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F&P Fountas & Pinnell leveling

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GRL J; Gr 1
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Territory: World
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Themes: friendship, loneliness, loss, connection
✎ Activity sheets

Sandra Salsbury grew up in the Santa Cruz mountains, where she once found a stick that was her best friend for a day. She currently lives in Berkeley with her husband, a large collection of Staghorn ferns, and countless spiders that provide moral support, as the great spiders in literature are known to do.
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Milton also loved drawing.

and music.
This jovial frolic through the city and woods celebrates quirky ingenuity and teems with whimsical wordplay—a delightful read for any story time.

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The Thingity-Jig
Kathleen Doherty
Illustrated by Kristyna Litten

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Media: pencil, ink textures, and digital

Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8

Territory: World
Rights: All rights available except French

Themes: ingenuity, friendship, patience, imagination, play
Activity kit, teacher’s guide

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Ages 4–8 • Themes: friendship, perseverance, family, creativity, ingenuity, consequences • Activity sheets
“Wake up! Wake up!” Bear shouted.

“I need your help. Then we’ll bounce and hop.”

“I like to hop!” Rabbit flicked her ears.

“Maybe when the sun comes up.” Fox leaned back and stretched.

“On uwaaag, Bear,” griped Raccoon.

Bear had to play. Nothing could get in his way. He wanted that Thingly-Sly. And he wanted it NOW. So...

Smack.

Wallop.

Whack.

Under the light of a silvery moon, Bear thunked and thrashed to build...
You’re invited to the Bird Show! Award-winning author-illustrator Susan Stockdale welcomes readers to a beautiful fashion show starring some of the world’s most spectacular birds.

Birds may be one color or many. Their feathers may be simple and solid or speckled, striped, or spotted. They may “wear” a jacket, a scarf, an apron, or a headdress. But just like people, each one contributes to our beautiful world, made more vibrant by their diversity.

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Susan Stockdale began her art career as a textile designer for the apparel industry. Today, pattern and color remain central to her work as the author and illustrator of critically acclaimed picture books that celebrate nature. She lives in Maryland.

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I sport a vest that is dappled with dots.

My suit has white speckles,

my beaddress has spots.

I flash a tailcoat with curlicue flaps.
The Smile Shop
Satoshi Kitamura

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-255-0
Ebook available
9 x 10 \( \frac{3}{4} \) / 32 pages
Media: pen, ink, watercolor, gouache

Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4-8

Territory: US & Canada
Rights: Scallywag Press UK

Themes: happiness, disappointment, adjusted expectations, community

Activity sheets

Satoshi Kitamura is an award-winning children’s picture book author and illustrator. A self-taught artist, his career began in advertising and magazines before he went on to illustrate more than twenty of his own books and collaborate on many others. He lives in Japan.

A playful parable to be savored at any age, this hopeful story celebrates the power of human warmth and connection.

A small boy has saved all his pocket money, and today’s the day he’ll buy something special just for himself! There’s lots to see and smell at the market, from tasty pies to colorful toys and noisy instruments. But before he can even make up his mind, disaster strikes when he loses his money down a drain. Oh no! But wait, what’s this? A store called the Smile Shop? Could he buy a smile? A small one, perhaps, to cheer himself?

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Satoshi Kitamura

HC: $16.99 / 978-1-68263-150-8
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Ages 2-6 • Themes: friendship, guessing, magic, surprises

Activity sheet
Wow!
I can make a sound on this horn!

I like this hat!
It suits me head to toe.

Now I must decide what to buy.
This warmhearted story of kindness will have readers rooting for its lovable pooch on his journey to a forever family.

Little Perdu is lost and all alone, with nowhere to call his home. Outside, the sky is dark, the wind howls, and the grass is cold beneath his paws. In the busy city, people rush and race and cry, “Get out! Go away! Shoo!” Is there no place for Perdu to rest his aching legs and fill his grumbling tummy? If only there was a special someone who might be looking for a friend like him…
All day he searched.

But there was no place for Perdu.

“Get out!” they shouted.

“Go away!”

“Shoo!”

Poor Perdu. His little legs ached, and his four paws were tired and sore.

His tummy rumbled and grumbled. He had to find something to eat.
No! Said Rabbit
Marjoke Henrichs

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-294-9
Ebook available
9 ¼ x 10 ¾ / 32 pages
Media: ink, gouache, and colored pencil

Lexile • F&P
GRL J; Gr 1
Ages 2–6

Territory: US & Canada
Rights: Scallywag Press UK

Themes: bedtime, bath time, independence

Marjoke Henrichs is a theater designer and debut author-illustrator. She received her MA in children’s book illustration from the Cambridge School of Art, Anglia Ruskin University. Originally hailing from the Netherlands, she lives in England. www.marjokehenrichsillustration.com

Filled with laughable contrary behavior, this humorous tale is a perfect parent-child read with a touching end.

Rabbit is happy doing his own thing, thank you. He doesn’t want to have to listen to anyone else! Not when Mom says to get up, not when Mom says to get dressed, not when Mom says to have breakfast, play outside, come inside, and least of all—have a bath! But then Mom makes a suggestion Rabbit simply can’t resist…

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Ages 2-6 • Themes: baby animals, bedtime, parents, pranks
“NO!”
said Rabbit.

Rabbit put his boots on and went outside.

He jumped in the puddles and sat in one too!

He cycled.

But those are my lovely rain boots...

Rabbit watered the radishes, then scored a goal!

He played with his kite and then his stilts.

"Time for a drink," said Mom.
Adventures with My Daddies
Gareth Peter
Illustrated by Garry Parsons

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9 ¾ x 9 ¾ / 32 pages
Media: acrylic and pencil

Lexile • F&P
GRL K; Gr 2
Ages 4–8

Territory: US
Rights: Penguin UK

Themes: family, diversity, adoption, reading
✎ Activity sheets

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Sometimes we build a rocket
and blast off to the moon.

Or sail to secret islands,
and fly home in a balloon.

Books take us on their journey
over forest, sand, and sea.

But my daddies' favorite story is...

the one that brought them me!
P. Zonka Lays an Egg
Julie Paschkis
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Ages 4–8

Territory: World
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Themes: creativity, artistic process, imagination
Event kit

Inspired by the Ukrainian tradition of pysanky, award-winning author-illustrator Julie Paschkis delights readers with an enriching tale of beauty and imagination.

An extraordinary hen named P. Zonka spends time admiring the loveliness around her: the shiny green of grass, the buttery yellow of dandelions, and the deep blue of sky. The other hens don’t understand why P. Zonka never lays eggs like they do—they think she’s plain lazy! But when P. Zonka finally decides to give egg-laying a try, the other chickens are in for a spectacular surprise!

★ “Charming…and sure to induce smiles.” —Kirkus Reviews

★ “A lyrical and lushly illustrated allegory about creativity.”
—Publishers Weekly

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Rodeo Red
Maripat Perkins
Illustrated by Molly Idle

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HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-816-5
Ebook available
9 ¼ x 11 / 32 pages
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AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8

Territory: World
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Themes: new sibling, conflict resolution, sharing
Event kit, poster

A rip-roaring new sibling story illustrated by Caldecott Honor winner Molly Idle

Rodeo Red and her hound dog Rusty are happier than two buttons on a new shirt—until Sideswiping Slim shows up. Red is sure that anyone who hollers that much will be hauled to the edge of town and told to skedaddle, but her parents seem smitten with the new addition. When that scallywag sets his eyes on Rusty, Rodeo Red had better figure out a way to save her best friend. Can a cowgirl make a bargain with a varmint?

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“Gonzalez’s colorful illustrations…add excitement to an already engrossing story.” —The New York Times

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February • Picture Book

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Sandra Markle
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Themes: life cycle, conservation, habitat
❖ Teacher’s guide

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A Guide for Children
Cathryn Sill
Illustrated by John Sill

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Rapunzel
Bethan Woollvin

PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-279-6
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9 ¾ x 9 ¾ / 32 pages
Media: gouache and digital

AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL K; Gr 2
Ages 5–9

Territory: US
Rights: Macmillan UK
Themes: fractured fairy tales, humor, empowerment, bravery, ingenuity
❖ Teacher’s guide

Bethan Woollvin graduated from the Cambridge School of Art with a first class degree in illustration. She has since made a name for herself with dark and witty twists on traditional stories. She lives in England.
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Rapunzel lives all alone in a talk, 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! Rapunzel has a few tricks (and friends) up her sleeve, and she’s not afraid to use them. Sly humor, striking visuals, creative die-cut and French flaps, and a mischievous twist turn a familiar tale on its head.

Praise for Rapunzel

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“Highly recommended.”
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❖ A Mighty Girl Best Books of the Year

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Illustrated Chapter Books • February

King & Kayla and the Case of the Gold Ring
Dori Hillestad Butler
Illustrated by Nancy Meyers

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PB: $6.99 / 978-1-68263-208-6
Ebook available
6 x 9 / 48 pages
Media: pencil and digital

Lexile
Ages 7-9 / Mystery

 Territory: World
 Rights: Text: Peachtree except
dramatic (Erin Murphy Literary
Agency); Art: Peachtree

Themes: investigation, cause and
effect, problem solving
Series teacher’s guide; series activity kit

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What does Kayla know?
• Asia’s ring is missing.
  • It was on her finger when she came over.
  • It’s not in the cushions, on the table, in the drain, or outside.

What does King know?
• There’s a crow outside.
  • Crows like shiny things.

How will they solve the mystery?
❖ A Junior Library Guild Selection
A mystery series from Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book–winning creators Dori Hillestad Butler and Nancy Meyers

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Most spiders are not picky eaters. Many enjoy a variety of insects, other small animals, and even fruit and vegetables. Some species also enjoy more unusual items such as blood, carrion, or even other spiders. They are opportunistic feeders and will eat whatever they can get their paws on. Some spiders, like the house spider, will even eat small objects they find in their web, such as small insects or bits of a meal dropped on the back porch.

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Discussion guide

Henry Cole is the illustrator of more than ninety books for children, including bestsellers such as The Leprechaun’s Gold, Little Bo, Three Hens and a Peacock, and And Tango Makes Three, in addition to many of his own books, such as A Nest For Celeste and Jack’s Garden. He lives in Florida.
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Homing pigeon Homer and his parrot friend Lulu learn something is afoul when they witness four-legged criminals stealing valuables. Lulu and Homer track down the bandits, but need human help to stop them for good. Can they lead their keepers to the culprits’ hideout and stop the thieves? This one is sure to have every reader wishing they could join in the hunt.

ALSO BY HENRY COLE

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Teacher’s guide
CHAPTER THREE

It rained the morning following the street fair. The city was draped in wet. The idea of racing was out; there was no way Otto would want me to race in that mess. It was a comforting thought that just stay warm and dry in my cozy cage.

Otto was his standard punctual self and came up to the loft to spread the day-old newspaper for my breakfast. I pecked my way across the pages, and, as usual, the bottoms of my pink feet turned black from the newprint.

I noticed an ad at the bottom of page C3. There was a sale at Pete's Galore!

**COO-00-00-00! BIG SALE!**

Half Off All Grain-Based Seeds!
Millet, Milo, Corn!
Try Our Buckwheat, Flax, and Oats Mix!

*Hmne?* I thought. Not only was going to Pete's Galore a great way to spend a rainy day, it was a perfect chance to get some fresh millet and flax...and I was always a pushover for that. I excitedly pecked and scratched at the ad and flapped my wings to get Otto's attention.

Otto looked at me, slightly perplexed at first. "Hey, Homet! What's wrong with you? You're spreading your food all over the place."

But I kept pecking and flapping and cooing at the ad, then pecked some more.

"You're a good," Otto said, smiling. He looked at the sky. "Tomorrow should be nice out. Might be a good day for a race."

I sat down on the newspaper, frustrated. Otto hadn't understood me. It had happened before; I had tried to communicate something to Otto, to no avail. No matter how much I flapped and cooed, I couldn't get my message across.

The next morning the weather had cleared. Otto came scrambling up the rooftop-stairs way before dawn. He was carrying my smaller travel cage. That could only mean one thing: a race!

Otto slid my cage carefully onto the back seat of Grandad's gray car. I cooed with excitement and paced back and forth, periodically pumping my wings, getting my blood flowing and getting psyched up. I was anxious and ready. I wanted to fly fast for Otto and for Grandad. I noticed Grandad had the gold watch. It would be a timed flight, of course.

He smiled. "Homet will have clean, rain-washed air to fly through. Sky's cleared up. It's a great morning for a flight."

"Where to today, Grandad? Same place as last week? Middleburg?"

"I thought we'd try something a little more challenging for Homet. All the way over to Hillsboro."

Hillsboro? I knew from reading the newspaper that Hillsboro was pretty far. I had seen a picture of the town, with little stone houses tucked into a rolling landscape. It was different from where we lived. I realized I was a little nervous...I hadn't flown that far before.

"Wow," Otto said. "That is challenging. But Homet can do it. No problem, right, Homet?" His head popped
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Chaya, a nobleman’s rebellious daughter, has stolen the queen’s jewels to help the poor. But when she fumbles the getaway, her friend is sentenced for the crime she committed. Masterminding a prison break, Chaya escapes with her companions into a leech-infested jungle—with the king’s prized elephant in tow! As this ragtag team evades capture on a thrilling adventure, the king’s wrath grows…and revolution stirs.

Praise for The Girl Who Stole an Elephant

“Positively rustles with the textures of rural Sri Lanka…a love letter to [the author’s] culture.” —The Guardian

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Chapter One

Chaya looked at the bronze spear peering at her neck.

"Stay right there," said the guard.

Chaya took a step back and held up her hands.

The linen pouch under her blouse clicked. The cluster of the crowds floated up from the promenade below, where the King’s annual feast was taking place.

"What are you doing here, girl?" The guard waved the spear at her. From below them, the melody of the wrens drifted up. The musical show was starting.

Chaya shrugged, the pouch pressing against her chest. She rubbed her palms down her skirt and tried to keep her voice level. "I’m just looking around."

Her voice brought two more guards to the top of the stone steps cut into the hill. This was how the royal palace was built—a network of buildings at the top of the mountain, every rock and ledge forming courtyards and pools for the royal household while they ruled from above.

"You’re not allowed here," the guard said to Chaya.

"You should be down below, enjoying the food and the festivities."

Not Chaya. She much preferred breaking into the Queen’s rooms and stealing her jewels. There was a particularly nice blue sapphire in her pouch at that moment.

"Well?" The man jabbed his spear toward her. "What have you got to say for yourself?"

"I wanted to get a little closer to the palace. See what it’s like. It looks so pretty down there." She pointed in the direction of her village and made her face go red. It was as if noticing the giant Lion status for the first time, even though it could be seen from villages miles away. She was a small square carved between the crashing lion’s jaws. She was the center of the complex of buildings that made up the inner palace.

"Come on now," The guard gripped her arm, making her wince. He pulled her to the cobblestone pathway leading down toward the celebrations below. "I don’t want to see you here again." The Queen’s jewels jangled in her pouch. There were emeralds, turquoises, and sapphires, so heavy, all royalty. How many jewels did one person need, anyway? And these were just the ones from the drawer in the rosewood table by the bed. Why had they had to leave so quickly when she heard voices outside the door. And then to be sent when she was halfway down to the promenade was just bad luck. She shrugged herself free of the guard and set off, her arm stinging from where his fingers had pinched her.

In spite of everything Chaya found herself grinning as the view from up high. The kingdom of Somnial spread out around her as far as the eye could see, thick green forests and strips of silver rivers, with the King’s City below and clusters of little villages beyond. But she wasn’t ready to leave yet. Chaya paused near a tree, turned to look at the monkeys on it. Dappled sunshine pricked her face as she looked at the guard out of the corner of her eye.

He had stopped walking but was still watching her. She heard him say, "What are you doing now? Get out, girl. I have some work to do, and you’re in the way." The sensible thing to do was to get out of there as fast as she could. But the Queen’s rooms were calling out to her. It was as if she could hear their whisper, right there in the warm sun. The softness of the velvet rugs, the satin bed curtains swaying in the breeze, and the promise of more riches within the heavy oak and teak cabinets.

Suddenly a commotion came from above her, near the Queen’s quarters. She heard shouting and the sound of people running.

Chaya turned quickly. Had she forgotten to close the door in her rush?

She saw a quick look over her shoulder to see a figure running down the cobble path behind her. It really was time to get out.

Chaya carried on walking as casually as she could. Her heart hammered at the sounds behind her. She was just passing under the same line when she heard a yell.

"Hey, you!"

Chaya sped up. Her heart was scared by the cobbles.
Lovable Indian-American girl Nina Soni returns in the third installment of this series from Own Voices author Kashmira Sheth.

It’s Take Your Child to Work Day, and Nina, Kavita, and Jay are all going to work with Mom, a landscape architect, to learn how to start a garden. Naturally, that’s not enough for Nina, who quickly develops big plans for a business selling the vegetables she plans to grow. But her plans don’t include managing the problems that inevitably arise, including rabbits, slugs, mosquitos, and more! Readers are sure to relate to Sheth’s endearing Nina Soni, her family and friends, and her slightly easily distracted efforts to manage her life with lists, definitions, and real-life math problems. A great read for STEAM enthusiasts!

Praise for Nina Soni, Former Best Friend


“Sheth’s clear and distinctive narratorial voice effortlessly leads readers through the intricacies of Nina’s quirky, innocent world.” —Kirkus Reviews

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✎ Discussion guide

Jenna Guillaume is an author and journalist from Sydney, Australia. She writes about pop culture, feminism, body positivity, social media, and what you should binge on Netflix for a variety of publications. Follow her on Twitter @JennaGuillaume.

Loaded with laughs and mishaps, this humorous exploration of friendship and romance dials a fun and feminist callback to a pop culture narrative.

Sixteen-year-old Katie Camilleri can’t believe she’s accidentally created a teenage boy. A boy six feet tall with floppy hair and eyes like the sky on a clear summer’s day. A boy whose lips taste like cookie dough and whose skin smells like springtime. A boy completely devoted to Katie. But silly musings and kitchen antics with her best friend, Libby, have definitely taken a whimsical twist into something more complicated than Katie could have ever daydreamed. Waking to a buck-naked boy in her bedroom, Katie’s astonishment grows to sheer uncertainty as she encounters the consequences of fumbling a human being into existence. Now Katie must adjust to her new reality while navigating a rocky friendship with Libby—and a sudden moodiness in Theo, the longtime boy next door. More importantly, does Guy, the golden Adonis Katie’s created, like her because he wants to, or because he has to? And will he be Katie’s very first kiss?

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TEEN WITH DOWN SYNDROME MISSING

Fears are growing for a sixteen-year-old girl with Down syndrome who has not been seen since leaving home five days ago.

Rose Tremayne set off for her Pathways course at Henley College just before 9 am on Friday, December 12, but never arrived.

Police want to speak to a caller who rang the college in Oxfordshire to say Rose was unwell and would not be going in that day. Chief Inspector Tim Jones, who is leading the search, said it was possible that the teenager, of Rupert's Lane, Henley-on-Thames, was making her way to Brighton, where her boyfriend is currently staying.

"The recent heavy snow-falls and resulting problems on the trains mean her journey won't have been straightforward," he said. "I would urge any member of the public who thinks they may have seen Rose to contact the police immediately."

He added that Rose's parents were desperately worried and anxious for news.

Rose is described as 4' 11", with a pale complexion, green eyes, and shoulder-length red-gold hair.

She was last seen wearing a black duffel coat, black jeans, a cream cable-knit sweater, distinctive purple Dr. Martens boots with a rose design, and carrying a purple fake fur bag covered in badges.
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Little Rabbit thought it would be fun to be a big brother, but it’s not. The babies sleep and cry a lot. They are too young to throw a ball and they get their sticky paws on all his toys.

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

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Themes: environment, friendship, perseverance

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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

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

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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

Stay!
A Top Dog Story
Alex Latimer
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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

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Izzy Gizmo’s inventions often malfunction, but when she finds a crow with a broken wing she just has to help!

“So sorely needed and has the potential to develop and nourish readers’ interest in STEAM subjects.” — Kirkus Reviews

Themes: friendship, perseverance, family, creativity, ingenuity, consequences

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One by one, baby animals are gently put to bed by their mothers and fathers.

“Hush little ones . . .”

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Themes: baby animals, bedtime, family

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“Ten in the Den . . .”

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—School Library Journal

Themes: animals, bedtime, counting, song

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Out in the meadow, ten cuddly friends play a game of hide-and-seek. But it’s almost time for bed. Where is Mouse?

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Themes: animals, bedtime, counting, friends
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PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-145-4
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This gorgeous bedtime counting story is written in the style of the familiar children’s song, “Over in the Meadow.”

★ “Perfectly paced, accessible, and appealing.” —Kirkus Reviews

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

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Ages 3–7
Themes: habitats, migration, motherhood, siblings

If You See a Kitten
John Butler

PB: $7.99 / 978-1-56145-838-7
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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

AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL K; Gr 2
Ages 3–7
Themes: animals, cause and effect, reactions, sounds

Where Is Baby?
Kathryn O. Galbraith
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HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-707-6
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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

AR • Lexile
GRL H; Gr 1
Ages 2–5 / Nature
Themes: baby animals, behavior, camouflage, questions

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AR • Lexile • F&P
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Themes: parent-child relationship, seasons, bears

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

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❖ Instagram Best Kids Books; Parents’ Choice Silver Award

AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 3–7
Themes: habitats, migration, motherhood, siblings

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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.”

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

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“Luthardt’s quirky acrylic cartoons make effective use of bright colors and crisp lines and should have substantial child appeal.”  
—*School Library Journal*

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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

Themes: fathers, reading, imagination

Themes: change, friendship, pets

Themes: moving, making new friends, fears, expectations and assumptions

Themes: community, letter-writing

Themes: amusement parks, fear, parents, roller coaster

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Themes: courage, adventure, cumulative tales, challenges, goals

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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 waiting to get picked up and is just a little bit scared.

“Children will appreciate this relatable tale with likable characters.”
—School Library Journal

Themes: imagination, school, helping, cooperation, responsibility

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Shirley Smith Duke
Illustrated by Jenny Mattheson

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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.”
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Themes: determination, independence
❖ Teacher’s guide

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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

Themes: creativity, fear, independence, security

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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

Themes: family, cooking, cooperation

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HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-250-7
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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
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Themes: animals, fear, games

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Jeanne Willis
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AR • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 3–7
Themes: family, imagination, teddy bears

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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

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Danny Schnitzlein
Illustrated by Anca Sandu

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When Gnu says there’s a cave across the river filled with diamonds, Shrew is intrigued and offers to help find them. But Gnu laughs so hard his tail nearly falls off! Can Shrew’s hard work and ingenuity achieve Gnu’s dream?

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—Booklist

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: friendship, collaboration, imagination, engineering

❖ IRA/CBC Children’s Choices

❖ NSTA Best STEM Books
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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 who needs help?

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GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: community, friendship, help, repairs

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AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: change, family history, quilts, new sibling

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AR • F&P
GRL K; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: animals, exploration, questions

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Illustrated by Julie Paschkis

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★★ “This clever take on the alphabet book lets readers fill in the story on their own… An absolute zoo of an ABC book—in the best possible way.” —Kirkus Reviews

AR • Lexile • F&P
NP; LB
Ages 2–6
Themes: alphabet, imagination, surprises, visual literacy
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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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❖ Parents’ Choice Recommended

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★★ Kirkus Reviews, School Library Journal

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“An excellent teaching tool and an appealing introduction to the wide world of fish.”
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HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-817-2
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Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio, dramatic (Gina Maccoby)

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“A lovely, interactive exploration of stripes and a good introduction to some new animals.”
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Lee Posey
Illustrated by Michael G. Montgomery

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-164-7 / 1-56145-164-9
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-397-9 / 1-56145-397-8
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

A young girl’s special relationship with her father and some nocturnal critters.

“You’d swear you could hear the crickets chirping yourself.”
—New York Times

❖ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award
Mary Batten

Aliens from Earth
When Animals and Plants Invade Other Ecosystems
Mary Batten
Illustrated by Beverly Doyle

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-393-1
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-903-2
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)
Themes: invasive species, ecology
% Teacher’s guide

An introduction to the serious and ongoing environmental problems caused by invasive plant and animal species.

“Nonstop intriguing.” —Booklist
❖ NSTA Recommends

Please Don’t Wake the Animals
A Book About Sleep
Mary Batten
Illustrated by Higgins Bond

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-393-1
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified)
Themes: sleep patterns in animals
% Teacher’s guide

“Far from your cozy bedtime lullaby, this big bright picture book is an exciting way to talk about the biology that connects humans with many kinds of animals.”
—Booklist
❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Life in a Frozen World
Wildlife of Antarctica
Mary Batten
Illustrated by Thomas Gonzalez

HC: $18.99 / 978-1-68263-151-5
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

A look at how climate change has affected organisms that have survived millions of years in one of Earth’s most extreme environments

★ “A superb choice… The well-researched text and captivating illustrations work well to convey the importance of conservation.”
—School Library Journal

Who Has a Belly Button?
Mary Batten
Illustrated by Higgins Bond

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-235-4 / 1-56145-235-1
Territory: World • All rights available

An informative, fascinating look at the lifeline that attaches mammals to their mothers before birth.

“An especially wonderful book to share with youngsters awaiting the birth of a sibling, and a great addition to the nonfiction library collection.”
—Kirkus Reviews
❖ NSTA Recommends

Hey, Daddy!
Animal Fathers and Their Babies
Mary Batten
Illustrated by Higgins Bond

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-272-9
Territory: World • All rights available

Numerous examples of males caring for their young are presented in accurate and clear language.

“A good deal of information in an attractive format.” —Booklist

Artwork © Thomas Gonzalez from Life in a Frozen World
A Tree for Emmy
Mary Ann Rodman
Illustrated by Tatjana Mai-Wyss
HC: $16.99 / 978-1-56145-475-4
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-037-2
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

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

Stormy, a yellow canary, is determined to fit in with the bluebirds at the Bird Club.

“Sweeping, poetic writing makes for a captivating story.” —Publishers Weekly

Themes: identity, independence, mimosas

My Mother Talks to Trees
Doris Gove
Illustrated by Marilynn H. Mallory
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-166-1 / 1-56145-166-5
Territory: World • All rights available

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.” —School Library Journal

Themes: observation, parents, seasons, tree identification

Teacher’s guide

Firefly Mountain
Patricia Thomas
Illustrated by Peter Sylvada
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-360-3 / 1-56145-360-9
Territory: World • All rights available

A family experiences the magic of fireflies in this story of anticipation.

“Thomas’s prose is lyrical and engaging as she describes the sights, smells, and sounds of the fading afternoon and gradual coming of night.” —School Library Journal

Themes: creative writing, insects, summer

Teacher’s guide

Butterfly Tree
Sandra Markle
Illustrated by Leslie Wu
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-475-4
Territory: World • All rights available

The mystery of monarch butterfly migration is revealed in this sensitive, eloquent mother-daughter story.

“Masterful evocation of a child’s sense of wonder at the natural world.” —Kirkus Reviews

Themes: monarch butterfly migration, discovery

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Themes: observation, parents, seasons, tree identification

Teacher’s guide

Planting the Wild Garden
Kathryn O. Galbraith
Illustrated by Wendy Anderson Halperin
HC: $16.99 / 978-1-56145-563-8
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-922-3
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (complex), Chinese (simplified), French, Japanese

Eloquent text and stunning illustrations combine to explore the many ways seeds are distributed.


Themes: seed dispersal, action verbs, onomatopoeia

Teacher’s guide

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HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-475-4
Territory: World • All rights available

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“Masterful evocation of a child’s sense of wonder at the natural world.” —Kirkus Reviews

Themes: monarch butterfly migration, discovery

Teacher’s guide
**Lali's Feather**
Farhana Zia
Illustrated by Stephanie Fizer Coleman

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-129-4
Ebook available
 Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (Unter Agency); Art: Peachtree

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

“A beautifully balanced storyline that is predictable yet surprising.”
—Kirkus Reviews

❖ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor

**Bird Count**
Susan Edwards Richmond
Illustrated by Stephanie Fizer Coleman

HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-954-4
Ebook available
 Territory: World • All rights available

A young girl eagerly identifies and counts the birds she observes around her town.

“An engaging, informative introduction.”
—Kirkus Reviews

❖ Capital Choices Noteworthy Books; CBC Women of Color Protagonists Showcase; Parents’ Choice Silver Award; IRA Children’s and Young Adult Book Awards

**The Society of Distinguished Lemmings**
Julie Colombet

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-156-0
 Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Kings Road UK

Bertie ventures outside and discovers a bear. But will Bertie’s new friend fit in with the other lemmings? Or is the bear simply too big and clumsy?

“Colombet packs her story with vivid personalities… There is much to linger over and return to in these pages.”
—Publishers Weekly

❖ Parents’ Choice Recommended Award

**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 except Greek

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?

❖ Storytelling World Resource Awards Honor Book

**Zebra on the Go**
Jill Nogales
Illustrated by Lorraine Rocha

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-911-7
 Territory: World • All rights available except Russian

An energetic read-aloud about the circus running away with itself.

★ “Equally entertaining for both adults and children.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ 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

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Australia/New Zealand, Catalan, Chinese (complex), Chinese (simplified), Dutch, Estonian, French Canadian, 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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: reading, libraries, dogs, friendship
✎ Activity kit, poster

Madeline Finn and the Shelter Dog
Lisa Papp

HC: $17.95 / 978-1-68263-075-4

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Catalan; Chinese (simplified); Dutch; Estonian; French; French Canadian; 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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: dogs, volunteering, animal shelters, reading, community
✎ Activity kit

Madeline Finn and the Therapy Dog
Lisa Papp

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-149-2

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except French, Dutch, German, Japanese, Slovenian

Star is old enough to become a therapy dog, so he and Madeline Finn are off to Walker Oaks, a retirement community where Star will be tested in a variety of challenges.

★ “This is a beautifully designed introduction to the lives of therapy dogs and how much work goes into becoming one.” — School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL L; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: dogs, volunteering, reading, community
✎ Activity kit

“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 on Madeline Finn and the Library Dog

“A gentle first-person text accompanies the watercolor-and-pencil illustrations on soothing beige pages, which perfectly befit the reassuring, happy ending.” — Booklist on Madeline Finn and the Shelter Dog

“This intergenerational story of love and acceptance is an important addition to library collections for young elementary-aged readers.” — School Library Journal on Madeline Finn and the Therapy Dog
Immi’s Gift
Karin Littlewood
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-545-4
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-813-4
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Otter Barry Books

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

Themes: generosity, interconnectedness, friendship

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

Paper Planes
Jim Helmore
Illustrated by Richard Jones
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-68263-161-4
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Simon & Schuster UK

A compassionate and lyrical story of staying in touch after a friend has moved away.

“A beautiful and sensitive treatment of a common childhood experience.”
   — Kirkus Reviews

The Snow Lion
Jim Helmore
Illustrated by Richard Jones
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-68263-048-8
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Simon & Schuster UK

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

Themes: shyness, confidence, friendship, imagination, play

The Story Blanket
Ferida Wolff and Harriet May Savitz
Illustrated by Elena Odriozola
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-219-2
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada Rights: Andersen Press UK

Babba Zarra 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

Themes: sharing, recycling, secrets, circular tale

Hat Tricks
Satoshi Kitamura
HC: $16.99 / 978-1-68263-150-8
Ebook available
Territory: US & Canada exclusive; nonexclusive World except UK, Commonwealth, & Europe • Rights: Scallywag Press UK

Come one, come all! It’s time for Hattie’s magic show!

★ “Dynamic, fun-filled, imaginative, and ideal for participatory reading aloud.”
   — Kirkus Reviews

Themes: friendship, guessing, magic, surprises

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

Parents’ Choice Recommended Award
Backlist • Picture Books

Arlo the Lion Who Couldn’t Sleep
Catherine Rayner

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-222-2
Territory: US • Rights: Macmillan UK

Arlo is a very tired lion, and he’s tried everything but just can’t get to sleep! Luckily, Owl has a few tricks up her sleeve…

★ “Gentle and gorgeous.”
—Kirkus Reviews

Themes: bedtime, sleeping, meditation, trial and error

Back to Bed, Ed!
Sebastien Braun

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-68263-218-8
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-775-5
Territory: US • Rights: HarperCollins UK

Ed loves going to bed, but he doesn’t like staying in bed.

“Right up a toddler’s nighttime alley.”
—Kirkus Reviews

★ School Library Journal

❖ CCBC Choices; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Nighty Night!
Margaret Wild
Illustrated by Kerry Argent

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-812-7
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

Themes: baby animals, bedtime, parents, pranks

Duck & Penguin Do NOT Like Sleepovers
Julia Woolf

HC: $16.99 / 978-1-68263-201-7
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada • Rights: Andersen Press UK

A hilarious bedtime romp tackles the thrills and anxieties of sleeping over.

“Lively and expressive.” —Kirkus Reviews

Themes: sleepovers, friendship, playdates, humor
✎ Activity sheet

Duck & Penguin Are NOT Friends
Julia Woolf

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-132-4
Territory: US & nonexclusive Canada • Rights: Andersen Press UK

A humorous and ironic look at building friendship on your own terms.

“A bit whimsical fun with a sweet little lesson attached.” —BCCB

Themes: conflict, friendship, identity, play dates

Aalfred and Aalbert
Morag Hood

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-121-8
Territory: US • Rights: Macmillan UK

A heartwarming story of blossoming love between two aardvarks

“A charming depiction of friendship and love.” —Kirkus Reviews

Themes: friendship, LGBTQ+, matchmaking, relationships, romance
✎ Activity sheets
The Gold Miner’s Daughter
A Melodramatic Fairy Tale
Jackie Mims Hopkins
Illustrated by Jon Goodell
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-362-7
Territory: World • All rights available

An hysterical collision of fairy tales, melodrama, and the Gold Rush West.

“Goodell’s delightful and action-packed illustrations feature expressive characters and plenty of visual humor.”
 —School Library Journal

Prairie Chicken Little
Jackie Mims Hopkins
Illustrated by Henry Cole
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-694-9
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-834-9
Spanish HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-841-7
Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-842-4
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

When Mary McBlicken the prairie chicken hears a rumblin’ and a grumblin’, she sets off to warn her friends.

“Hopkins’ prairie take on ‘Chicken Little’ is made storytime perfect by Cole’s characteristically hysterical, watercolor-and-colored-pencil cartoons of goggle-eyed critters.” —Kirkus Reviews

Railroad John and the Red Rock Run
Tony Crunk
Illustrated by Michael Austin
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-363-4
Territory: World • All rights available

Lonesome Bob is set to marry Wildcat Annie today, if only the Sagebrush Flyer can get to Red Rock on time.

“Kids will eagerly climb aboard for repeat rides.” —Publishers Weekly

The Horned Toad Prince
Jackie Mims Hopkins
Illustrated by Michael Austin
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-548-5
Territory: World • All rights available

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.” —School Library Journal

The Three Armadillies Tuff
Jackie Mims Hopkins
Illustrated by S. G. Brooks
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-258-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-598-0
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

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.” —School Library Journal

Ol’ Bloo’s Boogie-Woogie Band and Blues Ensemble
Jan Huling
Illustrated by Henri Sørensen
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-436-5
Territory: World • All rights available except French

Ol’ Bloo Donkey realizes it’s time to pursue his ambition of being a star in this hilarious retelling of “The Bremen Town Musicians.”

“Bayou cadences, outré metaphors for each animal’s singing, and an easy way with a rueful folkloric voice make this a treasure.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year
Bethan Woollvin

**Bo the Brave**
Bethan Woollvin

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-182-9
Territory: US • Rights: Macmillan UK

Bo sets out to capture fearsome monsters and prove to her brothers that she isn’t too small. But the real beasts aren’t hiding in the woods, the ocean, or dark and scary caves…

★ “Highly recommended for elementary libraries.” —School Library Journal

Themes: bravery, confidence, friendship, monsters
% Activity kit

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**Little Red**
Bethan Woollvin

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-917-9
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-217-8
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

❖ New York Times Best Illustrated Children’s Books; CCBC Choices; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Themes: Little Red Riding Hood, empowerment, bravery, ingenuity
% Activity kit, Teacher’s guide

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**Rapunzel**
Bethan Woollvin

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-003-7
Territory: US • Rights: Macmillan UK

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

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**Prince Ribbit**
Jonathan Emmett
Illustrated by Poly Bernatene

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-761-8
Territory: US • Rights: Macmillan UK

This clever twist on “The Frog Prince” pits a spunky, bespectacled princess against a sly amphibian to teach a charming lesson on the pitfalls of trusting everything you read.

“Glamorous enough to satisfy hardcore princess fans and nuanced enough for those who like a little depth in their fairy tales.” —Booklist

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M: Gr 2
Ages 3–7
Themes: fractured fairy tales, Frog Prince, frogs, siblings, trust, humor
% Activity sheets

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**The Princess and the Packet of Frozen Peas**
Tony Wilson
Illustrated by Sue deGennaro

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-635-2
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-051-8
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.” —Kirkus Reviews

AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL L: Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: Princess and the Pea, fractured fairy tales, friendship, choices
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

Chestnut
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

I Am Tama, Lucky Cat
A Japanese Legend
Wendy Henrichs
Illustrated by Yoshiko Jaeggi
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-589-8
 PB: $7.99 / 978-1-56145-916-2
 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

First Grade Stinks!
Mary Ann Rodman
Illustrated by Beth Spiegel
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-729-8
 PB $8.95 / 978-1-56145-462-4
 Ebook available
 Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Korean

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

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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.” — Kirkus Reviews

❖ Indie Next List; NCSS Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; Bank Street Best Books of the Year
Loveykins
Quentin Blake
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-282-8 / 1-56145-282-3
PB: $8.99 / 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

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

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

Rodeo Red
Maripat Perkins
Illustrated by Molly Idle
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-816-5
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-203-1
Ebook available
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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: new sibling, conflict resolution, sharing
Event kit, poster

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

The King of Little Things
Bil 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

Parents’ Choice Gold Award; Honor Book, Irma Simonton and James H. Black Award for the Best Picture Book of the Year; PEN/Steven Kroll Award for Picture Book Writing

Artwork © Molly Idle from Rodeo Red
Kashmira Sheth

**Feast of Peas**  
Kashmira Sheth  
Illustrated by Jeffrey Ebbeler  

*Ebook available*  
T erritory: World  
R ights: Text: Peachtree except  
commercial, dramatic (Charlotte Sheedy); Art: Peachtree

Jiva can’t wait to harvest his peas for a delicious feast! But each time Jiva is ready to pick the peas, they’re already gone. What’s amiss in Jiva’s garden?

“[A] dazzlingly illustrated new fairy tale…a nice lesson on friendship and forgiveness.” — *Booklist*

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

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-735-9  
T erritory: World  
R ights: 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

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

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-696-3  
PB $7.95 / 978-1-56145-890-5  
T erritory: World  
R ights: Text: Peachtree except  
commercial, dramatic (Charlotte Sheedy); Art: Peachtree • L icensed: Portuguese

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

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

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-392-4  
T erritory: World  
A ll r ights 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  
T rade Books for Young People; CCBC Choices; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-061-7  
T erritory: World  
A ll r ights 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*

❖ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies  
T rade Books for Young People; CCBC Choices
Backlist • Picture Books

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

*HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-416-7*  
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

**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

**That’s Not How You Play Soccer, Daddy!**
Sherry Shahan
Illustrated by Tatjana Mai-Wyss

*HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-416-7*  
Territory: World • All rights available

After a tough soccer practice, Mikey’s dad takes him to play in the park, but Mikey only wants to practice for the Big Game.

“In a warm reversal of the usual competitive sports message, a parent teaches his son to let go and just have fun.”  
—Booklist

**Flora the Frog**
Shirley Isherwood
Illustrated by Anna C. Leplar

*HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-223-1*  
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

*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

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

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

When practical joke 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

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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

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.”

❖ ILA-CBC Children’s Choices

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 Frogponge:
A Swamp Story
Jennifer Rae
Illustrated by Rose Cowles
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-163-0
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 Frogponge 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

Raymond and Nelda
Barbara Bottner
Illustrated by Nancy Hayashi
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-394-8
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 / 978-1-56145-291-7
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

Late for School
Mike Reiss
Illustrated by Michael Austin
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-491-4
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, translation (First Book); Art: Peachtree

Smitty is never late for school. Not when his shoes get stuck in a sea of thick, black tar. Not when snowmen rain down from the sky. Not even when he encounters a very hungry T. Rex!

“Children tardy and timely will laugh at this droll recitation.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ IRA/CBC Children’s Choices

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

Ebenezer Has a Word for Everything
Chelsea H. Rowe
Illustrated by Frank Dormer
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-948-6
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Foreword Literary); Art: Peachtree

No one else understands Ebenezer’s peculiar collection, until one day Ebenezer meets Fitzgerald.


Lost and Found
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-628-4
Ebook available
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

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; Honor Book, Paterson Prize

Themes: beekeeping, intergenerational relationships, helpfulness, curiosity, bravery
% Poster; teacher’s guide

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
Ebook available
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

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

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-138-5
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-68263-063-1
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
**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

**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*
*PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-553-9*
*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

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

*HC: $16.99 / 978-1-56145-564-5*
*PB: $7.99 / 978-1-56145-726-7*

*Ebook available*

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*
Agatha's Feather Bed
Not Just Another Wild Goose Story
Carmen Aggra Deedy
Illustrated by Laura L. Seeley
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-096-1
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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL O; Gr 3
Ages 4-8
Themes: conservation, environment, quilting, resources
% Teacher’s guide

The Library Dragon
Carmen Aggra 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

❖ ALSC Notable Children's Recordings

Return of the Library Dragon
Carmen Aggra 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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL S; Gr 3
Ages 8-12 / Historical fiction
Themes: courage, responsibility, World War II, Denmark
% Teacher’s guide

Martina the Beautiful Cockroach
A Cuban Folktale
Carmen Aggra Deedy
Illustrated by Michael Austin
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-399-3
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-787-9
HC & CD: $19.95 / 978-1-56145-468-6
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
Ebook available
 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 Aggra Deedy
Illustrated by Michael P. White
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-200-4
 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

❖ ABC Children’s Booksellers’ Choices; Christopher Award; IRA Teacher’s Choice; IRA Notable Books for a Global Society; Bologna Ragazzi Award

The Yellow Star
The Legend of King Christian X of Denmark
Carmen Aggra Deedy
Illustrated by Henri Sorensen
HC: $17.99 / 978-1-56145-208-8
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-189-8
Ebook available
 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

*The Cheshire Cheese Cat*
*A Dickens of a Tale*
Carmen Agra Deedy and
Randall Wright
Illustrated by Barry Moser

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-109-8
PB: $9.95 / 978-1-56145-810-3
Ebook available
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; *VOA* Top Shelf Fiction

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL S; Gr 4
Ages 6-10 / History
Themes: 9/11, compassion, generosity, Maasai
% Teacher’s guide, poster
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*14 Cows for America*
Carmen Agra Deedy, in collaboration with
Wilson Kimeli Naiyomah
Illustrated by Thomas Gonzalez

HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-490-7
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-555-3
Spanish HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-550-8
Spanish PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-555-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except French

❖ Bank Street Best Children’s Books of the Year; CCBC Choices; Cybils Nonfiction Finalist; E. B. White Read-Aloud Honor; IRA Notable Books for a Global Society; IRA Teachers' Choices; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; Page Ahead Best Books for Kids; Parents’ Choice Gold Award; RIF Macy’s Multicultural Collection of Children’s Literature; SSLI Honor Book

Growing Up Cuban in Decatur, Georgia

*Growing Up Cuban in Decatur, Georgia*
Carmen Agra Deedy

CD: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-318-4
Territory: World • All rights available

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

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

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

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


AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL R; Gr 4
Ages 6-10 / History
Themes: Cuba, family, immigration, memoir

The Last Dance

*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*

“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*

“A wonderful read-aloud that could also be used with older students.” — *Library Media Connection*

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

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

Danny Schnitzlein

**The Monster Who Ate My Peas**
Danny Schnitzlein
Illustrated by Matt Faulkner

*HC*: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-465-5
*PB*: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-533-1
*Ebook available*
*Territory: World • All rights available*

A young boy makes a bargain with a fiendishly funny monster to avoid eating his peas.

“The rollicking rhythms and madcap, over-the-top art give this…plenty of comic energy.” — *Kirkus Reviews*

**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
*Ebook available*
*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*

**Trick or Treat on Monster Street**
Danny Schnitzlein
Illustrated by Matt Faulkner

*HC*: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-465-5

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*

**Clatter Bash! A Day of the Dead Celebration**
Richard Keep

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

Gravity 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

**13 Monsters Who Should Be Avoided**
Kevin Shortsleeve
Illustrated by Michael Austin

*HC*: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-146-3

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*
**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

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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**Santa’s Last Present**
Marie-Aude Murail and Elvire Murail
Illustrated by Quentin Blake

HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-319-1 / 1-56145-319-6
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

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**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

❖ Activity sheets

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**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

Also available: Mightier Than the Sword
CD: $16.98 suggested retail
UPC: 19480

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**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

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**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 • Art: 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
William Still and His Freedom Stories
The Father of the Underground Railroad
Don Tate

HC: $18.99 / 978-1-56145-935-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio, commercial, dramatic (Andrew Brown Agency)

The remarkable, little-known story of the man known as the Father of the Underground Railroad

★ “This inspirational true story combines fact with a very readable narrative, spotlighting a pivotal figure in the abolitionist movement. A book that deserves a place on school and public library shelves.” — School Library Journal

Kirkus Reviews, Publishers Weekly
Kirkus Reviews Best of Picture Books

Carter Reads the Newspaper
Deborah Hopkinson
Don Tate

HC: $17.99 / 978-1-56145-934-6
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: 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

Kirkus Reviews, Publishers Weekly

Poet
The Remarkable Story of George Moses Horton
Don Tate

HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-825-7
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-062-4
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio, commercial, dramatic (Andrea Brown Agency)

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 Reviews, Publishers Weekly

ALSC Notable Children's Books; Chicago Public Library Best of the Best; Eloise Jean McGraw Award Finalist; NCSA Children's Crown Award; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books; New York Public Library Best Books; Northern Lights Book Award; Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award; NCTE Notable Children's Books; Paterson Prize Honor Book; NCSS Carter G. Woodson Book Award; ILA Social Justice Literature Award

Ezra Jack Keats New Writer Award; NCSS Carter G. Woodson Book Award; NCTE Notable Children's Books in Language Arts; CBC Champions of Change
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
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Fighter for Workers’ Rights
Deborah Hopkinson
Illustrated by Kristy Caldwell
HC: $18.95 / 978-1-68263-136-2
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The fascinating story of the woman who created the US Social Security system
“An informative portrait of an activist and advocate whose accomplishments are still evident today.”
—Kirkus Reviews
❖ Amelia Bloomer Project; IRA Teacher’s Choices; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; Bank Street Best Books of the Year; CBC Champions of Change; PBS Trailblazing Women

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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
Ebook available
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.
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—Publishers Weekly
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Yours for Justice, Ida B. Wells
The Daring Life of a Crusading Journalist
Philip Dray
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HC: $18.95 / 978-1-56145-417-4
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Territory: World • All rights available except French, Korean
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
❖ CBC Women of Color Protagonists Showcase; NCTE Notable Children’s Books; Parents’ Choice Recommended
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
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

“Conveys a good bit of information within a clearly written narrative.”
—Booklist

❖ 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
Ebook available
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

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

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

Sweet Land of Liberty
Deborah Hopkinson
Illustrated by Leonard Jenkins

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-124-9
Ebook available
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.

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

❖ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; IRA Teachers’ 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
### 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

Digital audio available

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*

★ __School Library Journal__

❖ __NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; NCTE Notable Books in the Language Arts__

**AR • RC • Lexile • F&P**

GRL W; Gr 6

Ages 7-10 / Historical fiction

Themes: Bosnia War, music, beauty, community, healing, peace

% Discussion 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*

❖ **Bank Street Best 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__

❖ __NCCTE 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**

### 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**
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?
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
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

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

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

—*Publishers Weekly*

**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*

**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*

**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*

**The Printer**
Myron Uhlberg
Illustrated by Henri Sørensen
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-221-7
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-56145-483-9
Territory: World • All rights available

A deaf father and his hearing son show their love for each other and their dedication to the craft of printing.

“[A] heartfelt tale of an ordinary person rising to meet an extraordinary challenge.”

—*Kirkus Reviews*

**A Storm Called Katrina**
Myron Uhlberg
Illustrated by Colin Bootman
HC: $17.95 / 978-1-56145-591-1
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-897-5
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (Susan Schulman); Art: Peachtree

“Simple, affecting prose and intricate, inspired paintings make this one worth sharing for sure.”

—*Kirkus Reviews*

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AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL O; Gr 3
Ages 4–8
Themes: dreams, New York City, snow
% Teacher’s guide

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AR • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
Themes: folk tale, home, traveling

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AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL Q; Gr 2
Ages 4–8
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**ALA Schneider Family Book Award**

**AJL Notable Book for Younger Readers**

**ILA Notable Books for a Global Society; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; CCBC Choices; Bank Street Best Books of the Year**
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

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

You’ve Got Dragons
Kathryn Cave
Illustrated by Nick Maland
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-171-3
Ebook available
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Pimpernel Press

Worries, fears, and anxieties are all dragons that sneak up on most of us at one time or another.

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

Themes: grief, pets, relationships

**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*

Themes: change, friendship, moving, problem solving

**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*

Themes: frontier life, loss, resourcefulness, toys

**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*

Themes: beauty, belief, community, home, moving

**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*

Themes: belief, death, family, grief

★ Booklist
★ IRA Children’s and Young Adult Book Award
★ IRA Children’s and Young Adult Literature Award; IRA Social Justice Literature Award; CCBC Choices

**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*

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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
Ebook available
AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL M; Gr 2

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

Claude on the Slopes
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-923-0
Ebook available
AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL N; Gr 3

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

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

Series themes: investigation, dogs, friendship

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A mystery series for ages 7–9 from Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book-winning creators Dori Hillestad Butler and Nancy Meyers

King & Kayla and the Case of the Mysterious Mouse
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-879-0
PB: $6.99 / 978-1-68263-017-4
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (Harvey Klinger); Art: Peachtree • Licensed: Swedish AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
❖ Chicago Public Library Best Fiction for Younger Readers; CCBC Choices

King & Kayla and the Case of the Secret Code
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-878-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (Harvey Klinger); Art: Peachtree • Licensed: Slovenian, Swedish AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
❖ CCBC Choices; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

King & Kayla and the Case of the Unhappy Neighbor
HC: $14.99 / 978-1-68263-055-6
PB: $6.99 / 978-1-68263-056-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (Pippin Properties); Art: Peachtree F&P
❖ CCBC Choices; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

“A great introduction to mysteries, gathering facts, and analytical thinking.” —Booklist
Mr. Penguin and the Lost Treasure
Alex T. Smith
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-130-0
PB: $9.99 / 978-1-68263-195-9
Ebook available
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

❖ Cybils Awards Finalist; New York Public Library Best Books for Kids

Mr. Penguin and the Fortress of Secrets
Alex T. Smith
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-68263-130-0
PB: $9.99 / 978-1-68263-195-9
Ebook available
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

❖ Series activity sheets

Mr. Penguin and the Catastrophic Cruise
Alex T. Smith
HC: $16.99 / 978-1-68263-213-0
Ebook available
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Hachette UK

Mr. Penguin and his Adventuring gang board a luxury cruise ship, expecting rest and relaxation. But when scraps of a threatening note turn up, it’s clear something is afool.

“Gloriously silly...a perfect read aloud.” —Kirkus Reviews

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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

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

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

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

Mr. Penguin and the Lost Treasure
Alex T. Smith
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PB: $9.99 / 978-1-68263-170-6
Ebook available
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AR • Lexile • F&P
GRL P; Gr 3
Ages 6–10
Themes: fantasy, letters, travel

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❖ Series activity sheets
The Bookshop Girl
Sylvia Bishop
Illustrated by Poly Bernatane
HC: $17.99 / 978-1-68263-045-7
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-68263-199-7
Ebook available
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Text: Scholastic UK; Art: Peachtree Publishers • Licensed: 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
❖ Bank Street Best Children’s Books of the Year

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

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
❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year; Parents’ Choice Gold Award, NYPL Children’s Books 100 Titles for Reading and Sharing

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 world of trouble.

“This child-centered fantasy is nicely grounded in reality and enhanced by its well-drawn Italian settings.” —Booklist

The Candy Mafia
Lavie Tidhar
Illustrated by Daniel Duncan
HC: $16.99 / 978-1-68263-197-3
Ebook available
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Text: Scholastic UK; Art: Peachtree

When notorious candy gangster Eddie de Menthe goes missing, twelve-year-old private detective Nelle Faulkner is on the job. A seemingly innocent investigation turns up a shady underworld of sweets smugglers, back alley deals, and storefront firebombs.

★ “Tidhar folds in plenty of noir tropes... It won’t take a detective to spot Willy Wonka, as well as Sam Spade.” —Booklist

Lillian’s Fish
James Menk
Illustrated by Louisa Bauer
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-158-6 / 1-56145-158-4
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-287-1
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

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

“This sweet story is a must for any child.” —The Atlanta Journal-Constitution
❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year; Parents’ Choice Gold Award, NYPL Children’s Books 100 Titles for Reading and Sharing

The Somewhat True Adventures of Sammy Shine
Henry Cole
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-866-0
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-778-6
Ebook available
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 on his tail.

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

The Amazing Mr. Franklin
Ruth Ashby
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-127-0
Ebook available
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?

“This is an attractive and highly readable account of Franklin’s life.” —School Library Journal

❖ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; CBC Champions of Change

Rocket Man
The Mercury Adventure of John Glenn
Ruth Ashby
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-104-1
Ebook available
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; CBC Champions of Change

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
Ebook available
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 Ohlin
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-127-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

The true story of a woman’s famous 1899 journey that took her all the way around the globe in record time.

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

❖ Amelia Bloomer Project

Charles Darwin and the Voyage of the Beagle
Ruth Ashby
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-104-1
Ebook available
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; NSTA Recommends; CBC Champions of Change

Natchez Under-the-Hill
Stan Applegate
Illustrated by James Watling
PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-191-3
Ebook available
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
Cascade Mountain Railroad Mysteries
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

Danger: Dynamite! (Book #1)
HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-288-0 / 1-56145-288-2
Ebook available
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

Daredevils (Book #2)
Ebook available
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
Ebook available
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
Ebook available
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
Middle Grade • Backlist

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
Ebook available
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
Ebook available
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
Ebook available
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 / 978-1-56145-484-6
Ebook available
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*

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

Privateer’s Apprentice
Susan Verrico

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

❖ School Library Journal
The Dog Chronicles

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

HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-705-2
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-981-0
Ebook available

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.

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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL V; Gr 5
Ages 7–10 / Historical fiction
Themes: World War I, dogs in war, sacrifice, bravery, loyalty
% Teacher’s guide

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

HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-860-8
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-163-8
Ebook available

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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL V; Gr 5
Ages 7–10 / Historical fiction
Themes: mining, bravery, American history
% Teacher’s guide

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

HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-769-4
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-039-6
Ebook available

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

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL V; Gr 5
Ages 7–10 / Historical fiction
Themes: gold rush, westward expansion, Alaska territory, working dogs
% Teacher’s guide

**Anna’s Blizzard**
Alison Hart

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-002-0
Ebook available

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.

“Fans of the American Girls series or Laura Ingalls Wilder’s Little House books will also enjoy Anna’s Blizzard.” —School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL R; Gr 4
Ages 7–10 / Historical fiction
Themes: survival, 1800s, the Schoolchildren’s Blizzard, nature

% IRA Teachers’ Choice

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

HC: $12.95 / 978-1-56145-524-9
Ebook available

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
Racing to Freedom trilogy

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

Gabriel's Horses
Alison Hart
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-56145-528-7
Ebook available
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
Ebook available
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
Ebook available
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

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

PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-201-9
Ebook available
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
Ebook available
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
PB: $9.95 / 978-1-56145-412-9
Ebook available
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
HC: $22.95 / 978-1-68263-013-6
Ebook available
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

Chasing the Nightbird
Krista Russell
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-597-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-065-5
Ebook available
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.
“Solid work, featuring a strong-minded protagonist bent on doing the best he can with what he’s been given.” —Kirkus Reviews
★ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; Parents’ Choice Recommended

The Other Side of Free
Krista Russell
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-710-6
Ebook available
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

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
HC: $22.95 / 978-1-68263-105-8
PB: $14.95 / 978-1-68263-106-5
Ebook available
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

We’ve Got a Job
The 1963 Birmingham Children’s March
Cynthia Levinson
HC: $19.95 / 978-1-56145-627-7
PB: $13.95 / 978-1-56145-844-8
Ebook available
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 Outstanding Nonfiction for Children Honor Book Award; YALSA Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults; CBC Champions of Change

Watch Out for Flying Kids!
How Two Circuses, Two Countries, and Nine Kids Confront Conflict and Build Community
Cynthia Levinson
HC: $22.95 / 978-1-56145-821-9
Ebook available
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 Grade • Backlist

Child of Spring
Farhana Zia
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-904-9
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except commercial, dramatic (Unter Agency)

Basanta longs for the beautiful ring worn by her young mistress, but when it is finally hers, she realizes that it's not the wonderful possession she expected.

“A sweet, authentic Indian slice of middle-grade life.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ CBC Women of Color Protagonists; Bank Street Best Books of the Year; Parents’ Choice Gold Award

Grow
A Novel in Verse
Juanita Havill
Illustrated by Stanislawa Kodman
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-441-9
PB $7.95 / 978-1-56145-575-1
Territory: World • All rights available

A shy girl blossoms as she helps to create a community garden in this empowering and inspiring verse novel.

“There’s more than just a message here; there’s a real story...the pages depict the power of working as a community.” —Booklist

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL U; Gr 5
Ages 8-12 / Poetry
Themes: community, cooperation, gardening, friendship

The Garden of My Imaan
Farhana Zia
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-698-7
PB: $8.99 / 978-1-56145-921-6
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except commercial, dramatic (Unter Agency)

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

★ “In this modern homage to Are You There God? It’s Me, Margaret, Zia has deep insight into adolescent Muslim life and capably handles diversity within American Islam.” —Publishers Weekly

❖ IRA Social Justice Literature Award; Booklist Editors Top 10 Religion Books; Bank Street Best Books of the Year; Honor Book, South Asia Book Award; Parents’ Choice Recommended

Truth and Salsa
Linda Lowery
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-366-5
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-498-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

A spirited young girl must travel far from home to finally find herself.

“The writing is engaging, and Lowery has created a strong sense of place.” —School Library Journal

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL W; Gr 6
Ages 8-12
Themes: change, family, immigration, Mexico, travel

Pretty Like Us
Carol Lynch Williams
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-444-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

A shy young girl from a close-knit, unconventional family of strong-minded women learns valuable lessons in life and love through a unique friendship.

“A lovely story that will reach many middle-school girls.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ IBBY Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities

Where in the World
Simon French
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-443-3
Territory: US • Rights: Little Hare Books Australia

How is Ari to find his footing in a new country, accept his new stepfather, and leave behind his beloved grandfather?

“[A] thoughtful piece about music, family, and memories.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; IBBY Honor List
### 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

### Ladies First
**Women Athletes Who Made a Difference**  
**Ken Rappoport**  
Pb: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-534-8  
Territory: World • All rights available  

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

### Save the Crash-test Dummies
**Jennifer Swanson**  
Illustrated by TeMika Grooms  
Hc: $19.95 / 978-1-68263-022-8  
Ebook available  
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  

❖ Booklist Top 10 Science & Technology; CBC Best STEM Books; Parents’ Choice Gold Award; AAAS/Subaru SB&F Prize for Excellence in Science Books (Middle Grades longlist)

### Sliding into Home
**Dori Hillestad Butler**  
Pb: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-341-2  
Ebook available  
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
“Bowen is quickly joining the ranks of today’s most popular sports-fiction authors...he skillfully interweaves fact and fiction and uses historical sports plays and concepts as a backdrop for the story.”

—School Library Journal
Middle Grade • Backlist

Leslie Bulion

At the Sea Floor Café
Odd Ocean Critter Poems
Leslie Bulion
Illustrated by Leslie Evans

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-566-2
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-920-9

Text: Territory: US & Canada; Rights: Peachtree except dramatic, translation (Dunham Literary)
Art: Territory: World; Rights: Peachtree

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

“Dexterous formal verse…pairs with pleasingly abstract block prints in this informative, fun collection.”
—Publisher’s Weekly

Themes: poetry, marine life, exploration, science

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

Random Body Parts
Gross Anatomy Riddles in Verse
Leslie Bulion
Illustrated by Mike Lowery

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-737-3
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-103-4

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

Take a free-form trip though the human body with these humorous riddle poems.

“An engaging collection, equal parts gross-out humor and hard science.”
—School Library Journal

❖ NCTE Notable Poetry List; NSTA Recommends; Science Books & Films Best Books of the Year; Parents’ Choice Approved Award

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Amphibian Acrobats
Leslie Bulion
Illustrated by Robert Meganck

HC: $15.99 / 978-1-68263-098-3
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-184-3

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

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

★ “A completely satisfying package… Child readers and educators will find themselves enthralled by short, punchy poems and the science behind them.”
—Kirkus Reviews

❖ Booklist

Leaf Litter Critters
Leslie Bulion
Illustrated by Robert Meganck

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-950-6
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-183-6

Ebook available
Territory: World; Rights: Peachtree

Have fun on a poetic tour through the leaf litter layer and dig into fascinating facts about the tiny critters who live there.

★ “A delightful, memorable introduction to an unsung ecosystem.”
—Kirkus Reviews

Superlative Birds
Leslie Bulion
Illustrated by Robert Meganck

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-951-3
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-185-0

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (simplified), Korean

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

★ “Entertaining and educational.”
—Kirkus Reviews

❖ BCCB; Booklist

❖ NCTE Notable Poetry Books

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Backlist • Middle Grade

The Trouble with Rules
Leslie Bulion

PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-576-8
Ebook available
 Territory: World • All rights available

“Readers will empathize with Nadie’s thought-provoking predicaments and her personal responses as she struggles through the transition from lower to upper elementary school.”
—Kirkus Reviews

Themes: friendship, gender, school

Uncharted Waters
Leslie Bulion

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-485-3
Ebook available
 Territory: World • All rights available

How can Jonah explain that he is afraid of what lurks in the dark salt water?

“Realistic details about marine biology research and boat motor mechanics are engaging, and reluctant readers, especially boys, will identify with Jonah.”
—School Library Journal

Themes: marine life, boating, honesty

The Universe of Fair
Leslie Bulion
Illustrated by Frank Dormer

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-634-5
Ebook available
 Territory: World; Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, translation (Dunham Literary); Art: Peachtree

For a young science whiz, an eagerly awaited day at the fair turns into a wacky adventure with more twists and loops than the Gravity Whirl ride!

“A cheerful and totally entertaining look at fairs, friendship and the value of family.”
—Kirkus Reviews

Themes: engineering, family, list making, record keeping

Nina Soni, Former Best Friend
Kashmira Sheth
Illustrated by Jenn Kocsmiersky

HC: $15.99 / 978-1-68263-057-0
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-205-5
Ebook available
 Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic, commercial (O’Connor Literary Agency); Art: Peachtree

Nina tried as hard as she could, but she still forgot about her school project. And with her friendship with Jay on the rocks and her little sister’s birthday party around the corner, she’s got a lot to keep track of.

“A sweet and entertaining series opener about family and friendship.”
—Kirkus Reviews

졌 CBC Women of Color Protagonists Showcase; Bank Street Best Books of the Year

Nina Soni, Sister Fixer
Kashmira Sheth
Illustrated by Jenn Kocsmiersky

HC: $15.99 / 978-1-68263-054-9
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-209-3
Ebook available
 Territory: World • Rights: Text: Peachtree except dramatic (O’Connor Literary Agency); Art: Peachtree

Nina Soni is restless indoors and hungry for a new project. Luckily, a fresh pile of dirt has just been delivered to the neighbors next door...

“Sheth’s clear and distinctive narratorial voice effortlessly leads readers through the intricacies of Nina’s quirky, innocent world.”
—Kirkus Reviews

트 Parents’ Choice Recommended Award

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**Astra**
Chris Platt
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-596-6
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except electronic (Richard Curtis) • Licensed: Finnish club, Norwegian club, Swedish club

Horses are Lily’s life—just like they’d been her mother’s. But will her overprotective father stop her from fulfilling her dreams?

“Horse-focused girls will enjoy the realistic details about the rigors of care, training, and competing.” —Booklist

**Star Gazer**
Chris Platt
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-596-6
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except electronic (Richard Curtis) • Licensed: Czech club, Finnish club, German club, Hungarian club, Norwegian club, Swedish club

A spirited young girl’s determination and affection turns a fading horse into a rising competitor.

“Should please most horse-crazy middle-school girls, all of whom dream of the day when they attend a horse auction with money in their hands.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ Parents’ Choice Approved

**Moon Shadow**
Chris Platt
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-382-5
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-546-1
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except electronic (Richard Curtis)

A young girl’s love for a beautiful Mustang mare fuels her fierce determination to save the life—against all odds—of the wild horse’s orphaned filly.

“Readers will quickly come to care about the life-or-death issue at the heart of the story...horse lovers will find plenty to enjoy.” —Booklist

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

**Storm Chaser**
Chris Platt
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-496-9
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except electronic (Richard Curtis)

Jessica hopes to become a great horse trainer someday like her father and her brother, so she can’t help working with the wild Storm Chaser behind her father’s back.

“The writing flows naturally with succinct descriptions and a light, yet exciting mood that is created from the beginning.” —School Library Journal

**Willow King**
Chris Platt
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-549-2
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except electronic (Richard Curtis) • Licensed: Czech club, Finnish club, German club, Hungarian club, Norwegian club, Swedish club

With so much at stake, can King and Katie win the race and earn a spot in the prestigious Kentucky Derby?

“Horse-crazy readers will find themselves immersed in the racing world, and will root for Willow King and for Katie all the way.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; VOLT Top Shelf Fiction for Middle School Readers

**Wind Dancer**
Chris Platt
HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-736-6
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except electronic (Richard Curtis) • Licensed: Finnish club, Norwegian club, Swedish club

Can a rescued horse help Ali get through to her brother, who has returned from Afghanistan with PTSD?

“Horse-crazy kids will love it, as always.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ Collection themes: hard work, horse care and training, patience, sacrifice
The Amazing Flight of Darius Frobisher
Bill Harley

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-494-5
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except dramatic (author)

A young boy’s hopes and an unusual bicycle bring about magical results.

“[A] pleasant blend of melodrama and fantasy.” —School Library Journal

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year; VOYA Top Shelf Fiction for Middle School Readers

Bravo Zulu, Samantha!
Kathleen Benner Duble

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-401-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

An independent-minded girl and her crotchety retired grandfather find common ground when they work together to build an airplane.

“A warm account of a turbulent but strong relationship between a grandson and granddaughter.” —Kirkus Reviews

Night of the Spadefoot Toads
Bill Harley

PB: $8.99 / 978-1-56145-638-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except dramatic (author)

When his family moves to Massachusetts, Ben finds a kindred spirit in his eccentric science teacher.

“Harley’s appealing story shows readers that adults and children can connect in meaningful friendships, and reminds them that conservation can begin in their own backyards.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ Green Earth Book Award

Gaff
Shan Correa

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-526-3
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

Paul has been sheltered from the harsh realities of the ties between his family’s business and the underworld of cockfighting until a friend reminds him of the terrible fate that awaits the roosters.

“Reminiscent of Graham Salisbury’s fiction, Correa’s debut is strongly colored by its distinctive regional setting and culture… Paul’s narrative voice is spot-on.” —Booklist

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL: U; Gr 5
Ages 8-12
Themes: animal rights, friendship, Hawaii, morality

Dog Sense
Sneed B. Collard III

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-351-1 / 1-56145-351-X
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-460-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

Guy hatches a plan to train his Border Collie to compete against the school bully and his dog at the town’s Frisbee-catching competition.

“Believable characters…enough action to keep reluctant readers interested.”

—School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL: W; Gr 6
Ages 8-12
Themes: bullies, dogs, sports, moving

Hide and Seek
Katy Grant

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-669-7
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except dramatic (Erin Murphy)

When a teenage boy on a high-tech treasure hunt inadvertently stumbles into the middle of a crime, he finds himself in a dangerous situation that could turn deadly.

“Mystery and adventure propel this readable survival story that will hit the spot with Gary Paulsen’s fans and may also entice reluctant readers.”

—School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile
GRL: U; Gr 5
Ages 8-12
Themes: geocaching, geography, family, loyalty survival

Backlist • Middle Grade
Charlie Bumpers vs. the Teacher of the Year
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-732-8
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-56145-824-0
CD: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-770-0
Ebook and digital audio available

Charlie Bumpers’s worst fear is confirmed: he has Mrs. Burke for fourth grade.

“Marks a lovely change of pace from the sarcasm of Wimpy Kid.” —Kirkus Reviews
❖ Parents’ Choice Recommended; Beverly Cleary Children’s Choice Award

Charlie Bumpers vs. the Really Nice Gnome
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $13.95 / 978-1-56145-740-3
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-831-8
CD: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-788-5
Ebook and digital audio available

Charlie is ready to play the bad guy in the class play, but Mrs. Burke has other ideas!

“An uncanny sense of elementary school humor.” —Kirkus Reviews
❖ Parents’ Choice Recommended

Charlie Bumpers vs. the Squeaking Skull
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $13.95 / 978-1-56145-808-0
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-888-2
CD: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-809-7
Ebook and digital audio available

Can Charlie face his fear of horror movies and enjoy Halloween?

“Charlie’s thoughts and feelings are universal, making his realistic situation a learning experience for more than just the main character.” —Kirkus Reviews
❖ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award

Charlie Bumpers vs. the Perfect Little Turkey
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $13.95 / 978-1-56145-835-6
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-963-6
CD: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-893-6
Ebook and digital audio available

Can Charlie be a polite host to the most annoying little cousin in the universe?

“Good-natured holiday chaos.” —Publishers Weekly
❖ Parents’ Choice Silver Honor Award
Charlie Bumpers vs. the Puny Pirates
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-939-1
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-68263-001-3
CD: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-941-4
Ebook and digital audio available

Charlie has high hopes for his soccer team until he finds out that the new coach isn’t all that interested in fantabulous plays.

“Master storyteller Harley scores again with fourth-grader Charlie Bumpers.”
—Kirkus Reviews

Charlie Bumpers vs. the End of the Year
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-68263-042-6
PB: $7.99 / 978-1-68263-162-1
Ebook available

Hector wants to deal with bullies by himself before he moves back to Chile at the end of the year, but Charlie and Tommy are determined to help their friend before he goes.

“Narrated in a balance of warmhearted insight and wacky naiveté.”
—Kirkus Reviews

Ages 7-10
Territory: World • All rights available
Series themes: family, cooperation, responsibility, friendship
% Teacher’s guides available per title, series poster

Charlie Bumpers vs. His Big Blabby Mouth
Bill Harley
Illustrated by Adam Gustavson
HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-940-7
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-68263-064-8
CD: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-942-1
Ebook and digital audio available

Charlie convinces everyone at school that his dad will be the greatest Career Week speaker ever! What will happen when they find out the truth about his dad’s job?
**Middle Grade • Backlist**

### Rosa Jordan

#### Lost Goat Lane
Rosa Jordan

**HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-325-2 / 1-56145-325-0**

_Ebook available_

_Territory: World • All rights available except Canadian, Korean_

When Kate meets a middle-class African-American family, she becomes aware of the undertow of discrimination and prejudice that runs through her community, and the complex roles of race and class in her own relationships.

“A tender, satisfying offering.”

—_School Library Journal_

#### The Goatnappers
Rosa Jordan

**HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-400-6 / 1-56145-400-1**

_Ebook available_

_Territory: World • All rights available except Canadian_

Justin struggles with conflicting choices and important decisions about family, loyalty, and responsibility.

“The animal cruelty issues will draw readers, and so will the friendships across race, gender, and age that show the meaning of community.” —_Booklist_

❖ _VOYA_ Top Shelf Fiction for Middle School Readers

#### The Last Wild Place
Rosa Jordan

**HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-458-7**

_Ebook available_

_Territory: World • All rights available except Canadian_

Chip discovers something unbelievable in the marshy woods: a family of Florida panthers that have been driven out of their home and dangerously close to human settlement.

“An empowering story of friendship and kids who step up to make a difference.”

—_School Library Journal_

❖ ASPGA Henry Bergh Young Adult Award; Honor Book, Green Earth Book Award

#### The Real Question
Adrian Fogelin

**HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-383-2**

_PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-501-0**

_Ebook available_

_Territory: World • All rights available except Korean_

Fish tries to escape his responsibilities, and gains a new understanding of his commitments to others.

“Readers will empathize with the engaging young man who, without a guidebook, sorts through life’s real questions.” —_Kirkus Reviews_

#### Sister Spider Knows All
Adrian Fogelin

**HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-290-3 / 1-56145-290-4**

_PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-386-3**

_Ebook available_

_Territory: World • All rights available_

Roxanne discovers her mother’s teenage diary and uncovers a painful past while questioning the future.

“Fogelin captures the fragility of this unique family with a lot of humor and great characters.” —_School Library Journal_

❖ Parents’ Choice Recommended

#### Summer on the Moon
Adrian Fogelin

**HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-626-0**

_PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-785-4**

_Ebook available_

_Territory: World • All rights available_

A move from the inner city to an unfinished suburban development turns Socko’s world inside out.

★“A winsome tale chock-full of strong-minded people providing mutual support and well-timed nudges in good directions.”

—_Booklist_

❖ IRA Social Justice Literature Award
Adrian Fogelin’s Neighborhood Novels

**Anna Casey’s Place in the World**
Adrian Fogelin

HC: $14.95 / 978-1-56145-249-1
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-295-8

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

Anna must deal with the loss of her family and adjust to living in a foster home.

“Exocative descriptions bubble up from a deep reality… And places are found, if not the ones both kids thought they wanted.”

—Booklist

❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year

**The Big Nothing**
Adrian Fogelin

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-326-9
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-388-7

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except German, Italian, Korean

Justin begins to find himself after the people he has always depended on let him down.

★ “Serious and humorous by turns, this seemingly simple story is actually quite complex but not weighty and will be enthusiastically embraced.”

—School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL Y; Gr 6
Ages 8–12

Themes: change, family, friendship, mental health, music
% Teacher’s guide

**Crossing Jordan**
Adrian Fogelin

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-215-6
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-281-1

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except French, Italian, Japanese

When African-American Jemmie moves in next door to white Cassie, the two girls must learn how to address their parents’ deeply held prejudices.

“In this sensitive portrait of black-white relations in a changing neighborhood, Fogelin offers a tactful, evenhanded look at prejudice.” —USA Today

❖ YALSA Best Books for Young Adults; Honor Book, ILA Notable Books for a Global Society

**My Brother’s Hero**
Adrian Fogelin

PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-352-8

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

Ben longs for a taste of adventure—and then an unexpected turn of events provides a welcome opportunity to escape his routine.

“This story has plenty of action, but it’s the emotional drama, revealed in funny, realistic dialogue and spot-on descriptions, that distinguish the novel.”

—School Library Journal

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

Themes: boating, family, marine life, friendships, nature
% Teacher’s guide

**Some Kind of Magic**
Adrian Fogelin

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-820-2

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

It’s the last summer before Cass, Jemmie, Ben, and Justin hit high school. Friends for years, they all know that everything will be different for them once school starts.

“A fine, complex tale of family, friends and magic.” —Kirkus Reviews

❖ Parents’ Choice Fun Stuff Award

**The Sorta Sisters**
Adrian Fogelin

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-424-2

Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

A chance correspondence between two girls separated by the length of the state of Florida becomes a flourishing friendship.

“A heartfelt story that shows the many factors that create family, friends, and home.” —Booklist

❖ Honor Book, Green Earth Book Award
Misfits, Inc. series

Misfits, Inc. No. 1: The Vanishing Chip
Mark Delaney
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-176-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic

The Misfits band together to clear Mattie’s grandfather, who has been accused of stealing a million-dollar computer chip.

“Smartly written, the characters are believable, and the action is heart-pounding.” — Chicago Tribune

Misfits, Inc. No. 2: Of Heroes And Villains
Mark Delaney
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-178-4
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

The Misfits are summoned to a comic book convention, where a villain commits a daring crime.

“With a great ensemble cast, appealing villains and heroes, and lots of action and surprises, this is an excellent transitional bridge for reluctant readers from comics to novels.” — Booklist

Misfits, Inc. No. 3: Growler’s Horn
Mark Delaney
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-206-4
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic

What does the note found in Jake’s clarinet mean about the disappearance of a jazz musician and three million dollars?

“This third installment of their adventures will please fans of the series and newcomers alike, with lots of action, sympathetic heroes and intriguing villains. A fun mystery.” — Kliatt

Misfits, Inc. No. 4: The Kingfisher’s Tale
Mark Delaney
PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-226-2
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

When the Misfits explore the national forest near Byte’s family cabin, they find themselves in the middle of a terrifying ecological mystery and a looming political scandal.

“This suspenseful ecological story will appeal to young mystery fans. Readers who don’t yet know the Misfits will enjoy meeting them.” — Kliatt

Misfits, Inc. No. 5: The Protester’s Song
Mark Delaney
PB: $5.95 / 978-1-56145-244-6 / 1-56145-244-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

The Misfits investigate a thirty-year-old mystery.

“This skillfully woven mystery will have readers looking for further adventures of ‘The Misfits, Inc.’” — School Library Journal

Misfits, Inc. No. 6: Hit and Run
Mark Delaney
PB: $5.95 / 978-1-56145-275-0 / 1-56145-275-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Arabic

What at first seems like a routine investigation quickly turns dangerous as the Misfits find themselves caught in a complicated plot involving a gang-controlled car-theft ring.

“The author does a fine job of weaving intricate mystery tales that will appeal to YA readers.” — Christian Library Journal

Ages 10-14 / Mystery
Series themes: friendship, loyalty, mystery, teamwork

% Teacher’s guide
The Brain Finds a Leg
Martin Chatterton
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-527-0
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Little Hare Books

With a missing human leg and a crocodile who likes to play fetch as clues, Sheldon and The Brain turn detective and uncover a web of evil.

“Readers shouldn’t expect anything remotely realistic and instead surrender themselves to the industrial-strength zaniness.” — Kirkus Reviews

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL V; Gr 5
Ages 10–14
Themes: bullying, mystery, science

The Brain Full of Holes
Martin Chatterton
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-527-0
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Little Hare Books

Sheldon and The Brain encounter parallel universes, flying cows, carnivorous cuckoo clocks, and shrinking scientists in this fast-paced adventure that features the silly side of physics.

“Those who like laughs along with a sci-fi influenced mystery will like this.” — Booklist

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL Z; Gr 7 & 8+
Ages 10–14
Themes: family, mystery, science

Do You Know the Monkey Man?
Dori Hillestad Butler
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-340-5
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-038-9
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

Samantha’s quest to answer her questions about her past sets in motion a chain of events that change her life forever.

“Butler has a simplicity of narrative voice that makes the story easy to read while reflecting the often-complex emotions.” — School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL Y; Gr 6
Ages 10–14
Themes: divorce, family, mystery, siblings
% Discussion guide

Yes, I Know the Monkey Man
Dori Hillestad Butler
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-479-2
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-68263-060-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except commercial, dramatic (Wendy Schmalz) • Licensed: German, Korean

T.J. always believed that her twin sister and her mother were dead—because that’s what her father had told her. But Mom and Sam are very much alive.

“Highly readable.” — School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL Y; Gr 6
Ages 10–14
Themes: divorce, family, mystery, siblings
% Discussion guide

My Life and Death by Alexandra Canarsie
Susan Heyboer O’Keefe
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-387-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

Allie’s strange new hobby—attending the funerals of strangers—takes an ominous turn when she becomes preoccupied with the death of an adolescent boy.

“A strong first offering for young adults.” — School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL Y; Gr 6
Ages 12–16
Themes: consequences, family, friendship, mystery, responsibility
% Teacher’s guide

Suspect
Kristin Wolden Nitz
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-543-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except dramatic (Erin Murphy)

Jen is drawn into her grandmother’s plans to solve a real mystery from the past involving the disappearance of a beautiful and accomplished young woman—Jen’s own mother.

“A darned good little mystery. Intriguing, suspenseful fun.” — Kirkus Reviews

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL W; Gr 6
Ages 12–16 / Mystery
Themes: family, mystery, performance, secrets
Young Adult • Backlist

**Charlie’s Story**
Maeve Friel

PB: $6.95 / 978-1-56145-315-3 / 1-56145-315-3
Territory: US & Canada • Rights: Poolbeg Press

Charlie learns that her individuality is also her strength, and that she holds the power to change her destiny.

“A masterful portrait of children’s torment of other children and the bleak emotional landscape of a desperate young...an extraordinary tale...belligies wield, a bit reminiscent of Cormier’s Chocolate War.” —Booklist

AR • F&P
GRL W; Gr 6
Ages 12-16
Themes: bullying, single parents, peer pressure

**The Glow Stone**
Ellen Dreyer

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-370-2 / 1-56145-370-6
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

The death of her uncle triggers a chain of events that threaten to overwhelm Phoebe and her family.

“Introspective teens should appreciate Phoebe’s hard-won journey to self acceptance.” —School Library Journal

AR • F&P
GRL U; Gr 5
Ages 10-14
Themes: safety, self-reliance, survival, storms, nature

**Death Mountain**
Sherry Shahan

PB: $8.95 / 978-1-56145-428-0
Territory: World • All rights available

An afternoon hike in the Sierra Mountains turns into a struggle for survival.

“A great addition to the adventure-survival genre.” —School Library Journal

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL U; Gr 5
Ages 10-14
Themes: safety, self-reliance, survival, storms, nature

**Eleanor’s Story**
An American Girl in Hitler’s Germany
Eleanor Ramrath Garner

PB: $9.95 / 978-1-56145-296-5
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Chinese (complex)

The dramatic memoir of a young American girl trapped in Berlin during World War II.

★ “A must-have memoir about an aspect of wartime survival not often written about in children’s literature.” —Booklist

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL Y; Gr 6
Ages 12-16 / Memoir
Themes: Europe during World War II, coming of age, memoir
% Discussion guide

❖ IRA/CBC Children’s Book Award; IRA Teachers’ Choices; IRA Young Adults’ Choices; NCSS/CBC Notable Social Studies Trade Books for Young People; YALSA Best Books for Young Adults

**The Passage**
James Killgore

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-384-9 / 1-56145-384-6
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available

Against his family’s wishes, Sam joins the Confederate Navy and learns that honor can be a smokescreen for arrogance and pride.

“Well-told and firmly in the tradition of a war story in which the protagonist joins a cause and returns broken and embittered, wondering how anyone believed in the glories of battle and patriotic rhetoric.” —Kirkus Reviews

AR • F&P
GRL Z; Gr 7 & 8+
Ages 10-14 / Historical fiction
Themes: courage and cowardice, motivation behind war, family bonds

**Giving Up the Ghost**
Sheri Sinykin

HC: $15.95 / 978-1-56145-423-5
PB: $7.95 / 978-1-56145-572-0
Ebook available
Territory: World • All rights available except Korean

An intriguing supernatural mystery lies at the heart of this mesmerizing tale of a young girl who comes to terms with her fear of death.

“Equal parts psychological realism and supernatural thriller, this story about living in the present and conquering fear has teen appeal in spades.” —Kirkus Reviews

AR • RC • Lexile • F&P
GRL V; Gr 5
Ages 10-14
Themes: death, family, ghosts, relationships
% Teacher’s guide

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**Believarexic**  
J. J. Johnson  
HC: $18.95 / 978-1-56145-771-7  
PB: $9.95 / 978-1-68263-007-5  
Ebook available  
Territory: World • All rights available  

When Jennifer finally confesses her bulimarexia and is hospitalized, her journey is only just beginning.  
★ “Compelling and authentic, this story is impossible to put down…a raw, memorable reading experience.” —Booklist  
❖ ILA Young Adults’ Choices

**The Theory of Everything**  
J. J. Johnson  
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-623-9  
PB: $9.95 / 978-1-56145-889-9  
Ebook available  
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio (Brazil), Spanish  

When Sarah’s best friend died, everyone was sad; now they’re just ready for Sarah to move on. But Sarah’s not ready.  
★ “Readers will easily relate to Sarah’s use of cynicism as a defense mechanism—her sharp-witted voice sets the tone for a story that’s truly tragicomic.” —Publishers Weekly  
❖ Bank Street Best Books of the Year; CGBC Choices

**This Girl Is Different**  
J. J. Johnson  
HC: $16.95 / 978-1-56145-578-2  
PB: $9.95 / 978-1-56145-700-7  
Ebook available  
Territory: World • Rights: Peachtree except audio (Croatian, French, German, Korean, Spanish)  

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