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Abrams Appleseed



A HIDE-AND-SEEK BOOK

Hide-and-Seek Mommy

A LIFT-THE-FLAP BOOK

● BY MARTA ALTÉS

Ready or not, here I come! A hilarious hide-and-seek game between toddlers and their loving mothers, who just need a moment to themselves



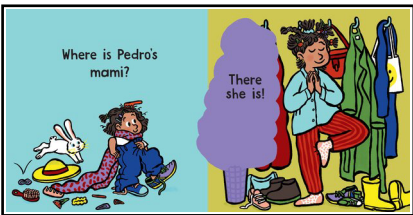
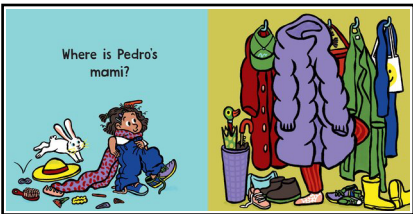
Where is Eric's mommy? There she is! Under the table!
Where is Nora's mom? There she is! Behind the big chair!
Where is Edie's ma? There she is! In the cupboard!
Mommies love playing hide-and-seek . . . even though they're not very good at it!

Charming, funny, and incredibly relatable, *Hide-and-Seek Mommy* is a vibrant peekaboo board book perfect for little seekers and fans of the Karen Katz lift-the-flap books. Featuring different mommies looking to take a breather from their rambunctious little ones, lift the sturdy flaps to reveal where each mommy is hiding. In the final scene, all the mommies have gotten together, and guess who's hiding now?! Young readers will love spotting all the kids' funny hiding places.

With 14 flaps to lift, peer behind a coat or open the cupboard doors to show what Mommy is doing (like enjoying some coffee or getting in some yoga). But not to worry . . . kids love to play hide-and-seek, too! 1, 2, 3 . . . ready or not, here they come!



Marta Altés is the award-winning creator of numerous picture books, including *My Grandpa*, *I Am an Artist!*, *Five More Minutes*, and *Little Monkey*. While living in Barcelona, she earned a degree in graphic design and then moved to the UK to study for an MA in children's book illustration. Since then, her books have been translated into 34 different languages! *My Grandpa* (Abrams BYR, 2013) was an Ezra Jack Keats New Illustrator Award Honoree in the US, and *I Am an Artist!* was long-listed for the Kate Greenaway Medal in the UK. Altés has also won the Read It Again! Award and the Nottingham Children's Book Award, and her first book, *No!*, was short-listed for the Peoples Book Prize and the Waterstones Picture Book Prize. Altés lives in London.



SELLING POINTS

FUNNY TEXT: This text will have children and their guardians laughing with its lighthearted, tongue-in-cheek humor.

CROSSOVER APPEAL: With a snark similar to *Go the F to Sleep*—but much gentler—this is a perfect gift for all parents—new and old—and their energetic little shadows.

NOVELTY ELEMENT: With 14 sturdy flaps to reveal where Mommy is hiding (and how she's using her small moments of self-care), this is perfect for play and honing motor skills.

BRIGHT ILLUSTRATIONS: Bold, vibrant, and accessible, Marta Altés's art is perfect for this age group.

HOLIDAY PROMOTION: With its focus on finding Mommy, this makes for a funny and sweet addition to Mother's Day tables and promotions.

HIDE-AND-SEEK SERIES: We have three more books signed up, with *Hide-and-Seek Santa* coming Fall 2026, just in time for Christmas!

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 30 pages
- * WIDTH: 8" - 203mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Casebound Board Book

PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**

**BOARD BOOK, KIDS
NOVELTY**

ISBN 978-1-4197-8594-8

US \$14.99

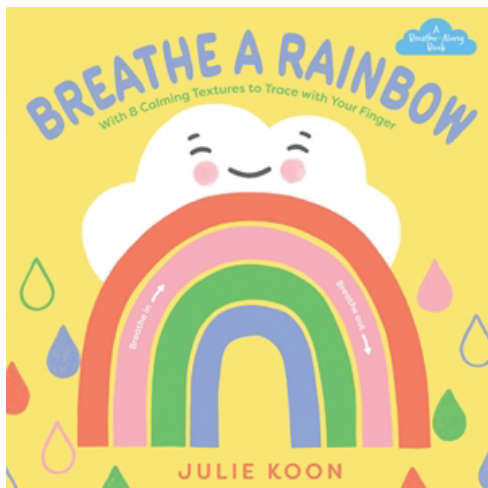
A BREATHE-ALONG BOOK

Breathe a Rainbow (An Interactive Board Book)

WITH 8 CALMING TEXTURES TO TRACE WITH YOUR FINGER

● BY JULIE KOON

Breathe in . . . and breathe out . . . with this unique, interactive board book that offers mindful breathing exercises and calming textures for children to trace with their fingers as they inhale and exhale

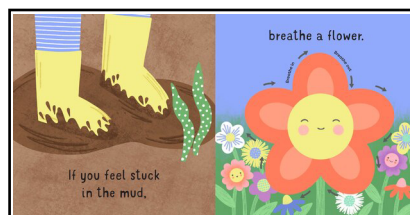


This unique, interactive board book combines textured calming strips and deep-breathing exercises to encourage mindfulness. With inspiring affirmations and a textured calming strip for kids to trace with their fingertips on each spread, this is a wonderful playroom or classroom tool to help lessen anxiety, anger, overstimulation, and many more big emotions little ones may not yet understand how to identify, describe, or regulate.

If you feel stuck in the mud, breathe in and out as you trace the outline of a bright flower's petals. If you feel your worries whirl and swirl, breathe in and out as you trace textured ocean waves. Other shapes include a rainbow, a star, a butterfly's wings, mountain tops, a swirling breeze, and a heart.



Julie Koon is a children's book author and illustrator who loves making sweet and silly books for kids. As a preschool teacher and former school counselor, Koon brings playfulness and heartfelt warmth to each page. She loves helping kids learn positive strategies to cope with big feelings. Koon lives in Massachusetts with her husband, three kids, and two guinea pigs.

**SELLING POINTS**

MINDFULNESS IS KING: Books about the body–mind connection and calming techniques are a hot topic, as shown by the success of *Alphabreaths* and Abrams' own *Am Yoga*.

UNIQUE FORMAT: Calming strips are hugely popular with children and adults alike, and are mostly sold as big stickers, easy to place on desks, phones, and water bottles. Breathing boards are also popular, helping children regulate emotions and master breathing deeply as they trace their fingers along grooved paths. There are no other titles on the market offering breathing boards and calming strips in book form. We're excited to expand our original, novelty board book line with this wonderful title that we think will have major appeal for a wide array of markets!

SERIES POTENTIAL: A second title, focusing on the anxieties surrounding the first day of school, will offer more breathing exercises and delightful, tactile scenes to trace. If this unique format takes off, we have many ideas to expand the series to include seasonal topics, and maybe even licensed characters (trace Captain America's shield to feel brave!).

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout

* 16 pages

* WIDTH: 8" - 203mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm

* **Board Book**

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2026**

**BOARD BOOK, KIDS
NOVELTY**

ISBN 978-1-4197-8043-1

US \$14.99

A HELLO!LUCKY BOOK

My Box of Feelings (A Hello!Lucky Book)

6 MINI BOARD BOOKS!

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

From Sabrina and Eunice Moyle—also known as Hello!Lucky—the superstar creators of *My Mom Is Magical!* and *My Dad Is Amazing!* comes *My Box of Feelings*, a collection of six mini board books all about feelings

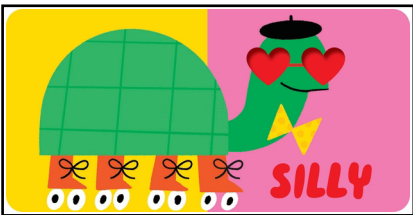
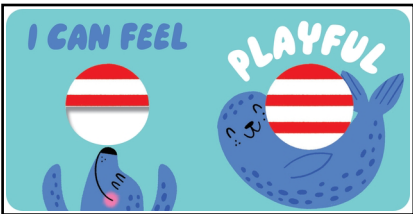


How do you react when you feel angry? Or when you feel love? Or when you feel calm, scared, happy, or sad? Featuring Hello!Lucky's bright, bold art, these six small, sturdy board books explore six big feelings with gentle, guiding text. Perfect for helping little ones identify, describe, and regulate their emotions—Are you furious when you feel mad? Are you focused when you feel calm?—this is a wonderful teaching tool. With one main color per book—red for anger, yellow for happiness, etc.—the bright, graphic treatment of this all-important topic will appeal to young children as much as to their caregivers.

Stacked neatly inside a box, these small board books are perfect for little hands and are easy for caretakers to carry or to keep in a classroom or playroom.



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!*; *Halloween Is a Treat!*; *Easter is Egg-cellent!*; *Sloth and Smell the Roses*; *Go Get 'Em, Tiger!*; *Thanks a Ton!*; *School Is Cool!*; *Bananas for You!*; *A Seed Will Grow*; *Yum, 2, 3!* 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.



SELLING POINTS

SENSATIONAL SALES: More than 2 million combined sales for the Hello!Lucky program!

STRONG FOLLOWING: Hello!Lucky has almost 75,000 followers on Instagram and nearly 70,000 followers on Pinterest.

TOP-SELLING CONCEPT: Books about feelings consistently outsell most other early-childhood concepts.

EMOTIONAL MINDFULNESS: Exploring feelings, how to talk about them, and how to regulate them, this is a perfect SEL tool to help little ones accurately identify their emotions.

KID-SIZE BOOKS: These six sturdy mini-board books come in a resealable box, measuring 3-5/8" x 2-5/8" x 7". Irresistible to little hands, the books can either be stored neatly back inside the box or tossed individually into a shoulder bag for viewing in restaurants, cars, or any on-the-go need.

DIE-CUTS: Each mini-board book features clever die-cuts for a peek-through, interactive element.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 60 pages

* WIDTH: 3 1/2" - 89mm

* HEIGHT: 3 1/2" - 89mm

* Board Book

PUB MONTH: **MAY 2026**

BOARD BOOK, KIDS

NOVELTY

ISBN 978-1-4197-7509-3

US \$16.99

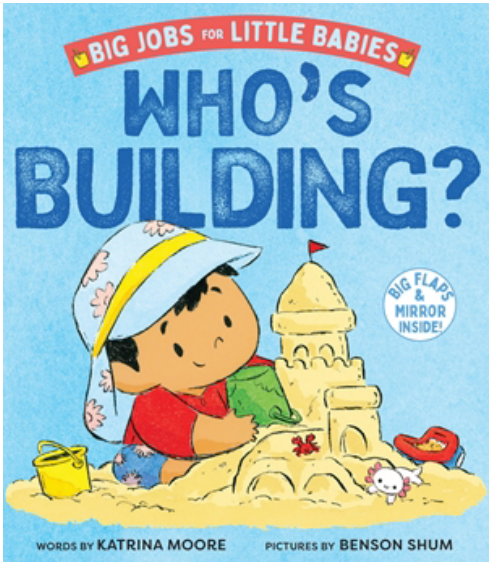
BIG JOBS FOR LITTLE BABIES

Who's Building? (Big Jobs for Little Babies)

A BOARD BOOK

● WORDS BY KATRINA MOORE; PICTURES BY BENSON SHUM

The Big Jobs for Little Babies board book series explores dynamic careers based on baby's favorite activities—in this case, building!



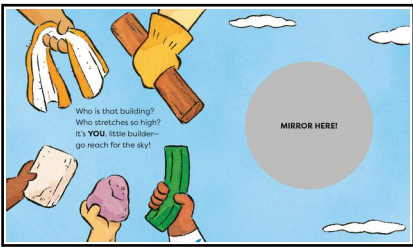
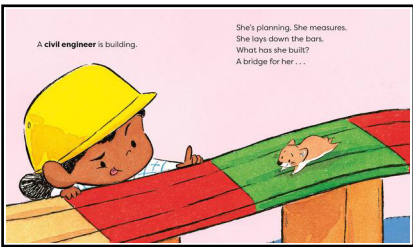
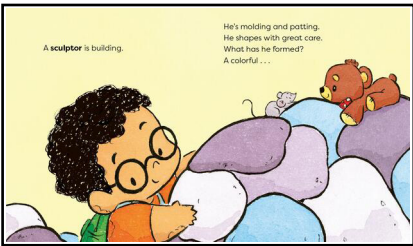
She's stacking each stone with precision and power.
What's Baby made? The fanciest . . . TOWER!

What do a mason, a sculptor, a civil engineer, a carpenter, and a baby have in common? They're all amazing builders, of course!

Big Jobs for Little Babies is a board book series exploring the core basics of major careers and how they relate to a physical activity toddlers love! In *Who's Building?*, take a look into the many vocations that involve building—from a sculptor forming a bear out of colorful clay to a bridge-creating civil engineer! With a fun, simple rhyme, five dramatic gatefold reveals, and a high-quality mirror on the final page of this sturdy board book, *Who's Building?* will nurture the youngest explorer's curiosity about the world and their own bright futures.



Katrina Moore is an author and former educator with more than 13 years of experience across multiple states. She is the author of the humorous *Teeny Houdini* chapter book series, as well as several acclaimed picture books, including *The Star in You*, *Chang'e on the Moon* (a 2024 Bookstagang Best Illustrated book), *Sometimes Love* (a Bank Street College Best Children's Book of the Year), and *Who's Digging?*, the first book in the *Big Jobs for Little Babies* series. She lives in Georgia, with her family. **Benson Shum** is an award-winning children's book author and illustrator. Among his many books for young readers is *Anzu the Great Kaiju*, an ABA Kid's Indie Next Pick and awarded for Outstanding Achievement in Social Emotional Literature by the Children's Literature Council of Southern California (CLCSC). *School Library Journal* called it "a triumph" in a starred review. Aside from writing and illustrating, Shum is also an animation supervisor at the Walt Disney Animation Studios. Originally from Vancouver, British Columbia, Shum now lives in Southern California.



SELLING POINTS

BOOMING CATEGORY: The *Nerdy Babies* board book series continues to have strong sales, and we hope to tap into the same market of explaining concepts in simple, concise ways.

BIG SERIES POTENTIAL: This perfect companion to *Who's Digging?* shows what an opportunity there is to continue growing the *Big Jobs for Little Babies* series on our Appleseed list with a focus on other careers, such as *Who's Swimming?*, *Who's Counting?*, and *Who's Playing?*

NOVELTY FORMAT: This sturdy board book has five gatefolds, perfect for curious little hands, revealing what baby is building, and a sturdy, high-quality mirror on the final page so readers can see themselves in the various roles explored in the book.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 22 pages

* WIDTH: 6 1/2" - 165mm
* HEIGHT: 7 1/2" - 191mm

* Board Book

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2026

BOARD BOOK, KIDS
NOVELTY

ISBN 978-1-4197-7462-1

US \$11.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

Who's Digging? (Big Jobs for Little Babies)

ISBN 978-1-4197-7461-4

US \$11.99 CAN \$14.99

A CURIOUS CRITTERS BOARD BOOK

Odd Bugs (A Curious Crittters Board Book)

MEET NATURE’S WEIRDEST INSECTS

● BY LAURA GEHL; ILLUSTRATED BY GARETH LUCAS

Meet nature’s oddballs in author Laura Gehl and illustrator Gareth Lucas’s engaging board book about some of the most unique insects in the world



Get ready to buzz with excitement! *Odd Bugs* introduces babies and toddlers to highly unusual creepy–crawlies, including a beautiful glasswing butterfly and the treacherous robber fly! Lively rhyming verses provide the comforting repetition that little ones crave, even as their minds are opened to new and fascinating creatures from around the world. At the end of the book, readers will find photographs of each bug, along with more detailed factual information. The eight insects featured are the goliath beetle, Picasso moth, red–headed bush cricket, saddleback caterpillar, robber fly, glasswing butterfly, and the leaf insect.



Laura Gehl is a former science teacher who still loves getting kids excited about science and nature . . . now through her books. Ever since reading about a poop–shooting caterpillar many years ago, she has spent time researching and writing about interesting creatures and their behaviors. Gehl is the author of more than two dozen books for young readers, including *Odd Beasts*, *Odd Birds*, *Who Dug This Hole?*, *Happy Llamakkah*, and *Happy Owl–oween*. Gehl lives with her husband and four kids in Chevy Chase, Maryland. **Gareth Lucas** is an illustrator and designer living in Essex, England, with his wife and five children. After studying at Brighton and Central Saint Martins art schools, he has worked on a variety of projects but enjoys nothing more than illustrating animals, birds, and the natural world. When he is not working, he can be heard indulging his other love–the banjo!



SELLING POINTS

SERIES CONTINUATION: *Odd Bugs* follows critically acclaimed *Odd Beasts*, an ALA Notable title, and *Odd Birds*, a *Kirkus* Best Books of the Year selection; a *School Library Journal* Great Board Books selection; a Cybils Award finalist; a Blueberry Honor Book; and a Bank Street Best Children’s Books of the Year selection, with a starred review in *Kirkus* (“A winning mix of illuminating facts and charming artwork”). Librarian and *SLJ* reviewer/blogger Betsy Bird raved, “If you get only one board book in your collection this year, make it this one. Seriously.”

FRESH >APPROACH: Bugs are a perennial subject, as evidenced by the success of Abrams’ own *Bugblock!* *Odd Bugs* features fascinating creatures that stand apart from more common insect subjects.

EDUCATIONAL HOOK: Age–appropriate facts accompany a stunning illustration of each weird bug, and back matter offers photographs of each critter as well as more detailed information.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 22 pages
- * WIDTH: 7" - 179mm
- * HEIGHT: 7" - 179mm
- * **Board Book**
- PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**
- BOARD BOOK, KIDS NONFICTION**
- ISBN 978-1-4197-8305-0**
- US \$9.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

- Odd Beasts**
- ISBN 978-1-4197-4222-4**
- US \$8.99 CAN \$11.99
- UK £6.99
- Odd Birds**
- ISBN 978-1-4197-4223-1**
- US \$8.99 CAN \$11.99
- UK £6.99

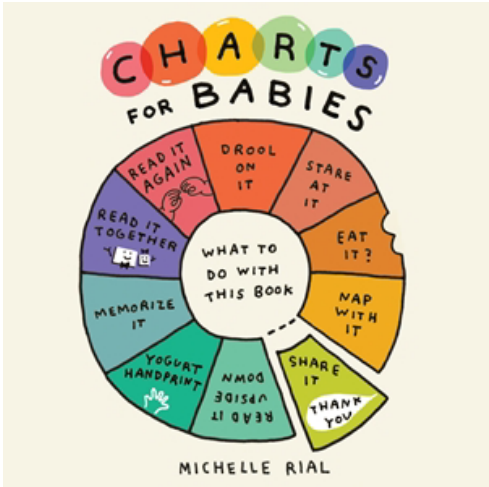
A CHARTS FOR BABIES BOOK

Charts for Babies

A PICTURE BOOK

● BY MICHELLE RIAL

From Michelle Rial, the writer of viral favorite *Am I Overthinking This?*, comes a quirky and delightful picture book exploring multiple early-learning concepts through simple graphic charts and graphs

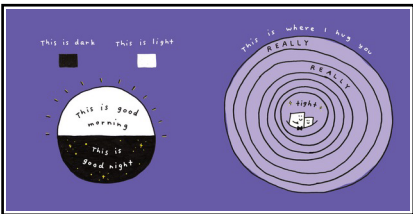
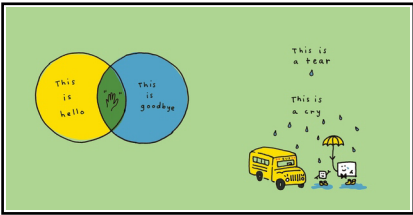
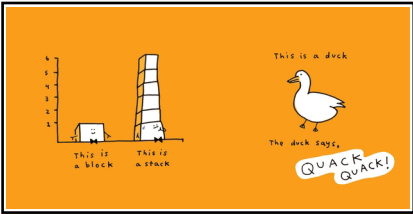


Little charts for big hearts! Through boldly illustrated timelines, pie charts, bar graphs, and Venn diagrams, young readers will learn about colors, opposites, shapes, feelings, and much more in this unconventional STEM picture book with the sweetest ending ever.

Michelle Rial's colorful, graphic style and infectious rhyming text make this a real off-the-charts read-aloud.



Michelle Rial is a graphic designer who makes charts. Named by *Vulture* as one of “9 of the Funniest Cartoonists and Illustrators on Instagram,” she is the author and illustrator of the books *Am I Overthinking This?* and *Maybe This Will Help*, and her work has been featured by *The New Yorker*, *Oprah Daily*, *USA Today*, *Wired*, and more. She lives in the redwoods of California with Lenny, Jude, and Einstein.



SELLING POINTS

CORE CONCEPTS: With rhyming text perfect for read-alouds, this warm, clever book teaches early-learning concepts of colors, opposites, shapes, sounds, and feelings, cleverly represented in bar graphs, pie charts, Venn diagrams, and more!

UNIQUE APPROACH: Utilizing simple graphs, this is a unique STEM-based approach to teaching core educational stepping stones.

GRAPHIC STYLE: Bold and vibrant, Michelle Rial's graphic style in her debut picture book is sure to appeal to young audiences and their caretakers alike.

SPECIFICATIONS

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

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2026**
PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-8518-4
US \$18.99

A POINT-OF-VIEW PICTURE BOOK

Just a Shell . . . or Is It? (A Point-of-View Picture Book)

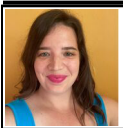
● WORDS BY BECCA MCMURDIE; PICTURES BY PAOLA ESCOBAR

Author Becca McMurdie and Pura Belpré Honor Award–winning illustrator Paola Escobar explore the natural world with appreciation and empathy in this wildly imaginative, summer–themed picture book

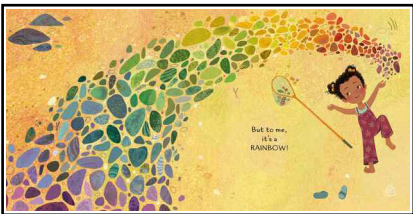
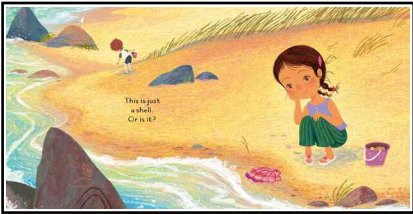


A seashell is just a seashell . . . or is it? To a clam, it's a door. To an octopus, it's a shield. To a young child, it's a treasure! A place to play or a home for critters, the beach can be so many things! And there are so many other exciting things to find hidden in sand dunes and between waves—all it takes is a little shift in perspective.

Perfect for boardwalk strolls, lazy days on beach towels, or in a classroom or a playroom, *Just a Shell . . . or Is It?* promotes creative thinking and empathy for the world around us—and all of its inhabitants—teaching young readers that nothing in nature is “just” what it is, but so much more.



Becca McMurdie is an elementary school teacher and aunt to three amazing nephews by day. At night, she researches and writes children's books. Her first picture book, *Building a Beak: How a Toucan's Rescue Inspired the World*, was a NSTA–CBC Best STEM Book Selection. McMurdie takes trips to climb up mountains, hike through forests, and explore lakes and seashores any chance she gets. She lives in New York City. **Paola Escobar** is a graphic designer and illustrator from Colombia. As a child, she loved drawing the stories told by her grandmother, and it was her dream to become an illustrator for children's books. Today, she is the illustrator of many critically acclaimed picture books, including *A Plate of Hope: The Inspiring Story of Chef José Andrés* and *World Central Kitchen and Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré*, which won a Pura Belpré Honor award, was an Indie Next List Pick, a Junior Library Guild Selection, and a *Today Show* Best Kids' Book. Escobar lives in Bogotá, Colombia, with her husband and their dog, Flora.



SELLING POINTS

NEW PERSPECTIVES: By shifting the reader's perspective to view natural objects from the perspective of animals and plant life, this text gently teaches imaginative, empathic thinking.

SEASONAL HOOK: Perfect for summer promotions and beach blanket read-alouds!

SERIES POTENTIAL: A companion title, *Just a Puddle . . . or Is It?*, is also under contract, with a spring theme. The author has two more seasonal books ready—featuring fall and winter—for a possible continuation.

SPECIFICATIONS

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

PUB MONTH: MAY 2026

PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
NATURE & ENVIRONMENT

ISBN 978-1-4197-8064-6

US \$17.99

100 THINGS

100 Things I Love About School

A PICTURE BOOK

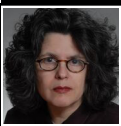
● AMY SCHWARTZ; ILLUSTRATED BY DASHA TOLSTIKOVA

An exuberant tribute to school from award-winning writer Amy Schwartz and illustrator Dasha Tolstikova

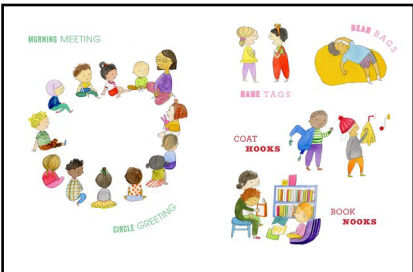


Class pet / The alphabet
Stencils / Pencils!

From Amy Schwartz, beloved author of *100 Things That Make Me Happy*, *100 Things I Love to Do with You*, and *100 Things I Know How to Do*, comes this celebration of all the best things about school. The rhyming text is perfect for classroom or playroom read-alouds, and charming illustrations by Dasha Tolstikova cover everything—big, small, serious, and silly—the littlest scholars look forward to in the classroom.



Amy Schwartz (1954–2023) wrote and illustrated more than 60 highly acclaimed books for young readers. She was best known for her warm, funny, child-centered picture books, including her *100 Things* series, which *Kirkus Reviews* praised in a starred review: “With this trio of books, Schwartz solidifies her place alongside the likes of Kate Greenaway, Gyo Fujikawa, Helen Oxenbury, Shirley Hughes, and Marla Frazee as chroniclers of little ones’ lives.” Schwartz created two *New York Times* Best Illustrated Children’s Books of the Year and won the Christopher Award, the Charlotte Zolotow Award, and the National Jewish Book Award, among others. Few picture book creators of recent times have known so well how to touch and delight young audiences. **Dasha Tolstikova** has written and/or illustrated many books for young readers, including *The Jacket*, a *New York Times* Notable Children’s Book, and *A Year Without Mom*, which *Kirkus* praised in a starred review as “fascinating and heartfelt.” She is honored to be illustrating the fourth book in Amy Schwartz’s *100 Things* series. As a friend and fan of Schwartz’s, Tolstikova hopes she has imbued this book with both the reverence and humor it deserves. Tolstikova lives in Brooklyn with her small dog, Princess Margaret Muffin.



SELLING POINTS

SUCCESSFUL SERIES: *100 Things* continues to net great sales, with over 102,000 combined sales to date.

BACK TO SCHOOL: From snack packs to backpacks, young readers will delight in finding what they’re most excited about in the classroom, making this perfect for back-to-school promotions.

INCREDIBLE DUO: Amy Schwartz (1954–2023) was a prolific and beloved author with a long list of awards and accolades. Using her completed text and early sketches, this latest addition to the *100 Things* series is a collaboration between Schwartz and her friend Dasha Tolstikova, who is honored to be completing this project that was so important to Schwartz.

FUN EXTRA: The double-sided jacket features all the wonderful spot art on the reverse side, which can be used as a poster in bedrooms or classrooms.

SPECIFICATIONS

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

PUB MONTH: JULY 2026
PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-7238-2
US \$18.99

ALSO AVAILABLE

100 Things That Make Me Happy
ISBN 978-1-4197-0518-2
US \$16.95 CAN \$21.95
UK £11.99

100 Things I Know How to Do
ISBN 978-1-4197-4326-9
US \$16.99 CAN \$21.99
UK £11.99

A ONE, TWO, I LOVE YOU BOOK

One, Two, Daddy Loves You

A PICTURE BOOK

● WORDS BY SHELLY BECKER; PICTURES BY DAN YACCARINO

A joyful ode to the special bond between fathers and their daughters from acclaimed creators Shelly Becker and Dan Yaccarino



One, two, Daddy loves you.
Three, four, throat feels sore.
Five, six, soothing sips.
Seven, eight, best play mate.

A young girl and her artist father make the best of a sick day (with an impromptu puppet show, a cupcake-making session, and lots of art supplies) in this heartfelt, rhyming picture book from acclaimed creators Shelly Becker and Dan Yaccarino.



Shelly Becker is the author of *One, Two, Grandma Loves You* and *One, Two, Grandpa Loves You*, both of which received starred reviews from *School Library Journal*. Her other books include *ABCs for a Peaceful Me: A Mindfulness Seek-and-Find Book* and the *Superheroes Are Just Like Us* series. *Kirkus Reviews* called *Even Superheroes Have Bad Days* “an action-packed romp,” and it was a 2018 Blue Spruce Award nominee. Like the main character in *One, Two, Daddy Loves You*, Becker knows the company of a loved one can be the very best medicine. She lives in Toronto, Canada. **Dan Yaccarino** is the internationally acclaimed author and illustrator of more than 50 books for children, many of which have garnered a host of prestigious awards, as well as adaptations into foreign editions, stage productions, and toys. Yaccarino created and produced the animated series *Doug Unplugs*, *Oswald*, and *Willa’s Wild Life*. He is also the designer behind the animated series *The Backyardigans*. More than 2.5 million of his books have been sold to date. He lives in New York City.



SELLING POINTS

STELLAR ILLUSTRATOR: Dan Yaccarino, an acclaimed picture book artist, has won awards such as the Bologna Ragazzi Award and the Parents' Choice Award, among others. He is also the designer behind the animated series *The Backyardigans*.

RHYMING TEXT: Shelly Becker's sweet text is set to the classic rhyme “One, Two, Buckle My Shoe.”

HOLIDAY TIE-IN: With its sweet look into daddy–daughter relationships, this is a must-have gift for dads during any time of year, but especially for Valentine's Day and Father's Day.

PERFECT CONTINUATION: After celebrating grandmothers and grandfathers in *One, Two, Grandma Loves You*, and *One, Two, Grandpa Loves You*, it's time for Papa's turn in the spotlight in this sweet follow-up.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 24 pages
- * WIDTH: 9" - 229mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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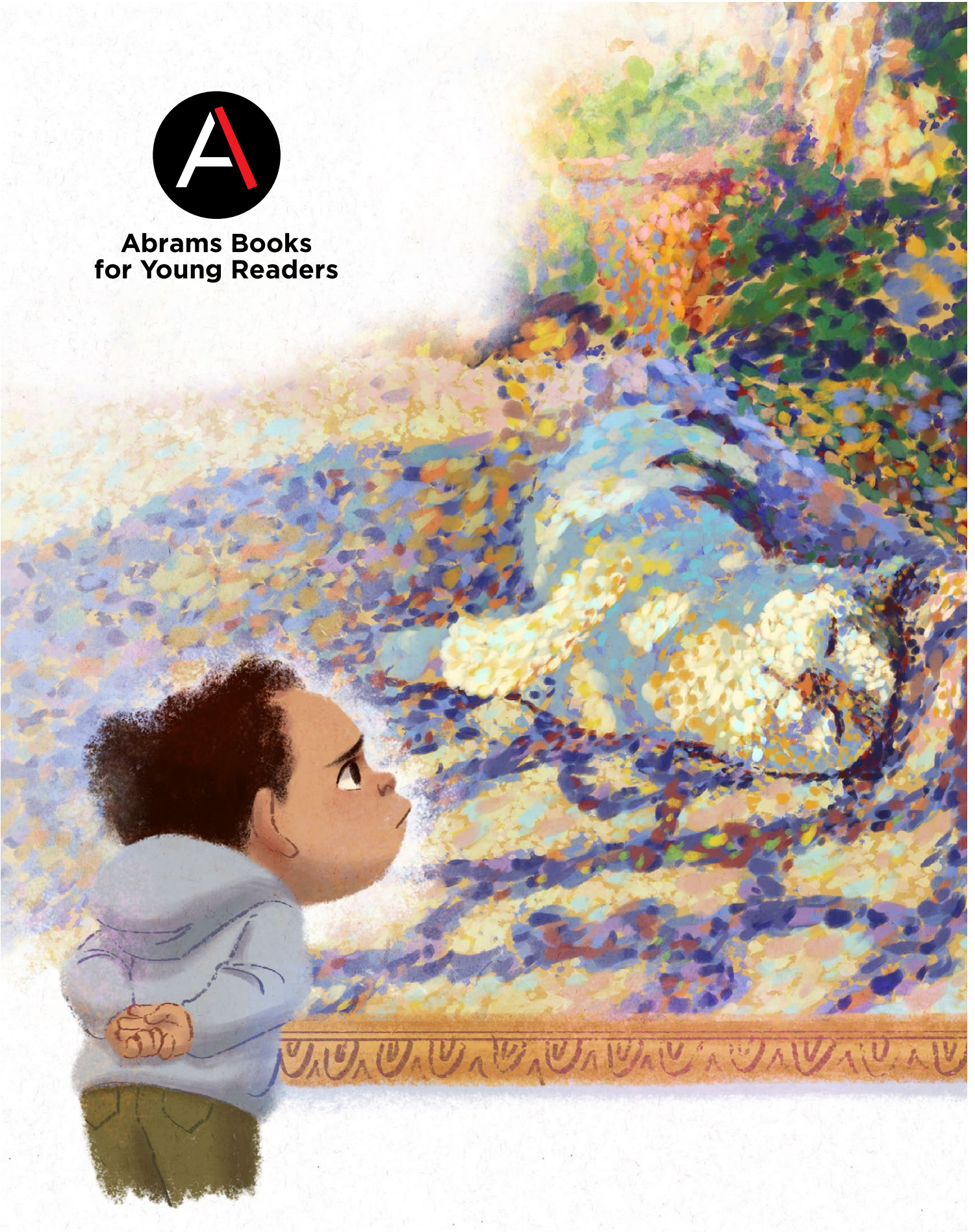
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One, Two, Grandpa Loves You
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**Abrams Books
for Young Readers**



ROBIN'S WORLD

Robin and the Stick

A PICTURE BOOK

● BY E. B. GOODALE

Welcome to Robin’s world! From the creative mind of award-winning author–illustrator E. B. Goodale, Robin is a young child experiencing little triumphs in big ways



Robin had a stick. Robin always had a stick.

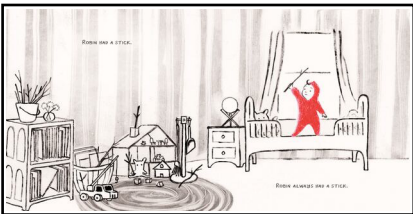
One day, there at the end of the street was the biggest stick, the BEST stick, Robin had ever seen.

Every morning, Mama tells Robin, “Today you are the biggest you’ve ever been!” But *when* will Robin be big enough to *lift that stick*?

Reflecting all of the awe, frustration, and delight inherent in a preverbal child’s perspective of the big world around them, award-winning author–illustrator E. B. Goodale’s Robin marks the debut of an irresistible and relatable character whose bite-size, everyday adventures are perfect for the littlest littles.



E. B. Goodale can often be found wandering in her local arboretum, looking for the perfect stick. She is the author/illustrator of *The Moon Remembers*, *Also*, and *Under the Lilacs*, and has illustrated many other books for children, including *Windows* by Julia Denos, and *The Bees of Notre-Dame* by Meghan P. Browne. She lives with her family under a big old tree in coastal Massachusetts.



SELLING POINTS

EXCITING NEW CHARACTER: Robin stands up next to long-standing favorites like Harold, Maisy, or Olivia. Robin’s stories have a rare, classic-feeling intimacy and wit, and an iconic simplicity and accessibility.

SERIES LAUNCH: We’ve signed up three Robin books at auction and will publish one a season, with *Robin and the Moon* (Fall 2026) and *Robin and the Flowers* (Spring 2027) to follow.

AWARD-WINNING CREATOR: Author–illustrator E. B. Goodale’s many accolades include an Ezra Jack Keats illustration honor and numerous starred reviews and best-of lists.

SPOT-ON FOR YOUNG CHILDREN: Preverbal and with no gender defined, Robin is a pitch-perfect character for stick-loving young children to identify with as they develop.

EYE-CATCHING: With lots of white space, a bright pop of red, and a small trim size perfect for little hands to grab, the Robin books will leap off shelves.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Two-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 7" - 179mm
- * HEIGHT: 7" - 179mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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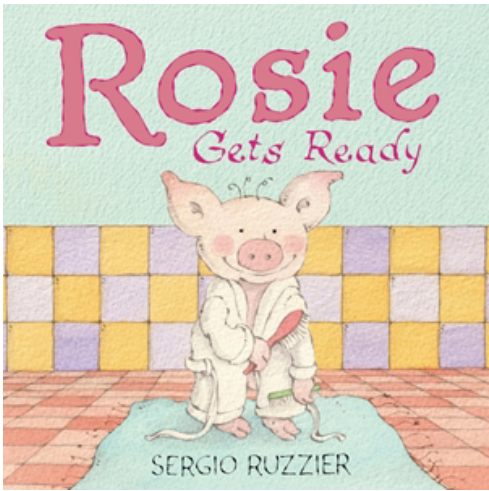
ROSIE'S ROUTINES

Rosie Gets Ready

A PICTURE BOOK

● BY SERGIO RUZZIER

Follow the graceful and tidy—mostly!—morning routine of a cheeky, charming new character, from two-time Geisel-winning author-illustrator Sergio Ruzzier



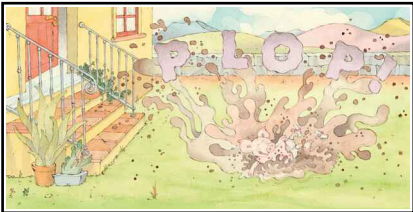
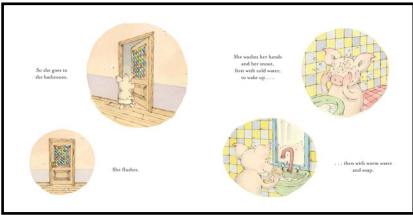
Wake up, wash your hands and snout, soak in the bath, and pick out the perfect outfit—it's time to get ready with Rosie!

Follow one piglet as she prepares for her day, step by careful step. Where is she going, neat as a pin? Just wait and see!

With an endearing new porcine star and his signature offbeat sense of humor, award-winning author-illustrator Sergio Ruzzier presents the perfect read-aloud for little ones and their morning routines.



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



SELLING POINTS

BELOVED, AWARD-WINNING CREATOR: Known for his Geisel-winning books *Fox & Chick: The Party and Other Stories* and *Fish and Wave*, Sergio Ruzzier has received countless accolades and starred reviews, earning him a stellar reputation.

SERIES LAUNCH: The start of a delightful new young picture book series about kids' daily activities, with signature Ruzzier flair! We have a second Rosie book signed up.

DAILY ROUTINES: Kids love routines, which are important ways to provide consistency, and for parents to teach independence and responsibility. Going through a child's morning steps is soothing fun; and #getreadywithme is an increasingly popular trend!

KID HUMOR WITH A TWIST: This young, spare text shines with Ruzzier's offbeat, absurdist sense of humor—particularly with this story's delightful surprise ending!

ADORABLE, UNIQUE ART: Ruzzier's signature settings are welcoming but always quirky and fresh, and his characters are sweet and endearing but never saccharine.

SPECIFICATIONS

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The Real Story
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BEARSUIT TURTLE

Bearsuit Turtle Plays a Game

A PICTURE BOOK

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY BOB SHEA

Two friends invent an imaginative new game in this laugh-out-loud story that captures the silliness of playtime, from award-winning author-illustrator Bob Shea



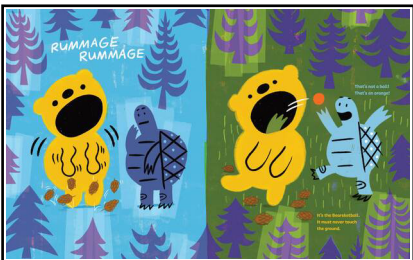
When a bear suit-wearing turtle and his best friend are left to their own devices, the fun and games begin!

Pass the ball, but be careful—the grass is hot lava! As “bearsketball” gets increasingly off-the-wall, the two friends compete to see who can find the biggest stick in the forest, roll down the hill without dropping the ball, and guess the number each one is thinking. Who will be the winner? And what *are* the rules to this game, anyway?

From Bob Shea, author-illustrator of the popular *Dinosaur vs.* series and *Unicorn Thinks He’s Pretty Great*, this charming and hilarious tale is an ode to the joy and freedom of childhood. With true-to-life kid dynamics, offbeat humor, and memorable characters, this picture book companion to *Bearsuit Turtle Makes a Friend* proves that everyone wins when you’re having fun.



Bob Shea has written and/or illustrated over 20 picture books, including the popular *Dinosaur vs.* series, *Unicorn Thinks He’s Pretty Great*, and the *Ballet Cat* early readers series. His most recent picture book, *Chez Bob*, received three starred reviews, with *Booklist* calling it “terrifically funny and surprisingly sweet.” Shea’s characters and animations have appeared on Nick Jr., Playhouse Disney, and PBS Kids.



SELLING POINTS

STAR CREATOR: Bob Shea’s *Dinosaur vs.* series has sold over 150,000 copies across hardcover and board. In addition to strong sales, numerous awards, and starred reviews for his many other author-illustrated books, Shea is also the author of *Who Wet My Pants?*, a 2020 Eisner Award nominee.

NEW STAR CHARACTER: Bearsuit Turtle has quickly become an in-house favorite, and book one is poised to make a splash with readers. This is the second of two picture books signed up in a competitive auction (with hopefully more Bearsuit adventures to come—the possibilities for other stories, formats, and age categories seem endless!).

ENDEARING FRIENDSHIP **STORY:** Imaginative play leads to silly sports-themed adventures between two new friends.

HILARIOUS READ-ALOUD: Shea is known for his kid-perfect sense of humor. This energetic, simple, VERY funny text is perfect fans of Jon Klassen, with a goofier, sweeter sensibility.

KID-FRIENDLY ART: With Shea’s signature spare, graphic style, bold color palette, and visual humor on every spread.

POPULAR ANIMAL: Turtles are evergreen favorite characters in picture books.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
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SALLIE BEE

Sallie Bee Says "I'm Sorry"

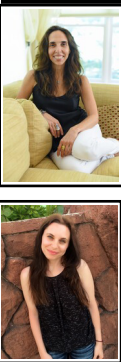
A PICTURE BOOK

- WRITTEN BY SUSAN VERDE AND COURTNEY SHEINMEL; ILLUSTRATED BY HEATHER ROSS

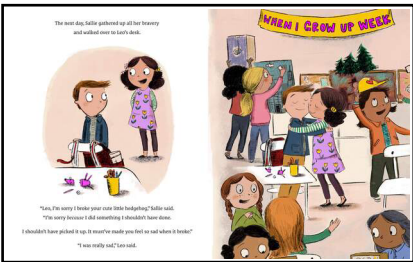
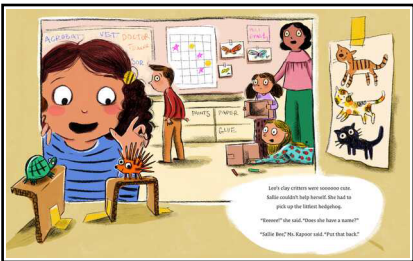
Sallie Bee learns how to apologize authentically in this funny and encouraging companion to *Sallie Bee Writes a Thank-You Note* from *New York Times* bestselling author Susan Verde, Courtney Sheinmel, and Heather Ross



Sallie Bee didn't mean to break Leo's project, but it wasn't her fault! Someone left a pencil on the floor—of *course* she tripped! She tries to make it better. A knock-knock joke? Check. A snickerdoodle? Yum. A quick "sorry"? Done! So why is Leo still upset? Maybe because Sallie hasn't thought about *how* Leo feels—or added the most important part to her apology: the *because*. Time for a do-over. With a little courage and a lot of heart, Sallie is ready to make things right—for real. *Sallie Bee Says "I'm Sorry"* is a warm, relatable story about taking responsibility, offering true apologies, and learning from our mistakes. Includes an author's note with steps for saying "sorry"



Susan Verde is the author of many picture books including the *New York Times* bestselling *I Am* series with Peter Reynolds. In addition to writing books, she is a certified yoga and mindfulness instructor for kids of all ages. She lives in East Hampton, New York, with her three children, a cat, a dog, and a tarantula. **Courtney Sheinmel** is a chocolate lover, mac 'n' cheese expert, mom to Archer, and the author of over 30 books for kids and teens, including the Stella Batts and *My Pet Slime* series for young readers. Sheinmel and her family live in New York City. **Heather Ross** is an illustrator, author, and textile designer. She is the author-illustrator of *Boys: An Illustrated Field Guide* and *How to Catch a Frog* and has illustrated picture books such as *How to Behave at a Tea Party* and *Crafty Chloe*. She also wrote the bestselling craft books *Weekend Sewing* and *Heather Ross Prints*. She lives just outside New York City and in the Catskill Mountains with her husband and daughter.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING AUTHOR:

Cowriting with Courtney Sheinmel, Susan Verde is Abrams' *New York Times* bestselling author of the *I Am* series (over 2 million copies sold across formats).

STAR ILLUSTRATOR:

Known for her two bestselling craft books and her authentic, whimsical kid characters seen in *Boys: An Illustrated Field Guide* and the *Crafty Chloe* picture books, Heather Ross is a beloved children's book artist.

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL

LEARNING: With a compassionate, accessible approach to conflict resolution that never feels too didactic, this story shows kids that a good apology takes self-reflection, honesty, responsibility, and bravery—and plenty of practice.

FUNNY READ-ALOUD: The authors get their point across with plenty of lighthearted humor, creating a story kids will love to read and that is perfect for sharing at home and in classrooms.

BACK MATTER: Includes tips from the authors on how to apologize, like being specific about what you're sorry for (no buts!) and thinking about what you can do to make things better.

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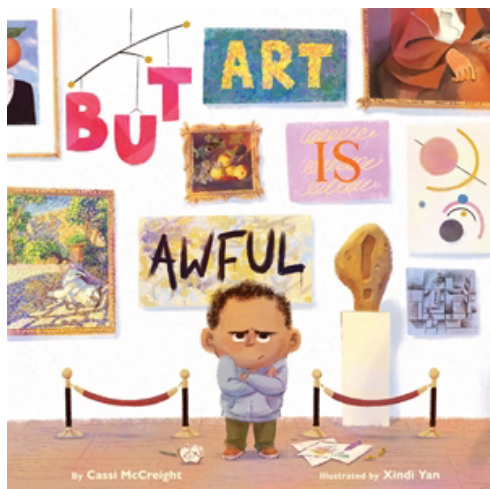
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But Art Is Awful!

A PICTURE BOOK

● BY CASSI MCCREIGHT; ILLUSTRATED BY XINDI YAN

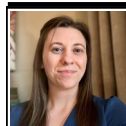
A hilarious picture book about an endearing little crank who thinks the museum is absolutely awful . . . or is it actually awesome?



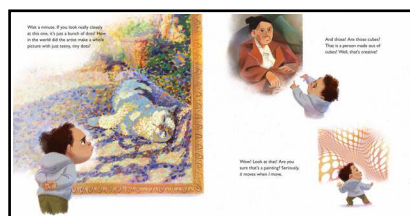
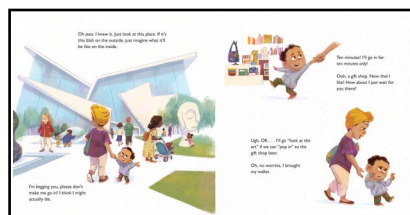
Art can be a lot of things—wondrous, inspiring, transformative . . . but mostly it's *boring*!

And visiting an art museum? *Double boring*! Come along with a curmudgeonly young boy—who's more interested in finger painting his cat than “admiring art”—as he's begrudgingly taken to the local museum by his well-meaning mother. Seriously, what's so great about scribbles and squares and dots? OK, sure, that portrait made of cubes is kind of cool. And those sculptures made of clay are pretty awesome . . . *Gasp*! Maybe he does like art after all?! Well, would that be so awful?

Witty and informative (but never boring!), author Cassi McCreight and Xindi Yan, illustrator of the *New York Times*–bestselling *Busy Betty* series, have paired up to create a laugh-out-loud romp all about art appreciation. With nods to famous artists and art movements on every page, and back matter explaining each movement through a kid-friendly voice, young readers will soon find themselves eager to visit their local art museum or make masterpieces of their own.



Cassi McCreight grew up in Fort Worth, Texas, loving her local libraries and museums. She is rather better at writing stories than drawing pictures, so, she decided to make art with words. She writes books for children of all ages that are usually funny and at least slightly educational. Cassi still lives nearby her beloved childhood museums and visits them with her husband and two sons as often as they'll agree to go (and even when they don't!). **Xindi Yan** grew up in China and LOVED art and art museums. She moved to New York to realize her dream of being a published artist. Yan graduated from Pratt Institute and has worked as an illustrator for the gaming industry and children's media. She has illustrated many picture books, including Reese Witherspoon's *Busy Betty* series and *Grandpa Grumps* series by Katrina Moore. Living in Brooklyn, she is so happy to be living her dream drawing every day.



SELLING POINTS

ILLUSTRATOR ON THE RISE:

Xindi Yan is the illustrator for the *Busy Betty* series written by Reese Witherspoon, which boasts nearly 170,000 sales on Bookscan.

KID HUMOR:

Featuring a lovably snarky boy, Cassi McCreight's text will have readers giggling as they learn.

EDUCATIONAL:

This is a perfect introduction to art history with (totally not awful) back matter explaining the significance of each art movement and style shown in the illustrations.

SERIES POTENTIAL:

Informative without being stuffy, we think this has big series potential. McCreight is eager to expand into different subjects like mathematics, science, music, and more.

SPECIFICATIONS

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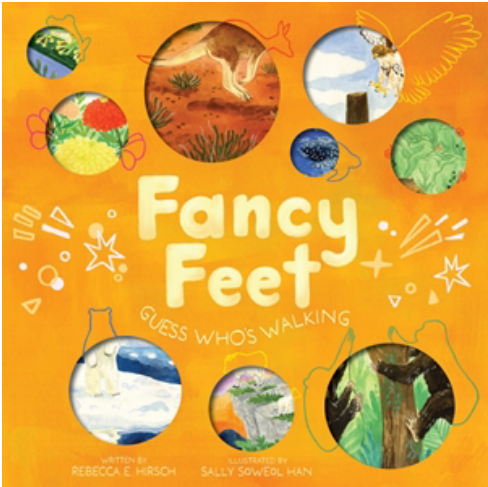
NATURE RIDDLES AND RHYMES

Fancy Feet

GUESS WHO'S WALKING (THE NATURE RIDDLES AND RHYMES SERIES)

● WRITTEN BY REBECCA E. HIRSCH, ILLUSTRATED BY SALLY SOWEOL HAN

From the slimy snail to the jumping kangaroo, kids will delight in learning about the many fantastic feet of our world in this nonfiction picture book guessing game and companion to *Wonder Wings* from critically acclaimed creators Rebecca E. Hirsch and Sally Soweol Han

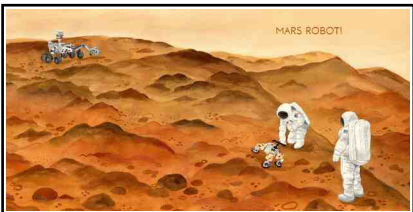


Feet can dawdle, feet can dash.
Feet can spring and swing and splash.
Turn the pages, read the clues.
Can you guess whose feet are whose?

Some feet swing from vines, some feet fly through the air, and some feet carry us to other worlds. Can you guess who these feet belong to?
Learn about the fantastic world of feet through rhyming riddles that will encourage little readers to guess along with every page turn. From butterflies to dinosaurs, garden snails to polar bears—each set of feet is unique, and each gets its due in this delightful nonfiction picture book.



Rebecca E. Hirsch is the award-winning author of over 80 books for young readers. A plant biologist by training, Hirsch enjoys sharing her love of science and inviting children to discover the natural world. She lives in a college town in the mountains of Pennsylvania, where she writes, grows gardens, bakes bread, tends a small flock of chickens, and goes for long walks in the woods with her dog. **Sally Soweol Han**'s passion lies in portraying poetic and lyrical narratives, allowing her to construct a visual language and push the boundaries of her imagination. She is dedicated to illustrating picture books, with the hope to bring warmth and joy to readers of all age groups.



SELLING POINTS

READ-ALOUD DELIGHT: Rebecca E. Hirsch's clever, info-packed riddles encourage kids to guess whose feet they are learning about. With a new riddle on every page, this is sure to be a storytime favorite.

EDUCATIONAL HOOK: The riddles in the rhyming text teach kids about the functions of all different kinds of feet. Additional back matter explains the mechanics of different feet as well as the ways each creature uses their special feet to move.

EYE-CATCHING PACKAGE: With a beautiful die-cut jacket, kids will get a peek at the fun guessing element of the story. This one is sure to stand out on bookstore shelves and gift shop tables.

CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED AUTHOR: Rebecca E. Hirsch is a star in the nonfiction picture book world. Her work has received a constellation of starred reviews and frequently finds its way onto best of the year lists.

SPECIFICATIONS

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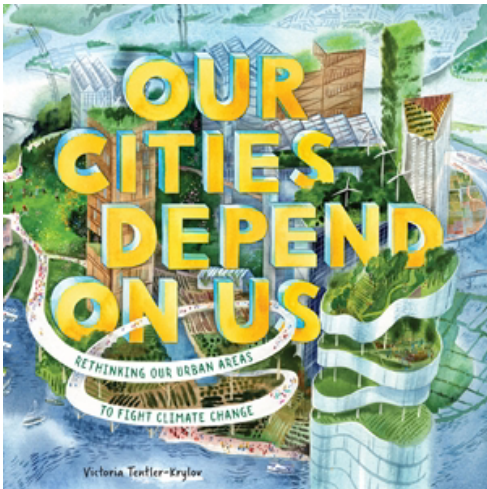
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Our Cities Depend on Us

RETHINKING OUR URBAN AREAS TO FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE (A PICTURE BOOK)

● BY VICTORIA TENTLER-KRYLOV

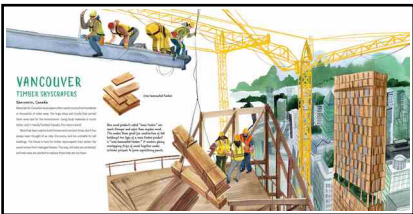
Acclaimed author–artist Victoria Tentler–Krylov highlights cities that are fighting climate change around the world in this gorgeously illustrated picture book about sustainability and green building



As people, animals, and even plants all over the world face environmental changes—rising sea levels, droughts, frequent and intense hurricanes and floods, and more—our cities must adapt. We hear the terms “greenhouse effect” and “global warming,” but what do they mean? And can cities be rethought to not only fight climate change but to become more sustainable and meet the varying needs of their populations? From the living roofs of Singapore to the Netherlands’ floating parks made of recycled trash, and innovative environmental efforts like transforming the Chicago River and saving the sinking city of Venice, many cities around the world have been incorporating new ways to fight these issues head-on. In *Our Cities Depend on Us*, author–illustrator and architect Victoria Tentler–Krylov shows young readers how cities around the world are taking action and how we must reimagine our urban areas to protect their history and more importantly provide them and us a future.



Victoria Tentler–Krylov is an architect turned children’s book author and artist, as well as an editorial illustrator. In addition to award–winning children’s books, she has created multiple covers for *The New Yorker*, and her editorial illustrations appear in the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, and other publications. *The Horn Book* says Tentler–Krylov’s illustrations “exude energy and power.” She lives with her family just outside of New York City.



SELLING POINTS

ACCLAIMED ARTIST: In addition to many starred reviews, Victoria Tentler–Krylov’s accolades include the 2022 Goddard Riverside CBC Youth Book Prize for Social Justice, a 2023 Jane Addams Peace Association Children’s Book Award Honor, a RISE Feminist Book selection, an Oregon Book Award Finalist, a *Horn Book* Fanfare pick, and a *Kirkus* Best Book.

EARTH DAY: Touching on climate change and sustainability, this title is the perfect purchase for Earth Day (April 22, 2026).

LUSH ARTWORK: Perfect for museums and gift stores, Tentler–Krylov’s exquisite watercolors have been recognized with an Ezra Jack Keats Illustrator Honor and a Silver Medal at the Society of Illustrators’ Original Art Show.

SPECIFICATIONS

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- * 40 pages
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Tiny Garden

A PICTURE BOOK

● BY DEBORAH UNDERWOOD; ILLUSTRATED BY JAX CHOW

On a street that covets big, showy gardens, Andrew sets out to grow his own tiny garden in this picture book about slowing down, appreciating the little things, and staying true to yourself. From bestselling, award-winning author Deborah Underwood and debut illustrator Jax Chow



Andrew loves plants, but he's overwhelmed by the fancy plots in his neighborhood—too big, too tall, too much.

With soil, seeds, water, and patience, Andrew's tiny garden blooms into a size his neighbors may not understand, but that's perfect for tiny leaves, tiny colors, and tiny visitors.

Beloved author Deborah Underwood's ode to cultivating and caring for one small rectangle of the world, paired with Jax Chow's exquisite debut illustrations, is also about caring for oneself—and staying true to both, no matter what.



Deborah Underwood is the author of numerous books for kids, including the Caldecott Honor book *Outside In* and the *New York Times* bestsellers *The Quiet Book*, *The Loud Book*, and *Here Comes the Easter Cat*. She lives in Northern California with her feline muse, Bella.



Jax Chow is inspired by her experiences in different corners of the country. In Jacksonville, Florida, she grew up surrounded by an amazing extended family of cousins and friends. Next she fell in love with the beautiful landscape of New England, where she received a BA in fine arts at Amherst College. She earned a master's degree in Chinese art history at the University of Washington, built a career as a fashion designer in New York City and has now found her forever home and vocation in Portland, Oregon, as a children's book illustrator. When not painting and drawing with gouache, watercolor, crayons and pencils, her favorite place to be is in a big forest with her little family.



SELLING POINTS

ACCLAIMED AUTHOR: Deborah Underwood is the *New York Times* bestselling author of over 30 books for young readers, including the 2020 Caldecott Honor book *Outside In* and the classic *The Quiet Book* (over 100,000 copies sold).

SLOW DOWN: Encourages readers to notice and appreciate their environment, while reminding them that good things often take time to grow.

FOR NATURE LOVERS: A love letter to gardening that inspires kids to dig into the dirt and care for the tiniest creatures.

SELF-CARE & MINDFULNESS: With a determined protagonist who never strays from his goal, despite negativity from others, this story touches on themes of staying true to yourself and spending time on the things that bring you joy.

POPULARITY OF GARDENING: Gardening is a popular topic in children's books, with successful examples ranging from the award-winning *The Curious Garden* and *Grandpa Green* to influencer Joanna Gaines's bestselling *We Are the Gardeners*.

DEBUT ILLUSTRATOR: Jax Chow brings a vibrant multimedia approach to her picture book debut.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Four-color illustrations throughout
- * 32 pages
- * WIDTH: 8" - 203mm
- * HEIGHT: 10" - 254mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**

PICTURE BOOK, KIDS
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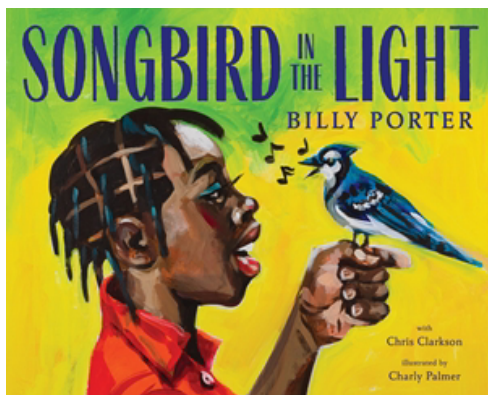
US \$18.99

Songbird in the Light

A PICTURE BOOK

● BY BILLY PORTER, WITH CHRIS CLARKSON; ILLUSTRATED BY CHARLY PALMER

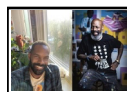
From beloved Broadway icon Billy Porter, rising-star author Chris Clarkson, and award-winning illustrator Charly Palmer comes a beautiful picture book about the power of finding your voice



Mama says her little boy is a songbird with a voice bigger than his whole body. But at school, his classmates make fun of the way he walks and the way he talks—which makes him feel like a songbird too shy to sing.

With the encouragement of his choir teacher, he embraces his talent, realizing that his voice is unique and distinct. When it's time for the school showcase, he's finally ready to embrace his joyful talent and share it with the world.

From Emmy, Grammy, and Tony Award winner Billy Porter, rising star Chris Clarkson, and award-winning illustrator Charly Palmer comes a beautiful and empowering story about learning to love yourself.



Billy Porter is an actor, singer, director, composer, and playwright from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He is the winner of the 2019 Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Drama Series for his portrayal of Pray Tell in *Pose*—the first openly gay Black man to be nominated and win in any lead acting category. Porter is also the winner of the 2013 Tony, Grammy, Drama Desk, and Outer Critics Circle Awards for his groundbreaking performance as Lola in *Kinky Boots*. **Chris Clarkson** is the author of *Chloe and the Fireflies*, *Where Did Benjamin Go?*, and *That Summer Night on Frenchmen Street*. Clarkson lives in New Orleans, where he's building a collection of notebooks filled with stories waiting to be brought to life. **Charly Palmer** is a Coretta Scott King/John Steptoe New Talent Award and Children's Africana Book Award-winning illustrator and a renowned and fine artist. His work includes his Black Heritage Stamp design honoring Judge Constance Baker Motley, *Time* magazine's "America Must Change" cover, the 75th anniversary edition of *NBA 2K22*, and the award-winning *The New Brownies' Book: A Love Letter To Black Families*, which he coauthored.



SELLING POINTS

SUPERSTAR AUTHOR: Billy is an international superstar, an Emmy, Grammy, and Tony Award-winning artist, and his memoir—*Unprotected*—sold nearly 75,000 copies. He has over 2 million followers on social media and a legion of fans who can't wait to get their hands on his picture book debut.

AWARD-WINNING

ILLUSTRATOR: Charly Palmer was awarded the 2018 John Steptoe New Talent Award from the Coretta Scott King Book Awards Committee. His books have received a constellation of starred reviews and found a place on numerous best of the year lists.

EVERGREEN THEMES: The central theme of being proud of who you are shines through in this beautiful story that celebrates a child finding his voice, inspired by Porter's own experience.

BLACK JOY: There is a huge need for more picture books that celebrate Black joy in the market, and with its stunning illustrations and emotional text, *Songbird in the Light* is the perfect book for readers looking to bring more Black joy to their bookshelves.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations

throughout

* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 10 1/2" - 267mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm

* **Hardcover, Jacketed,**

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PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**

PICTURE BOOK

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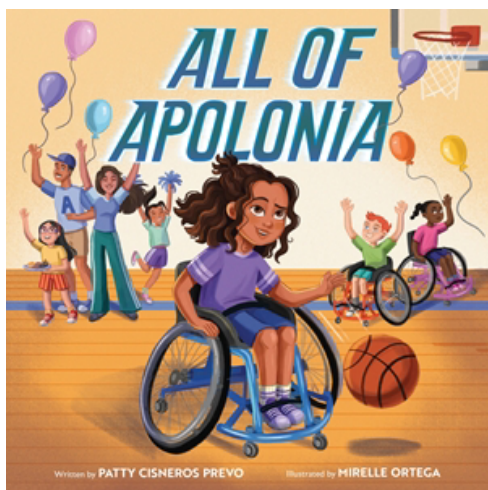
US \$19.99

All of Apolonia

A PICTURE BOOK

- BY PATTY CISNEROS PREVO, ILLUSTRATED BY MIRELLE ORTEGA

From two-time Paralympic gold medalist Patty Cisneros Prevo and award-winning illustrator Mirelle Ortega comes a slam-dunk bilingual picture book about a wheelchair basketball player and her search for belonging—perfect for fans of *Just Ask!*



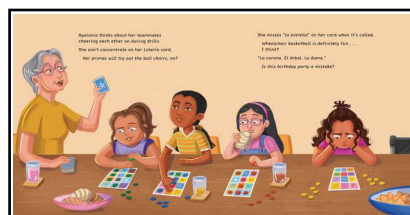
It's Apolonia's birthday, and she can't wait to celebrate with her teammates and her cousins. Mamá's rented extra wheelchairs so her primas can join her for a game of wheelchair basketball, and Papá's making arracheras and tres leches cake for all of her guests.

But as the party approaches, Apolonia starts to worry that her two worlds are on a collision course. Her teammates want pizza and ice cream, and her cousins think wheelchair basketball sounds weird. Apolonia wonders if this birthday party is a mistake, but with a little help from Mamá, she realizes that her community wants to celebrate her—every part of her.

In this beautiful bilingual story, two-time Paralympic gold medalist Patty Cisneros Prevo and award-winning illustrator Mirelle Ortega explore the fears many kids have about fitting in and recognize the joy of being celebrated for exactly who they are.



Three-time Paralympian **Patty Cisneros Prevo** was a member of the U.S. Women's Wheelchair Basketball Team for 10 years. As captain in 2008, she led Team USA to its second consecutive gold medal after winning gold in 2004. In 2021, Cisneros Prevo was appointed to the Congressional Commission on the State of the U.S. Olympics & Paralympics. Cisneros Prevo's first picture book, *Tenacious: Fifteen Adventures Alongside Disabled Athletes*, focuses on 15 individuals with physical disabilities and their major life and athletic accomplishments. **Mirelle Ortega** is a Mexican storyteller and author-illustrator of *River of Mariposas* and *Magic: Once Upon a Faraway Land*, for which she received a Pura Belpré Illustrator Honor. She now lives in Los Angeles, California.



SELLING POINTS

BILINGUAL TEXT: With the rising demand for bilingual picture books, Patty Cisneros Prevo's organic use of both English and Spanish is sure to be appreciated by readers.

CELEBRATING BELONGING:

There is a huge need for more picture books that center disabled BIPOC characters. *All of Apolonia* is a joyful and intersectional story that explores Apolonia's identity as a Mexican and disabled character, and it's sure to appeal to gatekeepers looking to make their bookshelves more inclusive.

AWARD-WINNING

ILLUSTRATOR: Mirelle Ortega's book *Magic: Once Upon a Faraway Land* received a Pura Belpré Illustration Honor, and *School Library Journal* called her *River of Mariposas* "heartfelt" in a starred review.

STAR-POWER AUTHOR:

Cisneros Prevo is a two-time Paralympic gold medalist and was a member of the U.S. Women's Wheelchair Basketball Team for 10 years. Her debut picture books, *Tenacious: Fifteen Adventures Alongside Disabled Athletes*, was a JLG Gold Standard Selection and received a starred review from *Booklist*. *All of Apolonia* will include a personal note from Cisneros Prevo in the back matter.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 40 pages

* WIDTH: 9 1/2" - 241mm

* HEIGHT: 9 1/2" - 241mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**

PICTURE BOOK

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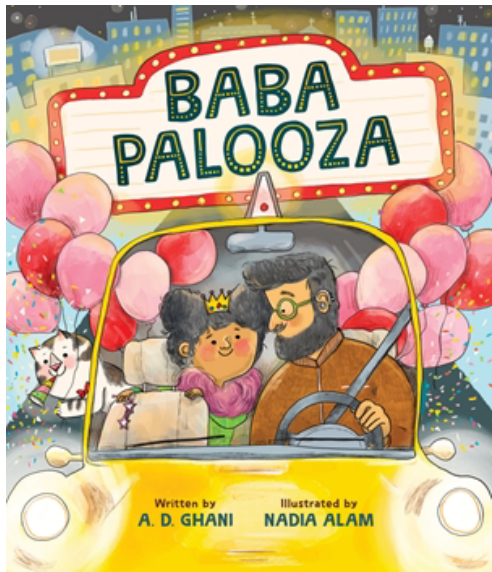
US \$18.99

Baba Palooza

A PICTURE BOOK

● WRITTEN BY A. D. GHANI; ILLUSTRATED BY NADIA ALAM

My Papi Has a Motorcycle meets Bilal Cooks Daal in this sweet father–daughter story that celebrates hardworking immigrant parents



When Aizah rides with her dad on Saturday mornings, she feels like a movie star—Baba in the driver’s seat, her in the back. Baba’s taxi seems brighter and the world seems bigger when they’re together.

Baba works long hours, so he can’t walk Aizah home from school and they rarely get to eat dinner together, but they still squeeze in family time however they can. So when Baba has to miss her school’s daddy–daughter dance, Aizah plans something SUPER–DUPER–EXTRA–SPECIAL to surprise him.

Spotlighting a Pakistani American Muslim family, this universal picture book is a proud love letter to working class parents, immigrants, and dads everywhere.



A. D. Ghani is a writer and elementary school teacher in Illinois. She is a recipient of the prestigious Fulbright grant and a second–place winner in the 2021 Illinois Emerging Writers statewide poetry contest. When not writing, she can be found either learning everything she can about anything she can or sitting in amazement at the fact that someone, somewhere, is reading a bio about her in her debut book. **Nadia Alam** is a Bangladeshi Canadian illustrator and avid daydreamer. She has illustrated many books, including *The Wishing Machine*, *Awake, Asleep*, *Many Things at Once*, and *The House Without Lights*. When she’s not drawing, you can find her zooming around Toronto with her two lovely kids and dog, Momo.



SELLING POINTS

FATHER’S DAY: An adoring child goes the extra mile to show her dad how special he is in this fresh, universally appealing story for fathers and daughters everywhere.

IMMIGRANT FAMILY: Children of immigrants and of parents who work long hours will be able to relate to squeezing in special “together time.”

SOUTH ASIAN

REPRESENTATION: Spotlights a Pakistani American Muslim family.

DEAF REPRESENTATION: Baba, who is hard of hearing, wears hearing aids in both ears and uses Pakistan Sign Language.

PERFECT PAIR: A. D. Ghani’s jubilant debut picture book beams with love, humor, and kid–perfect voice, while Nadia Alam (whose picture books have received an Indie Next pick, a Bank Street best nods, and several starred reviews) lends extra tenderness and captures the narrator’s big imagination.

PERSONAL AUTHOR’S NOTE: This story is inspired by Ghani’s father, who was ashamed of being a taxi driver, although she felt nothing but proud and provided for as a child.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 9" - 229mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2026**
PICTURE BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-7715-8
US \$18.99

Three Pieces of Broken Glass

A PICTURE BOOK

● BY EMILY BARTH ISLER; ILLUSTRATED BY VESPER STAMPER

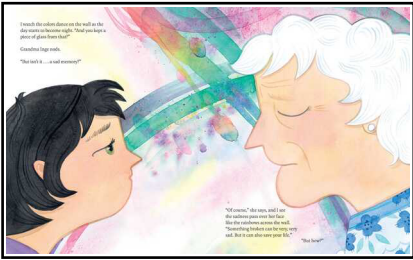
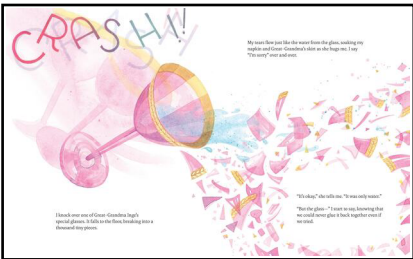
From award-winning creators Emily Barth Isler and Vesper Stamper, this luminous and moving story shows what it means to see the world in a hopeful light, even when it is broken



Three pieces of broken glass sit on Grandma Inge's windowsill. Even though they are small, sharp, and jagged, the light shines through them, casting beautiful rainbows on the wall. When Inge's great-granddaughter asks why Inge has kept these shards, she learns decades-old stories from her great-grandmother's life—from the joy of glass breaking at her wedding to harrowing reminders of smashed windows during Kristallnacht. And she comes to understand why we hold onto our memories both happy and sad. Evocative and soul-stirring, and with incandescent illustrations by Vesper Stamper, *Three Pieces of Broken Glass*—based on the personal history of author Emily Barth Isler—explores how we must seek to find beauty and strength in even the darkest, most broken times.



Emily Barth Isler is the award-winning author of the middle grade novels *AfterMath* and *The Color of Sound*. Her writing has appeared in *Allure*, *Oprah Daily*, *O Quarterly*, *Kveller*, *Publisher's Weekly*, *Today.com*, and more. As the cofounder of the Burbank Book Festival in Southern California, Isler loves providing opportunities for all kinds of stories to be heard. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband and their two kids. **Vesper Stamper** writes and illustrates books that tell stories of broken things being put back together. Her debut novel, *What the Night Sings*, was a Sydney Taylor Book Award winner, a National Book Award nominee, and a National Jewish Book Award finalist. She and her husband, Ben Stamper, have all sorts of artistic escapades near New York City, where Vesper teaches illustration at the School of Visual Arts.



SELLING POINTS

AWARD-WINNING

ILLUSTRATOR: Vesper Stamper is a mega-award-winning author and illustrator whose accolades include National Book Award finalist and Morris Award finalist (for her illustrated YA, *What the Night Sings*), as well as multiple Sydney Taylor Book Award medals.

ACCLAIMED AUTHOR'S

PERSONAL STORY: Emily Barth Isler's middle-grade novels *The Color of Sound* and *Aftermath* earned her multiple awards and starred reviews. This picture book is based on her own family history and the story of her husband's grandmother, Inge Isler.

NUANCED JEWISH CONTENT:

Both story and back matter explore Jewish tradition, such as the breaking of glass at weddings; painful Jewish history, including Kristallnacht and the Holocaust; and elements of Jewish identity and philosophy such as tikkun olam, our duty to repair the world.

CROSS-GENERATIONAL

RELATIONSHIP: Reflects a close and cherished relationship between a child and her great-grandmother, a generational gap not often explored in picture books.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 9" - 229mm
- * HEIGHT: 11" - 279mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2026**
PICTURE BOOK

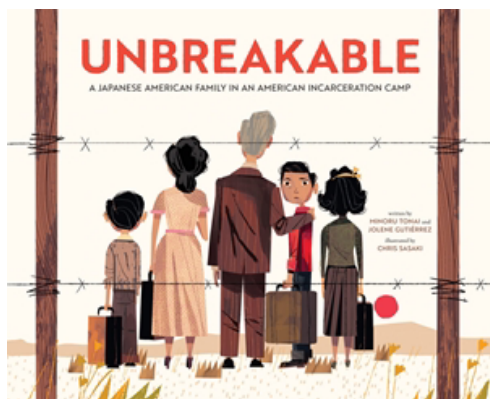
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US \$19.99

Unbreakable

A JAPANESE AMERICAN FAMILY IN AN AMERICAN INCARCERATION CAMP (A PICTURE BOOK)

● WRITTEN BY MINORU TONAI AND JOLENE GUTIÉRREZ; ILLUSTRATED BY CHRIS SASAKI

A powerful, emotional, and ultimately uplifting picture book about the real-life experience of a Japanese American boy incarcerated during World War II



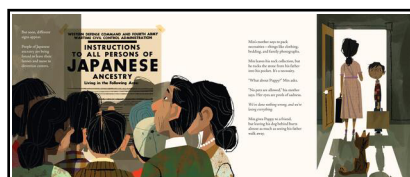
How can they lock us up when we haven't done anything wrong?

Minoru “Min” Tonai, a young American citizen, and his family must leave everything behind as they are rounded up and unjustly imprisoned following the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Imprisoned on the dusty plains and facing both the pain of displacement and the injustice of being incarcerated by his own country, Min must learn to adapt and to find beauty—and strength—where most wouldn’t.

Cowritten by Jolene Gutiérrez and Minoru Tonai, *Unbreakable* is based on Min’s harrowing real-life experiences. Illustrated by acclaimed illustrator Chris Sasaki, this picture book includes extensive back matter such as a timeline, a bibliography, author and illustrator notes, and questions for further discussion.



Cowriter **Jolene Gutiérrez** is an award-winning teacher-librarian. It was her honor to partner with Minoru Tonai to tell his family’s story. Jolene lives in Denver and is the author of many books for young readers, including *Too Much!* and *Mamiachi & Me*. Cowriter **Minoru “Min” Tonai** (1929–2023) was a Japanese American rights activist. He and his family were incarcerated from 1942 to 1945, and for the rest of his life, Min worked to preserve and tell stories about what his family—and so many others—endured during WWII. He was the founder and president of the Amache Historical Society, and board president of the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center. **Chris Sasaki** is an Emmy and Annie Award-winning animation artist. Along with their work on major motion pictures, they have illustrated several books for young readers, including *Home Is a Window*, a Notable Social Studies Trade Book for Young People, and *Paper Son*, winner of the Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature for best picture book. Chris lives in Los Angeles.



SELLING POINTS

FORGOTTEN HISTORY: The incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II continues to be an overlooked piece of American history in the picture book market. Abrams’ own *Barbed Wire Baseball*, which focuses on incarceration camps, has grossed over 50,000 copies, and *Love in The Library* (Candlewick, 2022) received four starred reviews. *Unbreakable* is an important addition to what’s already been published for younger children on the subject.

HIT GENRE: Picture book biographies continue to do well on our list and the marketplace, with books such as *The People’s Painter*, *Exquisite*, and *Separate is Never Equal* receiving critical acclaim and success.

INCREDIBLE ILLUSTRATOR:

Chris Sasaki is an Emmy Award-winning animation art director, illustrator, and writer whose three previous picture books have all garnered starred reviews and awards.

CREATOR TO WATCH:

Jolene Gutiérrez’s star continues to rise. *Too Much! (Appleseed)* has found a worldwide readership with seven foreign editions, several reprints, and has been included in multiple roundups of top titles focused on mental health for children. Her second Abrams book, *Mamiachi & Me* (BYR, 2024).

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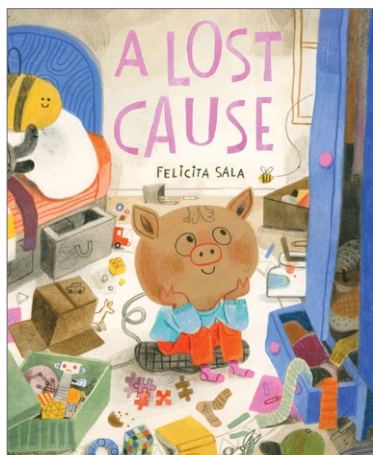
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- * 48 pages
- * WIDTH: 10 1/2" - 267mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 216mm
- * Hardcover with jacket

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NONFICTION

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A Lost Cause

Pablo just can't stop losing his things: at the bus stop, in the park, on a plane, everywhere! When his exasperated parents give him the responsibility of keeping track of everything, Pablo tries—he really does. But his room has become a frightful mess, and with show-and-tell just around the corner, Pablo needs to find his things now more than ever. Where have they gone to? And who can help him now?

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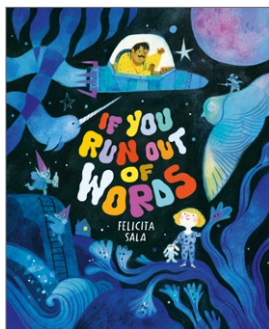
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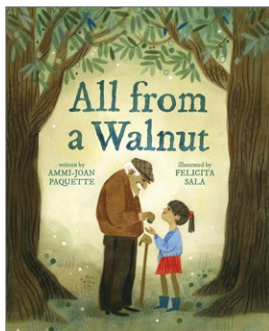
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If You Run Out of Words



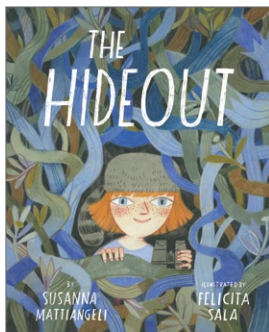
All From a Walnut



Be a Tree



The Hideout



Ode to an Onion



SPECIFICATIONS

If You Run Out of Words

- 216 × 203 mm
- Page Count: 48
- **Hardcover with jacket**
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Be a Tree

- 216 × 267 mm
- Page Count: 40
- **Hardcover with jacket**
- PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2021**
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- SLOVENIAN (DESK)**
- SPANISH/CATALAN/BASQUE (EDELVIVES)**
- TURISH (KOC)**
- VIETNAMESE (MESSY)**

All From a Walnut

- 229 × 279 mm
- Page Count: 40
- **Hardcover with jacket**
- PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2022**
- RIGHTS SOLD:
- CHINESE COMPLEX (SAN MIN)**
- CHINESE SIMPLIFIED (CHINA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY)**
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- ITALIAN (RIZZOLI)**
- JAPANESE (HYORONSHA)**
- SLOVENIAN (DESK)**
- TURKISH (FIBULA)**

The Hideout

- 216 × 241 mm
- Page Count: 40
- **Hardcover with jacket**
- PUB MONTH: **JUNE 2019**
- RIGHTS SOLD:
- CHINESE COMPLEX (LOCUS)**
- CHINESE SIMPLIFIED (GUIZHOU)**
- FRENCH (CAMBOURAKIS)**
- GERMAN (INSEL)**
- ITALIAN (LUPO GUIDO)**
- SPANISH/CATALAN/BASQUE (EDELVIVES)**

Ode to an Onion

- 254 × 292 mm
- Page Count: 40
- **Hardcover with jacket**
- PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2018**
- RIGHTS SOLD:
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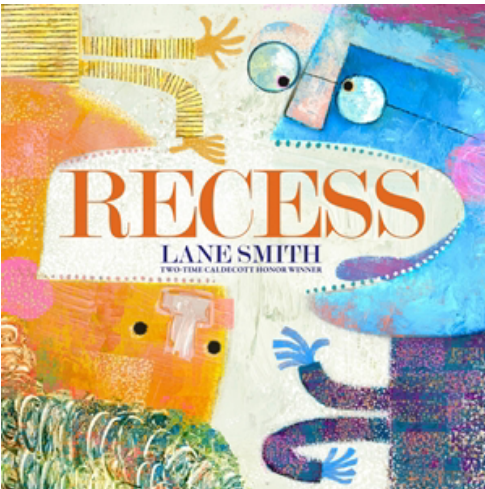
Felicita Sala is the self-taught illustrator of several picture books, including *All from a Walnut* by Ammi-Joan Paquette, *Be a Tree!* by Maria Gianferrari, and *The Hideout* by Susanna Mattiangeli, as well as her own book of recipes for children, *What's Cooking at 10 Garden Street?*, and her author-illustrator debut, *If You Run Out of Words*. She grew up between Italy and Australia and now lives in Rome with her family.

Recess

A PICTURE BOOK

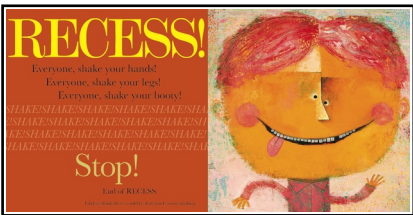
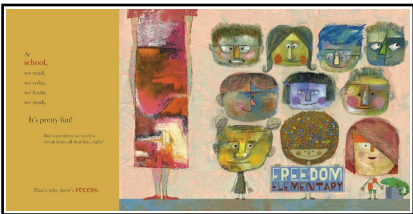
- WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY LANE SMITH

Bestselling and award-winning creator Lane Smith presents an interactive read-aLOUD that invites readers to take a break, run wild with their imaginations, and join in on some good-natured, school-sanctioned shenanigans



School is where you go to learn. It is fun.
But sometimes you need a little break from all the fun.
That is why there is recess.
But what if it's not recess time?
No problem!
You can have a Now Recess, a Really-Need-a-Break Recess, a Wherever-You-Are Recess.
It doesn't matter what you call it. Just make sure you shout it: **RECESS!**
Featuring the distinctive humor and beloved art of bestselling Caldecott honoree Lane Smith, this irresistibly fun, interactive read aLOUD is the perfect stress reliever to send kids into fits of giggles and shaking out their wiggles.

Lane Smith is the author and illustrator of *It's a Book*, *A Stickler Christmas*, *Stickler Loves the World*, and *A Gift for Nana*, as well as *Grandpa Green*, a Caldecott Honor book. He is also known for illustrating *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales*, *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs*, and *James and the Giant Peach*. He has received awards such as the Kate Greenaway Medal, Lifetime Achievement honors from the Society of Illustrators and the Eric Carle Museum, and five *New York Times* Best Illustrated Books awards. Smith and book designer Molly Leach live in rural Connecticut.



SELLING POINTS

BIG BESTSELLER: Smith is the illustrator behind several huge, longtime bestsellers including *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs*, *James and the Giant Peach*, and *The Stinky Cheese Man: And Other Fairly Stupid Tales*.

MAJOR AWARD-WINNER: Among many other awards, Smith is a two-time Caldecott honoree (for *The Stinky Cheese Man* and *Grandpa Green*) and a Kate Greenaway Medal winner.

FRESH SCHOOL STORY: While school-themed books are always popular, there are few picture books about many kids' favorite "subject," recess! Plus, this book can be read *any* time kids might have a little extra energy to wiggle out.

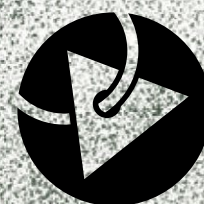
INTERACTIVE READ-ALOUD: The hilarious, high-energy text asks readers to make trombone sounds, air-type on an imaginary keyboard, quack like a duck, and more—before finally calming themselves back down.

DYNAMIC DESIGN: Featuring a diverse cast of classroom children in Smith's signature playful art style, mixed with bold, type-driven spreads (à la *The Book with No Pictures*).

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 10" - mm
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- * Hardcover with jacket
- PUB MONTH: JULY 2025
- PICTURE BOOK

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THE LAST DRAGON HOUSE

The Last Dragon House

A NOVEL

● BY LIV MAE MORRIS

A spellbinding middle–grade debut about a magical boarding house for dragons and the unlikely boy destined to save it



When Olly Atwood turns 11, it's time for him to get a job. Every kid his age in Oakridge already has one, mostly at the hazardous silverware factory. Olly wants more for his life than a dangerous job on the factory line, so when the brilliant Dr. Lady Abernathy offers him a high–paying position at a mysterious house outside of town, he accepts. Only after accepting does he find out his job is to care for dragons—from the gentle fairy dragons to the terrifying death wyrm and everything in between. And when Dr. Lady is poisoned, Olly and his new friends find themselves in a race against time (and political conspiracies, and foreboding prophecies, and one very large corgi).

Nine–year–old Jenny Atwood has found a strange scaly creature in the family's garden. When her older brother leaves with a pack of dragons to find an antidote for a dying woman, she knows just where to bring it—the Dragon House. Jenny has always felt different, but it's only after meeting the dragons that she realizes why: She can do magic. Maybe her newfound abilities will be enough to keep Dr. Lady, who's sicker than anyone realized, alive until Olly returns with a cure. Maybe Jenny can do a whole lot more. Maybe Jenny is about to become as powerful and fearsome as any dragon.



Liv Mae Morris is a writer, bookseller, and professional dragon enthusiast. She was a 2022 Lambda Literary Fellow and a recipient of the Susan Kamil Scholarship for Emerging Writers. She grew up in Kentucky and now lives in Boston with her wife, two cats (Bo and Pawl Simon), a husky/chihuahua mix (Diana Wynne Bones), and a frankly irresponsible number of books.

SELLING POINTS

DRAGONS FOREVER: Dragons are a perennial favorite in middle–grade fantasy, and they're having a particularly hot moment with bestsellers such as *Impossible Creatures* and *The Last Dragon on Mars*.

SERIES LAUNCH: *Dragon House* is the first in a three–book series following Olly and Jenny as they save dragons, learn magic, and topple an evil king. With immersive world–building, lovable characters, and hilarious dragon hijinks, we think this series has all the makings of a middle–grade classic.

COMPETITIVE AUCTION: We won this title in a very competitive auction, so there's lots of excitement around this series.

ACCESSIBLE MIDDLE GRADE: With fast–paced storytelling, hilarious hijinks, and relatable characters, *Dragon House* expertly combines much of what's working in the middle–grade genre right now to create a fun and accessible read.

SPECIFICATIONS

* 336 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm

* Hardcover with jacket

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MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION

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US \$19.99

Books Good Enough for You

THE STORIED LIFE OF URSULA NORDSTROM, EDITOR OF EXTRAORDINARY CHILDREN'S BOOKS

● BY NANCY HUDGINS

A celebration of the life and work of Ursula Norstrom—the groundbreaking editor of classic children’s books like *Charlotte’s Web* and *Where the Wild Things Are*—and a powerful defense of a child’s right to read



Legendary Harper & Row children’s book editor Ursula Nordstrom was a trailblazer. Her books were honest, smart, emotional, and firsts of their kind. And—perhaps because they challenged the status quo—they were often censored or banned. But Nordstrom always fought back.

Books Good Enough for You follows Nordstrom from childhood through her extraordinary career as book editor, literary revolutionary, and advocate. Full of anecdotes about some of Nordstrom’s most famous collaborators, like Maurice Sendak, Margaret Wise Brown, and E. B. White, this biography is a true celebration of collaboration and friendship.

Many of Nordstrom’s books—from to *Where the Wild Things Are* to *Charlotte’s Web*—are now considered classics, but back in her day, these stories faced fierce opposition from those who deemed them inappropriate for children. In the face of this criticism, Nordstrom pushed back, building up her authors and proudly defending young readers’ access to literature that reflected their worlds.

Filled with quotes from her eloquent, empathetic, and often sharply humorous editorial letters, *Books Good Enough for You* is a timely reminder that children deserve fresh, groundbreaking, and deeply human stories.



Nancy Hudgins received her undergraduate degree in history and political science from Boston University and her law degree from the University of Virginia. Now, Hudgins and with her rescue dog, Buddy, are the cofounders of a Little Free Library dedicated to children’s books. When not writing, revising or researching in some far-away archive, Hudgins plays bocce. Like Ursula Nordstrom, she enjoys jigsaw puzzles.

SELLING POINTS

CURRICULUM TIE-IN: Readers studying some of the most famous works Ursula Nordstrom shepherded—like *Charlotte’s Web* or *Harriet the Spy*—are sure to find this work about the story behind the book to be a wonderful resource.

CELEBRATING THE

CLASSICS: *Books Good Enough for You* follows Nordstrom as she edits some of our most beloved books for children, including *Goodnight Moon*, *Harold and the Purple Crayon*, *Where the Wild Things Are*, and *Charlotte’s Web*.

BOOKS ABOUT BOOKS: Books about books are perennial favorites among librarians and booksellers. This informative celebration of Nordstrom’s work highlights her own efforts against book banning, a salient topic for today’s readers.

WHAT WOULD URSULA DO:

Nancy Hudgins perfectly combines her extensive research with Nordstrom’s real-life writing tips to create an engaging guide for aspiring writers and editors. *Books Good Enough for You* is sure to be a stand-out title in the school and library market.

SPECIFICATIONS

* 192 pages

* WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm

* HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm

* Hardcover with jacket

PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**

MIDDLE-GRADE NONFICTION

ISBN 978-1-4197-7567-3

US \$19.99

DREAMDARK

The Guardians of Dreamdark: Windwitch Collector's Edition (Book One)

● BY LAINI TAYLOR

From *New York Times* bestselling author Laini Taylor comes a new edition of her first cult favorite series, *Guardians of Dreamdark*, about a djinn hunting fairy and her quest to save her world



For centuries the fairies have lived safely in their peaceful forest, but now their world is under threat. Devils are escaping the prisons that have held them for millennia, and only one fairy stands in their way. Magpie Windwitch is the greatest djinn hunter of her kind. Together with her trusted band of crows, she's on a mission to recapture the devils and save her people.

Her hunt brings her to the wild forests of Dreamdark—the legendary land of the djinn. These dangerous woods hold the secret of the greatest foe her kind has ever known. With her enemies growing more powerful, can Magpie defeat the threat to the fairies, or will the darkness destroy her world?



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.

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SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING 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 112,000 followers across social media. She's also received excellent critical acclaim. She was a finalist for the National Book Award, a Cybils Award winner, and a Michael L. Printz Award winner.

FAIRY TALES: From Holly Black to Disney reimaginings, darker stories with fairies in them have done well in the market. This twisting, adventurous story is sure to entrance a new generation of readers.

EXCITING NEW LOOK: This new release will come with brand-new cover art by acclaimed cover artist Sija Hong. We will also be publishing *The Guardians of Dreamdark: Windwitch* simultaneously in hardcover and paperback, inviting even more readers to join the adventure.

NEW FORMATS: We will be publishing a brand-new graphic novel adaptation of this series in 2026, giving new readers another entry point to the series and inviting old fans to return to this magical world.

NEW MATERIAL: Features an all-new bonus chapter scene from Taylor—a never-before-seen alternate opening chapter of the book, plus a letter from Taylor introducing the bonus material.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 400 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover with jacket
- PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2025**
- [MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION, KIDS FANTASY, KIDS SERIES](#)
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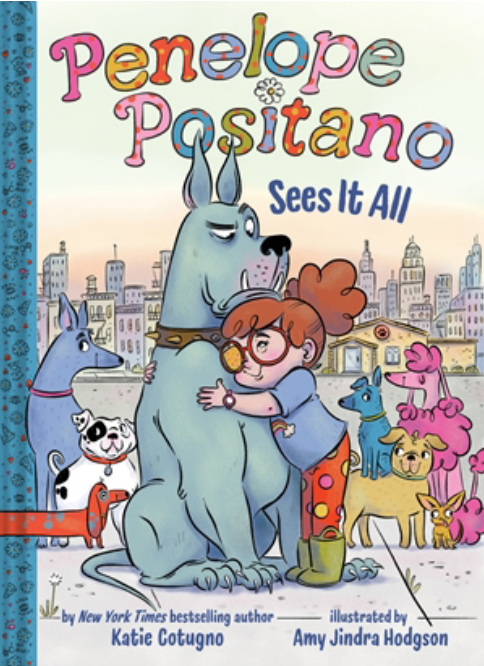
PENELOPE POSITANO SEES IT ALL

Penelope Positano Sees It All

A CHAPTER BOOK

- WRITTEN BY KATIE COTUGNO; ILLUSTRATED BY AMY JINDRA HODGSON

From bestselling author Katie Cotugno and illustrator Amy Jindra Hodgson comes a charming new chapter-book series about a plucky seven-year-old who can see things other people miss, perfect for fans of *Ivy & Bean*



For two hours every day, seven-year-old Penelope Positano wears an eye patch. Her eye muscles don't quite match, and wearing the patch on her strong eye helps her less-strong eye catch up. And whenever she wears her eye patch, Penelope notices things that other people overlook.

The Positanos are getting a dog, and it's Penelope's job to find the perfect pup for her family. Her mom thinks they should pick the most obedient dog, and her dad wants the dog that likes his music the best, but Penelope's not sure. Her best friend, Gus, said she would know which dog was meant to be hers, but the more Penelope looks, the more she worries that her dog isn't out there.

It's only with the encouragement of her grandma—and the help of her trusty eye patch—that Penelope realizes the perfect dog might be closer than she thinks.



Katie Cotugno is the author of more than a dozen books for readers of all ages. Her books have been honored by the Junior Library Guild, the Bank Street Children's Book Committee, and the Kentucky Association of School Librarians, among others, and translated into more than 15 languages. Cotugno is a Pushcart Prize nominee whose work has appeared in *The Iowa Review*, *The Mississippi Review*, and *Argestes*, as well as many other literary magazines. She studied writing, literature, and publishing at Emerson College and received her MFA in fiction at Lesley University. She lives in Boston with her family. Determined to make every child feel special, **Amy Jindra Hodgson** is an illustrator from Cleveland, Ohio. Growing up, her parents read to her every night, and she fell in love with the art of storytelling and creativity. She knew at a young age that her imagination and love for the arts would lead her to the world of children's book illustration. Hodgson's creative inspiration is driven by her wonderful family, friends, and good sushi.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Katie Cotugno is a *New York Times* bestselling author whose books have been recognized by the Junior Library Guild and the Bank Street Children's Book Committee. She's written several popular adult and YA titles, and we're thrilled to bring even more readers to her work with her chapter-book debut.

DOG DELIGHT: Dog stories are perennial favorites, and this pet-centered adventure is filled with kid-friendly puppy love.

ADORABLE ILLUSTRATIONS: The chapter book will include lots of full-color illustrations to bring Penelope's world to life.

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

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 80 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - 152mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm

* **Hardcover POB**

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[CHAPTER BOOK](#)

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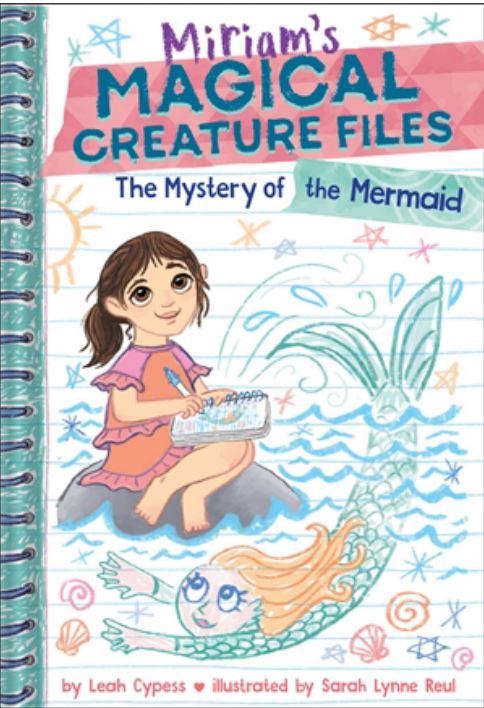
MIRIAM'S MAGICAL CREATURE FILES

The Mystery of the Mermaid (Miriam's Magical Creature Files Book #3)

A CHAPTER BOOK

● WRITTEN BY LEAH CYPRESS; ILLUSTRATED BY SARAH LYNNE REUL

A charming chapter–book series about a young Orthodox Jewish girl out to discover the truth about all the magical mysteries in her world, perfect for fans of *Myra Khan* and *Zoey and Sassafras*



Praise for the *Miriam's Magical Creature Files* series

A Junior Library Guild Selection

* “A laugh–out–loud page–turner that young readers will adore...This book has everything: diverse characters, a funny and entertaining plot, and a stand–out, memorable main character. An essential purchase for all.” — *School Library Journal*, starred review

Miriam is the youngest, but that doesn't mean she doesn't know things. She's not as gullible as her parents or older siblings think, and she is too old for ridiculous stories that make no sense. So, using her superior detective skills, she sets out to find the truth about all of the fantastical things that people tell gullible kids.

It's finally summer vacation, and that means one thing: Miriam and her family are headed to Mermaid Lake! Legend has it the lake was named after the mermaid who swims beneath its waters, but as an experienced magical mystery detective, Miriam is determined to find out the truth. She has the perfect trap in mind . . . if she can get up the courage to climb the big waterslide. This could be her most challenging case yet, but Miriam's determined to find the mermaid—if she even exists.

More from *Miriam's Magical Creature Files*:

The Truth about the Tooth Fairy (*Miriam's Magical Creature Files* #1)

The Discovery of Dragons (*Miriam's Magical Creature Files* #2)



Leah Cypess wrote her first story when she was in the first grade and has been writing ever since. She's the author of the *Sisters Ever After* series, along with many books for young adults. She lives in Silver Spring, Maryland. **Sarah Lynne Reul** is the author–illustrator of many books for children, including *Bubbie & Rivka's Best–Ever Challah (So Far!)*, *The Breaking News*, and *Allie All Along*. She grew up in Brooklyn and now lives just outside of Boston with her family.

SELLING POINTS

JEWISH REPRESENTATION:

Miriam's family and community are observant of the Jewish faith and traditions, an underrepresented community in the chapter–book category.

SCRAPBOOK FORMAT:

Notebook–style illustrations and lists make the format accessible for reluctant readers and will inspire kids to investigate their own mysteries.

LAUGH–OUT–LOUD FUNNY: Full of silly schemes and just the right amount of sass, Miriam is sure to be a favorite of emerging readers everywhere.

MAGICAL TWIST: Miriam will investigate the magical creatures all around her, from dragons to mermaids and fairies!

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: The first book in the series received a starred review from *School Library Journal*, which said, “This book has everything: diverse characters, a funny and entertaining plot, and a stand–out, memorable main character. An essential purchase for all,” and Books 1 and 2 were both Junior Library Guild selections.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Black-and-white illustrations throughout
- * 112 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2026**
CHAPTER BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-8584-9
US \$19.99



ONCE UPON A TAIL

Once Upon a Tail (Once Upon a Tail #1)

A HORSE AND DRAGON GRAPHIC NOVEL

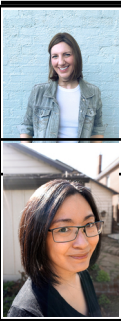
● WRITTEN BY AUDREY PERROTT, ILLUSTRATED BY CHARLENE CHUA

Full of heart and humor, this early reader graphic novel series stars two best friends in a fantastical medieval setting, for fans of Narwhal and Jelly and Peter & Ernesto

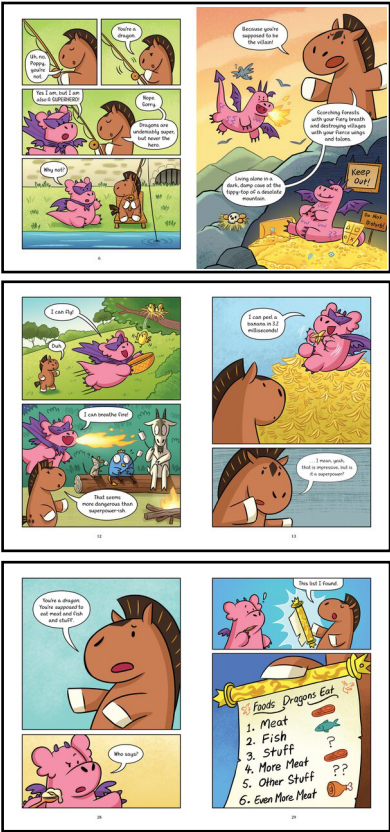


Wallace is a knightly horse who loves rules. Poppy is a free-spirit dragon who loves adventure. These two unlikely pals disagree on most everything—but still manage to have a lot of fun-filled shenanigans together in the Land of La-Dee-Dah.

Told in three short and silly stories with subtle social-emotional themes, this young graphic novel follows the everyday adventures of two best buds as they step out of their comfort zones, discover hidden powers, and eat a LOT of banana pudding. With a high-interest fantasy setting, accessible reading level, and kid-perfect humor, this series is designed for emerging and reluctant readers alike.



Audrey Perrott is the award-winning author of the beloved picture books *Moo Hoo*, *Baa Haa*, and *A Hat for House*, as well as board books and many nonfiction books for kids. She believes funny books are just as important as serious ones, and writes both in her North Carolina home. Charlene Chua is the illustrator of the Amy Wu picture book series and *Love, Violet*, a 2023 Stonewall Award winner. When they are not making art, they enjoy cooking, reading, and playing with their cats. She now lives with her husband (and cats!) in Hamilton, Ontario.



SELLING POINTS

SERIES LAUNCH: This debut graphic novel from both Perrott & Chua launches a new series starring an odd-couple pair in medieval times, with Book 2 to follow!

HIGH-LOW READ: Featuring full-color art, simple panels, and an energetic pace, these three self-contained short stories are perfect for emerging and reluctant readers.

AWARD-WINNING

ARTIST: Chua is known for *Amy Wu and the Perfect Bao* (over 20,000 copies sold, a starred review, and a *Kirkus* Best Book nod); the 2023 Stonewall winner, *Love, Violet*; and most recently, *When You Go To Dragon School* (an Amazon Best Book of June for Ages 3–5, a July/August Kids' Indie Next list pick, and a starred review).

FAVORITE CREATURES:

Dragons and horses are perennially popular with kids.

SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL

LEARNING: Includes subtle emotional themes like trying new things, embracing what makes you special, and learning to be an attentive friend.

HEART & HUMOR: Silly, kid-perfect comedy (including a deadpan goat who's sure to become a fan favorite) balances a sweet friendship story.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 72 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm
- * Hardcover POB

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KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS

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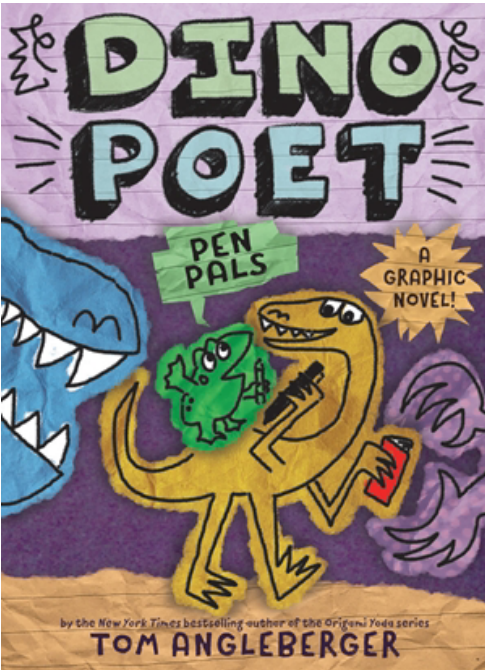
DINO POET

Pen Pals (Dino Poet #2)

A GRAPHIC NOVEL!

● BY TOM ANGLEBERGER

From New York Times bestselling author Tom Angleberger, creator of the Origami Yoda series, comes a hilarious young graphic novel adventure through the land of the dinosaurs



Dino Poet wants to help Frog write his first poem, but there's a problem—Frog doesn't think he's a writer! What if his poems are bad? What if he can't come up with ideas?

New York Times bestselling author Tom Angleberger, this hilarious graphic novel series is a rollicking romp through the land of the dinosaurs and a celebration of the poets that live in all of us.

More from the *Dino Poet* series:
Dino Poet



Tom Angleberger is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Origami Yoda* series and the *Flytrap Files* series, as well as many other books for kids. He lives with his family in Virginia.

Praise for *Dino Poet*

A Junior Library Guild Selection

* “[A] standout title pulling double duty as a compelling graphic novel and a poetry mentor text. Elementary school readers and their teachers will delight in this laugh-out-loud narrative lesson on -poetry writing, or even pick it up just for fun.” —*School Library Journal*, starred review



SELLING POINTS

SUPERSTAR AUTHOR: Tom Angleberger is the author of the bestselling *Origami Yoda* series, the *Qwikpick Papers* series, and the *Flytrap Files* series, among many other beloved books for young readers. He's a dynamic promoter, and kids love him.

DINO LOVE: This story is filled with plenty of dinosaur action, a perennially popular and kid-friendly topic.

POETRY PRIMER: This silly story serves as an accessible introduction to poetry for young readers, encouraging them to overcome fears of writing “bad” poems.

GROWING FORMAT: Early graphic novels are on the rise with the success of *Fox & Rabbit* (over 32,000 gross sales across formats), *Batcat* (over 35,000 copies sold across all formats), and *Astrid and Stella* (over 40,000 copies sold across formats), with no signs of slowing down.

SERIES EXCITEMENT: The first book in the series was a Junior Library Guild selection, and *School Library Journal* wrote, “elementary school readers and their teachers will delight in this laugh-out-loud narrative lesson on -poetry writing, or even pick it up just for fun” in a starred review. Amazon named it a Best Book of the Year So Far.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 96 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm
- * Hardcover

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2026
KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS

ISBN 978-1-4197-7282-5
US \$14.99

BATCAT#4

Seeing Stars! (Batcat Book #4)

A GRAPHIC NOVEL

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY MEGGIE RAMM

Batcat is back in this heartfelt exploration of love and family in the latest installment of Meggie Ramm’s critically acclaimed early–reader graphic novel series!



Once a year, a star falls on Spooky Isle. But this is no ordinary star, it’s a wishing star, and will grant the wish of *one* lucky island resident. Batcat has been looking forward to this day all year, but when it becomes clear that their wish isn’t going to come true, they become quiet, withdrawn, and oh–so . . . blue. Literally.

Al the Ghost will do anything to help their friend—after all, Batcat has always had Al’s back, now Al can return the favor! With an uplifting message about supporting our friends and loved ones, *Star Search* has all the heart and hilarity that are Meggie Ramm’s trademarks in the marvelous world of Batcat.



Meggie Ramm is a nonbinary cartoonist from Michigan. They spent their twenties 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.

SELLING POINTS

GROWING FORMAT: Early graphic novels are on the rise with the success of *Astrid and Stella* (nearly 80,000 gross sales across volumes in the series and formats), *Fox & Rabbit* (over 112,000 gross sales across volumes in the series and formats), and *Mighty Marvel Team Up* (over 230,000 gross sales across volumes in the series and formats), with no signs of slowing down.

FACING BIG FEELINGS: In this new adventure, Batcat and Al the Ghost explore loss and grief, and how we can process these feelings while celebrating a loved one’s life in Meggie Ramm’s signature funny and heartfelt style.

SERIES SUCCESS: This strong series has found fans in the educational, library, and indie markets, as well as in translation.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 96 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - 210mm
- * **Hardcover POB**

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[KIDS FANTASY, GRAPHIC NOVELS](#)

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COSMIC ADVENTURES OF ASTRID AND STELLA

Blast from the Past! (The Cosmic Adventures of Astrid and Stella Book #5 (A Hello!Lucky Book))**A GRAPHIC NOVEL**

- WRITTEN BY SABRINA MOYLE; ILLUSTRATED BY EUNICE MOYLE

Best friends Astrid and Stella are back for another out-of-this-world adventure in *Blast from the Past!*, the fifth story in the graphic novel series from bestselling creators Hello!Lucky



Fire up the turbo pumps, best friends Astrid and Stella are off on another high-flying adventure!

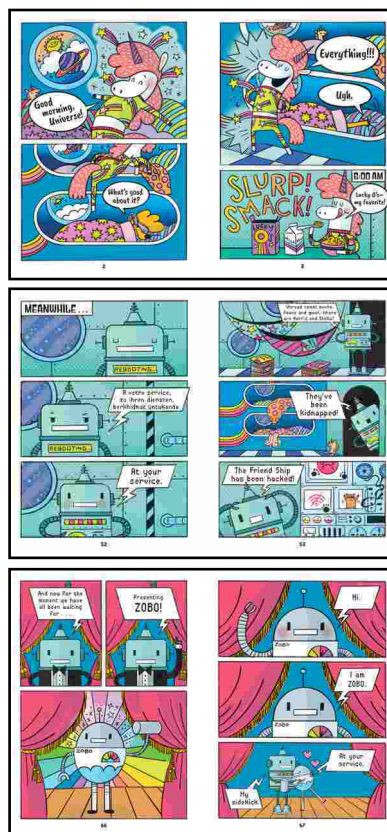
Alert! Alert! The Friend Ship's been hacked! A pack of evil pugs have infected Bobo with a computer virus and taken Astrid and Stella hostage! Unable to rescue his friends alone, Bobo builds a sidekick—Zobo, a friendly new robot with a talent for smashing things—and the two will have to work together to free Astrid and Stella from Pugnacious D and his hungry hounds.

Their daring rescue mission goes awry when the team discovers that the pugs have united with Evil Screenius and Kittywonkus—villains from their past bent on destruction. This terrible trio is bad to the bone, but—with the help of an old friend—Astrid and Stella just might be able to defeat them and escape the doghouse.

With a focus on social-emotional learning and hilarious storytelling from the bestselling Hello!Lucky team, the fifth book in The Cosmic Adventures of Astrid & Stella series is perfect for emerging readers and graphic novel fans.



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!*, *Super Pooper* and *Whizz Kid: Potty Power!*, *Kindness Rules!*, *Christmas Is Awesome!*, *Sloth and Smell the Roses*, *Go Get 'Em, Tiger!*, and *Thanks a Ton!* They also offer bedding, ceramics, socks, stationery, custom photo albums, and more. Hello!Lucky is based in San Francisco.

**SELLING POINTS**

BESTSELLING TEAM: Sabrina and Eunice Moyle are the team behind Hello!Lucky. Their books have sold more than two million copies across formats, and they boast nearly 75,000 followers on Instagram.

HIGH-DEMAND FORMAT:

Graphic novels for emerging readers are an in-demand category that's only growing. We've seen great success with titles like *Fox and Rabbit*, *Batcat*, and *The Cosmic Adventures of Astrid and Stella*—and we see no signs of slowing.

EVERGREEN THEMES:

Friendship, teamwork, resilience, and more make an appearance in the pages of this latest outing from the social-emotional learning pros behind Hello!Lucky.

BELOVED SERIES: We've sold nearly 80,000 copies of the Astrid and Stella books and counting! And *Kirkus* says reading these graphic novel stories is "like being enveloped in a nonstop hug."

SPECIFICATIONS

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

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KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS

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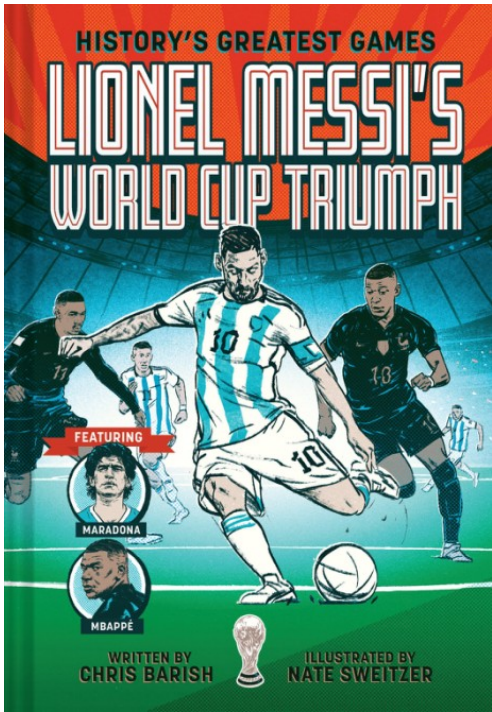
HISTORY'S GREATEST GAMES

Lionel Messi's World Cup Triumph

(HISTORY'S GREATEST GAMES #1)

● BY CHRIS BARISH; ILLUSTRATED BY NATE SWEITZER

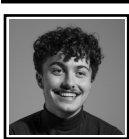
This thrilling new nonfiction graphic novel series offers a front row seat to the greatest moments in sports history, starting with Lionel Messi and the incredible 2022 FIFA World Cup



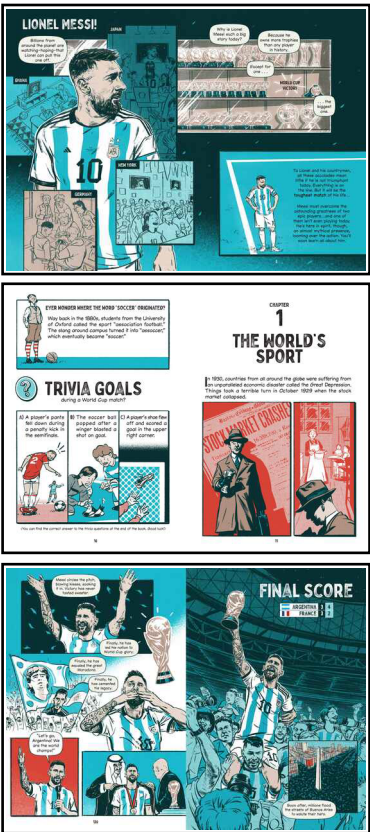
Hear the whistle blow, watch the crowd go wild, and take your front row seat to one of history's greatest games.

It's the 2022 FIFA World Cup final, and Lionel Messi—one of the greatest players to ever take the field—is one match away from victory. Despite his many awards and accolades, Messi has never been able to add a World Cup trophy to his collection. If Argentina wins, this would be a historic moment not just for the country, but for the entire legacy of soccer on the international stage. Travel back in time to learn how the World Cup began and see the incredible players—from Maradona to Mbappé—who built it into the global phenomenon we know today. Along the way, you'll learn about the social, historical, and political factors that made this game one for the ages.

This exciting new graphic novel series offers a portal to the past, putting young readers in the middle of the most epic moments in sports history. Along with action-packed games and nail-biter victories, this series zooms out to explore the incredible backstories, social and political issues, and larger historical context that truly make these games the greatest in history.



When **Chris Barish** is not reading about sports or history, he's writing about sports history. Barish currently lives in New York with his family, in a house filled with sports gear, books, instruments and lots of muddy boots. **Nate Sweitzer** is a Chicago-born illustrator who graduated from the College for Creative Studies in Detroit. His work has been awarded and featured by *3x3* magazine, the American Illustration Awards, the Society of Illustrators, Illustration West, and the One Club for Creativity. His clients include the *Washington Post*, *Rolling Stone*, NPR, ProPublica, *Sports Illustrated*, *The New Republic*, and *Forbes*.



SELLING POINTS

GLOBAL SUPERSTAR

SUBJECT: Lionel Messi is a household name to soccer fans around the world. 1.5 billion people tuned in to watch Messi lead Argentina to victory in the 2022 World Cup.

NEW FORMAT: While there are many books about Lionel Messi on the market, this will be the first graphic novel to tell his incredible story for middle-grade readers. Along with play-by-play scenes from actual games, Chris Barish expertly adds trivia, fun facts, and historical context that soccer fans will love.

STANDOUT CATEGORY: With series like *Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales* and *Big Ideas That Changed the World*, Abrams has seen a huge appetite for action-packed nonfiction graphic novels, and we think *History's Greatest Games* could be another breakout series in this space.

ILLUMINATING HISTORY: Barish has a particular talent for weaving together historical context, social issues, and show-stopping sports moments to create a truly engaging and innovative series.

WORLD CUP EXCITEMENT: Publication is timed to coincide with the 2026 World Cup, which will take place in North America.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 136 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: MARCH 2026
GRAPHIC NOVELS

ISBN 978-1-4197-7939-8
US \$24.99

The Lionharts

A GRAPHIC NOVEL

● BY MIKE LAWRENCE

In this high-octane *Dungeons & Dragons*–inspired middle-grade graphic novel, the Lionhart brothers must save their parents and uncover the truth behind their legendary adventuring family!



Adventuring isn't just in the Lionhart family's blood—it's the family business. Grammy and Baba Lionhart were once a famous questing duo—slaying dragons and fighting monsters, they were legends throughout the land.

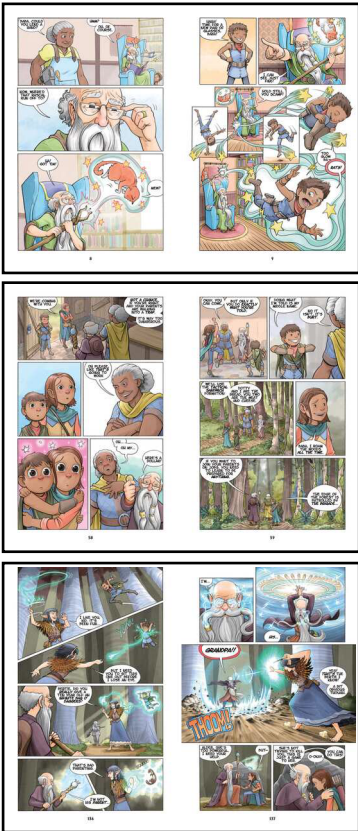
Now, their daughter, Lenna, has taken over the business, questing under the famous Lionhart name with her husband, Gerard, and their young sons, Alder and Flynt, are desperate to be included!

When their parents go missing after accepting an unusually high-paying job from a mysterious woman, the boys set out to find them, eager to prove they're ready to carry on the family legacy. Nothing can shake a Lionhart, right? But Grammy and Baba know better and swiftly catch up with the boys, who have already gotten themselves in heap of trouble.

Along the journey, Alder and Flynt tackle big challenges and discover new skills, but as they get closer to finding their parents, they also unearth a secret that could tear their family apart and, even worse, bring the Lionhart name to ruin. From Mike Lawrence, creator of the *Star Scouts* series, comes book 1 in a fast-paced and adventurous middle-grade graphic novel duology sure to appeal to fans of *Lightfall*, *5 Worlds*, and *Dungeon Critters*.



Mike Lawrence began self-publishing comics after graduating from art school. At Stumptown Comics Fest, he met local author Elizabeth Rusch, and they collaborated on *Muddy Max: The Mystery of Marsh Creek*. Lawrence debuted as an author-illustrator with the *Star Scouts* trilogy from First Second, which received multiple starred reviews and was called one of the 10 Best Kids Comics by *Paste* magazine. Lawrence switched gears to nonfiction with *Maker Comics: Survive the Outdoors* and *Science Comics: Deep-Sea Creatures*. Lawrence lives in Portland, Oregon, with his wife and two sons.



SELLING POINTS

THRIVING MARKET: Middle-grade graphic novels focusing on fantasy and adventures continue to do very well in the market.

TABLETOP ROLE-PLAYING INSPIRED: Author Mike Lawrence was inspired to write *The Lionharts* after learning to play *Dungeons & Dragons* with his two sons. Tabletop role-playing games have grown in popularity in the last few years, and the pandemic has only increased public interest in RPGs. *Dungeons & Dragons* alone has over 64 million fans across various platforms!

A DELIGHTFUL DUOLOGY: With another book signed up, the Lionhart family's adventure continues. We have two volumes in the pipeline, and if they take off, there's a large world for the Lionharts to explore, full of new and exciting creatures and villains.

SPECIFICATIONS

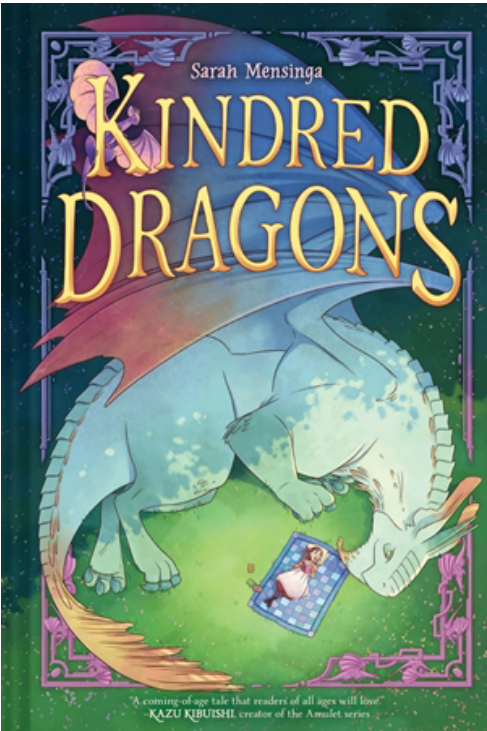
- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 240 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm
- * **Hardcover POB**
- PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**
- [KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS](#), [GRAPHIC NOVELS, KIDS FANTASY](#)
- ISBN 978-1-4197-5996-3**
- US \$24.99

Kindred Dragons (Book 1)

A GRAPHIC NOVEL

● BY SARAH MENSINGA

Anne of Green Gables meets *How to Train Your Dragon* in *Kindred Dragons*, a middle-grade graphic novel about a brave young girl and the dragon whose life depends on her



Alice has been unhappy ever since her parents sent her to Prince Edward Island to live with her strict grandmother. Alice is fanciful, prone to telling tall tales, and absolutely *obsessed* with dragons! Fairies deliver dragon eggs to a select few, known as Kindreds, but no egg has ever arrived for Alice.

While wandering the woods alone she finds and secretly befriends a mysterious, old dragon named Brim. Alice is excited to finally have a dragon friend of her own, but there's something strange about him—he doesn't have a Kindred. When Brim suddenly falls ill, Alice sets out on a desperate quest to save him.

As Alice searches for a cure, she discovers that her connection to dragons is unlike that of any Kindred—but will her new power be enough to save her friend? This heartfelt story of friendship, family, and learning to love who you are is perfect for readers who loved *Snapdragon*, *Witch Boy*, and the *City of Dragons* series.

Sarah Mensinga has illustrated several books, including *Flipping Forward Twisting Backwards*, the Trillium Sisters series, and the *New York Times* bestseller *Different: A Great Thing to Be!* Her short stories have appeared in comic anthologies such as *Flight 4* and *Flight 5*, she's published two indie novels, and she has also worked on a variety of animated movies and TV shows. Born in Canada, Sarah now lives in Texas with her husband and three kids.



FOREIGN RIGHTS SOLD

French (Editions Jungle)
German (Knesebeck)
Hebrew (Kinneret Zmora)

SELLING POINTS

CELEBRATED CREATOR:

Mensinga is the seasoned illustrator and cartoonist of several *New York Times* bestselling picture books and original stories in well-known comic anthologies.

DRAGONS FOREVER:

Dragons are a perennial favorite in middle-grade fantasy, and we're excited to publish *Kindred Dragons* as Fanfare's first dragon-focused graphic novel.

INSPIRED BY ANNE OF GREEN

GABLES: Like Anne, Alice is a plucky and mischievous misfit that girls and boys will find no difficulty relating to as she finds out more about the dragons she loves and the family she feels she doesn't fit into.

TWO FORMATS: Available in hardcover (978-1-4197-7116-3) and paperback (978-1-4197-7115-6).

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 208 pages

* WIDTH: 6" - mm

* HEIGHT: 9" - mm

* **Hardcover POB**

PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2025**

KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS,
KIDS FANTASY

ISBN 978-1-4197-7116-3

US \$24.99

BUUZA!!

Good Morning, Salwa (BUUZA!! Volume 1)

AN ORIGINAL GRAPHIC NOVEL

● BY SHAZLEEN KHAN

Cartoonist Shazleen Khan brings their Ignatz Award–winning young adult web series, *BUUZA!!* to print in *Good Morning, Salwa*, the first of three volumes collecting the original webtoon



On New Year's Eve 1997, in the bustling city of Salwa, Zach, a down-on-his-luck phone operator, receives a misdialed call from a distressed man named Zhen which sparks an undeniable connection. Zach is thrown into a search for his mystery man that stretches across multiple cities and a tangled web of exes, missed connections, and frenemies.

Set in the vibrant, low-fantasy realm of Dawlat Al-Harir—an eclectic melting pot inspired by Silk Road history and rich Asian and African Islamic cultures—*BUUZA!!* is a queer YA romance that features a uniquely dynamic blend of magical realism and political drama, with a richly diverse cast and an intricate plot that explores themes of identity, family, and transformation. This story will take readers on a captivating journey through a world where the divine and mundane collide in the most unexpected ways.

Shazleen Khan is an award-winning illustrator and author based in London, specializing in narrative illustration. Khan began self-publishing their comics as a teenager and now works full time as an illustrator; some of their notable clients include Simon & Schuster, Bloomsbury, and Dishoom. Khan's works include their Eisner and Harvey Award-nominated illustrator debut graphic novel, *Saving Sunshine* (written by Saadia Faruqi), the upcoming *My First Monster* (written by Cecil Castellucci), and *Darius the Great is Not Okay* (written by Adib Khorram), and of course, their self-authored LGBTQ webcomic *BUUZA!!*, which recently won the 2024 Ignatz Award for Best Web Comic.



SELLING POINTS

WEBTOONS IN PRINT: Webtoons in print have become major successes within the graphic novel industry, with titles *Heartstopper*, *Lore Olympus*, *Check, Please!*, and *Hooky*, which have all become huge commercial hits.

ACCLAIMED SERIES: *BUUZA!!* has continued to build an audience and acclaim in its five years of being released on Webtoon, having just won the Ignatz Award for Best Web Comic this last month. The series has 1.2 million views on Webtoon and 1.8 million views on Tapas, as well as over 200,000 likes on each site.

RICH WORLD & STORYTELLING: Shazleen Khan has a unique and gorgeous art style that can appeal to YA and crossover readers.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 368 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - 229mm
- * Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: APRIL 2026

ISBN 978-1-4197-8848-2

US \$26.99

Red Threads

A GRAPHIC NOVEL

● BY ILA NGUYEN-HAYAMA

In this manga-inspired YA graphic novel, Tokyo schoolgirl Hana Suzuki's life is changed forever when she is chosen to attend Japan's premier magical academy



Fifteen-year-old Hana is bored by her humdrum existence in Tokyo—there must be more to life than cram school and chores. After she rescues a crow caught in a net by her house, a mysterious visitor arrives at her door, offering her the chance to enroll in the most prestigious magic academy in Japan: The Benten School of Esoterics.

Hana jumps at the chance for adventure and life at Benten is everything she ever dreamed of—magic, mystical creatures, and making a new best friend in fellow new student Yoomi. But before long, Hana's dream becomes a nightmare. Something is haunting the halls, and a series of horrifying attacks leave everyone wondering: is Benten cursed? Will the legendary school have to close its doors for good? If Hana and Yoomi want to save their new home, they'll have to unravel the mystery or die trying!

A magical story of friendship and new beginnings, *Red Threads: A Witch's Tale* is perfect for fans of *Mooncakes*, *Beetle and the Hollowbones*, and *Spirited Away*.



Ila Nguyen-Hayama is a Japanese-Vietnamese American artist who stumbled into comics after studying evolutionary biology and culinary arts. She lives in the California East Bay and enjoys being a mom to two humans, a dog, a cat, a small parrot, and four chickens.



SELLING POINTS

AAPI VOICES: Inspired by Nguyen-Hayama's experience as a half-Japanese person living in Japan and having to overcome the prejudices she faced—and overcame—*Red Threads: A Witch's Tale* is a heartfelt story richly steeped in Japanese and Korean folklore.

AMAZING ART: Bubbly and bright, Nguyen-Hayama's art is inspired by manga and is sure to appeal to fans of Studio Ghibli movies and series like *Inuyasha*, *Sailor Moon*, and *Witch Hat Atelier*.

WHICH WITCH: Witches continue to be popular and perennial, and with a fresh, cultural twist, we're sure this will stand out among the competition.

TWO FORMATS: Available in hardcover (978-1-4197-6302-1) and paperback (978-1-4197-6303-8).

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 256 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - mm
- * Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: OCTOBER 2025

YOUNG ADULT GRAPHIC NOVEL, KIDS FANTASY

ISBN 978-1-4197-6302-1

US \$26.99

On Starlit Shores

A GRAPHIC NOVEL

● BY BEX GLENDINING

In this YA urban fantasy graphic novel, Alex must return to the town where she was born to unravel the magical mysteries her late grandmother left behind



Alex Wilson hasn't been back to Indigo Harbor, the seaside town where she grew up, in years. In fact, she can barely remember anything about it. But when her grandmother dies unexpectedly, Alex will have to return to her childhood home to say goodbye.

Alex begins cleaning out her grandmother's house, however, the longer she stays, the stranger things get. Indigo Harbor isn't your average town—there are falling stars, witches running antique shops, and a name that comes up again and again: Elizabeth. Who was this woman, and how did she know Alex's grandmother?

As she explores the town and sorts through her grandmother's belongings, Alex reconnects with her past and tries with increasing desperation to uncover the greatest secret of all, the identity of the mysterious Elizabeth. Tackling grief, acceptance, and how to honor a loved one's life, Bex Glendining has crafted a beautiful and moving graphic novel perfect for readers who loved *The Dark Matter of Mona Starr*, *Girl From the Sea*, and *the Magic Fish*.



Bex Glendining is an award-winning, biracial, queer, UK-based illustrator, comic artist, and colorist. Their clients include Netflix, *Huffpost*, DC Comics, Marvel, Penguin Random House, the *New York Times*, and NPR. When not working, they can usually be found building miniature rooms, playing video games with friends or fussing Cookie, their very spoilt tortoiseshell cat.



SELLING POINTS

MOVING STORY: Taking place after the passing of a beloved grandparent, *On Starlit Shores* explores grief, healing, and acceptance.

STUNNING ART: With a dreamy palette and beautiful character designs, Bex Glendining's art is beautiful and will appeal to fans of Tillie Walden, Trung Le Nguyen, and Valero O'Connell.

LGBTQ+ AND MYTHOLOGY

THEMES: *On Starlit Shores* explores themes of queer love, acceptance, and coming out through a fantasy lens.

TWO FORMATS: Available in hardcover (978-1-4197-6504-9) and paperback (978-1-4197-6505-6).

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 192 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 9" - mm
- * Hardcover POB

PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2025**

YOUNG ADULT GRAPHIC NOVEL, YOUNG ADULT

ISBN 978-1-4197-6504-9

US \$24.99



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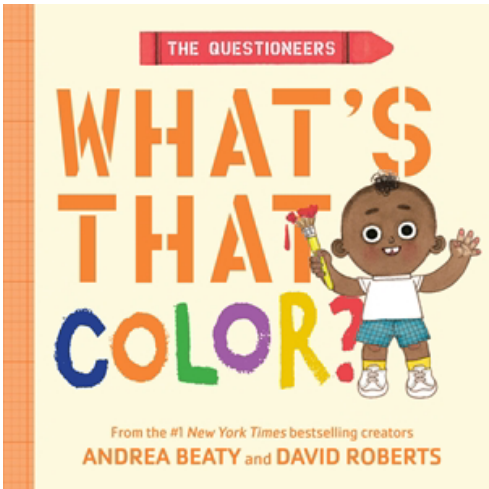
THE QUESTIONEERS

The Questioners: What's That Color?

A BOARD BOOK

- WRITTEN BY ANDREA BEATY; ILLUSTRATED BY DAVID ROBERTS

What's That Color? is a fun rhyming Questioners board book starring Aaron Slater, Illustrator, all about colors from the #1 New York Times bestselling creators of Ada Twist, Scientist and Rosie Revere, Engineer

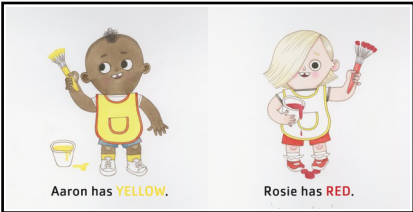


Aaron has yellow. Rosie has red. Mix them together, it's something new instead!

Aaron Slater, Illustrator and his fellow Questioners star in their first-ever board book all about the dazzling world of colors. What happens when you mix yellow and blue? What about blue and red? What if you mix all the colors together?

Andrea Beaty and David Roberts—the #1 New York Times bestselling creators of the Questioners series—are back with a delightfully rhyming and vibrantly illustrated board book, the first in a brand-new concepts series for preschoolers. Readers will join their favorite Questioners as they ask their first questions and explore numbers, shapes, and feelings in future board books.

Andrea Beaty is the author of many beloved children's books, including the bestselling Questioners series; I Love You Like Yellow; Happy Birthday, Madame Chapeau; and One Girl. She lives just outside Chicago. David Roberts has illustrated many children's books, including the bestselling Questioners series. He lives in London. Beaty and Roberts are both executive producers of the Emmy Award-winning show Ada Twist, Scientist on Netflix.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING SERIES: The Questioners picture books and chapter books have sold millions of copies and are New York Times bestsellers, and the momentum keeps building.

NETFLIX BOOST: The Netflix show Ada Twist, Scientist launched in September 2021, drawing even more readers to the books.

NEW FORMAT: We've seen huge success with Questioners books aimed at picture-book and chapter-book readers, and we're thrilled to bring these beloved characters to a younger audience with this first concepts series.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 20 pages
- * WIDTH: 7" - 179mm
- * HEIGHT: 7" - 179mm
- * Board Book

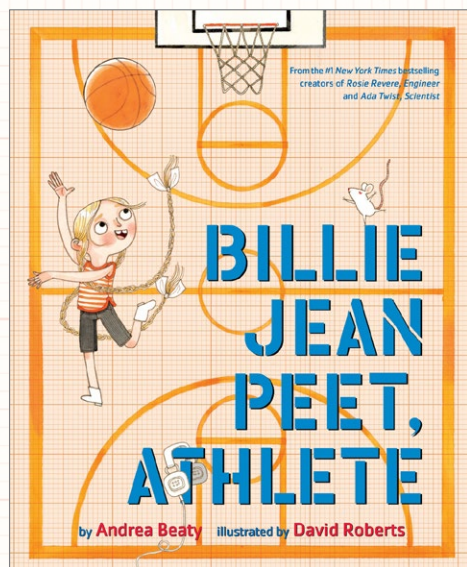
PUB MONTH: MARCH 2026

BOARD BOOK

ISBN 978-1-4197-8666-2

US \$9.99

OVER 6.5 MILLION COPIES SOLD ACROSS ALL FORMATS



Billie Jean Peet, Athlete

Billie Jean Peet is the middle kid in a house full of music. Her older sister sings, her younger sister drums, and even her mouse Pop knows how to bust a move. But when Billie Jean tries to join in, her notes come out sharp and flat. She just wants to find her niche, but the more she tries, the more she worries she's not good at anything. Billie Jean is sure she's stuck being so-so, but when a mistake on the basketball court flips into an unexpected revelation, she's able to combine all her interests and create something completely her own. From author-illustrator team Andrea Beaty and David Roberts comes an unforgettable story about embracing what makes you unique in order to forge your own path.

Nearly
5 MILLION
copies sold
of picture
books!

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 279 × 229 mm
- Page Count: 32
- Hardcover with jacket

Billie Jean Peet, Athlete

PUB MONTH:

SEPTEMBER 2025

Lila Greer, Teacher of the Year

PUB MONTH:

NOVEMBER 2023

Aaron Slater, Illustrator

PUB MONTH:

NOVEMBER 2021

Sofia Valdez, Future Prez

PUB MONTH:

NOVEMBER 2019

Ada Twist, Scientist

PUB MONTH:

SEPTEMBER 2016

Rosie Revere, Engineer

PUB MONTH:

SEPTEMBER 2013

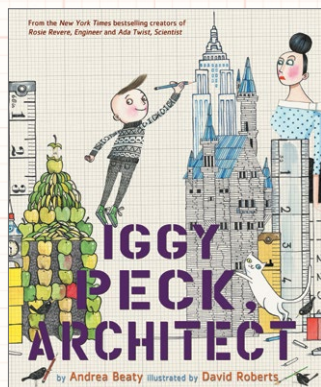
Iggy Peck, Architect

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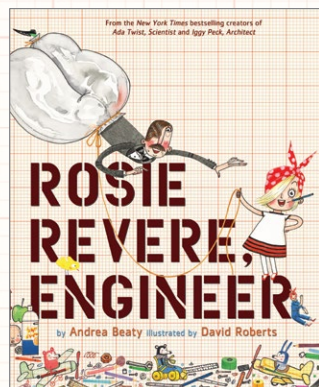
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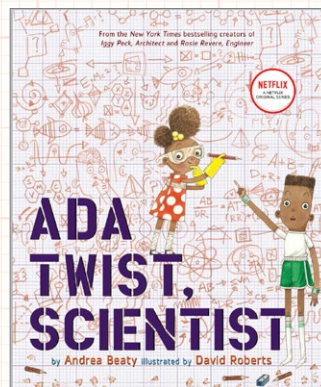
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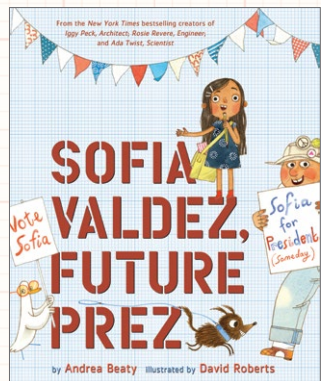
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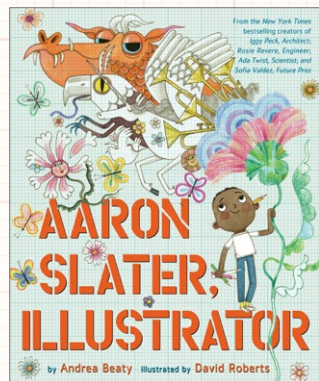
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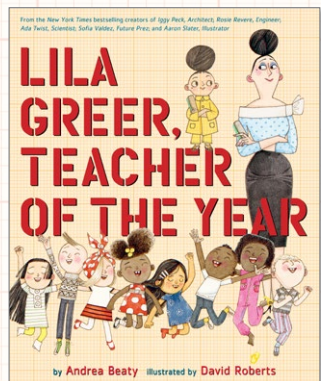
Sofia Valdez, Future Prez



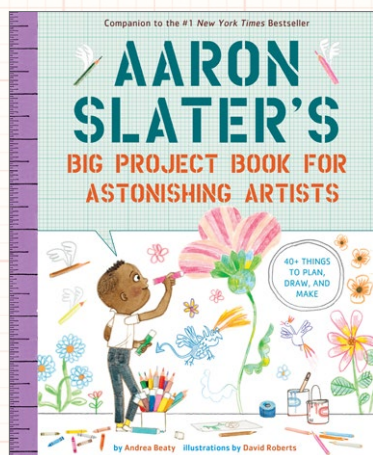
Aaron Slater, Illustrator



Lila Greer, Teacher of the Year



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



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.

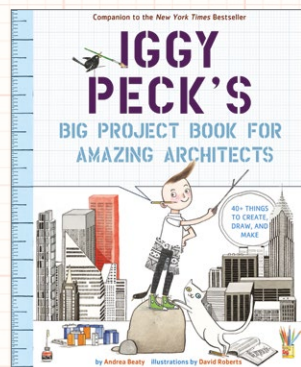
SPECIFICATIONS

○ Color illustrations throughout • 279 × 229 mm • Page Count: 96 • **Paperback**

PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2022**



Iggy Peck's Big Project Book for Amazing Architects



By Andrea Beaty Illustrations © David Roberts

SPECIFICATIONS

PUB MONTH: **AUGUST 2017**

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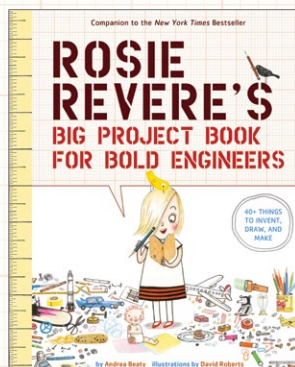
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(THINKINGDOM MEDIA)

TURKISH (EPSILON)

Rosie Revere's Big Project Book for Bold Engineers



SPECIFICATIONS

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2017**

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DUTCH (NIEUWEZIJDS)

FINNISH (AULA)

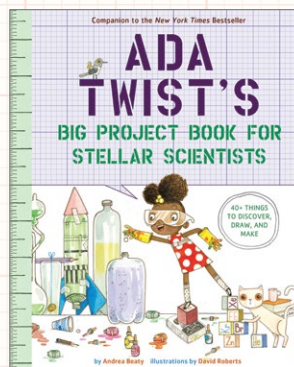
ITALIAN (DEAGOSTINI)

RUSSIAN (KARIERA)

SIMPLIFIED CHINESE

(THINKINGDOM)

Ada Twist's Big Project Book for Stellar Scientists



SPECIFICATIONS

PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2018**

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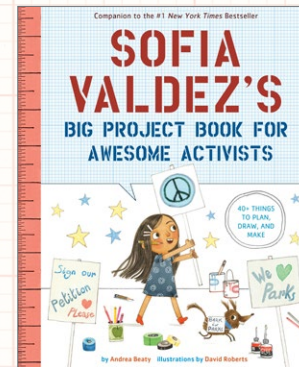
GERMAN (BOJE/LUEBBE)

SIMPLIFIED CHINESE

(THINKINGDOM)

TURKISH (EPSILON)

Sofia Valdez's Big Project Book for Awesome Activists



SPECIFICATIONS

PUB MONTH: **MAY 2021**

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GERMAN (BAUMHAUS)

SIMPLIFIED CHINESE

(THINKINGDOM MEDIA)

Andrea Beaty is the author of *Iggy Peck, Architect*; *Rosie Revere, Engineer*; and *Ada Twist, Scientist*, among other children's titles. She lives just outside Chicago.

David Roberts has illustrated many children's books, including *Iggy Peck, Architect*, *Rosie Revere, Engineer*, and *Ada Twist, Scientist*. He lives in London, where, when not drawing, he likes to make hats.



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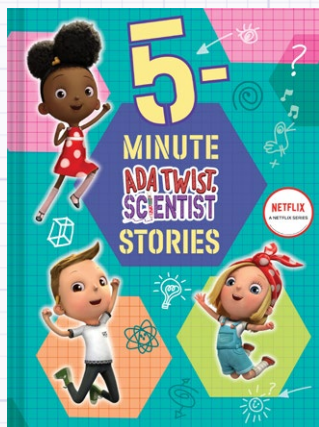
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ADA TWIST. SCIENTIST NETFLIX

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 × 152 mm
- Page Count: 80
- **Hardcover**
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SPANISH (PRHGE)

The Why Files: Exploring Flight!
PUB MONTH: **DECEMBER 2021**

The Why Files: All About Plants!
PUB MONTH: **JULY 2022**

The Why Files:
The Science of Baking!
PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2022**

The Why Files: Bug Bonanza!
PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2023**

The Why Files: Rockin' Robots!
PUB MONTH: **APRIL 2024**

The Why Files: Team Green!
PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2024**

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 267 × 197 mm
- Page Count: 176
- **Hardcover**
- 5-Minute Ada Twist, Scientist Stories**
PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2022**

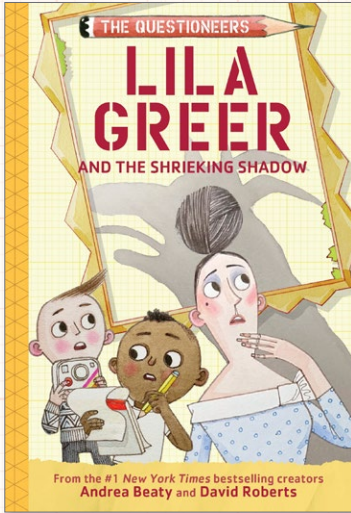
SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 235 × 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**
RIGHTS SOLD **FRENCH (HACHETTE)**

SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 267 × 203 mm
- Page Count: 76
- **Paperback Activity book**
- Ada Twist, Scientist:**
Brainstorm Book
PUB MONTH: **FEBRUARY 2022**
RIGHTS SOLD **FRENCH (HACHETTE)**

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Lila Greer and the Shrieking Shadow

THE QUESTIONEERS BOOK 7

Lila Greer has always loved mysteries, even when they scare her. When a spooky storm blows into Blue River Creek and Lila is startled awake by a strange shrieking shadow, she knows something is afoot. Stranger still, Lila and the Questioneers discover that someone broke into Iggy's parents' art gallery and stole all the paintings for the new exhibit. Ms. Greer and her Questioneers will have to use their detective skills to solve the mystery of the missing paintings!

SPECIFICATIONS

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

Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters

PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2018**

Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants

PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2019**

Iggy Peck and the Haunted Mansion

PUB MONTH: **MAY 2020**

Sofia Valdez and the Vanishing Vote

PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2020**

Ada Twist and the Disappearing Dogs

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Aaron Slater and the Sneaky Snake

PUB MONTH: **MAY 2023**

Lila Greer and the Shrieking Shadow

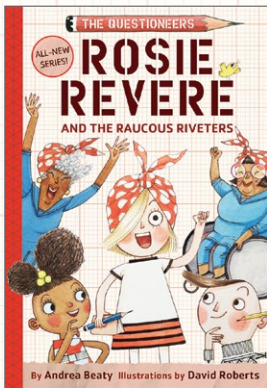
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HUNGARIAN (MAXIM)
FRENCH (HACHETTE JEUNESSE)
ITALIAN (DEAGOSTINI)
POLISH (KINDERKULKA)
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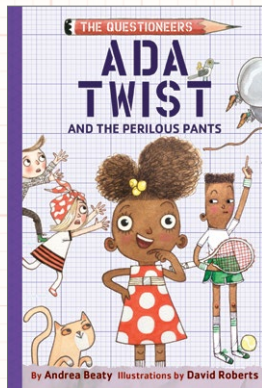
Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters

BOOK 1



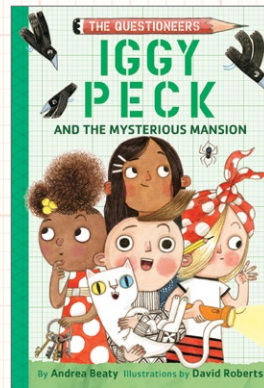
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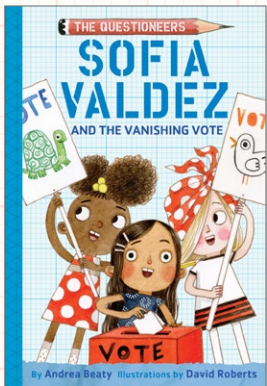
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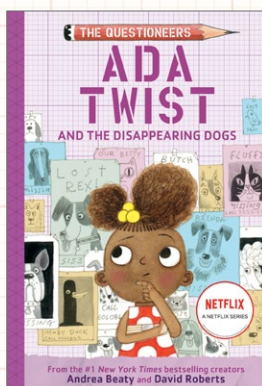
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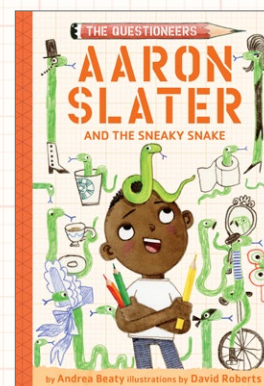
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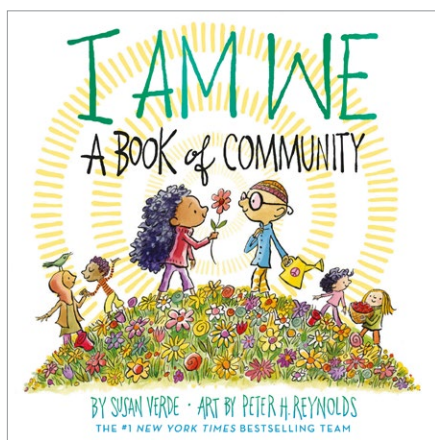


Aaron Slater and the Sneaky Snake

BOOK 6



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.



I Am We

Sometimes we may wonder, how does caring for ourselves help anyone else? But then we realize that the better we feel inside, the more we can be there for others—our friends, families, and communities. We are part of something bigger than ourselves, and when we each turn our goodness and compassion outward, we can create, learn, and love. From the *New York Times* bestselling team behind the *I Am* series comes a celebration of caring for ourselves AND others with open hearts and minds. Whether it's listening to a friend, welcoming newcomers with open arms, or standing up against injustice, *I Am We* shows us what true community looks like—and the amazing things that can happen when we come together.

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SPECIFICATIONS

- Color illustrations throughout
- 203 × 203 mm
- Page Count: 32
- **Hardcover with jacket**

RIGHTS SOLD:

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CHINESE COMPLEX
(COMMONWEALTH)
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(BEIJING TIANLUE)
DUTCH (SAMSARA)
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(SCHOLASTIC CANADA)
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I Am We

PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2024**

Who I Am

PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2023**

I Am Me

PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2022**

I Am Courage

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I Am One

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I Am Love

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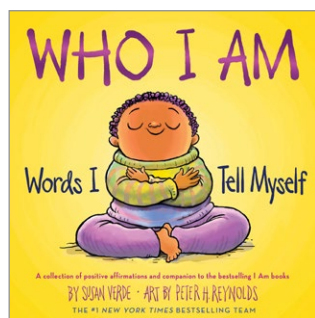
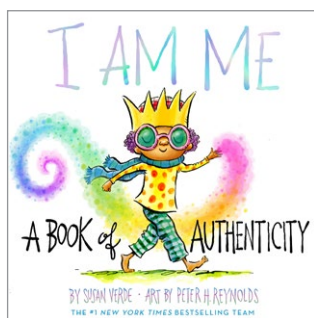
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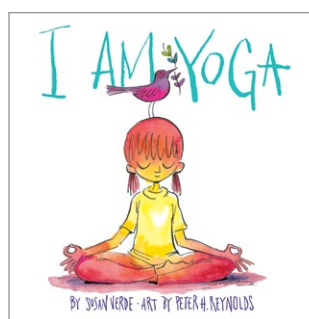
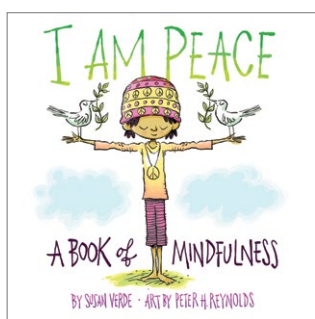
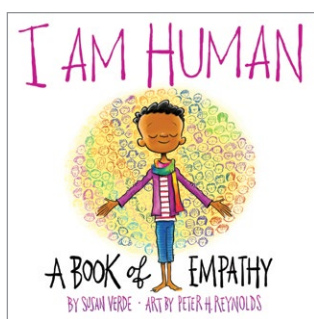
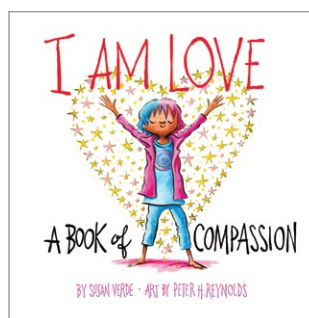
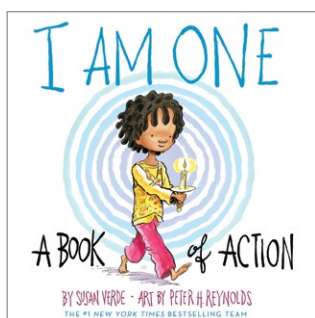
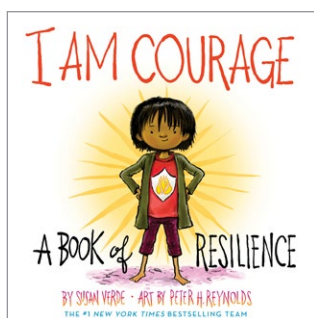
PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2017**

I Am Yoga

PUB MONTH: **SEPTEMBER 2015**



“For young readers who need help believing in themselves and for those with friends who do the same.”
—*Kirkus Reviews*

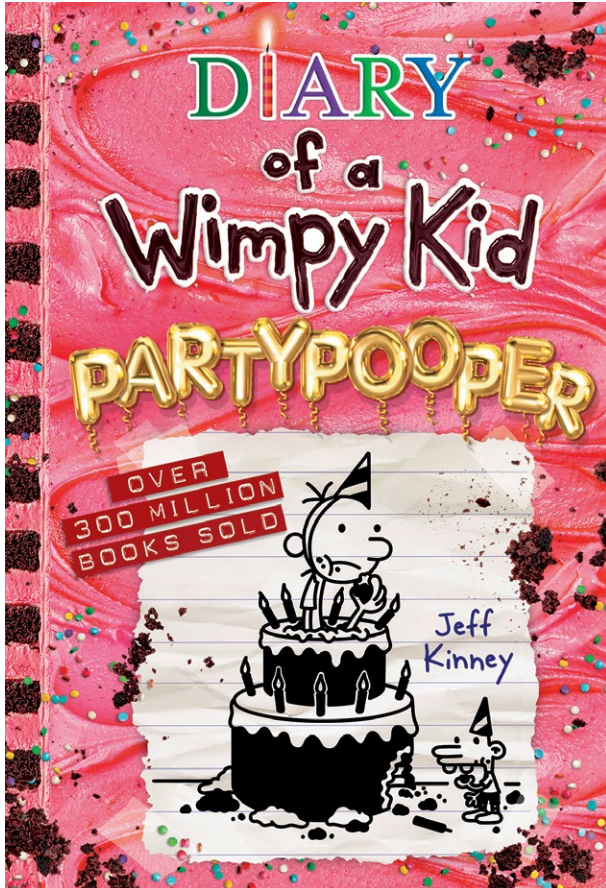


Susan Verde is the bestselling author of the *I Am Wellness* series and the *Feel-Good Fairy Tales* books. She teaches yoga and mindfulness to children and lives with her three children in East Hampton, New York. **Peter H. Reynolds** is the illustrator of many bestselling and award-winning picture books,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

FROM #1 INTERNATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR Jeff Kinney

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Partypoooper

BY JEFF KINNEY



Selling Points

- **GLOBAL PHENOMENON:** With over 300 million books sold around the world in 87 editions and 70 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 almost 900 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:** Three original animated Wimpy Kid movies released on Disney+ in 2021, 2022, and 2023.
- **WIDE SOCIAL MEDIA REACH:** 4 million+ Facebook likes; 25 million+ YouTube views; 230,000+ Twitter followers; 1.5 million+ TikTok followers; and 755,000+ Instagram followers.

Specifications

Diary of a Wimpy Kid Partypoooper
US \$15.99

PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2025**

87 EDITIONS in 70 LANGUAGES!

Afrikaans (Penguin Books South Africa)
Albanian (Ideart)
Arabic (Arab Scientific Publishers)
Arabic Audio (Storytel Arabia)
Armenian (Newmag)
Australia English (Penguin Australia)
Azerbaijani (Qanun)
Basque (Alberdania)
Bosnian (Malik)
Brazil Portuguese (Vergara & Riba)
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Catalan (Grup 62)
Chinese Bilingual Audio (Truelake)
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Croatian (Mozaik)
Czech (Albatros)
Danish (Gyldendal)
Dutch (De Fontein)
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French (Seuil)
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Latin (Abrams/Penguin UK/
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Scots (Black & White)
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International bestselling author Jeff Kinney serves up heaps of laughs in *Partypoooper*, the 20th book in the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series

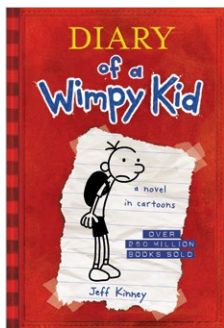
You're invited—RSVP for fun!

Over the years, Greg Heffley has chronicled his mishaps and misadventures in a series of diaries—make that journals—but book 20 of the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series, *Partypoooper*, really takes the cake! Expect gobs of fun and over-the-top antics as Greg throws an epic birthday party for none other than himself. So come celebrate and laugh alongside Greg, his family, and the entire world of Wimpy Kid fans.

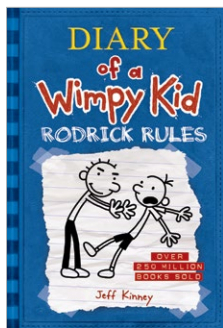
Jeff Kinney is a #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series and the *Awesome Friendly Kid* series. He is a six-time Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Award winner for Favorite Book and has been named one of *Time* magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World. He spent his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

Diary of a Wimpy Kid

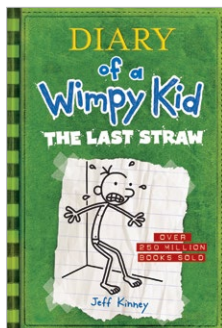
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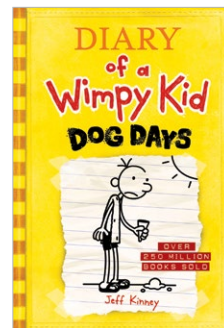
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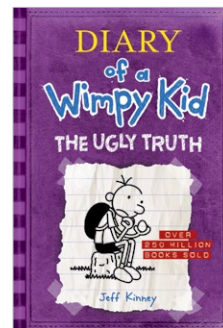
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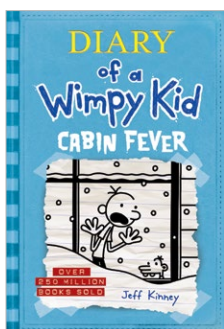
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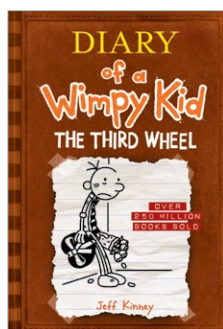
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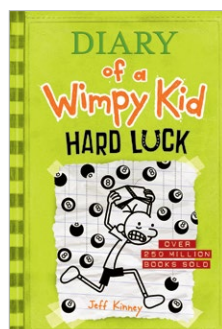
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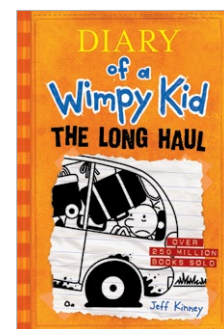
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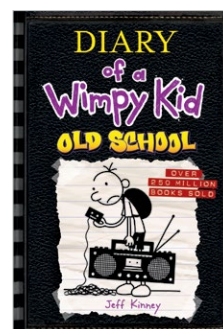
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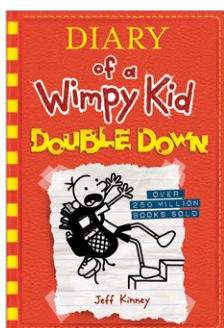
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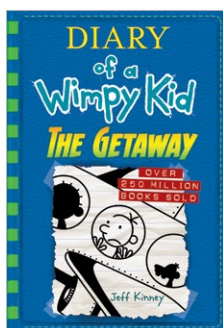
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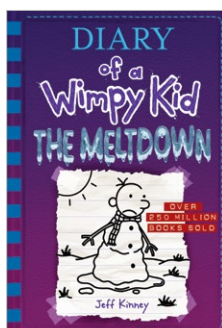
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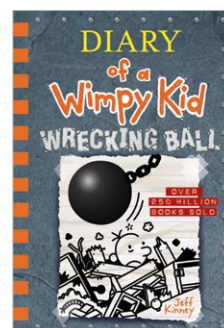
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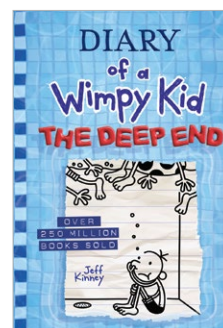
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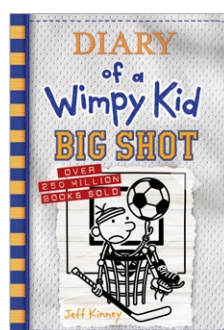
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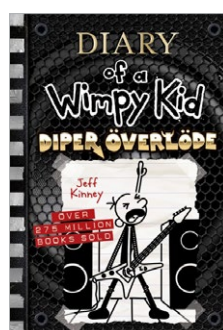
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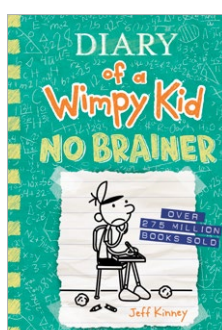
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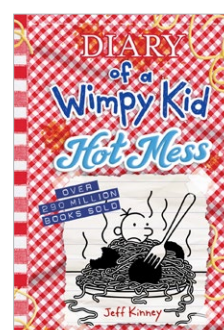
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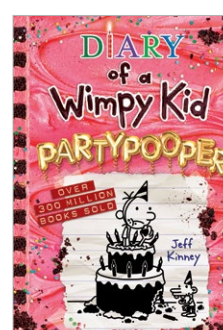
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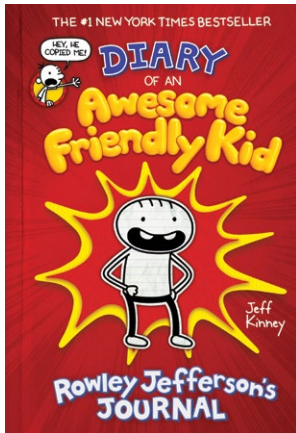


Book 19: Hot Mess
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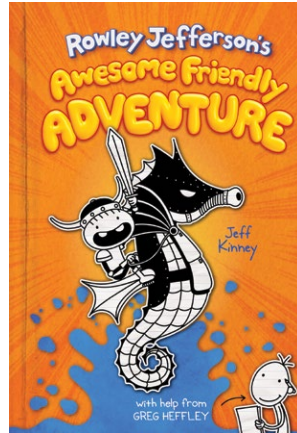


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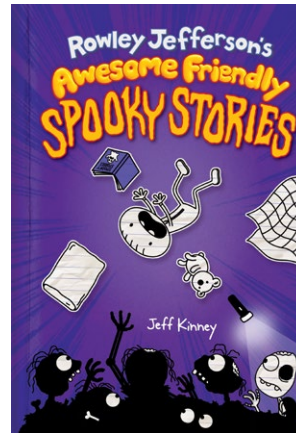
Diary of an Awesome Friendly Kid



Rowley Jefferson's Awesome Friendly Adventure



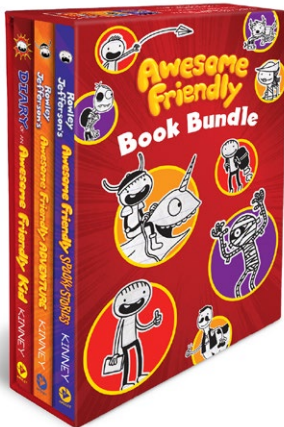
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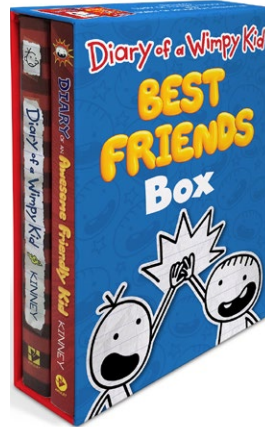
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Australia (PRH)
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Bulgarian (Duo Design)
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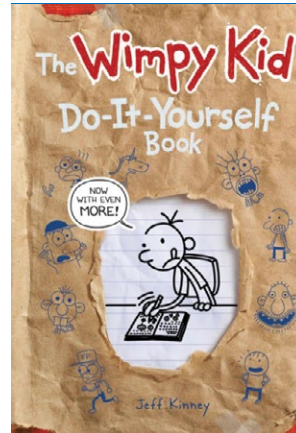
Awesome Friendly Book Bundle



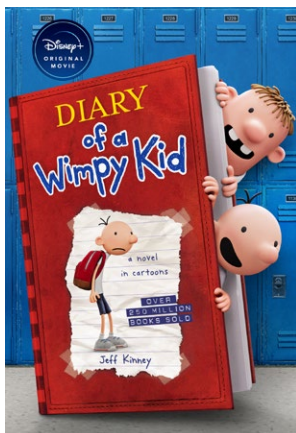
Best Friends Box



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



Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Special Disney+ Cover Edition)



Rodrick Rules (Special Disney+ Cover Edition)



Cabin Fever (Special Disney+ Cover Edition)



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**Mermicorno: Starfall—
Game On! An early
Graphic Novel 1 of 3**
Written by Shea Fontana;
illustrated by Agnes Garbowska

SPECIFICATIONS

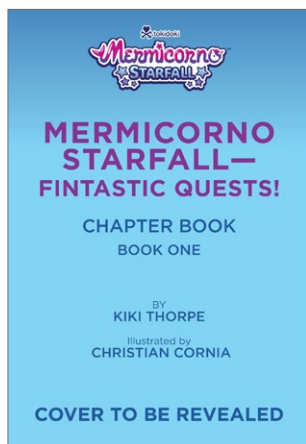
- Full-color illustrations throughout
- 152 × 210 mm
- Page Count: 96
- **Hardcover POB**
- Ages 5-8

PUB MONTH: **MARCH 2026**

Dive into the magical world of tokidoki's *Mermicorno: Starfall* and join Astra and the Merמי-crew in an 11-title publishing program spanning 7 formats, including original graphic novels, two-color chapter books, an official guide book, and more!

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**Mermicorno: Starfall—
Fantastic Quests**
Written by Kiki Thorpe;
illustrated by Christian Cornia

SPECIFICATIONS

- Full-color illustrations throughout
- 140 × 203 mm
- Page Count: 144
- **Hardcover POB**
- Ages 6-9

PUB MONTH: **MAY 2026**



**5-Minute Mermicorno:
Starfall Stories**

Written by Sudipta
Bardhan-Quallen

SPECIFICATIONS

- Full-color illustrations throughout
- 197 × 267 mm
- Page Count: 176
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PUB MONTH: **OCTOBER 2025**



**Mermicorno: Starfall
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By tokidoki

SPECIFICATIONS

- Full-color illustrations throughout
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- **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.
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