Ceremony: Welcome to Our Country
Adam Goodes and Ellie Laing, illustrated by David Hardy

A joyful celebration of family and culture, the Welcome to Our Country series introduces First Nations history to children. From Australian of the Year Adam Goodes, co-writer Ellie Laing, and Barkindji illustrator David Hardy.

Description
Welcome, children!
Nangga! Nangga! Yakarti!
Tonight will be our Ceremony.

Our family gathers as the fire burns.
The smoke rises up as we take it in turns . . .
Then clapsticks tap - one, two, three -
but a stick is missing! Where could it be?

Joyful and full of fun, Ceremony invites you to celebrate the rich traditions of dance, family, community and caring for Country from the world's oldest continuous culture.

About the Author
Adam Goodes is an Adnyamathanha and Narungga man and community leader. He is a former Australian Rules Footballer, having achieved the greatest heights in the game, and was named Australian of the Year in 2014 for his public work in the fight against racism and his advocacy in First Nations affairs. Together with his cousin Michael O'Loughlin, Adam founded the GO Foundation, which supports and inspires the next generation of First Nations leaders. With a diploma in Aboriginal Studies and his own daughter approaching preschool age, Adam was motivated to publish a series of books for young children and families about Australia's First Nations history.

Ellie Laing (nee Southwood) is a communications professional, and former political advisor and journalist, who lives on the lands of the Gammeraygal people on the northern beaches of Sydney with her husband and two sons. When Ellie's eldest son Harvey came home from preschool reciting Acknowledgements of Country and singing Aboriginal lullabies, she was inspired to collaborate with Adam Goodes on a series of books aimed at helping families with young children to talk about Australia's First Nations history. She is currently completing studies in Traditional Aboriginal Cultures.

David Hardy is a Barkindji man, author and artist with more than eight years of animation experience with Walt Disney Animation Studios. Married with two children, he is currently a Senior Gaming Illustrator/Animation Manager for Lightning Box Games. David has worked on twelve animated feature films, including The Little Mermaid: Ariel's Beginning, The Lion King 3: Hakuna Matata and Return to Neverland. His books for children include Alfie's Search for Destiny and Alfie's Big Wish, On the Way to Nana's (written by Frances and Lindsay Haji-Ali), The Proud Foots 1: Shaka Shaka Hawaii (written by Lucas Proudfoot) and Aussie Kids: Meet Zoe and Zac at the Zoo (written by Belinda Murrell).
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About the Author
Somebody's Land: Welcome to Our Country
Adam Goodes and Ellie Laing, illustrated by David Hardy

An accessible picture book for young children that introduces First Nations history and the term 'terra nullius' to a general audience, from Australian of the Year, community leader and anti-racism advocate Adam Goodes and political adviser and former journalist Ellie Laing, with artwork by Barkindji illustrator David Hardy.

Description
For thousands and thousands of years,
Aboriginal people lived in the land we call Australia.

The land was where people
built their homes,
played in the sun,
and sat together to tell stories.

When the white people came,
they called the land
Terra Nullius.
They said it was nobody's land.
But it was somebody's land.

Somebody's Land is an invitation to connect with First Nations culture, to acknowledge the hurt of the past, and to join together as one community with a precious shared history as old as time.

Adam Goodes and Ellie Laing's powerful words and David Hardy's pictures, full of life, invite children and their families to imagine themselves into Australia's past - to feel the richness of our First Nations' history, to acknowledge that our country was never terra nullius, and to understand what 'welcome to our country' really means.

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Whisper on the Wind
Claire Saxby, illustrated by Jess Racklyeft

A stunning picture book about separation, connection and reunion from the team behind the glorious Iceberg, renowned picture book creators Claire Saxby and Jess Racklyeft.

Description
This is the wind that carries the whisper from Ren's dream.

This is the sailor, long at sea, who catches it.

The multi-award-winning duo behind Iceberg returns! With its lyrical, cumulative text and whimsical, richly imagined artwork, Whisper on the Wind is a celebration of the wonders of the ocean and the power of love to find us - wherever we are.

About the Author
Claire Saxby was born in Melbourne, moved to Newcastle as a toddler and to Bougainville Island in PNG when she was ten. She attended many schools around Australia before studying in Melbourne to become a podiatrist. For several years Claire worked in community health while simultaneously writing for children. Her books fall into three main categories: animals and the worlds they live in, history and rhythmic stories for the very young. Claire's work has won several awards including CBCA Honour Book, a NSW Premier's Literary Award, a SCBWI Crystal Kite Award, an Environment Award for Children's Literature, an Educational Publishing Award and the Whitley Award multiple times. She is widely curious about just about everything and passionate about encouraging curiosity and wonder. Claire works part-time in a bookshop.

Jess Racklyeft creates a variety of illustrated things - picture books, paintings, prints, pins and cards - mainly in watercolours. She works from her Melbourne home studio with her cat and dog at her feet, and occasionally one of her kids joins in too. Her work often combines collage - either on paper or digitally assembled - and lots of ink, and for every book she tries to use a new technique or process to continue to challenge and grow, book by book. Jess worked in publishing sales for almost a decade before making the leap to full-time illustration work, and since then has won several illustration accolades including two CBCA Notable Picture Book of the Year awards. Her work can now be found in bookshops and libraries across Australia, and her days are happily spent in a messy studio or visiting local storytimes with her two young kids. Find Jess's work at www.jessesmess.com

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Surviving the Wild 12 Copy Pack
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Pack includes 6 copies each of Rainbow the Koala and Star the Elephant, plus a shelftalker and standee.

Description
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About the Author

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Star the Elephant: Surviving the Wild 2
Remy Lai

A heartfelt and hopeful early reader graphic novel series featuring adorable animals surviving in the wilderness despite the perils of climate change, from the award-winning creator of Pawcasso.

Description
Hi! I'm Star and I'm an elephant. There isn't enough food left on my island, so my herd has to split up. But the world out there is so big! Soon I am lost and alone, facing giant spiders and a big, wild ocean and the scariest thing of all … humans! Will I ever see my family again?

From the creator of Pawcasso comes an inspiring graphic novel series for young readers, the perfect introduction to the wonders and perils of the natural world - and how we can all do our part to protect it.

About the Author
Remy Lai was born in Indonesia, grew up in Singapore and currently lives in Brisbane, Australia, where she writes and draws stories for kids with her two dogs by her side. She is also the creator of the critically acclaimed Pie in the Sky, Fly on the Wall and Pawcasso. www.remylai.com
Rainbow the Koala: Surviving the Wild 1
Remy Lai

A heartfelt and hopeful early reader graphic novel series featuring adorable animals surviving in the wilderness despite the perils of climate change, from the award-winning creator of Pawcasso.

Description
Hi! I'm Rainbow and I'm a koala. My mum says it's time for me to go out and find a new home to call my own. But life in the bush can be scary! It's hard to find the perfect tree. A kookaburra keeps laughing at me. It's hot and I'm thirsty and … do I smell smoke?

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Mikki and Me and the Out-of-Tune Tree
Marion Roberts

After becoming attuned to the songs of the forest and setting up a successful social media nature channel, Alberta Bracken and Mikki Watanabe are determined to pull out all the stops to save their local grove of trees in this thoroughly enjoyable novel for young readers.

Description

Eleven-year-old Alberta Bracken is having a terrible summer. After a bike-riding accident, caused by the local bully, her arm's in a cast so she can't do her most favourite holiday activity: boogie boarding at the local beach. And her little sister Clementine is EXTREMELY ANNOYING.

To make matters worse, her mum (bestselling author of Tammy Bracken's Guide to Modern Manners) has sent her dad packing - after discovering his behaviour has been far from...well-mannered.

So when budding filmmaker Mikki Watanabe suggests they start a YouTube channel about the secret life of trees - Alberta is ALL IN. And when they discover their trees are earmarked for removal by the local council it's suddenly a race against time to save them.

Funny, warm and a little offbeat, this highly entertaining novel hits all the right notes for middle-fiction readers.

About the Author

Marion Roberts always wanted to be a fashion designer, but she studied science, alternative medicine and psychotherapy instead. She worked as a naturopath and also a chef, as well as teaching people to cook. Marion started writing because she wanted a job she could do in her pyjamas. Also, her friends kept saying her emails were too long, and she needed to find another place to put her stories. She was born in Melbourne, which has always been her home town.
Mikki and Me 8 Copy Pack
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Description
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About the Author
We Were Liars Collectors Edition

E. Lockhart

The #1 New York Times bestseller and TikTok sensation - featuring bonus material from the author including notes and sketches, poems, a reader's guide, and more. The story of one family, one summer, and one act that may never be forgiven.

'Thrilling, beautiful and blisteringly smart - utterly unforgettable.' JOHN GREEN.

Description

THE #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER - award-winning YA that TikTok can't stop talking about!

A beautiful and distinguished family. A private island.
A brilliant, damaged girl; a passionate, political boy.
A group of four friends - the Liars - whose friendship turns destructive.
Lies upon lies.
True love.
The truth.

We Were Liars is a modern, sophisticated suspense that will leave you reeling.

Read it.

And if anyone asks you how it ends, just LIE.

'Thrilling, beautiful and blisteringly smart - utterly unforgettable.' JOHN GREEN

'We Were Liars is heartbreaking, witty, beautiful and disturbing. E. Lockhart's best book to date.' JUSTINE LARBALESTIER

'A haunting tale about how families live within their own mythologies. Sad, wonderful, and real.' SCOTT WESTERFELD

About the Author

E. Lockhart is the author of the #1 New York Times bestseller We Were Liars. She also invented a superhero for DC Comics. Her books include Whistle: A New Gotham City Hero and Again Again. The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks was a National Book Award finalist and a Printz Honor Book. Genuine Fraud was a New York Times bestseller and a finalist for the L.A. Times Book Prize. Visit her online at EmilyLockhart.com, and follow @elockhartbooks on Instagram and @elockhart on Twitter.
Wild Australian Life
Leonard Cronin, illustrated by Chris Nixon

A stunning new exploration of Australian animals from the creator of the bestselling Australian Animal Atlas.

Description
From a leading expert and talented visual artist comes this celebration of the astounding diversity of Australia's animal kingdom.

More than one million animal species make their homes in Australia - from the deepest oceans to the tops of mountains and the harshest deserts. But just how do they survive? Discover the remarkable stories behind some of the world's most extraordinary animals in this must-have collection for every Australian family.

About the Author
LEONARD CRONIN is one of Australia's foremost natural history authors. Trained as a biologist, he is a prolific writer of books and articles about the Australian flora, fauna and environment, bringing his own fascination with the natural world to the general reader. His books include the bestselling Cronin's Key Guide series of field guides, Australian Flora and A Journey Through Ancient Kingdoms and Natural Wonders.

CHRIS NIXON is a multidisciplinary artist creating across illustration, graphic design, creative direction and public art. Based in Perth, Chris's work is inspired by the West Coast and classic surf culture with an emphasis on the handmade and crafted, using colour, texture and pattern across a wide range of media from children's books to animation, commercial illustration and large artwork installations.
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About the Author
The Australian Animal Atlas
Leonard Cronin, illustrated by Marion Westmacott

An entertaining and educational illustrated guide to Australia's amazing wildlife and its habitats.

Description
Come on a journey into the world of Australia's wildlife, exploring all the different habitats, from parched deserts to lush rainforests.

DISCOVER the mammals, birds, reptiles, fish and insects that live there.

SEARCH for the animals hidden in each habitat scene.

FIND OUT about the fish that walks; the sixth sense of the platypus; the deadly venom of the desert death adder; the strange table manners of the sea star.

This environmental atlas of Australian animals by an expert team is full of fascinating facts and superb illustrations.

About the Author
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Marion Westmacott worked in architectural, engineering and scientific drafting, then spent 16 years on cattle stations observing and illustrating the Australian landscape, often from a helicopter. When illustrating the Key Guide series, she did extensive research, visiting forests, zoos, herbaria, museums and universities. Marion has also illustrated posters, designed merchandise, run workshops, exhibited her artwork extensively and been published in scientific journals, gardening magazines and Australian Geographic.

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Brave the Storm: Skydragon 4
Anh Do, illustrated by James Hart

Includes exclusive sneak peek of the first chapter of Wolf Girl 7! Amber is back in a thrilling adventure with new friends and old foes.

Description
Amber took a deep breath and closed her eyes. There were insects everywhere in the park - if she concentrated, she should see a little purple flare of light where each one was. But she saw only darkness.

Her voice came out in a whisper. ‘My power is gone.’

Amber has become used to summoning her insect friends and transforming into Skydragon at the first sign of danger. But now her powers are gone, and she’s just back to being just Amber again. Will she be able to get her powers back in time to help new friends defeat an old enemy?

About the Author
Anh Do is one of Australia's best-loved storytellers. His junior fiction series Wolf Girl, WeirDo, Hotdog! and Ninja Kid are adored by millions of kids around the country, having sold in excess of 2.5 million books.

James Hart was raised in the UK on English comics and classic eighties and nineties cartoons before moving to Australia and studying illustration, electronic design and multimedia. James has designed toys, animated programs such as The Day My Butt Went Psycho, and illustrated books for series including D-Bot Squad, You Choose, Boy vs Beast, Glen Maxwell, Ball Stars and Accidentally Awesome. When he's not drawing aliens, robots and monsters, James is being a dad and husband, watching movies and documentaries and cartoons, drinking coffee, listening to music, gardening, reading... and drinking more coffee. James's illustrations can be viewed at jameshart.com.au.
Brave the Storm 16 Copy Pack
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About the Author
When Cassie runs away from her dreary boarding school, in search of her missing mother, she ends up in the magical village of Hedgely and discovers she comes from a family of witches - women who protect Britain from the denizens of Faerie, who are all too real and far more frightening than the story books suggest.

Description

It has been seven years since Cassie Morgan last saw her mother. Left at a dreary boarding school, she spends her days hiding from the school bully and reading forbidden story books about the world of Faerie.

Certain that her mother is still alive, Cassie is determined to find her, whatever the dangers, and runs away from school. Lost and alone, she is chased by a pack of goblins but, to her surprise, escapes with the help of a flying broom and a talking cat named Montague, who takes her to the cosy village of Hedgely.

Here she discovers that she comes from a family of witches, women who protect Britain from the denizens of Faerie, who are all too real and far more frightening than her story books suggest.

About the Author
Skye McKenna grew up in the iron ore mining town of Newman in the Australian outback. Surrounded by the red dust of the Great Sandy Desert, she developed a healthy respect for wild things and wild places at a young age. Longing for adventures of her own, she travelled to England and fell in love with the British countryside. Skye now works in heritage and recently curated the Magic & Mystery exhibition for Barley Hall, York, introducing visitors to real and legendary wizards and alchemists and developing activities for school children and families visiting the exhibition.

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About the Author
You're Loved
Liz Climo

A tribute to the bond between parent and child and told in gentle rhyming verse, You're Loved celebrates all kinds of families.

Description
You're brand new, and you're perfect
You're demanding, but you're worth it.

Told in gentle rhyming verse, You're Loved, by internationally bestselling author Liz Climo, is a heartfelt and funny book about new babies and the fun and frustrations of growing up. A tribute to the bond between parent and child, Liz creates instantly familiar and relatable scenes of sleepless nights and celebrations of each small but significant success. Pairing adorable art with wry observations this is a must-have welcome gift for any new addition to the family.

You're Loved celebrates all kinds of families and is the perfect gift for new parents, birthdays and 'just because' moments. It serves as a loving reminder that, no matter where life takes you, you will always be loved.

About the Author
Liz Climo is a cartoonist, children's book author, illustrator and animator. She grew up in the San Francisco Bay Area and moved to Los Angeles after college to work as a character artist on The Simpsons. She is the author of the Rory the Dinosaur series, The Little World of Liz Climo, Lobster Is the Best Medicine and Best Bear Ever! She lives in Los Angeles, USA, with her husband and daughter.
The Ogress and the Orphans
Kelly Barnhill

A new fantasy classic from the Newbery Medal winning and New York Times bestselling author of THE GIRL WHO DRANK THE MOON.

Description
Stone-in-the-Glen, once a lovely town, has fallen on hard times. Fires, floods, and other calamities have caused the townsfolk to lose their library, their school, their park, and all sense of what it means to be generous, and kind. The people put their faith in the Mayor, a dazzling fellow who promises he alone can help. After all, he is a famous dragon slayer. (At least, no one has seen a dragon in his presence.) Only the clever orphans of the Orphan House and the kindly Ogress at the edge of town can see how dire the town's problems are.

When one of the orphans goes missing from the Orphan House, all eyes turn to the Ogress. The orphans, though, know this can't be: the Ogress, along with a flock of excellent crows, secretly delivers gifts to the people of Stone-in-the-Glen. But how can the orphans tell the story of the Ogress's goodness to people who refuse to listen? And how can they make their deluded neighbours see the real villain in their midst? The orphans have heard a whisper that they will 'save the day', but just how, they will have to find out ...

About the Author
Kelly Barnhill lives in Minnesota with her husband and three children. She is the author of four novels, most recently The Girl Who Drank the Moon, winner of the Newbery Medal. The Witch's Boy received four starred reviews and was a finalist for the Minnesota Book Awards.
The Girl Who Drank The Moon
Kelly Barnhill

An enchanting and unforgettable modern fable that is impossible to put down.

Description
THE NO 1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER AND NEWBERY MEDAL WINNER

Every year, the people of the Protectorate leave a baby as an offering to the witch who lives in the forest. They hope this sacrifice will keep her from terrorizing their town. But the witch in the Forest, Xan, is in fact a good witch who shares her home with a wise Swamp Monster and a Perfectly Tiny Dragon. Xan rescues the children and delivers them to welcoming families on the other side of the forest, nourishing the babies with starlight on the journey.

One year, Xan accidentally feeds a baby moonlight instead of starlight, filling the ordinary child with extraordinary magic. Xan decides she must raise this girl, whom she calls Luna, as her own. As Luna's thirteenth birthday approaches, her magic begins to emerge - with dangerous consequences. Meanwhile, a young man from the Protectorate is determined to free his people by killing the witch. Deadly birds with uncertain intentions flock nearby. A volcano, quiet for centuries, rumbles just beneath the earth's surface. And the woman with the Tiger's heart is on the prowl...

The Newbery Medal winner from the author of the highly acclaimed novel The Witch's Boy.

About the Author
Kelly Barnhill is an author and teacher. She wrote The Girl Who Drank the Moon, The Witch's Boy, Iron Hearted Violet, The Mostly True Story of Jack and many, many short stories. She won the World Fantasy Award for her novella, The Unlicensed Magician, a Parents Choice Gold Award for Iron Hearted Violet, the Charlotte Huck Honor for The Girl Who Drank the Moon, and has been a finalist for the Minnesota Book Award, the Andre Norton award and the PEN/USA literary prize. She was also a McKnight Artist's Fellowship recipient in Children's Literature. She lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota with her three brilliant children, architect husband, and emotionally unstable dog. She is a fast runner, a good hiker, and a terrible gardener. You can visit and chat at her blog: www.kellybarnhill.com

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Author now living:
The outrageously funny adventures of Mark Anchovy, pizza delivery boy and private detective, continue in his third mission - to Japan.

Description
As a pizza detective, Colin Kingsley AKA Mark Anchovy has survived murderous criminals, bloodthirsty henchmen, and some questionable modes of transport. He now has a much more worrying problem: his younger sister is working as his apprentice.

Coaching seven-year-old Alicia for her exams to join the Golden Spatula League would be challenging enough. But the siblings must head to Japan to track down the missing English eccentric Lord Bobo - former host of the hit 90s gameshow, 'Battered by the Butler' - before he winds up dead.

Their search takes them from the bright lights of Tokyo to the eerie calm of Kirajima Island, where an exclusive school for billionaires may hold the key. As disasters mount, the pair are threatened with expulsion from the G.S.L. Standing in their way are a trio of assassins, a pernickety PA, and a killer robot fridge.

Fantastically funny and clever, the third in the hapless young detective's adventures is brilliantly illustrated throughout.

About the Author
William Goldsmith is a British writer and illustrator. Published by Jonathan Cape, his graphic novels 'Vignettes of Ystov' and 'The Bind' were nominated for a Newton First Book Award and British Book Design Award respectively. His illustration clients include The Independent, Goethe Institut, Royal Opera House and the Turner Prize winning collective, Assemble. Mark Anchovy: Pizza Detective is his first book for children.

For more information please visit williamgoldsmith.co.uk.
Kate on the Case: The Call of the Silver Wibbler (Kate on the Case 2)
Hannah Peck

Following the delightful KATE ON THE CASE, Kate is back in her second adventure, this time on a jungle river cruise.

Description
Our aspiring special correspondent is on the adventure of a lifetime cruising upriver in the jungle aboard a paddle steamer. She becomes intrigued by the story of the secretive silver wibbler bird and it's not long before Kate and young scout Bertie are hot on the heels of an exciting mystery in which hilarious mayhem engulfs the boat. Beautifully illustrated in two colours throughout, this is a magical story told in words and pictures.

With the old-fashioned charm of Paddington Bear and the spirit of Pippi Longstocking, Kate is the perfect adventure heroine for young readers aged 5 to 9.

About the Author
Hannah Peck is an author and illustrator based in East London, UK. She studied English at university before swapping the pen for a pencil. Now she uses both to write and draw at exactly the same time. Hannah uses inks and pencil textures to create elegant illustrations full of magic and fun, and thinks sharing stories is important.

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Author now living:
Kate on the Case
Hannah Peck

A delicious detective story set on a train from a wonderful new author/illustrator - for readers aged 6+.

Description
Young reporter-in-training Kate and her mouse-accomplice Rupert are on board a train, to visit Kate's mum in the Arctic.

But as soon as the train departs, mysterious things start happening.

A packet of ginger nuts goes missing . . .
A collection of gymnastics trophies are stolen . . .
And some ancient scrolls disappear . . .

Fellow passenger Madame Maude seems the most likely culprit, until a surprising - and delicious - twist turns the whole investigation on its head.

First in a witty two-colour chapter-book series about a bold young detective and a colourful cast of suspects, in a setting worthy of Agatha Christie.

About the Author
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About the Author
Dragon Storm: Tomas and Ironskin
Alastair Chisholm, illustrated by Eric Deschamps and illustrated by
Ben Mantle

The first book in a thrilling, magical, and action-packed new fantasy series, illustrated throughout and perfect
for 7 - 9 year olds!

Description
In the land of Draconis, there are no dragons. Once, there were. Once, humans and dragons were friends, and created
the great city of Rivven together.

But then came the Dragon Storm, and the dragons retreated from the world of humans. To the men and women of
Draconis, they became legends and myth. Tomas has always been told that now, dragons are extinct, and so he can't
believe it when a mysterious stranger invites him to join a secret society, the Dragonseer Guild - and tells him that not only
do dragons still exist, but also that Tomas has a very special power... he can summon his very own dragon! But Tomas
faces a difficult choice, and he and his dragon, Ironskin, must learn to trust each other - and together, they have to save
their home from a deadly threat.

An exciting new fantasy series from the highly acclaimed author of Orion Lost, brilliantly illustrated throughout, and perfect
for fans of Beast Quest and How to Train Your Dragon.

About the Author
Alastair is a children's author and puzzle creator. As a puzzle creator he wrote quite a lot of books of Sudoku and other
puzzles for kids and grown-ups, and as an author he writes picture books and middle-grade fiction. Alastair lives in
Edinburgh with his wife (who is lovely), two teenagers (who are lovely but very loud), and a cat named Maudie, who is
yowling at him even though there is clearly food in her bowl, look, it's right there, look. His hobbies include writing and
playing games on his phone when he should be writing. You can follow him on Twitter @alastair_ch, if you like.
Dragon Storm: Cara and Silverthief
Alastair Chisholm, illustrated by Eric Deschamps and illustrated by Ben Mantle

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Description
In the land of Draconis, there are no dragons. Once, there were. Once, humans and dragons were friends, and created the great city of Rivven together. But then came the Dragon Storm, and the dragons retreated from the world of humans. To the men and women of Draconis, they became legends and myth.

Cara has spent her life on the streets, relying on her wits - and a mysterious voice that seemed to live inside her head - for survival. She's amazed when she learns that the voice actually belongs to a dragon - her dragon - and she's invited to join a hidden society, the Dragonseer Guild, for those who can summon their own dragon. But Cara isn't used to having friends, and so when she and her dragon Silverthief uncover a dangerous secret, they must decide who they can trust... and their lives will depend on it.

An exciting new fantasy series from the highly acclaimed author of Orion Lost, brilliantly illustrated throughout, and perfect for fans of Beast Quest and How to Train your Dragon.

About the Author
Alastair is a children's author and puzzle creator. As a puzzle creator he wrote quite a lot of books of Sudoku and other puzzles for kids and grown-ups, and as an author he writes picture books and middle-grade fiction. Alastair lives in Edinburgh with his wife (who is lovely), two teenagers (who are lovely but very loud), and a cat named Maudie, who is yowling at him even though there is clearly food in her bowl, look, it's right there, look. His hobbies include writing and playing games on his phone when he should be writing. You can follow him on Twitter @alastair_ch, if you like.
Where's Mrs Cat?
illustrated by Ingela P Arrhenius

The original, award-winning Felt Flap series - perfect for babies and toddlers!

Description
Each title in this stylish series has five spreads with friendly characters to find behind colourful felt flaps. In Where's Mrs Cat?, you're on the look out for Mr Goldfish, Mrs Dog, Mr Guinea Pig and Mrs Cat herself!

Lift the final flap and there's a surprise mirror - always a hit with the little ones. Parents adore these books because they are beautiful but tough enough to withstand even the most enthusiastic of young readers. And children love them because they are just so much fun.

Other titles in the series include, Felt Flaps Where's Mr Lion?, Felt Flaps Where's Mr Unicorn? and Felt Flaps Where's Mrs Ladybird? Felt Flaps Where's Mr Lion? won Sainsbury's Children's Book of the Year 2017

The felt flaps in this sturdy board book are perfect for little ones to turn and tug, which means you can get even the tiniest tot into books and finding the activity fun. Ingela Arrhenius’ illustrations are a real bonus. They are bright and retro and sure to capture your baby's attention. A perfect book to share with very little ones. BookTrust

About the Author
Ingela P Arrhenius graduated from art school in the early 90s and has been working as an illustrator ever since. At first, she worked in advertising and magazines, but her focus over the past ten years has been on products and books.

Ingela has created patterns for fabrics, wallpaper and stationery, as well as packaging and home accessories. She has also collaborated with several toy producers around the world and her love of retro style, typography and colour is reflected in all her work. Ingela lives in Stockholm with her husband (an author) and two sons.
How to Count to ONE
Caspar Salmon, illustrated by Matt Hunt

A hilariously bossy book about counting that children will love to outsmart!

Description
You know how to count, right? GREAT! There are LOADS of fun things to count in this book. Whales, baboons, rainbows, pyramids...There's just rule. You must ONLY ever count to ONE. So don't even about THINK bigger numbers. OK?!

Get ready to show off your skills in this fun new counting book! But all is not as it seems...is this book really only about counting to 'ONE'? Because there are SO MANY fun things that you could count. But - wait - maybe there's a way to outsmart the book...and count all the way up to 100!

A fun and interactive read-aloud experience, perfect for fans of B J Novak's international bestseller The Book With No Pictures.

About the Author
Caspar Salmon (Author)
Caspar Salmon is a writer who lives in leafy north London, having grown up in picturesque France. He writes and broadcasts about this and that for a living - mostly cinema - and enjoys seeing friends, swimming, and reading. He has two gorgeous children.

Matt Hunt (Illustrator)
Matt Hunt was born in Redditch, Worcestershire in 1988. Starting out as a fine artist, he graduated from the Birmingham School of Art, and from these roots, developed a love for children's illustration. He currently shares a house with his wife Hayley and two cats. Matt works in mixed media, utilising paint, pens, crayons, and digital. He loves to create new and interesting characters and write stories for them. He's influenced by old movies, classic illustration, cartoons and books.
Do Baby Elephants Suck Their Trunks? - Amazing Ways Animals Are Just Like Us
illustrated by Katharine McEwen, Ben Lerwill

Explore the amazing ways animal babies are just like us in this enchanting non-fiction picture book.

Description
There are babies everywhere! Some babies can fly and some babies can swim. Most animal babies are very different to us, but there are lots of special ways that we might be the same. Especially when we were very little . . .

With a friendly text that's perfect for reading aloud, this book encourages children to think about what makes them unique while learning about amazing similarities they might share with babies in the animal kingdom. From giraffes wobbling as they walk to puppies losing their baby teeth, each spread is fully illustrated with heart-warming collage artwork that beautifully captures the love between parent and child. This is a very special book to share again and again.

About the Author
Ben Lerwill (Author)
Ben Lerwill has been working as a freelance travel writer for over 15 years. His work has appeared in more than 50 national and international publications, from The Sunday Times to National Geographic Traveller. Ben's passions include the outdoors, music, wildlife, running and reading. He is thrilled that, through children's books, he can share his enthusiasm about the wider world with young readers. He's at his happiest when he's on a long walk and his children haven't yet pinched all the snacks.

Katharine McEwen (Illustrator)
Katharine McEwen has been illustrating children's books for over 20 years, working with some wonderful authors including Allan Ahlberg and Michael Rosen.

After years of longing to illustrate a book about bears, she eventually bit the bullet and penned her own, Bear Hug, which was published in 2014. She lives in Kent and often seeks inspiration from the surrounding countryside. Katharine is clueless about computers, so creates her artwork with gouache, watercolour, coloured pencils and paper collage.

As well as illustrating, Katharine is a mummy to her little boy, Finley, and when able, enjoys making ceramics, seeking out small adventures and exploring new places.
National Trust: Every Bunny is a Yoga Bunny
Emily Ann Davison, illustrated by Deborah Allwright

A funny, charming story about yoga, mindfulness and finding calm.

Description
A funny, reassuring picture book about yoga, mindfulness and finding calm, from debut author Emily Ann Davison and award-winning illustrator Deborah Allwright.

Yo-Yo is a fidgety, bouncy, can't-sit-still-EVER type of bunny. Even Grandpa's yoga class won't stop her wiggling and giggling! But what will Yo-Yo do when she finds herself lost and all alone in the deep, dark, shadowy forest? Maybe Grandpa's yoga will help her find the way home . . .

With a reassuring bedtime ending and three pages of simple step-by-step yoga instructions, children can stretch, breathe and feel calm with Yo-Yo.

About the Author
Emily Ann Davison (Author)
Emily spent her childhood writing poems and stories. It's therefore no surprise that she became an author, it just took her a little while to get there.

As a grown up, Emily worked with young children for many years, and her passion for children's books grew and grew and GREW, until one day, a story idea POPPED into her head. Now the ideas won't stop popping! When she isn't writing, she can be found tinkling on the piano or at her local primary school, where she helps with reading.

Emily lives in the Garden of England, Kent, with her daughter and husband. She is never seen without a cup of tea.

Deborah Allwright (Illustrator)
Deborah started illustrating as a child and now has more than 40 picture books and several awards with her name on them. She lives in London with her partner and two cats and when she's not drawing, painting or snipping paper, you'll find her messing around with horses, messing around in the sea, or searching for bats and moths.
Ruffles and the Red, Red Coat
David Melling

Laugh with Ruffles as he faces all the tricksy troubles of toddler life in this brightly coloured new picture book series

Description
Ruff! Ruff! Meet Ruffles, the playful puppy who faces all the tricksy troubles of preschool life in this new picture book series from the award-winning author and illustrator David Melling.

Just like every preschooler, Ruffles the puppy experiences all the ups and downs of daily life as he learns about the world around him. There are LOTS of things he likes and LOTS of things he doesn't . . . and he doesn't always get things quite right!. Ruffles LOVES scratching, digging and chewing but he does NOT like wearing his coat on rainy days. No, no, no, NO! But when Ruffles wants to splash in puddles with his best friend, Ruby, he soon learns that some things are definitely worth wearing your coat for!

Dog-lovers won't be able to resist the adorable Ruffles in this new preschool series from the creator of Hugless Douglas (over 5 million copies sold worldwide). Every Nosy Crow paperback picture book comes with a free 'Stories Aloud' audio recording - just scan the QR code and listen along!

Other titles in the series include: Ruffles and the Teeny, Tiny Kittens

About the Author
David grew up in London with various siblings and a selection of animals (the dog is probably worth a mention). His father was a sculptor and David remembers watching him work and being fascinated as carved faces and figures emerged from blocks of wood and stone. It took him a while to decide what he wanted to do with his pencils (he never stopped drawing), and for a period of time, back in the 1980's, he worked as a cel-renderer and background artist in several animation studios.

By the mid 1990's he began illustrating children's books. In 2001 he wrote and illustrated the first of his own picture books; The Kiss That Missed which was shortlisted for the Kate Greenaway award. He is probably best known for his Hugless Douglas series. To date he has created around 150 books in over 30 languages.

David lives in Oxfordshire with his wife and two children. Currently, there are no pets to speak of, now he's over the hamster/stick insect phase.
Building a Home
Polly Faber, illustrated by Klas Fahlen

A non-fiction picture book packed with action and vehicles for children who enjoy discovering how things are made.

Description
Building a Home is a beautifully illustrated picture book guide to exactly how an old building can become a brand-new home.

Now available in paperback, with action-packed artwork from Klas Fahlen and a gentle narrative text by Polly Faber, find out all about the people, machines, processes and tools involved in breathing new life into an old building. Packed with builders, cranes, diggers, cement mixers and a host of other exciting tools and machinery, follow a crumbling old factory on the edge of town as it goes from being an empty shell to something entirely new . . . a home.

Now in paperback!

About the Author
Polly Faber lives in London with her husband, sons, and two black and white cats called Alan and Babs. She worked as a midwife and a sandwich maker before becoming a writer, and has also mashed potatoes for Prince Edward's dinner. Her best impression is of a tortoise eating a strawberry.

Klas Fahlen is an award-winning illustrator who has years of experience working in advertising, design and publishing. He lives in Stockholm with his family. Building a Home is his first children's book.

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National Trust: The Wide, Wide Sea
Anna Wilson, illustrated by Jenny Lovlie

A lyrical, beautiful and inspirational story about protecting nature from plastic pollution.

Description
A lyrical and inspirational picture book about protecting nature from plastic pollution. When a young child forges a special connection with a seal on a trip to the seaside, their imagination takes them on an unforgettable journey. Through their eyes, we have a chance to explore everything the amazing beach and wide, wide sea has to offer . . . until suddenly a violent storm blows in. The next morning the beach is ugly . . . and covered in litter. Whose fault is it? And who can fix it?

Together, the child, their grandmother, and the rest of the community clean the beach, and the child makes a promise to the seal that things will change for the better.

Written by author and wild-swimmer Anna Wilson and illustrated by Waterstones Children's Book Prize winner Jenny Lovlie, this is the perfect story to share with children from 3+ who love the seaside.

Published in collaboration with the National Trust, who protect over 700 miles of wild coastline in the UK. Every Nosy Crow paperback picture book comes with a free 'Stories Aloud' audio recording - just scan the QR code and listen along!

About the Author
Anna Wilson lives in Penzance, Cornwall, with her family, cats, chickens, ducks and a tortoise called Hercules. She has written numerous wonderful picture books and fiction titles for Pan Macmillan, HarperCollins, Stripes and Nosy Crow. A keen wild swimmer, Anna's passion for animals and the natural world shines through in all her work.

Jenny Lovlie grew up in Northern-Norway on Ekkeroy, a tiny peninsula sticking out into the Barents Sea, where she was the first child to be born in 12 years. Summers were spent in the great outdoors under the never-setting sun, climbing rocks, watching the seagull-chicks hatching and rock-pooling and the dark winters reading, drawing and making.

Jenny studied Illustration & Animation at Kingston University in London, and graduated with a BA Hons in 2014. Her love of nature shines through in her work and she draws inspiration from the wild landscapes of Scandinavia, nordic folklore and Scandinavian design. She uses bold colours, interesting textures and strong shapes in creating landscapes, people and animals. Jenny is fascinated by the strong bond between humans and animals and the link between humans and nature. Jenny's favourite things are going on adventures in her van, camping, bird-watching, cooking and reading.
Sophie la girafe: Sophie Goes to Sleep
illustrated by Vulli, Ruth Symons

A bedtime story to read with baby.

Description
Wind down for the night with the classic Sophie la girafe toy, in this boardbook full of gentle messages for bedtime success.

Sophie is getting ready to go to bed. Join her in her calming night-time routine for one last book before the lights go out.

This short story is perfect for reading aloud with babies and toddlers. Each scene presents first words from around the home, making it the ideal book for little ones just starting to talk, while textured pages will engage even the youngest babies' senses.

For parents and carers, each page features short practical tips for bedtime success, consulted by Early Years expert Lizzie Noble.

Sophie la girafe has sold more than 50 million teether toys worldwide, and now the iconic toy from France turns 60. Celebrate with Sophie as she steps into the pages of a brand new series of baby books.

Designed for reading together with your baby or toddler, this would also make the perfect baby shower or new baby gift.

About the Author
Sophie la girafe first went into production on May 25th 1961 - also known as Saint Sophie's Day. The product was named after the saint, and was an immediate success.

By simple word of mouth, the little giraffe's fame spread. From then on, generations of children around the world have loved hearing Sophie squeak whenever they press her tummy or head! Sophie la girafe has sold more than 50 million teether toys worldwide.

To this day, Sophie still looks exactly the same, and is produced using the same traditional techniques. She is made from 100% natural rubber derived from the latex of the hevea tree, in a process that involves more than 14 natural operations.

Sophie returns to bookshelves in this brand-new range of beautiful board books.
Sophie la girafe: Sophie Has Lunch
Ruth Symons, illustrated by

A mealtime story to read with baby.

Description
Get ready to eat with the classic Sophie la girafe toy, in this boardbook full of gentle messages for mealtime success.

Sophie is feeling hungry. Join her at the table for a delicious meal in this book specially made for little ones trying their first tastes.

This short story is perfect for reading aloud with babies and toddlers. Each scene presents first words from around the home, making it the ideal book for little ones just starting to talk, while textured pages will engage even the youngest babies' senses.

For parents and carers, each page features short practical tips for your weaning journey, consulted by Early Years expert Lizzie Noble.

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The Book Family Robinson
Jonathan Emmett, illustrated by Sam Caldwell

A bookish family faces pirates.

Description
A bookish family shipwrecked on a treasure island faces off against a fearsome pirate crew.

The keen-reading Robinsons set out to sea, their boat barely afloat with all their books, until a storm strikes down their holiday plans. Shipwrecked on a mysterious island, they gather their soggy books up and research how to survive - completely missing the treasure littered all around them! But the Bloodbucket pirates remember it all too well, and when they find the Robinsons have taken their turf, it's time to walk the plank. With only Silly Monkey Goes to the Toilet left to hand, can the Robinsons read themselves free from a watery doom?

About the Author
Jonathan Emmett (Author)
Born in Leicestershire, Jonathan Emmett has been a children's author for over 20 years, writing over sixty books translated into 30 languages, including the recent 'Alphabet Street'. He is the winner of multiple awards, including the Red House Children's Book Award for 'Pigs Might Fly', and the Sheffield Children's Book Award for 'The Pig's Knickers'.

Sam Caldwell (Illustrator)
Sam Caldwell is a children's illustrator and designer based in Glasgow, UK. He grew up in the north of England and studied painting at the Edinburgh College of Art. His work includes 'Sneaky Shadows' by S.C. Manchild, and Tim Flannery's 'Deep Dive into Deep Sea' and 'Weird, Wild, Amazing!'.
A Shelter for Sadness
Anne Booth, illustrated by David Litchfield

A poignant and heartwarming picture book exploring the nature of sadness, beautifully illustrated by David Litchfield and now available in paperback.

Description
Sadness has come to live with me
and I am building it a shelter.
I am building a shelter for my sadness
and welcoming it inside.

A small boy creates a shelter for his sadness, a safe space where Sadness is welcome, where it can curl up small, or be as big as it can be, where it can be noisy or quiet, or anything in between. The boy can visit the shelter whenever he needs to, every day, sometimes every hour, and the two of them will cry and talk or just sit, saying nothing.

And the boy knows that one day Sadness may come out of the shelter, and together they will look out at the world, and see how beautiful it is.

A poignant and heart-warming picture book exploring the importance of making space and time for our own griefs, small or large, sensitively visualized with David Litchfield's stunning illustration.

Anne Booth was inspired to write this book by the words of Etty Hillesum, a Holocaust victim who wrote:
'Give your sorrow all the space and shelter in yourself that is its due, for if everyone bears grief honestly and courageously, the sorrow that now fills the world will abate. But if you do instead reserve most of the space inside you for hatred and thoughts of revenge-from which new sorrows will be born for others-then sorrow will never cease in this world. And if you have given sorrow the space it demands, then you may truly say: life is beautiful and so rich.' (Esther 'Etty' Hillesum (15 Jan 1914 - 30 Nov 1943)

About the Author
Anne Booth writes highly acclaimed children's fiction and picture books and is known for the exceptional warmth and authenticity of her writing. Her picture books include Refuge, illustrated by Sam Usher, and Little Cloud, illustrated by Sarah Massini. She was inspired to write A Shelter for Sadness by the words of Etty Hillesum, a Jewish woman and victim of the Holocaust. This is Anne's first book for Templar.

David Litchfield is an award-winning illustrator and author. His work has appeared in magazines, newspapers, books and on T-shirts, and he has exhibited his illustrations in the UK, Europe and America. David is the author/illustrator of several picture books including The Bear & the Piano, winner of the Waterstones Children's Book Prize. This is David's first book for Templar.

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Bitter
Akwaeeke Emezi

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Description
From the critically acclaimed author of Pet and The Death of Vivek Oji, Bitter, a companion novel to Pet, takes a timely and riveting look at the power of youth, protest and art.

Bitter is thrilled to have been chosen to attend Eucalyptus, a special school where she can focus on her painting surrounded by other creative teens. But outside this haven, the streets are filled with protests against the deep injustices that grip the town of Lucille.

Bitter's instinct is to stay safe within the walls of Eucalyptus . . . but her friends aren't willing to settle for a world that the adults say is "just the way things are." Pulled between old friendships, her creative passion, and a new romance, Bitter isn't sure where she belongs - in the art studio or in the streets. And if she does find a way to help the revolution while being true to who she is, she must also ask: at what cost?

About the Author
Akwaeeke Emezi (they/them) is the author of the New York Times bestseller The Death of Vivek Oji, which was longlisted for the Dylan Thomas Prize; Pet, a finalist for the National Book Award for Young People's Literature; and Freshwater, which was named a New York Times Notable Book, longlisted for both the Wellcome Book Prize and the Women's Prize for Fiction and shortlisted for the PEN/Hemingway Award, the New York Public Library Young Lions Fiction Award, the Lambda Literary Award, and the Center for Fiction's First Novel Prize. Selected as a 5 Under 35 honoree by the National Book Foundation, they are based in liminal...
The Week at World's End
Emma Carroll

The hotly anticipated new standalone from the Queen of Historical Fiction and National Treasure, Emma Carroll.

Description
1962, London during the Cuban Missile Crisis

What would you do if there was a real possibility that the world might end?

Ray, aware of his parents' building worry, decides to take matters into his own hands. He builds a shelter in the woods behind his house in the hope that he never has to use it. Only to discover that someone else needs it more than he does. An American girl, reported missing, has turned up there...

Why is she hiding? And with neighbour turning against neighbour, will Ray be willing to help her?

Set over the six days when the Cuban Missile Crisis became public knowledge, this tense, clever thriller might just be Emma Carroll's best book yet!

About the Author
Emma Carroll was a secondary school English teacher for many years. This is Emma's tenth novel for Faber; she has also written the highly-acclaimed Frost Hollow Hall, The Girl Who Walked on Air, In Darkling Wood, The Snow Sister, Strange Star, Letters from the Lighthouse, Secrets of a Sun King, When we were Warriors and The Somerset Tsunami. She lives in the Somerset hills with her husband and two terriers.
Two Terrible Vikings and Grunt the Berserker
Francesca Simon, illustrated by Steve May

The world's very worst Vikings are back to dash our hopes and fail our expectations!

Description
It's not easy being the WORST at everything!

Hack and Whack are the very worst Vikings in the village - until a fierce and stinky berserker moves in - NEXT DOOR! WILL the brand new school help the twins outwit this villain and his vicious dog, Muddy Butt?

And will Twisty Pants, Dirty Ulf and Elsa Gold-Hair help vanquish this foul fiend?

'As joyously anarchic as Horrid Henry.' - Cressida Cowell 'A great new series for early readers.' - BookTrust 'A wonderfully absurd, anarchic romp.' - Sarah McIntyre 'Immensely appealing to children of five and up.' - Literary Review

About the Author
Francesca Simon is universally known for the staggeringly popular Horrid Henry series. These books and CDs have sold over 20 million copies in the UK alone and are published in 27 countries. Horrid Henry and the Abominable Snowman won the Children's Book of the Year award in 2008 at the British Book Awards. She is also the author of Costa-shortlisted The Monstrous Child and Hack and Whack, her first picture book. She lives in North London with her family.

Steve May is an animation director and illustrator. Steve has illustrated books by Jeremy Strong, Philip Reeve, Harry Hill and Phil Earle, as well as the Dennis the Menace series.
Yes You Can, Cow
Rashmi Sirdeshpande, illustrated by Rikin Parekh

Two showstopping talents have created a playful and witty nursery rhyme production! Will the cow jump over the moon?

Description
Yes, you can, Cow! We believe in you! READY . . . STEADY . . . GO . . .

It's the Nursery Rhyme's big performance, but Cow is having second thoughts. She's too scared to jump! What if she crashes? Will everyone laugh? The curtain's almost up and the audience are waiting. Can Cow overcome her fear of failure and become the star of the show?

A gorgeous, heartwarming story about believing in yourself and doing your best based on the ever-popular nursery rhyme 'Hey Diddle Diddle'.

About the Author
Rashmi Sirdeshpande is a lawyer turned children's author, with two young children who ask her lots of questions. Rashmi writes non-fiction picture books that ignite children's curiosity, as well as fictional stories that crackle with imagination. Her books include Never Show a T-Rex a Book, Dosh, How to Change the World and Good News. When she's not playing with words, you'll find her on her yoga mat twisting herself into all sort of shapes.

Rikin Parekh is a children's book illustrator based in North West London. He also works as a LSA (Learning Support Assistant) in primary schools.
J. R. R. Tolkien (Little People, Big Dreams)
Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara, illustrated by Aaron Cushley

From the bestselling Little People, BIG DREAMS series, J. R. R. Tolkien tells the story of one of the most beloved fantasy writers of all time.

**Description**
In this book from the highly acclaimed Little People, BIG DREAMS series, discover the incredible life of J. R. R. Tolkien, author and forefather of the fantasy genre.

Little John experienced lots of change in his life from a young age. Moving from South Africa to a big city in England, he longed for the nature he grew up around. After the death of both of his parents, John found comfort in telling stories and building imaginary worlds with his friends. And he continued to tell stories for the rest of his life, creating epic tales of hobbits, dwarves, elves and wizards as J. R. R. Tolkien. This inspiring book features stylish and quirky illustrations and extra facts at the back, including a biographical timeline with historical photos and a detailed profile of the writer’s life.

Little People, BIG DREAMS is a bestselling series of books and educational games that explore the lives of outstanding people, from designers and artists to scientists and activists. All of them achieved incredible things, yet each began life as a child with a dream. This empowering series offers inspiring messages to children of all ages, in a range of formats. The board books are told in simple sentences, perfect for reading aloud to babies and toddlers. The hardback versions present expanded stories for beginning readers. Boxed gift sets allow you to collect a selection of the books by theme. Paper dolls, learning cards, matching games and other fun learning tools provide even more ways to make the lives of these role models accessible to children.

Inspire the next generation of outstanding people who will change the world with Little People, BIG DREAMS!

**About the Author**
Maria Isabel Sánchez Vegara, born in Barcelona, Spain, is a writer and creative director in constant search of new concepts for children’s books and the author of the multimillion-copy bestselling Little People, BIG DREAMS series of picture books that explore the lives of outstanding people. Working for more than fifteen years for clients in top advertising agencies, her books combine creativity with learning, aiming to establish a new and fresh relationship between children and pop culture. Aaron Cushley is an Illustrator from Belfast. His work is inspire by his own curiosities, and by the world around him. Aaron gives his inner child a pencil and lets him loose!
Marcus Rashford (Little People, Big Dreams)
Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara, illustrated by Guilherme Karsten

From the best-selling Little People, BIG DREAMS series, this book tells the story of the footballers life, his success and his awe-inspiring fight against childhood poverty.

Description
In this book from the highly acclaimed Little People, BIG DREAMS series, discover the incredible life of Marcus Rashford, the world-famous footballer and campaigner against child hunger.

When Marcus was a kid, he had a family that loved him and a talent for football. His mum, Melanie, worked long hours to provide for her family, but sometimes she would go without food herself to make sure that her children had enough to eat. With his mum's support, Marcus pursued his dreams and progressed through the youth academy at Manchester United Football Club. He worked hard and trained for years to reach the top of the game, making his debut in the Premier League in 2016. But no matter how successful he became, he never forgot where he came from and his experience as a hungry child. When schools were closed during the Coronavirus pandemic of 2020, the situation left schoolchildren without free meals that they would have had. And so Marcus took it upon himself to lead a nation-wide campaign to ensure that no child would go without food. This powerful book features stylish and quirky illustrations and extra facts at the back, including a biographical timeline with historical photos and a detailed profile of the footballer's life.

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An Artist's Eyes
Frances Tosdevin, illustrated by Clemence Monnet

This is a story of the power that comes with building confidence to use your imagination, rather than trying to be just like others.

Description
In An Artist's Eyes, follow Jo as he journeys through the world of colour and creativity in an empowering story of confidence and imagination. Jo is a little boy who desperately wants to see like an artist. He tries as hard as he can to see the things the way Mo the artist does, and when he starts to use his imagination, he realises that the things he can dream up are completely unique. From the autumn oranges of the forest floor to pink and lilac pigeons in flight, Mo teaches Jo to trust his own eyes, and to see like an artist. This is a magical story about the power of imagination and discovering that our individual perspectives make us all artists, and no two artists eyes are the same.

About the Author
Frances Tosdevin studied Classics at Cambridge and worked as a journalist in the Middle East before starting to write for children. An Artists Eyes is her debut picture book. Clémence Monnet lives and works on the outskirts of Paris. She studied at the ESAD in Orléans. She uses Indian ink and watercolour to achieve her very poetic style. "Hector and the Wild Beasts" is her first Childrens book published by Seuil Jeunesse in France.
Built by Animals
Christiane Dorion, illustrated by Yeji Yun

Built by Animals introduces us to the creatures who know how to build, and looks at how their techniques have been copied in human construction.

Description
Following on from the incredible Invented by Animals, Built by Animals introduces us to the creatures who have inspired the materials and techniques that are used by humans in the building world today.

Meet over 26 animals behind the most amazing building tech, humorously brought to life by Yeji Yun and wittily and expertly explained by WWF educator Christiane Dorion. This book dives into the world of biomimicry and answers questions like:

- How can we use more solar energy to power our homes?
- How can we grow plants in the desert?
- How can we pump water to the top of very tall buildings?
- How can we clean polluted rivers?

From the bee's honeycomb shape that strengthens structures to termites that build their nests with natural air-con, these creatures did it first! And, at the end of the book, find out who wins big at the Animal Builder Awards! Will it be the prairie dog, the peacock, the beaver or the firefly?

Built by Animals explores this amazing STEM subject in a deceptively simple way, showing children that the future of architecture can be inspired by and be respectful of nature.

About the Author
Christiane Dorion is an award-winning author and educational consultant. She has written a number of children's books about the natural world and has worked with WWF and other environmental organisations for over 30 years. You can visit her website at www.christianedorion.com. Yeji Yun is an illustrator and artist (currently) based in Seoul, South Korea. Since graduating from Kingston University in London, she has been working with various clients from all over the world. Yeji has won and been shortlisted for numerous awards, including the 3x3 International Illustration Show No.13 in 2016.
Invented by Animals
Christiane Dorion, illustrated by Gosia Herba

Humans think they invent everything, but the fact is, us animals have invented ways of solving problems, making unbelievable materials, ways of getting around and working out how to survive on our own for millions of years. In this book you will meet the animal inventors who have shared their super inventing powers to make amazing things for humans.

Description
Often human scientists try and solve a problem or invent a new tool and they realise that animals have already invented it for them. In this book you will meet the animal inventors who have shared their super inventing powers to make amazing things for humans. We have invented ways of solving problems, making unbelievable materials, ways of getting around and working out how to survive on our own for millions of years. Sometimes when a human inventor gets stuck, they come to the animal kingdom to see if we can help them out. In this book you will meet the crème de la crème of animal innovators who have created or are in the process of inventing things that people use every day. Meet the shark who invented a pair of swimming shorts so fast, they were banned from the Olympic games. And meet the snail who has invented a house that stays cool inside even in the desert.

About the Author
Christiane Dorion is an award-winning author and educational consultant. She has written a number of children's books about the natural world and has worked with WWF and other environmental organisations for over 30 years. You can visit her website at www.christianedorion.com.

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Today Will Be a Great Day!
Slimy Oddity

Today Will Be a Great Day! contains 20 simple affirmations this highly giftable small hardback will help readers young and old develop a mindful practise that builds joy and contentment.

Description
Let love and light into your life with this vivid illustrated guide to happiness. Containing simple yet profound affirmations this highly giftable small hardback will help you develop a mindful practise that builds joy and contentment. Whether in observing the beauty of the natural world or developing a creative habit, this book teaches you to be thankful for the present moment.

The cool and contemporary artwork from Instagram artists Slimy Oddity convey ancient and fundamental pieces of wisdom for fostering positivity in a way that is fresh, fun, and on-trend. The immediacy of the affirmations will help you concentrate on wellness and mindfulness, and the colours, fun blob characters and simplicity of the text means it can also be an introduction to mindfulness.

Let the magic of the universe into your life, and remember that Today Will Be a Great Day!

About the Author
Slimy Oddity are a collective based in Singapore, who have built an impressive and entirely organic following. With 258k Instagram followers, and reaching in excess of 1 million unique accounts a month, Slimy Oddity sell their prints, totes and other merchandise through their online store. As well as their online following, Slimy Oddity recently illustrated an LA Times cover, and have featured in various artist exhibitions.

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Easter Bunny’s Great Hunt
Jennie Bradley

In Easter Bunny’s Great Hunt, meet the Easter Bunny and then turn the die-cut pages to find the hidden eggs.

**Description**
Meet the Easter Bunny and hunt for hidden eggs in this interactive, die-cut board book—it's an Egg-stravaganza!

Each page of this innovative board book has die-cut parts that layer together to create a dimensional portrait of the Easter Bunny. With each turn of the page, another element is lifted, until finally the Easter Bunny disappears, leaving hidden eggs for young readers to find.

A glittery cover; bold, adorable illustrations; and simple, rhyming sentences bring the magic of this holiday adventure to life.

**About the Author**
Jennie Bradley is an experienced digital illustrator and designer. She specializes in children's illustration, including books, puzzles, games, and gift supplies. She lives in Northampton.
It Starts with a Bee
illustrated by Jennie Webber

A fun rhyming story which shows children how important bees are in bringing life to the garden.

Description
With lyrical text and enchanting illustrations, It Starts with a Bee takes you on a journey through the seasons as you follow a busy bee pollinate a wild garden. Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn, the bee tends to the flowers and plants. As the seasons change and the garden blooms into a wildlife wonderland, the bee is joined by well-loved minibeasts and creatures - worms, beetles, spiders and mice - who make the wild garden their home.

A rhyming poem builds page on page, echoing the life the bee brings to the garden. Beautiful foldout illustrations will transport readers into the world of the bee as it navigates the flowers and plants of the garden. Teach your children about the crucial role bees play in the beautiful cycle of life in this charming tale of the workings of the natural world.

About the Author
Jennie Webber is a London-based visual artist and printmaker. Her etchings and drawings celebrate the diversity and complexity of nature, reflecting her incurable curiosity for the world. Themes of conservation underpin all her work; the idea being that if people are amazed by the natural world, then they will be less likely to destroy it.
A Little Bit of Respect
Claire Alexander, illustrated by Claire Alexander

In this follow-up to the A Little Bit Different and A Little Bit of Courage, the Ploofers are back for a heartwarming exploration of self-awareness and respect.

Description
In this follow-up to the A Little Bit Different and A Little Bit of Courage, the Ploofers are back for a heartwarming exploration of self-awareness and respect. The Ploofers are visiting a new island and are excited to meet the residents. But when one islander singles out Little One as an adorable cutie pie, Little One isn't happy and becomes frustrated with the way he is being treated. Will Little One learn to be assertive and stand up for himself?

With simple, striking illustrations and a cutaway cover design that adds tactile interest, A Little Bit of Respect picks up right where A Little Bit of Courage left off. With a subtle yet powerful message about the importance of self-respect and respecting others, this book will resonate with children and adults alike.

About the Author
Claire Alexander is an award-winning picture book author and illustrator based in London. She is the illustrator of Humperdink Our Elephant Friend and The Snowbear and the author-illustrator of A Little Bit Different, Back to Front and Upside Down, That's When I Knew, Millie Shares, and Monkey and the Little One. Claire earned a BA in painting from the Kent Institute of Art and Design and studied children's illustration at Putney School of Art and Design. Claire teaches her own course on writing and illustrating picture books in local libraries, bookshops, and at the House of Illustration in London. She regularly visits schools and enjoys drawing for children.
A Little Bit of Courage
Claire Alexander

The Ploofers are back and they've been practising something very special again. But one little Ploofer is too scared to go on this adventure. Can he find a little bit of courage?

Description
In this follow-up to the beloved picture book A Little Bit Different, the Ploofers are back for a heartwarming exploration of fear and finding courage. The Ploofers have just learnt a valuable lesson in celebrating differences and trying new things. They've been practising something very special again and this time it requires extra teamwork... But Little One is too scared to go on this new adventure. Will some kind and encouraging words from Toasty help him find a little bit of courage?

With simple, striking illustrations and a cutaway cover design that adds tactile interest, A Little Bit of Courage picks up right where A Little Bit Different left off. With a subtle yet powerful message on overcoming anxiety and finding the courage to live life to its fullest, this book will resonate with children and adults alike.

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A Little Bit Different
Claire Alexander

Meet the ploofers. They're going to do something together, all the same, all at the same time - but wait! Who did that? Who was different? A simple and joyful story about accepting and celebrating our differences.

Description
A Little Bit Different is a light and fun story depicting the journey from ignorance to acceptance and celebration. Meet the ploofers. The ploofers have been practicing something special which they all want to do at the exact same time - but wait! What's that? One of them does something different! When one little ploofer goes against the usual flow of things, the rest of them turn their backs on him. But all it takes is for one person to recognise the beauty in being different to spark a change in attitude of everyone.

With simple, yet striking, illustrations and a cutaway cover design that adds tactile interest, A Little Bit Different is a joyful reading experience for both you and your child, providing the opportunity to spark more meaningful discussions about peoples differences and how we accept and value them.

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Billy Loves Birds (Nature Heroes)
Jess French, illustrated by Duncan Beedie

Billy Loves Birds tells the story of a day in the life of a boy who is passionate about birds and nature.

Description
Billy Loves Birds tells the fact-filled story of a day in the life of Billy, a budding young naturalist who is wild about birds of all kinds! Billy encounters many different kinds of birds in his adventures during his day at Forest School, and this book is filled with facts about all the different species he comes across, and some that he can only dream of seeing in the wild one day. He studies a blue tits nest with chicks about to fledge, spies a kingfisher catching a worm, and shows his friend how to peck like a woodpecker!

Follow Billy as he shares his love of birds - discover how to trumpet like a crane or laugh like a kookaburra and learn what makes feathers fabulous or beaks extraordinary. With an engaging and lively narrative from Jess French and fun, warm illustrations from Duncan Beedie this book will help ignite a love and appreciation for nature, right on our doorsteps.

The Nature Heroes series focuses on a group of friends who are passionate about nature and the great outdoors. Each book features a different child who has a favourite topic that they are fascinated by: Billy Loves Birds, Bella Loves Bugs, Ava Loves Animals, and Pedro Loves the Planet! Playful text and funny relatable illustrations make this an accessible series, which provides an entertaining introduction to the natural world.

About the Author
Jess French is a passionate vet, zoologist and naturalist who has been named one of Britains top 50 conservationists by BBC Wildlife magazine. She presented her own TV series on CBebies called Minibeast Adventure with Jess and worked on Live n Deadly (CBBC), Deadly Mission Madagascar (CBBC), Springwatch (BBC) and Micro Monsters 3D (Sky). Jess has written several books for children, including the Born Free series for Orion Childrens Books.Duncan Beedie is an illustrator and animator based in Bristol. Aside from drawing copious quirky images, he collects clockwork robots, can identify pretty much any military aircraft and has a dog called Ivor.
Bella Loves Bugs (Nature Heroes)
Jess French, illustrated by Duncan Beedie

Bella Loves Bugs tells the story of a day in the life of a girl who is passionate about bugs and nature.

Description
Bella Loves Bugs tells the story of a day in the life of a girl who is passionate about bugs, as she goes off to Forest School where she always has many creepy crawlie adventures with her fellow nature hero friends!

The book is packed with facts about bugs, some of which Bella regularly spots, but also includes the bugs she dreams about seeing one day - different insects from all over the world. Bella makes a magical moth trap, spies a butterfly laying an egg and shows her friends how to hop like a grasshopper! Follow Bella as she shares her love of bugs - discover how many bugs might be lurking in a pond, see how awesome ants are, and be amazed by mighty stag beetles. With an engaging and lively narrative from Jess French and fun, and warm illustrations from Duncan Beedie this book will help ignite a love and appreciation for nature, right on our doorsteps.

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Thank You, Little Rabbit
Happy Yak, illustrated by Michelle Carlslund

Thank You, Little Rabbit is a fun animal-filled interactive board book which introduces young children to the themes of kindness and friendship.

Description
This delightful interactive board book introduces us to Little Rabbit, the kind-hearted creature who looks out for her animal friends. Little Rabbit's friends need her help! Little Squirrel is hungry, the geese have lost their way and Little Frog has lost his friends. Meet her and her farmyard friends in this charming, interactive board book, as Little Rabbit looks after the other forest animals and makes them feel better.

Featuring ribbon pull tabs and sliders which reveal extended scenes, Thank You, Little Rabbit introduces children to themes of kindness and friendship.

Fun animal illustrations will make this a story to treasure that can be read together by children and parents again and again. This new board book series is designed to improve children's hand-eye coordination and to encourage a safe and loving bond between parent and child.

About the Author
Happy Yak is a loveable new imprint for 0-7 year olds, perfect for small children with big personalities. Offering pre-school, picture books and illustrated non-fiction, our purpose is to publish playful books that make you smile. All of our books are bright and accessible, with eye-catching design, contemporary illustration and engaging, entertaining text. Michelle Carlslund is a french-fries-loving, and eco-friendly poster maker and freelance illustrator based in Copenhagen, Denmark.

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Bedtime, Little Bear
Happy Yak, illustrated by Michelle Carlslund

Bedtime, Little Bear is a fun animal-filled interactive board book which introduces young children to the concept of bedtime.

Description
This beautifully designed interactive board book tells charming the story of Little Bear, as he gets ready for bedtime. Its bedtime for Little Bear! But Little Bear doesn't want to sleep yet. Meet him and his forest friends in this charming, interactive board book, as Mummy Bear shows Little Bear that all of the other animals are off to bed, too.

Featuring ribbon pull tabs and sliders which reveal extended scenes, Bedtime, Little Bear introduces children to the daily routine of bedtime. Fun animal illustrations will make this a story to treasure that can be read together by children and parents again and again. This delightful board book series is designed to improve children's hand-eye coordination and to encourage a safe and loving bond between parent and child.

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Elisabeth and the Box of Colours
Katherine Woodfine, illustrated by Rebecca Cobb

Painting brings joy in a moment of grief in this moving and ultimately uplifting story inspired by the life of French portrait artist Elisabeth Louise Vigee Le Brun.

Description
Elisabeth loves to paint, just like her papa. She spends hours making her own pictures of everything she sees - and the more colourful, the better!

But when she goes away to school, she finds herself in a world of grey: grey buildings, grey uniforms, grey rooms. She misses Papa and all the colours of home. And one winter morning, she gets some terrible news that makes her days darker than ever before. Will Elisabeth be able to find the colour in her life again?

A touching tale about friendship, family and finding joy in the darkest of times. Inspired by the life of French portrait artist Elisabeth Louise Vigee Le Brun.

About the Author
Katherine Woodfine is the bestselling author of several books for children including the Sinclair's Mysteries series and the Taylor and Rose Secret Agents series. Katherine has been nominated for several prestigious awards including the Branford Boase Award, the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Carnegie Medal. In 2017 Katherine was selected as one of the Aarhus 39.
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Wrath
Marcus Sedgwick, Paul Blow

Marcus Sedgwick crafts a characteristically unsettling mystery exploring teen relationships and our connection to the world around us in his gripping Barrington Stoke debut.

Description
From the multi-award-winning author of Midwinterblood and The Ghosts of Heaven comes a suspenseful, gripping tale about teen life and relationships, exploring our wavering connection to the world around us.

WRATH: extreme anger or rage

Cassie Cotton has always been unusual, a bit different - but this only makes her more intriguing to her classmate Fitz.

Cassie can hear a noise that most people don't notice or recognise, and she believes it's a sound that shows the Earth is in distress, damaged by human activity that is causing climate change.

When this belief leads to her being ridiculed and bullied at school, Cassie disappears. Fitz is determined to find her, but he has no idea where to start looking, or if he'll be in time to help her...

About the Author
MARCUS SEDGWICK is a writer of over 40 books for adults and young adults including Midwinterblood and The Monsters We Deserve. An acclaimed and bestselling author, Marcus has won multiple prestigious awards including the Michael L. Printz Award, the Branford-Boase Award, the Booktrust Teenage Prize, and the Blue Peter Book Award. He has been shortlisted for over forty other awards including the Carnegie Medal and the Guardian Children's Fiction Prize. Marcus has been announced as one of the two UK nominations for the 2022 Hans Christian Andersen Award.
The Tide Singer
Eloise Williams, illustrated by August Ro

Strangers, storms and whispers of legendary sea people... Eloise Williams skilfully interweaves nature and myth in her stunning Barrington Stoke debut.

Description
In the wake of a tempest hitting her town, Morwenna is left to take care of a stranger washed ashore.

The storm is just another of many that have plagued the town for years - people blame the tide singers, legendary sea people who are said to charm storms with their singing.

Morwenna has never believed the tales, but when she is left alone with the stranger, she realises this is no ordinary girl. Can the stories be true? Can the girl control the tides with nothing more than her voice?

Her arrival brings danger of a different kind, and Morwenna must draw on all the courage she has in order to stop a conflict that could destroy her home...

About the Author
Eloise Williams is an award-winning Welsh children's writer. Having trained in theatre, she worked as an actress for a decade before completing a degree in Creative and Media Writing at Swansea University. She has since published several books for young people, including Gaslight and Seaglass. She is the inaugural Children's Laureate Wales 2019 -2021.
Song of the River
Gill Lewis, illustrated by Zanna Goldhawk

A project to re-introduce beavers brings a town together against a common threat, in this touching tale from master storyteller Gill Lewis.

Description
Times are tough for Cari and her mum. A violent storm has flooded the valley where they live, destroying their home and cafe business.

Things seem bleak - but hope appears in the form of a plan to reintroduce beavers into the area, as the changes that these amazing animals make to the waterways might prevent another flood.

Cari knows that she has to get involved. But with the project facing resistance from locals, can she convince them to give the beavers a chance - and will it be enough to save her home from being destroyed for a second time?

About the Author
Gill Lewis worked as a vet in the UK and across the world before becoming the acclaimed author of several books for children, including Swan Song and Run Wild. Gill's writing has earned her numerous awards such as the UKLA Children's Book Award and the Little Rebel Award, and several nominations for prestigious awards including the CILIP Carnegie Medal.
Bruno and Frida
Tony Bradman, illustrated by Tania Rex

Friendship forms in the midst of war between a young German boy and a Russian bomber-dog, in this poignant and gripping historical adventure.

Description
East Prussia, Germany, 1945. War is raging across Europe, and as Russian soldiers close in across eastern Germany, Bruno and his mother must flee if they hope to survive.

In the chaos of the attack, Bruno finds himself face to face with a huge black dog. He knows what she is: a weapon, strapped with explosives by the Russian army and sent into battle as a suicide bomber. But as Bruno's world begins to crumble around him, he soon realises that she is just as scared and alone as he is.

Faced with a perilous journey across war-torn Germany, will their bond be enough to keep them alive?

Multi-award-winning author Tony Bradman sheds light on an oft-overlooked part of history in this heartfelt and poignant wartime adventure.

About the Author
Tony Bradman is a hugely prolific author with a particular passion for bringing history to life for young people. He is a regular at all the major literary festivals, reviews for the Guardian and is the Chair of the Siobhan Dowd Trust. Tony is perhaps best-known for his Dilly the Dinosaur series, which has sold over 2 million copies worldwide.
Super Sub
Alan Gibbons, illustrated by David Shephard

Alan Gibbons returns with an action-packed football story accompanied by fascinating facts and historical detail about famous substitutes.

Description
New boy Smithy can't understand why everyone is so excited about a player on the football team called “Bengo.” He's been absent for the first few games of the season and starts the next game on the bench, so surely he can't be that special?

But when their coach pulls Smithy off and sends Bengo on in his place, Smithy gets a chance to see him in action. Bengo is easily the best player Smithy's ever seen, putting in perfect crosses and generally running the opposition ragged.

So why is Bengo left on the bench so often, and why does he seem to bottle it when any strong tackles come his way?

An engaging football story accompanied by fascinating facts about famous substitutes, from reluctant-reader favourite Alan Gibbons.

About the Author
A former primary school teacher, Alan Gibbons has sold over 1.3 million books and won many prestigious awards including the Blue Peter Award. He is a high-profile library campaigner and education consultant, and was recently elected as a Labour councillor.
Don't Ask the Dragon
Lemn Sissay

The first children's book from number one bestselling author, poet and national treasure Lemn Sissay, beautifully illustrated throughout.

Description
This is the story of a little boy called Alem who goes on an adventure.

It's his birthday, but who knows where he can go to celebrate it?

Maybe the bear, the fox, the treefrog or the bulldog know?

But don't ask the dragon . . . or he will EAT you!

About the Author
Lemn Sissay OBE is a BAFTA-nominated, bestselling and award-winning writer and broadcaster. His 2019 memoir My Name Is Why was a number one Sunday Times bestseller. His Landmark poems are visible in London, Manchester, Huddersfield and Addis Ababa. Sissay was awarded an MBE in 2010, the PEN Pinter Prize in 2019 and an OBE for services to literature and charity in 2021. He is Chancellor of the University of Manchester. He is British and Ethiopian.
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Locomotion
Alastair Steele, illustrated by Ryo Takemasa

A stunningly illustrated tribute for train lovers of all ages, Locomotion celebrates the ingenuity of trains past, present and future.

Description
A stunningly illustrated tribute to all things train, Locomotion celebrates the ingenuity and usability of trains past, present and future.

From early steam engines through to the modern high-speed trains of today, Locomotion is a spectacular look at the history of trains throughout the world, and the wonder and escapism they evoke. Packed full of iconic trains including the famous Flying Scotsman and the grand Orient Express as well as encompassing scenic journeys like the majestic Trans-Siberian railway, Locomotion makes a stunning gift or reference book for train lovers of all ages.

Beautiful artwork by the award-winning artist Ryo Takemasa, makes this book one that can be enjoyed over and over again.

About the Author
Alastair Steele (Author)
Alastair Steele works for the Mid Hants Railway as a Carriage Restorer and has a Masters degree in Historic Building and Railway Conservation. Locomotion will be his first book. He is based in Farnham, UK where he lives with his wife and young daughter.

Ryo Takemasa (Illustrator)
Ryo Takemasa is multi award-winning illustrator based in Tokyo, Japan. He graduated from Musashino Art University in 2010. Ryo's illustrations are used for a wide range of work worldwide including cook books, travel guides, editorial commissions, posters and much more. He is a member of the Tokyo Illustrators Society.
Love Is...
Lily Murray; illustrated by Sarah Maycock

Extraordinary talent Sarah Maycock's follow-up to Sometimes I Feel... looks at love in all its beauty, shown through the lens of animals.

Description
Love is LOUD, like a peacock proudly flashing its iridescent eyes for all to see. But sometimes love sings a quieter song, soft as the evening chorus, but no less strong.

There are lots of ways that we can feel loved and give love. Love Is... explore themes such as self love, a parent's love for new baby, the bond between siblings, friendship, fighting for what you believe in and missing someone who's no longer there.

With sublime illustrations from Sarah Maycock, this is beautifully illustrated picture book from an artist skyrocketing in popularity.

About the Author
Lily Murray (Author)
Lily grew up in the wilds of snowy nowhere, spending much of her time talking to animals and making up stories. She has continued to do this in her adult life, and now writes both fiction and non-fiction books for children. Her titles include big books about dinosaurs, rhyming books about dinosaurs and stories about escapee hot dogs. Her books for STUDIO PRESS include the best-selling 'No Worries' and the Disney Animated Classics series. Follow Lily on Instagram and Twitter @lilymurraybooks

Sarah Maycock (Illustrator)
Sarah studied Illustration at Kingston University and in 2011 was selected as an It's Nice That Graduate. Notably, in 2018, she was commissioned to create a series of illustrations for London Natural History Museum's 2018 Whales exhibition. She trained herself to draw animals from nature documentaries. Her unique ability to capture a creature's characteristics or the forces of nature in just a few swoops of ink is incomparable and truly impressive. Sarah lives in Hastings, UK.
We're Moving
Adam and Charlotte Guillain, illustrated by Zeynep Ozatalay

Nine families worldwide move home.

Description
It's moving day! Follow nine families around the world as they pack up and move home in this reassuring picture book.

This fun rhyming picture book follows children from all over the world and explores how they feel about moving into their new homes. From happiness and excitement to fear and sadness, when moving away from a home we know, we can feel a lot of feelings!

Get a glimpse of a high-rise flat, a mountainside chalet, a river boat and more. As each family arrives at their new home safe and sound, the moving chain is complete - phew!

The bright illustrations and reassuring text make this the perfect picture book to share with young children, helping them to understand the complicated and sometimes difficult feelings that can come with with a big move.

About the Author
Adam and Charlotte Guillain (Author)
Adam and Charlotte Guillain are the creators of many best-selling children's books. Their stories have been published in multiple languages and pop up in places like the CBeebies Bedtime Hour. They perform at major UK literary festivals and regularly give virtual performances and talks on writing over Zoom to audiences worldwide.

Charlotte worked as a bookseller, worked in published and has taught English as a foreign language. Adam was writer-in-residence at the Roald Dahl Museum before he co-founded Storytelling Schools, an international organisation dedicated to training teachers in oracy, literacy and creativity.

Zeynep Ozatalay (Illustrator)
Zeynep Ozatalay is an illustrator living on an island in Istanbul who carries her sketchbook everywhere she goes. She grew up reading beautifully illustrated books and dreamt of becoming an artist. She has always used illustration as a way of expressing ideas. Inspired by nature, she now creates illustrations for children's books, developing her style with each new project.
How to Vanquish a Virus
Paul Ian Cross

A book for the post-Covid world, this is a fun and reassuring look into the amazing science behind saving the world from disease.

Description
How to Vanquish a Virus is a funny, fascinating blend of facts, quotes and science stories from the world of health research and science history.

In the wake of Covid-19, children and parents are keen to understand - and be reassured about - viruses and other health issues. With over twenty years’ experience of scientific research, Dr Paul Ian Cross sets out to answer all the questions we didn't know we needed answering until now. What does a virus look like? How does a virus get passed from person to person? How have viruses changed the world? And who are the men and women who have beaten them? With children leading the revolution, now is the time to understand the importance of making medicines ... and how to vanquish a virus. Any fans of Horrible Histories or Operation Ouch will love this book.

About the Author
Dr Paul Ian Cross holds a degree in Microbiology, a Master's in Clinical Research and a PhD in science communication: presenting to non-scientists. He enjoys introducing children to the wonders of science. As a previous reluctant reader, he also aims to help them gain confidence with reading.
Haaland Rules
Simon Mugford, illustrated by Dan Green and Football Superstars

Everything the young fan wants to know about Erling Haaland, from his childhood to the present day, including lots of quizzes and facts.

Description
Is Erling Haaland your ultimate football hero? Having made his professional career debut for Norwegian side Bryne FK at the age of 16 years, Haaland's meteoric rise has seen him become a goal machine for both Bundesliga club Borussia Dortmund and for the Norway national side.

Discover how this brilliant footballer followed in his father's footsteps and has since become among the world's most sought-after goal scorers, known for his athleticism, precise off-the-ball movement and pace. He was voted the Austrian Footballer of the Year in 2019 and followed up by earning the FIFA U-20 World Cup Golden Boot award in the same year!

The Football Superstars series is aimed at building a love of reading in young children, and is filled with fun cartoons, inspirational stories and a cast of characters chipping in with quotes, jokes and comments.

About the Author
After studying the history of everything at Goldsmiths College, Simon worked at the Science Museum making paper aeroplanes and setting fire to hydrogen balloons. Despite being a fully grown man, his favourite subjects include dinosaurs, robots, rockets, loud music and Star Wars. An Ipswich Town fan since they won the FA Cup in 1978 (it's true - look it up) he lives in Kent with his wife, daughter, and a cat with two names. Dan Green draws and writes books about stuff like trucks, space, people's jobs, Doctor Who, Star Wars and famous footballers.

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Bear Cares for Nature
Elena Ulyeva, illustrated by Polina Alekseenko and

This interactive, colorful paperback storybook tells the story of Bear, who learns to appreciate nature as he meets a variety of forest inhabitants, and includes 30 stickers for young readers to add to each story to complete the scene.

Description
This interactive, colorful storybook tells the story of Bear, who learns to appreciate nature as he meets a variety of forest inhabitants. Bear doesn't understand why it's important to have worms, bees, mushrooms, weeds, and bugs, but by interacting with each of them, he learns why each is important to the environment. For example, Bear learns that worms help to make the soil the best it can be, which in turn produces better flowers that bees will seek for the best nectar—and ultimately make the honey that Bear loves! Bear learns that every part of nature is necessary, no matter its size or appearance, and that it's important to treat nature with care. The book includes 30 stickers that can be used to complete the scenes on each page.

About the Author
Elena Ulyeva is the author of educational manuals, published in a total circulation of 3 million copies. Her manuals are based on her belief in the method of early development through creativity and play. She is a member of the TOP-10 most published childrens authors in Russia according to the Book Chamber, a master of fairy tales, and a talented teacher with 20 years of experience working with children.Polina Alekseenka graduated from the St. Petersburg College of Modeling and Management Technology with a degree in advertising. Although she did not attend a traditional art school, she has been drawing since childhood and learned everything herself. She picked up a pencil, or maybe a marker; she doesn't remember exactly, since it was so long ago. She drew on paper, on stones, on sidewalks, and in notebooks. She grew up watching cool cartoons and reading books with awesome illustrations, hence her interest in childrens illustrations. She wanted to pay tribute to the illustrators for her imagination and emotions, and hopes her art does the same thing: evoke emotions in children with the help of illustration.Clever Publishing was founded in 2010 with the purpose of changing childrens lives for the better. We create a world full of fascinating experiences for families through our books, games, sets, and series. Focusing on Pre-school and Edutainment, we've developed a wide range of innovative formats with modern teaching techniques. Kids love to read, touch, and play while learning, so our program includes products for all ages, including box sets; board books; puzzle books; learning flash cards; interactive coloring, activity, and word play formats; and boards games for the entire family. Our dream team - more than 100 employees worldwide - have a comprehensive understanding and knowledge of childrens books. With this expertise, we present products that are fun, entertaining, and vibrant. We are modern and educational and strive to always emphasize the importance of first experiences. We connect to the needs of busy parents and aim to enrich the time spent with their children. Our goal is to make children - as well as their parents happy!
My Mommy Is the Best
Jean Bello, illustrated by Lucy Boden and

In this sweet, reassuring board book, a variety of adorable baby animals spend special moments with Mom—riding a scooter, sharing a snack at the park, and snuggling up for a story before bed.

Description
Days spent with Mom are the best—and the most special! In this sweet, reassuring board book, a variety of adorable baby animals express their love for Mom as they spend time together during the day. From tigers enjoying an early-morning hug, to a young panda riding on a scooter alongside Mom on the way to the park; a bear cub enjoying a push from Mom on the swing; two elephants sharing a snack together; and a penguin chick listening to a story before bedtime, the time that the young animals spend with their moms is fun, exciting, and memorable.

About the Author
Jean Bello is a children's book editor and writer who has worked in publishing for 25 years. She has written more than 50 books for children and edited countless more. She lives with her family in sunny Florida. Lucy Boden is an illustrator specializing in children's illustration, working from her home studio in Cheltenham, UK. She spent three wonderful years studying Illustration in Falmouth, Cornwall, graduating in 2009. Her time in Falmouth and a childhood spent exploring the beautiful Cotswolds have provided huge inspiration for her work. She loves spending time in nature and with animals, especially her two cats, Betty and Iris! Clever Publishing was founded in 2010 with the purpose of changing children's lives for the better. We create a world full of fascinating experiences for families through our books, games, sets, and series. Focusing on Pre-school and Edutainment, we've developed a wide range of innovative formats with modern teaching techniques. Kids love to read, touch, and play while learning, so our program includes products for all ages, including box sets; board books; puzzle books; learning flash cards; interactive coloring, activity, and word play formats; and board games for the entire family. Our dream team - more than 100 employees worldwide - have a comprehensive understanding and knowledge of childrens books. With this expertise, we present products that are fun, entertaining, and vibrant. We are modern and educational and strive to always emphasize the importance of first experiences. We connect to the needs of busy parents and aim to enrich the time spent with their children. Our goal is to make children - as well as their parents happy!
An Autumn Treasury (Little Country Cottage)
Angela Ferraro-Fanning, illustrated by AnneliesDraws


Description
This charmingly illustrated seasonal treasury of nature-based crafts, bakes and gardening projects for autumn celebrates the country cottage lifestyle with self-sufficient and eco-friendly fun. Locally printed on 100% recycled paper, An Autumn Treasury (Little Country Cottage) offers:

- Easy yet delicious autumn recipes and treats that introduce young readers to local and seasonal eating. From pumpkin muffins to home-made apple chips, the easy-to-make recipes will inspire kids to get into the kitchen.
- Suggestions for using up unloved parts of produce, such as ways to make use of apple cores and peel, demonstrate a naturally zero-waste way of living.
- Accessible and fun crafts, such as making a gratitude tree and a woven basket, have instructions broken down into clear steps illustrated in AnneliesDraws' cute and wholesome style.
- The seasonal gardening and growing projects, such as planting herbs, can be done in a big back yard or on a windowsill, making this eco-friendly activity book a fun resource, whether readers are based in towns or the country.

Woven alongside the cooking, crafting and planting projects are little snippets of seasonal information and self-sufficient wisdom from homesteading teacher Angela Fanning of Axe and Root Homestead, with a focus on enjoying and celebrating the best of what autumn has to offer. Find even more nature-centered seasonal fun in: Little Country Cottage: A Winter Treasury of Recipes, Crafts and Wisdom.

About the Author
AnneliesDraws is an artist based in the Netherlands. She charms her 280,000 followers on Instagram with heartwarming and inspirational messages illustrated with her adorable drawings. Angela Fanning is a self-taught first generation farmer who built Axe & Root Homestead, a six-acre farm in central New Jersey, USA. Originally a graphic and website designer by trade, she owned and operated her own design firm for over a decade. After the birth of her first child, she realised she wanted to be outdoors, aligning her life with the seasons and with nature. She now grows and preserves her own homegrown produce for her young family, and runs a farm bustling with Clydesdales, geese and ducks for eggs, an apiary with ten beehives, sheep and a small orchard. She shares this love for eco-conscious, self-sufficient living with others through her Instagram account @axeandrootthatfarm (61k followers), her online homesteading classes, and is a regular contributor to publications such as Countryside Magazine, and Backyard Beekeping and Backyard Poultry Magazines.
The Week at World's End
Emma Carroll

The hotly anticipated new standalone from the Queen of Historical Fiction and National Treasure, Emma Carroll.

Description
What would you do if you found a body in the woodshed?

1962, London, the seven days of the Cuban Missile Crisis . . .

The day Vie finds a girl hiding in the woodshed, her uneventful life on World's End Close suddenly takes a new turn. The runaway, Anna, claims she's being poisoned. She needs Vie and her best friend Ray to help . . .

But with the Cuban Missile Crisis kicking off, and the adults all behaving so strangely, what chance do three children have against poisoners amidst the threat of a third world war?

This enthralling, heartwarming thriller is the perfect novel for our tumultuous times.

About the Author
Emma Carroll was a secondary school English teacher for many years. This is Emma's tenth novel for Faber; she has also written the highly-acclaimed Frost Hollow Hall, The Girl Who Walked on Air, In Darkling Wood, The Snow Sister, Strange Star, Letters from the Lighthouse, Secrets of a Sun King, When we were Warriors and The Somerset Tsunami. She lives in the Somerset hills with her husband and two terriers.
Pawcasso
Remy Lai

A delightful graphic novel about friendship and belonging, starring the world's most adorable dog, perfect for fans of Raina Telgemeier's Guts.

Description
Every Saturday, Pawcasso trots into town with a basket, a shopping list and cash in paw to buy groceries for his family. One day, he passes by Jo's house, where she's peering out the window, bored and lonely. When Jo sets out to follow him, a group of kids from school mistake her for Pawcasso's owner and, excited to make new friends, she reluctantly hides the truth. But what starts as a Chihuahua-sized lie quickly grows into a Great Dane-sized problem when Pawcasso gets his own internet fan club … Trapped in a web of lies, will Jo risk her new friendships by telling the truth?

From the award-winning creator of Pie in the Sky comes a heartwarming and hilarious story about an unexpected friendship between the loneliest girl in class and the coolest canine in town.

'Will steal your heart and melt it into a puddle of warm fuzzies. Dog-lovers and art-fans - this is the book for you!' Oliver Phommavanh, author of Thai-riffic!, Con-nerd and Natural Born Loser

About the Author
Remy Lai studied fine arts, with a major in painting and drawing. She was born in Indonesia, grew up in Singapore, and currently lives in Brisbane, Australia, where she writes and draws stories for kids with her two dogs by her side. She is also the author of the critically acclaimed Pie in the Sky and Fly on the Wall. Follow Remy on Instagram @rrremylai. www.remylai.com
One brave girl. Thousands of unexpected allies. A high-flying adventure series from Anh Do.

**Description**
Amber knew she'd been given an incredible power, but was it a freak accident, or was there something she was supposed to do with it?

Controlling her new ability might be the hardest thing Amber has ever done. Especially when she is running for her life.

Who is her mysterious enemy? What connection does he have to Amber's past? And, most importantly, does Amber have what it takes to truly become . . . Skydragon?

**About the Author**
Anh Do is one of Australia's best-loved storytellers. His series, including Wolf Girl, E-Boy and WeirDo are adored by millions of kids around the country.

James Hart was raised in the UK on English comics and classic eighties and nineties cartoons before moving to Australia and studying illustration, electronic design and multimedia. James has designed toys, animated programs such as The Day My Butt Went Psycho, and illustrated books for series including D-Bot Squad, You Choose, Boy vs Beast, Glen Maxwell, Ball Stars and Accidentally Awesome. When he's not drawing aliens, robots and monsters, James is being a dad and husband, watching movies and documentaries and cartoons, drinking coffee, listening to music, gardening, reading ... and drinking more coffee. James's illustrations can be viewed at jameshart.com.au.
Fly Free: Skydragon 2
Anh Do, illustrated by James Hart

Amber is back! The second book in the high-flying adventure series from Anh Do.

Description
Amber held her arms out. Surround me. Locusts, beetles, bees and all manner of flying insects nestled together tightly. Shapes formed. Horns on her head, claws on her hands and feet. A thick, long tail. She was a dragon!

Amber is on the run. What will happen when she and the Firefighter finally come face to face?

About the Author
Anh Do is one of Australia's best-loved storytellers. His junior fiction series Wolf Girl, WeirDo, Hotdog! and Ninja Kid are adored by millions of kids around the country, having sold in excess of 2.5 million books.

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Ride the Wind: Skydragon 3
Anh Do, illustrated by James Hart

Amber and her insects are back in a thrilling adventure with old friends and new villains!

Description
The agents fled as the fire took hold of the wooden cabin and any evidence of Skydragon's identity burned to ashes.

Sounds of crackling flames and cracking wood filled the forest, followed by shouts of 'Me? No way, you tell him!' as the agents argued over who was going to call their boss to explain how Skydragon had gotten away from them … again.

Amber is tired of being hunted, and sick of being afraid. Maybe she can escape her destiny and live a normal life, like a normal girl.

But two new villains are on the prowl, and when other people's lives are on the line, will Amber hide … or will she rise?

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Hello Baby
Jenni Overend, illustrated by Julie Vivas

This is a book for the whole family to share in preparation for a home birth or the arrival of a new baby.

Description
On a winter night, in a cottage far away from the town, Mum's baby is ready to be born. The midwife arrives and the whole family prepare for the home birth. In this honest and moving portrayal, Jenni Overend and Julie Vivas celebrate the birth of a baby at home with warmth and joy. This is a book for the whole family to share in preparation for a home birth or the arrival of a new baby.

About the Author
Jenni Overend is a teacher and writer. She lives in the Yarra Valley in Victoria, Australia with her husband and four children. She avoids writing and housework at all costs by gardening, riding a yellow bicycle, and observing big trees and small dogs.
Julie Vivas is the illustrator of many superb picture books. She lives in Victoria, Australia.
The Dinosaur Awards
Barbara Taylor, illustrated by Stephen Collins

Celebrate 50 of the most dynamic dinosaurs with this incredible compendium, illustrated by Stephen Collins. In the Dinosaur Awards, prehistoric creatures big and small are awarded prizes to celebrate their most dazzling talents and unusual skills.

Description
Roll up, roll up! The Dinosaur Awards are about to begin - and you're invited! Who will win the Terrifying Toes Award? Who will be crowned the Lizard King? And who will take home the Loudest Trumpeter Award? Celebrate the prehistoric past with 50 dynamic dinosaurs. Readers can learn all about the dinosaurs’ features, diet and habits as well as discover what makes each one so prize-worthy - and there are 10 comic strips to enjoy, too. With easy-to-understand, humorous text by Barbara Taylor and joyful illustrations from cartoonist Stephen Collins, this is the perfect book for dinosaur-loving kids everywhere. There are pronunciation guides, time periods, and vital statistics for each dinosaur, as well as an index to peruse.

Featuring: Velociraptor • Tsintaosaurus • Pegomastax • Caudipteryx • Mamenchisaurus • Argentinosaurus • Spinosaurus • Titanaceratops • Gigantoraptor • Tyrannosaurus Rex • Compsognathus • Carcharodontosaurus • Yutyrrannus • Euoplocephalus • Majungasaurus • Coelophysis • Gigantosaurus • Utahraptor • Triceratops • Hypsilophodon • Archaeopteryx • Deinonychus • Maiasaura • Ankylosaurus • Pinacosaurus • Sauropelta • Gastonia • Pachyrhinosaurus • Sichomimus • Sauroposeidon • Pachycephalosaurus • Stegosaurus • Parasaurolophus • Camuysaurus • Lambeosaurus • Corythosaurus • Troodon • Sciurimimus • Gallimimus • Therizinosaurus • Ouranosaurus • Avimimus • Sinosauropteryx • Mircroraptor • Anchiornis • Diplodocus • Oviraptor • Dromaeosaurus • Cryolophosaurus

About the Author
BARBARA TAYLOR studied Environmental Sciences at Southampton University. She has worked as a science editor and writer at London's Natural History Museum and for several publishing houses. She is an award-winning author of more than 150 books for children including 3-D Explorer Dinosaurs (Quarto). Stephen Collins is an illustrator and cartoonist from Penge, southeast London. His work has appeared in many publications worldwide, and he has a weekly comic in The Guardian Weekend magazine. His 2013 debut graphic novel The Gigantic Beard That Was Evil, was shortlisted for the Waterstones Book Of The Year award and an Eisner Award.
Secrets of a Sun King
Emma Carroll

Enter a world of Egyptian pharaohs and ancient curses from the Queen of Historical Fiction.

Description
It's November, 1922. In a valley in Egypt the tomb of a long dead pharaoh is about to be discovered. The world watches and waits for news with baited breath. Thirteen-year-old Lilian Kaye, who lives in a flat above a shop in London, is eagerly following the story. One morning the news takes a sinister turn: a man-a famous Egyptologist- disappears. All that remains of him are his feet. Then Lil's grandfather is taken suddenly ill, and when a mysterious package turns up for him from the Egyptologist, Lil starts to believe there is truth to the rumours of a pharaoh's curse.

About the Author
Emma Carroll was a secondary school English teacher for many years. The Lost Boy is Emma's seventh novel; she has also written the highly-acclaimed Frost Hollow Hall, The Girl Who Walked on Air, In Darkling Wood, The Snow Sister, Strange Star and Letters from the Lighthouse. She lives in the Somerset hills with her husband and two terriers.
In Darkling Wood
Emma Carroll

From the queen of historical fiction, In Darkling Wood by Emma Carroll is a spine-tingling novel with a forthright, modern heroine - and more than a hint of mystery and magic.

Description
‘You’re telling me there are fairies in this wood?’ When Alice’s brother gets a longed-for chance for a heart transplant, Alice is suddenly bundled off to her estranged grandmother's house. There’s nothing good about staying with Nell, except for the beautiful Darkling Wood at the end of her garden - but Nell wants to have it cut down. Alice feels at home there, at peace, and even finds a friend, Flo. But Flo doesn’t seem to go to the local school and no one in town has heard of a girl with that name. When Flo shows Alice the surprising secrets of Darkling Wood, Alice starts to wonder, what is real? And can she find out in time to save the wood from destruction?

About the Author
Emma Carroll is a secondary school English teacher. She has also worked as a news reporter, an avocado picker and the person who punches holes into filofax paper. She recently graduated with distinction from Bath Spa University’s MA in Writing For Young People. In Darkling Wood is Emma's third novel. She lives in the Somerset hills with her husband and two terriers.
The Girl Who Walked On Air

Emma Carroll

From the queen of historical fiction, The Girl Who Walked On Air by Emma Carroll is an enchanting historical adventure fiction for ages 9-11

Description

Louie, who was abandoned at Chipchase's Travelling Circus as a baby, dreams of becoming a 'Showstopper', but Mr Chipchase keeps her hidden, tucked away in the ticket booth. No Death-Defying Stunts for her. But Louie has been secretly practising her act - tightrope-walking - and dreams of being the Girl Who Walked on Air . . . she just needs to be given the chance to shine. And the circus needs her too - Wellbeloved's rival show is stealing their crowds. They need a Showstopper. Desperate, Mr Chipchase reluctantly lets Louie perform. She is a sensation, and gets an offer from the sinister Mr Wellbeloved himself to perform ... over Niagara Falls. But nothing is quite as it seems and soon Louie's bravery is tested not just on the highwire but in confronting her past and the shady characters in the world of the circus ...Fans of Frost Hollow Hall will love this epic adventure about following your dreams and becoming a showstopper!

About the Author

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It's A No-Money Day
Kate Milner

A poignant and pertinent exploration of life below the poverty line from the critically acclaimed award-winning creator of My Name is Not Refugee.

Description
'Mum works really hard, but today there is no money left and no food in the cupboards.' Forced to visit the local foodbank, Mum feels ashamed that they have to rely on the kindness of others, but her young daughter can still see all the good in her day like reading and drawing, and even the food bank. Maybe one day things will be different but for now together they brighten up even the darkest of days.

A moving insight into the sad rise and necessity of foodbanks from the perspective of society's most vulnerable.

About the Author
Kate Milner studied Illustration at Central St Martin's before completing the MA in Children's Book Illustration at Anglia Ruskin University. Kate won the V&A Student Illustration Award in 2016 and the Klaus Flugge Prize in 2018 for My Name is Not Refugee. She lives in Leighton Buzzard with her family.
Swan Song
Gill Lewis

Gill Lewis returns with a profoundly moving and insightful novel about teenage mental health and the redemptive power of nature.

Description
Dylan is struggling. Since he started high school, everything has become too much to handle. Now he's been expelled and is forced to move to the tiny village in Wales where his grandad lives. But when Grandad invites Dylan out on his boat to watch the Hooper swans return to their winter feeding ground, things begin to change. Grandad doesn't judge or question; he just lets Dylan be. Out on the water, with no distractions or pressure, Dylan begins to feel like himself again. But when the swans and their home are threatened, and tragedy strikes at home, can Dylan keep going when it feels like everything is slipping out of control again?

About the Author
Gill Lewis worked as a vet in the UK and across the world before becoming the acclaimed author of several books for children, including Sky Hawk and Gorilla Dawn. Gill's writing has earned her numerous awards such as the UKLA Children's Book Award and the Little Rebel Award, and several nominations for prestigious awards including the CILIP Carnegie Medal.
Eagle Warrior
Gill Lewis

Are Bobbie and her Gran risking too much to save the Eagles from poachers? Gill Lewis takes to the picturesque Scottish Highlands for a stunning new wildlife adventure.

Description
Bobbie is thrilled that a golden eagle has settled in the forest near her family’s farm. She loves to walk the hills with her granny and watch the bird soar through the sky. But not everyone shares Bobbie’s awe for the spectacular bird. When her granny’s beloved dog is killed by poisoned bait, it soon becomes clear that someone is out to get the eagle – and they’re ready to take down anything, and anyone, that gets in their way. Bobbie is determined to save the eagle but is it worth the risk?

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Run Wild
Gill Lewis

A thought-provoking and touching story of the bond between child and nature, from renowned storyteller and award-winning author Gill Lewis.

Description
Izzy and Asha need a space to call their own, away from difficult families, the Skull brothers and the trouble they bring. But the derelict building site where they stake their claim already belongs to something else, a wilderness they never expected and an injured wolf that desperately needs their help. Can they reconnect to the wild and save the wolf? Or is their pack too weak to fight much stronger powers...

A stunning tale of our lost connection to nature and the wild that hides in us all.

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Rose's Dress Of Dreams
Katherine Woodfine

Inspired by the life of Rose Bertin, Katherine Woodfine’s stunning Little Gem is written with an evocative sense of period furthered by fresh and beautiful full-colour illustrations by Kate Pankhurst.

Description
Young Rose dreams of sewing beautiful dresses for the women of Paris. But when a chance encounter with royalty changes her life, Rose must draw on all her skills to create the most breathtaking dress of them all. Based on the life of Rose Bertin, the woman credited with creating haute-couture, this is a story to inspire bold girls everywhere.

About the Author
Katherine Woodfine is the author of The Mystery of the Clockwork Sparrow and sequels. She previously worked at Book Trust, ran the YA Literature Convention, and now hosts the children's book radio show Down the Rabbit Hole. She lives in London.
Kate Pankhurst is the author and illustrator of Mariella Mystery Investigates and Fantastically Great Women who Changed the World. When not drawing, Kate runs workshops for children. She lives in Leeds with her dog Olive.
Sophie Takes to the Sky
Katherine Woodfine

Katherine Woodfine reimagines the childhood of Sophie Blanchard, the world’s first female hot-air balloonist, in this inspiring story of courage and self-belief.

Description
Scaredy-Cat Sophie is afraid of everything! So when a balloonist comes to the town fair, Sophie is left behind while everyone else goes to watch him fly in his marvellous balloon. She’s far too frightened of the crowds, the commotion and even riding in a horse-drawn carriage. But Sophie longs to watch the hot-air balloon sail across the blue sky. If she could just be brave enough to face her fears, who knows where her journey might take her …

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The Beautiful Game (#1)
Alan Gibbons

A brilliant, topical sports fiction-with-facts story.

Description
At an Old Trafford game, Lennie hears Man U fans chanting about Hillsborough. Enraged, he joins in with a retaliatory chant about the Munich Disaster of '58. Appalled, his dad and granddad take Lennie on a whistlestop tour of the dark side of the beautiful game. Dad and Grandad know only too well the human cost of fan violence and official negligence, having experienced racism in football fandom and survived the Hillsborough disaster. Interwoven with lots of facts about the history of football, the great disasters of the twentieth century and the black footballers who blazed a trail in the UK, this book is ideal to engage reluctant reading football fans.

About the Author
Alan Gibbons has written over 60 books and won many prestigious awards such as the Blue Peter Award for "The Book I Couldn't Put Down", the Angus Book Award and the Stockport Book Award. He has also been shortlisted twice for the Carnegie Medal and his books have been published into dozens of languages. As well as being a writer, Alan is a high profile library campaigner.
The Lion Roars (#2)
Alan Gibbons

Jimi loves books and he loves football. His favourite books are about the great African-born footballers and he dreams of pulling on the white shirt of the Lions of Senegal. He has his sister to coach him and his uncle to inspire him but will Jimi’s dreams come true? Interweaves Jimi’s story with facts about the history of football in Africa.

Description
Jimi dreams of playing in the all-white kit of the Lions of Senegal but he can't see how his dream will ever come true. Even though he is the best footballer in the region, the bigger boys never let him play with them. But can he change their minds? With huge support from his family, Jimi finds that there's nothing he can't achieve. Interwoven with lots of facts about the history of African football and African-born footballing superstars such as Didier Drogba, Samuel Eto, Patrick Viera and Yaya Toure, this book is ideal to engage reluctant reading football fans.

About the Author
Alan Gibbons has written over 60 books for children and won many prizes such as the Blue Peter Award. He has also been shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal twice.
Dream Team (#3)
Alan Gibbons

A fact-filled football story about the importance of team-work, bursting with friendship and fun. A must for football fans everywhere.

Description
East End United are struggling to make this season work. Cairo is their best shot but as Captain he just can’t seem to make the team work together. When Coach Ayo suggests heading to the library for some historical research the boys think he’s having a laugh but the secret to a great team might just lie in the past. Fabulous football story featuring facts about the best from past to present.

About the Author
Alan Gibbons has written over 60 books and won many prestigious awards such as the Blue Peter Award for ‘The Book I Couldn’t Put Down’, the Angus Book Award and the Stockport Book Award. He has also been shortlisted twice for the Carnegie Medal and his books have been published into dozens of languages. As well as being a writer, Alan is a high profile library campaigner. He lives in Liverpool.
The Number 7 Shirt (#4)
Alan Gibbons, illustrated by Aleksandar Sotirovski

Description
The story of a boy's journey to becoming a professional footballer. Will the advice of 5 of Manchester United's greats help him achieve his dream? A must for football fans everywhere. Jimmy has always dreamed of becoming a pro footballer and gets one step closer when he's invited to go for a trial for the Man U Academy! But he still has lots to learn. Follow Jimmy's progress with the help of 5 of Man U's heroes, all legends of the number 7 shirt. Fabulous football story featuring facts about Best, Beckham, Cantona, Robson and Ronaldo.

About the Author
A former primary school teacher, Alan has written over 50 books and won or been shortlisted for many prestigious awards. His books have been published all over the world. Alan is a very popular speaker at schools, libraries, colleges and conferences - he visits over 150 schools a year! He has also written The Greatest and Night Hunger for Barrington Stoke. He lives in Liverpool.
Home Ground (#5)
Alan Gibbons and illustrated by Chris Chalik

A timely and thought-provoking football story packed with facts from reluctant reader favourite Alan Gibbons.

Description
Sam's team are edging closer to the bottom of the league this season and team captain Jordan's bad attitude isn't helping anyone. When Sam spots Hasan playing on the refugee team, he can see that Hasan's got talent and invites him along to practice. Hasan and his friend Faisal prove to be exactly what the team need – but Jordan's not going to accept his new teammates so easily. Can Sam get the boys to pull together and win? Packed with facts about football and refugee communities.

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