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Themes: gardening, food, mystery, friendship, anticipation
✎ Teacher’s guide

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A surprising and hilarious tale of friendship and reward

Every morning, Jiva works hard in his garden until the sun turns as red as a bride’s sari. He plants peas and beans, potatoes and tomatoes, and eggplants and okra in his vegetable patch. It’s a wonderful garden and certainly admired by his friend, Ruvji.

Jiva can’t wait to harvest his peas for a delicious feast! But each time Jiva is ready to pick the peas for his feast, they’re already gone. Could it be rabbits? Or ghosts? Or is something else amiss?

Praise for Kashmira Sheth
★ “Unexpected delights on nearly every page.”
—Publisher’s Weekly on Tiger in My Soup

“Provides a door for readers from outside the [Indian] culture to step in and participate in all the fun.”
—Booklist on Sona and the Wedding Game

“A great addition for all multicultural collections.”
—School Library Journal on Monsoon Afternoon
Birds flew overhead. Jiva scratched his head, wondering how to keep them away from his peas. Then Jiva snapped his fingers. He had an idea.

He built a scarecrow out of sugarcane stalks and dressed it with an old dhoti, a shirt, and a red turban.

Jiva waited some more.

The pea flowers turned into tiny peas and the tiny peas turned into big pods.

Soon it would be time for a feast of peas!

The next morning just before the sun came out, a ghost appeared in the garden.

It stopped over Jiva’s dhoti.

It bowed to Jiva’s scarecrow and asked, “May I have some peas, please?”

Then the ghost answered his own question. “Of course, you may have as many peas as you please.”

The ghost bowed again. “Why, thank you.”

Quickly, he picked all the peas and dropped them in a pot.

He looked back to see if the scarecrow was following him. Instead he saw a big crowd waiting him from the shore. He had been tricked.

Down the street and up the alley, the scarecrow chased the ghost.

They ran past the temple and through the market. The ghost ran all the way to the river. He dove into the water.
A feisty little girl learns who the real monsters are in this brilliantly funny medieval adventure from the creator of the New York Times Best Illustrated Children’s Book *Little Red*

Far far away, there lives a little girl called Bo who wants to be just like her brothers and capture a fearsome monster. But Bo is small, too small to catch a monster—or so her brothers say. Still, this little girl isn’t one to take no for an answer, so she sets off on a quest to catch a monster of her own. Can she defeat the furious griffin, conquer the hideous kraken, and triumph over the monstrous dragon? Or is there more to this tale than meets the eye?

**Praise for Bethan Woollvin**

“This is how fairy tales were meant to be told.”  
—*School Library Journal* on *Little Red*

“Empowerment in leaps and bounds.”  
—*Kirkus Reviews* on *Rapunzel*

“Marked by sly humor and an impish sense of mischief… Wicked fun.”  
—*The Horn Book Magazine* on *Hansel & Gretel*
Erik and his brave friend, Anne, are off on a journey to catch a monster.

“Please, can I come with you? I want to catch a monster too!”

Anne said.

“Not this time!” Erik said.

“Sorry,” Erik apologized.

“I’m too little.”
In a society of lemmings, can a bear ever belong?

The Society of Distinguished Lemmings enjoys the finer things in life, and its members aim to be distinguished in everything they do. But it takes lots of rules to be so distinguished, like: no rolling around, no climbing about, and certainly no splashing in the mud!

One lemming by the name of Bertie has had quite enough of the rules. So Bertie ventures outside, and there he discovers a bear. The bear shows Bertie that prancing about in the wild is quite a lot of fun. But the other lemmings decide at once the bear is not at all distinguished! Will Bertie’s new friend ever fit in, or is the bear simply too big and clumsy?
This is the Society of Distinguished Lemmings.

Every in their underground houses, the lemmings follow a strict set of rules and are always very busy with social events.

And every meal is a spectacle of fun among them.

In fact, there are very few times in which the lemmings are not distinguished.

Outside, he finds there is a bear.

Bertie has never met a bear before.

He's harmless, he can be very fierce and scary (not to mention awfully slow!)

And the bear has never met a lemming before.

He's healthy, they can be devious and annoying (not to mention impossible, slow and dull).

Neither of them moves a muscle.

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Madeline Finn DOES NOT like to read. Not books. Not magazines. Not even the menu on the ice cream truck.

But Madeline Finn DOES want a gold star from her teacher. Stars are for good readers. Stars are for understanding words and saying them out loud. Fortunately, Madeline Finn meets Bonnie, a library dog. Reading out loud to Bonnie isn’t so bad. When Madeline Finn gets stuck, Bonnie doesn’t mind. Madeline Finn can pet her until she figures the word out.

Praise for Madeline Finn and the Library Dog

“A warm, encouraging story that suggests that perfection isn’t necessary in order to achieve one’s goals, and that help can be found in unexpected corners.”
—Publishers Weekly

“So adorable readers may attempt to hug the page.”
—Kirkus Reviews

❖ Children’s Choice Book of the Year;
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Parent’s Choice Recommended Award
Worries, fears, and anxieties are all dragons that sneak up on most of us at one time or another.

Lots of people get dragons. Even really really good people get them. And sometimes they are hard to get rid of. So what can a young boy with a bad case of the dragons do? He can pretend they are not there, or that they are really quite harmless. Hugs from his mom help. Looking his dragon straight in the eye at least once every day helps even more. But most reassuring of all is the reminder that dragons don’t stay forever.

Praise for You’ve Got Dragons

“[An] excellent metaphor for the fears and worries of every child… A great choice for the walking worried.”

—Booklist

“Reassuring.”

—Kirkus Reviews

You’ve Got Dragons
Kathryn Cave
Illustrated by Nick Maland

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Themes: anxiety, fear, metaphor, worry

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Set in an Indian village, this amusing story of identification and value shows the rewards in looking closely and thinking imaginatively.

Lali finds a feather in the field. Is little feather lost? Lali sets out to find feather a home. But one bird after another rejects the little feather—it is too small for Rooster, too pokey for Crow, and too plain for Peacock. Once Lali decides to keep the little feather and play with it, the other birds begin to recognize its value. But—whoosh!—the wind blows, and off the feather goes! Now, what will Lali do without her feather?
"Go! Go!" Blue Jay tittered. "My feather makes everyone say ooh and ah!
Lali O Lali, what can plain feather do?"
"Feather can do this!" said Lali.
Feather and Lali fanned the fire a little higher.
"Oo ma!" Blue Jay cried. "I didn’t know plain feather could do all that!"

"Lali, dear Lali, dry your tears!" Crow cried. "I will bring sweet, feather black in a jiffy, in a snap, in the blink of an eye!"
Crow flapped her speedy feathers and flew from tree to tree.
And Peacock? Why, he also flew because he missed feather too!
Fly, birds, fly! Faster! Faster!
Wait, feather, wait, wait!
Izzy Gizmo and Fixer are back in this charming and eccentric tale of ambition, determination, and finding your inner strength!

Izzy Gizmo has been invited to Technoff Isle’s Invention Convention, where the creator of the best machine will win coveted admittance to the Genius Guild. But with fearsome foe Abi von Lavish getting the best of them at every turn, how will Izzy and Fixer ever take the prize?

In this follow-up to the beloved original, Izzy Gizmo returns (together with Grandpa and Fixer) in another wonderfully exuberant and feisty tale of ingenuity and perseverance. Brought to life with charmingly zany art, this is a great pick for burgeoning inventors and little engineers.

Praise for Izzy Gizmo

“This story of a girl engineer is sorely needed and has potential to develop and nourish readers’ interest in STEAM subjects.”
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“Will inspire kids to get out there and try new things.”
—School Library Journal
Lizzy Climo and Flier were making a racket inventing a So-So to Be Cramp-like jacket, when.

DING DONG DONG!

went the bell on the door, and a golden note fluttered down to the floor.

Abi von Lavin was already there.

Flier flew off to fetch fan heels and wheels.

"No hat!" Abi exclaimed as she toppled on her heels.

Oh, Flier! I'm sorry! We can DO it! We must!

They used a giant drill.

And some paddles and pipes!

These are just a few things that we need to adjust.
**Picture Book • March**

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**A heartwarming story of community, family, and finding your way home**

A group of friendly dinosaurs helps a lost egg search for its parents after it’s been blown out of its nest. But if the little egg is to be reunited with its family, first they must discover what kind of dinosaur is inside. What does that egg look like inside its shell? Surely, there must be a way to tell!

★ “This is a must-have addition to any children’s collection and a surefire crowd-pleaser at a dinosaur storytime. One might call it a roaring success.”

—Booklist

❖ ILA / CBC Children’s Choice Award;
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Have some more laughs with Alex Latimer on pages 46–47

**A gentle story about finding your creative spark**

Tapir wants to express himself, but he can’t find the words! He and his friends all have nice new notebooks, just waiting to be filled. Giraffe decides to write a poem, Hippo writes a story, and Flamingo composes a beautiful song. But poor Tapir can’t think of anything to write—and the harder he tries the more upset he becomes! But everything starts to change when Tapir stops trying to write, and instead he begins to draw…

“A warmhearted, thoughtful story to share with young readers.”

—Kirkus Reviews

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A poignant legend of courage and humanity in dangerous times

For centuries, the Star of David was a symbol of Jewish pride, but during World War II the Nazis used the star to segregate and terrorize the Jewish people.

Inspired by an enduring oral myth, Carmen Agra Deedy recreates powerful imagery set in 1940s Denmark: a Danish king defies Nazi orders and rides through the streets with a yellow star on his chest, committing himself to keeping all Danes safe from harm.

♦ Back matter: author’s note

Praise for The Yellow Star

“Deedy’s language is simple and rhythmic… an interesting and thought-provoking piece of work.”
—School Library Journal

“A graceful and moving exploration of moral courage.”
—USA Today

❖ IRA Notable Books for a Global Society; Jane Addams Peace Association, Honor Book; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; Parents’ Choice Gold Award
A compassionate and lyrical story of staying in touch after a friend has moved away

Mia and Ben are the very best of friends. They live side by side at the edge of a great, wide lake. Together they sail, swing, and sing. But what they love doing most of all is making paper planes. One day, maybe they’ll make a plane that can fly all the way across the lake! But Ben has terrible news: he and his family are moving far away. How are Mia and Ben going to stay best friends if they’re going to be so far apart? And will flying paper planes ever be the same again without Ben?

Praise for The Snow Lion

★ “A well-crafted tale about a healthy adaptation to new environs merges with superb artwork.”
— Kirkus Reviews

“Beautifully designed and executed, this book provides a gentle exploration of a challenging situation many children face.”
— Booklist

“Visually and emotionally, there’s expansiveness, poignancy, and hope in these pages.”
— Publishers Weekly
Mia and Ben were the very best of friends.

They lived side by side on the edge of a great, wide lake.

They sailed together...

As the days passed, Mia missed Ben very much.

She thought of him, way over the sea, and wondered if he was lonely too.

Winter came again.

But when the geese returned this time, Mia had no one to race planes with.

Hot tears fell from her eyes.

Mia and Ben would never make a plane that could fly across the lake now.

Mia took the plane Ben had given her and smashed it on the ground. She went to bed, feeling hurt and angry.
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**Come one, come all! It’s time for Hattie’s magic show!**

Abracadabra, katakurico!

Oh, goodness! Out pops a cat from Hattie’s magic hat. Can you guess what creature will appear from the magic hat next? Come along as Hattie conjures up a parade of animals from her magic hat, and don’t miss the grand finale!

From renowned author and illustrator Satoshi Kitamura, this humorously exaggerated tale is sure to tickle and delight young listeners.

**Praise for Hat Tricks**

“A masterfully crafted story for tots, impeccable in its apparent simplicity, yet with all the elements of tension, resolution, and surprise needed in a good story. Perfection!”

—Carousel

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It's a rabbit in a hat!

But it's not just any rabbit, and it's not just any hat ...

It's Hattie the Magician and this is her hat!

Why, it's an elephant!

Wow!
A Friend for Mole
Nancy Armo

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Activity kit

Nancy Armo has been drawing since she
started coloring on walls with her crayons.
Later, she used that talent to study graphic
design at the University of Washington,
which led to a career as a graphic designer
and art director for several corporations.
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Sometimes things aren’t so scary when you have
a friend to keep you company.

An accidental encounter throws Mole and Wolf together. One is
afraid of the light, the other is afraid of the dark. Together they
learn that friends are all they need to conquer their fears.

Praise for A Friend for Mole

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Journey from your neighborhood to a desert where a jackrabbit loses heat through its oversized ears, then to a seashore where a sea star hides in the shade of a seaweed mat.

“A well-designed, well-written book that offers readers a greater awareness of and sense of relationship to the other inhabitants in their environments.”

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♦ Back matter: afterword; glossary

“An appealing and comprehensive introduction.”

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From the Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book Award-winning creators, comes another mystery with King & Kayla!

Mr. Gary, the neighbor, says Thor made a mess in his yard. But Thor insists he didn’t do it. How can King & Kayla find the real culprit?

What does Kayla know?

- Someone messed up Mr. Gary’s yard.
- Thor isn’t strong enough to knock over a full trash can.
- Thor doesn’t like fruits and vegetables.

What does King know?

- There’s a new guy in the neighborhood...

How will they solve the mystery?

❖ A JLG Selection
“I didn’t make a mess,” Thor says.
“All I did was chase Cat with No Name away!”

“Huh,” I say.

“It’ll be okay,” Kayla tells Jillian.
“Thor is still a puppy. He’ll settle down when he gets bigger.”

“I hope so,” Jillian says.

“Aha! Look what I found,” I say.
“I’m pretty sure it came from the new guy.”
Amphibian Acrobats
Leslie Bulion
Illustrated by Robert Meganck

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Teacher’s guide

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Discover more middle readers by Leslie Bulion on pages 26–27, 100–101

Step right up to the fascinating world of acrobatic amphibians—from the agile Wallace’s flying frog to the bouncing Venezuelan pebble toad!

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Paddle tail, waving tail, rhinoceros, horns, horns, jungle, jungle, jungle.

The Balancing Act

Tadpole legs, chaffinches, chaffinches, strong tails, strong tails, strong tails.

The Canopy Climber

This walking thing is cool, but I think they're kind of creepy.

Strawberry Poison Frog

The Jin gunmen is a group of people who think they're better than everyone else.

Vegetation: Bubble Nest

The Jin crews are working on building a nest in the tree. They're using sticks and leaves to make it sturdy.
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Explore the whimsical world of science poetry by

Leslie Bulion

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Get to know all about the best and brightest—and smelliest!—denizens of the bird world.

Leaf Litter Critters
Illustrated by Robert Meganck

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Dig through the leaf litter layer and discover the tiny critters that live there.

★ “A delight to read aloud and learn.”
—Kirkus Reviews

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Find out what’s on the menu for some unusual undersea creatures!

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Take a trip through the human body with these humorous riddles!

❖ NCTE Notable Poetry List; NSTA Recommends; Parents’ Choice Approved Award; Science Books & Films Best Books of the Year
Lovable and distractible Nina Soni returns in a new story of family and friendship

Has spring break always been this rainy? Nina Soni is restless indoors and hungry for a new project, especially since she and Jay are still struggling to get their friendship back to normal. Luckily, a fresh pile of dirt has just been delivered to the neighbor’s house for a landscaping project, and it’s much too tempting to resist! With little sister Kavita’s help, Nina launches a grand engineering project—with unexpected consequences.

Praise for Nina Soni, Former Best Friend

“Sheth’s language is poetic in its simplicity, and her narratorial voice is a pleasure to read...A sweet and entertaining series opener about family and friendship.”

—Kirkus Reviews
Kavita likes to sing—nursery rhymes, songs, jingles from TV commercials. And her favorite, songs she makes up. Sometimes whatever she sings on the way to school earworms in my head.

There are many reasons Kavita likes to sing.

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<th>In-my-head list of why Kavita likes to sing</th>
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<td>* Singing is like her, flowing and unstoppable.</td>
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<td>* Kavita means poetry in Hindi, so singing is all mixed-up with her name.</td>
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<td>* Singing gives her a chance to interrupt anyone, anytime, anyplace.</td>
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So Kavita, poetry, was singing and skipping. She was making her lungs work as hard as her legs.

Unlike Kavita, I like to make lists because lists help me keep organized.

*Or-ga-nized means you keep things all straight, not zigzaggy in your head.*
Meet Mr. Penguin: adventurer (and penguin)!

He has a dashing hat. He has a battered satchel. He has a packed lunch of fish finger sandwiches. Now he just needs an adventure! So when Boudica Bones from the Museum calls for help, Mr. Penguin swings into action. Can he and Colin the spider find the museum’s missing treasure before bandits do? Or is this the call to adventure Mr. Penguin should have never answered?

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“Sure to pull readers along.”—Kirkus Reviews

Charlie tackles the hardship of saying goodbye.

When Charlie learns that Hector’s family is moving back to Chile at the end of the year, he is crushed. With Tommy’s help, he cooks up wacky schemes to keep Hector here. But moving away from his friends turns out to be the least of Hector’s problems; three mean boys are making his life miserable.

“Harley’s delightful friendship story, with Gustavson’s spot-on illustrations, is humorous, yet poignant, and portrays the heartfelt good nature of true friends.” —Booklist Online

See the full series on pages 104–105
An action-packed and heartwarming story of a dog in the Cherry Mine disaster of 1909.

When Thomas’s family needs money, he’s forced to go to work in the coal mines, even though neither of his late parents wanted that for him. His only comfort is Finder, a failed hunting dog, who now pulls a cart in the mines. When disaster strikes, can Thomas and Finder escape from the fires deep below ground?

♦ Back matter: bibliography; history notes

“Suspenseful.” — The Horn Book Guide

❖ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People

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In 1831, Charles Darwin set sail on a remarkable five-year voyage that changed the study of biology forever.

This lively account follows the naturalist’s exciting trip around the world—through seasickness, a life-threatening illness, and even an earthquake—as he explores South America, the Cape Verde Islands, Tahiti, and the Galapagos Islands.

♦ Back matter: bibliography; further resources; history notes

“Accurate and readable information about the scientist and his journey.” — School Library Journal

❖ Bank Street Best Children’s Books of the Year; NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12

See other books by Ruth Ashby on page 90

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Alison Hart
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery

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5 ½ x 7 ½ / 160 pages
15 black and white illustrations

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Themes: mining, bravery, American history
❖ Teacher’s guide

February • Middle Reader / Biography

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Ruth Ashby

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Themes: biology, Charles Darwin, seafaring

See the full series on page 93
You know all those movies where teenagers have, like, THE TIME OF THEIR LIVES? This vacation is probably not going to be that.

The last thing sixteen-year-old Maisie Martin thought she’d be doing over vacation is entering a beauty pageant. Not when she’s spent most of her life hiding her body from everyone. Not when her Dad is AWOL and her gorgeous older sister has returned to rock Maisie’s shaky confidence. And her best friend starts going out with the boy she’s always loved. But Maisie’s got something to prove. As she writes down all the ways this vacation is going from bad to worse in her school-assignment journal, what starts as a homework torture-device might just end up being an account of how Maisie didn’t let anything, or anyone, hold her back.

Praise for What I Like About Me

“This is the book I would hand to teen me.”
—Becky Albertalli, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda
Saturday, 23 December

1 thing I discovered today:

1. It turns out people have strong feelings about me entering this pageant.

Evidence: The conversations I had about it with literally everyone today. See status report.

* * *

Status report:

Dad: Weirded out, cautiously supportive, totally absent. (“I thought you hated that thing? Oh, okay, if it’s what you want, that’s great, Eminem...No, I don’t think I’ll make it there for the pageant. Sorry, honey. Work is still hectic and, you know, it’s such a long way for a short period of time. We’ve talked about all this already. That’s why I won’t be there for Christmas. How’s your mother?”)
Stanley’s Paint Box
William Bee

BB: $6.99 / 978-1-68263-186-7
6 ½ x 6 ½ / 18 pages
Media: digital

Lexile
Ages 2–6

Territory: US & Canada
Rights: Random House UK

Themes: art, community, friendship

Activity sheets

William Bee is an artist and commercial designer. He lives in England.
www.williambee.com

Can you guess what color Stanley is going to make next?

Stanley uses his paint box to help Little Woo, Sophie, and Benjamin with a painting project. But Stanley doesn’t have all the colors everyone wants, so he gets to work on mixing colors! An early introduction to painting tools, this book is great for teaching secondary colors.

Stanley’s Toolbox
William Bee

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Themes: tools, community, friendship

Activity sheets

Let’s fix up a tree house with Stanley and friends!

Discover all the tools in Stanley’s toolbox as he helps Little Woo fix up a tree house. A first look at simple tools and their functions, like a hammer, a screwdriver, and a saw—this is a perfect selection for gearheads and little engineers.

See the full series on pages 42–43
This beginner’s guide offers a first glimpse into the natural world of birds

In this addition to the acclaimed About… series, educator and author Cathryn Sill uses simple, easy-to-understand language to teach children what birds are, what they do, and how they live. With beautifully realistic paintings, noted wildlife illustrator John Sill introduces readers to the diverse world of birds.

**Curious About Birds**
Cathryn Sill
Illustrated by John Sill

**BB: $6.99 / 978-1-68263-190-4**
6 5/8 x 6 5/8 / 18 pages
Media: watercolor

Ages 2–6 / Nature
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Themes: bird behavior, bird characteristics, bird habitats

**Cathryn and John Sill** are a dynamic duo and have garnered praise from educators and won awards for the About… series (pages 54–55) and the About Habitats… series (page 56). Cathryn, a graduate of Western Carolina University, was an elementary school teacher for thirty years. John holds a BS in wildlife biology and has an impressive reputation as a wildlife artist. The Sills live in North Carolina.

[www.johnsill.com](http://www.johnsill.com)
The simple-to-use and wonderfully detailed *About...* series from Cathryn and John Sill is now available in Spanish!

Children will learn about each featured species, discovering how they look, how they move, what they eat, and where they live. Gorgeous illustrations accompany a mindfully translated text, making these a great selection for language development in the classroom or during at-home discovery!

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*Una guía para niños*

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Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Random House UK

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❖ IRA/CBC Children’s Choices; Parents’ Choice Recommended

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Alex Latimer

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Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Oxford UK

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Themes: community, exploration, family, identity

Activity sheets

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GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8

Themes: bullying, problem-solving, cooperation

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4–8

Themes: “Boy Who Cried Wolf,” fractured fairy tales, honesty

AR • RC • Lexile
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4–8

Themes: environment, friendship, perseverance
Never Follow a Dinosaur
Alex Latimer

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-704-5
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Random House UK

Sally and Joe are convinced that the mysterious footprints they have discovered must belong to a dinosaur! Could it be?

“It’s a goofy romp with a very lovable dinosaur at its center that never loses its (very small) footing.” —Kirkus Reviews

Themes: assumptions and expectations, deduction, cumulative stories

Penguin’s Hidden Talent
Alex Latimer

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-629-1
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Random House UK

The talent show is coming up and Penguin doesn’t have a special skill to showcase—or does he?

“Delightfully droll…Quirky, with a side of self-esteem.” —Kirkus Reviews

Themes: friendship, talent, compassion, self-discovery

Stay!
A Top Dog Story
Alex Latimer

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-884-4
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Random House UK

Grandpa is looking after Ben’s mischievous dog, Buster. Who will be top dog?

“Kid-friendly and full of action and gentle suspense, this selection will be a favorite of dog lovers and reluctant readers alike.” —Kirkus Reviews

Themes: letter-writing, dog training

Bank Street Best Books of the Year; Parents’ Choice Recommended

Pig and Small
Alex Latimer

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-797-7
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-036-5
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Random House UK

Two friends learn that size doesn’t matter in this hilarious story about finding common ground.

“Latimer…once again proves he’s adept at conveying life lessons with the lightest of touches.” —Publishers Weekly

Themes: friendship, overcoming differences

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**Picture Books • Backlist**

### John Butler

**Can You Cuddle Like a Koala?**
John Butler  
**BB:** $6.95 / 978-1-56145-297-2  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Orchard UK  
A simple, interactive look at different animals and the way they move.  

“A perfect title for curling up together during one-on-one reading.”  
—School Library Journal  

Themes: baby animals, movement, questions

**Hush Little Ones**
John Butler  
**BB:** $6.95 / 978-1-56145-297-2  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Orchard UK  
One by one, baby animals are gently put to bed by their mothers and fathers.  

“A visually appealing book that is perfectly suited for bedtime reading.”  
—School Library Journal  

Themes: baby animals, bedtime, family

**Can You Growl Like a Bear?**
John Butler  
**BB:** $6.95 / 978-1-56145-667-3  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Orchard UK  
A simple, interactive look at different animals and the noises they make.  

“A natural for sharing with young groups of children.”  
—Booklist  

Themes: baby animals, movement, questions

**Ten in the Den**
John Butler  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-965-0  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Orchard UK  
As adorable animals make room in their den for sleepy friends, one after another gently tumbles out until Little Mouse is left all alone.  

“This entertaining incarnation of a well-known and often-used counting rhyme incorporates many concepts and opportunities for young listeners to become involved in the story.”  
—School Library Journal  

Themes: animals, bedtime, counting, song

**Ten in the Meadow**
John Butler  
**HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-372-6 / 1-56145-372-2  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Orchard UK  
Out in the meadow, ten cuddly friends play a game of hide-and-seek. But it’s almost time for bed. Where is Mouse?  

“Butler’s soft, wide-eyed animals will appeal to children.”  
—School Library Journal  

Themes: animals, bedtime, counting, friends
**Backlist • Picture Books**

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**Bedtime in the Jungle**  
*John Butler*  

**PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-145-4**  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hachette UK

This gorgeous bedtime counting story is written in the style of the familiar children’s song, “Over in the Meadow.”

“Stunning illustrations…A lovely addition.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

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**Little One**  
*Jo Weaver*  

**HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-924-7**  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hodder UK

Join a new bear cub and his mother as they discover the world together, through every season.

★ “Quietly stunning.” —*Kirkus Reviews*  
★ *Publishers Weekly*  
● CCBC Choices; *Kirkus Reviews* Best Books; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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**If You See a Kitten**  
*John Butler*  

**PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-838-7**  
Territory: US • Rights: Penguin UK

This simple, interactive look at various animals and the responses they evoke will coax giggles and spirited responses from young children as they follow along.

“Perfect for preschoolers and younger, Butler’s tale easily lends itself to group read aloud settings, with each successive reading sure to become more riotous as the children become familiar with their responses.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

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**Where Is Baby?**  
*Kathryn O. Galbraith*  
Illustrated by John Butler

**HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-707-6**  
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

Adorable illustrations and a soothing text depict the many ways animal babies hide.

“Sweet, simple introduction to animal babies…the language is quietly poetic, with audience-appropriate descriptive vocabulary.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

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**Little Tigers**  
*Jo Weaver*  

**HC: $17.95 / 978-1-68263-110-2**  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hodder UK

A family of tigers searches for a new home in the jungle.

★ “Perfectly paced, accessible, and appealing.” —*Kirkus Reviews*  
● Parents’ Choice Silver Award

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**Little Whale**  
*Jo Weaver*  

**HC: $17.95 / 978-1-68263-049-5**  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hodder UK

Gray Whale gently guides her baby as they migrate to the cool, rich waters of the North to feed.

“A soothing and appealing read-aloud, this lovely look under the sea may spark scientific curiosity in listeners.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

● Parents’ Choice Recommended
**Flying!**  
Kevin Luthardt

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-430-3  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-724-3

Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

A series of simple questions triggers a playful, imaginative exchange between a child and his father.

"An engaging and effective father-son story...and an apt choice for parent-child reading.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

**Peep!**  
Kevin Luthardt

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-046-6  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-682-6

Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

A baby duck and a young boy become fast friends. But the baby duck is growing up. Is it time for a change?

“A visual and emotional depth that draws in the audience.” — *Publishers Weekly*

*IRA/CBC Children’s Choices*

**Larabee**  
Kevin Luthardt

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-300-9  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-482-2

Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

Larabee loves delivering the mail, but he’d really like to receive a letter himself.

“Luthardt sends his direct storytelling out with gentle, happy illustrations, enclosing characteristic emotional content in the package.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

*IRA/CBC Children’s Choice; Child Magazine* Best Books of the Year

**When Edgar Met Cecil**  
Kevin Luthardt

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-706-9

Territory: World • All rights available

Moving to a new home is hard—even when you’re a robot.

“This far-out lesson in making friends understands that to the new kid in school, everyone is going to seem scary and weird.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

**Zoom!**  
Diane Adams  
Illustrated by Kevin Luthardt

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-332-0  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-683-3

Territory: World • All rights available

A timid young boy joins his eager father for a ride on a roller coaster.

“Luthardt’s quirky acrylic cartoons make effective use of bright colors and crisp lines and should have substantial child appeal.” — *School Library Journal*
Can I Do It Myself!
Diane Adams
Illustrated by Nancy Hayashi
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-471-6
 pb: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-725-0
 Territory: World • All rights available
Emily Pearl can do lots of things by herself.
But sometimes even resourceful little girls
need help.
“Spontaneous giggles...will erupt at
storytime or for one-on-one in-the-lap
fun.”
—Kirkus Reviews
Parents' Choice Recommended; Bank
Street Best Books of the Year
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 1
Ages 4–8
Themes: creativity, fear, independence, security
✎
Activity sheets

I Want to Help!
Diane Adams
Illustrated by Nancy Hayashi
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-630-7
 Territory: World • All rights available
Emily Pearl is mastering all sorts of
skills, but she does need a little help
herself every now and then—especially
at the end of the day, when she’s wait-
ing to get picked up and is just a little
bit scared.
“Children will appreciate this relatable
tale with likable characters.”
—School Library Journal
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL K; Gr 2
Ages 2–6
Themes: imagination, school, helping, cooperation, responsibility

No Bows!
Shirley Smith Duke
Illustrated by Jenny Mattheson
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-356-6 / 1-56145-356-0
 Territory: World • All rights available
The delightful contrariness of young
children is celebrated in this upbeat
book featuring a likeable little girl
determined to get her own way.
“Destined to be a high-volume read-
aloud, and much fun can be had.”
—Kirkus Reviews
F&P
GRL LB; Gr Pre-K
Ages 2–6
Themes: determination, independence
✎ Teacher's guide

Izzy Gizmo
Pip Jones
Illustrated by Sara Ogilvie
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-021-1
 Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Simon & Schuster UK
Izzy Gizmo’s inventions often malfunction,
but when she finds a crow with a broken
wing she just has to help!
“Sorely needed and has the potential to
develop and nourish readers’ interest in
STEAM subjects.” —Kirkus Reviews
✧ ALSC Building STEAM with DIA;
Parents’ Choice Fun Stuff; Mighty Girl
Best Books of the Year; CBC Best STEM
Books; Storytelling World Resource Awards
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: friendship, perseverance, family, creativity, ingenuity, consequences

I Can Do It Myself!
Diane Adams
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AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: friendship, perseverance, family, creativity, ingenuity, consequences

Three Scoops and a Fig
Sara Laux Akin
Illustrated by Susan Kathleen Hartung
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-522-5
 Territory: World • All rights available
A young chef’s messy misadventures in
the kitchen are quickly forgotten when
she comes up with a special recipe all her
own.
“A graceful, satisfying text.” —Booklist
✧ Bank Street Best Books of the Year
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL N; Gr 3
Ages 4–8
Themes: family, cooking, cooperation
The Scarecrow’s Hat
Ken Brown
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-250-7
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-570-6
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada
Rights: Andersen Press UK
A resourceful chicken seeks the help of her farm animal friends to solve a problem, while giving something of herself along the way.
★ “Children will enjoy the repetition and refrain...satisfying, funny.”
—School Library Journal
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 2–6
Themes: circular tale, negotiation, problem solving

What’s the Time, Grandma Wolf?
Ken Brown
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-250-7
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-891-2
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada
Rights: Andersen Press UK
Children will delight in discovering the surprise Grandma Wolf has in store for some curious animals.
★ “Brown takes this game of tag and turns it into something quite delightful...A fun read-aloud.” —Booklist
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 2–6
Themes: animals, fear, game

The Boy Who Thought He Was a Teddy Bear
Jeanne Willis
Illustrated by Susan Varley
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-270-5 / 1-56145-270-X
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada
Rights: Andersen Press UK
A human baby falls under the care of three teddy bears, who raise him with the best intentions and a lot of love.
“The genuine sweetness of this story is hard to resist.” —Publishers Weekly
AR • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 3–7
Themes: family, imagination, teddy bears

Captain Small Pig
Martin Waddell
Illustrated by Susan Varley
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-519-5
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-982-7
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada
Rights: Andersen Press UK
A charming story of a mixed family and a day on the water.
★ “This book pleases at every level.” —Booklist
★Bank Street Best Books of the Year; CCBC Choices; Parents’ Choice Recommended
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL K; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: acceptance, family, friendship, LGBTQ+

My G-r-r-r-reat Uncle Tiger
James Riordan
Illustrated by Alex Ayliffe
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-228-6
Territory: US • Rights: Orchard UK
When Marmaduke the tabby cat discovers a picture of a tiger, he decides they must be related—after all, they both have yellow eyes and stripes!
“Showcases both Riordan’s concise storytelling...and Ayliffe’s humor-imbued, color-drenched paper-cutting.” —Publishers Weekly
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 2–6
Themes: bragging, cats, honesty, tigers

Something Special
Nicola Moon
Illustrated by Alex Ayliffe
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-137-1 / 1-56145-137-1
Territory: US • Rights: Orchard UK
Friday is “special” day in Miss Brown’s class, but Charlie can’t think of anything that is special enough to bring to school and his mom is too busy with his baby sister to be of much help.
“A warm, loving story for uncertain older siblings or for children who are new to the school.” —School Library Journal
AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 2–6
Themes: new sibling, school, show and tell

★ IRA/CBC Children’s Choices
**Backlist • Picture Books**

**Julie Paschkis**

### Albert the Fix-it Man
Janet Lord
Illustrated by Julie Paschkis

**HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-433-4  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-830-1  
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

Albert has a tool for every job and he’s never too busy or too tired to fix things for his neighbors. But what will happen when Albert is the one that needs help?

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### Koalas Dressed to Play
Janet Lord
Illustrated by Julie Paschkis

**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-620-8  
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

A Koala’s enthusiasm for playing dress up gets her into all sorts of trouble, but with a little help from her friends, she just might turn a bad day into the best day ever!

| AR • RC • Lexile • F&P  
GRL M; Gr 2  
Ages 4–8  
Themes: creative process, imagination  
% Event kit |
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| ★ “Kirkus Reviews  
Themes: creativity, artistic process, imagination  
% Event kit |
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### Where is Catkin?
Janet Lord
Illustrated by Julie Paschkis

**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-523-2  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-684-0  
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)

A cat’s curiosity lands him in a tight spot in this simple but stunning book, featuring cheerful animal sounds and an entertaining seek-and-find element.

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### Kalinka and Grakkle
Julie Paschkis

**HC:** $17.95 / 978-1-56826-110-8  
Territory: World • All rights available except French

Grakkle doesn’t care one bit about cleaning, but Kalinka has other ideas and tries to tidy up his messes. Kalinka and Grakkle simply aren’t on the same wavelength, but can an unfortunate accident help this odd couple see eye to eye?

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### P. Zonka Lays an Egg
Julie Paschkis

**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-819-6  
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), French, Japanese, Korean

When P. Zonka decides to give egg-laying a try, all the other chickens are in for a spectacular surprise!

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| ★ *Kirkus Reviews, School Library Journal*  
| Parents’ Choice Recommended  
| Bank Street Best Books of the year, CCBC Choices, Parents’ Choice Recommended |

Artwork © Julie Paschkis from *Mooshka, A Quilt Story*
FIRST GUIDES that describe clearly and simply how animals look, where they live, what they eat, how they defend themselves, and how they care for their young. An afterword provides further detail.

About Amphibians
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-031-0
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-032-7
English/Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-68263-033-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Japanese

“An outstanding book.”
—Science Books & Films

NSTA Recommends

About Birds
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-688-8
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-699-4
English/Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-783-0
Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-68263-071-6
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Japanese

★ “Exceptionally detailed and uniformly accurate.”
—School Library Journal

CCBC Choices; NSTA Recommends

About Fish
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-987-2
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-988-9
English/Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-989-6
Spanish PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-154-6
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Japanese

“A simple, handsome book.”
—School Library Journal

NSTA Recommends

About Insects
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-881-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-882-0
English/Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-883-7
Spanish PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-155-3
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Japanese

“Excellent classroom or pleasure reading for science and nature fans and for any beginning readers drawn to nonfiction.”
—Booklist

NSTA Recommends

About Mammals
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-757-1
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-758-8
English/Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-800-4
Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-68263-072-3
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Japanese

“This is a successful book and is to be recommended for all children’s collections.”
—Science Books & Films

NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12

About Reptiles
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-907-0
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-908-7
English/Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-909-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Japanese

“Well designed for classroom use, or as a browsing book for children fascinated by reptiles.”
—Booklist

NCTE Orbis Pictus Recommended

About... animal series
Cathryn Sill • Illustrated by John Sill

Ages 3–7 / Nature
Series teacher’s guide available at
www.peachtree-online.com/resources/teachers-guides-event-kits

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About Arachnids
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-038-1
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-364-1
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Korean
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL K; Gr 2
“A beautifully illustrated volume that is ideal to read aloud.”
—Science & Children
NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12

About Crustaceans
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-301-6
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-405-1
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Korean
AR • F&P / GRL K; Gr 2
“An excellent first resource book for young children.”
—Kirkus Reviews

About Hummingbirds
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-588-1
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-837-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL J; Gr 1
“A useful and engaging read.”
—School Library Journal
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About Marine Mammals
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-906-3
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL J; Gr 1
“A lovely study of more than a dozen aquatic mammals.”
—Publishers Weekly
NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12

About Marsupials
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-358-0
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-407-5
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Korean
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL K; Gr 2
“A handsome introduction to an unusual group of mammals.”
—Kirkus Reviews
Science Books & Film Best Books of the Year

About Mollusks
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-406-8
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-465-2
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic, Chinese (simplified), Japanese, Korean
AR • F&P / GRL L; Gr 2
“A rewarding slice of the biodiversity pie.”—School Library Journal
Bank Street Best Books of the Year

About Parrots
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-795-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-158-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL J; Gr 1
“Food for thought about the pet parrot industry and the risk of disappearing habitats.”—School Library Journal
NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12

About Penguins
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-743-4
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-741-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Japanese
AR / GRL J; Gr 1
“An essential tool for capturing the attention of any elementary level student!”
—NSTA Recommends

About Raptors
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-536-2
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-811-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Japanese
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL K; Gr 2
“A must-buy for all libraries interested in building a strong natural-science collection for their young patrons.”
—School Library Journal
Bank Street Best Books of the Year

About Rodents
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-454-9
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-914-8
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Japanese
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL J; Gr 1
“Perfect for collections that are looking for quality nonfiction.”
—School Library Journal
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About Woodpeckers
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-994-4
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-004-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)
Lexile • F&P / GRL K; Gr 2
“A handsome addition to the dependable About series.”—Booklist
NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12
About Habitats... series
Cathryn Sill • Illustrated by John Sill

Deserts
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-641-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-636-9
 Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Japanese, Korean
“‘A great choice for beginning readers and for sharing aloud.’ —School Library Journal

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Forests
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-734-2
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-126-3
 Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Korean
“An effective, gentle, and realistic introduction.” —Booklist

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Grasslands
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-559-1
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-034-1
 Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Japanese
“Great for classroom sharing.” —Booklist

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Mountains
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-469-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-731-1
 Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Japanese
“A beautiful and informative selection.” —School Library Journal

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When snow falls, what do animals do?

“Will complement the science curriculum and also makes for a great read aloud.”
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A young girl eagerly identifies and counts the birds she observes around her town.

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**GRL L; Gr 2**
Ages 4-8 / Nature
Themes: flowers, pollination, nocturnal animals
Teacher’s guide

This eloquent and factual account of nature’s nocturnal activities brings an often unseen world to light.

“The lyrical text describes the nighttime activity surrounding the plant with magical overtones that remain true to nature’s nocturnal cycles.”
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Lee Posey
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The touching story of a young girl’s special relationship with her father and some gentle nighttime creatures.

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Two children half a world away from each other are connected in an unexpected way in this timeless, fanciful story.

★ “With shades of David Wiesner’s *Flotsam* and Suzy Lee’s *Wave*, it’s a story with a quiet magic and beauty.” —Publishers Weekly

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Themes: observation, parents, seasons, tree identification
Teacher’s guide

A lesson in tree identification is adeptly woven into this charming story featuring a special mother-daughter relationship.

“Will encourage children to notice and protect the trees around them.”
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**A Tree for Emmy**
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**GRL L; Gr 2**
Ages 4-8
Themes: birthday, identity, independence, mimosas
Teacher’s guide

When Emmy decides she wants a mimosa of her own for her birthday, she is dismayed to find that many grown-ups do not share her enthusiasm for this wild tree.

“A spunky and independent heroine, a satisfying story and a gentle environmental message combine nicely here in an arboreal celebration that will delight many a young reader.” —Kirkus Reviews

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A heartwarming story of blossoming love between two aardvarks  
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Ages 2–6  
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Margaret Wild  
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Territory: US & Canada • Rights: HarperCollins Australia  
It’s bedtime on the farm, but the baby animals aren’t ready to go to sleep. Will they ever be ready to say “Nighty night?”  
“Young readers won’t want these characters to say good night and will surely use this book to forestall their own imminent bedtimes.” —Publishers Weekly  
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GRL L; Gr 2  
Ages 2–6  
Themes: baby animals, bedtime, parents, pranks

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Sally Grindley  
Illustrated by Rosalind Beardshaw  
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Featuring well-loved fairy tale characters and a surprise ending, this is the perfect interactive read-aloud story young children will ask for again and again.  
“Here’s a nifty idea…should induce a cascade of giggles.” —Publishers Weekly  
F&P  
GRL I; Gr 1  
Ages 2–6  
Themes: fairy tales, mystery, questions

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Caro wishes she had a friend in her new neighborhood, but she’s too shy. With a little imagination, however, Caro finds the Snow Lion.  
★ “A well-crafted tale about healthy adaptation to new environs merges with superb artwork.” —Kirkus Reviews  
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Ages 4–8  
Themes: shyness, confidence, friendship, imagination, play

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A humorous and ironic look at building friendship on your own terms.  
“Pure whimsical fun with a sweet little lesson attached.” —BCCB  
Lexile • F&P  
GRL I; Gr 1  
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Themes: conflict, friendship, identity, play dates
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“Hopkins’ prairie take on ‘Chicken Little’ is made storytime perfect by Cole’s characteristically hysterical, watercolor-and-colored-pencil cartoons of goggle-eyed critters.”
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—Publishers Weekly

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When Reba Jo finds herself in a mess of trouble, she’s forced to strike a deal with a horned toad.

“An entertaining version of ‘The Frog Prince’ with a Texas twist.”
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Three fun-loving armadillo sisters are eager to cross a busy highway to get to the new dance hall on the other side, but inside the culvert lurks a spindly legged coyote.

“Droll turns of phrase and hints of dialect add fun and flavor to the tale.”
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“Bayou cadences, outré metaphors for each animal’s singing, and an easy way with a rueful folkloric voice make this a treasure.”
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Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Scholastic Australia
This modern remix of the beloved fairy tale delivers a freshly humorous take on one prince’s search for the just-right girl of his dreams.
“A must for would-be princesses.”
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Willow never used to worry about messy breadcrumb trails. Or entire portions of her gingerbread house being devoured. Or anyone fiddling with her spells and magic books and causing a ruckus. But Hansel and Gretel are two very naughty and very rude children, and they are trying Willow’s patience.

“Marked by sly humor and an impish sense of mischief… Wicked fun.”
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Territory: US • Rights: Macmillan UK
The big bad wolf has a plan…but so does Little Red!

“This is how fairy tales were meant to be told.” —School Library Journal

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Rapunzel lives all alone in a tall, dark tower. Under the threat of a witch’s fearsome curse, the poor girl seems doomed to a life in captivity. But is Rapunzel frightened? Oh no, not she!

“Empowerment in leaps and bounds.”
—Kirkus Reviews

Parents’ Choice Recommended

Themes: Bremen Town Musicians, fractured fairy tales, friendship, dreams

Themes: fracturated fairy tales, The Frog Prince, frogs, siblings, trust, humor

Themes: Princess and the Pea, fractured fairy tales, friendship, choices

Themes: fractured fairy tales, humor, boundaries, patience

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Camp K-9
Mary Ann Rodman
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Territory: World • All rights available

When Roxie heads off to Camp K-9 for a fun-filled summer, she’s terrified that the poodle bully may discover her secret. But maybe some of the other dogs have secrets too…

“This empathetic tale should calm the nerves of all novice campers-to-be.”
— Kirkus Reviews

Themes: bullying, courage, summer camp

Chesnut
Constance W. McGeorge
Illustrated by Mary Whyte
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When Mr. Decker oversleeps on the morning of the mayor’s daughter’s birthday, who will make the deliveries for her party?

“Young horse lovers will embrace this charming tale.”
— School Library Journal

Themes: birthdays, community, horses, routines

First Grade Stinks!
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Illustrated by Beth Spiegel
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-377-1
PB $8.95 / 978-1-56145-462-4
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On the first day of school, Hayley quickly finds out that first grade is different from kindergarten, but in all the wrong ways!

★ “A good jumping-off book for discussions about differences and change.” — Publishers Weekly

Themes: conflict resolution, forgiveness, wordplay

The Grudge Keeper
Mara Rockliff
Illustrated by Eliza Wheeler
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-729-8
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except dramatic (Andrea Brown) • Licensed: Korean

No one in the town of Bonnyripple ever kept a grudge. No one, that is, except old Cornelius, the Grudge Keeper.

★ “A clever fable characterized by ornate language, extraordinary characters and billowy atmosphere.”
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Themes: conflicts, school, transitions

I Am Tama, Lucky Cat
A Japanese Legend
Wendy Henrichs
Illustrated by Yoshiko Jaeggi
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-589-8
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Territory: World • All rights available except French

A stirring tale of friendship based on the legend of the Lucky Cat.

“With its compelling story and stunning art, this is a worthy addition.”
— School Library Journal

Themes: legends, Japanese culture, Buddhism, kindness

The King of Little Things
Bill Lepp
Illustrated by David T. Wenzel
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-708-3
Territory: World • All rights available except Catalan, Chinese (simplified), Korean, Spanish

Only the King of Little Things stands between King Normous and his goal of conquering the world.

★ “Adults and children who read this delightful and imaginative book together will find lots to talk about.”
— Kirkus Reviews

Themes: power and responsibility, humor, collective resistance, strength in cooperation

Camp K-9
Mary Ann Rodman
Illustrated by Nancy Hayashi
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-561-4
Territory: World • All rights available

When Roxie heads off to Camp K-9 for a fun-filled summer, she’s terrified that the poodle bully may discover her secret. But maybe some of the other dogs have secrets too…

“This empathetic tale should calm the nerves of all novice campers-to-be.”
— Kirkus Reviews

Themes: bullying, courage, summer camp

Chesnut
Constance W. McGeorge
Illustrated by Mary Whyte
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-321-4
Territory: World • All rights available

When Mr. Decker oversleeps on the morning of the mayor’s daughter’s birthday, who will make the deliveries for her party?

“Young horse lovers will embrace this charming tale.”
— School Library Journal

Themes: birthdays, community, horses, routines

First Grade Stinks!
Mary Ann Rodman
Illustrated by Beth Spiegel
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-377-1
PB $8.95 / 978-1-56145-462-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Korean

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Loveykins
Quentin Blake
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-282-8 / 1-56145-282-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-760-1
Territory: US • Rights: Random House UK

When Angela Bowling rescues a baby bird after a storm, she finds her very own Loveykins.

★ “Appealingly offbeat, this droll tale is classic Blake.” — Publishers Weekly

Themes: birds, caretakers, growing up

Hungry! Hungry! Hungry!
Malachy Doyle
Illustrated by Paul Hess
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-241-5 / 1-56145-241-6
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada
Rights: Andersen Press UK

What is a boy to think when a mischievous, spidery-legged, knobbly kneed goblin shows up in his front yard?

“The imaginative, whimsical, and colorful pictures are full of details to be discovered...will be enjoyed by young monster enthusiasts.” — School Library Journal

AR • F&P
GRL K; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: hunger, monsters, suspense

Mrs. Armitage, Queen of the Road
Quentin Blake
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-287-3 / 1-56145-287-4
Territory: US • Rights: Random House UK

A delightfully unconventional woman finds liberation and new friends out on the open road.

“Blake’s characteristic watercolor cartoons pair perfectly with the silly text, creating another marvelous story about this eccentric but lovable lady.”

— School Library Journal

AR • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: opposites, school

The Story Blanket
Ferida Wolff and Harriet May Savitz
Illustrated by Elena Odriozola
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-466-2
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada
Rights: Andersen Press UK

Babba Zarrah unravels part of her story blanket and knits some socks, a scarf, and a shawl for friends. Meanwhile, the story blanket is getting smaller and smaller.

“Arresting illustrations...sweetly vivid.”

— Booklist

★ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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**Picture Books • Backlist**

**Kashmira Sheth**

**Monsoon Afternoon**
Kashmira Sheth  
Illustrated by Yoshiko Jaeggi

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-735-9  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-061-7  
 Territory: World • All rights available

During monsoon season, a young boy and his Dadaji head out into the rainy weather.

“The cyclical rhythms of the rain seasons echo the story’s larger themes of time’s passage and the links between generations.”
—Booklist

**Sona and the Wedding Game**
Kashmira Sheth  
Illustrated by Yoshiko Jaeggi

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-735-9  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-061-7  
 Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except commercial, dramatic (Charlotte Sheedy); Art: Peachtree

Sona has been given an important job for her big sister’s wedding.

★ “Everyone will want to attend this wedding.” —Kirkus Reviews

★ Bank Street Best Books of the Year, Kirkus Best Books; CCBC Choices; Highly Commended, South Asia Book Award

**My Dadima Wears a Sari**
Kashmira Sheth  
Illustrated by Yoshiko Jaeggi

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-392-4  
 Territory: World • All rights available

This multigenerational story offers a glimpse into the distinctive culture and customs of India.

“The continuous, loving exchange heightens the intergenerational warmth that’s extended in Jaeggi’s delicate watercolors.” —Booklist

★ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; CCBC Choices; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

**Tiger in My Soup**
Kashmira Sheth  
Illustrated by Jeffrey Ebbeler

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-696-3  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-061-7  
 Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except commercial, dramatic (Charlotte Sheedy); Art: Peachtree

A sister and brother battle it out in this story of imagination, reading, and tigers!

★ “In the current run of titles about older siblings feeding younger ones, this one stands out for its inventive imagery.” —Kirkus Reviews

★ Publishers Weekly

★ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

**Going Down Home with Daddy**
Kelly Starling Lyons  
Illustrated by Daniel Minter

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-938-4  
 Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic/character (Andrea Brown); Art: Peachtree

Down home is Granny’s house where Lil Alan will hear stories of the ancestors and visit the land that has meant so much to all of them. And down home is where all of the children will find a special way to pay tribute to family history. But what will Lil Alan do?

★ “A warm, loving, necessary reminder of the power in families coming together.” —Kirkus Reviews

★ School Library Journal

★ Kirkus Best Children’s Books; School Library Journal Best Children’s Books
**Flora the Frog**
Shirley Isherwood
Illustrated by Anna C. Leplar

**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-223-1 / 1-56145-223-8
Territory: US • Rights: Bloomsbury UK

Flora is dismayed when she is asked to be a frog in the class play. Frogs are green and fat, and she is afraid that everyone will laugh at her.

“Children will relate to Flora’s feelings, due in particular to the large, full-page pen-and-watercolor illustrations that wonderfully depict her emotions.” — *School Library Journal*

**Kiss! Kiss! Yuck! Yuck!**
Kyle Mewburn
Illustrated by Ali Teo and John O’Reilly

**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-457-0 / 1-56145-457-0
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-759-5
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Scholastic Australia

Every time Auntie Elsie comes to visit she gives Andy two big sloppy kisses. Andy is a fast runner, but not fast enough to outrun Auntie Elsie!

“Multiple perspectives add a sense of fun to the story. The rhythmic text and repetition will make this useful as a read-aloud and good for beginning readers to tackle.” — *School Library Journal*

**Orange Cheeks**
Jay O’Callahan
Illustrated by Patricia Raine

**HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-073-2 / 1-56145-073-1
Territory: World • All rights available

Four-year-old Willie loves visiting his grandma, but his mother has warned him—if he gets into trouble again, there’ll be no more overnight visits for an entire year.

“With plenty of tension and with characters that are true to life, this yarn celebrates an intergenerational love that is guaranteed to captivate an audience.” — *Booklist*

**Rodeo Red**
Maripat Perkins
Illustrated by Molly Idle

**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-816-5
Territory: World • All rights available

Rodeo Red and her hound dog Rusty are happier than two buttons on a new shirt—until Sideswiping Slim shows up.

★ “Playfully spirited and upbeat... a rootin’-tootin’ tale that won’t fail to quick-draw a smile.” — *Booklist*

★ Honor Book, ILA Children’s and Young Adults’ Book Award; CCBC Choices

**Tulips**
Jay O’Callahan
Illustrated by Debrah Santini

**HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-134-0 / 1-56145-134-7
Territory: US & Canada • All rights available

When practical joker Pierre decides to play a trick on his beloved Grand Ma Mere, the results are anything but what he expects!

“An unusual, enchanting story.” — *Booklist*

**Harriet’s Horrible Hair Day**
Dawn Lesley Stewart
Illustrated by Michael P. White

**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-68263-035-8
Territory: World • All rights available

Harriet’s sister and brother launch a series of outrageous, hair-raising schemes to tame her wayward ringlets.

“If you’re looking to take the knots out of a bad hair day, try this.” — *BCCB*

**Lexile • F&P**

GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: problem solving, self-esteem, siblings
Churchill’s Tale of Tails
Anca Sandu
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-738-0
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-782-3
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Random House UK
Churchill couldn’t be prouder of his perfect tail. And then one day it goes missing…
“The tale’s themes of individuality, identity and forgiveness are nicely presented.”
—Kirkus Reviews

ILA-CBC Children’s Choices

Are the Dinosaurs Dead, Dad?
Julie Middleton
Illustrated by Russell Ayto
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-690-1
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Random House UK
What were the dinosaurs like when they were alive? Dave and Dad are about to find out!
“A comedic treat…A highly entertaining selection that is sure to be a big hit.”
—School Library Journal
Honor Book, Irma Simonton and James H. Black Award for the Best Picture Book of the Year; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Themes: dinosaurs, imagination

Ding Dong! Gorilla!
Michelle Robinson
Illustrated by Leonie Lord
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-730-4
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hachette UK
A little boy has a lot of explaining to do when a gorilla makes a mess of his house… and that’s not even the BAD news!
“Read it with a little fibber and just laugh and enjoy.” —School Library Journal
Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award

Themes: tall tales, humor, honesty, imagination

Gilbert de la Frogponde
Jennifer Rae
Illustrated by Rose Cowles
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-163-0 / 1-56145-163-0
Territory: US • Rights: Whitecap Books, Canada
Too fat to escape, Gilbert must convince two chefs that bugs, not frogs, are all the rage in culinary circles.
“Do not read Gilbert de la Frogponde to your child at bedtime, or you may find yourself in the same predicament I did: I couldn’t get him to stop laughing and go to sleep… witty, creative and downright hilarious.” —Boston Herald

Themes: cooking, frogs, persuasion

One More Sheep
Mij Kelly
Illustrated by Russell Ayto
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-378-8
Territory: US • Rights: Hodder UK
A shepherd wants to make sure he’s rounded up all of his sheep, but counting them always makes him fall asleep.
“Ayto’s pen-and-ink and watercolor illustrations…steal the show.”
—The Horn Book
Children’s Book Sense Pick

Themes: bedtime, counting, deception

Raymond and Nelda
Barbara Bottner
Illustrated by Nancy Hayashi
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-394-8 / 1-56145-394-3
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Kirchoff-Wohlberg); Art: Peachtree
Laugh-out-loud letters enhance this endearingly quirky story about repairing a friendship.
“In the great tradition of Arnold Lobel’s Frog and Toad.” —Booklist

Themes: disagreements, forgiveness, friendship, letters
The Boy Who Was Raised By Librarians
Carla Morris
Illustrated by Brad Sneed
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-391-7
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-123-2
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

The humorous tale of a curious young boy and his single-minded quest for knowledge.

★ “Morris clearly gets what makes librarians tick, and Sneed’s humorous watercolor illustrations capture the soul of ‘how librarians are.’” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year; Children’s Book Sense Picks

Lost and Found
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-628-4
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (author); Art: Peachtree

When Justin loses his special hat, he is forced to visit the lost and found.

“Telling a realistic tale of fears faced and rewards earned, this picture book has its own hidden treasures, revealed in the understated first-person narrative and realistic dialogue.” —Booklist

❖ Parents’ Choice Approved Award; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Mr. President Goes to School
Rick Walton
Illustrated by Brad Sneed
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-538-6
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-892-9
Territory: World • All rights available

When the president has a frustrating day, he decides to go back to the place where he learned the most important lessons of all.

“Overall, a fun introduction to the great things that can be learned in school.” —School Library Journal

❖ IRA/CBC Children’s Choices

Mrs. McBee Leaves Room 3
Gretchen Brandenburg McLellan
Illustrated by Grace Zong
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-944-5
Territory: World • All rights available

Join the children of Room 3 and Mrs. McBee as they find their own ways of helping each other get ready to leave and say good-bye.

“Has all the earmarks of becoming a staple for schools and students facing similar transitions.” —Publishers Weekly
**The King of Bees**
Lester L. Laminack
Illustrated by Jim LaMarche

HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-953-7
Territory: World • All rights available

When Henry learns that the bees are looking for a new place for their hive, he tries to find a way to convince them to stay.

“Visually lovely and tonally appealing.” —Kirkus Reviews

Parents’ Choice Recommended; Green Earth Book Award; Paterson Prize, Honor Book

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**Jake’s 100th Day of School**
Lester L. Laminack
Illustrated by Judy Love

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-355-9
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-463-1

Territory: World • All rights available

What will Jake do when he forgets to bring the special collection for the 100th day of school?

“Love’s richly realistic, abundantly detailed pencil, ink, and watercolor illustrations spill across the pages.” —Booklist

Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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**Saturdays and Teacakes**
Lester L. Laminack
Illustrated by Chris Soentpiet

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-303-0
HC & CD: $19.95 / 978-1-56145-513-3

CD: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-514-0
Territory: World • All rights available

Laminack’s tender tribute to his grandmother.

“The brilliant watercolor paintings glow with light and idyllically capture the world of yesteryear.” —School Library Journal

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**The Sunsets of Miss Olivia Wiggins**
Lester L. Laminack
Illustrated by Constance R. Bergum

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-139-5
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-62823-063-1

Territory: World • All rights available

The story of a young boy’s visit with his great-grandmother, who is suffering from the mental and physical deterioration associated with old age.

“An unusually empathic look at the reality of aging.” —Publishers Weekly

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**Snow Day!**
Lester L. Laminack
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-418-1
HC & CD: $19.95 / 978-1-56145-554-6
CD: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-556-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

A clever take on a familiar childhood lament.

“A cheerful tribute to muffled, white, unexpected days off.” —New York Times

CCBC Choices
Lost for Words
Natalie Russell

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-739-7
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-157-7
Territory: US • Rights: Macmillan UK

Tapir wants to express himself, but he can’t find the words! The harder he tries the more upset he becomes, until finally Tapir stops trying to write and begins to draw.

“ ‘The seemingly simple, rhythmic text blossoms into a tender story of longing and accomplishment.’ —School Library Journal

- Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Madeline Finn and the Library Dog
Lisa Papp

HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-910-0
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-059-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Australia/New Zealand, Catalan, Chinese (complex), Chinese (simplified), Dutch, Estonian, French Canada, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish, Thai, Turkish, UK

Madeline Finn does NOT like to read. But maybe Bonnie the Library Dog can change her mind.

“So adorable readers may attempt to hug the page.” —Kirkus Reviews

- Children’s Choice Book Award; Parents’ Choice Recommended

Madeline Finn and the Shelter Dog
Lisa Papp

HC: $17.95 / 978-1-68263-075-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Catalan; Chinese (simplified); Dutch; Estonian; French; French Canada; German; Hebrew; Italian; Japanese; Portuguese; Russian; Slovak; Slovenian; Spanish; Turkish

After visiting an animal shelter, Madeline Finn has some questions for her mother. Does anyone play with the shelter dogs? Snuggle with them under the blankets? Tell them they’re loved?

“Charming...provides a positive look.” —Kirkus Reviews

- Parents’ Choice Recommended Award

Three Hens and a Peacock
Lester L. Laminack
Illustrated by Henry Cole

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-726-7
Territory: World • All rights available except Catalan, Chinese (complex), Chinese (simplified), Spanish

When a peacock suddenly arrives at a quiet farm, everything changes.

“ ‘Good farm fun.’ —Kirkus Reviews

- IRA/CBC Children’s Choice Book of the Year; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Trevor’s Wiggly-Wobbly Tooth
Lester L. Laminack
Illustrated by Kathi Garry McCord

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-175-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-279-8
Territory: World • All rights available

When Trevor’s Grandma Sally shows his class how to make old-fashioned taffy, he learns there are also fun ways to pull a tooth!

“The surprise ending will make readers laugh out loud.” —Book Links

Lana Lynn Howls at the Moon
Rebecca Van Slyke
Illustrated by Anca Sandu

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-050-1
Territory: World • All rights available

An adventurous sheep takes a walk on the wild side and encounters more than she expected. Is life with a wolf pack everything it seems?

AR • RC • Lexile
GRL J; Gr 1
Ages 4-8
Themes: collaboration, creativity, inspiration
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Teacher’s guide

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL J; Gr 1
Ages 4-8
Themes: collaboration, creativity, inspiration
%
Activity kit, poster

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL J; Gr 1
Ages 4-8
Themes: collaboration, creativity, inspiration
%
Activity kit
### Carmen Agra Deedy

#### Agatha’s Feather Bed
**Not Just Another Wild Goose Story**
Carmen Agra Deedy  
Illustrated by Laura L. Seeley  
**HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-008-4  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-048-4  
**Spanish HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-426-6  
**Spanish PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-404-4  
** Territory:** World • All rights available

Agatha loves her new feather bed, but then six shivering, naked geese pay her a visit to discuss the origin of the feathers.

“This finely crafted collection abounds with information and whimsy. It also teems with puns and word play…A ducky book.” —*Publishers Weekly*

#### The Library Dragon
Carmen Agra Deedy  
Illustrated by Michael P. White  
**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-091-6  
**HC & CD:** $19.95 / 978-1-56145-639-0  
**CD:** $6.95 / 978-1-56145-640-6  
** Territory:** World • All rights available except Korean

Sunrise Elementary School has a BIG problem. Their new librarian, Miss Lotta Scales, is a real dragon.

“Deedy’s text sparkles with sly humor…This wonderful book will delight children.” —*School Library Journal*

#### Return of the Library Dragon
Carmen Agra Deedy  
Illustrated by Michael P. White  
**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-621-5  
** Territory:** World • All rights available

Miss Lotty is finally checking herself out of the Sunrise Elementary School Library, but not before Lotta Scales makes one final stand.

“An entertaining read that broaches the subject of technology’s place in the school media center.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

#### Martina the Beautiful Cockroach
**A Cuban Folktale**
Carmen Agra Deedy  
Illustrated by Michael Austin  
**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-399-3  
**PB:** $8.95 / 978-1-56145-787-8  
**CD:** $6.95 / 978-1-56145-467-9  
**Spanish HC:** $17.95 / 978-1-56145-425-9  
**Spanish PB:** $8.95 / 978-1-56145-532-4  
** Territory:** World • All rights available

When Martina decides to choose a husband, her grandmother gives her some advice.

“This Latino folktale has a rollicking voice imbued with sly tongue-in-cheek humor.” —*Booklist*

> **Honor Book, Pura Belpre Medal;**  
> Honor Book, Odyssey Award; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

#### The Secret of Old Zeb
Carmen Agra Deedy  
Illustrated by Michael P. White  
**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-115-9  
**PB:** $8.95 / 978-1-56145-280-4  
** Territory:** World • All rights available

Walter fears he is in for the worst summer ever until he befriends a mysterious neighbor.

“The ‘follow your dream’ moral is prevalent throughout the text and reinforced by the dreamlike quality of the illustrations.” —*School Library Journal*

#### The Yellow Star
**The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark**
Carmen Agra Deedy  
Illustrated by Henri Sørensen  
**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-208-8  
**PB:** $8.99 / 978-1-68263-189-3  
** Territory:** World • All rights available except Danish, Dutch, French, Korean, Norwegian, UK

“Magnificently illustrated…a graceful and moving exploration of moral courage.” —*USA Today*

> **ABC Children’s Booksellers’ Choices;**  
> Christopher Award; IRA Teacher’s Choice; IRA Notable Books for a Global Society; Bologna Ragazzi Award
The Cheshire Cheese Cat
*A Dickens of a Tale*
Carmen Agra Deedy and
Randall Wright
Illustrated by Barry Moser

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-595-9
PB: $9.95 / 978-1-56145-810-3

 Territory: World • All rights available except
Chinese (simplified), French, Italian, Japanese, Korean,
Romanian, Russian, Spanish

★ “A delight.” — *Publishers Weekly*
★ *Kirkus Reviews, School Library Journal*

- Honor Book, E.B. White Read-Aloud;
- *Kirkus* Best Children’s Books; *SLJ* Best Fiction;
- ALSC Notable Children’s Books; NCTE Notable Children’s Books in the Language Arts;
- Parents’ Choice Gold Award; Bank Street Best Books of the Year; *VOEA* Top Shelf Fiction

Growing Up Cuban in Decatur, Georgia
Carmen Agra Deedy

CD: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-318-4

 Territory: World • All rights available

“Deedy has a velvety smooth voice... her tone is warm and bubbly... Without a doubt, this is a case where listening to stories is better than reading them.” — *AudioFile*

- Parents’ Choice Gold Award; *Publishers Weekly* Best Audiobook, Adult Storytelling

The Last Dance
Carmen Agra Deedy
Illustrated by Debrah Santini

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-109-8

 Territory: World • All rights available

Bessie tells the story of her friendship with Ninny, of Ninny’s grandfather, and of the very special dance they share.

“The suspenseful pace is especially striking when surrounded by Gonzalez’s exquisite colored pencil and pastel illustrations.”
— *School Library Journal*

“A stirring, heartwarming story that made headlines when it happened and is now, thankfully, preserved on the page for children.”
— *Kirkus Reviews*

A moving tale of compassion and generosity.”
— *Publishers Weekly*

“The glowing mixed-media illustrations show empathy and connections across communities.”
— *Booklist*

“Could generate some excellent discussion in classrooms and families.” — *Huffington Post*

“A lovely picture book about foreign aid.”
— *New York Times*
Danny Schnitzlein

**The Monster Who Ate My Peas**

Danny Schnitzlein  
Illustrated by Matt Faulkner

**HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-420-4**  
**PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-668-0**  
**Territory: World • All rights available except Korean**

A math-phobic boy is facing another evening of multiplication when a monster offers him a deal he cannot refuse.

“An entertaining addition to math classes and a useful warm-up to tutoring sessions with less-than-enthusiastic students.” — School Library Journal

**Themes:** counting, monsters, poetry

**Ages:** 4-8 / Holiday

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**13 Monsters Who Should Be Avoided**

Kevin Shortsleeve  
Illustrated by Michael Austin

**HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-146-3 / 1-56145-146-0**  
**Territory: World • All rights available**

Professor LeGrand warns readers about the outrageous habits and appalling behavior of thirteen mischievous monsters.

“Austin’s illustrations have a surreal edginess…young readers will likely be entertained.” — Publishers Weekly

**Themes:** counting, monsters, poetry

**Ages:** 6-10

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**Where Teddy Bears Come From**

Mark Burgess  
Illustrated by Russell Ayto

**HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-487-7**  
**Territory: US • Rights: Penguin UK**

A little wolf knows just what he needs to get a good night’s sleep: a teddy bear to cuddle, just like in his favorite story book.

★ “All the elements of a winner come together in this enchanting effort.” — Kirkus Reviews

**Themes:** bedtime, Christmas, fairy tales, generosity, gifts

**Ages:** 4-8 / Holiday

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**Clatter Bash!**

A Day of the Dead Celebration  
Richard Keep

**PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-461-7**  
**Territory: World • All rights available**

Graveyard skeletons shake, rattle, and roll in this spirited Day of the Dead celebration.

★ “[A] zesty look at a special night…This will be a popular title in Mexican-American communities and an eye-opener for others.” — School Library Journal

★★ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; IRA/CBC Children’s Choices

**Themes:** celebrations, Day of the Dead, traditions

**Ages:** Pre-K

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**Trick or Treat on Monster Street**

Danny Schnitzlein  
Illustrated by Matt Faulkner

**HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-465-5**  
**Territory: World • All rights available**

A jittery, jumpy kid comes face-to-face with a band of trick-or-treating monsters on Halloween.

“Faulkner’s watercolors feature a gruesome cast of cartoonish ghouls and are entertaining.” — School Library Journal

**Themes:** prejudice, bullying, facing fears, friendship

**Ages:** 4-8

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**The Monster Who Did My Math**

Danny Schnitzlein  
Illustrated by Bill Mayer

**HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-420-4**  
**PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-668-0**  
**Territory: World • All rights available except Korean**

A math-phobic boy is facing another evening of multiplication when a monster offers him a deal he cannot refuse.

“An entertaining addition to math classes and a useful warm-up to tutoring sessions with less-than-enthusiastic students.” — School Library Journal

**Themes:** homework, facing fears, cheating, procrastination

**Ages:** 4-8
**Christmas in the Trenches**  
John McCutcheon  
Illustrated by Henri Sørensen  
HC & CD: $19.95 / 978-1-56145-374-0  
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean  
A moving tribute based on an actual event from World War I.  
“Sørensen’s atmospheric oil paintings bring the miraculous night of peace to life.” —Kirkus Reviews  
❖ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award;  
IRA Notable Books for a Global Society;  
IRA Teacher’s Choices;  
NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People;  
Grammy Award Nominee  
www.christmasinthe trenches.info  
Also available: Mightier Than the Sword  
CD: $16.98 suggested retail  
UPC: 19480

**Santa’s Eleven Months Off**  
Mike Reiss  
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery  
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-962-9  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, translation; (First Book);  
Art: Peachtree •Licensed: Japanese, Korean  
What does Santa do with his hard-earned vacation time? The same stuff you would do to relax and have fun—and a whole lot more!  
“Expansive oil paintings keep the energy high, depicting the jolly fat man zooming off for sushi in Hollywood, sumo wrestling in Japan and lounging on the beach in summer.” —Publishers Weekly

**The Santa Trap**  
Jonathan Emmett  
Illustrated by Poly Bernatene  
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-670-3  
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Macmillan UK  
When Santa Claus refuses to give him anything but socks, Bradley vows to get revenge.  
★ “The cleverly constructed plot unfolds with perfect comedic timing and dry wit, complemented by digitally produced mixed-media illustrations that have a suitably sinister, magnetic charm.” —Kirkus Reviews

**Jingle Bells**  
*How the Holiday Classic Came to Be*  
John Harris  
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson  
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-590-4  
Territory: World • All rights available  
The story of the creation of a holiday classic—in the most unlikely of places.  
“Captur[es] the atmosphere of a community willing to stick together as they journey against the grain, whether that means bringing snow somehow to the South or standing by an unpopular belief.” —School Library Journal

**Santa’s Last Present**  
Marie-Aude Murail and Elvire Murail  
Illustrated by Quentin Blake  
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-719-6  
Territory: US • Rights: Random House UK  
Julian thinks he’s getting too big to believe in Santa, but when he finds an extra present under the tree, he discovers that he may not be too old after all.  
“The story is charmingly told…Blake’s colorful cartoons are as appealing as ever.” —School Library Journal

**To Whom the Angel Spoke**  
A Story of the Christmas  
Terry Kay  
Illustrated by Eileen Blyth  
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-502-7  
Text: Territory US & Canada; Rights: Harvey Klinger  
Print: Territory World; Rights: Peachtree  
The unifying power of simple belief reminds us that, for different people with different feelings, there is a celebration that brings us all together.  
“Delightfully illustrated…simple enough for children but holds an appeal, as well, for adults.” —The Miami Herald
Abraham Lincoln’s Dueling Words
Donna Janell Bowman
Illustrated by S. D. Schindler
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-852-3
Territory: World • All rights available
Abraham Lincoln was known for his sense of humor. But early in his adult life, it nearly got him into trouble.
“[A] lively, engaging book.” —Booklist
Themes: honor, honesty, humor, consequences, journalism
% Teacher’s guide

Carter Reads the Newspaper
Deborah Hopkinson
Don Tate
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-934-6
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Writer’s House); Art: Peachtree except audio, commercial, dramatic (Andrea Brown)
Without Carter G. Woodson, we might not have Black History Month to celebrate heroes like Harriet Tubman, Rosa Parks, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
“A go-to title for Black History Month.” —BCCB
% Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award

Keep On!
The Story of Matthew Henson, Co-discoverer of the North Pole
Deborah Hopkinson
Illustrated by Stephen Alcorn
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-473-0
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-886-8
Territory: World • All rights available
“Conveys a good bit of information within a clearly written narrative.” —Booklist
Themes: perseverance, strength, polar exploration, African-American history
% Teacher’s guide

King of the Tightrope
When the Great Blondin Ruled Niagara
Donna Janell Bowman
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-937-7
Territory: World • All rights available
Jean-François climbed toward stardom as a tightrope walker, but he grew bored—until he heard of a place called Niagara Falls.
“Rich with the drama and tension of Blondin’s performances.” —Booklist

Poet
The Remarkable Story of George Moses Horton
Don Tate
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-825-7
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-68263-062-4
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio, commercial, dramatic (Andrea Brown)
A powerful biography of the first southern African-American man to be published.
★ “A lovely introduction to an inspirational American poet.” —School Library Journal
% Kirkus, Publishers Weekly
★ Ezra Jack Keats New Writer Award; NCSS Carter G. Woodson Book Award; NCTE Notable Children’s Books in Language Arts

Sweet Land of Liberty
Deborah Hopkinson
Illustrated by Leonard Jenkins
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-395-5
Territory: World • All rights available
The inspiring story of civil rights champion Oscar Chapman and his role in Marian Anderson’s concert at the Lincoln Memorial.
“Underscores the very worthwhile message that one does not need to be a star to make a difference.” —Kirkus Reviews
% NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; IRA Teachers’ Choices

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Away With Words
The Daring Story of Isabella Bird
Lori Mortensen
Illustrated by Kristy Caldwell
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-913-1
Territory: World • All rights available except Japanese
A daring journey around the world with a nineteenth-century female explorer and author.
“Captures the spirit of a woman who embraced new experiences.”
—Publishers Weekly
Parents’ Choice Recommended Award

Dangers Jane
Suzanne Slade
Illustrated by Alice Ratterree
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-492-1
Territory: World • All rights available
This inspiring picture book biography of activist Jane Addams focuses on the peace work that won her the Nobel Peace Prize.
“Hand to readers looking to make a difference in the world.”
—School Library Journal
CCBC Choices; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People

Mind Your Manners, Alice Roosevelt!
Leslie Kimmelman
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-492-1
Territory: World • All rights available
Teddy Roosevelt’s unconventional daughter’s antics charmed and shocked a nation.
“A lively, fictionalized portrait of a very independent girl.” —Publishers Weekly
NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People

Flowers for Sarajevo
John McCutcheon
Illustrated by Kristy Caldwell
HC & CD: $19.95 / 978-1-56145-943-8
CD: $6.95 / 978-1-68263-000-6
Territory: World • All rights available except UK
“Beauty will always find a way to rise from violence, but this is a reminder all readers need.” —Kirkus Reviews
NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; NCTE Notable Books in the Language Arts

Marching with Aunt Susan
Susan B. Anthony and the Fight for Women’s Suffrage
Claire Rudolf Murphy
Illustrated by Stacey Schuett
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-593-5
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-979-7
Territory: World • All rights available
A child’s eye view of the fight for women’s right to vote, based on the experiences of a real girl.
“An inspiring and revelatory tale.” —Kirkus Reviews

Mind Your Manners, Alice Roosevelt!
Leslie Kimmelman
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-492-1
Territory: World • All rights available
Teddy Roosevelt’s unconventional daughter’s antics charmed and shocked a nation.
“A lively, fictionalized portrait of a very independent girl.” —Publishers Weekly
NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People

Yours for Justice, Ida B. Wells
The Daring Life of a Crusading Journalist
Philip Dray
Illustrated by Stephen Alcorn
HC: $18.95 / 978-1-56145-417-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean, French
Born into slavery Wells fought against social injustice and racial inequality.
“Alcorn’s striking, symbol-infused hand-colored prints on creamy vellum get star billing.” —Publishers Weekly
NCTE Notable Children’s Books in the Language Arts; Parents’ Choice Recommended
**Dancing with Katya**  
Dori Chaconas  
Illustrated by Constance R. Bergum  
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-376-4 / 1-56145-376-5  
Territory: World • All rights available  

Though her legs are weakened and twisted by polio, Katya dreams of dancing again.

“A warm and inspiring tribute to one sister’s love and the other’s courage.” —Kirkus Reviews  

(IBBY Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People)

**Blacksmith’s Song**  
Elizabeth Van Steenwyk  
Illustrated by Anna Rich  
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-580-5  
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Erin Murphy); Art: Peachtree

The son of an enslaved blacksmith learns that his father is hammering rhythms to communicate with travelers on the Underground Railroad.

“An intriguing new angle on an important story.” —Kirkus Reviews  

(Parents’ Choice Recommended; Paterson Prize; Starred, Bank Street Best Children's Books of the Year)

**Miguel’s Brave Knight**  
Young Cervantes and His Dream of Don Quixote  
Margarita Engle  
Illustrated by Raúl Colón  
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-856-1  
Spanish HC: $18.95 / 978-1-68263-019-8  
Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-68263-020-4  
Territory: World • All rights available

Follows the early years of the child who grows up to pen Don Quixote, the first modern novel.  

“This will encourage readers to learn more about the first modern novel.” —Booklist  

(Kirkus Reviews, School Library Journal, Shelf Awareness)

(NCTE Notable Children’s Books in the Language Arts; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People)

**Pennies in a Jar**  
Dori Chaconas  
Illustrated by Ted Lewin  
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-422-8  
Territory: World • All rights available

When his father goes off to fight in World War II, a young boy promises to be brave.

“Will resonate with contemporary children, especially those with parents in the military overseas.” —School Library Journal  

(Bank Street Best Books of the Year; CCBC Choices)

**First Dog Fala**  
Elizabeth Van Steenwyk  
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery  
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-411-2  
Territory: World • All rights available

Meet the Scottish terrier who won the heart of a U.S. president and the American people, during a dark time in the world’s history.

“The amiable text combined with the handsome illustrations will draw children into this account of a real charmer.” —Booklist  

(IRA Teachers' Choices)

**Seven and a Half Tons of Steel**  
Janet Nolan  
Illustrated by Thomas Gonzalez  
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-912-4  
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Chudney Agency); Art: Peachtree • Licensed: Spanish

Something remarkable emerges from a devastating event in this powerful post-9/11 story.

“Teachers and parents looking for picture books that celebrate the nation and its military will welcome Nolan and Gonzalez’s work.” —Publishers Weekly  

(ILA Teachers’ Choices)
Myron Uhlberg

Dad, Jackie, and Me
Myron Uhlberg
Illustrated by Colin Bootman
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-329-0
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-531-7
Territory: World • All rights available

A young boy shares the excitement of Jackie Robinson’s rookie season with his deaf father.

“He’s just left behind.

“An affecting tribute to Robinson, to a dedicated son and to a thoughtful deep-feeling father. And of course, to baseball.” —Publishers Weekly

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF SCAFFOLDING

Lemuel the Fool
Myron Uhlberg
Illustrated by Sonja Lamut
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-220-0 / 1-56145-220-3
Territory: World • All rights available

Lemuel dreams of traveling across the sea to the magical city that he is sure must lie just beyond the horizon. But when he arrives at his destination, he discovers that it’s strangely similar to the home he’s just left behind.

“Fresh and diverting.” —Publishers Weekly

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF SCARCE

The Sound of All Things
Myron Uhlberg
Illustrated by Ted Papoulas
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-833-2
Territory: World • Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Susan Schulman); Art: Peachtree

Experience the sights and sounds of 1930’s Brooklyn and Coney Island through the eyes—and ears—of a hearing boy and his deaf parents.

“A tender demonstration of how familial love is like translation—inexact, difficult, and beautiful.” —Kirkus Reviews

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF UNAGGREGATION

A Storm Called Katrina
Myron Uhlberg
Illustrated by Colin Bootman
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-591-1
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-887-9
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Susan Schulman); Art: Peachtree

“A simple, affecting prose and intricate, inspired paintings make this one worth sharing for sure.” —Kirkus Reviews

PUBLIC LIBRARY OF INFRUMIDATION

Flying Over Brooklyn
Myron Uhlberg
Illustrated by Gerald Fitzgerald
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-194-4 / 1-56145-194-0
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-294-1
Territory: World • All rights available

Based on the Great Blizzard of 1947, this story tells of a young boy’s imaginary flight over Brooklyn and the new perspective on the world around him that results.

“Youngsters will delight in the idea of such a snow-filled flight—a magical winter storytime.” —School Library Journal
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RIC Learning Books

Can You Hear a Rainbow?
The Story of a Deaf Boy Named Chris
Jamee Riggio Heelan
Illustrated by Nicola Simmonds
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-268-2
Territory: World • All rights available
Chris describes what it is like to be deaf, typical events in his life, and the ways in which he has adjusted.
“Interesting…accurate…appealing.” —School Library Journal
+ IBBY Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities

The Making of My Special Hand
Madison’s Story
Jamee Riggio Heelan
Illustrated by Nicola Simmonds
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-186-9 / 1-56145-186-X
Territory: World • All rights available
Experience the curiosity and eager anticipation of a small girl born without her left hand, as she tells her story of being fitted for her “special” hand.
“An attractive, informative offering.” —Booklist

Rolling Along
The Story of Taylor and His Wheelchair
Jamee Riggio Heelan
Illustrated by Nicola Simmonds
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-219-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean
Taylor and Tyler are twin brothers who are different in one significant way: Taylor has cerebral palsy, while Tyler does not.
“The facts are here, the frustration, the courage, the hope.” —Booklist

How to Rock Your Baby
Sibley Fleming
Illustrated by John Amoss
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-142-5 / 1-56145-142-8
Territory: World • All rights available
The delightful, nocturnal adventure of a mother, a father, and a brand-new, wide-awake baby.
“Strikes an effective balance between gentle rhythm and sheer silliness.” —Publishers Weekly

What Do Parents Do? (When You’re Not Home)
Jeanie Franz Ransom
Illustrated by Cyd Moore
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-409-9
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean
The tables are turned and the grown-ups have all the fun in this wickedly silly story of parental mayhem.
“Giggles abound as this cheerful tale of imagined role-reversal plucks at the seams of conventionality and lets out a little stuffing.” —Kirkus Reviews

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The Blue House Dog
Deborah Blumenthal
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-537-9
Territory: World • All rights available

A boy without a dog and a dog without an owner find each other in this powerfully moving story of loneliness and redemption.

“The emotions are raw and authentic, while the way in which they’re delivered is elegant—a potent combination.”
—Publishers Weekly

Rosa’s Room
Barbara Bottner
Illustrated by Beth Spiegel
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-302-3 / 1-56145-302-1
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-776-2
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Kirchoff-Wohlberg); Art: Peachtree

Rosa had a new room in a new house. It seemed empty.

“A welcome addition sure to calm the worries of youngsters facing a similar situation.” —Kirkus Reviews

The Wheat Doll
Alison L. Randall
Illustrated by Bill Farnsworth
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-456-3
Territory: World • All rights available

When Mary Ann’s beloved doll disappears during a fierce, sudden storm, she refuses to give up searching for her.

“A sweet story of loss and renewal told with empathy and feeling that is never heavy-handed.” —School Library Journal

The House on Dirty-third Street
Jo S. Kittinger
Illustrated by Thomas Gonzalez
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-619-2
Territory: World • All rights available

A mother and daughter turn a hopeless old house into a loving family home with faith, hard work, and the support of their community.

“A tale of generosity, faith and friendship. Share it quietly within and with others.” —Kirkus Reviews

Seed Magic
Jane Buchanan
Illustrated by Charlotte Riley-Webb
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-622-2
Territory: World • All rights available

A gift from the crazy old Birdman shows Rose that even in the barren, gray city, there are ways to make a beautiful garden.

“Together with brevity of words and motion and vibrancy of rhythm and color, the text and paintings create an unexpected joie de vivre. This is a must-buy for all libraries.” —School Library Journal

Zayde Comes to Live
Sheri Sinykin
Illustrated by Kristina Swarner
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-631-4
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

A Jewish girl tries to make peace with the impending death of her grandfather.

★ “[A] beautiful and accessible tale that gives expression to many children’s fears about dying.” —Publishers Weekly

★ Booklist
★ Booklist Editors’ Top 10 Religion Books for Youth; Honor Book; Sydney Taylor Book Award; Parents’ Choice Recommended
Claude is no ordinary dog—he leads an extraordinary life!

Series themes: adventure, cause and effect, problem solving
 Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hodder UK

“Catnip to 7- to 11-year-olds who like to laugh.”

—The Wall Street Journal

“Hilarious.”

—Kirkus Reviews
Claude in the Country
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-918-6
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2

Claude in the Spotlight
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-895-0
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2

Claude on the Big Screen
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-68263-009-9
AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2

CLAUDE on the Slopes
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-905-9
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-923-0
AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL N; Gr 3

v ILA/CBC Children’s Choices
“Will delight early readers, especially dog lovers.” —Kirkus Reviews

King & Kayla and the Case of Found Fred
HC: $14.95 / 978-68263-052-5
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-68263-053-2
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (Pippin Properties); Art: Peachtree

School Library Journal Best Books for Young Readers

King & Kayla and the Case of the Lost Tooth
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-880-6
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-68263-018-1
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (Harvey Klinger); Art: Peachtree • Licensed: Estonian, Slovenian

ALSC Notable Children’s Books;
Chicago Public Library’s Best of the Best; Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book Award

King & Kayla and the Case of the Missing Dog Treats
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-877-6
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-68263-015-0
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (Harvey Klinger); Art: Peachtree • Licensed: Estonian

ALSC Notable Children’s Books;
Cybils; CCBC Choices; Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book Award

Series themes: investigation, dogs, friendship

✓ Activity sheets

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P / GRL L; Gr 2
A mystery series for ages 7–9 from Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book-winning creators Dori Hillestad Butler and Nancy Meyers

“A great introduction to mysteries, gathering facts, and analytical thinking.” —Booklist
The Roo Quartet

The Last Castaways
Harry Horse
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-439-6
Territory: US • Rights: Penguin UK

A routine holiday for Grandfather and Roo turns into an adventure when the two are lost at sea.

“Packed with silly hijinks and fantastical creatures.” — Kirkus Reviews

Themes: fantasy, letters, shipwreck, travel

The Last Gold Diggers
Harry Horse
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-435-8
Territory: US • Rights: Penguin UK

Grandfather and Roo travel to Australia, on an expedition to find long-lost Uncle Vincent, who ran away to seek his fortune years ago.

“Silly fun.” — Kirkus Reviews

Themes: Australia, fantasy, letters, travel

The Last Polar Bears
Harry Horse
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-379-5
Territory: US • Rights: Penguin UK

Grandfather is off to the North Pole to find the Last Polar Bears. Accompanying him is Roo, a remarkable little dog with strong views and a short attention span.

“Quirky with a message.” — Kirkus Reviews

Themes: Arctic exploration, fantasy, letters, travel

The Last Cowboys
Harry Horse
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-451-8
Territory: US • Rights: Penguin UK

Grandfather and Roo set off on an exciting expedition to the Wild, Wild West in search of Roo’s grandfather.

“Imaginative and fun.” — Kirkus Reviews

Themes: fantasy, letters, travel, Wild West

Mr. Penguin and the Lost Treasure
Alex T. Smith
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-120-1
PB: $9.99 / 978-1-68263-170-6
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hachette UK

When Boudicca Bones from the museum calls for help, Mr. Penguin springs into action. Can he and Colin the spider find the museum’s missing treasure before bandits do?

★★ “Lighthearted and humorous.” — Booklist

Themes: adventure, problem-solving, mystery

Mr. Penguin and the Fortress of Secrets
Alex T. Smith
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-130-0
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hachette UK

When Mr. Penguin and Colin crash-land on a snowy mountain, they discover strange noises coming from an old, ruined fortress.

“Will appeal to established readers looking for a quick, engaging read.” — School Library Connection

Themes: adventures, problem-solving, mystery

Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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The Somewhat True Adventures of Sammy Shine
Henry Cole
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-866-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), German, Turkish

When Sammy Shine’s plane takes off unexpectedly, he ends up in a whole new world. Now he’s lost in the woods, with no way to get home and a dangerous enemy.

“Cole’s endearing adventure will hit home with lovers of animal fantasy.” — Kirkus Reviews

Lilliput
Sam Gayton
Illustrated by Alice Ratterree
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-806-6
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-68263-006-8

In a city full of giants, can one tiny girl find her way home?

“This delightful adventure inspired by Gulliver’s Travels will appeal to budding fantasy readers—and position them for the source material later on.” — Kirkus Reviews

Featherbys
Mary Steele
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-135-7 / 1-56145-135-5
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hyland House, Australia

Jess and Sophie investigate the old house called Featherbys. Once they meet the elderly residents, they become determined to return it to its past glory.

“The conversations and actions…will keep the pages turning throughout this rewarding novel.” — Booklist

The Bookshop Girl
Sylvia Bishop
Illustrated by Poly Bernatene
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-045-7
Territory: Text: US & Canada; Art: World Rights: Text: Scholastic UK; Art: Peachtree excluding Arabic

The Joneses have just won the Great Montgomery Book Emporium in a contest, and it’s every book lover’s dream! But the previous owner is hiding something that could destroy absolutely everything for the Joneses.

“Bishop’s fast-paced story charms and entertains.” — Booklist

Lillian’s Fish
James Menk
Illustrated by Louisa Bauer
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-158-6 / 1-56145-158-4
Territory: World • All rights available

When Lillian’s fish goes missing, the other family pets embark on an exciting adventure to rescue him.

“This sweet story is a must for any child.” — The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Saving the Griffin
Kristin Wolden Nitz
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-380-1
Territory: World • All rights available

Three American siblings on holiday in a small Italian town encounter an extraordinary creature in their garden and find adventure, mystery, and a whole new world of trouble.

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Middle Reader • Backlist

The Amazing Mr. Franklin
Ruth Ashby
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-102-7
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

Everyone knows Benjamin Franklin was an important statesman, inventor, and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. But did you know he started the first library in America for the public good?

“An attractive and highly readable account of Franklin’s life.” — Booklist

★ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People

Themes: Benjamin Franklin, books, education, libraries

Rocket Man
The Mercury Adventure of John Glenn
Ruth Ashby
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-323-8
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-104-1
Territory: World • All rights available

A biography of one of modern America’s greatest heroes, focusing on his contributions to our nation’s fledgling space program.

“Highly readable…Ashby also skillfully includes historical events in the narrative.” — School Library Journal

★ NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12; NSTA Recommends

Themes: John Glenn, space travel

Charles Darwin and the Voyage of the Beagle
Ruth Ashby
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-478-5
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-127-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

In 1831, young adventurer and nature enthusiast Charles Darwin set sail on a remarkable five-year voyage that changed the study of biology forever.

“Ashby makes good use of Darwin’s own writing, sprinkling quotes throughout the text, which allow his adventures and opinions to come to life.” — School Library Journal

★ NSTA/CBC Outstanding Science Trade Books for Students K–12; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Good Fortune
My Journey to Gold Mountain
Li Keng Wong
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-367-2
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-464-8
Territory: World • All rights available

Wong shares her family’s difficult but ultimately triumphant journey from their small village in China to a new life in California.

“Wong’s memoir touchingly reminds us how much we take for granted…[an] honest and moving book.” — The Boston Globe

★ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

It Can’t Be Done, Nellie Bly!
A Reporter’s Race Around the World
Nancy Butcher
Illustrated by Jen Singh
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-289-7
Territory: World • All rights available

The true story of a woman’s famous 1889 journey that took her all the way around the globe in record time.

“Fun, factual, and well written.” — School Library Journal

★ Amelia Bloomer Project

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL T; Gr 5
Ages 7–10 / Historical Fiction
Themes: China, citizenship, immigration

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL U; Gr 5
Ages 8–12 / Memoir
Themes: Nellie Bly, gender, journalism, travel

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL P; Gr 3
Ages 7–10 / Biography
Themes: John Glenn, space travel

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GRL W; Gr 6
Ages 7–10 / Biography
Themes: Charles Darwin, biology, seafaring

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Danger: Dynamite! (Book #1)
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-288-2
Themes: mystery, railroad, work camps
Why did somebody hide a case of dynamite right near the schoolhouse? That’s what Billy and Finn want to know.

“Details about life in Scenic, WA, in 1926 are interesting and well-integrated…will appeal to reluctant readers.” —School Library Journal

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Themes: airplanes, mystery, railroad, work camps
Billy, Finn, and Dannie investigate the smuggling of bootleg liquor, gun-toting gangsters and botched police raids.

“Will attract young adventure fans.” —School Library Journal

Ghost Train (Book #3)
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-324-5 / 1-56145-324-2
Themes: mystery, railroad, work camps
When Billy finds a mysterious burlap sack containing a threatening note, he, Finn, and Dannie have a new case to solve.

“An exciting and fast-paced story that will hold readers’ attention.” —School Library Journal

Missing! (Book #4)
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-334-4 / 1-56145-334-X
Themes: mystery, railroad, work camps
There is a thief in the camp and Billy, Dannie, and Finn must find out who it is.

“Will strike a familiar chord among a lot of young readers.” —Booklist

Natchez Under-the-Hill
Stan Applegate
Illustrated by James Watling

PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-191-3
Territory: World • Rights: Text; Peachtree except audio, dramatic, electronic (Joan Brandt); Art: Peachtree

Zeb and Hannah desperately try to reunite with their families, but end up head-to-head with sinister villains who stand in their way.

AR • F&P
GRL T; Gr 5
Ages 8-12 / Historical fiction
Themes: courage, determination, friendship, Natchez Trail
% Teacher’s guide

Anne Capeci
Illustrated by Paul Casale

Territory: World • All rights available
AR • F&P
GRL Q; Gr 4
Ages 7-10 / Historical fiction / Mystery
Series Themes: mystery, trains, construction
Gail Langer Karwoski

Quake!
Disaster in San Francisco, 1906
Gail Langer Karwoski
Illustrated by Robert Papp

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-310-8
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-369-6

Territory: World • All rights available

Jacob tries to find his family in the aftermath of the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906.

“A sturdily constructed and affecting look at the past.” — School Library Journal

✎ AJL Notable Children’s Book of Jewish Content

SeaMan
The Dog Who Explored the West with Lewis & Clark
Gail Langer Karwoski
Illustrated by James Watling

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-276-7
PB: $9.99 / 978-1-56145-190-6

Territory: World • All rights available

The story of SeaMan, the Newfoundland who played a key role in the Corps of Discovery.

“This soundly researched, smoothly written story will bring the entire expedition alive for readers 8 to 12.” — Parade

✎ ABA Pick of the List

Surviving Jamestown
The Adventures of Young Sam Collier
Gail Langer Karwoski
Illustrated by Paul Casale

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-239-2
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-245-3

Territory: World • All rights available

A story of survival set against the backdrop of the founding of the first permanent English settlement in the New World.

“The story flows well and is a good fictional introduction to Jamestown.” — School Library Journal

✎ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

The Coastwatcher
Elise Weston

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-350-4
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-002-0

 Territory: World • All rights available

Day after day, Hugh looks for signs of German spies. It seems like a harmless way to spend time…at least at first.

“A tautly woven story that blends an intriguing mystery with historical significance.” — Booklist

Privateer’s Apprentice
Susan Verrico

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-633-8
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-040-2

Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio, commercial, dramatic, electronic (Andrea Brown)

When Jameson is kidnapped and taken to sea, he must learn how to survive—and how to apply the skills he has learned at home as a printer’s son.

“The driving plot, including a harrowing battle at sea and an escape on a mysterious island, whets readers’ appetites for more action.” — School Library Journal

✎ ABA New Voices; IRA Children’s and Young Adults’ Book Award

The Wreck of the Ethie
Hilary Hyland
Illustrated by Paul Bachem

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-198-2

Territory: World • All rights available

In 1919, a dog saves the passengers of the S.S. Ethie, cast onto the rocks of the coast of Newfoundland.

“The fast-paced action, easy reading level, and black-and-white drawings will appeal to reluctant readers.” — School Library Journal

✎ Bank Street Best Books of the Year
# The Dog Chronicles

**Darling, Mercy Dog of World War I**  
Aliison Hart  
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery  

**HC:** $12.95 / 978-1-56145-705-2  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-981-0  
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)

When the British military asks families to volunteer their dogs to help the war effort, Darling’s family sends her off to be trained.

“When never shying away from the tragedies of battle, Darling’s story focuses on bravery, sacrifice and devotion.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

**Themes:** World War I, dogs in war, sacrifice, bravery, loyalty

**Teacher’s guide**

**Leo, Dog of the Sea**  
Aliison Hart  
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery  

**HC:** $12.95 / 978-1-56145-964-3  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-68263-089-1  
Territory: World • All rights available

A hardened old sea dog joins Magellan on his journey to the Spice Islands in this action-packed and heartwarming story.

“Frank history, attention to factual detail, and vivid adventures make this a standout.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

**Themes:** loyalty, Magellan, exploration, survival, dogs

**Teacher’s guide**

**Anna’s Blizzard**  
Aliison Hart  

**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-68263-002-0  
Territory: World • All rights available

When a fierce blizzard suddenly kicks up, Anna and her classmates must escape from their school before it is too late.

“Anna is a strong, appealing heroine, and the story is suspenseful…Fans of the *American Girls* series or *Laura Ingalls Wilder’s Little House* books will also enjoy *Anna’s Blizzard.*” — *School Library Journal*

**Themes:** survival, 1800s, the Schoolchildren’s Blizzard, nature

**IRA Teachers’ Choice**

**Finder, Coal Mine Dog**  
Aliison Hart  
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery  

**HC:** $12.95 / 978-1-56145-769-4  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-68263-163-8  
Territory: World • All rights available

When Thomas’s family needs money, he and his dog, Finder, are forced to go to work in the coal mines.

“Well-told and entertaining.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

**Themes:** mining, bravery, American history

**Teacher’s guide**

**Murphy, Gold Rush Dog**  
Aliison Hart  
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery  

**HC:** $12.95 / 978-1-56145-769-4  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-68263-089-1  
Territory: World • All rights available

Join Murphy as he finds a home with Sally and Mama, who have recently arrived in gold rush-era Alaska to seek a new life.

“Equal parts heart-wrenching and -warming.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

**Themes:** gold rush, westward expansion, Alaska territory, working dogs

**Teacher’s guide**

**Emma’s River**  
Aliison Hart  
Illustrated by Paul Bachem  

**HC:** $12.95 / 978-1-56145-524-9  
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-68263-039-6  
Territory: World • All rights available

When the steamship on which Emma is traveling explodes in a fiery blaze, she must find a way to survive the disaster.

“Emma is a plucky heroine…readers will enjoy following her as she learns and grows.” — *School Library Journal*

**Themes:** steamboat travel, immigration, 1800s, social classes
Racing to Freedom trilogy

Collection Themes: Civil War, African-American history, horses

**Gabriel's Horses**
Alison Hart

PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-528-7
Territory: World • All rights available

A young Kentucky slave dares to pursue his dream of becoming a jockey.

“At the core of this stirring historical novel is the question of what freedom means.” —Booklist

**Gabriel’s Journey**
Alison Hart

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-442-6
PB: $4.99 / 978-1-56145-530-0
Territory: World • All rights available

No longer a slave, Gabriel leaves behind a successful horse racing career to work as a groom at Camp Nelson, home of the Fifth US Colored Calvary of the Union Army.

“Gabriel remains a compelling hero.” —The Horn Book

**Gabriel’s Triumph**
Alison Hart

PB: $4.99 / 978-1-56145-547-8
Territory: World • All rights available

Former slave Gabriel faces challenges and setbacks as he pursues his dream of becoming a famous jockey.

“Thrilling horse racing once again frames a stirring Civil War story.” —Booklist

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**The Bushwhacker**
A Civil War Adventure
Jennifer Johnson Garrity
Illustrated by Paul Bachem

PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-201-9
Territory: World • All rights available

Fleeing from Confederate sympathizers, Jacob and Eliza are befriended by a kind young woman—but then a stranger enters the picture and changes all of their lives.

“This gripping, fast-paced story is a masterful recreation of a time of divided loyalties and conflict.” —School Library Journal

**The Everlasting Now**
Sara Harrell Banks

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-525-6
Territory: World • All rights available

In 1937, the Depression is in full force, Joe Louis is the new heavyweight champion of the world, and Champion Luckey has just arrived in Snow Hill, Alabama. Brother Sayre’s life will never be the same.

“Consistent and believable throughout the narrative.” —Booklist

❖ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People

**Stumptown Kid**
Carol Gorman and Ron J. Findley

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-337-5
PB: $9.95 / 978-1-56145-412-9
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Peachtree except audio, dramatic, translation (Writer’s House)

Charlie wants two things he can’t have: to make the local Wildcats baseball team and to have life return to the way it was before his father died two years ago in the Korean War.

“Readers will enjoy this winning mix of sports, suspense, and heroism, and delight in the baseball wit and wisdom.” —School Library Journal
Countdown
2979 Days to the Moon
Suzanne Slade
Illustrated by Thomas Gonzalez

AR: $22.95 / 978-1-68263-013-6
 Territory: World • All rights available except Spanish

A powerful story of every success, failure, triumph, tragedy, and lesson learned from Apollos 1 through 11 that led to an American Moon landing.

★ “A stirring introduction to one of humankind’s most impressive undertakings.” — Publishers Weekly
★ Booklist, School Library Journal

Themes: exploration, process, failure, space, verse

Fault Lines in the Constitution
The Framers, Their Fights, and the Flaws that Affect Us Today, revised edition
Cynthia Levinson and Sanford Levinson
Illustrated by Adela Pons

AR: $22.95 / 978-1-68263-105-8
PB: $14.95 / 978-1-68263-106-5
 Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except dramatic (Erin Murphy Literary)

A discussion of how contemporary problems were first introduced in the creation of our Constitution, with possible solutions.

★ “Fascinating, thoughtful, and provocative.” — Kirkus Reviews
★ Booklist, Publishers Weekly, School Library Journal

By Cynthia Levinson and Sanford Levinson

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Krista Russell

AR: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-597-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-065-5
 Territory: World • All rights available

A brave young man must rely on his wits and his friends to navigate dangers and escape an unwelcome fate.

“The solid work, featuring a strong-minded protagonist bent on doing the best he can with what he’s been given.” — Kirkus Reviews

★ Booklist, Kirkus Reviews

Themes: Cape Verde, freedom, Quakers, slavery
★ Teacher’s guide

The Other Side of Free
Krista Russell

AR: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-710-6
 Territory: World • All rights available

Jem has escaped from a cruel master to St. Augustine, but has he really found freedom?

“Russell illuminates a little-known piece of American history in this well-researched novel for middle-grade readers.” — Kirkus Reviews

★ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award
★ Booklist, Kirkus Reviews, Publishers Weekly, School Library Journal

Themes: Colonial history, slavery, freedom, community, loyalty
★ Teacher’s guide

We've Got a Job
The 1963 Birmingham Children's March
Cynthia Levinson

AR: $19.95 / 978-1-56145-627-7
PB: $13.95 / 978-1-56145-844-8
 Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio, dramatic (Erin Murphy); Licensed: Korean

The inspiring story of one of the greatest moments in civil rights history, as witnessed by four young people who were at the center of the action.

★ Booklist, Kirkus Reviews, Publishers Weekly, School Library Journal
★ Jane Addams Children’s Book Award; Orbis Pictus Recommended Nonfiction for Children

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Watch Out for Flying Kids!
How Two Circuses, Two Countries, and Nine Kids Confront Conflict and Build Community
Cynthia Levinson

AR: $22.95 / 978-1-56145-821-9
 Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio, dramatic (Erin Murphy); Licensed: Japanese

Kids accomplish remarkable feats of strength and beauty, as well as work to bring about change in their worlds.

“Enchanting indeed—and inspiring as well.” — Kirkus Reviews
★ AJL Sydney Taylor Notable Books for Booklist’ Top 10 Multicultural Nonfiction; ILA Social Justice Literature Award
Middle Reader • Backlist

**Child of Spring**
Farhana Zia

**The Garden of My Imaan**
Farhana Zia

**Grow**
**A Novel in Verse**
Juanita Havill
Illustrated by Stanisława Kodman

**Pretty Like Us**
Carol Lynch Williams

**Truth and Salsa**
Linda Lowery

**Where in the World**
Simon French

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**Child of Spring**
Farhana Zia

**HC:** $16.95 / 978-1-56145-904-9
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except commercial / merchandising, dramatic (Unter Agency)

It’s hard enough to fit in without having to decide whether to fast for Ramadan and wear the hijab.

“...It has deep insight into adolescent Muslim life and capably handles diversity within American Islam.” — *Publishers Weekly*

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**The Garden of My Imaan**
Farhana Zia

**HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-698-7
**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-921-6
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except commercial / merchandising, dramatic (Unter Agency)

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**Grow**
**A Novel in Verse**
Juanita Havill
Illustrated by Stanisława Kodman

**AR • RC • Lexile • F&P**
GRL S; Gr 4
Ages 8-12 / Poetry

Themes: community, cooperation, gardening, friendship

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**Pretty Like Us**
Carol Lynch Williams

**HC:** $15.95 / 978-1-56145-444-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

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**Truth and Salsa**
Linda Lowery

**AR • RC • Lexile • F&P**
GRL W; Gr 6
Ages 8-12

Themes: change, family, immigration, Mexico, travel

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**Where in the World**
Simon French

**PB:** $7.95 / 978-1-56145-443-3
Territory: US • Rights: Little Hare Books Australia

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**Parents’ Choice Gold Award; Bank Street Best Books of the Year**

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**Grow**
**A Novel in Verse**
Juanita Havill
Illustrated by Stanisława Kodman

**AR • RC • Lexile • F&P**
GRL V; Gr 5
Ages 8-12

Themes: Islam, Indian culture, faith, popularity, peer pressure

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**Parents’ Choice Gold Award; Bank Street Best Books of the Year**

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**Defending Irene**  
Kristin Wolden Nitz  
**HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-309-2 / 1-56145-309-9**  
Territory: World • All rights available

Back in Missouri, Irene was one of the top players on the girls’ soccer team. But when her family moves to Italy, she must play on the boys’ team.

“Soccer fans, especially girls, will appreciate the well-drawn action sequences and Irene’s feisty spirit.”  
—The Horn Book

**Ladies First**  
Women Athletes Who Made a Difference  
Ken Rappoport  
**HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-338-2**  
**PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-534-8**  
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Profiles of pioneering women who made a lasting impact not only on their sport but also on society.

“Accessible, pared-down language that will easily draw readers into the action.”  
—Booklist

**Play Ball Like the Pros**  
Tips for Kids from 20 Big League Stars, 2nd edition  
Steven Krasner  
**PB: $13.95 / 978-1-56145-535-5**  
Territory: World • All rights available

Professional players explain the mechanics of baseball.

“Just the sort of finely tuned analysis of baseball that many young players are looking for…a good reference for young people working to improve their skills.” —Booklist

❖ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award; Booklist Top Ten Sports Book for Kids

**Play Ball Like the Hall of Famers**  
The Inside Scoop from 19 Baseball Greats  
Steven Krasner  
Illustrated by Keith Neely  
**PB: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-339-9**  
Territory: World • All rights available

In this inside look at the fundamentals, some of the greatest ball players to ever play in the major leagues explain their strategies.

“Both fans and players will find much to enjoy in this well-crafted collection.” —School Library Journal

**Save the Crash-test Dummies**  
Jennifer Swanson  
Illustrated by TeMika Grooms  
**HC: $19.95 / 978-1-68263-022-8**  
Territory: World • All rights available

A history of car manufacturing offered through a front-seat view of the science and engineering behind automobile safety.

“Sure to appeal to readers.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ Booklist

**Sliding into Home**  
Dori Hillestad Butler  
**PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-341-2**  
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

Joelle starts a girls’ baseball team when her school won’t let her join the boys’ team.

“Breezy and fast-paced, with a feminist slant.” —Kirkus Reviews
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First of all, he must learn to talk.

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