as an Afghan refugee and his family traditions, this story celebrates his heritage by focusing on the sour cherry, a fruit native to his homeland that can be cooked in a variety of ways.

FOOD & FAMILY:

Multigenerational stories that highlight meal preparation and how food connects us to our heritage remain popular.

TIMELY: With the humanitarian crisis ongoing in Afghanistan, this picture book helps kids unpack current events with compassion, making the plight of Afghan refugees immediate and relatable, and offering comfort for displaced children.

INTIMATE STORY: Honest but gentle, Azaad subtly addresses emigration and war while grounding his story in the experience of one family and their love for each other.

RICH BACK MATTER: Includes a poignant author's note and a recipe for sour cherry tea.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 10 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: MAY 2024

AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-6362-5

US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

The Carpet: An Afghan Family Story

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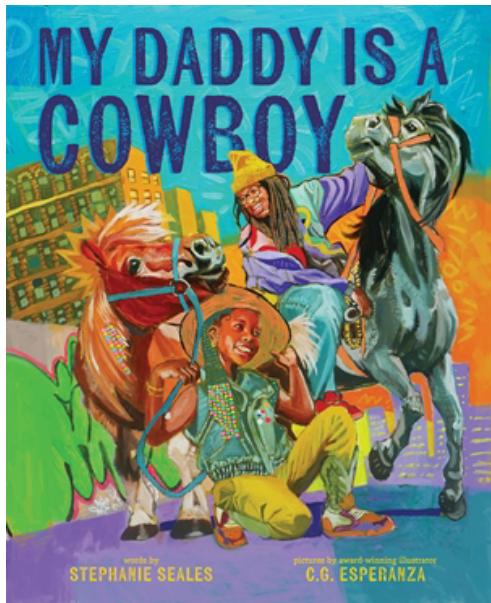
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UK £13.99

My Daddy Is a Cowboy

● BY STEPHANIE SEALES, ILLUSTRATED BY C.G. ESPERANZA

A young girl and her father share an early morning horseback ride around their city in this picture book celebration of “just-us time,” perfect for fans of *My Papi Has a Motocycle*



Tall. High as the clouds.

Strong as a horse's back.

Like a cowboy.

In the early hours before dawn, a young girl and her father greet their horses and ride together through the waking city streets. As they trot along, Daddy tells cowboy stories filled with fun and community, friendship, discovery, and pride. Seeing her city from a new vantage point and feeling seen in a new way, the child discovers that she too is a cowboy—strong and confident in who she is.

Thoughtfully and lyrically written by debut author Stephanie Seales, with vibrant illustrations from award-winning artist C. G. Esperanza, this beautiful picture book is a celebration of Black joy, outdoor play, and quality time spent between child and parent.



Stephanie Seales is a storyteller, dreamer, and doer who is passionate about racial equity. She's also a children's literature expert who's worked in almost every aspect of the book business. She understands the power of story and follows Toni Morrison's advice, writing the books she wants to read. She dreams and creates near the water in the Hudson Valley, New York. **C. G. Esperanza** is the award-winning illustrator of *Soul Food Sunday*, which received a Coretta Scott King Honor, and the author-illustrator of *Boogie, Boogie, Y'all*, which received a Pura Belpré Youth Illustrator Honor among many other awards. He lives in the Bronx, New York.



SELLING POINTS

EXCITING DEBUT: Stephanie Seales's debut picture book text is lyrical and lovely, brimming with heart.

AWARD-WINNING

ILLUSTRATOR: C.G. Esperanza was awarded a Coretta Scott King Honor for *Soul Food Sunday* and a Pura Belpré Honor for *Boogie Boogie, Y'all*, among many other accolades. His vibrant, striking art transforms this picture book into a timeless classic.

CELEBRATING

INTERSECTIONALITY: From two Afro-Latinx creators comes an authentic story about a first-generation Panamanian American family that centers and celebrates Black joy.

FATHER-DAUGHTER LOVE: This story highlights the endearing relationship between a child and her father, both in quality time and how she looks up to him as a role model.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 48 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - mm
* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
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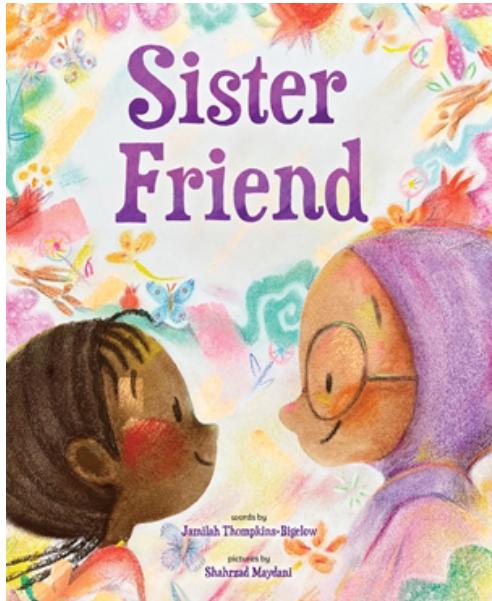
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Sister Friend

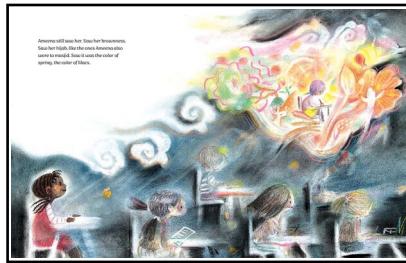
• BY JAMILAH THOMPKINS-BIGELOW, ILLUSTRATED BY SHAHZAD MAYDANI

Perfect for fans of *The Day You Begin* and *Evelyn Del Rey Is Moving Away*, a heartwarming new picture book celebrating the unique joy of cultivating friendships within your cultural community



Ameena feels invisible. It's been that way since she started at her new school. But now there is another new girl in class. Ameena sees her brownness and her hijab, even though the other kids do not. Ameena wants to be her friend, but she can't seem to find the right words or do the right things. Until one day, they find them together: "Assalamu Alaikum, Sister. Welcome."

Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow, M.S.Ed., is a Philadelphia-based educator and children's book author. A curriculum writer and former English teacher, she has educated children and teens in traditional and alternative learning settings for 15 years. As an inaugural AMAL fellow with the Muslim Anti-Racism Collaborative (MuslimARC), she developed foundational curricular frameworks for youth and adult anti-racist programming. Her picture books and short stories, which feature young Black and Muslim protagonists, have been recognized as the best in children's literature by *TIME* magazine, Read Across America, and NPR. These works include *Mommy's Khimar*, *Once Upon an Eid* (anthology contributor), *Your Name Is a Song*, *Abdul's Story*, and *Hold Them Close*. **Shahrzad Maydani** is an illustrator of Iranian-English descent, raised in Niger and Kenya. Her debut children's book, *Poetree*, received the Crystal Kite Award and was a Spring 2019 Kids' Indie Next selection. She lives with her family in California. Follow her on Instagram @shahrzadmaydani.



SELLING POINTS

PERSONAL CONNECTION: This story is based on Thompkins-Bigelow's own experiences as the only non-white child in her first-grade class, and she's crafted a moving, heartfelt story that will connect with many kids.

ALL-STAR AUTHOR:

Thompkins-Bigelow was a 2021 Irma Black Award Honor author, and her books have been featured on best-of lists by *TIME* magazine, NCTE, and NPR. Her picture book *Your Name Is a Song* was also named a NEA Read Across America book.

TIMELESS THEMES: Picture books about friendship and finding your place are perennially popular, and centering young BIPOC children finding joy in each other's companionship is especially exciting and important to see.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
MUSLIM HISTORY &
CULTURE, AFRICAN
AMERICAN HISTORY &
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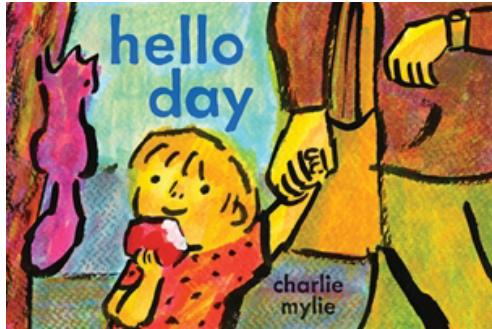
UK £12.99

Hello Day

A CHILD'S-EYE VIEW OF THE WORLD

● BY CHARLIE MYLIE

A whimsical kid's-eye view of a day, filled with wonders big and small . . . which sometimes clashes with their parent's more practical plans

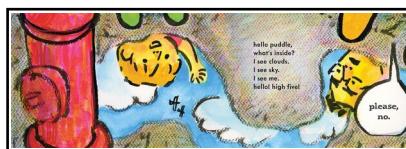


Hello apple,
hello shelf
I can reach you
all by myself.

When a father and child finally get out of the house, the toddler says "hello" to everything from a snack to a squirrel to a sidewalk puddle. Meanwhile, Dad stays focused on getting the duo from point A to point B. But the eager and enthusiastic "hellos" from his kid remind Dad to pay attention to the here and now.

Told entirely in the child's voice, and boldly illustrated in vibrant colors and joyful lines, this picture book from Charlie Mylie celebrates gentle parenting and invites kid and adult readers alike to get curious about the small wonders hiding in everyday moments.

Charlie Mylie is an author and illustrator living the dream in Kansas City, Kansas. It's only occurring to him now that his interdisciplinary art degree from Kansas City Art Institute might have actually helped in making children's books. His wife and preschooler, however, have had a significant, obvious impact on his work and life, while the cat has contributed nothing. Mylie wants to keep exploring, for as long as he is allowed, how words and pictures—together—help us making sense of this confounding world.



SELLING POINTS

RISING STAR CREATOR: Charlie Mylie's picture books are well-received, and he innovates his style with every new title. *Out On a Limb* was included in the 2022 Society of Illustrators Original Art Show, and his latest *We Might See* was called "a vivid, child's-eye view of the world" by Kirkus.

STRONG READ ALOUD: The text for *Hello Day* is told from the toddler's interior world, with a stream of consciousness flair and gentle rhyme in the tradition of Ruth Krauss. It's perfect for sharing at storytime.

EYE-CATCHING PACKAGE: Bold colors and loose lines make up the lively, energetic artwork for this picture book. With a larger-than-standard trim size, and printed with extra-vibrant inks, it's sure to make an impact on bookstore tables.

PARENT APPEAL: At the heart of this picture book is a loving, realistic parent-child relationship, negotiating the tension between toddler's endless curiosities and the demands of the "real world."

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 12" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 3 to 5

PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-6813-2

US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Out on a Limb

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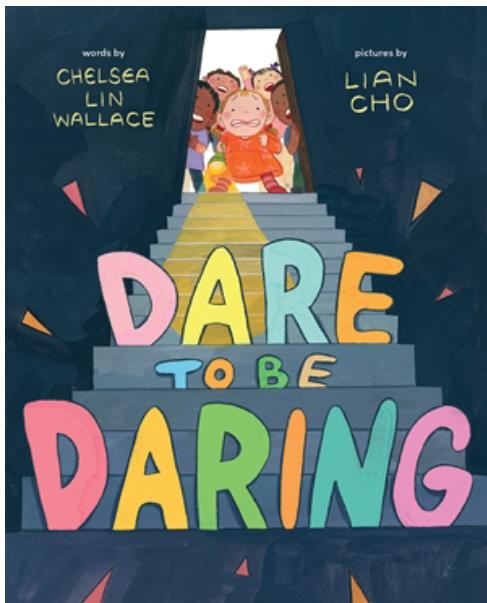
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Dare to Be Daring

• WORDS BY CHELSEA LIN WALLACE; PICTURES BY LIAN CHO

From rising star Chelsea Lin Wallace comes a rhyming, rollicking picture book read-aloud about facing your fears, big or small—perfect for fans of *I Am Courage and Max the Brave*



Today I will dare to be daring.

You say this is pea and beef stew?

It's green and it's grimy.

It moved! And it's slimy!

"I did it! I ate something new!"

From tasting a new food to a trip to the dentist (or the basement!), this picture book is an invitation to be brave in the face of what feels scary. Big or small, fears can feel overwhelming. What if I say "hi" but my new friend doesn't say "hi" back? What if I get back on my bike and I fall again? What is that sound in the basement, anyway?

Kids are courageous at heart, and every time they dare to be daring, they learn—with a little bit more certainty—that they are brave enough to try just about anything.



Chelsea Lin Wallace is a children's author, poet, and former elementary school teacher with a master's in education. She is the author of *A Home Named Walter* and *Ode to a Bad Day*, among other books for children. When she isn't busy writing for kids, she can be found cheering them on—coaching volleyball, directing musicals, and encouraging them through their ups and downs.

Chelsea is scared of spiders, but she dares to save them with a sheet of paper and a cup when they are in her home. She lives in Los Angeles, California, with her husband, her daughter, Charlee, and her dog, Lucky.

Lian Cho is the author and illustrator of many goofy books. She was born in Taiwan and spent her childhood among the sheep in New Zealand. Lian now works in Brooklyn and spends her days covered in paint and drinking tea. In her spare time, she likes to make funny comics for her newsletter and bake copious amounts of banana bread.



SELLING POINTS

EVERGREEN THEMES: Courage is a perennial theme for picture book readers, and *Dare to Be Daring* captures many milestones within its pages—from going to the dentist to trying new foods to learning to ride a bike. It's perfect for social emotional learning discussions.

ROLICKING READ ALOUD:

Written in a bouncy, buoyant rhyme, *Dare to Be Daring* will be a read-aloud favorite in classrooms and at storytime. It is sure to soothe listeners after a daring day.

RISING STAR ILLUSTRATOR:

Lian Cho's work consistently garners starred reviews and other acclaim, such as inclusion in the Society of Illustrators Original Art Show. In May 2023, her collaboration with Adam Rex, *Oh No, The Aunts Are Here!* was published to much acclaim, including three starred reviews.

BACK TO SCHOOL: Timed perfectly for back-to-school promotions, this picture book romp is sure to inspire courage in kids who are nervous to return to the classroom. And it's the perfect storytime pick!

LAUGH-OUT-LOUD FUNNY:

Chelsea's turns of phrase and Lian's visual humor pair perfectly to make picture book gold! Readers will want to revisit their favorite (silliest!) scenes.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* Hardcover with jacket

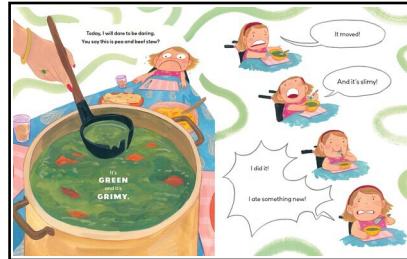
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AGES 4 to 8

PICTURE BOOK

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US \$18.99



We're Having a Party (for Everyone!)

• BY KATIE VERNON

Send the invites, set the table, and prepare for all types of guests in this rollicking good time picture book



How do you host a party for a chipmunk, a ghost, a vampire, an astronaut, a giraffe, a robot, a tooth, an octopus, a rockstar, a T. rex, a queen, Gramps, Paw Paw, and Bigfoot? Lana has a few tips for her nervous pup, Lemon, on how to make sure their first dinner party is a total success! First you must take guests' coats, thank those who bring gifts, and, most importantly, invite everyone to dance (after dessert, of course).

Bursting with color and quirky illustrations, *We're Having a Party (for Everyone!)* teaches young readers about social etiquette, accommodating others, and how much fun goes into planning a shindig. With funny details on every page and an imaginative double-twist ending, young readers will be eager to host an amazing dinner party of their own.



Katie Vernon is an author-illustrator who spent most of her life in the Midwest but whose heart belongs in the mountains. She now lives in Flagstaff, Arizona, and shares her studio with a large cricket that sings to her all day long. Katie creates her pieces with both traditional and digital media—always looking for opportunities to experiment and have fun. Katie's art can be seen in books (including *Ari Arranges Everything*, Running Press Kids, Spring 2023; and *Happy Halloweenie*, S&S, Spring 2023), greeting cards, magazines, newspapers, home decor, department stores, grocery stores, an arboretum, and two waxing salons in Mexico. Besides making art, she loves adventuring with her high school sweetheart, their kiddo, and a couple of weird but lovable dogs.

SELLING POINTS

ADEQUATE ETIQUETTE: Vernon explores social etiquette without over-explaining or being too stuffy in this humorous text, allowing readers to learn as they laugh.

TIMELY TEXT: With gatherings and parties becoming commonplace again, this will help ease any child's worries after a mostly isolated pandemic time.

DYNAMIC CREATOR: With over 50,000 Instagram followers, Katie Vernon's fun and bold style has already found its way into stores such as Anthropologie and Uniqlo, the latter choosing her as the illustrator for their worldwide signage for the 2022 winter holidays. She has also worked with the Houston Arboretum, Hallmark, IKEA, Land of Nod, Papyrus, and has been featured in the *Washington Post*.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 8 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 10 7/8" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

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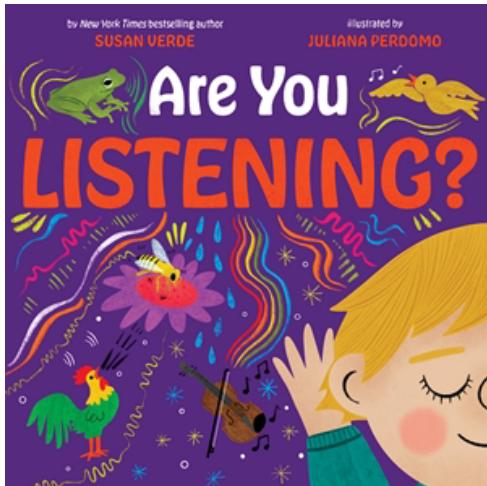


SENSING YOUR WORLD

Are You Listening?

● BY SUSAN VERDE; ILLUSTRATED BY JULIANA PERDOMO

From a series that explores the five senses through a mindfulness perspective, bestselling author Susan Verde highlights how careful, intentional listening allows us to appreciate the world around us



All day long
there are sounds.
I hear them,
telling me the world is busy—
and so am I.
But when I find stillness
and make the choice to
pause, breathe, and give each sound my careful attention,
I can listen. Listening tells me more . . .

Gracefully written by Susan Verde, bestselling author of the I Am books, and winsomely illustrated by Juliana Perdomo, the Sensing Your World series teaches little ones to experience the world around them more deeply using the five senses to find joy, connection, and beauty in the small, everyday moments. *Are You Listening?* encourages us to listen to the world around us with our whole hearts.

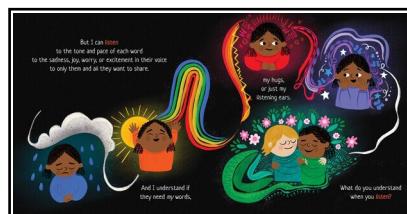


Susan Verde is the bestselling author of *I Am Yoga*, *I Am Peace*, *I Am Human*, *I Am Love*, *I Am One*, *I Am Courage*, *I Am Me*, *The Museum*, and *You and Me*, all illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds, as well as the

Feel-Good Fairy Tales books, illustrated by Jay Fleck, and *Rock 'n' Roll Soul*, illustrated by Matthew Cordell. In addition to writing, she teaches kids yoga and

mindfulness. Susan lives with her three children and their menagerie of pets in East Hampton, New York.

Juliana Perdomo is a Colombian illustrator and writer with a background as a psychologist and art therapist. Her work is joyful and heartfelt, folksy, and a bit retro, with a Latin touch. She has illustrated a number of children's books, including *El Cucuy Is Scared, Too!* by Donna Barba Higuera. Perdomo lives in Bogotá, Colombia, with her amazing son, Luca, her rocker partner, Iván, and a funny old dog named Menta.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Verde is the author of the bestselling I Am series (over 1.7 million copies sold!), illustrated by Peter Reynolds, including the #1 *New York Times* bestseller *I Am Human*.

MINDFULNESS ANGLE:

Encouraging readers to be present and not just hear but also *listen*—to ourselves, to each other, and to our world—this topic is a natural fit for Verde, a yoga and mindfulness instructor, and echoes themes of her beloved I Am series.

FRESH TWIST ON THE GENRE:

While there are five senses books aplenty, this series explores how our perception of the world affects our minds and hearts.

RISING-STAR ILLUSTRATOR:

The vibrant, sweet, and youthful style of Perdomo (*El Cucuy Is Scared, Too!*) and its forthcoming sequel, *It's Navidad, El Cucuy!* is perfectly suited for little ones.

GIFTY PACKAGE: A small, square, eight-by-eight trim size and \$15.99 price point set this book up as a gift purchase comparable to the I Am books.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 8" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 4 to 8

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ALSO AVAILABLE

Can You See It?

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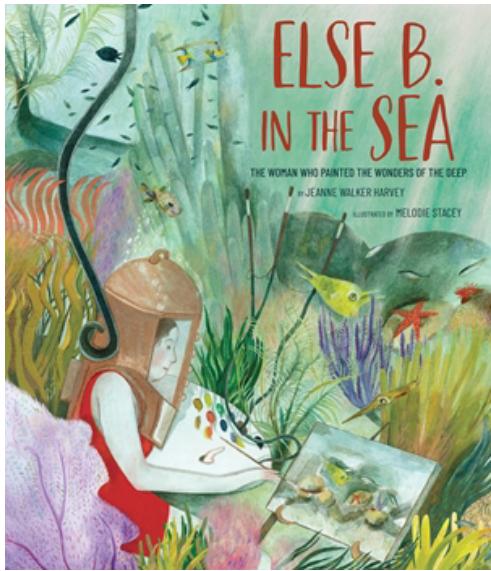
UK £11.99

Else B. in the Sea

THE WOMAN WHO PAINTED THE WONDERS OF THE DEEP

● BY JEANNE WALKER HARVEY; ILLUSTRATED BY MELODIE STACEY

A poetic picture book biography about a daring and pioneering woman artist that combines themes of art and science



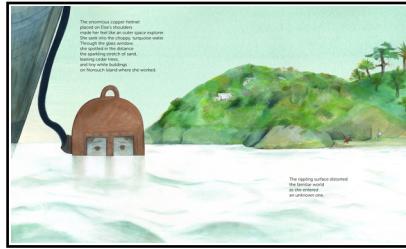
Else Bostelmann donned a red swimsuit and a copper diving helmet and, with paints and brushes in hand, descended into the choppy turquoise sea off the coast of Bermuda. It was 1930, and few had ventured deep into the sea before. She discovered a fairyland six fathoms below the surface—fantastic coral castles, glittering sunbeams, swaying sea plumes, and slender purple sea fans. And fish! Flashy silverfish, puckering blue parrotfish, iridescent jellyfish. Else painted under the sea! She painted what she saw with her own eyes, and, back on land, she painted the never-before-seen deep-sea creatures described by world-renowned scientist William Beebe on his momentous 1930s bathysphere expeditions for the New York Zoological Society's Department of Tropical Research. It was a daring and glamorous adventure and a dream come true for Else B., who shared this new, unfathomable world with humankind.



Jeanne Walker Harvey is the author of several picture books, including *Boats on the Bay*, published by Cameron Kids, as well as the well-received picture book biographies *Ablaze with Color: A Story of Painter Alma Thomas* and *Maya Lin: Artist-Architect of Light and Lines*. She lives in Sonoma, California. **Melodie Stacey** is a fine artist and illustrator whose work can be found in the picture book *Beautiful Useful Things*, published by Cameron Kids. She lives in Brighton, United Kingdom.



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SELLING POINTS

STEAM WOMAN: A strong addition to picture book biographies about unsung women in the arts and sciences, which this story has in spades.

SOLID AUTHOR: Harvey is well-established in the picture book biography space. Her most recent book about Alma Thomas has received starred reviews from *Booklist*, *Horn Book Magazine*, and *SLJ*.

DEEP SEA ADVENTURE: With vivid illustrations by Melodie Stacey (*Beautiful Useful Things*), readers will feel like they're diving into the deep right along Else Bostelmann.

FUN FACTS: Book features informative back matter about fathoms, the underwater color spectrum, and bioluminescence.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
 - * 32 pages
 - * WIDTH: 9" - mm
 - * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - mm

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AGES 5 to 7

CHILDREN'S

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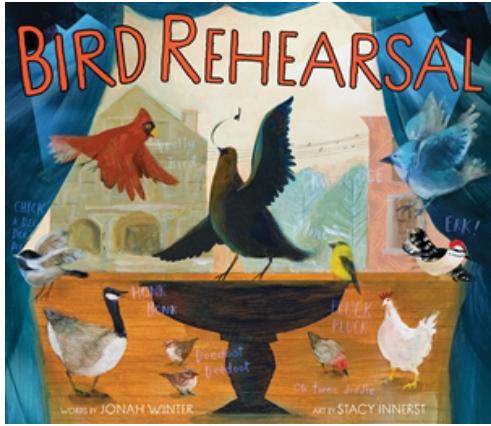
US \$19.99

JOURNAL OF CLIMATE

Bird Rehearsal

● BY JONAH WINTER; ILLUSTRATED BY STACY INNERST

Peek behind the curtain of the glorious musicality of birds in this raucous romp through the neighborhood, told entirely in birdsong



*When the night is done,
and the sky begins to lighten,
the bird rehearsal begins.
It's not meant for us, but here we are,
every day, listening . . .*

Peek behind the curtain into the glorious musicality of birds in this raucous romp through the neighborhood, told entirely in birdsong.



Jonah Winter is the award-winning author of more than 40 nonfiction picture books that promote social and racial justice, environmental awareness, and facts. His books include *New York Times* Best Illustrated Books *Diego, Here Comes the Garbage Barge!*, and *Ruth Bader Ginsburg: The Case of R. B. G. vs. Inequality*. He lives a few blocks away from Stacy Innerst in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where they see and hear the same birds.



Pennsylvania, where they see and hear the same birds. **Stacy Innerst** is a children's book artist, illustrator, and educator. His books have received numerous awards, including the *New York Times*/New York Public Library Best Illustrated Children's Book Award for *Ruth Bader Ginsburg: The Case of R. B. G. vs. Inequality*. He lives in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.



SELLING POINTS

PROVEN DUO: Winter and Innerst's previous collaboration, *Ruth Bader Ginsburg: The Case of R.B.G. vs. Inequality*, has sold over 43,000 copies.

ENGAGING READ ALOUD: Kids will enjoy cawing, honking, and quacking along with a chorus of neighborhood birds.

FUN FACTS: With a detailed glossary and stunning illustrations, this is a very kid-friendly, educational addition to any library.

HOT HOBBY: In light of the growing interest in bird-watching that appeared during the pandemic, this book is a fun introduction to the practice that will encourage kids to tune in to the songs of their neighborhood.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
 - * 32 pages
 - * WIDTH: 10 1/2" - mm
 - * HEIGHT: 9" - mm
 - * **Hardcover with jacket**

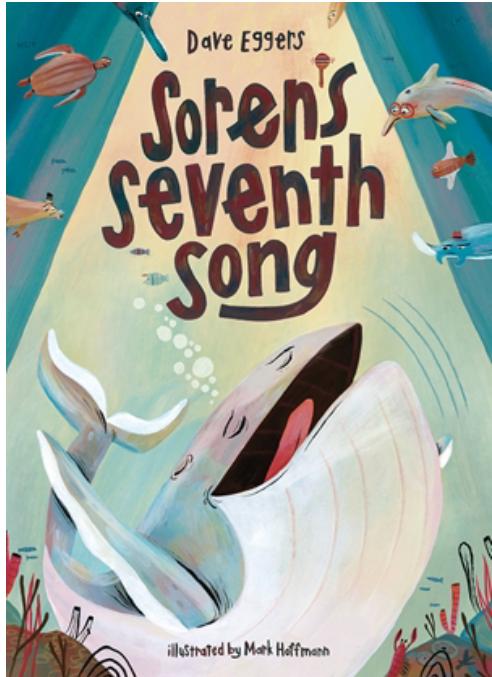
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Soren's Seventh Song

• BY DAVE EGGERS; ILLUSTRATED BY MARK HOFFMANN

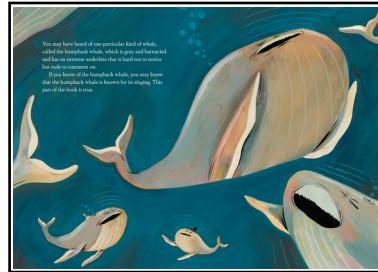
From *New York Times* bestselling author Dave Eggers comes a deadpan take on creativity and persistence, as told through the eyes of a humpback whale looking for a new song



Soren, a young humpback whale, loves music, but is tired of the dull, droning, endless songs that are frustratingly popular among the adult whales he knows. He has ideas for better songs: shorter, up-tempo tunes with snare drums and even maracas. Unfortunately, every time he shares his new tunes with his friends, he's met with less than encouraging feedback and even a bit of discreet whale vomiting. In this upbeat story of resilience and tenacity, Dave Eggers offers readers of all ages essential creative advice: your first drafts are probably terrible.



Dave Eggers is the author of books for readers of all ages, including *The Eyes and the Impossible* and *The Circle*, as well as numerous books for young readers, including *Her Right Foot*, *What Can a Citizen Do?*, and *The Lifters*. He is the founder of the independent publishing company McSweeney's and the cofounder of 826 Valencia, a youth writing center—fronted by a supply store for working pirates—that has inspired dozens of other organizations worldwide. Mark Hoffmann is an illustrator and a professor of illustration at Montserrat College of Art. His books include *Jamasaurus*, *Poop*, and *A Is for Apple, Unless . . .*, all published by Cameron Kids. He lives in southern New Hampshire with his wife and son.



SELLING POINTS

CELEBRATED AUTHOR: Eggers is an internationally bestselling and award-winning author and a Pulitzer Prize finalist.

POWER OF PERSISTENCE: As *Soren's Seventh Song* shows, practice doesn't make perfect—but it does make improvement! This book's message emphasizes the importance of persistence and tenacity in pursuing your goals.

SQUEAL APPEAL: The story features plenty of whale vomit and cringeworthy moments!

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 56 pages

* WIDTH: 7 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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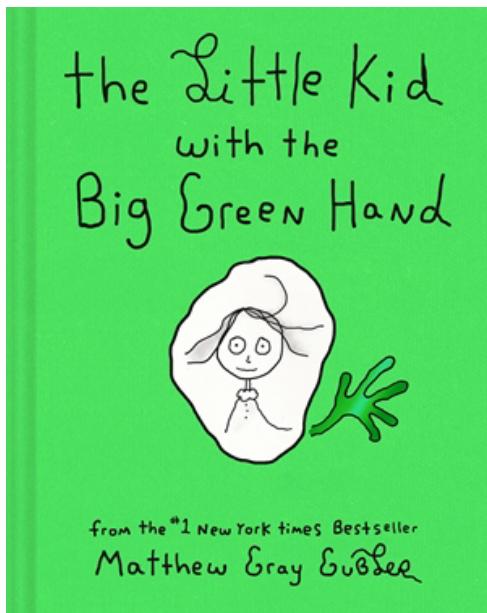
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The Little Kid with the Big Green Hand

● BY MATTHEW GRAY GUBLER

From the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator Matthew Gray Gubler comes a heartwarming story of colors, creatures, and connection



Join two unlikely friends, Chuck and Lenore, as they embark on a surreal journey of self-discovery and uncover the magic of seeing the world through someone else's eyes. Lovingly hand-drawn, and featuring a cloth cover and ribbon bookmark, it's a book to treasure, read, and re-read.

Matthew Gray Gubler is a storyteller from Las Vegas, Nevada, who writes, paints, directs, acts, and knows magic.

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Italian (Uovonero)

SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING TRACK: Gubler's debut novel, *Rumble Buttercup*, was an instant *New York Times* bestseller and a *Forbes* best children's book of the year.

ALL-STAR AUTHOR: Matthew Gray Gubler is an actor, artist, and writer. He has a devoted fanbase of more than 3.4 million followers who are eager for his next project.

HUMOROUS READ: With quirky and expressive illustrations and unexpected and wholly original text, readers will be laughing out loud as they read this new hilarious and heartfelt story.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout; ribbon marker
* 224 pages

* WIDTH: 6 1/2" - 165mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

* Hardcover POB

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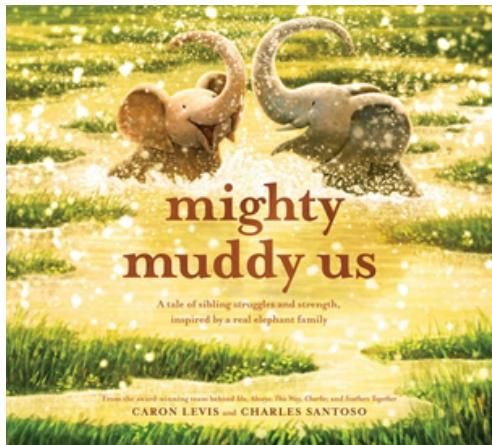
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FEELING FRIENDS

Mighty Muddy Us

● BY CARON LEVIS; ILLUSTRATED BY CHARLES SANTOSO

From the award-winning team behind *Feathers Together, Ida, Always, and This Way, Charlie* comes a moving story of sibling love, inspired by a real-life elephant family



The moment he is born, Ely delights in the welcoming trumpets of his adoring big sister, Enid. She is so excited to play—but Ely's legs are injured and it's hard for him to move. To help keep Ely safe, Enid sticks close to her determined brother as they grow together through the seasons, trunk-twirling, mud-wallowing, and making silly sounds!

But as Ely grows more confident, he's ready for more adventures, and he feels squished by Enid's worries and rules. Enid is glad that he can run and play, but she's nervous he could get hurt—or that he won't need his big sister anymore. When a drought threatens the whole family, Ely shows what he is capable of, and both he and Enid discover that whether they are helping or playing, dusty or muddy, siblings are mighty special.



Caron Levis is the author of several picture books, including *Feathers Together, This Way, Charlie*, and *Ida, Always*, all illustrated by Charles Santoso; *Stop That Yawn!*, illustrated by LeUyen Pham; and *Mama's Work Shoes*, illustrated by Vanessa Brantley-Newton. She is a professor and advisor for the New School's Writing for Children/YA MFA program and a licensed social worker. Levis uses drama and writing to explore books, feelings, and imagination with kids through her author workshops. She lives in Brooklyn. Visit her online at www.caronlevis.com.



Charles Santoso loves drawing little things in his little journal and dreaming about funny, wondrous stories. He is the creator of *Happy Hippo* and has illustrated many books, including Levis's *Feathers Together, This Way, Charlie*, and *Ida, Always*; Joe McGee's Peanut Butter & series; and the *New York Times* bestseller *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate. His drawings and paintings have been exhibited in Australia, North America, and France, and he is based in Singapore. You can visit him at www.charlessantoso.com.

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Spanish (Muákala)

SELLING POINTS

SUCCESS OF COMPANION BOOKS:

Starred reviews for *Feathers Together* and *This Way, Charlie* (an Indie Next pick and Junior Library Guild selection) praised Levis and Santoso, while *Ida, Always* earned three starred reviews, a Christopher Award, and an Indie Next pick.

SIBLING STORY: In this story, relatable for any overprotective sibling—or any younger child who's felt too coddled—Enid learns that even when someone needs space to grow, that doesn't mean they don't need love.

DISABILITY REPRESENTATION: Depicts the specific situation of a birth injury in an honest, sensitive way, centering Ely's capability and strength without shying away from his struggles.

EMOTIONAL LAYERS: A story of unconditional family love and support that simultaneously highlights the importance of independence.

BASED ON A TRUE STORY: Inspired by the widely covered story of a multigenerational family of elephants in Kenya's Amboseli National Park.

STUNNING ARTWORK: Expressive illustrations from award-winning and bestselling artist Charles Santoso.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 11" - 279mm

* HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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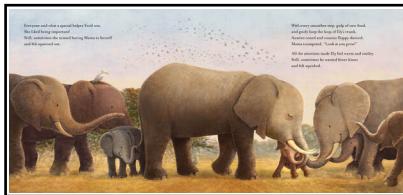
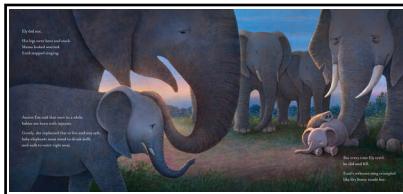
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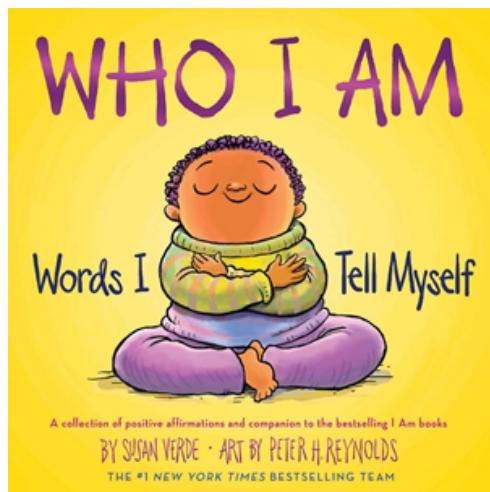
I AM BOOKS

Who I Am

WORDS I TELL MYSELF

● BY SUSAN VERDE, ART BY PETER H. REYNOLDS

Encourage kids to practice self-love every day with this uplifting collection of positive affirmations and companion to Susan Verde and Peter H. Reynolds's bestselling *I Am* series



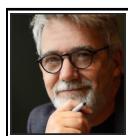
When the unkind voice gets loud and I feel down, I can tell myself:
I am enough. In this world, I matter.

We all have rough days: tough times when we feel down and an unkind voice in our mind can make us feel disappointed in ourselves. But we can talk back to that unkind voice; we can find the voice that will lift us up instead. We can tell ourselves words that are positive, supportive, and true.

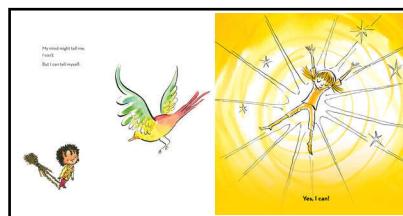
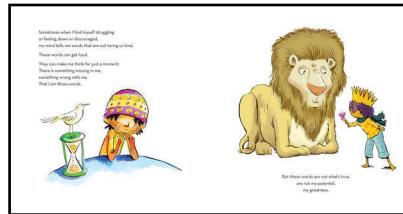
From the *New York Times* bestselling team of Susan Verde and Peter Reynolds comes a heartfelt collection of positive affirmations: the perfect tool to complement and expand upon their beloved *I Am* series. A celebration of self-love and owning all the things that make us special, *Who I Am: Words I Tell Myself* helps us to affirm that we are human, we are enough, and we are deserving of all kinds of love—especially our own.



Susan Verde is the bestselling author of *I Am Yoga*, *I Am Peace*, *I Am Human*, *I Am Love*, *I Am One*, and *The Museum*, all illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds, as well as the Feel-Good Fairy Tales books, illustrated by Jay Fleck, and *Rock 'n' Roll Soul*, illustrated by Matthew Cordell. She teaches yoga and mindfulness to children and lives with her three children in East Hampton, New York.



Peter H. Reynolds is the illustrator of many bestselling and award-winning picture books, including *The Dot*, *Ish*, *I Am Yoga*, *I Am Peace*, *I Am Human*, *I Am Love*, *I Am One*, *I Am Courage*, and *I Am Me*. He lives in Dedham, Massachusetts, where he operates the beloved shop Blue Bunny Books and Toys.



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SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING TEAM: Verde and Reynolds make an incredible pair, and their track as a team only continues to grow. The success of *I Am Yoga*, *I Am Peace*, *I Am Human*, *I Am Love*, *I Am One*, *I Am Courage*, and *I Am Me*—with more than 1.7 million copies sold across formats—speaks for itself. Both *I Am Love* and *I Am Human* were instant *New York Times* bestsellers.

BESTSELLING ILLUSTRATOR: Reynolds is one of the most popular illustrators in the industry today, from illustrating the mega-selling Judy Moody and Stink series to his own *The Dot* and *Ish*.

PERFECT COMPANION TO THE I AM SERIES: With a brand-new text and beautiful art from all the *I Am* books, *Who I Am* is the perfect tool to complement the series and its on-trend messages of mindfulness and self-love.

POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS:

Provides readers with a guidebook of affirmations and uplifting everyday reminders, applicable and relatable for kids of all ages. Encourages kids to come up with their own affirmations as well.

INSPIRING MESSAGE:

Celebrates self-acceptance and letting our true colors shine.

SPECIFICATIONS

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* 32 pages

* WIDTH: 8" - 203mm

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* Hardcover with jacket

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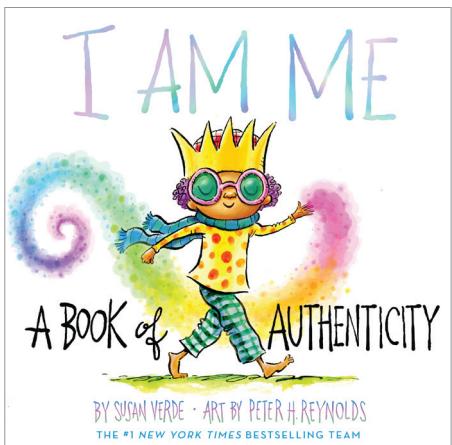
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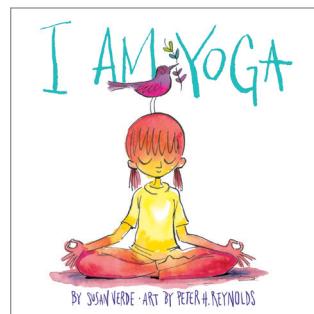
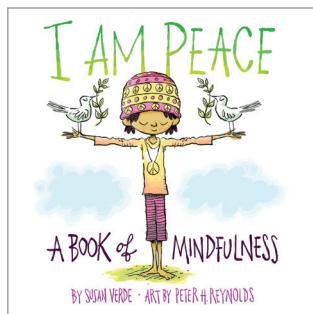
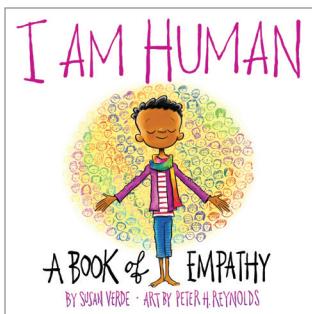
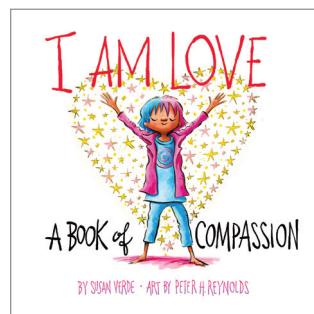
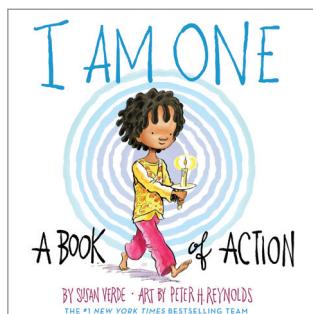
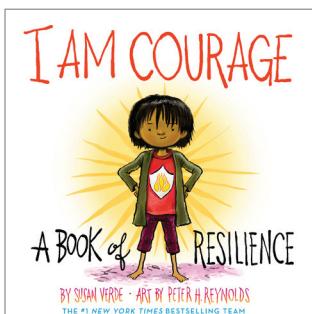
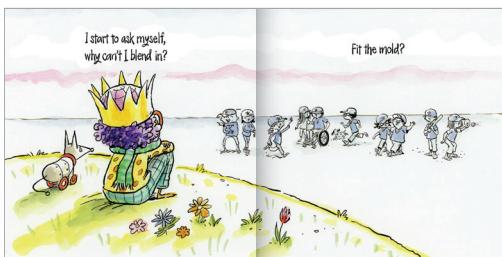
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I Am Me

Sometimes we hide who we really are to conform to the way we think we are supposed to be in the world. Sometimes we compare ourselves to others and feel we don't fit in. But when we realize we are something to be celebrated, and we proudly live out loud as our true selves, we can make our unique mark on the world—and share our joy!

From the *New York Times* bestselling team behind the *I Am* series comes a bighearted celebration of individuality, of being comfortable in our own skin, respecting others for who they are, living authentically, and loving ourselves. For anyone who's ever felt like too much or not enough, *I Am Me* is an affirming reminder that difference is what makes life beautiful—and that each of us matters, just as we are.



Susan Verde is the bestselling author of the *I Am* Wellness series and the *Feel-Good Fairy Tales* books. She teaches yoga and mindfulness to children and lives with her three children in East Hampton, New York. **Peter H. Reynolds** is the illustrator of many bestselling and award-winning picture books, including *The Dot* and *Ish*. He lives in Dedham, Massachusetts, where he operates Blue Bunny Books and Toys.

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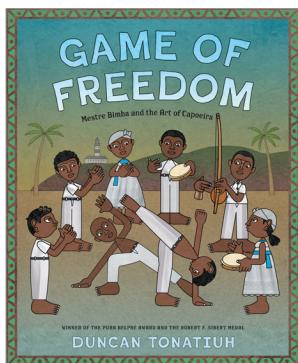
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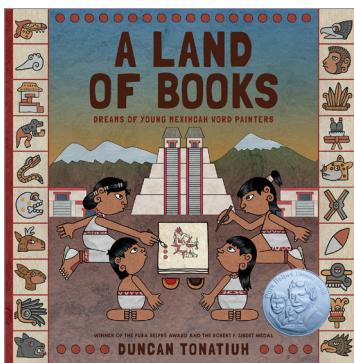
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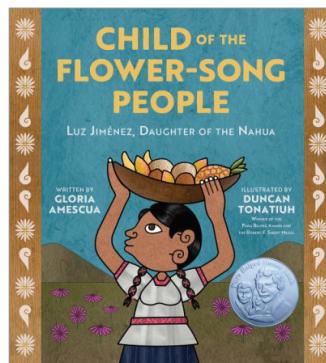
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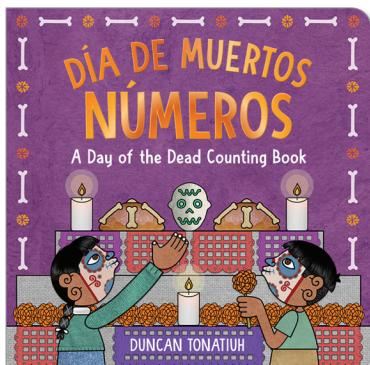
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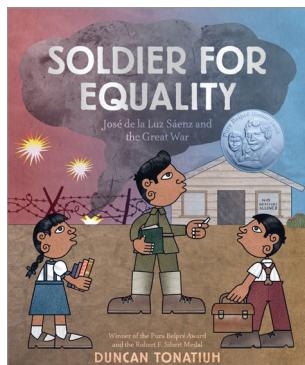
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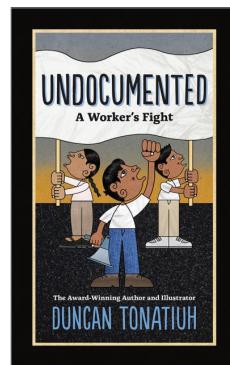
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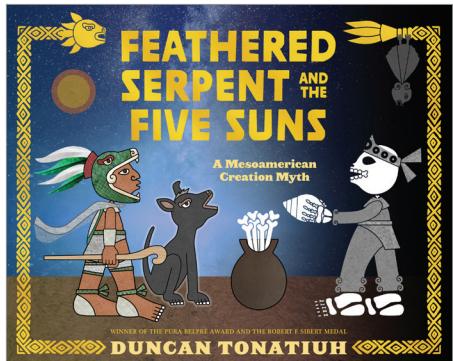
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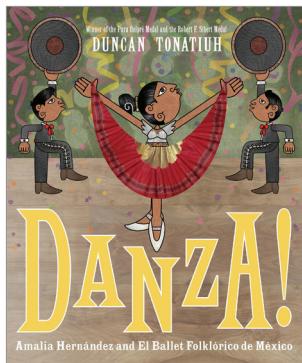
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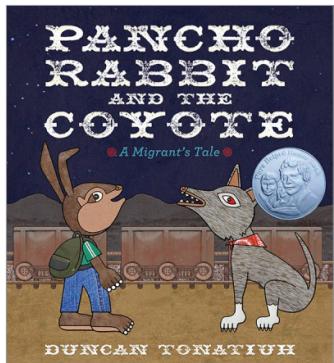
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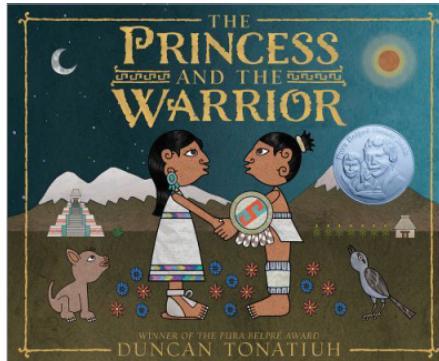
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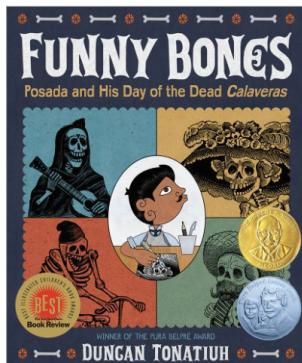
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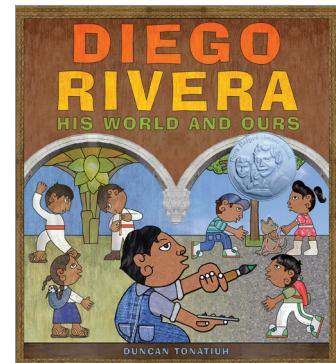
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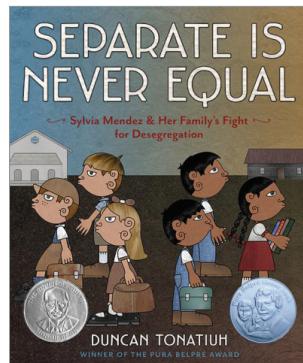
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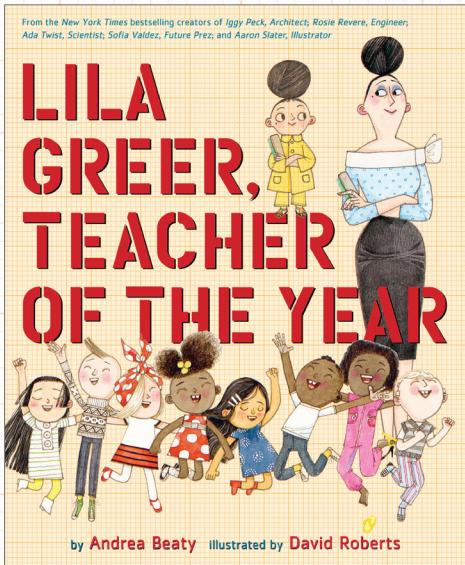
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Dear Primo

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Duncan Tonatiuh (toh-nah-tee-YOU) is an award-winning author-illustrator whose numerous accolades include the Sibert Medal and the Pura Belpré Award. Duncan is both Mexican and American. His artwork is inspired by Mesoamerican art. His aim is to create images and stories that honor the past, but are relevant to today's people, especially children. He grew up in and currently lives in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, where he celebrates Día de Muertos with his wife and children every year. Learn more at duncantonatiuh.com.

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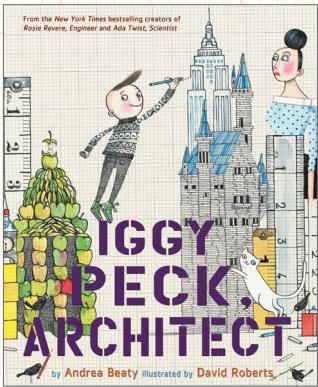
Iggy Peck, Architect

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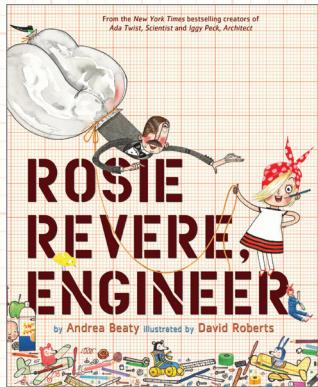
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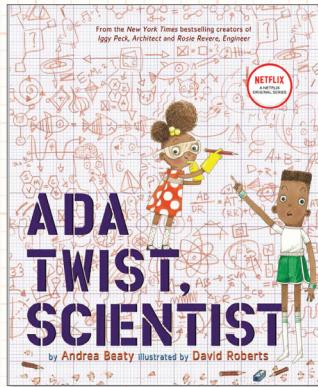
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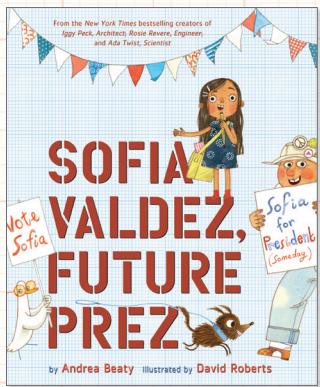
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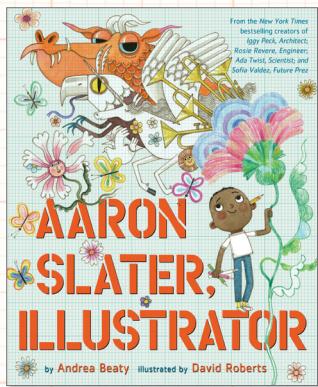
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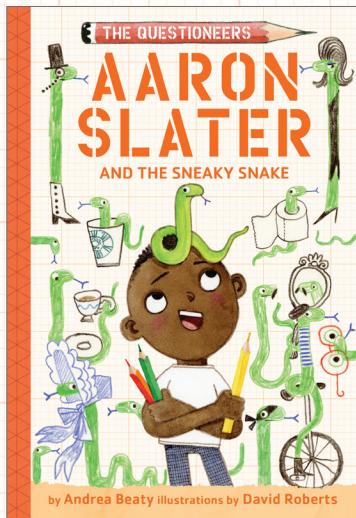


Sofia Valdez, Future Prez



Aaron Slater, Illustrator





Aaron Slater and the Sneaky Snakes

THE QUESTIONEERS BOOK 6

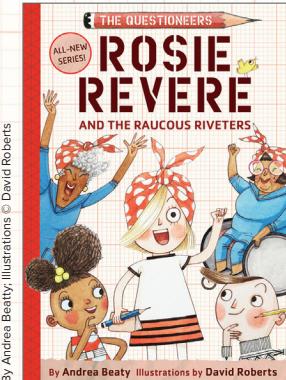
Zookeeper Fred loves snakes, but his favorite is a tiny green snake named Vern. Vern is sneaky and constantly tries to hide in Fred's lunch. When Vern gets loose in the zoo and lands atop a boy's head, it's trouble! The Questioneers need all their talents to help Zookeeper Fred, but in the end, it's Aaron's art which leads the way.

SPECIFICATIONS

- Two-color illustrations throughout • 144 Pages • 203 x 140 mm
 - Hardcover
- PUB MONTH: MAY 2023
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Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters

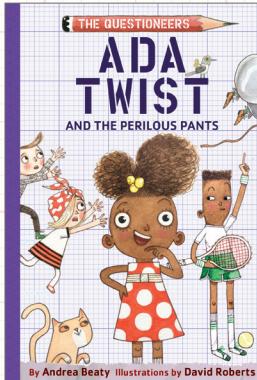
BOOK 1



By Andrea Beaty Illustrations by David Roberts

Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants

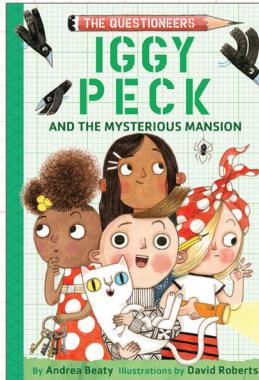
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By Andrea Beaty Illustrations by David Roberts

Iggy Peck and the Mysterious Mansion

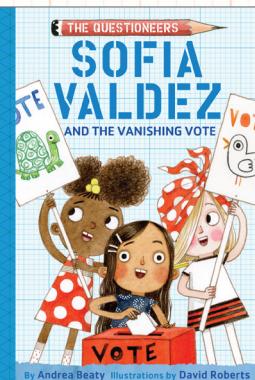
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By Andrea Beaty Illustrations by David Roberts

Sofia Valdez and the Vashing Vote

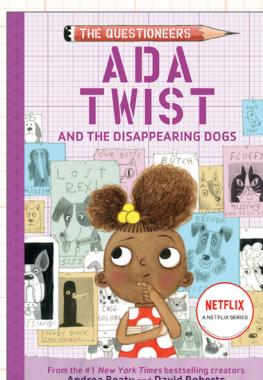
BOOK 4



By Andrea Beaty Illustrations by David Roberts

Ada Twist and the Disappearing Dogs

BOOK 5

From the #1 New York Times bestselling creators
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SPECIFICATIONS

- Two-color illustrations throughout
- 203 x 140 mm
- Page Count: 144
- Hardcover

Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2018

RIGHTS SOLD:

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ITALIAN (DEAGOSTINI)

POLISH (KINDERKULKA)

RUSSIAN (KARIERA)

SPANISH (PRHGE)

TURKISH (EPSILON)

UKRAINIAN (KM)

Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2019

RIGHTS SOLD:

CHINESE SIMPLIFIED
(THINKINGDOM)

CROATIAN (PROFIL)

FRENCH (HACHETTE JEUNESSE)

GERMAN BILINGUAL
(KLETT SPRACHEN)

ITALIAN (DEAGOSTINI)

SLOVENIA (DESK D.O.O.)

SPANISH (PRHGE)

TURKISH (EPSILON)

UKRAINIAN (KM)

Iggy Peck and the Haunted Mansion

PUB MONTH: MAY 2020

RIGHTS SOLD:

CHINESE SIMPLIFIED
(THINKINGDOM)

DANISH (GADS FORLAG)

FRENCH (HACHETTE JEUNESSE)

GERMAN (BOJE)

SLOVENIAN (GIKS)

SPANISH (PRHGE)

Sofia Valdez and the Vanishing Vote

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2020

RIGHTS SOLD:

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SPANISH (PRHGE)

Ada Twist and the Disappearing Dogs

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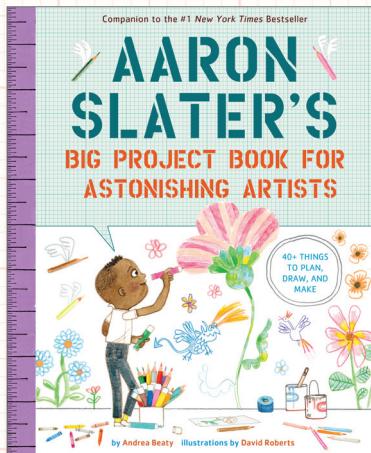
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SPANISH (PRHGE)

Andrea Beaty is the author of the Questioneers series, *Attack of the Fluffy Bunnies*, and *Happy Birthday, Madame Chapeau*, among other children's titles. She lives just outside Chicago. **David Roberts** has illustrated many children's books, including the Questioneers series, *The Cook and the King*, and *Happy Birthday, Madame Chapeau*. He lives in London, where, when not drawing, he likes to make hats.

An inspiring, hands-on book about art, creativity, and how we see the world

Over 250,000 copies sold of project books!



Aaron Slater's Big Project Book for Astonishing Artists

Make art of all sorts in this project book from the team behind the bestselling Questioners series. Aaron Slater shows readers how art is everywhere in our world—from the famous paintings and photographs that we know so well to places you may not think as much about, like on stamps or coins—and encourages them to make art of their own based on what they see. Activities will help to spark creativity, encourage curiosity, and show some of the traits most important to being an artist: being observant, being persistent, and being flexible. From coloring pages to drawing prompts to instructions on how to make your very own puppet show and so much more, this project book encourages and uplifts the youngest artists and the creators of tomorrow.

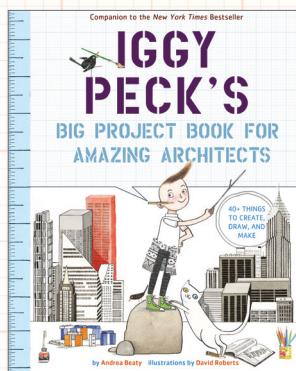
SPECIFICATIONS

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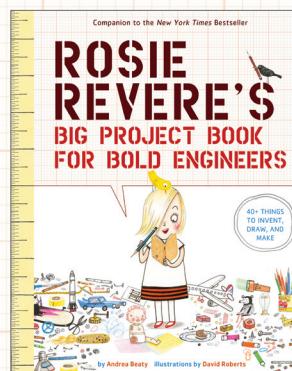
Iggy Peck's Big Project Book for Amazing Architects



SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations
 - 96 pages • 279 × 229 mm
 - Paperback with flaps
- PUB MONTH: AUGUST 2017
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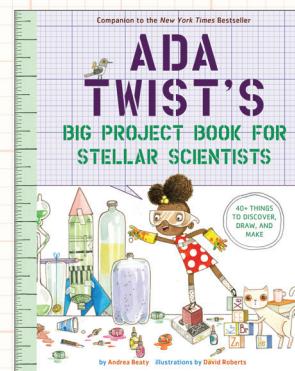
Rosie Revere's Big Project Book for Bold Engineers



SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations
 - 96 pages • 279 × 229 mm
 - Paperback with flaps
- PUB MONTH: APRIL 2017
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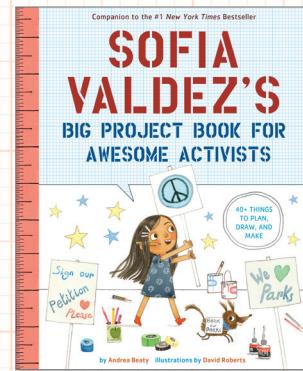
Ada Twist's Big Project Book for Stellar Scientists



SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
 - 96 pages • 279 × 229 mm
 - Paperback with flaps
- PUB MONTH: APRIL 2018
RIGHTS SOLD:
DUTCH (NIEUWEZIJDS)
GERMAN (BOJE/LUEBBE)
SIMPLIFIED CHINESE (THINKINGDOM)
TURKISH (EPSILON)

Sofia Valdez's Big Project Book for Awesome Activists



SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations
 - 96 pages • 279 × 229 mm
 - Paperback with flaps
- PUB MONTH: MAY 2021
RIGHTS SOLD:
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ANNOUNCING NEW BOOKS STARRING ADA TWIST, SCIENTIST

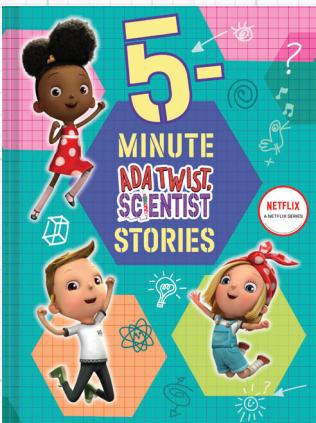
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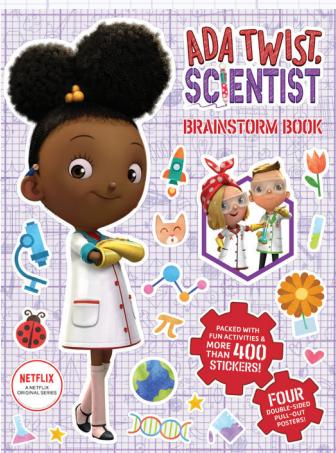
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A NEW ANIMATED PRESCHOOL SERIES
based on the bestselling books by
ANDREA BEATY & DAVID ROBERTS
from Peabody, Humanitas and Emmy Award-winning
children's television creator **CHRIS NEE**
(*Doc McStuffins, Vampirina*)

Follow the adventures of 8-year-old Ada Twist, a pint-sized scientist with a giant-sized curiosity who aspires to discover the truth about absolutely everything. With the help of her two best friends, Rosie Revere and Iggy Peck, Ada unravels and solves mysteries for her friends and family. But solving the mystery is only the beginning, because science isn't just about learning how and why and what—it's about putting that knowledge into action to make the world a better place.



SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 229 x 152 mm
- Page Count: 80
- Hardcover

The Why Files: Exploring Flight!

PUB MONTH: DECEMBER 2021

RIGHTS SOLD: SPANISH (PRHGE)

The Why Files: All About Plants!

PUB MONTH: JULY 2022

RIGHTS SOLD: SPANISH (PRHGE)

The Why Files: The Science of Baking!

PUB MONTH: SEPTEMBER 2022

RIGHTS SOLD: SPANISH (PRHGE)

The Why Files: Bug Bonanza!

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2023

RIGHTS SOLD: SPANISH (PRHGE)

The Why Files: Rockin' Robots!

PUB MONTH: APRIL 2024

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 267 x 197 mm
- Page Count: 176
- Hardcover

5-Minute Ada Twist, Scientist Stories

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2022

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 235 x 235 mm
- Page Count: 32
- Hardcover

Ada Twist, Scientist: Show Me the Bunny

PUB MONTH: FEBRUARY 2022

RIGHTS SOLD: FRENCH (HACHETTE)

Ada Twist, Scientist: Ghost Busted

PUB MONTH: AUGUST 2022

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SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 267 x 203 mm
- Page Count: 76
- Paperback Activity book

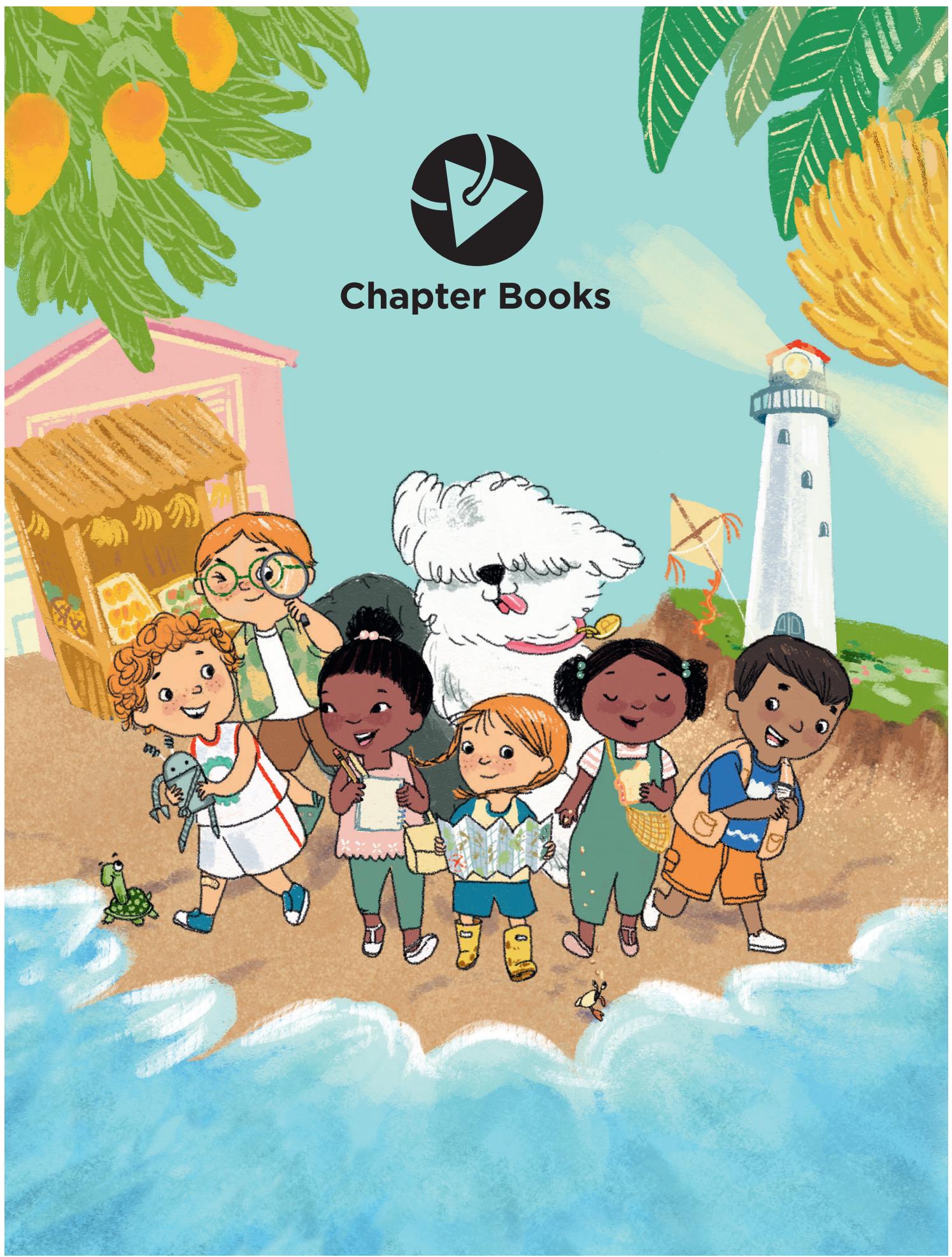
Ada Twist, Scientist: Brainstorm Book

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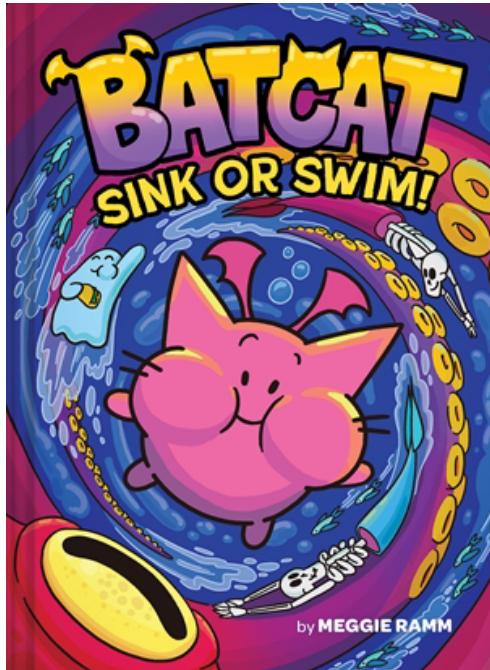
Chapter Books



Sink or Swim! (Batcat Book #2)

● BY MEGGIE RAMM

Batcat is back in a new graphic novel about facing your fears and making new friends along the way



Batcat and Al the Ghost are great roommates—Batcat even shares their eye scream occasionally—but sometimes Batcat still craves solo *them* time. When Batcat visits the Mermaid Lagoon for a relaxing day of reading all by themselves, they discover the local mermaids in hysterics all over the beach—so much for quiet day on the sand!

It appears that something has drained the color from all the mermaid's tails, and they won't leave Batcat alone until the half-cat, half-bat reluctantly agrees to help find out what happened. With a bag of the mermaid's famous fish tacos on the line, Batcat will meet more zany inhabitants of Spooky Island and overcome their greatest anxiety in order to solve this colorful mystery!

In *Sink or Swim!*, cartoonist Meggie Ramm has done it again, crafting a fantastic story about friendship and finding the courage to face your fears.



Meggie Ramm (they/them) is a nonbinary cartoonist from Michigan. They spent their 20s teaching comics to kids in Oakland, California, and it was the best job in the whole world. They've had work in *The New Yorker*, have worked with *Everyday Feminism* and Silver Sprocket, and have a limerick-based comic strip called *The Littlest Dungeon Guard* distributed through *Sunday HaHa*. They love rhymes, reading gay sci-fi and fantasy, and comics.

Praise for *Batcat Book One*

"This graphic novel for emerging readers spins an eerie yarn full of dead trees and secrets into a winning combination of charming and funny. The story flies along at a brisk clip to a terrifically satisfying ending. This intentional celebration of nonbinary identity reminds readers that they don't have to be only one thing; they just have to be themselves." —*Booklist*

"Spooky fun, with a theme that's relevant on Halloween and every other day besides." —*Kirkus*



FOREIGN RIGHTS SOLD

Dutch (Leopold)
Spanish + Catalan (Anaya)

SELLING POINTS

GROWING FORMAT: Early graphic novels are on the rise with the success of *Fox & Rabbit* (over 75,000 gross sales across volumes in the series and formats), *InvestiGators* (over 730,000 copies sold on Bookscan across volumes in the series), and *Pea, Bee, & Jay* (over 43,000 copies sold across volumes in series and formats on Bookscan), with no signs of slowing down.

FACING YOUR FEARS: In this new adventure, Batcat must conquer their fear of swimming with the help of their friends.

SERIES SUCCESS: Readers who connected to Batcat and friends in the first book will devour book two as quickly as Batcat devours a bag of delicious fish tacos and find themselves impatiently waiting for the next installment.

FUN BACK MATTER: A fun How to Draw Batcat and Al the Ghost guide is included as well as a quick explainer about nonbinary identity

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 96 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm
- * Hardcover POB

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KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS,
KIDS FANTASY, KIDS
SERIES

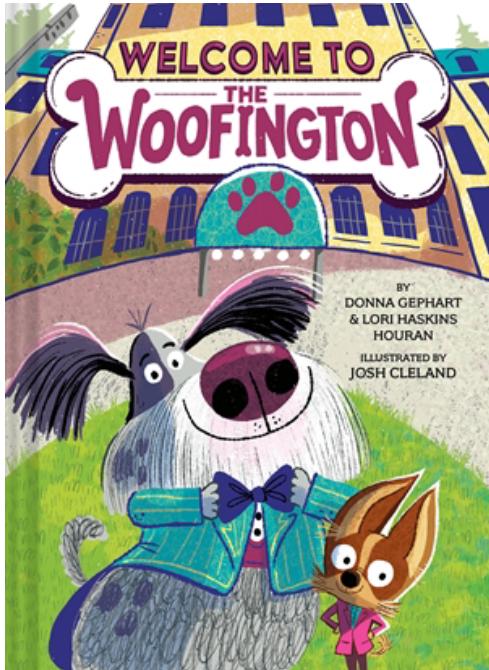
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THE WOOFINGTON

Welcome to the Woofington (The Woofington #1)

● BY DONNA GEPHART AND LORI HASKINS HOURAN, ILLUSTRATED BY JOSH CLELAND

A paw-some new full-color chapter book series about a hotel for dogs!



Welcome to the Woofington, where the water bowls are always full and there's kibble on every pillow! Rufus and his boss, Ms. Coco, work hard to make every guest feel like a VIP (Very Important Pooch).

It's the grand opening of the hotel, and Rufus and Ms. Coco want everything to be pawfect. Especially for their VIP guest, movie star Greta Garbark. How can Rufus keep the pup-parazzi from hounding Ms. Garbark? And what will Ms. Coco do when a (very itchy) problem hits the hotel?

With adorable illustrations and hilarious text, this new early chapter book series will hit young dog lovers smack in the funny bone!

Donna Gephart's award-winning middle-grade novels include *Lily and Dunkin*, *Death by Toilet Paper*, *How to Survive Middle School* and others. Her first picture book, *Go Be Wonderful*, is a celebration of being perfectly imperfect. She's worked as an editor at a greeting card company, a creative writing teacher at a high school, and as an indie bookseller. She lives in South Jersey with her family and her canine office assistant, Benji, a sweet retriever mix. Lori Haskins Houran is a former children's book editor and the author of more than 55 books for kids, including *Next to You*, a *School Library Journal* Best Picture Book; the *Kirkus*-starred *Button Your Buttons*; and *Close Your Eyes*, which *SLJ* called "a perfect bedtime work, filled with sly humor." She lives on the North Shore of Massachusetts with her husband, four boys, and two rascally rescue dogs. Josh Cleland is an illustrator working out of his home studio just outside of Portland, Oregon, where he resides with his wife, Rayna, and creative director/dog, Newman. Some of his recent illustrated children's books include *Fridge-opolis*, *The End*, *Chomp Chomp Dino*, *New York, Go!*, *Trick-or-Treat Songs*, and *Portland Baby*. His work can also be found in various children's magazines including *Highlights* and *Storytime*, as well as as greeting cards, games, and more. You can see more of his work at JoshCleland.com.

SELLING POINTS

AWESOME AUTHORS: Gephart and Houran have written a number of books that have sold well, received starred reviews, and gotten on best-of-the-year lists. Gephart's *Lily and Dunkin* was an Indie Next Pick, a JLG selection, a Goodreads Choice Award winner, a Southern Book Award Winner, a YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers, and a California Young Reader Medal Winner, among many others. Houran's books have won the Paterson Prize for Books for Young People, received starred reviews, and been named a Best Children's Book by the Smithsonian Air & Space magazine.

DOG DELIGHT: Dog stories are perennially popular, and this pet-centered adventure is filled with puns and is super kid-friendly.

ADORABLE ILLUSTRATIONS: The chapter book will include lots of full-color illustrations, so kids can see just how adorable every hotel pup really is!

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 80 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - mm
* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm

* Hardcover POB

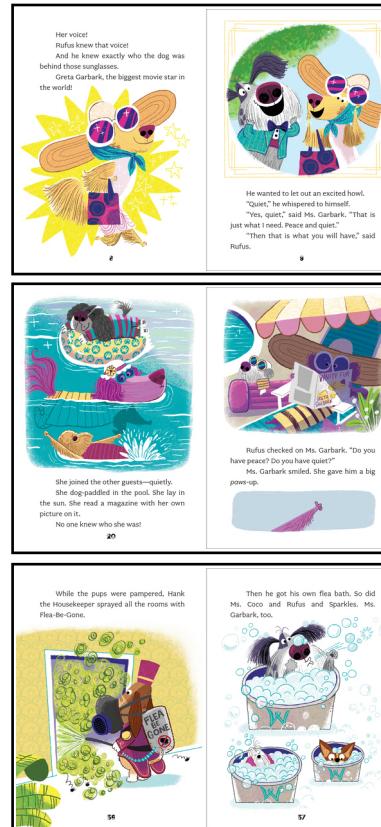
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CHAPTER BOOK, KIDS SERIES

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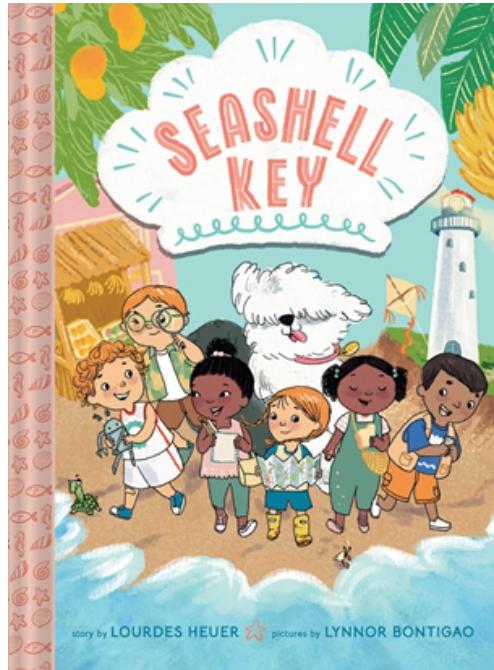


SEASHELL KEY

Seashell Key (Seashell Key #1)

● BY LOURDES HEUER, ILLUSTRATED BY LYNNOR BONTIGAO

A new young chapter book series, perfect for fans of Princess in Black and Mercy Watson, about a diverse community of kids living in a beautiful seaside town!



Welcome to Seashell Key! Summer is here, and the children of this cozy coastal town are ready to welcome visitors to their little oasis. There's Mateo, who runs his little kite-making business, Sail and Soar, alongside his dad's Sky and Sea store; Sasha and Sophia, who comb the seashore next to their mother's One Stop Shore Shop; and Eli, Ezra, and Elana, who live in the cozy-but-cramped lighthouse and entertain passing tourists with tall tales.

Filled with a vibrant cast and lots of summery fun, this is the start of an exciting new chapter book series.

Lourdes Heuer is the author of nearly a dozen children's books, including board books, picture books, and chapter books. She is also a poet, translator, and college professor. The daughter of Cuban immigrants, Lourdes was born in Spain and immigrated to the United States as a child. She lives in South Florida with her husband, son, and many dogs. Lynnor Bontigao stapled her first illustrated story at the age of ten in the Philippines. In college, she joined a children's book illustrator group, where she fell in love with children's books. After emigrating to the US, she became a programmer analyst for a financial firm for 15 years. Lynnor is the author-illustrator of *Sari-Sari Summers*, her debut picture book, and is also the illustrator of *The World's Best Class Pet*, written by award-winning authors Liz Garton Scanlon and Audrey Vernick, and *You Are Revolutionary* by Cindy Wang Brandt. Lynnor is the winner of the 2020 SCBWI Tomie dePaola Professional Development Award, the 2020 Kweli/SCBWI Emerging Voice Award, and the 2021 Kweli Sing the Truth! Mentorship. She loves stories where family relationships, culture, and food are intertwined. Lynnor Bontigao lives in Roselle Park, New Jersey, with her family and one tiny dog.

SELLING POINTS

PERFECT BEACH READ: The story is inspired by the author's summers in South Florida. It's a light, sweet adventure, perfect for summer reading.

POPULAR CATEGORY: Young, full-color chapter books are popular with emerging readers, and this is a sweet and charming new addition to the category.

ADORABLE ILLUSTRATIONS: Beautiful illustrations throughout bring the world of Seashell Key to life.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 80 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm

* Hardcover POB

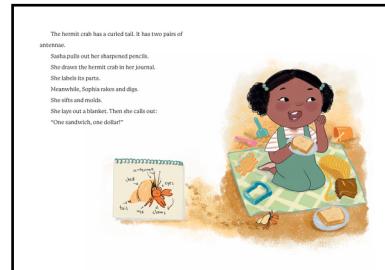
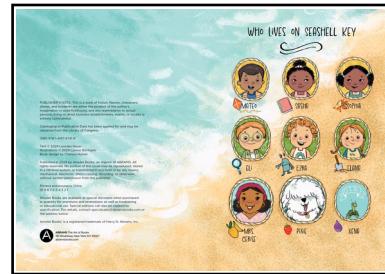
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AGES 5 to 8

CHAPTER BOOK, KIDS SERIES

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US \$14.99



MARYA KHAN

Marya Khan and the Awesome Adventure Park (Marya Khan #4)

● BY SAADIA FARUQI, ILLUSTRATED BY ANI BUSHRY

Perfect for fans of Ivy & Bean and Stella Diaz, this charming chapter book series by the author of the successful Yasmin series follows a Pakistani American third-grader whose plans may backfire but whose persistence and heart are inspiring



Spring break is finally here, and Marya could not be more excited. Because this spring break, she, Hanna, and Alexa are going to Skye Adventure Park—the coolest theme park around! Skye Adventure Park is huge and has so many things to see, so Marya and her friends need to plan how they'll spend their weekend there. They have to go to the water park (obviously) and avoid boring rides like the Ferris wheel. But the thing that Marya wants to do most of all is the obstacle course. When she learns that they have a leader board that displays the fastest people's names, Marya knows that she has to win and make it on that board! She just needs to practice and practice and beat out the very-athletic Alexa. But when the time comes, will Marya win the obstacle course? Or is there more to this park than winning after all?

Saadia Faruqi was born in Pakistan and moved to the United States when she was 22 years old. She writes the Yasmin series and popular middle-grade novels such as *Yusuf Azeem Is Not a Hero*. Besides writing books for kids, she also loves reading, binge-watching her favorite shows, and taking naps. She lives in Houston with her family. **Ani Bushry** graduated from the University of West England with a background in graphic design and illustration. She grew up listening to stories her mom used to tell her and always wanted to tell her own. She lives in the Maldives with her husband and cat, Lilo, whom she loves to spoil.

SELLING POINTS

ALL-STAR AUTHOR: Faruqi's books consistently garner acclaim. *Meet Yasmin!* received two starred reviews, was a JLG selection and a *Kirkus* Best of the Year, and the series has sold more than 700,000 copies; *A Place at the Table* was a Sydney Taylor Book Award Notable Book and a TLA Lone Star reading list pick; and *A Thousand Questions* was a JLG selection and a NYPL Best Book. The second Marya Khan book also received a starred review from *School Library Journal*.

SUCCESSFUL TRACK IN

CATEGORY: Starring a Pakistani American girl with a charming voice, this is perfect for readers who have aged out of Faruqi's Yasmin series and are looking for their next great read.

BONUS BACK MATTER: Back matter includes an obstacle course for readers to draw and create.

CROSS-PROMOTION: Will publish alongside the paperback of *Marya Khan and the Spectacular Fall Festival* (Book 3), which will include a sample chapter in the back.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Black-and-white illustrations throughout
* 144 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - mm

* Hardcover POB

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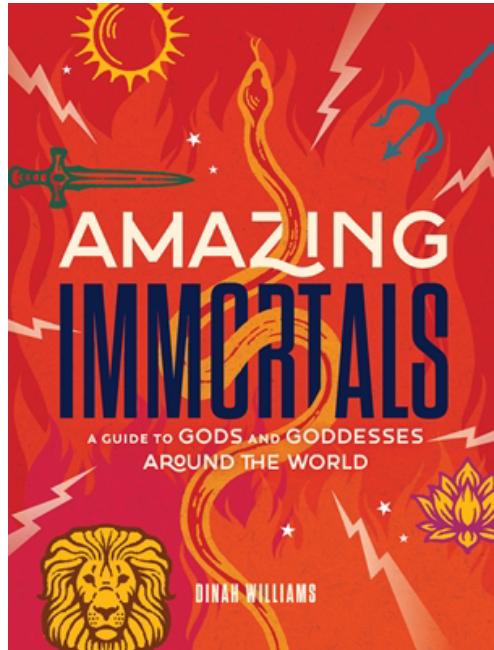


Amazing Immortals

A GUIDE TO GODS AND GODDESSES AROUND THE WORLD

● BY DINAH WILLIAMS

A culturally diverse, fact-filled, and gorgeously illustrated introduction to over 80 gods and goddesses from around the world



With heroic deeds, family drama, pulse-pounding battles, and shape-shifting magic, mythology fascinates us all. But even the biggest enthusiasts find it hard to keep track of who's who!

Packed with facts and full-color, lush illustrations, *Amazing Immortals* is a fascinating introduction to these larger-than-life gods and goddesses, highlighting their big personalities, famous adventures, formidable powers, family trees, animal companions, and appearances in pop culture. Organized by theme—from gods of creation to gods of death and the underworld; from gods of water to gods of fire; from gods of love to gods of war—this diverse encyclopedia features both familiar and underrepresented deities. Filled with betrayal, intrigue, romance, and impossible feats, their captivating stories entertain us, explain our world, and help answer some of life's biggest questions.



Dinah Dunn, under her married name Williams, has written more than a dozen historical books for kids, including Scholastic's *Terrible But True: Awful Events in American History*, *True Haunting Deadly Disasters*, and *Spooky Cemeteries*, which won the 2009 Children's Choice Book of the Year Award.



SELLING POINTS

EVERGREEN APPEAL: Offering a broad scope without sacrificing depth, and peppered with pop culture references that kids will recognize, *Amazing Immortals* is uniquely well-balanced and engaging.

CULTURALLY DIVERSE: While most kids' books only cover Greek, Roman, or Norse myths, *Amazing Immortals* features these familiar favorites while highlighting deities from 30 cultures. Organization by theme allows readers to draw fascinating parallels between comparable gods across cultures.

ACCESSIBLE FORMAT: Many mythology encyclopedias are large-trim picture books that feel too young for middle-grade readers, whereas this smaller, portable format is the perfect size for older children to dip in and out of and fit in their backpacks.

GORGEOUSLY ILLUSTRATED: Features bold, eye-popping illustrations that transport readers to mythical worlds, with art from 17 illustrators who all have unique styles and personal ties to the culture that they're illustrating. Each section has design elements that are researched and culturally specific.

KIDS' NONFICTION PRO: Dunn received a 2009 Children's Choice Book of the Year Award and is the author of *Terrible But True: Awful Events in American History* and *Deadly Disasters* (*True Hauntings #1*).

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 208 pages

* Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: APRIL 2024

AGES 8 to 12

MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION

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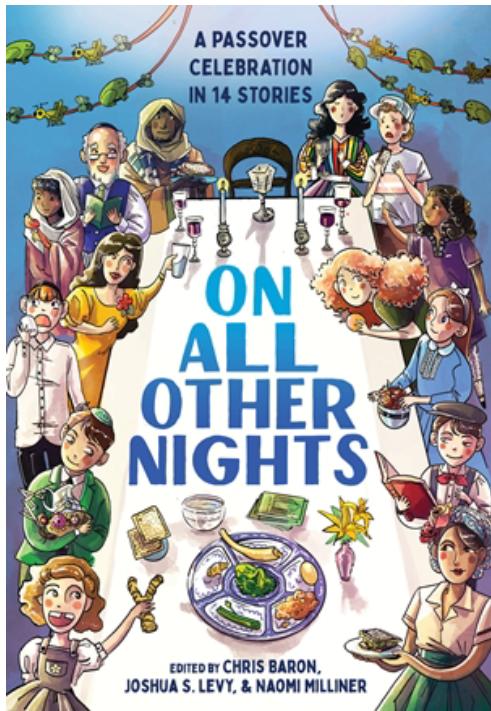
US \$19.99

On All Other Nights

A PASSOVER CELEBRATION IN 14 STORIES

- EDITED BY CHRIS BARON, JOSHUA S. LEVY, AND NAOMI MILLINER

A joyful middle-grade anthology centered around Passover—from an exciting array of bestselling and award-winning Jewish creators!



Welcome to the Passover seder, a Jewish holiday that has been celebrated for thousands of years. At the seder—a meal full of rituals, special foods, and songs—we gather together to retell the story of the Exodus, when the Jewish people achieved freedom from Egypt.

And yet this story is not just about the ancient past, and it is not just about the Jewish people. Through the seder, we reflect on all the ways history destroys and rebuilds, all the ways we and others are persecuted and freed.

In this unprecedented collection of short stories, 14 bestselling and award-winning authors each reimagine a different step of the seder for today's young readers. Through historical and contemporary fiction, verse and prose, fiction and nonfiction, these gifted writers from different traditions and backgrounds gather around the seder table to retell this timeless, universal story.

Chris Baron is the award-winning author of several middle-grade novels including *All of Me*, which was an NCTE Notable Book; *The Magical Imperfect*, which was a Sydney Taylor Book Award Notable Book, a SLJ Best Book of 2021; *The Gray, Forest Heart*, and *The Secret of the Dragon Gems*, co-authored with Rajani LaRocca. He is a professor of English at San Diego City College. He has an MFA in Poetry from SDSU. Originally, from New York City, he now lives in San Diego with his family. **Naomi Milliner** is the author of *Super Jake & The King of Chaos*, which received a starred review from Booklist and was called “a warm, hopeful debut” by Kirkus. She is an active member in her SCBWI chapter and has served on the Women’s National Book Association’s Great Group Reads Committee since 2009. Naomi enjoys mentoring both children and adults; visiting schools (virtually or in-person); reading everything she can get her hands on, and all things chocolate. She lives in Maryland with her family, a very fuzzy cat . . . and lots of haggadahs. **Joshua S. Levy** is the author of several middle-grade novels, including *Seventh Grade vs. The Galaxy* and *The Jake Show*. Born and raised in Florida, Josh lives with his family in New Jersey, where he spent a little while teaching middle school and now practices as a lawyer. You can visit him online at joshuasimonlevy.com.

SELLING POINTS

ANTHOLOGY SUCCESS:

Middle-grade anthologies like *Once Upon an Eid* have done well in the market. *Eid* has sold over 50,000 copies, received five starred reviews, won the Middle East Book Honor Award, and was on many best of the year lists. Anthologies like this are in demand by the school and library market.

ALL-STAR CREATORS: There is a wide array of award-winning and bestselling Jewish creators, as well as exciting new voices in the middle-grade space.

INNOVATIVE FORMAT: These vibrant stories of Passover follow the steps of the seder—with introductions describing the ritual—inviting young readers of all backgrounds to learn and think about topics like freedom, tradition, and discrimination.

BEAUTIFUL ILLUSTRATIONS:

Each story will include an illustration, creating a beautiful book package.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Black-and-white illustrations throughout
- * 256 pages

- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - mm

- * HEIGHT: 8" - mm

- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2024

AGES 8 to 12

MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION

ISBN 978-1-4197-6729-6

US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Once Upon an Eid

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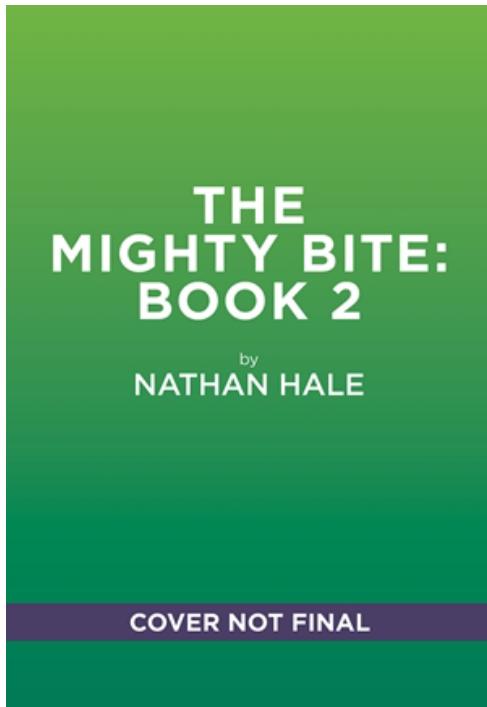
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THE MIGHTY BITE

Walrus Brawl at the Mall (The Mighty Bite #2)

● BY NATHAN HALE

Trilobite and his friends are back, and the hunt for fame and fortune continues in this hilarious graphic novel series from the bestselling cartoonist behind the Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales series!



The beloved team of prehistoric—and hysterical—creatures is back!

Trilobite scores a viral video hit when he stages a comedy opera prank. Amber gets pulled into the wild world of walrus fighting, and Tiffany's past as a competitive video game player comes back to haunt her. Opabinia and company are also back to cause trouble at every step. The gang will cause mayhem on a hospital ship and a giant floating mall shaped like a ball before they find out that fame always comes at a price. There's much more in this wild and wonderful graphic novel.

Nathan Hale is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator of the Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales series. He also wrote and illustrated the graphic novels *One Trick Pony* and *Apocalypse Taco*. Hale lives in Utah, and you can find him online at nathanhaleauthor.com.

SELLING POINTS

SENSATIONAL NEW SERIES:

The first book in the series, *The Mighty Bite*, was a huge success. We've already sold 17,500 copies since publishing in April, and received a starred review from *Booklist*, which called it "a mighty undertaking." This younger, totally hilarious graphic novel is perfect for both fans of the Hazardous Tales series and for readers who aren't yet ready for those books but want their next great read after finishing a book like *Dog Man*.

BESTSELLING AUTHOR: The Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales series has sold over 1.3 million copies, and sales for each book keep getting bigger and bigger!

EDUCATIONAL ADDITIONS:

In-text call-outs and light back matter will help readers learn more about some of the real-world science in the story.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Two-color illustrations throughout
- * 288 pages

- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

- * Hardcover POB

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KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS,
MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION

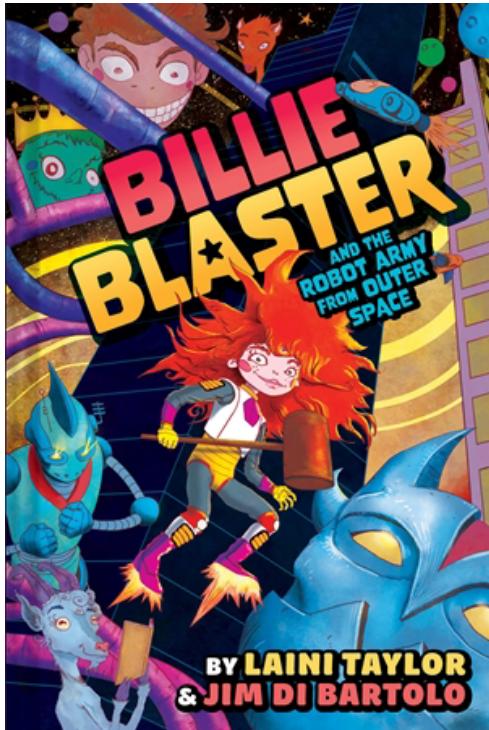
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US \$14.99

Billie Blaster and the Robot Army from Outer Space

● BY LAINI TAYLOR AND JIM DI BARTOLO

An out-of-this-world new middle-grade graphic novel about a genius scientist and her evil nemesis—from *New York Times* bestselling author Laini Taylor and cartoonist Jim Di Bartolo



Don't you hate it when your archenemy launches your latest invention into space, accidentally creating a robot army that falls into the clutches of an evil alien emperor? Well, that's how Billie Blaster's day is going!

The genius child of two famous scientists, Billie is an inventor extraordinaire and the star of the annual science fair, much to the disgust of her nemesis, Tiny Hector Glum. But now their rivalry has gone too far, and the fate of the galaxy hangs in the balance. Can Billie prevent an intergalactic war that's kind of totally her fault? With her pet goat, Lucy, a giant robot head, and a toilet weasel from a distant planet, she might just stand a chance. Join them on their perilous adventure, in a spaceship without a bathroom.



Laini Taylor is a *New York Times* bestselling author whose work has received numerous awards including a Cybils Award, a National Book Award finalist, and a Printz Honor Book. Her work includes the Daughter of Smoke & Bone series and the Strange the Dreamer series. She lives with her husband, Jim Di Bartolo, in Portland. Jim Di Bartolo is a mixed-media illustrator, painter, and visual storyteller. In his freelance career, he has illustrated novels, comic books, and role-playing games.



SELLING POINTS

OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD

AUTHOR: Taylor is a National Book Award finalist and *New York Times* bestselling author whose books have sold nearly 400,000 copies. She's well-known in the YA world and has more than 65,000 followers on social media. This book would break her out into the middle-grade and graphic novel market.

KID-FRIENDLY ART: Di Bartolo's lively, vibrant art has brought Billie's wondrous world and all her incredible inventions to life.

POPULAR FORMAT:

Action-packed, humorous graphic novels are popular with young readers, and this one has a strong sci-fi and STEM hook as well.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 208 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - 152mm

* HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm

* Hardcover POB

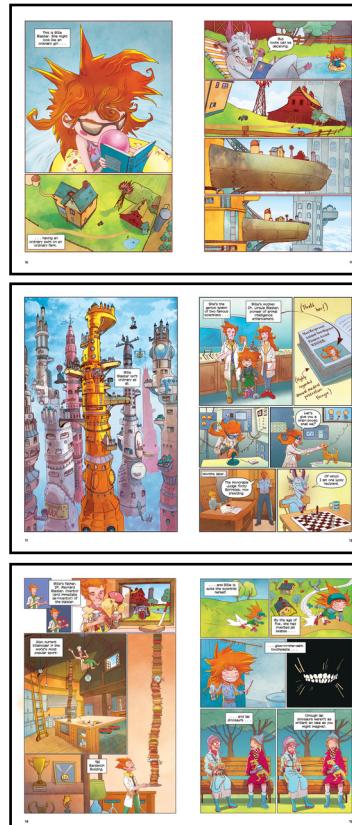
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KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS,
MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION,
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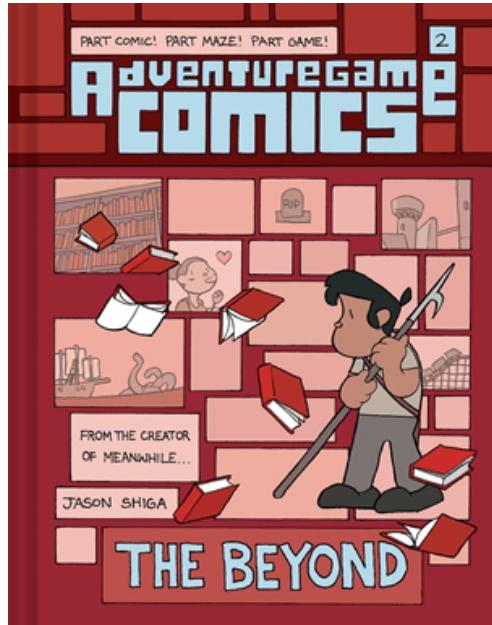
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Adventuregame Comics: The Beyond (Book 2)

● BY JASON SHIGA

Make decisions and pick your path to the perfect afterlife in this new addition to the innovative, interactive graphic novel series from the award-winning creator of *Meanwhile*



Adventuregame Comics is a new series of interactive graphic novels in the vein of Jason Shiga's hit graphic novel *Meanwhile*. Readers follow the story from panel to panel, using tubes that connect them, and sometimes the path will split, giving readers the chance to choose how the story unfolds.

The Beyond takes place in some sort of afterlife. You don't know much when you begin, save that you're dead and that you've ended up in a room that includes a door, a window, and a table with some books. You need to get out, so you try the door. And then the window. And then you finally turn to the books—and when you open them, you're pulled into the worlds of those pages. Could these fictional worlds hold the key to your escape? Or is there more to this room than first meets the eye?



Jason Shiga is a cartoonist from Oakland, California. His comics have a geeky side and often feature exciting uses of math, mazes, puzzles, and unconventional narrative techniques. In his 25-year career, Shiga has created eight graphic novels, 20 comic books, more than a dozen magazine and newspaper strips, and the world's second-largest interactive comic. He has won two Eisner awards and two Ignatz awards, and his work has been featured as an official selection for the Comics Festival in Angouleme.

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French (Cambourakis)
Spanish (Editorial Hidra)

SELLING POINTS

RAVE REVIEWS: The first book in the series, *Leviathan*, received some great praise, including being named *SLJ* best of the year, featured in the *New York Times* holiday gift guide, and receiving starred reviews from *Publishers Weekly*, *School Library Journal*, and *Booklist*, who said that "Shiga captures the thrill of limitless possibility in this choose-your-own-path style maze of a comic book wonder."

AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR:

Shiga has won two Eisner Awards, two Ignatz Awards, and a Stumptown Trophy Award. His graphic novel *Meanwhile* has sold more than 100,000 copies, and Gene Luen Yang called it "the best that the cartoonists of Earth had to offer the universe."

UNIQUE FORMAT: Middle-grade graphic novels are hugely popular, and this interactive format is unlike anything else out there.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Two-color illustrations throughout
- * 136 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 7" - 178mm
- * Hardcover POB

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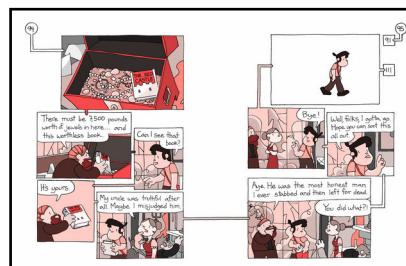
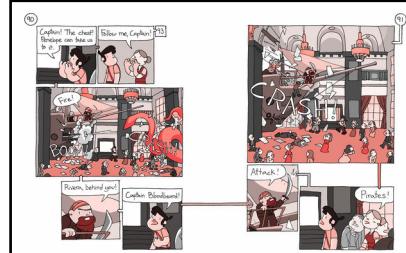
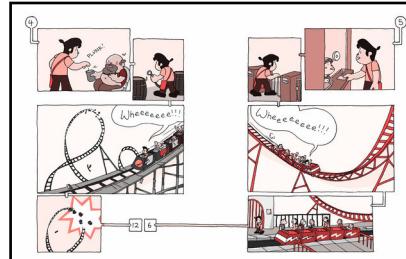
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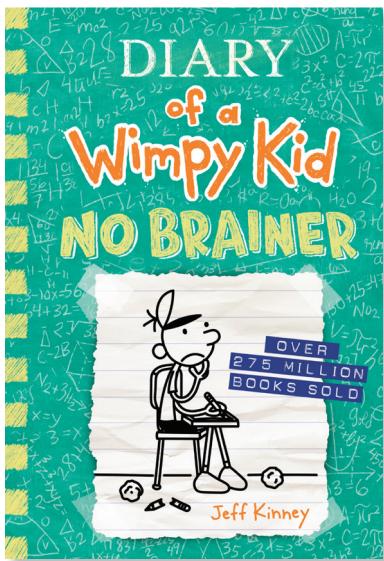
FROM #1 INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR Jeff Kinney

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84 EDITIONS in
69 LANGUAGES!

Diary of a Wimpy Kid No Brainer

• BY JEFF KINNEY



Up until now, middle school hasn't exactly been a joyride for Greg Heffley. So when the town threatens to close the crumbling building, he's not too broken up about it.

But when Greg realizes this means he's going to be sent to a different school than his best friend, Rowley Jefferson, he changes his tune. Can Greg and his classmates save their school before it's shuttered for good? Or is this the start of a whole new chapter for Greg?

Specifications

Diary of a Wimpy Kid 18
US \$14.99

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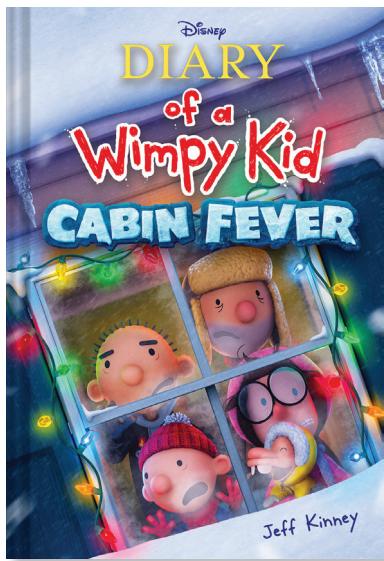
Cabin Fever
Special Disney+ Cover Edition
US \$14.99

PUB MONTH: NOVEMBER 2023

Jeff Kinney is a #1 New York Times bestselling author of the Diary of a Wimpy Kid series and the Awesome Friendly Kid series. He is a six-time Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award winner for Favorite Book and has been named one of Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World. He spent his childhood in the Washington, D.C., area and moved to New England, where he and his wife own a bookstore named An Unlikely Story.

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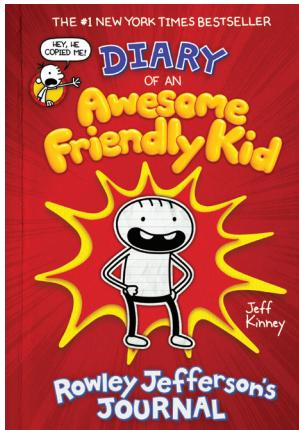


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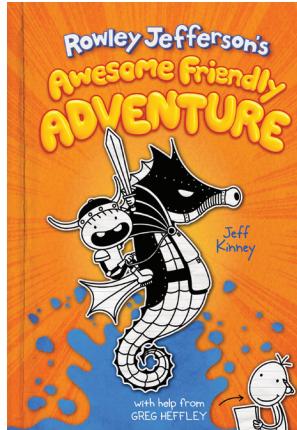
- **GLOBAL PHENOMENON:** With over 275 million books sold around the world in 84 editions in 69 languages, Wimpy Kid has turned millions of kids into readers. The series is one of the top-five bestselling book series—adult and kids—of all time.
- **MEGA BESTSELLING SERIES:** A consistent fixture on the *New York Times* bestseller list for over 750 weeks—longer than any other kids' series! Wimpy Kid is also a #1 bestseller on the *USA Today*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Publishers Weekly*, and IndieBound bestseller lists.
- **NOW A MAJOR DISNEY MOVIE FRANCHISE:** Wimpy Kid has animated movies on Disney+! *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* premiered on December 3, 2021, to instant success. The second animated adventure, *Rodrick Rules*, released on December 2, 2022.
- **WIDE SOCIAL MEDIA REACH:** Nearly 5 million fans across Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, over 1.4 billion TikTok views for #diaryofawimpykid, 20+ million YouTube views, and 1.1 billion views on GIPHY..

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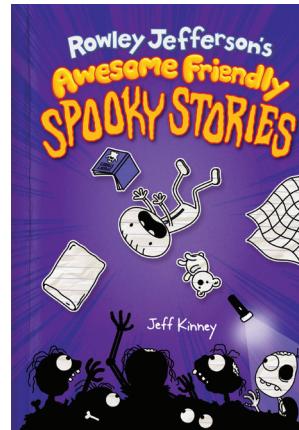
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Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Adventure



Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Spooky Stories

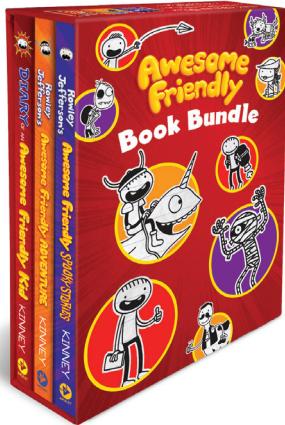


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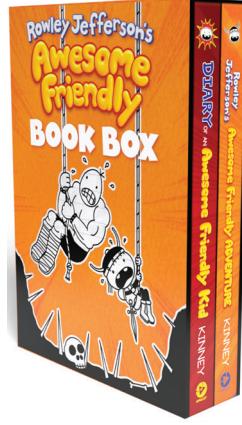
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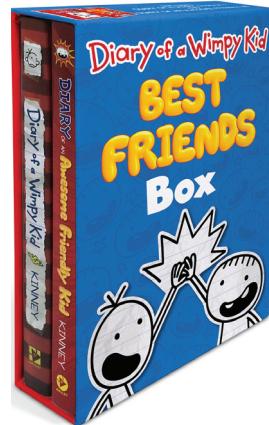
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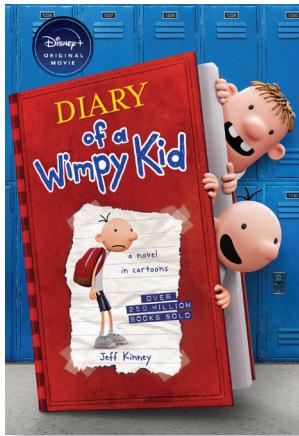
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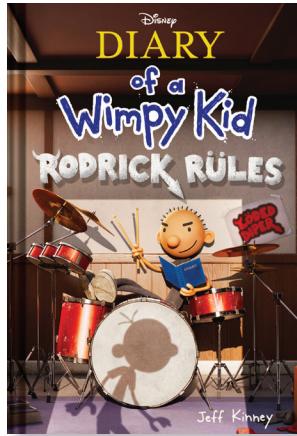
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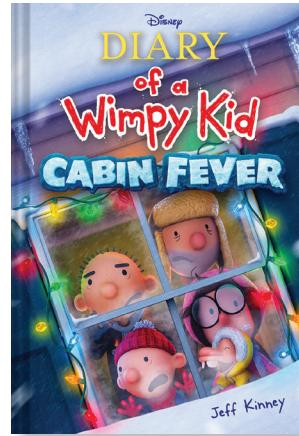
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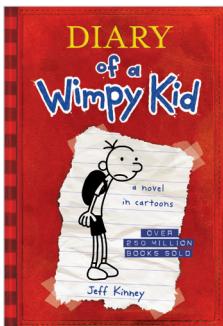
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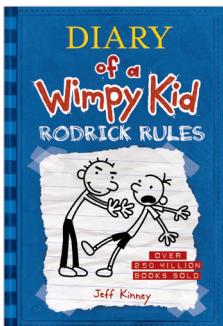
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Diary of a Wimpy Kid

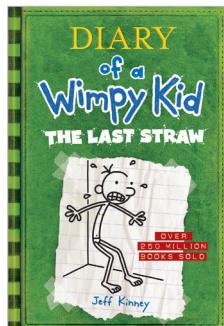
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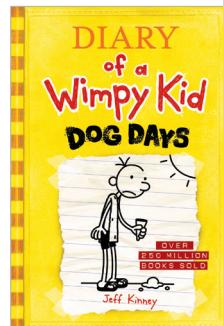
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US \$14.99



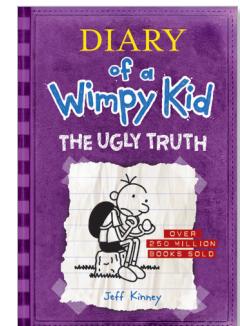
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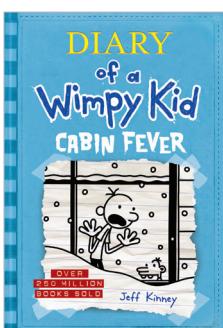
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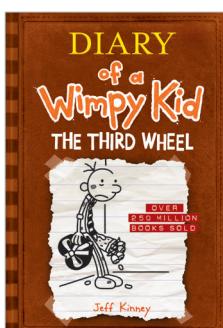
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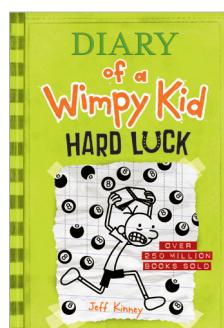
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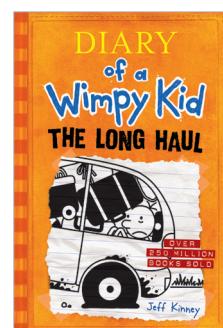
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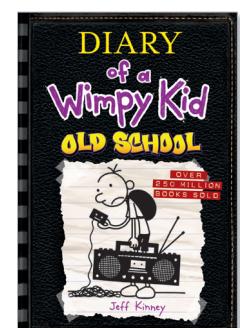
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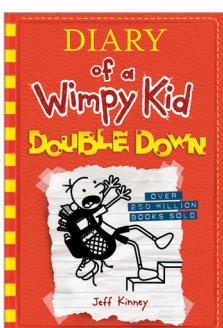
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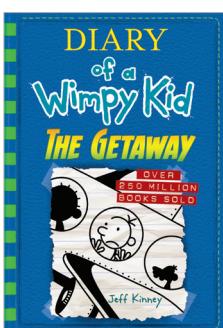
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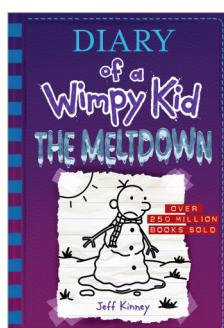
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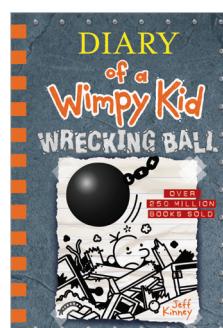
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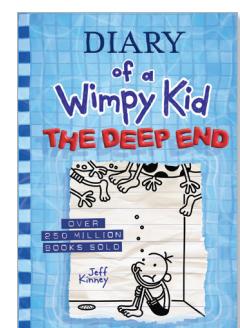
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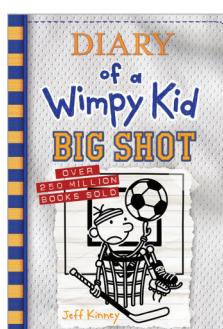
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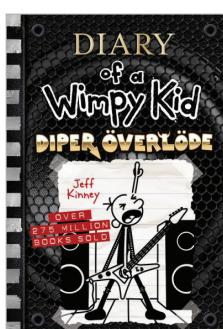
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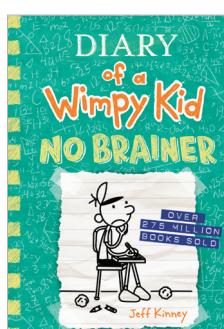
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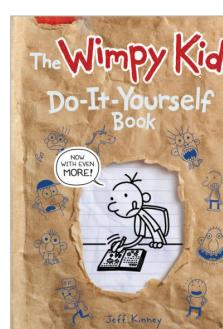
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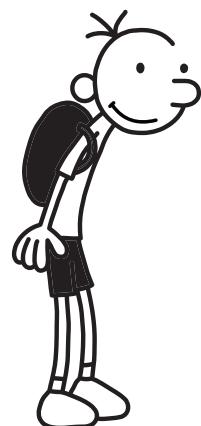
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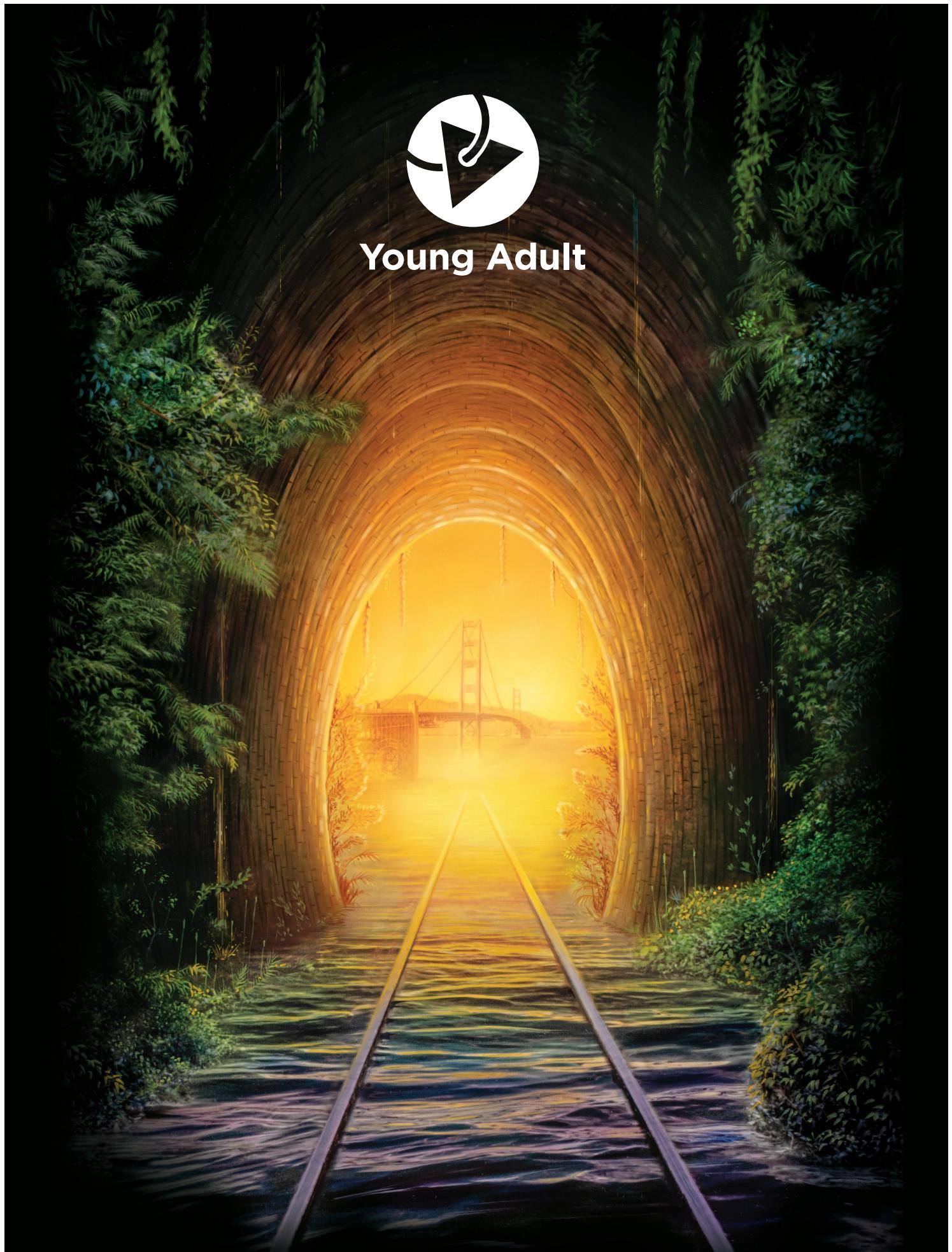


Wimpy Kid Do-It-Yourself Book
(revised and expanded edition)
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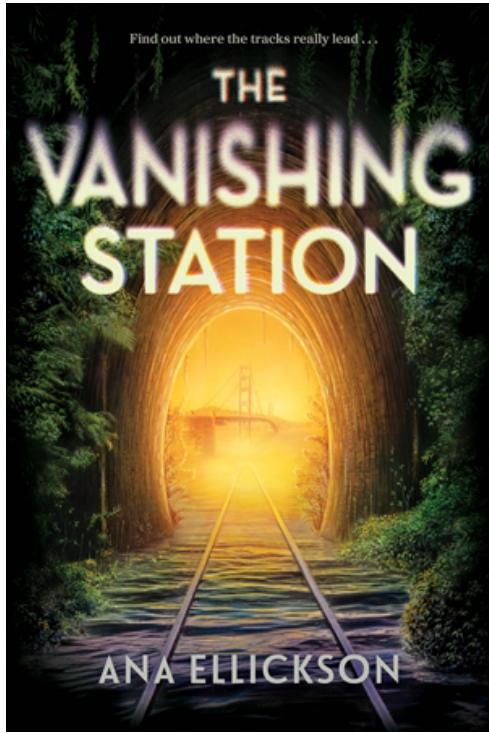
Young Adult



The Vanishing Station

• BY ANA ELLICKSON

A lyrical and bold YA debut about an underground magic system in San Francisco—and the lengths one girl is willing to go to protect the ones she loves



Eighteen-year-old Filipino American Ruby Santos has been unmoored since her mother's death. She can't apply to art school like she's always dreamed, and she and her father have had to move into the basement of their home and rent out the top floor while they work to pay back her mother's hospital bills.

Then Ruby finds out her father has been living a secret life as a delivery person for a magical underworld—he "jumps" train lines to help deliver packages for a powerful family. Recently, he's fallen behind on deliveries (and deeper into alcoholism), and if his debts aren't satisfied, they're going to take her mother's house. In an effort to protect her father and save all that remains of her mother, Ruby volunteers to take over her dad's station and start jumping train lines.

But this is no ordinary job. Ruby soon realizes that the trains are much more than doors to romance and adventure: they're also doors to trafficking illicit goods and fierce rivalries. As she becomes more entangled with the magical underworld and the mysterious boy who's helped her to learn magic, she realizes too late that she may be in over her head. Can she free her father and save her mother's house? Or has she only managed to get herself pulled into the dangerous web her father was trapped in?

Ana Ellickson writes about fierce girls, family curses, and everyday magic. *The Vanishing Station* is her debut novel, inspired by daydreams about jumping portals in the San Francisco subway. *Roman the Renegade*—her graphic novel script about street art and Filipino monsters—was awarded the 2021 New Visions Honor by Lee & Low Books. She lives in sunny Santa Barbara.

SELLING POINTS

SWEEEPING ADVENTURE: From *The Hazel Wood* to the City of Bones series, fantasy stories set in cities are popular in YA. With the San Francisco backdrop and the magical train system, this story is a fresh take on this popular category.

HEARTFELT THEMES: The story discusses grief, addiction, immigration, and housing insecurity. The author has pulled from her own personal experience with these topics and portrays them in an empathetic and nuanced way.

ENTHRALLING DEBUT:

Ellickson's prose is beautifully crafted, and the story is unlike anything else out there right now. With the literary writing and magical plot, it's perfect for fans of V.E. Schwab and Ibi Zoboi.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 368 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: APRIL 2024

AGES 12 and up

YOUNG ADULT, KIDS
FANTASY

ISBN 978-1-4197-6422-6

US \$19.99

The Harrowing

• WRITTEN BY KRISTEN KIESLING, ILLUSTRATED BY RYE HICKMAN

In this YA graphic novel, a psychic teen hunts potential killers until she discovers the boy she loves is her next target

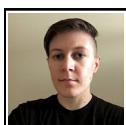


Rowan Sterling should be worrying about normal teenage things like attending college and whether her best friend, Lucas, is maybe *more* than a friend. . . . Instead, she's having terrifying visions of blood and violence. As the premonitions increase in number and intensity, Rowan seeks her father's help, but instead finds herself drugged, kidnapped, and sent to a mysterious facility called Rosewood. It isn't long before Rowan discovers Rosewood isn't a boarding school or an asylum: it's a training center for teens with special abilities who are known as Harrows.

Harrows can view the actions of would-be murderers before they commit crimes, and the scientists at Rosewood believe it is their duty to use the Harrows' powers to make the world a safer place. Rowan is immediately drawn to Rosewood's mission; after all, she lost her mother to a random act of violence two years prior. Empowered by the skills she's acquired and ready to change the world, Rowan returns home, but when a series of visions lead the Harrows to pursue Lucas, Rowan starts questioning everything she learned at Rosewood—and sets out to protect him at all costs.



Kristen Kiesling grew up in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and graduated from the University of Oklahoma. She is an active member of the SCBWI and lives in Houston, Texas, with her husband and two boys. **Rye Hickman** is a visual storyteller and a graduate of the Savannah College of Art and Design's sequential art program. They are co-creator and artist on the upcoming Little Brown for Young Readers graphic novel *Buzzing*. Past work include *TEST*, *Moth & Whisper*, *Bezkamp*, *Jem and the Holograms*, the *Femme Magnifique* anthology, and more.



SELLING POINTS

STRONG YA COMPS: YA graphic novels with mature themes are on the rise with the success of books like *Squad*, *Clementine*, and *Something Is Killing the Children Vol. 1*.

SUPERNATURAL THRILLER:

The Harrowing is a tightly paced near-future *Minority Report*-style thriller that is perfect for fans of *Stranger Things* and *Paper Girls*.

AMAZING ART: Nonbinary cartoonist Rye Hickman's run on *Jem and the Holograms* was nominated for the 2018 Ringo Award for Best Kids Comic or Graphic Novel. Together with author Kristen Kiesling, they bring this tightly paced YA graphic novel to life.

TWO FORMATS: Available in hardcover (978-1-4197-6084-6) and paperback (978-1-4197-6085-3).

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 240 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - mm
- * **Hardcover with jacket**

PUB MONTH: APRIL 2024

AGES 14 to 18

YOUNG ADULT GRAPHIC NOVEL

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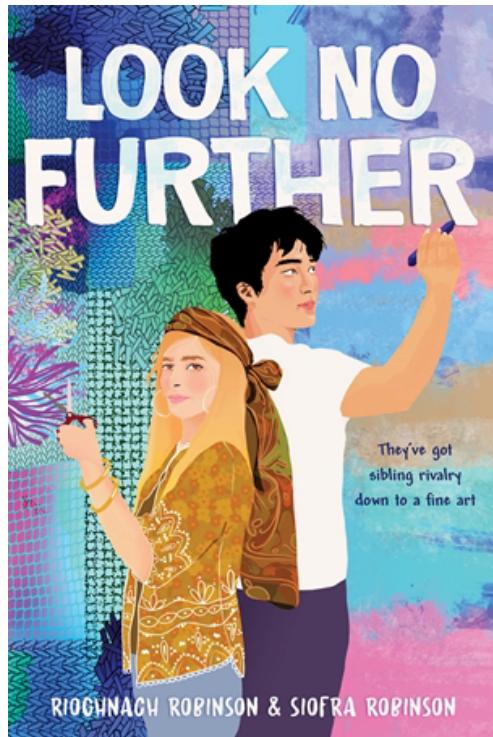
US \$24.99



Look No Further

● BY RIOGNACH ROBINSON AND SIOFRA ROBINSON

The Parent Trap meets *The Vanishing Half* in this gripping YA novel about estranged siblings who meet for the first time at art camp and confront their differing experiences of race and identity



When 17-year-old Niko and 15-year-old Ali meet at Ogilvy Summer Art Institute, a selective camp for art students in New York City, they seem like complete opposites. Ali comes across as standoffish to laid-back Niko, who feels like a fish out of water surrounded by so many type-A peers. So when a teacher assigns them as pairs for a genealogy project, Ali and Niko are shocked to find they have a lot more in common than they bargained for.

As the pair embark on a quest to uncover their shared history, Ali finds herself falling for her roommate—who may have already fallen for another girl at Ogilvy—and surfer-bro Niko struggles to find his footing in the glamorous NYC art scene. Soon they're both questioning their preconceptions about the world and each other. But only when they face real heartbreak can they accept the most transformative revelation of all: The best art is what you make, not just what you see.



Rioghnach Robinson is the author of *Seven Ways We Lie*, *Final Draft*, and *Noteworthy*, which was named a best teen book of 2017 by *Kirkus* and the New York Public Library. She lives and writes in Chicago. **Siofra Robinson** is an MBA candidate at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. *Look No Further* is her first novel.

SELLING POINTS

FRESH APPROACH TO TOPICAL THEMES:

This novel depicts two different lived experiences, as a chance encounter leads twins who were previously strangers to question their preconceptions.

RISING STAR AUTHOR:

Rioghnach's books with Abrams, published under the pseudonym Riley Redgate, have experienced commercial and critical success, including three starred reviews for *Noteworthy* and one for *Final Draft*; her newest novel, *Alone Out Here* (Disney-Hyperion), was released in Spring 2022.

SIBLING HOOK: This compelling story from sisters Rioghnach and Siofra Robinson draws from their lived experiences as biracial siblings.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 336 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: AUGUST 2023

AGES 13 and up

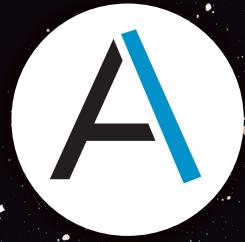
YOUNG ADULT, FICTION

ISBN 978-1-4197-5740-2

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ALSO AVAILABLE

Seven Ways We Lie
ISBN 978-1-4197-1944-8
US \$17.95 CAN \$21.95
UK £10.99



**BRANDED
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A MIGHTY MARVEL TEAM-UP

Spider-Man: Quantum Quest! (A Mighty Marvel Team-Up # 2)

- WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY MIKE MAIHACK

In this action-packed and hilarious second graphic novel in the Mighty Marvel Team-Up series, Spider-Man is sent to the Quantum Realm with the Fantastic Four!



In the second graphic novel in the Mighty Marvel Team-Up series, Spider-Man must join forces with the super genius super hero team: the Fantastic Four! During a morning of doing good deeds and super heroing, Spider-Man is interrupted by the Fantastic Four and Namor. The great underwater city of Atlantis has disappeared, and the heroes need Spider-Man's help to find it! While Spider-Man is unsure if his abilities can help him find the city, he takes on the mission hoping not to disappoint his heroes. But when this mission takes him into the Quantum Realm, Spider-Man realizes that more than just a city has gone missing and that he might need more than just super powers to save the day!

Mike Maihack is a cartoonist best known for his Cleopatra in Space graphic novels published by Scholastic/Graphix. The six-book series has earned a Florida Book Award, a YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Young Adult Readers selection, and a starred review from *School Library Journal*, and it was later produced as a children's animated series by DreamWorks Television. Maihack lives in Land O' Lakes, Florida, with his wife, two boys, and two cats. More of his work can be found online at operationspacecat.com.

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German, Portuguese (SA),
Dutch, Czech, Slovak, Polish,
Hungarian, Serbian, Croatian,
Bulgarian, Turkish, Greek

SELLING POINTS

MIGHTY BRAND: Marvel Comics continues to be one of the most recognizable and biggest brands worldwide, with Spider-Man being one of the most popular characters in their stable and in pop culture in general!

EXCITING FORMAT: Graphic novels continue to experience tremendous growth, especially in the children's market. With the second book in a series and with Marvel having no other early-reader graphic novels, Abrams will continue to fill this important gap in the market.

ALL-STAR CONTENT:

Author-artist Mike Maihack returns and will continue to bring his exciting, adorable, and joyful illustrations.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 96 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - mm
- * Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: JANUARY 2024

AGES 6 to 9

GRAPHIC NOVELS

ISBN 978-1-4197-7049-4

US \$12.99

MARVEL SUPER STORIES

Marvel Super Stories (Book One)

ALL-NEW COMICS FROM ALL-STAR CARTOONISTS

- BY MARVEL ENTERTAINMENT WITH VARIOUS CONTRIBUTORS; EDITED BY JOHN JENNINGS

The first-ever middle-grade anthology from Marvel Comics, featuring all-new comics stories by 15 all-star cartoonists



Welcome to the Marvel Universe and the World Outside Your Window! The first volume in a brand-new middle-grade anthology series with Marvel Comics, edited by John Jennings. All of your favorite Marvel super heroes are here in all-new six page stories written and illustrated by some of the biggest names in comics for young readers. These mighty team-ups include—

Black Panther: **Jerry Craft** (*New Kid*), Wiccan: **Mike Curato** (*Flamer*), Miles Morales Spider-Man: **C. G. Esperanza** (*Soul Food Sunday*), Iron Man: **John Gallagher** (*Max Meow*), Shang-Chi: **Gale Galligan** (*The Baby-Sitters Club*), the Hulk: **Chris Giarrusso** (*G-Man*), Spider-Man: **Nathan Hale** (*Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales*), Captain America: **Michael Lee Harris** (*Choco Leche*), Hawkeye: **Ben Hatke** (*Zita the Spacegirl*), Ms. Marvel: **Priya Huq** (*Piece by Piece: The Story of Nisrin's Hijab*), Daredevil: **John Jennings** (*Kindred: The Graphic Novel Adaptation*), Thor and Loki: **George O'Connor** (*The Olympians*), Namor: **Lincoln Peirce** (*Big Nate*), Squirrel Girl: **Maria Scrivan** (*Nat Enough*), and Ghost Spider: **Jessi Zabarsky** (*Witchlight*).

This renowned roster takes a fun, fresh look at Marvel's greatest super heroes, delivering all-new comics for fans of all ages.

Marvel Entertainment, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Walt Disney Company, is one of the world's most prominent character-based entertainment companies, built on a proven library of more than 8,000 characters featured in a variety of media over eighty years. Marvel utilizes its character franchises in entertainment, licensing, publishing, games, and digital media. For more information visit marvel.com. **John Jennings**, illustrator of the #1 New York Times bestseller, *Kindred: A Graphic Novel Adaptation*, is associate professor of visual studies at SUNY-Buffalo and has written several works on African American comics creators and is curator of the Megascope imprint at Abrams ComicArts. He lives in Riverside, California.

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SELLING POINTS

ALL-STAR CONTRIBUTOR:

Fifteen of the biggest and most diverse names in comics for kids join forces in this super hero-sized anthology edited by John Jennings. Together, this incredible roster of cartoonists delivers a new kind of Marvel story for readers young and old alike, and introduces a new audience to the Marvel super hero magic that can transport you to the world outside your window.

ONE-OF-A-KIND SERIES: The first middle-grade anthology of all-new comics ever licensed by Marvel Entertainment.

A HOLIDAY TRADITION: The first volume of an annual fall tradition, with each essential, beautifully packaged volume timed for the gift-giving holiday season.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 160 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm

* HC-POB with Jacket

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2023

AGES 8 to 12

KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS,
COMICS, MIDDLE-GRADE
FICTION

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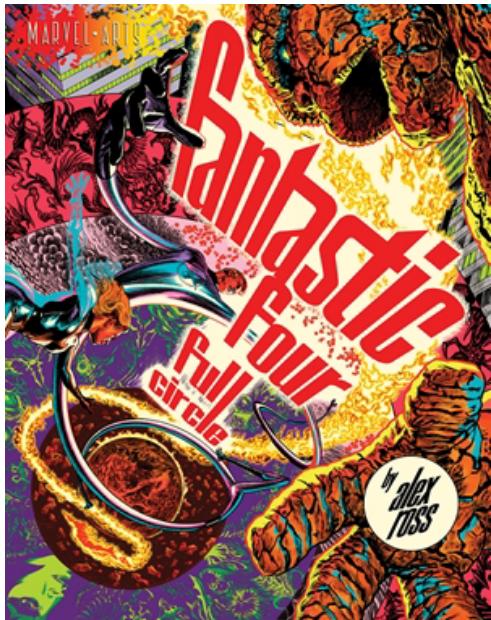
US \$16.99



Fantastic Four: Full Circle

• WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY ALEX ROSS

An all-new Marvel Comics graphic novel starring the Fantastic Four,
written and illustrated by renowned artist Alex Ross



It's a rainy night in Manhattan and not a creature is stirring except for . . . Ben Grimm. When an intruder suddenly appears inside the Baxter Building, the Fantastic Four—Mister Fantastic (Reed Richards), the Invisible Woman (Susan Storm Richards), the Human Torch (Johnny Storm), and the Thing (Ben Grimm)—find themselves surrounded by a swarm of invading parasites. These carrion creatures composed of Negative Energy come to Earth using a human host as a delivery system. But for what purpose? And who is behind this untimely invasion?

The Fantastic Four have no choice but to journey into the Negative Zone, an alien universe composed entirely of anti-matter, risking not just their own lives but the fate of the cosmos!

Fantastic Four: Full Circle is the first longform work written and illustrated by acclaimed artist Alex Ross, who revisits a classic Stan Lee–Jack Kirby story from the 1960s and introduces the storyline for a new generation of readers. With bold, vivid colors and his trademark visual storytelling, Ross takes Marvel's first team of super heroes to places only he can illustrate.



Alex Ross studied at the American Academy of Art in Chicago, then honed his craft as a storyboard artist before entering the field of comics. In 1993 *Marvels*—his groundbreaking miniseries with writer Kurt Busiek—created a wider acceptance for painted comics. In 1996 he and writer Mark Waid produced the equally successful *Kingdom Come* for DC Comics, and Ross followed those up with an extensive series of work including magazine and album covers, as well as a poster for the Academy Awards. Ross has also been the subject of two monographs written and designed by Chip Kidd—*Mythology: The DC Comics Art of Alex Ross* and *Marvelocity: The Marvel Comics Art of Alex Ross*. His latest book is *The Alex Ross Marvel Comics Poster Book* (Abrams ComicArts, spring 2021).

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Praise for *Fantastic Four: Full Circle*

"Alex Ross has somehow brilliantly conjured the spirits of the original creators of the Fantastic Four and blended them with his own to bring forth a completely unique storytelling experience. . . . This masterfully executed mind worm stays with you long after you read/experience it."

—Brian Michael Bendis

"There were few more seismic events in comics in the 1990s than *Marvels*, the cleverly conceived and beautifully painted graphic novel serialized by artist Alex Ross and writer Kurt Busiek. Suddenly, a new standard of realism was set for the world of comic books, soon carried over to DC Comics as well. In the past nigh-three decades, Alex Ross has gone from strength to strength, and *Fantastic Four: Full Circle* from Abrams ComicArts is the latest milestone along that road of excellence."

—Roy Thomas

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Spanish
Turkish

SELLING POINTS

NOTABLE CREATOR: Ross is one of the world's most respected comics creators. He has won every major award in the industry and has more than 150,000 followers on Twitter and 700,000 followers on Instagram. *Fantastic Four: Full Circle* is the first graphic novel Ross has both written and illustrated in his 30-year career.

LARGE FORMAT AND BONUS POSTER:

The front flap of the jacket unfolds into a mini-poster featuring an all-new fully painted origin story of the Fantastic Four.

BROAD AUDIENCE: A standalone title for both new readers and longtime fans.

NEW LINE OF BOOKS: *Fantastic Four: Full Circle* is the first title in a new line of graphic novels by Marvel Comics and Abrams ComicArts called Marvel Arts.

MIGHTY BRAND: Marvel Comics celebrated its 80th anniversary in 2019 and is one of the most recognizable brands worldwide. In November 2021, Marvel began its celebration of the Fantastic Four's 60th anniversary.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 64 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: SEPTEMBER 2022

GRAPHIC NOVELS,
ENTERTAINMENT

ISBN 978-1-4197-6167-6

US \$24.99



MONSTER HIGH SCHOOL SPIRITS

A Fright to Remember (Monster High School Spirits #1)

● BY ADRIANNA CUEVAS

The first book in a fangtastic new series inspired by Nickelodeon's animated show *Monster High!*



As Monster High prepares for its annual talent show, Frankie Stein is left wondering what they could perform. When Torelei Stripe mocks Frankie's music playing abilities, Frankie is left even more confused about which of their brain parts is exciting enough for the talent show. Luckily, Headmistress Bloodgood presents Frankie with new information about their brain that might hold the answer. Except Frankie discovers that their brain part is from a disgraced scientist accused of unethical experiments. Plagued by dreams from the scientist's life, Frankie teams up with Draculaura and Clawdeen to discover the truth about their past—and save Monster High in the process.



Adrianna Cuevas is the author of the Pura Belpre honor book *The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez, Cuba in My Pocket*, *The Ghosts of Rancho Espanto*, and *Mari and the Curse of El Cocodrilo*. She is a first-generation Cuban-American originally from Miami, Florida. A former Spanish and ESOL teacher, Adrianna currently resides in Austin, Texas with her husband and son. When not working with TOEFL students, wrangling multiple pets including an axolotl, and practicing fencing with her son, she is writing her next middle grade novel.

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Polish (Bukowy Las)

SELLING POINTS

POPULAR BRAND: Since launching Monster High, Mattel has sold more than 150 million dolls, including a 2020 collector's edition that sold out almost immediately. The brand is still just as relevant today, with loyal fans who grew up with the show generating more than three billion views on TikTok and ranking it as the #7 toy brand on Instagram.

MULTIMEDIA RELAUNCH: In addition to a brand-new animated show, Mattel and Nickelodeon have partnered on a new live-action Monster High film, released on October 6th 2022. The show and film draws new fans of all ages to the books, as well as older fans revisiting their favorite characters.

INCLUSIVE STORYTELLING: Monster High believes strongly in embracing one's true, unique self. Mattel has updated its storytelling and branding to represent a more diverse and inclusive cast of characters, all while staying true to their original hook.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Black-and-white illustrations throughout

* 248 pages

* Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2023

AGES 10 to 14

MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION,
KIDS SERIES, FICTION,
SCIENCE FICTION &
FANTASY

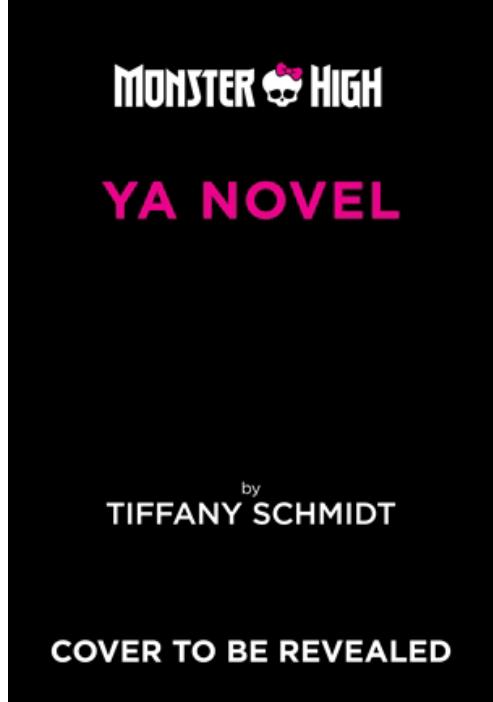
ISBN 978-1-4197-6986-3

US \$14.99

Untitled Monster High YA Novel

• BY TIFFANY SCHMIDT

The ghouls are back in this brand-new young adult novel inspired by Nickelodeon's hit animated show *Monster High*



It's junior year at Monster High, and the unthinkable has happened: Dracula has passed away. With the headmaster's office shuttered and a photo-less memorial sign on the wall, the O.G. ghouls must navigate a changing social landscape. Now that Monster High is in desperate need of new leadership, Draculaura finds herself in the middle of a power struggle between the old guard and the de Niles, who seek to stage a coup in order to usher Monster High into a new era. As if that weren't enough, she's experiencing strange physical changes that make her feel almost . . . human.

With Monster High under attack by normies, Draculaura, Frankie, Clawdeen, and Cleo must find a way to save the school or fall victim to Van Hellscream and the humans. With high-stakes, page-turning storytelling, this YA novel is perfect for fans of the original Monster High and the new hit animated series alike.



Tiffany Schmidt is a former sixth-grade teacher living and creating mischief in Doylestown, Pennsylvania. She's married to a saint, the mother of three impish boys, and the owner of a pair of mischievous pups. She is the author of nine acclaimed young adult novels. Tiffany believes in happy endings, reading under the covers, make believe, eating dessert before dinner, and writing the kissing scenes first.

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SELLING POINTS

POPULAR BRAND: Since its initial launch in 2010, Monster High has gained a cult following and has become the second-bestselling doll, with more than 150 million dolls sold, including a 2020 collector's edition that sold out in less than a day. The brand continues to thrive, with loyal fans generating more than 10 billion views on TikTok.

GHOULISHLY GRAND

RELAUNCH: In addition to the brand-new 2022 animated show, Mattel and Nickelodeon partnered on a new live-action Monster High film, which released on October 6, 2022. Abrams will be kicking off a brand-new Monster High book program across different age groups and formats, with our first title (middle-grade novel *A Fright to Remember*) pubbing this fall.

INCLUSIVE STORYTELLING:

Monster High believes strongly in embracing one's true, unique self. Mattel has updated its storytelling and branding to represent a more diverse and inclusive cast of characters, including LGBTQIA+ themes, all while staying true to their original hook.

SPECIFICATIONS

* 304 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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AGES 13 to 18

YOUNG ADULT, FICTION

ISBN 978-1-4197-7104-0

US \$19.99

5-Minute Princess Power Stories

• BY ELISE ALLEN

A charming storybook collection of inspiring tales based on the Netflix series *Princess Power*—perfect for read alouds or bedtime!



Based on the bestselling *Princesses Wear Pants* picture books, revisit some of your favorite episodes of the Netflix series *Princess Power*, in print for the first time, with this gift storybook collection. Each of the 12 stories retells a beloved episode from the show, making it perfect for group read alouds or when it's time to settle down for bed.

Elise Allen is a screenwriter and author of YA and middle-grade novels, including *Twinchantment* and the Gabby Duran and the Unsittables series. She is the showrunner of the Netflix show *Princess Power* and lives in Los Angeles.

SELLING POINTS

POPULAR FORMAT: Five-minute story collections are perennial bestsellers. This one follows the structure of the highly anticipated *5-Minute Ada Twist, Scientist Stories* collection.

NEVER-BEFORE-PUBLISHED STORIES

STORIES: These 12 stories based on the *Princess Power* Netflix show are available in print for the first time.

BESTSELLING SERIES: The *Princesses Wear Pants* picture books by Savannah Guthrie and Allison Oppenheim were instant *New York Times* bestsellers, and the potential to expand on those characters in the Netflix series is huge.

NETFLIX TIE-IN: Season 1 of the Netflix show *Princess Power*, based on Abrams' bestselling *Princesses Wear Pants* books, launches in Spring 2023, drawing in readers to the original books and our forthcoming titles.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 176 pages

* WIDTH: 7 3/4" - 197mm
* HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
* Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2023

AGES 5 to 7

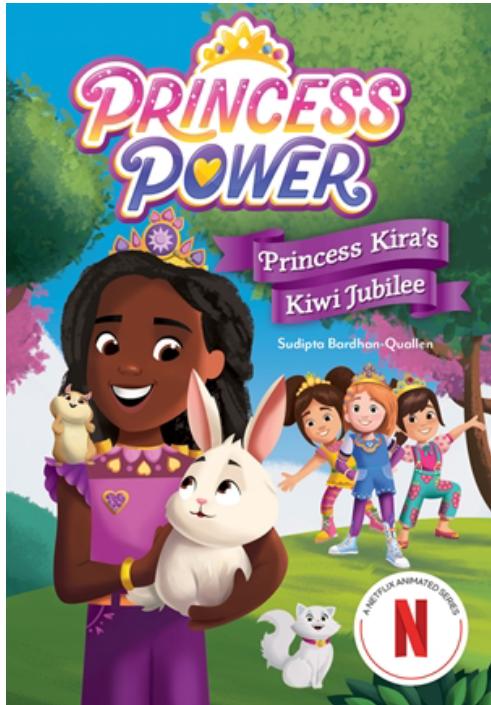
PICTURE BOOK, FICTION

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Princess Kira's Kiwi Jubilee (Princess Power Chapter Book #1)

● BY SUDIPTA BARDHAN-QUALLEN

An empowering, all-new chapter book adventure about girl power, self-expression, and friendship, based on the Netflix series *Princess Power* and inspired by the #1 *New York Times* bestselling picture book *Princesses Wear Pants* (from *TODAY* show coanchor Savannah Guthrie and educator Alli Oppenheim)



Return to the four fruitdoms with Penny Pineapple, Kira Kiwi, Rita Raspberry, and Bea Blueberry! This original illustrated tale features beloved characters and explores the world of *Princess Power*, a new children's Netflix series inspired by the instant #1 bestselling picture books *Princesses Wear Pants* and *Princesses Save the World*.

These curious, kindhearted, can-do princesses learn that as long as they stay true to themselves and work together, there's no challenge they can't face—and there's nothing sweeter than friendship!



Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen is the author of many children's books, including the chapter book series *Purrmaids* and *Mermicorns*, as well as the picture books *Tyrannosaurus Wrecks!*, *Quackenstein Hatches a Family*, *Chicks Rule!*, *Chicks Rock!*, and *Roxie Loves Adventure*. She lives in New Jersey with her family.

SELLING POINTS

NETFLIX SERIES: *Princess Power* launches Jan. 30, 2023. Alli Oppenheim helped develop the show, while Savannah Guthrie produces alongside Drew Barrymore.

NEW PUBLISHING PROGRAM:

This young chapter book succeeds *Princess Power 5-Minute Stories* in Abrams' new tie-in program.

BESTSELLING INSPIRATION:

Princesses Wear Pants and *Princesses Save the World* were instant #1 *New York Times* bestsellers.

KIDS' BOOK PRO:

Bardhan-Quallen (*Purrmaids* and *Mermicorns*—over 450,000 copies sold combined!) speaks directly to kids and infuses her stories with heart.

GIRL POWER: Features fan-favorite princesses—empowering role models who are smart, kind, strong, and resilient role models.

FRIENDSHIP & PROBLEM SOLVING:

Redefining "princess" as a verb, these supportive friends collaborate to solve problems and make the world a better place.

DIVERSE CAST: Highlights diverse cultural traditions, family structures, and abilities.

ACCESSIBLE READ: Perfect for emerging and reluctant readers.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Two-color spot illustrations throughout
* 80 pages

* Paperback

PUB MONTH: JANUARY 2024

AGES 4 to 8

CHAPTER BOOK,
ENTERTAINMENT

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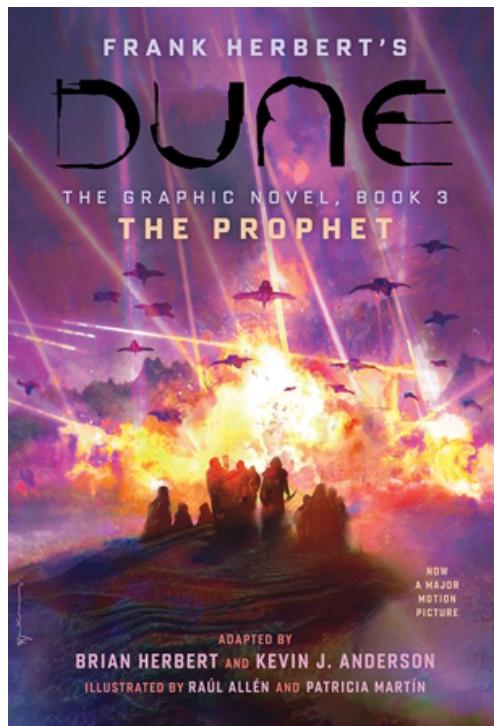
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DUNE: THE GRAPHIC NOVEL#3

DUNE: The Graphic Novel, Book 3: The Prophet

- WRITTEN BY BRIAN HERBERT AND KEVIN J. ANDERSON; ORIGINAL NOVEL BY FRANK HERBERT; COVER BY BILL SIENKIEWICZ; ILLUSTRATED BY RAÚL ALLÉN AND PATRICIA MARTÍN

The third and final volume of the graphic novel adaptation of *Dune*, the groundbreaking science-fiction classic by Frank Herbert



The highly anticipated finale of the graphic novel adaptation of Frank Herbert's 1965 novel *Dune* comes to an epic conclusion in *DUNE: The Graphic Novel, Book 3: The Prophet*.

The final battle for Arrakis is swiftly approaching. Paul Atreides has accepted his role as the leader of the Fremen but knows his power over them teeters on the brink—they will either take back their planet or lead a jihad that will consume the entire cosmos.

Brian Herbert, son of Frank Herbert, and *New York Times* bestselling author Kevin J. Anderson conclude their faithful adaptation of the novel *Dune* with Paul's manifestation of his great and terrible purpose. Once more illustrators Raúl Allén and Patricia Martín transport readers to the *Dune* universe in this visual masterpiece that blends classic science fiction with contemporary comics storytelling.



Frank Herbert (1920–1986) was an American science-fiction writer best known for his novel *Dune* and its subsequent five sequels. **Brian Herbert**, the son of Frank Herbert, is known for his collaborations with author Kevin J. Anderson, with whom he has written multiple sequels and prequels to his father's landmark 1965 science-fiction novel *Dune*. **Kevin J. Anderson** is the author of more than 50 bestsellers. Along with Brian Herbert, he is the co-author of the *Dune* prequel series. **Raúl Allén** and **Patricia Martín** are artists living in Valladolid, Spain. Allén and Martín have worked for Marvel Comics, Valiant, and DC Comic. **Bill Sienkiewicz** is an Eisner-winning, Emmy-nominated artist best known for his work with Marvel Comics and DC Comics.



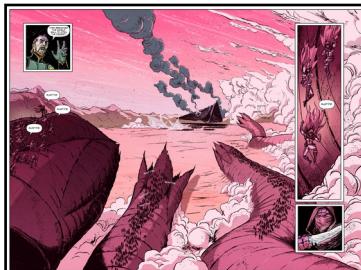
Praise for *Dune: The Graphic Novel Series*

* "Faithful, Dazzling . . . The core of what made *Dune* a great science fiction novel has been preserved, and to it are added vibrant visuals in *Dune: The Graphic Novel, Book 1*—a resoundingly successful adaptation."

—Foreword Review (starred review)

"Intricate . . . well defined . . . easy to follow . . . blending the aristocratic costumery, sci-fi technology, and desert landscape into a world that is unmistakably *Dune*."

—Booklist



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SELLING POINTS

SUCCESSFUL SERIES: The first two volumes of our graphic novel adaptation have collectively sold more than 206,000 copies across formats.

PUBLISHING PLAN: Following the huge success of the first two books and subsequent deluxe collector's editions, this third and final volume to adapt Herbert's seminal work will be released Spring 2024, with the third and final deluxe collector's edition set to publish in Fall 2024.

FILM ADAPTATION: Legendary

Entertainment's epic two-film, live-action feature of *Dune*, directed by Denis Villeneuve (*Arrival, Blade Runner 2049*) and starring Timothée Chalamet, Zendaya, and others, will be completed in November 2023.

INSTANT MASTERPIECE: *Dune* was

originally published in 1965 and won the first Nebula Award, shared the Hugo Award, and formed the basis of what is undoubtedly considered the grandest epic in science fiction. It has sold more than 20 million copies, making it one of the most successful science-fiction novels of all time.

CONTINUING SUCCESS: 55 years since its release, *Dune* continues to sell every year, and Abrams' graphic novel adaptation of the first book in the series appealed to *Dune*'s already well-established fan base, as well as a whole new generation of readers.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 200 pages

* WIDTH: 6 1/2" - mm

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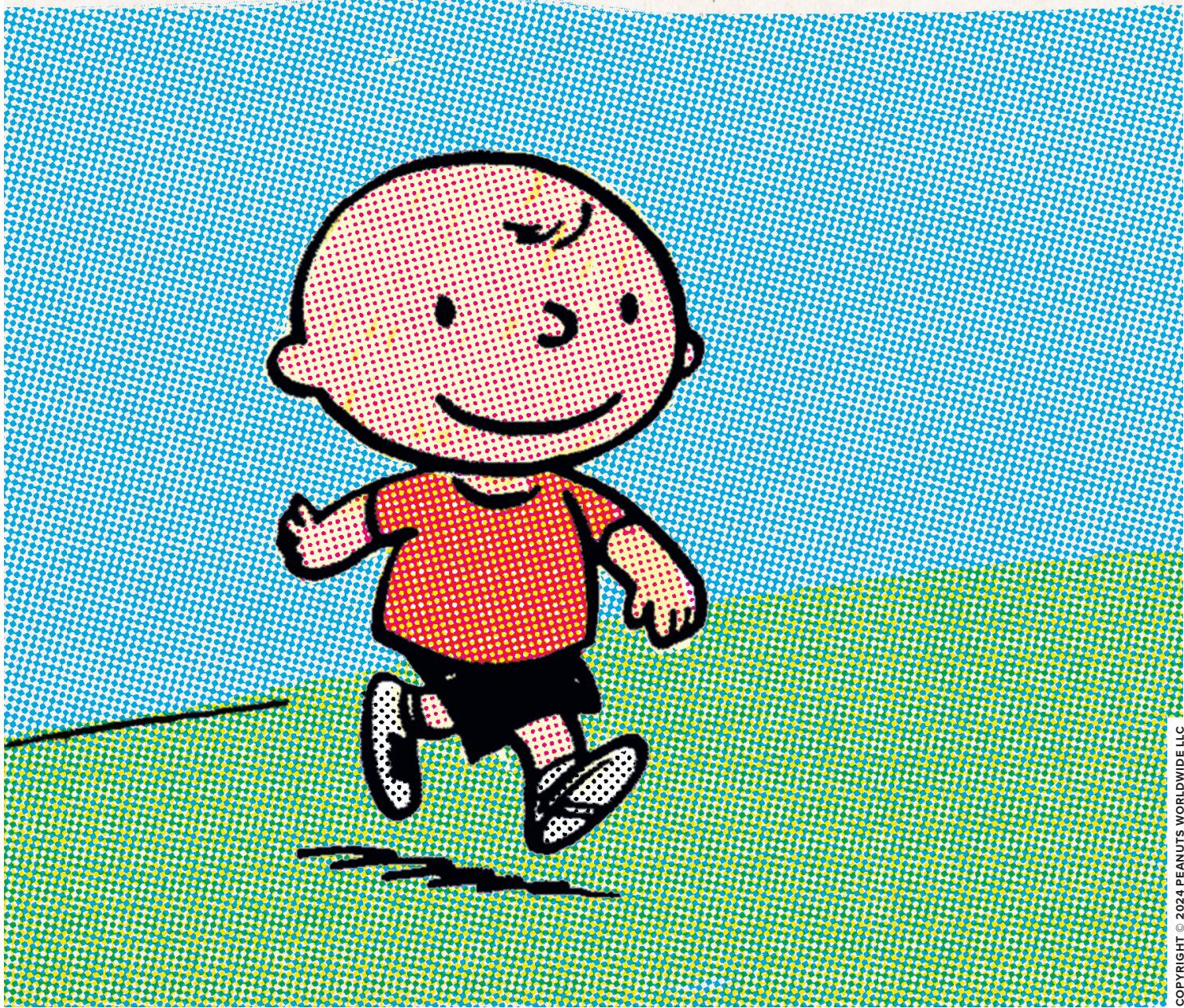
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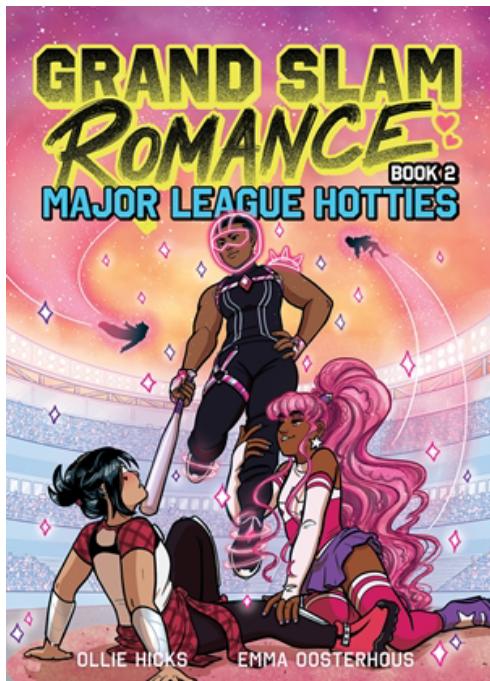
GRAND SLAM ROMANCE

Grand Slam Romance: Major League Hotties (Grand Slam Romance Book 2)

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● BY EMMA OOSTERHOUS AND OLLIE HICKS

The second graphic novel in the Grand Slam Romance series brings Mickey, Astra, and Wolfgang together again, but now they're in a different league—the magical kind!



Astra and Mickey are celebrating their epic victory over their archrivals the Gaiety Gals, but the party is cut short when their nemesis Jasmine Von Schitz reveals the shocking truth: now that Mickey's magical girl powers have been revealed, they can't play softball until they obtain a Magical Girl license! Too bad there's only one place to get it: the Magical Girl DMV in Berlin!

Mickey and Astra are in for the Euro-trip of their lives, navigating the Magical Girl League, their own steamy situationship, and a prickly reunion with the hottie whose heart they *both* broke: Wolfgang Konigin. For Mickey to get their license and for Astra to renew hers, they'll have to intern for the Berlin Grinders, and only a successful season and a glowing recommendation from their captain will get them there. Too bad that captain is Wolfgang and not all their new teammates want to see the rookies score.

A delightfully madcap romp filled with spellbinding softball, shady exes, and sexy shenanigans, *Major League Hotties* is another home run in the Grand Slam series from creative team Ollie Hicks and Emma Oosterhous.



Ollie Hicks is a Black British comics creator and editor who lives in the UK and has Jamaican heritage. They have a PhD in comics studies—focused on 20th-century British and American girls' comics—from the University of Dundee, which is gently gathering dust. They like to write funny gay stories with their funny gay wife, Emma Oosterhous. *Grand Slam Romance* was their debut graphic novel.



Emma Oosterhous is a cartoonist, animal enthusiast, and lesbian from Colorado. In 2018, she earned a Marshall Scholarship and then an MDes in comics and graphic novels from the University of Dundee. She now lives in the UK, where she makes comics with her wife, Ollie Hicks. *Grand Slam Romance* was her debut graphic novel.

SELLING POINTS

QUEER ROMANCE FOR ADULTS:

Perfect for adult readers who grew up on manga and books like *Heartstopper*, *Fence!*, and *Check, Please!* but are looking for a story with more mature themes.

CONTINUING SURELY SERIES:

Major League Hotties (Grand Slam Romance Book 2) is the second volume in the first series on the Surely Books imprint.

There is at least one more volume in the works.

LGBTQIA+ CREATORS: Hicks and Oosterhous are a powerhouse queer creative team focused on hugely entertaining storytelling with a diverse cast of characters.

SOFTBALL SPOTLIGHT: Softball is one of the most popular sports in the United States. An estimated 40 million Americans will play at least one softball game annually, and softball's largest sanction body, the Amateur Softball Associate of America (ASA), has more than 3.5 million registered players.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 256 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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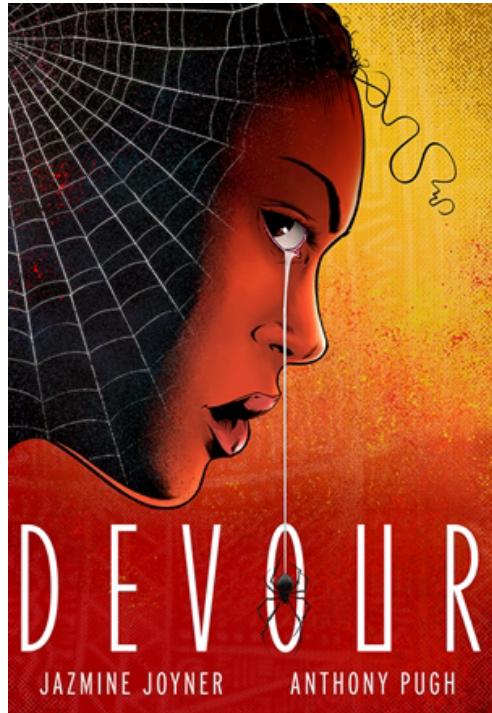
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Devour

• WRITTEN BY JAZMINE JOYNER; ILLUSTRATED BY ANTHONY PUGH

In this horror graphic novel, *American Gods* meets *Get Out* in a dark retelling of the West African legend of Anansi the Spider



In the Deep South, something evil waits in the darkness . . .

This horror graphic novel tells the story of the Turner family, who move to Alabama to care for their ailing matriarch, Vassie, when she begins suffering from dementia. But Vassie isn't just any old lady; she's the last of a line of powerful root women who have been caring for the community since her ancestors were first captured and enslaved by white plantation owners. When Patsy takes a closer look at the Turner family home, what she finds is beyond her wildest nightmares.

In a magical room beneath the house, Patsy discovers the source of her family's legendary skills: the Ghanaian spider god Anansi. Driven mad by the suffering of the enslaved Africans who worshipped him, Anansi was eventually captured and contained by Patsy's ancestors. With their legacy and the god's imprisonment in the balance, Patsy and her brother, Demetrius, will have to take up their grandmother's mantle—while she can still remember who they are.

Devour is a terrifying new fable that delivers thrills and chills in equal measure.



Jazmine Joyner is a Black disabled nonbinary femme who has been working in various parts of the comics industry for years. They are based in Southern California and have written for *Women Write About Comics*, *The Comics MNT*, and others. *Devour* is their debut graphic novel. Anthony Pugh has worked on various projects in the creative industry, including marketing, advertising, storyboard art, character design, and comic book art. Anthony has worked with companies like IDW, Comedy Central, Ogilvy x Adidas, Kid Robot, and Pepsi Cola.



SELLING POINTS

BREAKOUT TALENT: Jazmine Joyner is well-connected in the comics community and, alongside veteran artist Anthony Pugh, they have created a graphic novel that exemplifies Megascopic's idea of speculative fiction.

VIRAL CHARACTER: With the depiction of Anansi in the *American Gods* TV series becoming the voice of the African American experience, *Devour* is a deeply twisted take on the classic folk hero

SPECULATIVE FICTION AT ITS FINEST: With the success of the graphic novel adaptations of *Kindred*, *Parable of the Sower*, and Abrams' Megascopic titles such as *After the Rain*, Abrams is carving a space in the market as a leader in speculative and Afro-horror graphic novels.

RELEVANT THEMES: Horror as a lens to explore the psychological consequences of racism and white supremacy has become more critically celebrated than ever, with creators such as Jordan Peele receiving mainstream success and critical recognition for using the medium to discuss broader social issues.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 208 pages

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* HEIGHT: 9 1/2" - mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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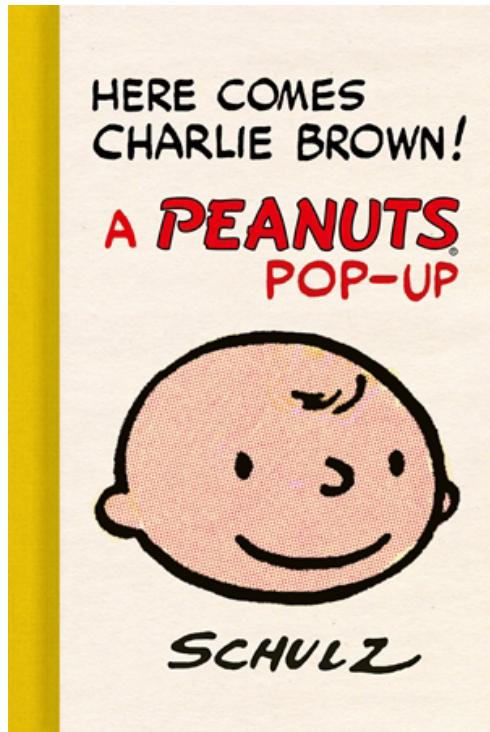
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Here Comes Charlie Brown! A Peanuts Pop-Up

• BY CHARLES M. SCHULZ; PAPER ENGINEERING BY GENE KANNENBERG JR.

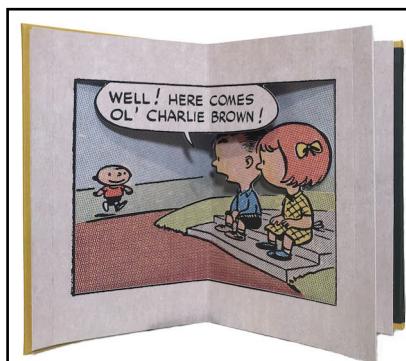
Charlie Brown comes to life like never before in this giftable pop-up book featuring the first-ever Peanuts comic strip



Charles M. Schulz introduced readers to "Good Ol' Charlie Brown" on October 2, 1950, with the publication of the very first *Peanuts* comic strip—considered the most iconic comic of all time. It is also a perfect haiku of art, text, and paranoia, with a variation of the Browning sonnet "How Do I Love Thee?" thrown in for literary measure. Everything that is great about Schulz and *Peanuts* is established right out of the gate in these four perfect panels, which have influenced every comic strip that has followed. With this innovative, palm-sized pop-up book, cartoonist and comics historian Gene Kannenberg, Jr. brings that very first comic strip to life for a whole new generation, as well as for longtime fans of the classic and beloved brand.

Charles M. Schulz (1922–2000) was the legendary cartoonist and creator of the iconic comic strip *Peanuts*. *A Charlie Brown Christmas* (1965) and *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown* (1966) are two of the most successful animated television specials of all time, winning multiple Emmy and Peabody Awards. His archives are located at the Charles M. Schulz Museum in Santa Rosa, California. **Gene Kannenberg Jr.** earned his PhD at the University of Connecticut with a dissertation on text and image in American comics. He is an occasional adjunct professor in art and art history at Columbia College in Chicago, and is on the editorial board of the International Journal of Comic Art. Previously he was chair of the International Comic Arts Festival. Kannenberg has published numerous articles on comics art, including an essay in *The Comics of Charles Schulz: The Good Grief of Modern Life*. Kannenberg creates abstract comics with asemic text, some of which were exhibited at the Minnesota Center for Book Arts. He lives in Evanston, Illinois, where he works at Northwestern University Libraries. **Chip Kidd** is a graphic designer and writer and editor at large for Pantheon. A three-time Eisner Award winner, he has written and designed more than a dozen books on comics, including *Only What's Necessary: Charles M. Schulz and the Art of Peanuts*.

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SELLING POINTS

POWERFUL BRAND: More than 45 million people read the *Peanuts* comic strip every day. *Peanuts* is syndicated in 75 countries, in 21 languages, and in 2,200 newspapers around the world. In 2022, to commemorate Schulz's 100th birthday, the US Postal Service issued a series of 20 stamps featuring his most iconic characters. In addition, new animated content and holiday specials continue to air on Apple TV+. In 2020, *The Snoopy Show* and *Peanuts in Space* both won Emmy Awards and Parents' Choice Gold Circle Awards.

FRESH FORMAT: Kannenberg reimagines the very first *Peanuts* comic strip in this giftable, affordably priced pop-up book.

SERIES LAUNCH: The first of a series, with subsequent volumes focusing on individual characters such as Snoopy, Lucy, Franklin, and the rest of the *Peanuts* gang in their most iconic comic-strip appearances.

CROSS-GENERATIONAL: The interactive format and nostalgic content of this pop-up book is sure to appeal to every generation of *Peanuts* fans.

COVER DESIGN: Celebrated designer and *Peanuts* author Chip Kidd (*Only What's Necessary: Charles M. Schulz and the Art of Peanuts*) designed the cover.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout; pop-up book
* 12 pages

* WIDTH: 4 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 7" - mm

* Hardcover POB

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POP-UP BOOKS, COMIC ART, ENTERTAINMENT

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US \$16.99

Fall Through

• BY NATE POWELL

Love and Rockets meets Russian Doll in this all-new graphic novel about an underground punk band caught in a loop of an eternally repeating tour—from National Book Award-winning cartoonist Nate Powell



At first glance, Diamond Mine seems to have emerged in 1979 as Arkansas' first punk band. Instead, this quartet is revealed to be interdimensional travelers from 1994, guided—largely against their will—by vocalist Diana's powerful spell embedded into their song "Fall Through."

As Diamond Mine tours the country, each performance of the song triggers a fracturing of space-time perceptible only by the band members as they're transported to alternate worlds in which they've never existed, but their band's legend has. That is, until Jody, the band's bassist and the story's protagonist, finds herself disrupting Diana's sorcery, even at the cost of her own beloved work and legacy. While some band members perpetually seek the free space offered by the underground punk scene to escape from their mundane or traumatic lives, others work toward it as a means of expression, connection, and growth—even if that means inevitably outgrowing their beloved band-family altogether.

Master cartoonist Nate Powell has crafted a graphic novel that serves as both a brilliant example of circular storytelling, reminiscent of Netflix's *Russian Doll*, and a love letter to the spirit of punk communities. *Fall Through* will stay with the reader long after they've turned the last page, asking the impossible question: Would you burn down everything you love in order to save it all?

Nate Powell is a National Book Award-winning cartoonist whose work includes *Save It for Later*; civil rights icon John Lewis's March trilogy and its follow-up *Run: Book One; Come Again; Two Dead; Any Empire*; and *Swallow Me Whole*. Powell's work has received four Eisner Awards, two Ignatz Awards, the Comic-Con International Inkpot Award, and multiple ALA and YALSA distinctions. As for his music career, Powell was introduced to the hardcore punk community in 1991, and played in various bands, including underground legends Soopie Nun Squad and Universe. Learn more at www.nate-powell.com.

SELLING POINTS

ACCLAIMED CREATOR: Powell is a National Book Award-winning cartoonist whose work on the historic *March* trilogy and *Run: Book 1* has garnered him national attention both within and outside the comics industry.

AUTHENTIC VOICE: Powell is a longtime veteran of the punk music scene and masterfully delivers a character study that comes both from a place of love for the counterculture and from experience.

PUNK CONNECTIONS: Powell's connections in the music scene ensure that the book will be blubbed by members of high-profile bands including Black Flag, Bikini Kill, and more.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 192 pages

* Hardcover with jacket

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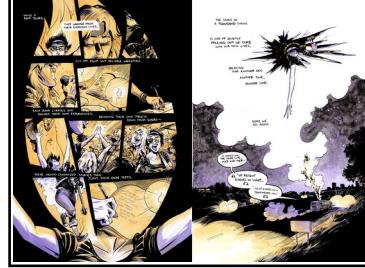
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We Are Not Strangers

● BY JOSH TUININGA

Inspired by a true story, this graphic novel follows a Jewish immigrant's efforts to help his Japanese neighbors while they are incarcerated during World War II



Marco Calvo always knew his grandfather, affectionately called Papoo, was a good man. But when Papoo peacefully passes away, Marco is surprised to see among his close family and friends are mourners he doesn't recognize—Japanese American families. How did these strangers know his grandfather so well?

Set in the multicultural Central District of Seattle during World War II and inspired by author Josh Tuininga's family experiences, *We Are Not Strangers* explores a unique situation of Japanese and Jewish Americans living side by side in a country at war. Following Papoo's perspective, we learn of his life as a Sephardic Jewish immigrant and his friendship with Sam Akiyama, a Japanese man whose life is upended by Executive Order 9066, which authorized the incarceration of nearly all Japanese Americans and residents of Japanese ancestry. Determined to keep Sam's business afloat while he and his family are unjustly imprisoned, he and Papoo create a plan that will change the Akiyama's lives forever.

An evocative and beautifully illustrated historical fiction graphic novel revealing the truth of one man's extraordinary efforts, *We Are Not Strangers* converges two perspectives into a single portrait of a community's struggle with race, responsibility, and what it truly means to be an American.

Josh Tuininga is an author, artist, and designer living in North Bend, Washington. After studying fine art at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, he founded an art and design agency, where he continues to work as its creative director. Tuininga is the author of two children's books: *Why Blue?* (Xist Publishing, 2014) and *Dream On* (Indiegogo campaign, 2019). *We Are Not Strangers*, which has been awarded a 4Culture Heritage Grant, is his first graphic novel.

Praise for *We Are Not Strangers*

"A powerful book about advocating for friends and neighbors during times of great division. An important addition to literature about the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II." —Kazu Kibuishi, author of the Amulet series

"*We are Not Strangers* inspires readers to treat fellow human beings with fairness and dignity. Tuininga wonderfully succeeds in showing and telling a real story with real people in a real time." —Sharon Hashimoto, author of *The Crane Wife and More American*



SELLING POINTS

POPULAR THEMES: *We Are Not Strangers* showcases universal themes of community, lost history, and social responsibility, which are subjects now more crucial than ever. The treatment of Japanese-American people during World War II, in particular, is a subject that has experienced a resurgence of public interest and discussion in recent years.

UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE: Told from the point of view of a Jewish immigrant, Tuininga reveals a completely new and untold side of the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II.

TOPICAL: As the issues of racist law making and displacement remain all too relevant, *We Are Not Strangers* sheds a spotlight on how one man's actions can change the course of history for a community.

EDUCATIONAL CONTENT: The book includes a foreword by celebrated author and Seattle resident Ken Mochizuki, an afterword by noted scholar Devin Naar, and back matter that adds depth and context.

INCREDIBLE COMPS: *The Best We Could Do* and *They Called Us Enemy* are both excellent comps to this story, and given the enormous success of both those titles, we expect to see similar enthusiasm for this work.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 208 pages

* WIDTH: 6 1/2" - 165mm

* HEIGHT: 9 1/2" - 241mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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