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Preschoolers will delight in exploring a typical summer day in this sturdy board book with colorful tabs featuring everyone’s favorite monkey, Curious George.

From camping to kite-flying, from picnic treats to summer stargazing, little ones will enjoy a perfect day of summer play with Curious George in this tabbed board book! Join George and the man with the yellow hat as they enjoy a fun day at the beach, go on a picnic, enjoy a whirlwind of games at the carnival, and soak up that summer sun in this read-aloud book with rhyming text. Colorful tabs and sturdy pages are perfect for little hands.

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Curious George Goes Swimming
by H. A. Rey

Spend a splashy summer day at the pool with Curious George! In this storybook, George helps his friend Lucy learn to swim, despite her fears. But can our favorite mischievous little monkey follow the pool rules?

Curious George and his friend are spending a fun summer day at their local pool. Kids are swimming, diving, and playing pool games, and there’s even a snack stand! George can’t wait to spend the whole day in the water, but when he sees his friend Lucy afraid to swim, George wants to help. Join George as he learns the pool rules and has lots of summer fun at the pool.

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Curious George Seek-and-Find (CGTV)
by H. A. Rey

From under the sea to outer space, join Curious George as he searches for hidden items this seek-and-find adventure based on the Emmy Award-winning PBS TV series.

George loves going on adventures and exploring new places. Whether he’s enjoying the excitement of the amusement park or the yummy comforts of Chef Pisghetti’s restaurant, there’s always so much to see and do. Can you help George find the hidden items pictured on each page? For more seeking and searching fun, don’t forget to look for George’s friends, too.

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Curious George: Trash into Treasure (CGTV Reader)
by H. A. Rey

In this Green Light Reader based on Curious George, the Emmy Award-winning PBS TV show, Curious George is part of a team challenge to clean up the city streets - until he finds hidden treasures along the way!

George is part of a team challenge to help clean up the city on Pretty City Day. But when he finds hidden and forgotten treasures along the way, he realizes he’s collecting more treasures than he is trash! If he wants to help his team win the challenge, he’ll need to sort out his growing stash of treasures and see which ones he really wants to keep. But how?

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by H. A. Rey

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Come play peek-a-boo with Curious George! This interactive, playful novelty book has fun elements such as lift-the-flaps, a pop-up page, a mirror, and more.

Where's Curious George? Come play with the mischievous little monkey and get ready to say Peek-a-boo! This fun novelty book is perfect for everyday interactive reading with your little one. Playful elements include lift-the-flaps, a pop-up page, a mirror, and more.

Author Bio

The Reys were born in Hamburg, Germany. Hans Augusto Rey met his wife-to-be, Margret, at a party in her father's home. Throughout their lives the Reys created many books together. Their incorrigible little monkey has become an American icon, selling millions of books and capturing the hearts of readers everywhere.

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Curious George’s Big Book of Discovery
by H. A. Rey

There’s so much to discover with Curious George! Eight science-themed stories based on the Emmy Award-winning PBS TV show are collected in one book with activities, experiments, real photographs, fun facts and more.

Learning about science is always an adventure with a curious monkey as your guide. Follow along with George as he learns all about the brain and body, nature, the environment, the sky, and outer space!

This collection includes:
- Curious George Discovers Germs
- Curious George Discovers the Senses
- Curious George Discovers the Ocean
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Sheep in a Jeep 5-Minute Stories
by Nancy E. Shaw, illustrated by Margot Apple

With a padded cover and each story no longer than five minutes, this is the perfect book for story time, bedtime, or any time you need to hoof it through a fast, fun read-aloud! All eight stories of everyone’s favorite sheep burst off the page in this fun and frolicking treasury! Get ready for whimsical, woolly adventures in this collection of eight funny stories of everyone’s favorite sheep by bestselling author Nancy Shaw and illustrator Margot Apple! Ride along with this crowd of mischievous, well-meaning sheep as they take a ride in a jeep, create chaos in a shop, and much more! Each adventure can be read aloud in five minutes, making it a perfect book for story time, bedtime, or any time you’re just looking for shear fun!

Features these eight stories: Sheep in a Jeep, Sheep on a Ship, Sheep in a Shop, Sheep Out to Eat, Sheep Take a Hike, Sheep Trick or Treat, Sheep Blast Off!, and Sheep Go to Sleep

Author Bio

Nancy Shaw is the author of eight beloved tales featuring the endearing and comical sheep. She came up with the idea for the sheep books during a very long car trip with her husband and two children. She lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan with her family. For more information, visit http://www.nancshawbooks.com/.

Margot Apple is a freelance illustrator, having illustrated more than fifty books for children while also producing illustrations for “Cricket” and “Ladybug” magazines. She now lives in Shelburne Falls, Massachusetts, with her husband and their pets, a dog and a cat.
Sheep Go to Sleep
by Nancy E. Shaw, illustrated by Margot Apple

It's time for bed but the sheep just can't settle down. Never fear, a trusty sheepdog is here to help.

What will it take to get these restless sheep to bed? A hug? A blanket? A drink of water? Will this dedicated collie ever get these bleating sheep to sleep?

From the team behind the bestselling Sheep in a Jeep, this sweet and silly sleepytime tale is perfect for anyone putting a demanding little one to bed.

The story is illustrated with Apple's signature colored-pencil drawings; they are sweet and soft, just right for bedtime. This book will be a favorite for any reluctant sleepyheads.

-School Library Journal

"The combination of formula and subject is such a natural it's a wonder Shaw and Apple waited this long to put them together. A beguiling bedtime book and a nice choice for just before nap time."
-Kirkus

"The endearing colored-pencil illustrations portray the animals' emotions with clarity and wit this amiable picture book is just right for bedtime reading."
-Booklist

"Apple's soft colored-pencil illustrations set a peaceful pastoral scene, while the soothing assonant sounds of the text ask young listeners to, well, begin, counting their own sheep."
-Horn Book Magazine

Author Bio

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Ruby & Rufus
Love the Water!
by Olivier Dunrea

In this preschool tale from the world of Gossie & Friends, water-loving goslings Ruby and Rufus play on the pond come rain, sleet, snow, or shine! Ruby and Rufus play at the pond every day. They swim in the rain. They swim when it’s windy. Nothing can stop this inseparable pair from doing what they love - until one day, the pond turns to ICE! Could it be that a frozen pond is twice as nice?

Ruby & Rufus features the perfectly-pitched storytelling and adorable illustrations so beloved by fans of Olivier Dunrea’s Gossie & Friends series.

Author Bio

OLIVIER DUNREA is the creator of beautiful and well-loved children’s books. A painter and a sculptor, his work centers around farms, animals, architecture, and folklore. He lives in the tiny village of Narrowsburg, New York, in the Catskill Mountains.

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Hooray for Babies!
by Susan Meyers, illustrated by Sue Cornelison

From the author of the bestselling Everywhere Babies comes a sweet and bouncy rhyming picture book that celebrates all the joys and wonders of being a baby.

Author Bio

SUSAN MEYERS is the author of Everywhere Babies, illustrated by Caldecott Honor winner Marla Frazee, and many other picture books. She lives in Northern California.

Sue Cornelison is an author/illustrator who lives and works in St Charles, Iowa. During the summer, she loves spending as much time as she can at her little cabin in the woods in northern Minnesota. She relishes her time with family, coaching her tumbling and trampoline team and playing wildlife photographer when she isn't working on her many projects. Visit her at suecornelison.co

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I Love Science
by Allison Wortche, illustrated by Steve Mack

A colorful novelty board book designed to introduce scientific concepts to babies and toddlers. Simple text, bold artwork, and fun hands-on elements combine to create an interactive and educational experience for the youngest of scientists! For fans of Quantum Physics for Babies and other board books in the Baby University series.

Scientists are curious. Do you ever wonder: How do volcanoes erupt? or Why do leaves turn different colors? This colorful novelty board book with simple text and bold, fun artwork is designed to celebrate curiosity and introduce scientific concepts to babies and toddlers. Fun novelty elements - such as lift-the-flaps, a spinning wheel, gatefolds, die-cuts, and more - combine to create an interactive and educational experience for the youngest of curious scientists.

Author Bio

Allison Wortche is an author and freelance children's book editor. She lives in New York with her family.

Steve Mack is a freelance illustrative creative specialist. His first lessons in art were taught to him by watching his grandfather do paint-by-numbers at their summer cottage. He currently works in designing baby toys and play mats, children's publishing, animated shorts for television and online, and spent a year in Ohio working directly with American Greetings illustrating greeting cards.

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I Love Space
by Allison Wortche, illustrated by Steve Mack

A colorful and shiny board book designed to introduce our solar system to very young readers, with simple text, bold artwork, and fun interactive elements. For fans of Quantum Physics for Babies and other board books in the Baby University series.

Calling all astronauts! Ready to zoom into space? Come fly away on an out-of-this-world journey and learn about our solar system! This colorful novelty board book with simple text and bold, fun artwork is designed to celebrate space and introduce scientific concepts to babies and toddlers. Fun novelty elements - such as lift-the-flaps, a spinning wheel, glitter, foil, gatefolds and more - combine to create an interactive and educational experience for the youngest of explorers.

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Hands to Heart
Breathe and Bend with Animal Friends
by Alex Bauermeister, illustrated by Flora Waycott

A yoga and mindfulness picture book that encourages young readers to breathe, slow down, and move into various gentle and playful poses as they ease into a practice of meditation.

With a gentle reminder for children to breathe and to connect their bodies, this beautifully illustrated picture book contains a sweet cast of animal friends to guide young readers from one yoga pose to the next. From reaching your hands up to the sky to stretching like a cat to pressing up like a cobra snake, each posture helps to control breathing, engage in the present moment, and ultimately lead towards calmness and peacefulness. The soothing, rhythmic text paired with illustrations that offer a lot of sweet humor make this book perfect for young readers ready to interact with yoga poses and practice mindfulness.

Author Bio

Alex Bauermeister is a yoga therapist helping people find more authenticity, courage, and connection in their lives. She used to work from behind a desk to change policy and organizations - now she works from the mat to help people change themselves through yoga and mindfulness. Alex has a business degree and specializes in Phoenix Rising Yoga Therapy and Kripalu Yoga, as well as leadership training in social justice and anti-racism work. She lives in Boston with her family.

Flora Waycott is an illustrator from the South of England, currently based in Sydney, Australia. She works both digitally and traditionally, with her illustrations appearing on book covers, children's bedding and decor, stationery, greeting cards, coloring books and more. She is inspired by everyday objects - from the contents of her kitchen cupboard to travel and adventure in faraway places. Visit her online at florawaycott.com
Five Little Monkeys Shopping for School
by Eileen Christelow

The best-selling Five Little Monkeys are getting into trouble yet again - this time while back-to-school shopping in the latest board book addition to the enormously popular series with more than 8 million books sold.

The day before school starts, Mama takes her five little monkeys shopping for new clothes. Stay right here," she says, "AND DON'T GO WANDERING OFF!" But one little monkey has to go to the bathroom . . . and two little monkeys get thirsty . . . . Then three little monkey friends arrive . . . and four little monkeys decide to go help find the others . . . . Will Mama ever get all of her monkeys ready for school? Like the other books in the FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS series, kids will love reciting the repetitive phrases, counting the characters, and predicting what will happen next.

Author Bio

Eileen Christelow has written and illustrated numerous best-selling picture books including ten popular stories about the Five Little Monkeys, Vote!, and Robins!: How They Grow Up. She lives with her husband in East Dummerston, Vermont. Visit her online at christelow.com and fivelittlemonkeys.co

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Five Little Monkeys Get Ready for Bed (touch-and-feel tabbed board book)
by Eileen Christelow

Cuddle up with the best-selling Five Little Monkeys as they get sticky, splashy, and snuggly preparing for bedtime in this touch-and-feel tabbed board book.

It's bedtime for Five Little Monkeys - but they have a lot to do to get ready! Look at those faces covered in sticky spaghetti sauce! Into the tub - splish splash. Put on some soft pajamas, and don't forget to brush those teeth. Then it's time for a story and sweet dreams - but the five little monkeys have another idea! Little fingers can touch the sticky, soft, and furry elements throughout the book, and easily help turn the tabbed pages as they follow the Five Little Monkeys in a bedtime routine that is both familiar and full of surprises.

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Five Little Monkeys Trick-or-Treat (lap board book)  
by Eileen Christelow

Another winner in the further adventures of the familiar five." - School Library Journal

Five little monkeys dress up for Halloween. They are going trick-or-treating with their favorite babysitter, Lulu. "Don't lose the rascals!" Mama tells her. But soon those mischievous monkeys meet their friends and decide to try "the best Halloween trick ever!" Will Lulu be fooled? Or will those rascals get tricked by their own monkey business?

Vibrant, silly, and perfect for reading aloud, this non-scary Halloween lap board book is sure to delight fans of this best-selling series

Author Bio

Eileen Christelow was born in Washington, D.C. and grew up in a family of avid readers. It was in high school that she first made the leap from reader to writer, publishing her first stories in her high school's magazine. After studying art history and drawing in college, she discovered a love of photography and began building a career as a photographer. Her interest in children's books was always strong, and after the birth of her daughter, she began thinking about writing one of her own. Her first book, Henry and the Red Stripes, was published in 1981. Since then, she has written and illustrated numerous best-selling picture books including ten popular books about the Five Little Monkeys, Letters from a Desperate Dog, and Vote! She lives with her husband in Dummerston, Vermont, and you can learn more about her life and work on her website, www.christelow.com and on www.fivelittlemonkeys.com
Beyonce: Shine Your Light
by Sarah Warren, illustrated by Geneva Bowers

Powerful text and beautiful illustrations make this dazzling picture book biography the perfect read for everyone ready to get in touch with and shine their inner light like Beyonce.

Beyonce was quiet.
A push-an-empty-swing kind of quiet.
That's how most of the world saw her, until . . .

She can sing! Do you know she can sing?

one teacher looked closer.

Onstage, Beyonce became a different person.
Dazzling!
Confident
Bold
This was where she belonged.

Beyonce is bold, talented, confident, and an inspiring voice and power to millions of people all around the world. This captivating picture book biography celebrates the icon's rise from a shy little girl to a world-famous superstar. Discover the story of Beyonce as she finds her voice, through trials and triumphs, and understand that you, too, can shine your light like Beyonce.

Author Bio

Sarah Warren is an author and early childhood educator, who is dedicated to bringing multicultural, everyday heroes to life in elementary schools where children do not often see themselves reflected in the literature they experience. Sarah teaches teen writers to raise awareness with their one-of-a-kind expressions. Sarah has partnered with Free Arts Minnesota, The Bridge for Youth, and Avanti Center for Girls to provide workshops for young people. She is a registered trainer for the Minnesota Center of Professional Development and an Artist Educator for Face Forward: Humanity Through Art. She lives in Minnesota with her family.

Geneva Bowers is a self-taught artist from North Carolina who loves working with colors, drawing big hair, and adding whimsy with a touch of realism and happiness. Visit her online at genevab.com
My Little Pond
by Katrin Wiehle

Join Duck, Frog, and Fish as they introduce readers to their pond habitat in an environmentally friendly board book made from 100% recycled materials.

Duck, Frog and Fish live in the pond and introduce readers to their home: showing what plants grow on the banks, which plants thrive in the pond water, and even what tadpoles look like. Elegantly designed with spare text, these gentle earth tone illustrations complement the sustainable format. Printed on thick, 100% recycled board, this eco-friendly book encourages little readers to enjoy nature-inside and out

Author Bio

Katrin Wiehle grew up in a tiny village in the North of Germany and moved to the US a few years ago. She illustrates and writes books for children and all kinds of people and is part of the illustration group Paper Ghost Press. She lives in Atlanta, GA with her husband Mike, two cats, and two awesome kids.

A Natural World board books are natural inside and out, including the way they are made. The author-illustrator explains tackling this printing challenge: Since the books are printed on a dark all natural cardboard I had to figure out how the colors would behave on this kind of material during the printing process. As much as I loved the material I didn't know what the print results would look like, but now I have a system to ensure I get the colors I want
My Little Ocean
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Dive into an ocean journey with friendly sea creatures Seal, Crab, and Seagull. This environmentally friendly board book is made from 100% recycled materials.

Seal, Seagull, and Crab introduce readers to their homes in the ocean and on the beach: showing which plants grow on the ocean floor, what crabs look like, and which fish have fun red dots. Elegantly designed with spare text, Katrin’s Wiehle’s gentle, adorable illustrations complement the sustainable format. Printed on thick, 100% recycled board, this eco-friendly board book series encourages little readers to enjoy nature-inside and out.

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When Splash and his friends run into his old school of fusilier fish, they're astonished to find these identical fish do everything together - exactly in sync! But when Splash, Bubbles, Dunk, and Ripple try to dance together things don't go quite as smoothly. Do Splash and his friends have enough "school spirit" to dance together - but each in their own unique way? Fun facts throughout reinforce the ocean science concepts.

**Author Bio**

The Jim Henson Company has remained an established leader in family entertainment for 60 years and is recognized worldwide as an innovator in puppetry, animatronics and digital animation. Best known as creators of the world famous Muppets, Henson has received over 50 Emmy Awards and nine Grammy Awards. Recent credits include the Emmy(Reg TM) nominated *Sid the Science Kid*, *Dinosaur Train*, and *Pajanimals*, as well as the CG-animated preschool series *Doozers*, the digital citizenship series for preschoolers *Dot.*, and the Netflix series for young preschoolers *Word Party*. *Splash and Bubbles* books are based on the series created by John Tartaglia, currently airing on PBS Kids(Reg TM). www.henson.co
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Splash and Bubbles: I Love to Swim! tabbed board book
by The Jim Henson Company

Explore how different sea creatures move in the ocean - whether they glide, paddle, or use their fins to swim - in this colorful, rhyming tabbed board book featuring characters from The Jim Henson Company's Splash and Bubbles on PBSKids!

Sea creatures move in many ways. Some paddle, some glide, some have fins and swim through the ocean. Come explore an array of underwater motions with in colorful tabbed board book, with each shaped tab featuring one of your favorite Splash and Bubbles characters!

In the series of books based on The Jim Henson Company's Splash and Bubbles on PBS Kids, Splash, Bubbles and their friends explore the world's undersea habitats, make new friends and learn about the many different ways life looks and lives in the ocean, celebrating the importance of diversity along the way

Author Bio

The Jim Henson Company has remained an established leader in family entertainment for 60 years and is recognized worldwide as an innovator in puppetry, animatronics and digital animation. Best known as creators of the world famous Muppets, Henson has received over 50 Emmy Awards and nine Grammy Awards. Recent credits include the Emmy(Reg TM) nominated Sid the Science Kid, Dinosaur Train, and Pajanimals, as well as the CG-animated preschool series Doozers, the digital citizenship series for preschoolers Dot., and the Netflix series for young preschoolers Word Party. Splash and Bubbles books are based on the series created by John Tartaglia, currently airing on PBS Kids(Reg TM). www.henson.co
Splash and Bubbles: Spooky Surprise touch and feel board book
by The Jim Henson Company

Splash, Bubbles, and friends play a game of spooky hide and seek in the deep, dark ocean in this Halloween-friendly touch-and-feel board book based on The Jim Henson Company's Splash and Bubbles on PBS Kids.

Splash, Bubbles, and friends love to play hide and seek together in the dark, dark Deep! In this touch-and-feel book, readers can interact with this mysterious part of the ocean when they touch sticky slime, feel a gritty rock cave, and marvel at shimmery firefly squid. The rhyming text is gently spooky for the youngest readers to enjoy around Halloween, and offers an important reminder that being with friends in unfamiliar situations can help you feel brave!

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- Conference promotions
- Promotion on @HMHkids channels

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Lluvia! Rain! (bilingual board book)
by Linda Ashman, illustrated by Christian Robinson, translated by Carlos Calvo

From the Caldecott Honor-winning illustrator of Last Stop on Market Street, this bilingual board book is perfect for on-the-go storytime-rain or shine!

A rainy-day city comes to life when a boy in his green frog hat splashes in puddles-Hoppy, hoppy, hoppy!-while an old man curses the "dang puddles." Can the boy's smile turn the grumpy man's frown upside down? With brilliant cut-paper art and bold colors, Lluvia/Rain! - a bilingual board book featuring a diverse cast of characters-is an extraordinarily simple yet sophisticated journey from feeling sad and gloomy to radiating happiness and joy

Author Bio

Linda Ashman is the author of many picture books, including Babies on the Go, illustrated by Jane Dyer, Castles, Caves, and Honeycombs, illustrated by Lauren Stringer, which was named a Booklist Editors’ Choice, and Rub-a-Dub Sub, illustrated by Jeff Mack. She lives with her family in North Carolina. Visit Linda at lindaashman.com and on Twitter at @lindaashman2.

Christian Robinson likes to stay indoors on rainy days and look out the window while drinking a big cup of hot cocoa. He has illustrated this book, as well as a few others, while staying indoors on rainy days. In 2016, he won a Caldecott Honor for Last Stop on Market Street. Christian lives in San Francisco, which has more fog than rain. Visit Christian at theartoffun.com
Accident! (lap board book)

by Andrea Tsurumi

When a clumsy armadillo named Lola knocks over a glass pitcher, she sets off a silly chain of events, encountering chaos wherever she goes. But accidents happen—just ask the stoat snarled in spaghetti, the airborne sheep, and the bull who has broken a whole shop's worth of china. In the tradition of beloved books like The Dot and Beautiful Oops, this charming, hilarious debut from author-illustrator Andrea Tsurumi shows that mistakes don't have to be the end of the world.

Author Bio

Andrea Tsurumi is the author of the acclaimed Accident! . An illustrator and cartoonist born and raised in New York, Andrea has a passion for history, an MFA from the School of Visual Arts, and a Society of Illustrators Silver Medal. She now lives and draws in Philadelphia alongside her husband and their dog, Spatula. Visit her at andreatsurumi.com, on Twitter @AndreaTsurumi, and on Instagram @atsurumi.

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I Ain't Gonna Paint No More! (board book)
by Karen Beaumont, illustrated by David Catrow

An energetic child attempts to paint everything—the walls, the ceiling, even himself—before mama finds out in this board book edition of this New York Times best-selling title! A dab of blue here, a splash of red there, a goopy smear of green . . . everywhere. To the tune of It Ain't Gonna Rain No More," one creative kid floods his world with color, painting first the walls, then the ceiling, then HIMSELF! Before this feisty artist is through, he'll have painted his head, back, hands, legs, feet, and . . . Oh no—here comes Mama!

Karen Beaumont's zippy text and David Catrow's zany illustrations turn an infamous childhood activity into raucous storytime fun, giving a silly twist to the fine art of self-expression.

Author Bio

Karen Beaumont is known for her lively and celebratory picture books, including I Like Myself! and the New York Times best-seller I Ain't Gonna Paint No More!, both illustrated by David Catrow, as well as No Sleep for the Sheep!, illustrated by Jackie Urbanovic, and Wild About Us!, illustrated by Janet Stevens. She lives in Northern California. For more information, visit www.karenbeaumont.com.

David Catrow is an editorial cartoonist and the illustrator of more than seventy books for children, including the New York Times bestseller I Ain't Gonna Paint No More! and I Like Myself!, both written by Karen Beaumont, Dozens of Cousins by Shutta Crum, Plantzilla by Jerdine Nolen, and Rotten Teeth by Laura Simms. He lives in Ohio. Visit his website at www.catrow.co
Move Over, Rover! (shaped board book)
by Karen Beaumont, illustrated by Jane Dyer

Join Rover and his friends as they squish together in this doghouse in this fun-to-read board book in the shape of Rover’s doghouse from the best-selling author of I Like Myself!

It's raining cats and dogs! Good thing Rover is snuggled safe and dry inside his doghouse - until, one by one, a soggy menagerie of creatures shows up looking for a cozy place to sit out the storm. But who's the very unwelcome surprise visitor? Skunk, of course. Suddenly that doghouse isn't quite so crowded after all.

Author Bio

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Jane Dyer has illustrated many well-loved picture books, including Move Over, Rover!, a Geisel Honor Book written by Karen Beaumont; Oh My Baby, Little One, an ABA Pick of the Lists and Parent's Choice Recommended Book written by Kathi Appelt; and the bestselling classic Time for Bed by Mem Fox. She lives in Northampton, Massachusetts.
The Full Moon at the Napping House (padded board book)
by Audrey Wood, illustrated by Don Wood

In this dreamy companion to the beloved classic *The Napping House*, a full moon is keeping everyone in the napping house awake! Finally, a musical visitor sends sleepy Granny, her energetic grandson, and their menagerie off to dreamland. Enjoy this padded board book at sleepy storytimes.

In the wide-awake bed in the full-moon house, everyone is restless! The moonlight is pouring in and no one can get to sleep: not Granny, her grandchild, the dog, the cat, or even a mouse. It's not until a tiny musical visitor offers up a soothing song does the menagerie settle down, and finally everyone is off to dreamland. With a patterned text and stunning paintings, Audrey and Don Wood reveal once again why they are picture book creators of the highest order. *The Full Moon at the Napping House*, the dreamy companion to their classic *The Napping House*, is now in a cozy padded board book edition-perfect for sharing at bedtime or anytime.

Author Bio

Audrey Wood is the author of many beloved books for children, including the bestselling classic *The Napping House*, its companion *The Full Moon at the Napping House*, Caldecott Honor Book *King Bidgood's in the Bathtub*, *Heckedy Peg*, *Piggies*, and *Piggy Pie Po*, all of which were illustrated by her husband, Don Wood. The Woods divide their time between California and Hawaii.

Don Wood is the illustrator of many beloved books for children, including the bestselling classic *The Napping House*, its companion *The Full Moon at the Napping House*, Caldecott Honor Book *King Bidgood's in the Bathtub*, *Heckedy Peg*, *Piggies*, and *Piggy Pie Po*, all of which were written by his wife, Audrey Wood. The Woods divide their time between California and Hawaii.
The Great Puppy Invasion (padded board book)
by Alastair Heim, illustrated by Kim Smith

What's a town to do when not one, not two, but hundreds of adorable, wriggling puppies invade?

This is especially a problem in Strictville, where no one has ever seen puppies before. And where there are rules against such things. In fact, cuteness of any kind is considered downright criminal.

But one boy is brave enough to face the adorable doggies, and he just may turn things around for this narrow-minded town. A true treat for the funny bone!

Author Bio

Alastair Heim is the author of *No Tooting at Tea* and *Love You Too*, and lives in Missouri. Visit him at www.alastairheim.com and on Twitter @alastairheim.

Kim Smith has illustrated several books, including the picture book *Home Alone*, and lives in Calgary, Alberta. Visit her at www.kimillustration.com, on Twitter @kimdraws, and Instagram @kimillustration.
The Undefeated
by Kwame Alexander, illustrated by Kadir Nelson

The Newbery Award-winning author of THE CROSSOVER pens an ode to black American triumph and tribulation, with art from a two-time Caldecott Honoree.
Originally performed for ESPN's The Undefeated, this poem is a love letter to black life in the United States. It highlights the unspeakable trauma of slavery, the faith and fire of the civil rights movement, and the grit, passion, and perseverance of some of the world’s greatest heroes. The text is also peppered with references to the words of Martin Luther King, Jr., Langston Hughes, Gwendolyn Brooks, and others, offering deeper insights into the accomplishments of the past, while bringing stark attention to the endurance and spirit of those surviving and thriving in the present.

Author Bio

Kwame Alexander is a poet, educator, and the New York Times Bestselling author of 28 books, including Rebound, the follow-up to his, Newbery medal-winning middle grade novel, The Crossover. Some of his other works include Booked, a National Book Award Nominee, The Playbook: 52 Rules to Help You Aim, Shoot, and Score in this Game of Life, Swing, and the picture books, Out of Wonder and The Undefeated.
A regular contributor to NPR's Morning Edition, Kwame is the recipient of numerous awards, including The Coretta Scott King Author Honor, The NCTE/Charlotte Huck Honor, Three NAACP Image Award Nominations, and the 2017 Inaugural Pat Conroy Legacy Award. He believes that poetry can change the world, and he uses it to inspire and empower young people around the world through The Write Thing, his K-12 Writing Workshop. Kwame is the founder of Versify, an imprint of Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, and the host and producer of the literary variety/talk show, Bookish, which airs on Facebook Watch. He's led cultural exchange delegations to Brazil, Italy, Singapore, and Ghana, where he built the Barbara E. Alexander Memorial Library and Health Clinic, as a part of LEAP for Ghana, an international literacy program he co-founded. www.kwamealexander.com
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An original, compelling, and visually stunning treatment of a common childhood predicament: overcoming a fear of the water.

Lottie goes to swim lessons every Saturday, but she never gets in the water. That's because she is convinced there is a shark in the pool, a shark that wants to eat her and only her. But then Walter appears. Walter likes singing and reading books and bubble baths, and his favorite food is fish sticks, just like Lottie. When Saturday rolls around again, Lottie is no more ready to jump in the pool than she was before. Or is she? Sometimes it just takes a special friend to find the courage that was inside you all along.

Author Bio

Author and illustrator Anna Walker has won numerous children's book design and writing awards in her native Australia. The artwork and stories she's created in her Melbourne studio have reached young readers worldwide. Visit her online at annawalker.com.au, on Twitter @basementbird and on Instagram @annawalker.

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Promotion
- Trade advertising campaign
- Conference promotions
- Bookseller mailing
- Author events
- Promotion on @HMHkids channels with series giveaway
- Social media advertising

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Vamos! Let's Go to the Market
by Raul the Third

Richard Scarry’s *Busytown* gets a Mexican-American makeover in the marketplace of a buzzing border town from Pura Belpre Medal-winning illustrator Raul the Third.

Bilingual in a new way, this paper over board book teaches readers simple words in Spanish as they experience the bustling life of a border town. Follow Little Lobo and his dog Bernabe as they deliver supplies to a variety of vendors, selling everything from sweets to sombreros, portraits to pinatas, carved masks to comic books.

Author Bio

Raul the Third is the Pura Belpre Award-winning illustrator of the *Lowriders in Space* series by Cathy Camper. He is currently working on a YA graphic novel with David Bowles. He grew up between El Paso, TX and Ciudad Juarez, Mexico and now lives in Boston, MA with colorist Elaine Bay.

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Notes

Promotion
- Print advertising in farmer’s market flyers, community pennysavers
- Dedicated mailing to booksellers, librarians, key publicity contacts, etc. introducing Versify imprint
  - School and library advertising
  - National media campaign
  - Select author appearances in conjunction with Versify events
- Pitch to trade show
- Social media advertising campaign
- Festival promotions
- Conference promotions

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Arrr, Mustache Baby!
by Bridget Heos, illustrated by Joy Ang

Arrr, babies! Mustache Baby and his first mate Beard Baby set sail on the high seas and turn into big bad pirates in this newest addition to the popular Mustache Baby books! Occasional badness has never been so good. (Kirkus)

In this swashbuckling tale, Mustache Baby and Beard Baby work hard to recover stolen treasure and convince baby buccaneers Captain Kid and Short John Silver to go legit. But when the scallywags refuse to play nice, Billy and Javier see red and go rogue, turning into bad guy pirates themselves. High spirits, plenty of pirate talk, and a mild message about not letting emotions get the best of you make for a rollicking read-aloud full of side-splitting, silly fun.

Author Bio

Location: Bridget Heos lives in Kansas City, Missouri
Joy Ang lives in Edmonton, Canada.

Bridget Heos is the author of many picture books, including the popular Mustache Baby books and the nonfiction Just Like Us! series. She lives in Kansas City, Missouri, with her husband and four children.
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Joy Ang has illustrated several picture books, among them the Mustache Baby books. She lives in Bellevue, Washington.
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Notes

Promotion
- Trade advertising campaign
- Conference promotions
- Author events
- Promotion on @HMHkids channels with series giveaway
In this charming, gorgeously illustrated follow-up to the award-winning *The Bear and the Piano*, a fiddle-playing dog and his human pal share the joy of music, and discover that, even through sad times and far-apart times, good friendship lasts forever.

Fiddle-playing Hector and his dog, Hugo, are best friends. Hugo is Hector's biggest fan, and when Hector decides to retire, Hugo secretly learns to play the fiddle himself. Soon, a famous piano-playing bear invites him to join his all-animal band and travel the world to perform in front of huge crowds—an opportunity that Hector had always dreamed of for himself. Will Hector be able to overcome his jealousy and learn to be happy for his friend?

This heartfelt tale reminds us that there are many different kinds of success, and it celebrates the joy and healing powers of music and friendship.

Praise for *The Bear and the Piano*

* A tenderly moving story about embracing one's potential while remembering one's roots."  
  - PW, STARRED

"This is one of those rare books that children can return to again and again through the years, each time finding new meaning… Celebrates both the wonders of wandering far in pursuit of one's dreams and the sweet comfort of returning home."

  - Kirkus, STARRED

*A visual feast… Filled with verdant and luminous images that create an enchanting atmosphere."

  - SLJ

**Author Bio**

David Litchfield is the creator of the award-winning *The Bear and the Piano*, as well as the illustrator of *Miss Muffet, Or what Came After* by Marilyn Singer and many other picture books. He lives with his family in Bedfordshire in the United Kingdom. Visit him online at davidlitchfieldillustration.com, on Twitter @dc_litchfield, and on Instagram @david_c_litchfield
In this empowering picture book with a STEM focus, Charlotte, a budding bunny scientist, ignores the doubters and confidently finds a cure to the mysterious malady affecting the forest. The animals of the forest are all getting sick and no one can figure out why. Determined to get to the bottom of the mystery and help her friends and family, Charlotte dives into some serious medical science. But when the doctors and other scientists don’t take her work seriously, she sets out to find a cure on her own, determined to show that she can make a difference. This empowering story about a smart, confident bunny encourages girls to be persistent and believe in themselves.

Author Bio

Camille Andros is the author of Charlotte the Scientist Is Squished, her picture book debut. She lives in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, with her husband and six children. Visit her online at camilleandros.com and on Twitter @camdros.

Brianne Farley is the illustrator of Charlotte the Scientist Is Squished, as well as two picture books she also wrote, Ike’s Incredible Ink and Secret Tree Fort. Her work has appeared in McSweeney’s, the New York Times, and elsewhere. She lives in Traverse City, Michigan. Visit her online at briannefarley.com, on Instagram @briannehfarley, and on Twitter @briannefarley.

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Promotion

- National media campaign
- Conference promotions
- Promotion on @HMHkids channels

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Gondra’s Treasure
by Linda Sue Park, illustrated by Jennifer Black Reinhardt

Gondra, a little dragon with an Eastern dragon dad and a Western dragon mom, celebrates her uniqueness in this sparkling collaboration between Newbery medalist Linda Sue Park and rising star artist Jennifer Black Reinhardt.

Gondra has inherited traits from both her eastern (Asian) dragon dad and western (European) dragon mom and enjoys them all. She’s especially happy that she’s a combination of both. Cheerful banter and hilariously adorable dragon portrayals present a warm, appealing family portrait. The beautiful and fanciful illustrations are rich in whimsical details that invite repeated readings.

Author Bio

Linda Sue Park is the author of the Newbery Medal book A Single Shard and bestseller A Long Walk to Water. She has written several acclaimed picture books. She lives in Rochester, New York, with her family. Visit her online at lspark.com and on Twitter @LindaSuePark.

When her elementary school classmates said they wanted to be firemen, doctors, and vets, Jennifer Black Reinhardt declared she wanted to draw the picture on greeting cards. Today her diverse body of work includes not only greeting cards but chapter books and picture books, including Yaks Yak by Linda Sue Park and Sometimes You Fly by Katherine Applegate. Jennifer lives with her family in Iowa City, Iowa. Visit her online at jbreinhardt.com, on Twitter @jblackreinhardt, and on Instagram @JenniferBlackReinhardt.
Daddy-Sitting
by Eve Coy

A special treat for Father's Day—a winsome, charmingly illustrated debut picture book of role reversal: an adorable child plays parent to her engaged and affectionate daddy.

A perfect book to share whenever a father and child read together. Appealing illustrations and a text narrated by an apple-cheeked little girl describe her day with Daddy and how she behaves like the parent during their activities—an outing to the park, housework, grocery shopping—as indulgent Daddy plays along.

Author Bio

Eve Coy studied animation at Edinburgh Art School and went on to work as an animator and story artist. She then received a master's degree in children's book illustration from the Cambridge School of Art and is currently artist in residence at Prema Arts Centre in Gloucestershire, England. She lives in the Cotswolds area of England with her family. Visit her online at www.evecoy.blogspot.com and on Instagram @Eve.Coy

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- Conference promotions
- Promotion on @HMHkids channels

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The Little Book of Big What-ifs
by Renata Liwska

What if your imagination runs wild? In this charming, whimsical book, New York Times bestselling creator Renata Liwska explores what if” scenarios from silly to serious, gently examining the curiosities of everyday life with humor and imagination. Perfect for fans of I Wish You More and The Quiet Book.

Every day is filled with opportunities to wonder . . . what if?

In this charming book of big questions for little readers, New York Times bestselling creator Renata Liwska explores scenarios that span the spectrum from silly to serious, gently examining both the anxieties and curiosities of everyday life.

Wondering what might happen helps expand our imaginations, whether the options are humorous or thought-provoking—or both!

So: what if . . . you turned the page

Author Bio

Renata Liwska lives and works in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. She is the illustrator of the New York Times best-selling and critically acclaimed picture book The Quiet Book written by Deborah Underwood. She has also illustrated a sequel The Loud Book, and the The Christmas Quiet Book. Other books include Places to Be by Mac Barnett, Boom, Snot, Twitty written by Doreen Cronin, and Once Upon a Memory written by Nina Laden. Renata has written and illustrated Red Wagon and Little Panda. Visit her at RenataLiwska.co
Sun, a sporty boy, reconnects with his artistic side in this gorgeous, joyful celebration of creativity that offers an expanded and appealing model for boyhood.

Sun loves everything about playing soccer: the cheers, the competition, the winning. But he feels as though something is missing. When he sees his younger brother spread out on the floor, creating a wondrous piece of art, he remembers how much he loves to make things. He goes to the beach to think, and it’s there that a magical encounter with a fox helps him reconnect with a long-forgotten source of happiness.

Simple words and stunning illustrations pair to show us there is more than one way to be a boy… and remind us of the deep satisfaction of creativity.

Author Bio

Alison Oliver is the author-illustrator of *Moon* and the illustrator of more than 30 BabyLit board books, including, most recently, *Anne of Green Gables*. Sales for the series total more than 1.8 million copies. She is also author-illustrator of a forthcoming Be Bold, Baby board book series, featuring biographies of strong, inspiring women. Alison lives in New York City, where she also runs a design studio called Sugar. www.pure-sugar.com; Instagram @alisonoliverdesign
Nugget and Fang Go to School
by Tammi Sauer, illustrated by Michael Slack

Can a shark really fit in at Mini Minnows Elementary, or will he be a fish out of water? The popular undersea pals Nugget, a minnow, and Fang, a shark, are back in this first-day-of-school story that's full of heart and humor.

When Fang the shark is invited by his friends to attend Mini Minnows Elementary, he thinks it's a great idea! But then his first day of school arrives . . . and suddenly, he's not so sure. He's not very good at reading or math. He doesn't exactly fit in with his classmates. And the teacher looks crabby! Can Fang's best friend, Nugget, and the other minnows turn things around and prove to him that school really is fang-tastic?

This reassuring first-day-of-school and friendship story is full of heart and humor, showing that everyone feels like a fish out of water sometimes, and that it's important to be a good friend.

Praise for Nugget and Fang

Incorporate this into fish- or shark-themed storytimes or share with "Finding Nemo" fans - either way, kids are likely to snap it up hook, line, and sinker.”
- BCCB

"It's darn near impossible to resist such an earnest, toothy hero.”
- Kirkus

"Sauer creates kindly characters and hits sweetly humorous notes throughout. . . . [a] funny friendship tale.”
- PW

"Sends a positive message about the power of friendship and the importance of individuality.”
- School Library Journal

Author Bio

Tammi Sauer, a former teacher and library media specialist, is the full-time author of many popular picture books, including Mary Had a Little Glam, illustrated by Vanessa Brantley Newton, Quiet Wyatt, illustrated by Arthur Howard, and Nugget and Fang, illustrated by Michael Slack. Getting kids to read is the most important thing in the world to Tammi. She once won a goldfish for convincing her students to read 300 books in one school year. To this day, she still can't explain how she managed to do that, but now she knows it was all worth it. She lives in Frisco, Texas, with her artist/husband and three kids.
Ultrabot's First Playdate
by Josh Schneider

Boy + Bot meets School's First Day of School in this hilarious and reassuring take on first experiences and making new friends, from a Theodor Seuss Geisel Award winner.

Ultrabot is a big robot with a big problem. Its professor is planning a playdate with Becky Tingle, the little girl from next door. But Ultrabot has never been on a playdate, and it doesn't know Becky. What if she's mean? What if she breaks all of Ultrabot's toys? What if she won't share?

Packed with loads of fun details and visual humor, this reassuring friendship story speaks to the shy giant robot in all of us

Author Bio

Josh Schneider is the Theodor Seuss Geisel Award-winning creator of Tales for Very Picky Eaters and many popular picture books, including Princess Sparkle-Heart Gets a Makeover, Everybody Sleeps (But Not Fred), and Kid Amazing vs. The Blob. His first book, You'll Be Sorry, was named Book That Provides Best Ammunition to Parents Weary of Warning Their Kids About Socking Their Siblings" by Publishers Weekly magazine. Josh lives in Chicago with his wife, Dana

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- National media campaign
- Conference promotions
- Promotion on @HMHkids channels

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Ginny Goblin Cannot Have a Monster for a Pet
by David Goodner and Louis Thomas

Ginny Goblin may be a monster, but she CANNOT have a monster for a pet in this action-packed, laugh-out-loud adventure perfect for fans of Jon Klassen, Peter Brown, and Vera Brogsol.

Perhaps a pet will teach clever Ginny Goblin some responsibility. Fish make good pets. So do hermit crabs. Ginny does NOT need a giant net or bear trap or army tank to catch a pet. But will Ginny Goblin get her way? Besides, isn’t a monster a perfect pet for a goblin?

In this funny follow-up to *Ginny Goblin Is Not Allowed to Open This Box*, one thing is for certain: Ginny Goblin always has a plan.

Author Bio

David Goodner lives in North Texas. He has an adoring wife and two tolerating cats. He works in a library where he gets to see all the new books before anybody else. When he's not working or writing stories he likes to play role-playing games, make stuff, and read other people’s books (mostly science fiction and fantasy, but really if you leave a book out where David can find it, he'll read it).

Louis Thomas graduated from Gobelins/Paris and Calarts/Los Angeles in 2012. After working in animation studios in California, he moved to France where he lives with his cat Pipo in his art studio between the Pantheon and the Luxembourg Garden. He is the author/illustrator of the book *HUG IT OUT*. Visit him at louist.blogspot.com and on Instagram @Louis_Thomas_Draw
Trucker and Train
by Hannah Stark, illustrated by Bob Kolar

Kindness and friendship triumph over bullying in this action-packed story that’s perfect for fans of Little Blue Truck and Loren Long's Otis stories, and for every vehicle-obsessed little one.

Trucker, the big rig, loves to rule the road with his size, strength, and mighty horn. The other vehicles swerve and shake as Trucker blasts past, expecting them to follow along in awe. Then Trucker meets the louder, stronger, and kinder Train. He sees how the other vehicles gleam and swoon when Train is around. And he wonders, Why don’t they ever gleam at me?

Trucker just wants Train to go away . . . until a broken railroad crossing signal changes everything. Can Trucker use his size and strength for the good of his fellow vehicles before it’s too late?

Perfect for fans of Little Blue Truck and Loren Long's Otis stories, Trucker and Train is a classic in the making

Author Bio

Hannah Stark is a writer and public-school teacher in Brooklyn, New York. She loves to make and share resources for other teachers, as well as teach at the graduate level. When she isn't writing or teaching, she can be found taking road trips and train rides with her two sons. Visit her online at hannahcarinastark.com and on Twitter @teachingrightalong.

Bob Kolar has illustrated many picture books, including The Little Fire Truck by Margery Cuyler and Hey-Ho, to Mars We’ll Go! by Susan Lendroth. He creates toys, games, TV shows, and other fun things for kids. He lives in Missouri with his wife, Lisa. Visit him online at bobkolarbooks.com and on Instagram @bobkolar

Notes

Promotion
- National media campaign
- Trade and social media advertising campaign
- Pitch for local events
- Event kit
- eBlast
- Conference promotions
Hats Are Not for Cats!
by Jacqueline K. Rayner

Are hats for cats? A big, bossy dog and a determined cat disagree. This funny rhyming romp—with a large cast of cats and hats—leads readers to the perfect conclusion: hats are for everyone!

A big, severe, plaid-hat-wearing dog insists that the small black cat in the red fez shouldn't be wearing a hat—any kind of hat—because hats are for dogs. His patronizing tirade doesn't convince this cat, however. Defiantly, she wears an assortment of hats, described in the gleeful rhyming text, and brings in other cats to join the protest. The silliness of both text and pictures offers a cheerful take on bossiness and managing conflict, with a win-win resolution

Author Bio

Jacqueline K. Rayner was born in Australia. She has a B.A. in fine art and worked for many years as a graphic designer before turning to books and receiving a master's degree in children's book illustration from the Cambridge School of Art. Currently she lives and works in London. Visit her online at jacquelinerraynerillustration.com

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Promotion
- Cat roundup eBlast to booksellers, educators, and librarians
- Conference promotions
- National media campaign
- Pitch for local events
In this lighthearted picture book, the intrepid, determined, and savvy Wakawakaloch learns to embrace what makes her special while lifting up her neanderthal community. Perfect for fans of Vera Brosgol and Emily Hughes.

No one can pronounce Wakawakaloch’s name. Why couldn't she be called something simple... like Gloop? That's a name you can find on a T-shirt! But after a visit with her tribe's elder, Wakawakaloch discovers what her name means, and how powerful names can be. Gloop may be easy to say, but the girl who helps her friends embrace differences and wear their names proudly? Her name is Wakawakaloch

Author Bio

Chana Stiefel majored in English and Art History. During journalism school at New York University (where she earned an M.A. in Science & Environmental Reporting), she started writing for kids. Chana had an internship at Scholastic Inc., working on SuperScience Magazine. Later, she became an editor at Scholastic’s Science World, a magazine geared toward making science news fun and exciting for kids. She’s been freelancing for the past 14 years.

Mary Sullivan spent a great deal of time drawing in her formative years. Though she received a BFA from the University of Texas at Austin, she considers herself a self-trained illustrator. Ms. Sullivan has shown her work at galleries and coffee shops in Dallas and Austin. She channels her considerable creative energy into projects for Highlights for Children, Scholastic, Innovative Kids, School Zone, Oxford Press U.K., Pearson and many more. Her first picture book for HMH, Ball, was a 2014 Geisel Honor Book. She lives in Cedar Park, Texas.

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Big Dog and Little Dog Tales of Adventure
by Dav Pilkey

From the creator of Dog Man and Captain Underpants comes a collection of capers with canine companions Big Dog and Little Dog. These simple beginning reader stories include bonus skill-building activities like word scrambles, mazes, spot-the-difference games, and more! With simple text, graphic illustrations, and his classic tongue-in-cheek humor, Dav Pilkey captures the joy of friendship with his beloved canine companions Big Dog and Little Dog. In this special collection of the five-book Big Dog and Little Dog Green Light Reader series, the youngest Pilkey fans can enjoy all of the adventures and mishaps of these lovable dog buddies in one big book - and build reading skills at the same time. This big book of adventures includes hours of fun bonus skill-building activities including word scrambles, mazes, spot-the-difference games, and much more.

Author Bio

Dav Pilkey is the creator of many acclaimed children's books, including Dogzilla, Kat Kong, god bless the gargoyles, and the blockbuster series Captain Underpants, Ricky Ricotta, and Dog Man. His picture book The Paperboy received a Caldecott Honor. He lives in the Pacific Northwest. www.pilkey.com
Spark your imagination and enter a super fun sporty world in this doodle and draw book brimming with cartoon characters, silly story starters, hilarious hidden pictures, doodle prompts galore, and more than 50 colorful stickers!

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Inside each book, you’ll find 96 pages of fun!
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Author Bio

Ryan Sias is a talented animator, illustrator and writer who has done work for Sesame Street, Nickelodeon, Jr., MTV and MAD magazine. His children's book credits include Sniff Sniff (Abrams), which he wrote and illustrated, and Are You Eating Something Red? and Are You Eating Something Green? written by Harriet Ziefert. He lives in Astoria, Visit him at ryansias.com and on Twitter @ryansias

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The Crayon Man
The True Story of the Invention of Crayola Crayons by Natascha Biebow, illustrated by Steven Salerno

Celebrating the inventor of the Crayola crayon! This gloriously illustrated picture book biography tells the inspiring story of Edwin Binney, the inventor of one of the world's most beloved toys. A perfect fit among favorites like *The Day the Crayons Quit* and *Balloons Over Broadway*.

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What child doesn't love to hold a crayon in their hands? But children didn't always have such magical boxes of crayons. Before Edwin Binney set out to change things, children couldn't really even draw in color.

Here's the true story of an inventor who so loved nature's vibrant colors that he found a way to bring the outside world to children - in a bright green box for only a nickel! With experimentation, and a special knack for listening, Edwin Binney and his dynamic team at Crayola created one of the world's most enduring, best-loved childhood toys - empowering children to dream in COLOR

Author Bio

Natascha Biebow’s favorite crayon color is periwinkle blue because it makes her heart sing. She loves to draw and make stuff, just like Edwin Binney. She lives in London, where she writes, edits, coaches and mentors children’s book authors and illustrators at Blue Elephant Storyshaping, and is the long-time Regional Advisor of SCBWI British Isles. *The Crayon Man* is her first non-fiction picture book. Find her at nataschabiebow.com.

Steven Salerno has illustrated many popular picture books for children, including *Brothers at Bat* and *The Fantastic Ferris Wheel* (Holt). A graduate of Parsons School of Design, where he studied under famed author/illustrator Maurice Sendak, Steven’s illustrations appear in the *New York Times* as well as magazines, advertising campaigns, product packaging, and retail interiors. He lives and works in New York City. www.stevensalerno.com
Ninita's Big World
The True Story of a Deaf Pygmy Marmoset
by Sarah Glenn Marsh, illustrated by Stephanie Fizer Coleman

The heart-tugging true story of how YouTube star Ninita—a deaf, orphaned pygmy marmoset (the smallest type of monkey)—found family, friendship, and a forever home! Illustrated in full color.

Ninita is the only known deaf pygmy marmoset in the world, but that doesn’t stop her from making friends and chasing her next adventure! Abandoned by her parents and rescued by the RSCF, this tiny, curious monkey loves exploring her habitat. And when she meets Mr. Big—another pygmy marmoset—she has finally found a friend who likes to eat, climb, and play as much as she does. A YouTube celebrity, Ninita's videos have been viewed nearly 2 million times!

Published in partnership with the RSCF, this charming true story of how one little orphaned monkey got a second chance to have a family gently introduces kids to disability, biodiversity, and wildlife conservation

Author Bio

Sarah Glenn Marsh is the author of the picture books Selfie Sebastien and A Campfire Tail, as well as the young adult novels Reign of the Fallen and Fear of the Drowning Deep. She lives in Virginia with her husband and their menagerie of four rescued greyhounds, three birds, and many fish. Visit her at sarahglennmarsh.com, on Twitter @SG_Marsh, and on Instagram @sarahmarshauthor.

Stephanie Fizer Coleman grew up in a rural area, with a babbling brook and lush forest just a few feet from her back door, and the love of nature she developed as a child still influences her work today. She has created illustrations for Chronicle Books, Mudpuppy, American Greetings, and Papyrus, among many other clients. She lives in West Virginia, and Ninita's Big World is her first book. Visit her online at stephiefizercolemann.com, on Facebook and Instagram @stephfizercooleman, Pinterest @stephanie_fizer, and Twitter @StephanieFizer
Get the scoop on some of nature's most fearsome predators and discover the unexpected ways humans and crocodilians are similar in Just Like Us! Crocs. Appealing mix of photographs and cartoon illustrations.

What animals love to bask in the sun, cool off with a quick swim, and don't always get along with their siblings? CROCS! While they might seem as different from us as animals can possibly be, we actually have a lot in common with our crocodilian comrades - alligators, crocodiles, muggers, caimans, and gharials. From tending to their young, to surfing a wave, crocodilians are a lot like us-though with fascinating twists all their own.

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Get the facts on one of nature’s most remarkable insects and discover the unexpected ways humans and ants are similar in *Just Like Us! Ants*. Appealing mix of photographs and cartoon illustrations.

What animal farms, builds roads, constructs rafts, and even babysits its younger siblings? ANTS! While they might seem as different from humans as animals can possibly be, we actually have a lot in common with these creepy, crawly insects. From their families to their jobs, their farms to their construction work, ants are a lot like us—though with fascinating twists all their own.

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Get the facts on some of nature's most beloved animals and discover the unexpected ways humans and birds are similar in *Just Like Us! Birds*. Appealing mix of photographs and cartoon illustrations.

What animal composes music, decorates its home, weaves, and even gives gifts? BIRDS! While they may eat bugs and lay eggs, we actually have a lot in common with our winged friends. From their parenting to their homemaking, their fishing to their dancing, birds do have lots in common with people—though with fascinating twists all their own.

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Heos offers young readers and listeners a humorous way to make connections with the world of birds." - *Kirkus*

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Just Like Us! Fish
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Get the facts on an array of aquatic creatures and discover the unexpected ways humans and fish are similar in *Just Like Us! Fish*. Appealing mix of photographs and cartoon illustrations.

What animal uses stilts, has roommates, finds safety in numbers, and even gets skin treatments at the spa? FISH! While they might seem as different from humans as animals can possibly be, we actually have a lot in common with our underwater neighbors. From hunting to homemaking to dressing to impress, fish are a lot like us-though with fascinating twists all their own.

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Just Like Us! Plants
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Get the facts on an array of leafy organisms and discover the unexpected ways humans and plants are alike in Just Like Us! Plants. Appealing mix of photographs and cartoon illustrations.

What living things wear perfume, bask in the sun, use weapons to defend themselves, and even go on ocean cruises? PLANTS! While they might seem as different from humans as possible, we actually have a lot in common with our photosynthesizing friends. From drinking water to disguising themselves to communicating with one another, plants are a lot like us—though with fascinating twists all their own.

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What animals are loving parents, great diplomats, and world class CAThletes? CATS! While they might seem as different from us as animals can possibly be, we actually have a lot in common with our feline friends. From their hunting skills to their fondness for nap time, cats are a lot like us—though with fascinating twists all their own.

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Look Again
Secrets of Animal Camouflage
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The award-winning team of Steve Jenkins and Robin Page introduce young readers to some of the stealthiest, most astonishingly camouflaged animals in the natural world and ask them to seek out these sneaky animals hiding in plain sight! Ideal for readers of the Over and Under books.

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From lying in wait to avoiding predators, protecting themselves or sneaking up on a foe, each animal in Look Again! has a remarkable skill for evading detection

Author Bio

Steve Jenkins has written and illustrated many nonfiction picture books for young readers, including the Caldecott Honor-winning What Do You Do with a Tail Like This? His books have been called stunning, eye-popping, inventive, gorgeous, masterful, extraordinary, playful, irresistible, compelling, engaging, accessible, glorious, and informative. He lives in Boulder, Colorado with his wife and frequent collaborator, Robin Page.

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Robin Page lives in Boulder, Colorado, with her husband and collaborator, Steve Jenkins, and their three children. Along with writing and illustrating children’s books, Steve and Robin run a graphic design studio.
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In the late 1990s, a fatal disease called Devil facial tumor disease began wiping out the Tasmanian devil population, killing nearly 90% of the devils over the past 20 years. Why was the entire population getting the same disease? Was it contagious? Then geneticist Jenny Graves made a discovery that was hard to believe, but true: the tumors were cloning and multiplying between animals. If researchers cannot get to the bottom of this mystery, this fascinating mammal will soon be gone. Dorothy Hinshaw Patent takes readers on an unforgettable tour of the Tasmania to meet the scientists working to save the devil before it’s too late.

Author Bio

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The Tornado Scientist
Seeing Inside Severe Storms
by Mary Kay Carson, by (photographer) Tom Uhlman

In this addition to the critically-acclaimed Scientist in the Field series, scientist Robin Tanamachi and her team are trying to save countless lives across America’s heartland, chasing one tornado at a time.

Robin Tanamachi has been captivated by tornadoes and extreme weather her entire life. When she realized people researched weather for a job, she was hooked. She now studies tornadogenesis, or how tornadoes form, and what causes them to get weaker versus strengthen. For her, driving around in a Doppler radar truck aiming towards storms is a normal day in the office. The data she collects is then modeled and studied on computers—with math, physics, and computer science working hand in hand with meteorology. At the end of the day, knowing exactly how, when, and where these violent storms happen can give more warning time for everyone involved.

Author Bio

Mary Kay Carson and Tom Uhlman are married and live with their dog Ruby in a century-old house surrounded by deer, hawks, woodchucks, songbirds, and other creatures in Cincinnati, Ohio. Check out Mary Kay’s other Scientist in the Field books including Park Scientists, Emi and the Rhino Scientist, The Bat Scientist, and Mission to Pluto.

Tom Uhlman has been a freelance photographer for more than 25 years. He photographs lots of news and sporting events, but enjoys shooting pictures of wildlife and the natural world most of all. Visiting Tom’s photographs can also be seen in the Scientists in the Field books Park Scientists, Emi and the Rhino Scientist, and The Bat Scientist.
Clue by Clue
by Catherine Hapka

Crack the code with Carmen Sandiego! In this original story, a special clue-decoding wheel built into the front cover allows readers to hunt for long-lost pirate's treasure alongside the world's greatest thief. Inspired by the Netflix animated series.

Carmen Sandiego and crew are off on a thrilling treasure hunt in this original story inspired by the Netflix animated series. When the secrets of a centuries' old treasure map are uncovered, it's up to Carmen to puzzle out the pirate's code and track down a long lost treasure. From the cobblestone streets of London to a sunken city in the Caribbean, Carmen must stay one step ahead on a trail of clues in order to beat her nemeses to the buried treasure! Using the book's special built-in decoder, readers can help Carmen unlock the map's clues - and make sure this pirate's booty finally makes its way into the right hands.

Author Bio

Catherine Hapka has published more than two hundred books for kids in all age groups from board books to young adult novels. When she's not writing, Cathy enjoys horseback riding, animals of all kinds, reading, gardening, music, and travel. She lives in an old house on a small farm in Chester County, PA, where she keeps three horses, a small flock of chickens, and too many cats.
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Alone in the Wild
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In this exciting choose-your-own-trail stand-alone experience featuring 8-bit art, it's 1849 and you are at the halfway point on your journey west on the Oregon Trail. When a powerful storm separates you from your family, you must use all of your smarts to survive on your own. Along the way, you meet a twelve-year-old girl from the Shoshone Nation, who has the grit and smarts to help you both make it to Oregon Territory.

Which path will get you safely across the country and reunited with your family?

With twenty-two possible endings, choose wrong and you'll never live out your dreams. Choose right and blaze a trail that gets you to Oregon City!

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by Jesse Wiley

Keep your wagon train alive in this trailblazing choose-your-own-trail experience on the Oregon Trail! With more than twenty possible endings, there are wild animals, rapid rivers, bandits, treacherous weather, famine, and even death that stand between you and your dream life out West. Do you have what it takes to make it all the way to Oregon City?

In this exciting choose-your-own-trail stand-alone story featuring 8-bit art, it's 1850 and you are leading a whole covered wagon train with your family on a 2,000-mile trek on the Oregon Trail. Wild animals, natural disasters, unpredictable weather, famine, fast-flowing rivers, strangers, and sickness stand in between you and your destination: Oregon City! Do you have the smarts and skills to keep everyone safe and together on the Trail?

Which path will get you safely across the country?

With twenty-three possible endings, choose wrong and you'll never live out your dreams. Choose right and blaze a trail that gets you closer to Oregon City!

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Notes

Promotion
- National advertising campaign
- Conference promotions
- Social media campaign

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Stand on the Sky
by Erin Bow

An exquisitely written, uplifting middle grade debut by acclaimed author, Erin Bow, about a young girl who defies her family's expectations in order to save her brother and become an eagle hunter, perfect for fans of PAX.

It goes against all tradition for Aisulu to train an eagle, for among the Kazakh nomads, only men can fly them. But everything changes when Aisulu discovers that her brother, Serik, has been concealing a bad limp that risks not just his future as the family's leader, but his life too.

When her parents leave to seek a cure for Serik in a distant hospital, Aisulu finds herself living with her intimidating uncle and strange auntie - and secretly caring for an orphaned baby eagle. To save her brother and keep her family from having to leave their nomadic life behind forever, Aisulu must earn her eagle's trust and fight for her right to soar. Along the way, she discovers that family are people who choose each other, home is a place you build, and hope is a thing with feathers.

Erin Bow's lyrical middle grade debut is perfect for fans of original animal-friendship stories like Pax and Because of Winn Dixie

Author Bio

Erin Bow was trained as a physicist, though she now spends her days writing poetry and fiction in a tiny (though heated) garden shed in Ontario, Canada. Her books - which include fairy tale Plain Kate, the thoughtful horror Sorrow's Knot and science fiction duology The Scorpion Rules and The Swan Riders - have won a fistful of awards. ErinBow.com. @erinbowbooks
The Good, the Bad, and the Bossy
by Caroline Cala

Being a boss isn't all it's cracked up to be in the second book of the Best Babysitters Ever series. Perfect for fans of Rachel Vail and Sarah Mlynowski.

Just when Malia, Dot, and Bree (aka the Best Babysitters Ever) corner the Playa Del Mar babysitting market, their lives get even busier. Malia's evil older sister ropes her into a thankless internship. Dot must win the science fair. And Bree's brand new cat turns out to be a holy terror. Meow! Malia is frustrated by the group's lack of commitment until she has an idea so great it rivals the creation of the club in the first place: they can hire new babysitters and take a cut of their wages! It's all of the money, and less of the babysitting. This plan is too perfect to fail. Until-spoiler alert-it does, in the most hilarious way possible.

Author Bio

Caroline Cala is a writer and editor residing in Brooklyn. She has worked as a book editor and as a ghostwriter on a number of books by notable people. Her work has appeared in Vogue, ELLE, Refinery29 and others. Best Babysitters Ever is her middle grade debut. Visit her on Instagram @CarolineCala

Notes

Promotion
- National media campaign
- Trade and consumer advertising
- Dedicated Bookseller Mailing
- Conference Promotions
- Social media content, promotions, and giveaways via @hmhkids

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The Crossover
by Kwame Alexander

Now in paperback! Winner of the Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Award, and a NYT bestseller! Basketball and heartache share the court in this slam-dunk novel in verse.

With a bolt of lightning on my kicks . . . The court is SIZZLING. My sweat is DRIZZLING. Stop all that quivering. "Cuz tonight I'm delivering," raps twelve-year-old Josh Bell. Thanks to their dad, he and his twin brother, Jordan, are kings on the court. But Josh has more than basketball in his blood—he's got mad beats, too, which help him find his rhythm when it's all on the line.

As their winning season unfolds, things begin to change. When Jordan meets a girl, the twins' bond unravels. Told in dynamic verse, this fast and furious middle grade novel that started it all absolutely bounces with rhythm and bursts with heart.

* “Alexander fully captures Josh's athletic finesse and coming-of-age angst in a mix of free verse and hip-hop poetry that will have broad appeal. . . . This will inspire budding players and poets alike.”
  - Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books, starred review

* “The poems dodge and weave with the speed of a point guard driving for the basket, mixing basketball (…)

Author Bio

Location: Potomac Falls, VA

Kwame Alexander is a poet, educator, and the New York Times Bestselling author of 28 books, including Rebound, the follow-up to his, Newbery medal-winning middle grade novel, The Crossover. Some of his other works include Booked, a National Book Award Nominee, The Playbook: 52 Rules to Help You Aim, Shoot, and Score in this Game of Life, Swing, and the picture books Out of Wonder and The Undefeated.
Booked
by Kwame Alexander

Now in paperback! Longlisted for the National Book Award and a NYT bestseller! Soccer, love, and friendship take center stage in this novel in verse by Newbery winner Kwame Alexander.

*Can't nobody stop you*

*Can't nobody cop you*

In this follow-up to Newbery-winner *The Crossover*, soccer, family, love, and friendship take center stage. Twelve-year-old Nick learns the power of words as he wrestles with problems at home, stands up to a bully, and tries to impress the girl of his dreams. Helping him along are his best friend and sometimes teammate Coby, and The Mac, a rapping librarian who gives Nick inspiring books to read.

This electric and heartfelt novel-in-verse by poet Kwame Alexander bends and breaks as it captures all the thrills and setbacks, action and emotion of a World Cup match! Now in paperback.

2017 ILA -CBC Children's Choice List
Book Links' Lasting Connections 2016
Kirkus Best of 2016
Nerdy Book Club Nerdies 2016 Poetry/Novels in Verse
New York Times Bestseller
San Francisco Chronicle Best of 2016
Washington Post Best of 2016
BookPage Best of 2016

A novel about a soccer-obsessed tween boy written entirely in verse? In a word, yes. Kwame Alexander has the magic to pull off this unlikely feat,both as a poet and as a storyteller. *"* - *The Chicago Tribune*

"This lively, touching middle school soccer (...)"

Author Bio

The Last Last-Day-of-Summer
by Lamar Giles

The Last Last-Day-of-Summer reminds me that all children deserve to exist in magical spaces where their imaginations and familial bonds will them into heroism. Every single child should have the freedom to be one of The Legendary Alstons. And I, for one, am grateful to Giles, and this brilliant story, for that reminder. " - Jason Reynolds, author of Newbery Honoree Long Way Down

"The legendary heroes of this legendary book are already legendary when the story begins! From there things can only get legendary-er!" - Tom Angleberger, author of the Origami Yoda series

"Lamar Giles has written an instant classic - readers won't want their time with the Legendary Alston Boys of Logan County to end." - Gwenda Bond, author of the Lois Lane series

The Hardy Boys meets The Phantom Tollbooth, in the new century! When two adventurous cousins accidentally extend the last day of summer by freezing time, they find the secrets hidden between the unmoving seconds, minutes, and hours are not the endless fun they expected.

Otto and Sheed are the local sleuths in their zany Virginia town, masters of unraveling mischief using their unmatched powers of deduction. And as the summer winds down and the first day of school looms, the boys are craving just a little bit more time for fun (...)

Author Bio

Lamar Giles is an Edgar Award-nominated author and has published three young adult novels. He is the co-founder of #WeNeedDiverse books and has edited two #WNDB anthologies, including 2018's Fresh Ink.

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Instagram: @LamarGiles
When a shy girl and her dragon-like companion discover their country's idyllic weather comes at a steep-and secret-cost, they recruit fellow students to defy authority and attempt to spread the truth.

Storm beasts and their guardians create perfect weather every day, and Mina longs for a storm beast of her own. But when the gentle girl bonds with a lightning beast—a creature of fire and chaos—everyone's certain it's a mistake. Everyone but Mina and the beast himself, Pixit. Quickly enrolled in lightning school, Mina struggles to master a guardian's skills, and she discovers that her country's weather comes at a devastating cost—a cost powerful people wish to hide. Mina's never been the type to speak out, but someone has to tell the truth, and, with Pixit's help, she resolves to find a way to be heard.

Author Bio

Sarah Beth Durst is the author of fantasy novels for children, teens, and adults. Winner of the Mythopoeic Award and an ALA Alex Award and thrice nominated for the Andre Norton Award for YA Science Fiction and Fantasy, she lives in New York. Visit her online at sarahbethdurst.com and on Twitter @sarahbethdurst
Parker Bell and the Science of Friendship
by Cynthia Platt, illustrated by Rea Zhai

In this fun young-middle-grade novel with STEM appeal, Parker really wants to win the school Science Triathlon—but first she’ll have to figure out how to keep her BFF from being stolen.

Budding scientist Parker Bell really wants to win the school Science Triathlon and follow in the footsteps of her idols, chimpanzee expert Jane Goodall and astronaut Mae Jemison. She's sure that if she teams up with her trivia whiz BFF, Cassie, they will dominate the Science Bee, Egg Drop, and Animal Adaptation Presentation. When Cassie invites her new friend, Theo, to join their team, Parker is worried—that Theo won't help them win and might steal her best friend. As the three work together, Parker learns that you don't have to be the best to be a real scientist and a good friend.

Author Bio

Cynthia Platt received her MFA in Creative Writing from Lesley University and is the author of several books for children, including the picture books Grow, A Little Bit of Love, and Panda-Monium!, and the middle grade novel Parker Bell and the Science of Friendship. A long-time children’s book editor, Cynthia has also worked as a high school English teacher and at educational nonprofits. Visit her online at cynthiaplattbooks.com and on Twitter @cynplatt.

Rea Zhai received a BFA in Media Design from China Central Academy of Fine Arts and an MFA from Academy of Art University, and works as a freelance illustrator. She lives with her husband and their three cute cats in Beijing, China. Visit her online at reazhaiart.com and on Instagram @zhazhazhaart.

Notes

Promotion
- ARC mailings to educators and librarians
- Conference promotions-book displays and giveaways
- E-newsletter outreach to 15,000+ media, librarians, educators, booksellers

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Sumptuous storytelling combines Sleeping Beauty with Jack and the Beanstalk in a magical exploration of prejudice, justice, and the meaning of true love.

Lady Briar is scorned for her appearance. Princess Rose is adored for her looks. Unbeknownst to them, one or both may bear a curse that only true love can break. But the girls have little time for curses anyway—along with their friend Jack, they are busy plotting the downfall of the evil giant who plagues their kingdom. But how can children succeed when the adults are afraid to even try? And what if the curse manifests? Whose love could be true enough to save the day?

Author Bio

Katherine Coville is an artist as well as an author. Books she has illustrated include Aliens Ate My Homework and Sarah's Unicorn, both by her husband, Bruce Coville. Books she has written include Ivy, The Cottage in the Woods, and Briar, Rose, and Jack. She lives in Syracuse, New York, with a varying assortment of pets and children.
The Four Guardians
by Matt Laney

Mystery, magic, and action-packed adventure converge in this high-stakes sequel to the unforgettable middle grade fantasy The Spinner Prince-for Bravelands and Warriors fans.

When Prince Leo's devious cousin seizes control of Singara, Leo is forced to escape into enemy territory until he can return and claim the throne. Trapped among his enemies, Leo discovers they know a lot more about him than he knows about himself. With some guidance from unlikely allies, Leo is poised to fulfill a destiny greater than he ever imagined.

Can Leo harness his power, stop a war, and prevent a monstrous demon from escaping and destroying the world? In this thrilling second book in the Pride Wars series, Leo's identity as a Spinner, once thought to be his greatest curse, may just become his greatest weapon.

Author Bio

Matt Laney is an ordained minister with a lifelong interest in world religions, folklore, wisdom traditions, martial arts, and big cats. The Spinner Prince marks his literary debut. Matt lives with his wife and two children who love to read.
Survivor Girl
by Erin Teagan

In this funny, action-packed middle grade novel from the author of the American Girl Luciana books, Alison gets invited to be on her dad's reality show, Survivor Guy, and faces important realities about her family, self-reliance, and learning to work together with friends.

12-year-old Ali adores her reality-show celebrity father, Survivor Guy, and hopes to follow in his footsteps. But when he invites her on location, Ali is sure she won't survive one episode . . . until she learns the truth: The show isn't just her dad and a camera. It's a huge crew and set, with stunt doubles! When a wildfire strikes and Ali and two other kids miss the last rescue helicopter, suddenly, the fight for survival is real. Will she find the self-confidence she needs so they can work together and get out of the wilderness alive?

STEM themes and plot strands about body image and divorce are subtly woven into this page-turning tale

Author Bio

Erin Teagan is the author of several books for kids, including Survivor Girl, The Friendship Experiment, and three titles about American Girl’s 2018 Girl of the Year, Luciana. She lives with her family in Virginia. Visit her online at erinteagan.com and on Twitter @ErinKTeaga
Mystery Club (graphic novel)
Wild Werewolves; Mummy Mischief
by Davide Cali and Yannick Robert

Two graphic novel mysteries in one book, each filled with fun humor and intrigue. Are there really werewolves in London? Mummies in the metro? Fear not—Mystery Club is on the case!

In *Wild Werewolves*, a stranger approaches Zoey and Kyle in the library as they ask the question: Do you think monsters exist in London?" The stranger gives them information that sets them on a city-wide adventure with Ashley and Tyler. The Mystery Club pieces together the werewolf mystery and the identity of the stranger and a zany series of events ensues.

In *Mummy Mischief*, train passengers spot a mummy in the subway. Then it happens again! The occurrences are uncanny and strange enough to lure the Mystery Club to action. As they unwrap the mysteries of the mummy appearances, they unearth even more hijinks than they bargained for.

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Davide Cali is a Swiss-born Italian author, working primarily in children's literature and graphic novels. His work has been published in twenty-five countries including Germany, France, Portugal, and been translated into over thirty languages. He also writes under the pseudonyms Taro Miyazawa and Daikon. He lives in Italy.

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- National media campaign
- Social media content, promotion, and giveaways
- Mailings to educators and librarians
- Conference promotions
- ARC giveaway at NYCC 2018
The Big Idea Gang is buzzing with excitement! They're going to show Clay Elementary just how important bees can be in this chapter book series about making a case-and making a difference-by the author of Jigsaw Jones.

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Author Bio

The young rabbit Podkin One-Ear and his allies battle to save their land from the evil Gorm tribe. The Longburrow series is Middle Earth for middle graders!

Podkin and his sister and baby brother, Paz and Pook, struggle to keep their ragtag clan of refugees safe from enemies who are destroying the forest in an effort to find them. When they are separated from their clan, the siblings encounter the mysterious and mystical creatures who are the heart of the forest itself. As the fate of all rabbitkind hangs in the balance, the youngsters must recruit these new allies and convince feuding clans to come together in a desperate final battle to defeat the diabolical Gorm.

Action and high stakes propel the climactic struggle in the series that shows anyone—even little rabbits—can do great things

Author Bio

Kieran Larwood is a kindergarten teacher, father, and children’s book author. He lives in England. Visit him online at kmlarwood.com and on Twitter @kmlarwood.

David Wyatt’s art graces books by many of the world’s preeminent fantasy authors, including Tolkien, Pratchett, Le Guin, and Pullman. He lives in England. Visit him online at davidwyattillustration.com
El delito de la limonada
by Jacqueline Davies, translated by Aurora Humaran

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Uno de los 100 Títulos de la Biblioteca Publica de Nueva York en la seccion de Lectura y Lectura para compartir

Un fascinante capitulo."- Booklist, critica destacada

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Hecho : Una semana atras, desaparecieron doscientos ocho dolares del bolsillo del pantalon corto de Evan Treski.

Hecho : Evan y Jessie habian trabajado arduamente durante el verano para obtener ese dinero, preparando limonada, cargandola por todo el pueblo, de pie bajo el caluroso sol de verano para ganar cada centavo.

Hecho : Scott Spencer acaba de comprar algo muy, muy costoso.

Acusacion : Scott Spencer es acusado del delito de robo del dinero de la limonada. La clase 4-0 en consecuencia lo cita al tribunal frente a un juez, testigos y un jurado de pares.

Se sabra la verdad en el juicio? Y si es asi, se hara justicia?

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Promotion
- Promotion on @HMHkids channels
- Discussion guide

Author Bio
Fly Girls Young Readers' Edition
How Five Daring Women Defied All Odds and Made Aviation History
by Keith O'Brien

From NPR correspondent Keith O'Brien comes this thrilling Young Readers' edition of the untold story about pioneering women, including Amelia Earhart, who fought to compete against men in the high-stakes national air races of the 1920s and 1930s-and won.

In the years between World War I and World War II, airplane racing was one of the most popular sports in America. Thousands of fans flocked to multiday events, and the pilots who competed in these races were hailed as heroes. Well, the male pilots were hailed. Women who flew planes were often ridiculed by the press, and initially they weren't invited to race. Yet a group of women were determined to take to the sky-no matter what. With guts and grit, they overcame incredible odds both on the ground and in the air to pursue their dreams of flying and racing planes.

Fly Girls follows the stories of five remarkable women: Florence Klingensmith, a high-school dropout from North Dakota; Ruth Elder, an Alabama housewife; Amelia Earhart, the most famous, but not necessarily the most skilled; Ruth Nichols, a daughter of Wall Street wealth who longed to live a life of her own; and Louise Thaden, who got her start selling coal in Wichita. Together, they fought for the chance to race against the men-and in 1936 one of them would triumph in the toughest race of all.

Complete with photographs and a glossary, Fly Girls celebrates a little-known slice of history wherein tenacious, trail-blazing women braved all obstacles to achieve greatness.

Author Bio

KEITH O'BRIEN is an award-winning journalist, a former reporter for the Boston Globe, a regular contributor to National Public Radio and Politico, and a critically acclaimed author of books about dreams, Americana, and where the two meet. He has written for the New York Times Magazine and reported stories for This American Life. He was a 2017 finalist for the PEN/ESPN Award for Literary Sports Writing. He lives in New Hampshire.
Before They Were Authors: Famous Writers as Kids
by Elizabeth Haidle

This exciting debut in graphic novel format tells the childhood stories of literary legends including Maya Angelou, Roald Dahl, and Sandra Cisneros. Perfect for fans of Good Night Stories for Rebel Girls and Brazen: Rebel Ladies Who Rocked the World.

What makes a writer? What inspires them? Where do their stories come from? Striking illustrations and a popular graphic novel format bring to life this anthology of literary legends and their childhoods. Featuring beloved authors such as Maya Angelou, C.S. Lewis, Gene Luen Yang and J.K. Rowling, these stories capture the childhood triumphs, failures, and inspirations that predated their careers.

Children ages ten and up will see themselves in these humanized portraits and wonder if they, too, might have it in them to write. A celebration of creativity, this collective graphic biography is sprinkled throughout with writing wisdom and inspiring quotes.

Author Bio

Elizabeth Haidle is the co-founder of Mascot Press, creating thought-provoking comics and animations. She has an incurable passion for illustrated biographies and low-maintenance gardening. Her first book, at age 13, was about a grumpy elf with a pet snail. Bill Peet is her favorite children's book author. She lives in Portland, Oregon.

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The Magnificent Migration
On Safari with Africa’s Last Great Herds
by Sy Montgomery

Sibert medalist and National Book Award finalist Sy Montgomery takes readers on a staggering, emotional journey alongside the greatest land migration on earth—that of the wildebeest across the Serengeti—to explore the mystery and wonder of migration in a sweeping story sure to leave its mark. With full color photography.

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With lyrical prose, abundant facts, and the inclusion of other species who undertake remarkable migrations, Montgomery makes a journey of thousands of miles fly by—but not without leaving its mark. Full color photography.

Author Bio

Researching films, articles, and 22 books, Sy Montgomery has hiked the Altai Mountains of Mongolia looking for snow leopards, tracked tree kangaroos in Papua New Guinea, and more. A National Book Award finalist, she has also been honored with a Sibert Medal, two Science Book and Film prizes from the National Association for the Advancement of Science, three honorary degrees, and many other awards. She lives in Hancock, New Hampshire. Visit her online at symontgomery.com and on Twitter @SyTheAutho
Anteater Adventure
by Kama Einhorn

An up-close look at what life is like the morning after a terrible hurricane for anteater Abi in this photo-packed series exploring the stories and science behind animal sanctuaries. Abi takes readers behind the scenes of an anteater sanctuary in Belize in this nonfiction chapter book for elementary-aged readers. Includes full-color photos, graphics, and maps

Author Bio

Kama Einhorn is Brooklyn-based writer and editor of children's media. She has master's degree in literacy education from U.C. Berkeley has been an editor at Scholastic, before becoming a content creator at Sesame Street. She's written more than 40 books for kids, published by Scholastic, Random House, Simon & Schuster, and HarperCollins and also authored magazine articles, outreach materials, and web content for Sesame Street, Nickelodeon, The New York Times Learning Network, Best Friends Animal Society, and The Humane Society of the United States

Notes

Promotion
- Series advertising
- Conference promotions

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What is life like for a group of orphaned raccoon siblings, born in the attic of a home, as they experience life at a raccoon rehabilitation center in California? This photo-packed series explores the stories and science behind animal sanctuaries, including all of the ups and downs that go along with caring for wild raccoons away from their natural element. Includes full-color photos, graphics, and maps.

At WildCare in San Rafael, California, many wild animals are brought in every day - skunks, birds, opossums, squirrels, and more - including raccoons. Four baby raccoons are put into the hands of WildCare staff, specifically volunteer Shelley. The kits need feedings, medicine, burpings, and even help going to the bathroom. The kits are not allowed to spend any time with other humans - they can't be used to humans once they are returned to the wilds of suburbia. A steady process involving enrichment, exercise, outdoor exposure- and more than you'll ever think you'll know about raccoons and other city wildlife - fills the pages of Raccoon Rescue

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Moles
by Rachel Poliquin, illustrated by Nicholas John Frith

Funny and fact-filled, MOLES is another installment in the SUPERPOWER FIELD GUIDES series by author Rachel Poliquin, featuring full-color illustrations by Nicholas John Frith that will engage readers with witty narration and fun visual elements, inspiring readers to dig deep and see the world, both above and below ground, with new eyes.

Meet Rosalie, a common mole. The first thing you need to know about Rosalie is that she is shaped like a potato. Not a new potato, all cute and round, but a plain old lumpy potato. She may be small. She may be spongy. But never underestimate a mole.

I know what you’re thinking: moles are just squinty-eyed beasts that wreck your lawn.

You’re right! Those squinty eyes and mounds of dirt are proof that moles have superpowers. There is absolutely nothing common about the common mole.

Author Bio

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From an Idea to Google
How Innovation at Google Changed the World
by Lowey Bundy Sichol

From an Idea to Google is a behind-the-computer-screen look into the history, business, and brand of the world's largest search engine. With humorous black & white illustrations throughout, learn about the company that even earned its own catchphrase: Google it!

Today, Google is the number one internet search engine and the most visited website in the world. But a long time ago, two college friends, Larry Page and Sergey Brin, started out with just an idea. Find out more about Google's history, the business, and the brand in this illustrated nonfiction book!

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Author Bio

Lowey Bundy Sichol is the author and creator of From an Idea to..., the world's first business biographies for kids. She is also the founder and principal of Case Marketing, a specialized writing firm that composes MBA case studies for business schools. Her MBA case studies have been published by Pearson and are read by business school students all over the world.

With over 20 years combined experience in marketing, brand management, and writing, Lowey is the force behind the From an Idea to..., a movement that introduces business and entrepreneurship to children.

Lowey received her MBA from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth and her BA from Hamilton College where she played varsity softball and women's rugby. When she's not writing, you can find her throwing a ball, shooting hoops, or along the shores of Lake Michigan with her husband, three children, and two big goofy dogs who like to climb trees. Look for her online at loweysichol.com

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From an Idea to Lego
The Building Bricks Behind the World’s Biggest Toy Company
by Lowey Bundy Sichol

For fans of the successful Who Was series, From an Idea to Lego is a behind-the-bricks look into the world’s famous toy company, with humorous black & white illustrations throughout.

Today, LEGO is one of the biggest toy companies in the world, but a long time ago, a Danish carpenter, Ole Kirk Christiansen, started with just an idea. Find out more about LEGO’s origins, those famous bricks, and their other inventive toys and movie ventures in this illustrated nonfiction book! • Find out the origin of the name LEGO.” (Hint: it combines two Danish words)
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All in a Drop
How Antony van Leeuwenhoek Discovered an Invisible World
by Lori Alexander, illustrated by Vivien Mildenberger

For fans of the Who Was® series, this lively, accessible, and full-color chapter book biography shows how a self-taught scientist was the first to observe the microbial life in and around us. By building his own microscope, Antony van Leeuwenhoek advanced humanity's understanding of our oft-invisible world around us.

Microbes are everywhere: in the soil and oceans, in snow, and inside our bodies. But in Antony van Leeuwenhoek's time, people believed that what they saw with their own eyes was all that existed in the world. How did a simple tradesman-who didn't go to college or speak English or Latin like all the other scientists-change everyone's minds?

Proving that remarkable discoveries can come from the most unexpected people and places, this eye-opening chapter book, illustrated with lively full-color art, celebrates the power of curiosity, ingenuity, and persistence

Author Bio

Lori Alexander is the author of Backhoe Joe, Famously Phoebe®. She happily shares the spotlight with her husband and two children under the star-filled skies of Tucson, AZ. You can find out more about Lori on her website at lorialexanderbooks.com

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Bloodleaf
The Strongest Magic Requires the Greatest Sacrifice
by Crystal Smith

Enchanting, visceral, and twisty" - New York Times bestselling author of Ash Princess, Laura Sebastian

"BLOODLEAF feels like a classic in the making." - Sara Holland, New York Times bestselling author of Everless

A roar of a dark and luscious epic fantasy that's layered with heady romance, bloodthirsty magic, and ghostly intrigue-an absolutely wicked delight.

Princess Aurelia is a prisoner to her crown and the heir that nobody wants. Surrounded by spirits and banned from using her blood-magic, Aurelia flees her country after a devastating assassination attempt. To escape her fate, Aurelia disguises herself as a commoner in a new land and discovers a happiness her crown has never allowed. As she forges new bonds and perfects her magic, she begins to fall for a man who is forbidden to rule beside her. But the ghosts that haunt Aurelia refuse to abandon her, and she finds herself succumbing to their call as they expose a nefarious plot that only she can defeat. Will she be forced to choose between the weight of the crown and the freedom of her new (...)

Author Bio

Crystal Smith is a writer, photographer, and artist who developed an early love of storytelling in a family of voracious readers. She resides in Utah with her high school sweetheart husband and two lively sons. When she isn't writing or creating, she can be found re-watching Jane Eyre or reading ghost stories with all the lights on. @crysrensmith
Voices
The Final Hours of Joan of Arc
by David Elliott

Bestselling author David Elliott explores how Joan of Arc changed the course of history and remains a figure of fascination centuries after her extraordinary life and death. Joan of Arc gets the Hamilton treatment in this evocative novel.

Told through medieval poetic forms and in the voices of the people and objects in Joan of Arc's life, (including her family and even the trees, clothes, cows, and candles of her childhood), Voices offers an unforgettable perspective on an extraordinary young woman. Along the way it explores timely issues such as gender, misogyny, and the peril of speaking truth to power. Before Joan of Arc became a saint, she was a girl inspired. It is that girl we come to know in Voices.

Early praise for Voices: The Final Hours of Joan of Arc:


"By giving Joan of Arc voice, Elliott manages to give her agency and makes her passion, faith, and determination live and breathe on the page. Compelling, engaging, and triumphant, Joan the maiden warrior shines far brighter than her fiery fate." -Robin LaFevers, New York Times best-selling author of Courting Darkness and the His Fair Assassin trilogy

"Elliott enchants. Voices will draw a new generation to the mystery of the peasant girl whose conviction and (...)"

Author Bio

David Elliott is a NY Times bestselling children's author. His many titles include: And Here's to You!, The Transmogrification of Roscoe Wizzle, The Evangeline Mudd books, Finn Throws a Fit!, Jeremy Cabbage and the Living Museum, and In the Wild. His most recent titles include On the Wing, This Oqr. books, and Nobody's Perfect. Born in Ohio, David has worked as a singer, a cucumber washer, and a popsicle stick maker. Currently, he lives in New Hampshire with his wife and a three-footed dog. If you'd like to know more about David and his books, visit him at davidelliottbooks.com or follow him on Twitter @DavidElliott10
**White Rose**

by Kip Wilson

In a searing indictment of silent complicity, *White Rose* shines a light on one remarkable young woman's insistence on the power of truth, no matter the cost. A timely call to resistance." - Joy McCullough, author of *Blood Water Paint*

"*White Rose* is a resonant testament to courage. In a time of horrific brutality, young people found a nonviolent way to resist. Told in the form of poetry, the story of their hopes is honored and brought back to life, still relevant today, when regimes that spread hatred are once again thriving, and words are our most powerful defensive weapon." - Margarita Engle, author of Newbery Honoree *The Surrender Tree* and 2017-2019 Young People's Poet Laureate.

"Both heart-wrenching and inspiring, Sophie Scholl's story, as retold by Kip Wilson in *White Rose*, is a stunning reminder to stand against evil, even when you stand alone. This is the kind of book that sticks in your heart long after you've finished. An incredible story of heroism incredibly told." - Mackenzi Lee, author of *New York Times* Bestseller *The Gentleman's Guide to Vice & Virtue*

"*White Rose* is a deftly plotted, absorbing read. A bold tribute to a brave hero of the German resistance during World War II. Wilson's debut is a triumph!" - Melanie Crowder, author of National Jewish Book Award finalist *Audacity*

"A graceful, moving portrait of a heroic young woman's defiant refusal to remain complicit with Nazi oppression." - Julie Berry, Printz Honor author of (...)" -

**Author Bio**

Kip Wilson is the Poetry Editor of the Young Adult Review Network and has a Ph.D. in German Literature. In 2017, she won the PEN/New England Susan P. Bloom Discovery Award, and her work has appeared in several children's literary magazines.

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You Owe Me a Murder
by Eileen Cook

Seventeen-year-old Kim gets more than she bargained for when she is set up for murder. Perfect for fans of One of Us is Lying, E. Lockhart, and Gillian Flynn.

17-year-old Kim never expected to plot a murder. But that was before her boyfriend dumped her for another girl. Now, Kim's stuck on a class trip to London with him and his new soulmate and she can't help wishing he was a little bit dead, even if she'd never really do that.

But when Kim meets Nicki, a stranger on the plane who's more than willing to listen to Kim's woes, things start to look up. Nicki's got a great sense of humor, and when she jokes about swapping murders, Kim plays along—that is, until Kim's ex-boyfriend mysteriously dies.

Blackmailed by Nicki to fulfill her end of the deal, Kim will have to commit a murder or take the fall for one.

Author Bio

Eileen Cook is a multi-published author with her novels appearing in eight different languages. She spent most of her teen years wishing she were someone else or somewhere else, which is great training for a writer. Eileen lives in Vancouver with her two very naughty dogs and no longer wishes to be anyone or anywhere else.

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Every Moment After
by Joseph Moldover

Best friends Matt and Cole grapple with their changing relationships during the summer after high school in this impactful, evocative story about growing up and moving on from a traumatic past.

Surviving was just the beginning.

Eleven years after a shooting rocked the small town of East Ridge, New Jersey and left eighteen first graders in their classroom dead, survivors and recent high school graduates Matt Simpson and Cole Hewitt are still navigating their guilt and trying to move beyond the shadow of their town’s grief. Will Cole and Matt ever be able to truly leave the ghosts of East Ridge behind? Do they even want to?

As they grapple with changing relationships, falling in love, and growing apart, these two friends must face the question of how to move on—and truly begin living.

Author Bio

Joseph Moldover is a clinical psychologist who works with children, teenagers, and their families. He lives with his wife and their four children in Massachusetts. He has published a number of short stories, mostly under the name Joseph Sloan. Every Moment After is his debut novel.

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Impossible Music
by Sean Williams

In an emotionally compelling tale crackling with originality, when a teen musician goes deaf, his quest to create an entirely new form of music brings him to a deeper understanding of his relationship to the hearing world, of himself, and of the girl he meets along the way.

Music is Simon's life—which is why he is devastated when a stroke destroys his hearing. He resists attempts to help him adjust to his new state, refusing to be counseled, refusing to learn sign-language, refusing to have anything to do with Deaf culture. Refusing, that is, until he meets G, a tough-as-nails girl dealing with her own newly-experienced deafness.

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Author Bio

Sean Williams is the award-winning, #1 New York Times best-selling author of over forty novels, as well as short stories, poetry, and a science-fiction musical. He lives in Adelaide, Australia. Visit him online at seanwilliams.com and on Twitter and Instagram @adelaidesean

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Ancient grievances, long-held grudges, and dangerous magic combine in this sweeping fantasy perfect for fans of Tamora Pierce and Rachel Hartman.

As the granddaughter of a famed navigator, seventeen-year-old Reyna has always lived life on her own terms, despite those who say a girl could never be an explorer for the royal house of St. John del Mar. She is determined to prove them wrong, and as she returns home after a year-long expedition, she knows her dream is within reach. No longer an apprentice, instead: Reyna, Master Explorer. But when menacing raiders attack her ship, those dreams are pushed aside. Reyna's escape is both desperate and dangerous, and when next she sees her ship, a mystery rises from the deep. The sailors—her captain, her countrymen—have vanished. To find them, Reyna must use every resource at her disposal . . . including placing her trust in a handsome prince from a rival kingdom. Together they uncover a disturbing truth. The attack was no isolated incident. Troubling signs point to a shadowy kingdom in the north, and for once, the rulers of the Sea of Magdalen agree: something must be done. But can Reyna be brave enough to find a way

Author Bio

Makiia Lucier grew up on the Pacific Island of Guam and holds degrees in journalism and library studies from the University of Oregon and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She is the author of A Death-Struck Year, Isle of Blood and Stone, and Song of the Abyss.

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The life and career of the fiercely principled Supreme Court Justice, now a popular icon, with dramatic accounts of her landmark cases that moved the needle on legal protection of human rights, illustrated with b/w archival photographs.

Dramatically narrated case histories from Justice Ginsburg's stellar career are interwoven with an account of RBG's life-childhood, family, beliefs, education, marriage, legal and judicial career, children, and achievements-and her many-faceted personality is captured. The cases described, many involving young people, demonstrate her passionate concern for gender equality, fairness, and our constitutional rights. Notes, bibliography, index

Author Bio

Victoria Ortiz graduated from Barnard College and the City University of New York Law School. She has worked as a high school teacher, as a college teacher, as an attorney, and as dean of students at several law schools. Her published work includes Spanish for Lawyers (2012), a unique manual for law students and lawyers who need to discuss legal matters in this useful language. Now retired, Ms. Ortiz lives in the Bay Area with her wife.

Notes

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First Grade Dropout
by Audrey Vernick, illustrated by Matthew Cordell

The first grade narrator of this book has been lots of things: Hungry. Four years old. Crazy bored. Soaking wet. Pretty regular kid . . . until he makes a mistake so big that he's sure he will never be able to go back to Lakeview Elementary School. All readers, even those not in first grade, will find the narrator's feelings familiar, and discover that even though embarrassing things happen, they're usually not as bad as they seem. And sometimes they're even funny!

In Audrey Vernick's hilarious picture book a young boy decides that he can never bring himself back to school, not after committing an awful verbal blunder in front of his entire class. in Matthew Cordell's energetic, endearing cartoon illustrations we see the kid practically exploding at the memory of his mortification. Oh, the grinning faces! Oh, the hilarity!" - The Wall Street Journal

"There is so much story depth and character development in this charmer about friendship, forgiveness, and flexibility that it reads like an excerpt from a chapter book ♦ a just right book for sensitive grade-schoolers who like a good joke and are just learning how to laugh at themselves."
- Boston Globe

* "Vernick's tousled-haired hero may feel miserable, but he has the self-awareness, timing, and raconteurship of a master monologist; readers will be won over from his intriguing opening line ("I've been lots of things") and quickly assured that this, too, shall pass."
- Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Cordell's ink-and-watercolor illustrations masterfully portray the first-person narrator's every emotion: chagrin, nervousness, embarrassment, sadness, anger. A sure conversation-starter about empathy.

Author Bio

Audrey Vernick is author of several novels and many picture books, including Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Baseball Team. She lives with her family near the ocean in New Jersey. Visit her online at audreyvernick.com and on Twitter @yourbuffalo.

Matthew Cordell has illustrated many picture and chapter books for children including Wolf in the Snow, which won the Caldecott Medal. He lives with his wife and two children in Chicago.
Hot Day on Abbott Avenue
by Karen English, illustrated by Javaka Steptoe

It's the hottest, stickiest day of the summer. A fat-sun-in-the-sky day. An eating-ice-pops-on-the-porch day. And for Kishi and Renee, it's a best-friends-breakup day. Each girl sits on her own front porch, waiting for the other to apologize, even though they know they'll never speak to each other again, no matter how bored they get. But then the sounds of feet slapping the pavement and voices chanting double-dutch rhymes drift up the avenue, and neither one can resist going out in the street to play.

This lyrical friendship story, the first collaboration of two outstanding artists, pairs a rhythmic text with distinctive collage illustrations. Its subtle message about sharing and forgiveness will resonate with anyone who has ever experienced the ups and downs of being, and having, a best friend.

Both original and emotionally effective . . . full of movement and energy and joy . . . 'So good!'”
-Kirkus

"Audiences will sympathize with the falling-out-with-a-friend blues even as they long for their own blue popsicles."
-BCCB

"High-energy collage illustrations . . . a satisfying summer story about community and friendship."
-The Horn Book

"Innovative illustrations add depth and texture to an evocative text."
-School Library Journal, starred

Author Bio

Karen English is a Coretta Scott King Honor Award-winner and the author of It All Comes Down to This, a Kirkus Prize Finalist, as well as the Nikki and Deja and The Carver Chronicles series. Her novels have been praised for their accessible writing, authentic characters, and satisfying storylines. She is a former elementary school teacher and lives in Los Angeles, California.

Javaka Steptoe is a Caldecott Medalist, Coretta Scott King Award winner, and winner of a Newberry Honor Book. It’s a Life is his second picture book. He lives in Los Angeles, California.
From best-selling author and illustrator, Tomie dePaola, comes this reissued adapted Italian folktale of how a town was saved by their beloved giant statue.

In the southern part of Italy, on the Adriatic Sea, is the town of Barletta. In this quiet town, there is a gigantic statue of a young Man. Some say it's the largest statue in all of Europe, but no one knows exactly how it got there or who it is supposed to be. One thing is for sure—the people of Barletta love their Mysterious Giant and love to tell stories about him. This is one of their favorite stories to tell—how the giant statue saved their town.

Author Bio

Tomie dePaola is the author and/or illustrator of more than 250 books for children. He receive a Caldecott Honor for Strega Nona and a Newbery Honor for 26 Fairmont Avenue. He is also the recipient of the American Library Association's Laura Ingalls Wilder Award for his substantial and lasting contributions to children's literature. He lives in New London, New Hampshire. Visit his website at www.tomie.com
Catherine, a spirited and inquisitive young woman of good family, narrates in diary form the story of her fourteenth year—the year 1290. A Newbery Honor Book.

This unusual book provides an insider’s look at the life of Birdy, 14, the daughter of a minor English nobleman. The year is 1290 and the vehicle for storytelling is the girl's witty, irreverent diary. . . . Superb historical fiction.” - School Library Journal, Starred

"The period has rarely been presented for young people with such authenticity; the exotic details will intrigue readers while they relate more closely to Birdy’s yen for independence and her sensibilities toward the downtrodden. Her tenacity and ebullient naiveté are extraordinary; at once comic and thought-provoking, this first novel is a delight.” -Kirkus Reviews

Author Bio

Karen Cushman’s acclaimed historical novels include Catherine, Called Birdy, a Newbery Honor winner, and The Midwife’s Apprentice, which received the Newbery Medal. She lives on Vashon Island in Washington State. Visit her online at karencushman.com and on Twitter @cushmanbooks

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- School and Library Advertising
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- Social media content, promotions, and giveaways via @hmhkids
In 1849 a twelve-year-old girl who calls herself Lucy is distraught when her mother moves the family from Massachusetts to a small California mining town. There Lucy helps run a boarding house and looks for comfort in books while trying to find a way to return home.

Cushman's heroine is a delightful character, and the historical setting is authentically portrayed. Lucy's story, as the author points out in her end notes, is the story of many pioneer women who exhibited great strength and courage as they helped to settle the West.

School Library Journal, Starred

"The recent Newbery medalist plunks down two more strong-minded women, this time in an 1849 mining camp—a milieu far removed from the Middle Ages of her first novels, but not all that different when it comes to living standards. . . . With a story that is less a period piece than a timeless and richly comic coming-of-age story, Cushman remains on a roll."

Kirkus Reviews with Pointers

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The Loud Silence of Francine Green
by Karen Cushman

Francine Green doesn't speak up much, and who can blame her? Her parents aren't interested in her opinions, the nuns at school punish girls who ask too many questions, and the House Committee on Un-American Activities is blacklisting people who express unpopular ideas. There's safety in silence. Francine would rather lose herself in a book, or in daydreams about her favorite Hollywood stars, than risk attracting attention or getting in trouble.

But when outspoken, passionate Sophie Bowman transfers into Francine's class at All Saints School for Girls, Francine finds herself thinking about things that never concerned her before-free speech, the atom bomb, the existence of God, the way people treat each other. Eventually, Francine discovers that she not only has something to say, she is absolutely determined to say it.

Once again, Karen Cushman follows a young woman's progress toward her true self, this time exploring the nature of friendship and the experience of growing up Catholic in an era that is both fascinating and relevant to today's young people. Author's note.

"Cushman creates another introspective female character who is planted firmly in her time and who grows in courage [and] self-awareness." School Library Journal, Starred

"The dialogue is sharp [in] this story of friends and foes, guilt and courage." (Starred Review) Kirkus Reviews, Starred

"A compelling look at what can happen when one girl finds the courage to speak out for what she believes." Bookpage

"Serious issues are balanced by Francine's self-deprecating sense of humor to (...)"

Author Bio

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The Midwife's Apprentice
by Karen Cushman

A poor girl in medieval England gains a name, a purpose, and a future in this 'delightful' and beloved Newbery Medal-winning book. Now with a new cover! (School Library Journal, starred review)

* "A truly delightful introduction to a world seldom seen in children's literature." - School Library Journal, starred review

* "A fascinating view of a far distant time." - Horn Book, starred review

* "Gripping." - Kirkus Reviews, starred review

A girl known only as Brat has no family, no home, and no future until she meets Jane the Midwife and becomes her apprentice. As she helps the short-tempered Jane deliver babies, Brat-who renames herself Alyce-gains knowledge, confidence, and the courage to want something in life for the first time. Introduction by Lois Lowry.

With simplicity, wit, and humor, Cushman presents another tale of medieval England. Here readers follow the satisfying, literal and figurative journey of a homeless, nameless child called Brat. . . . Earthy humor, the foibles of humans both high and low, and a fascinating mix of superstition and genuinely helpful herbal remedies attached to childbirth make this a truly delightful introduction to a world seldom seen in children's literature."

School Library Journal, Starred

"This novel is about a strong, young woman in medieval England who finds her own way home. . . . Kids will be caught up in this short, fast-paced narrative about a hero who discovers that she's not ugly or stupid or alone."

Booklist, ALA, Starred Review

Author Bio

Karen Cushman’s acclaimed historical novels include Catherine, Called Birdy, a Newbery Honor winner, and The Midwife’s Apprentice, which received the Newbery Medal. She lives on Vashon Island in Washington State. Visit her online at karencushman.com and on Twitter @cushmanbooks
The Gift of Dark Hollow
by Kieran Larwood, illustrated by David Wyatt

"Full of danger, suspense, and swashbuckling action." - Booklist

"Great storytelling." - Kirkus Reviews

Hiding with fellow refugees, Podkin, Paz, and Pook are temporarily safe in Dark Hollow Warren. But their enemies—the evil Gorm—still search for them. The rabbits’ only hope may be to locate twelve magical Gifts and use them to defeat the Gorm. The fate of all rabbitkind is at stake, and danger lurks at every turn. It will take all the siblings’ courage and ingenuity to find the Gifts, battle the Gorm, and stay alive.

Action and intrigue infuse the second installment of a series that shows that anyone—even little rabbits—can do great things.

Like the mysterious bard, Larwood shines as a storyteller, providing an intriguing group of heroes with different strengths and vividly describing their experiences on a journey full of danger, suspense, and swashbuckling action." - Booklist

"Great storytelling continues in this latest Longburrow adventure." - Kirkus

Author Bio

Kieran Larwood has been passionate about stories and storytelling since reading The Hobbit at age six. He is a father, children's book author, and former teacher. He lives on the Isle of Wight in Great Britain.

kmlarwood.com
Mayka and her stone family were brought to life by the stories etched into their bodies. Now time is eroding these vital marks, and Mayka must find a stonemason to recarve them. But the search is more complex than she had imagined, and Mayka uncovers a scheme endangering all stone creatures. Only someone who casts stories into stone can help—but whom can Mayka trust? Who will save them?

Mayka's kindness and steady loyalty, her friends' animated and varied personalities, and some downright brilliant problem-solving will carve themselves into readers' memories. “- Kirkus, STARRED review

“Mayka is a strong, believable heroine that readers will root for...This exciting adventure has moments reminiscent of The Wizard of Oz, in which the protagonist must rely on herself and her friends to find inner courage and her way to safety.”- School Library Journal, review

"With a deft balance between the thrilling journey and the artfully built world of magic, this is as beautiful and adventurous as the graceful stone birds accompanying Mayka on her journey.” - Booklist

"Featuring a richly diverse cast, vividly imagined worldbuilding, and passionate storytelling, Durst's middle grade fantasy is a feast for the senses.”- Publishers Weekly, STARRED review

"Mayka's thoughtful explorations of how the stories (...)"

Author Bio

Sarah Beth Durst is the author of fantasy novels for children, teens, and adults. Winner of the Mythopoeic Award and an ALA Alex Award and thrice nominated for the Andre Norton Award for YA Science Fiction and Fantasy, she lives in New York. Visit her at www.sarahbethdurst.com or on Twitter @sarahbethdurst.
The Friendship Experiment
by Erin Teagan

Future scientist Madeline Little is dreading the start of middle school. Nothing has been right since her grandfather died and her best friend changed schools. Maddie would rather help her father in his research lab or write Standard Operating Procedures in her lab notebook than hang out with a bunch of kids who aren't even her friends. Despite Maddie's reluctance, some new friends start coming her way—until they discover what she's written in that secret notebook. And that's just part of the trouble. Can this future scientific genius find the formula for straightening out her life?

* A smart, breezy narrative that is both clever and approachable, offering a fresh twist on the familiar topic of middle school angst. . . . Highly enjoyable for aspiring scientists, budding artists, and regular kids.*
- Kirkus, STARRED

"Underscores the importance of compassion and forgiveness."
- PW

"Science-minded readers will cheer . . . as [Maddie] learns what exactly it means to have-and be-a friend."
- Booklist

Author Bio

Erin Teagan is the author of several books for kids, including Survivor Girl, The Friendship Experiment, and three titles about American Girl's 2018 Girl of the Year, Luciana. She lives with her family in Virginia. Visit her online at erinteagan.com and on Twitter @ErinKTeaga
The Spinner Prince
by Matt Laney

Prince Leo is next in line for the throne of Singara, a land ruled by super-evolved felines. Like every thirteen-year-old, Leo must prove his worth by hunting a deadly beast called a slaycon. But killing a slaycon is the least of Leo's problems. The enemy beyond the Great Wall is rising up. Inside the wall, Singara is being torn apart by Leo's rebellious cousin. Worst of all, Leo is a Spinner, cursed with a dangerous and forbidden power he can't control.

An unforgettable adventure, this first book in the Pride Wars series by debut author Matt Laney introduces a world where honor and duty, ferocity and faith, are tested by an unexpected hero.

Readers who like Erin Hunter's books will race through this title and will be highly anticipating the sequel." - School Library Journal, review

Author Bio

Matt Laney is an ordained minister with a lifelong interest in world religion, folklore, wisdom traditions, martial arts, and big cats. The Spinner Prince marks his literary debut. Matt lives with his wife and two children who love to read. www.pridewars.com

Notes

Promotion

- Social media content, promotions, and giveaways via @hmhkids
Gone Camping
A Novel in Verse
by Tamera Will Wissinger, illustrated by Matthew Cordell

A playful, delightfully illustrated verse narrative" (Kirkus) about two siblings who take on the great outdoors with their young-at-heart grandfather. Exuberantly illustrated by Caldecott Medal winner Matthew Cordell and filled with a variety of poetic forms, this camping romp is packed with family humor and adventure.

"... this is a strong selection for school libraries."
- Bulletin

"Just right or young chapter-book readers, here's an accomplished, upbeat introduction to camping, poetic forms, and verse novels."
- Booklist

"An uplifting tale showing what fun may be had when one summons the courage to head into the woods and off the grid."
- Kirkus

Author Bio

Tamera Will Wissinger writes poetry and stories for children. She earned her B.A. degree in English from Sioux Falls College, and her M.F.A. degree in Writing from Hamline University. She is the author of Gone Fishing: A Novel in Verse and This Old Band. www.tamerawillwissinger.com

Matthew Cordell has illustrated many picture and chapter books for children including Wolf in the Snow, which won the Caldecott Medal. He lives with his wife and their two children outside of Chicago, Illinois. Visit him online at matthewcordell.com and on Twitter @cordellmatthew
Ten
A Soccer Story
by Shamini Flint

Goal-oriented Maya has two main concerns: getting support and permission for girls’ soccer and keeping her unpredictable biracial family together. At the same time she’s trying to fit in at school, figure out who her true friends are, and dodge the criticisms of her traditional East Indian grandmother and the other relatives who say girls should be quiet and obedient. Maya’s witty, observant first-person narrative will make readers want her on their team, and they’ll cheer her on as she discovers that winning is great—but losing doesn’t mean defeat.

… Flint injects humor effortlessly into her prose. Add the antics of a spunky main character and short and sweet chapters for a fast-paced, entertaining read. Universal themes of grappling with race, fitting in, and dealing with divorce help this story transcend cultural boundaries.”
-Kirkus

Author Bio

Shamini Flint grew up in Malaysia and is the author of the Inspector Singh Investigates crime novels for adults and many books for children. Previously a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales, she is now a full-time writer. Visit her on Facebook at @ShaminiFlintAuthor
The Unicorn in the Barn
by Jacqueline Ogburn, illustrated by Rebecca Green

Called an enchanting, compassionate tale” by Booklist, this tender and illustrated middle-grade fantasy about a boy and the unicorn that changes his worldview is perfect for fans of Hello, Universe and Katherine Applegate.

For years people have claimed to see a mysterious white deer in the woods around Chinaberry Creek.

One evening, Eric Harper thinks he spots it. But a deer doesn't have a coat that shimmers like a pearl, or an ivory horn curling from its forehead.

When Eric discovers the unicorn is hurt and being taken care of by the vet next door and her daughter, Allegra, his life is transformed. He's thrust into a world of magical creatures just as his world at home starts to crumble.

"A tender tale of love, loss, and the connections we make, The Unicorn in the Barn shows us that sometimes ordinary life can take extraordinary turns."

Animal-lovers will adore this enchanting, compassionate tale." -Booklist

"Eric's quiet, genuine, first-person voice tells a realistic story of family love and discovering one's true self, the presence of the unicorn and other magical creatures adding just a touch of whimsy to a story about very real emotions. A sensitive, moving debut." -Kirkus

Author Bio

Jacqueline K. Ogburn has published ten picture books, including The Bake Shop Ghost. This story is her first novel. The resident of a suddenly hip neighborhood in Durham, N.C., she works for a local major university. She and her husband, Ben Deahl, have two daughters and a cat who sometimes disappears, but has yet to speak English.

Rebecca Green is an illustrator, painter, and make believe maker whose work has a home in young adult and children's books, galleries, magazines, and more. When she is not making things, she can be found cooking, traveling, and starting too many books to finish. She currently lives in Nashville, TN with her husband, their dog, Mori, and their cat, Junie B. Visit her online at myblankpaper.com and on Instagram at @rebeccagreenillustration
The Heat Is On
by Charise Mericle Harper, illustrated by Aurelie Blard-Quintard

The competition heats up in episode two of this zesty series for fans of kids' cooking competitions!

With this episode's theme of family and tradition, from a diner challenge to a quinceanera to the farmer's market, the junior chefs will have to saute their way through the chewiest challenges yet. They're the best in the nation, but can they handle the twists and turnovers week two has in store, on- and off-camera? Which junior chefs can stand the heat? And which one will need to get out of the kitchen? We are one episode closer to discovering just who will earn the title of Next Best Junior Chef.

Bonus: Includes real cooking techniques for the aspiring young chef!

Fast-paced and fun-filled, a delicious read for middle graders, foodies or not.”- Kirkus, 11/13/2017

Author Bio

Charise Mericle Harper is the author and illustrator of many books for children, including the Just Grace series and the Next Best Junior Chef series. Charise lives in Oregon. Visit Charise at chariseharper.com and on Twitter at @ChariseHarper.

Aurelie Blard-Quintard studied classical drawing in Paris and earned a Master of Communication Media degree, specializing in stop-motion animation, in Bristol, England. She lives with her family and their cat in Strasbourg, France.
The Winner Is . . .
by Charise Mericle Harper, illustrated by Aurelie Blard-Quintard

The thrilling final episode in the zesty series for fans of kids’ cooking competitions. It’s the season finale and only two contestants remain. Who will take the cake and earn the title of Next Best Junior Chef?

Two talented junior chefs have sliced and diced their way into the finale of Next Best Junior Chef. This week’s theme: innovation. Which junior chef will rise to the top and earn the title of Next Best Junior Chef? And whose goose is cooked? Two contestants compete on- and off-camera, but only one will win the whole enchilada.

This is a finale you won’t want to miss!

Bonus: includes real cooking techniques for the aspiring young chef!

A satisfactory denouement.” - *Kirkus*

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David Elliott turns a classic on its head: this rough and rowdy retelling of the Minotaur myth in verse will have readers reevaluating one of mythology's most infamous monsters.

THE MYTH OF THE MINOTAUR? THAT'S BULL.

Garnering six starred reviews, this update of the timeless story of Theseus and the Minotaur has been called beautifully clever," "a literary feast fit for the gods," "powerful and engrossing," "irresistible, slick, and sharp," "a genre of its own," and "rude, crude, and it's a whole bunch of fun."

Resurrected from the dark depths of the labyrinth, this fresh, deliciously shocking, and darkly comedic novel-in-verse takes on the Theseus and Minotaur myth and shines a light on one of history's most infamous monsters.

"Beautifully clever." - Weekend Edition Saturday

"Razor-sharp rhyme schemes and sly, vicious humor make Bull a bawdy yet sophisticated romp, a literary feast fit for the gods." - Shelf Awareness, starred review

"Elliott contemporizes the ancient story of blackmail, betrayal, and revenge with humor, poignancy, and profanity . . . the personalities and voices Elliott brings to these mythical characters make this powerful and engrossing book a genre of its own." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Elliott's clever verse version of the classical story of the Minotaur: its title, Bull, is topically and colloquially apt." - Horn Book, starred review

"There's (...)"

Author Bio

David Elliott is a NY Times bestselling children's author. His many titles include: And Here's to You!, The Transmogrification of Roscoe Wizzle, The Evangeline Mudd books, Finn Throws a Fit!, Jeremy Cabbage and the Living Museum, and In the Wild. His most recent titles include On the Wing, This Org. books, and Nobody's Perfect. Born in Ohio, David has worked as a singer, a cucumber washer, and a popsicle stick maker. Currently, he lives in Columbus, Ohio with his wife and two kids.
One Lie Too Many
by Eileen Cook

Trust no one. A nail-biter littered and lined with twists that will leave you gasping.” - Teresa Toten, author of Beware That Girl and The Unlikely Hero of Room 13B

Seventeen-year-old Skye Thorn will do anything to get out of her small Michigan town, even if that means pretending to be a psychic for fast cash. When Paige, the local golden girl goes missing, Skye uses her psychic visions to help the police with the case. Her readings have always been faked, but this time Skye has insider knowledge-straight from the kidnappers themselves who promise Skye a portion of the ransom money.

But when their seemingly harmless prank goes terribly wrong, Skye realizes that the group she’s involved with are willing to kill to get what they want. Now, she’ll have to discover their identities before it’s too late.

"... is fast-paced; features a very relatable, down-on-her-luck protagonist; and boasts a surprise twist that will leave readers arguing long after the book is over. Perfect for fans of psychological thrillers." - Booklist

"A surprisingly dark thriller that will find a home in libraries where there is a need for strong female protagonists and engrossing mysteries." - SLJ

"... The multiple twists in the ending pack several hefty wallops of surprise and reward the reader with a more than satisfactory payout." - Bulletin

"The final twist is creepy and, like all good twists, makes perfect sense when reading back to see what you missed." - The Globe and Mail

Author Bio

Eileen Cook is a multi-published author with her novels appearing in eight different languages. She spent most of her teen years wishing she were someone else or somewhere else, which is great training for a writer. Eileen lives in Vancouver with her two very naughty dogs and no longer wishes to be anyone or anywhere else.

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Your One and Only
by Adrianne Finlay

Jack is a walking fossil. The only human among a sea of clones. It's been hundreds of years since humanity died off in the slow plague, leaving the clones behind to carry on human existence. Over time they've perfected their genes, moving further away from the imperfections of humanity. But if they really are perfect, why did they create Jack?

While Jack longs for acceptance, Althea-310 struggles with the feeling that she's different from her sisters. Her fascination with Jack doesn't help. As Althea and Jack's connection grows stronger, so does the threat to their lives. What will happen if they do the unthinkable and fall in love?

A world without disease, strife and, war. Perfect, right? But what if it's also missing its heart? We fell for Jack and Althea's romance, which is made to order for fans of The Giver, Delirium and Warm Bodies, because woven into this fast-paced and romantic sci-fi is a thoughtful look at what it really means to be human. " -Justine Magazine

" Finlay has created a thought-provoking tale that explores conformity, individuality, and what it means to be human. With imaginative, vivid world building, this should appeal to fans of Lauren Oliver's Replica (2016)." - Booklist

"Like the works of Ursula K. LeGuin, inside this lyrically written, suspenseful tale is a deeply humane thematic core." -Kirkus Reviews, starred Review

"Readers will feel fully immersed in this new reality. A great choice for lovers of postapocalyptic story lines." - School Library Journal

"Haunting, moving and provocative, Your One & Only asks questions that will linger after you're (...)"

Author Bio
Adrianne Finlay is the director of the creative writing program at Upper Iowa University. She received her Ph.D. in English from Binghamton University. Her writing has appeared in Paterson Literary Review, North American Review, the Journal of Popular Culture, and New Linear Perspectives. Your One & Only is her first novel.
Seventeen-year-old Zeb Holloway is happy to work in his uncle's auto repair shop and cruise through school without much effort. He's a quarterback on his high school's undefeated football team, but he never plays. That is, until the star player is injured a week before the state championships.

As Zeb assumes the role of QB and team leader, the entire town is watching him. And when a college recruiter says Zeb could have a future beyond his small New Hampshire town, he realizes there's a bigger life out there for him.

Can one game really change everything? Fate and football collide in this moving sports novel.

A coming-of-age story with the American dream simmering underneath, Monninger's novel will grab the attention of sports fans, even reluctant readers, and Zeb's adjustment to a role outside his comfort zone will resonate with many readers as they navigate their high-school years. . .full of heart and discovery." - Booklist

". . .Monninger heartwarmingly and realistically portrays Zeb and his companions as relatable individuals who do not have the perfect lives. The description of football and the community pressure feel authentic . . .Recommended for a young adult collection looking for more sports fiction." - SLJ

"A coming-of-age story about a teen who gets the first-and only-start of his football career when their star quarterback is badly injured a week before a championship game Subtle, nuanced, and full of heart."- Kirkus

"Hand this to (...)"

Author Bio

Joseph Monninger is an English professor and New Hampshire guide. He is the author of the young adult novels Finding Somewhere, Wish, Hippie Chick, and Baby. He also writes fiction and nonfiction for adults. www.joemonninger.com
Janey King’s priorities used to be clear: track, school, friends, and family. But when seventeen-year-old Janey learns that her seemingly happy parents are getting divorced, her world starts to shift. Back at school, Luke Hallstrom, an adorable senior, pursues Janey, and she realizes that she has two new priorities to consider: love and sex.

*I Never* features a perfect, delicious, almost-to-good-to-be-true high school relationship . . . and it doesn’t shy away from the details. This is a young adult debut that will get readers talking.

A stellar debut novel that easily compares to Judy Blume’s iconic *Forever This is destined to be a classic and will undoubtedly be passed around from teen to teen as a word-of-mouth favorite. Highly recommended.* - *School Library Journal*, starred review

"This steamy and delightfully explicit exploration of teen sex and emotional growth begs to be passed from friend to friend under cover of the cafeteria table." - *Kirkus*

"Janey makes her own choices and enjoys the results, and the result is a sweetly sex-positive book." - *Publishers Weekly*

"This debut is a clear, matter-of-fact look at one girl's first time. Both the choice to have sex and the choice not to are discussed without stigma " - *Booklist*

"I Never will have you blushing and smiling secretively, but is also informative, mature, and honest; a thoughtful, heartfelt, sexy coming-of-age story." - Estelle Laure, author of *This Raging Light* and *But Then I Came Back*

"Word of mouth will sell this book." - *VOYA*

**Author Bio**

Laura Hopper has worked in the film industry and is currently a book editor. *I Never* is her first novel. She lives in Los Angeles, California, with her family.
Meet Cute
by Jennifer L. Armentrout, Dhonielle Clayton and Katie Cotugno

Whether or not you believe in fate, or luck, or love at first sight, every romance has to start somewhere. Now readers can indulge in their love of meet-cute moments with a YA short story collection from some of today's most popular YA authors. A diverse cast of characters and situations means that this collection has something for every reader looking for feel-good fun.

… An enjoyable and diverse collection that never feels repetitive, despite the stories' shared thematic underpinnings… All 14 leave just enough magic and mystery to inspire readers to trust in a little bit of fate.” - Publishers Weekly

"The people and situations vary, but it all comes down to that effervescent moment of "hello" - so essentially, it's like those Starburst bags that only contain the red and pink ones, but in book form." - EW.com

"The collection is a welcome departure from strictly heterosexual romance, including cisgirl-meets-girl and transgirl-meets-girl connections in addition to girl-meets-boy scenarios… A collection that adds much-needed diversity to the existing teen-romance genre." - Kirkus

"Ultimately a well-rounded, charming collection of love stories that any reader will be happy to meet.” - Booklist

Author Bio

Jennifer L. Armentrout (Lux series), Dhonielle Clayton (Tiny Pretty Things), Katie Cotugno (99 Days), Jocelyn Davies (The Odds of Lightning), Huntley Fitzpatrick (My Life Next Door), Nina LaCour (Hold Still), Emery Lord (When We Collided), Katharine McGee (The Thousandth Floor), Kass Morgan (the 100 series), Julie Murphy (Dumplin’), Meredith Russo (If I Was Your Girl), Sara Shepard (Pretty Little Liars), Nicola Yoon (Everything, Everything), and Ibi Zoboi (American Street)
Isle of Blood and Stone
by Makiia Lucier

Nineteen-year-old Elias—royal mapmaker and friend of del Mar’s new king, Ulises—is eager to explore uncharted waters. But when two maps surface, each with the same hidden riddle, Elias must put aside his next voyage and join forces with Ulises’s cousin, Mercedes, on a quest to solve a mystery that began eighteen years ago with the disappearance of Ulises’s two brothers. Following the clues, Elias, Mercedes, and Ulises uncover long-held secrets and unimaginable betrayals. Isle of Blood and Stone is a sweeping fantasy full of intrigue and schemes, romance and friendship, and fearless explorers searching for the truth.

Intriguing, compelling, and boldly enriching, Lucier crafts a vivid fantasy that will appeal to readers who love getting lost in new worlds.” - Buzzfeed

"An exhilarating tale of fantasy, political intrigue, fearless explorers, and heart-thumping romance." - Bustle

"Combining rich descriptions with a compelling mystery, Lucier (A Death-Struck Year) creates a vibrant world populated by appealing characters and enhances the story with subtle magical elements, a hint of romance, and a dose of political intrigue." - Publishers Weekly, STARRED review

"Readers craving a captivating adventure will find that and more in Lucier’s brilliant fantasy." - Booklist, STARRED review

"Lucier has crafted an exciting plot of attempted murder and betrayal that simmers just below the surface, right up to the breathtaking twist in the final pages Highly recommended where Tamora Pierce, V.E. Schwab, and Rachel Hartman are popular." - School Library Journal

"Deftly employing suspense and mystery, bolstered by tantalizing details about strange beasts and geographical fascinations, this original fantasy drops hints with masterful precision, tracing clues left in the maps to a startling conclusion." - Horn Book Magazine

"A romantic maritime epic and a charming tribute to mapmakers, calligraphers, and (....)"

Author Bio

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Series: Tower of Winds

Notes

Promotion

- Social media promotions via @hmhteen
Retribution Rails
by Erin Bowman

Bowman’s attention to period details, sexism, and racism flesh out the fast-paced plot in a most satisfying way.” - Booklist

Redemption is never free.

When Reece Murphy is dragged into the Rose Riders gang because of a mysterious gold coin, he vows to find the man who gave him the piece and turn him over in exchange for freedom. But when Reece’s path crosses with Charlotte Vaughn, an aspiring journalist, and she mentions a promising rumor about a gunslinger from Prescott, it becomes apparent that she will be his ticket to freedom—or a noose.

In this thrilling companion to Vengeance Road, dangerous alliances are formed, old friends meet new enemies, and the West is wilder than ever.

Twisting, thrilling, and a wild ride from start to finish. Prepare to be hooked.” - Mackenzi Lee, New York Times bestselling author of the Gentleman’s Guide to Vice and Virtue

"I devoured this thrilling, fast-paced battle, from its setting in the American West to its cast of vivid characters. “ - Tamora Pierce, New York Times bestselling author

"Rugged and ruthless, Retribution Rails brings readers into the expanding-and lawless-Wild West." - Mindy McGinnis, author of Not a Drop to Drink

"Erin Bowman has woven a world as convincing as it is gripping. I flew through these pages with abandon (...)"

Author Bio

Erin Bowman used to tell stories visually as a web designer. Now a full-time writer, she lives in New Hampshire with her family and when not writing she can often be found hiking, geeking out over good typography, and obsessing over all things Harry Potter. www.embowman.com Twitter: @erin_bowman Instagram: @heyerin
The Love Letters of Abelard and Lily  
by Laura Creedle

When Lily Michaels-Ryan ditches her ADHD meds and lands in detention with Abelard, she’s intrigued—he seems thirty seconds behind, while she feels thirty seconds ahead. It doesn’t hurt that he’s brilliant and beautiful.

When Abelard posts a quote from *The Letters of Abelard and Heloise* online, their mutual affinity for ancient love letters connects them. The two fall for each other. Hard. But is it enough to bridge their differences in person?

This hilarious, heartbreaking story of human connection between two neurodivergent teens creates characters that will stay with you long after you finish reading.

Entertaining, thought-provoking, and unsettling-in a good way.” - *Kirkus*

"Creedle’s debut novel is rich and thoughtful " - *Booklist*

"Readers will be moved by the sacrifices the teens make for each other, and the open-ended conclusion invites speculation while providing reassurance that the bonds formed between these characters won't easily be broken." - *Publishers Weekly*

"A thought-provoking story to fill that empty space on YA shelves for tales of realistic fiction, romance, and humor."- *School Library Journal*

"Creedle crafts Lily and Abelard's story with canny insight Readers will fall in love with their love."- *BCCB*

**Author Bio**

Laura Creedle lives in Austin, TX, and writes about her experiences as an ADHD writer on her website. www.lauracreedle.com
A Northern Light
by Jennifer Donnelly


A Printz Award Honor Book

Sixteen-year-old Mattie Gokey has a word for everything, and big dreams of being a writer but little hope of seeing them come true. With the fresh pain of her mother’s death lingering over her and the only out from her impoverished life being marriage to the handsome but dull local rich boy, Maddie flees from her home. She takes a job at the Glenmore, where hotel guest Grace Brown entrusts her with the task of burning a secret bundle of letters. But when Grace’s drowned body is fished from Big Moose Lake, Mattie discovers that the letters could reveal the grim truth behind a murder.

Set in 1906 in the Adirondack Mountains, against the backdrop of the murder that inspired Theodore Dreiser’s *An American Tragedy*, this Printz Honor-winning coming-of-age novel effortlessly weaves romance, history, and a murder mystery into something moving, and real, and wholly original.

A Printz Award Honor Book

Carnegie Medal Winner, United Kingdom

A 2011 ALA Popular Paperbacks Title

This is a breathtaking tale (...)

Author Bio

Jennifer Donnelly is the author of eleven novels including the Waterfire Saga, The Tea Rose series, *Beauty and the Beast: Lost in a Book*, and *A Northern Light*. She grew up in New York State, in Lewis and Westchester counties, and attended the University of Rochester where she majored in English Literature and European History.

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Graceling
by Kristin Cashore

Katsa has been able to kill a man with her bare hands since she was eight—she's a Graceling, one of the rare people in her land born with an extreme skill. As niece of the king, she should be able to live a life of privilege, but Graced as she is with killing, she is forced to work as the king's thug.

When she first meets Prince Po, Graced with combat skills, Katsa has no hint of how her life is about to change. She never expects to become Po's friend. She never expects to learn a new truth about her own Grace—or about a terrible secret that lies hidden far away... a secret that could destroy all seven kingdoms with words alone

Author Bio

KRISTIN CASHORE is a freelance educational writer who writes content for textbooks and teacher editions, as well as book reviews for The Horn Book Guide and other publications. Kristin received her master's degree in children's literature in 2003 from Simmons College, where she worked with Liza Ketchum and was named a Virginia Haviland Scholar. She lives in Jacksonville, Florida.
The Giver (Graphic Novel)
by Lois Lowry, illustrated by P. Craig Russell

The Giver is a modern classic and one of the most influential books of our time.

Now in graphic novel format, Lois Lowry's Newbery Medal-winning classic story of a young boy discovering the dark secrets behind his seemingly ideal world is accompanied by renowned artist P. Craig Russell's beautifully haunting illustrations.

Placed on countless reading lists, translated into more than forty languages, and made into a feature film, The Giver is the first book in The Giver Quartet that also includes Gathering Blue, Messenger, and Son.

In this new graphic novel edition, readers experience the haunting story of twelve-year-old Jonas and his seemingly ideal, if colorless, world of conformity and contentment, through the brilliant art of P. Craig Russell that truly brings The Giver to life.

Witness Jonas' s assignment as the Receiver of Memory, watch as he begins to understand the dark secrets behind his fragile community, and follow the explosion of color into his world like never before.

Author Bio

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