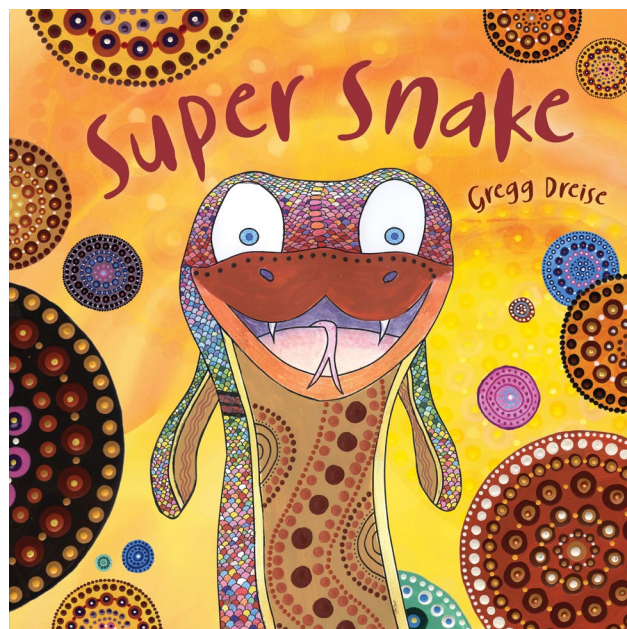


Super Snake

New series: Scales and Tails

Author	Gregg Dreise
Illustrator	Gregg Dreise
ISBN	978-1-922142-95-5 (print) 978-1-922777-45-4 (ePDF)
RRP	\$27.99
eBook RRP	\$12.99
Format	Hardcover
Rights	World
Genre	Children's picture book
Readership	Early-middle primary, 5-10
Extent	32 pages
Dimensions	250mm x 250mm (square)
Publication date	March 2024
Approx. weight	400g
Similar to	Silly Birds series: <i>Mad Magpie</i> , <i>Kookoo Kookaburra</i> , <i>Cunning Crow</i> , <i>Silly Birds</i> , <i>Awesome Emu</i> (84,700 copies sold combined, Bookscan+Magabala) <i>The Rainbow Serpent</i> by Goobalathaldin Dick Roughsey (34,800 copies sold, Bookscan)



“You can’t have a rainbow without water. Dhurraluwi guuma-li — Come together! Wantima — Rise up! Woorri — Share.” Super Snake

Description

This is the first book in the new series by award-winning children’s book author Gregg Dreise and the first in a new square format. Told with heart and humour, *Super Snake* will be a family favourite.

A charming morality tale, this book tells the tale of the Rainbow Serpent and the creation of the Darling/Barka River.

In the Dreamtime, the bush was in the middle of a drought. A storm came and Mundegutta Gooriya the Super Snake was created.

Way back, before Once-upon-a-time there was the Dreamtime and the bush was in the middle of a drought.

After a storm, one large rainbow curved down. The Super Snake slithered down that rainbow on to the earth and promised the Elders he could help them find water. That Super Snake called out, ‘You can’t have a rainbow without water.

‘Dhurraluwi guuma-li — Come together! Wantima — Rise up! Woorri — Share.’

Like many, Gregg read *The Rainbow Serpent* by Dick Roughsey in primary school. He has always wanted to make a Rainbow Serpent book from his own Culture to highlight to people the diverse Countries and Cultures across Australia. Although people around the world may think of Aboriginal people as all being the same, there are hundreds of Countries on this continent.

The Author

Gregg Dreise is a proud descendant of the Goomelroi/Kamilaroi and Euahlayi people of south-west Queensland and north-west New South Wales. His storytelling shows his pride in his Indigenous culture, and he creates beautiful morality tales to help us all to rise up to be our best. His Cultural stories have a wonderful way of showing the actions of animals to help us humans to grow up with morals and respect.

Selling points

- The exciting first book in a brand new series by a best-selling and award-winning author
- Filled with his well-loved colourful paintings
- The themes of the story are sharing and accepting the good with the bad
- A morality tale, set in the context of a Creation story
- Teacher support material linked to the Australian curriculum
- Marketing and publicity campaign



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Our Home AI info

Catherine Meatheringham

Max Hamilton

Hardback

March 2024

230 wide x 250 high

Ages 4-6

32 pages

ISBN9781921136481

RRP \$29.99

Come with us, see our homes, hear their sounds.

Our Home is a picture book about where children live in Australia. From a rugged coast to an outback station to a high-rise apartment, *Our Home* showcases the landscapes, families and communities that make up our homes in Australia.

Our Home is full of onomatopoeia to describe the sounds that homes make. Suburban homes *whizz*, beach homes *sigh* and farms *rustle*.

Children aged 3 and over will love to join in with this noisy story that fosters belonging, identity and a sense of place.

Catherine Meatheringham loves to write picture books full of music and onomatopoeia to encourage children to join in with the story.

She lives in Canberra with her husband, two children, golden retriever and three chickens.

Max Hamilton is an award-winning illustrator, graphic designer and most enthusiastically a maker of children's books. Max Hamilton won the CBCA Book of the Year: Early Childhood for *Where the Lyrebird Lives*, the book she illustrated for Vikki Conley, *Where the Lyrebird Lives*.

She enjoys noticing the little details in things, loves to get lost in the world of illustration and stories.

Max lives in Jannali in Sydney with her partner, two daughters, a couple of guinea pigs and a very cuddly dog.

Selling points

Max Hamilton has just won the CBCA Book of the Year Award: Early Childhood

Showcasing a whole range of different homes in different places around Australia

Great for sending overseas

Springboard for discussion about the different places in Australia and the different ways people live.



MidnightSun Publishing

TAYTA'S SECRET INGREDIENT

by Amal Abu-Eid (author) and
Cara King (illustrator)

HB 32 | 280 x 240 | ISBN: 9781922858122 | \$29.99

Picture book for all ages

MidnightSun Publishing | March 2024

Distributed by NewSouth Books

Billy loves Harmony Day. He loves the colours, the clothes and especially the food. This year Tayta is making *kaak*, a Lebanese treat, for Billy to share with his class but he can't share the recipe because Tayta bakes with a secret ingredient.

Tayta's Secret Ingredient is a heart-warming inter-generational story about everyday life in multicultural Australia, where a curious boy takes centre stage alongside his beloved baking grandmother.

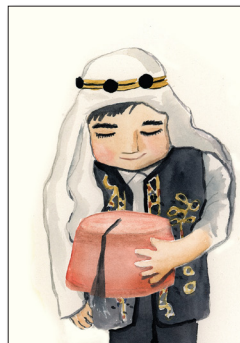
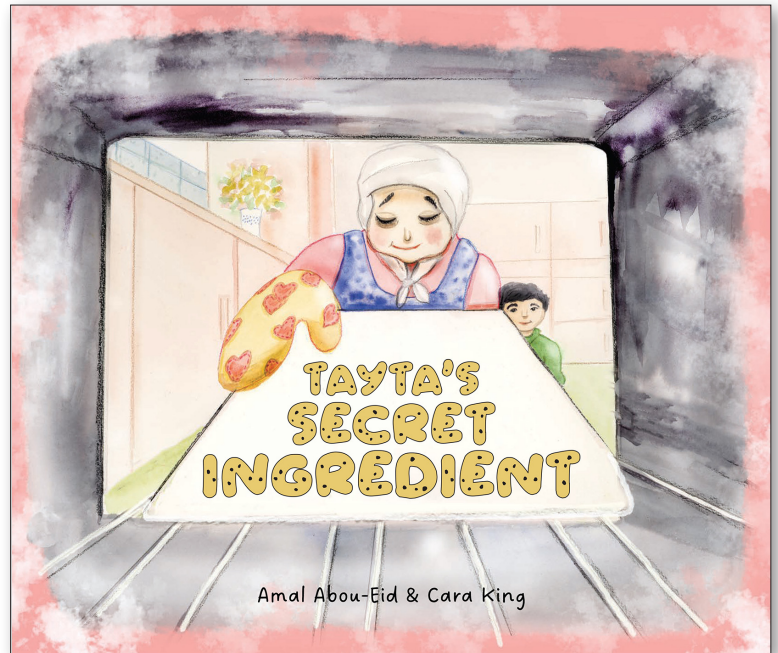


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Damjan Janevski

Amal Abu-Eid is a passionate educator, mother and author of multiple self-published books. Amal started writing children's books when she realised she couldn't find books for her children with characters and stories that related to their Muslim Lebanese Australian identity. She believes in the power of representation and inclusion in books and writes stories which depict characters and events her family and community can identify with and relate to. She hopes her stories can educate, entertain and empower others to tell their stories, too.



Cara King is a Melbourne-based illustrator and graphic designer. She has illustrated around 10 books since 2016, published both traditionally and for self-publishing authors. Cara enjoys painting in watercolour, scribbling with pencils and dabbles in a bit of digital art too. She has a love of nature, travel and animals and shares her home with her husband, 2 boys, 5 chickens, some fish, bees and a toy poodle.

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Michelle Pleasance
Baby Does Too
Hardback
24 pages
Ages 0-3
ISBN9781921136573
\$28.95
Size : 205mm x 255mm

When Nana knits, sister bakes and brother hides,
What does baby do?

A beautifully illustrated book celebrating the joy and chaos of babyhood.

As a child, Michelle went to many different primary schools. She found she could make new friends through drawing, which she has continued to do until the present day.

She lives in a small country town where the kangaroos populate her front yard.

Michelle is inspired by vintage children's books and nostalgia. She is a maker of stories, songs, pictures and cardigans. She has been illustrating children's prints and cards for some time and is very happy to be releasing "Baby Does Too" as her first book.

Michelle has a strong following for her greeting cards and art prints distributed by Nuovo Group to gift stores and bookshops around Australia.

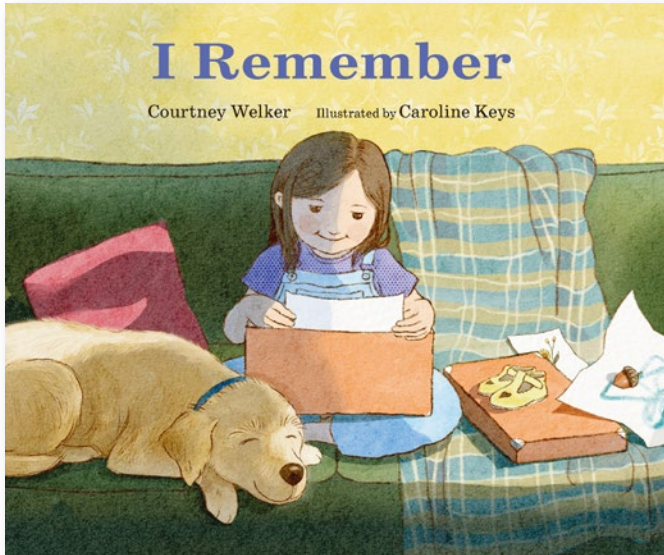
Selling points

For lovers of nostalgic children's illustration

Gift book for a new baby

Michelle has a strong following for her whimsical illustrations

ADVANCE INFORMATION SHEET



ISBN: 978-1-80036-057-0

RRP: \$24.99 AUD

Age of intended audience: 5 years and up

Release Date: 5th March 2024

Binding: Hardback

Trim Size: 21.0 cm in H | 25.5 cm in W

Extent: 32 pages | Four-colour Interior

Weight: 0.34 kg | **Carton Quantity:** 40 copies

Imprint: Tiny Seed

From the time she could hold a crayon, **Caroline Keys** has only ever wanted to be an artist. She grew up in South Africa where she cut her teeth as an illustrator working on educational books for children in rural African communities before moving to Australia. She feels incredibly lucky getting to spend every day creating art in her home studio just outside of Melbourne, where she lives with her husband, three children and a Golden Retriever.



I Remember

By Courtney Welker
Illustrated by Caroline Keys

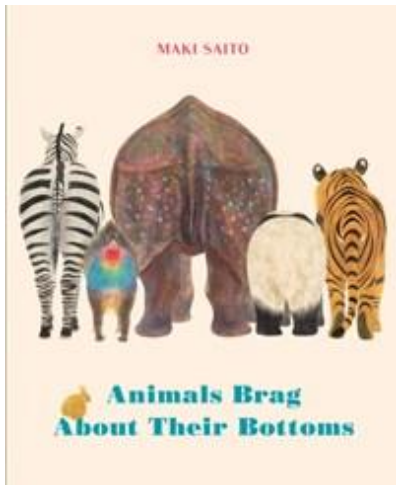
Lucy and her mother look through items in a memory box, but Lucy's memories differ from Mom's, except about feeling love.

When Lucy and her mother look through items in Lucy's memory box, such as her first shoes, photos, and a drawing, Lucy remembers things differently to Mom, except for one thing, the memory of feeling love for the first time. In this sweet picture book about memories, family connections, and love, children will discover the pleasure of keeping a memory box and relate to their own earliest memories and feelings of love.

- A heartwarming story great for cuddle time and bedtime.
- Encourages families to keep, explore, and treasure their own memory box items, memories, and bonds.
- Charming, watercolour-style illustrations that reflect the nostalgic innocence of the story.

Courtney Welker grew up in York, Western Australia's oldest inland town, the eldest daughter of a multi-generational farming family. She now lives in the Perth Hills with her husband and three young children. Courtney has degrees in law and arts (politics and Japanese), and a Master of International Relations. Courtney and her husband read to their children every day, love telling them stories (in which they and their pets often star), and relish adding to their memory boxes.





Greystone Kids
9781778401510
Pub Date: 14/03/2024
On Sale Date: 14/03/2024
\$9.95/£7.99 UK
Board Book

28 Pages
Full color illustrations throughout
Ages 0 to 2
Juvenile Fiction / Animals
JUV002160

17.1 cm H | 14 cm W
Status: **FORTHCOMING**

Animals Brag About Their Bottoms

Maki Saito, Brian Bergstrom

Key Selling Points

- **The board book edition of the popular, much loved children's book**
- **Perfect gift for a new baby:** *Animals Brag About Their Bottoms* will be entertaining for parents as well as their little one
- **Great for an interactive read aloud:** The simple and comedic text begs to be read aloud, and will have everyone laughing along.
- **Celebrates self love and body positivity**
- **Gorgeously illustrated:** Maki Sati using traditional Japanese art techniques, which gives the book a unique and special feel.

Summary

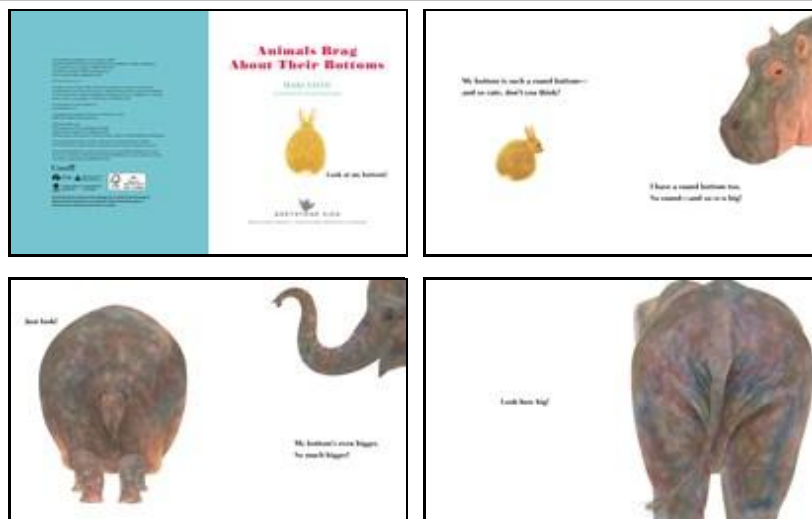
A perfect baby gift, this charming and funny board book features animals from around the world, each one celebrating their uniquely shaped bum!

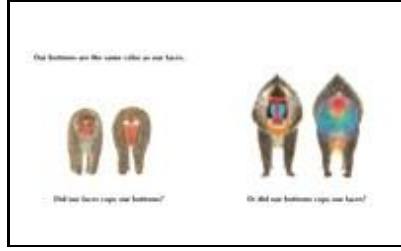
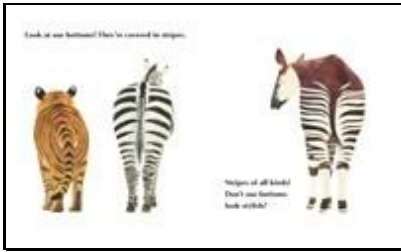
All bottoms are wonderful! Don't you agree? Each animal has a different reason for loving their behind—from cute and round to fashionable and striped! Illustrator Maki Saito's traditional Japanese art techniques add a sophisticated, beautiful feel to a book about... animal butts!

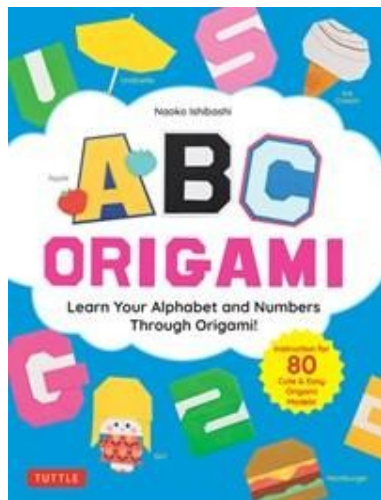
Now available as a board book, this celebration of self love and body positivity will have the tiniest of readers (and their parents) laughing out loud at the backsides of hippos, zebras, pandas, and more.

Contributor Bio

Illustrations







Tuttle Publishing
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A\$22.99
Trade Paperback

112 Pages
Photos and illustrations throughout
- 80 different designs to fold
Carton Qty: 24
Ages 5 to 8, Grades K to 2
Juvenile Nonfiction / Concepts
254mm H | 191mm W
Status: **FORTHCOMING**

ABC Origami

Learn Your Alphabet and Numbers Through Origami! (80 Cute & Easy Paper Models!)

Naoko Ishibashi

Key Selling Points

- Cute origami models for 26 letters, 10 numbers and 40 other objects
- Naoki Ishibashi is Japan's #1 bestselling origami author!
- Easy-to-follow instructions show you how to fold the models, which require very few steps
- Includes animals, foods and other popular paper models that kids love to fold!
- Experts agree the best way for kids to learn letters and numbers is through play, which also develops fine motor skills

Summary

Learn your letters and numbers by folding cute paper origami models!

Naoko Ishibashi is Japan's #1 bestselling designer of origami models for children. In this book, she presents simple instructions for models containing the 26 letters of the alphabet and 10 numbers, along with 40 models of animals, tasty foods and other fun objects!

These clever paper models are ideal for caregivers and children to fold together. They provide a great way for kids to learn--through play! The models require very few steps, making them easy for youngsters (and parents!) to fold.

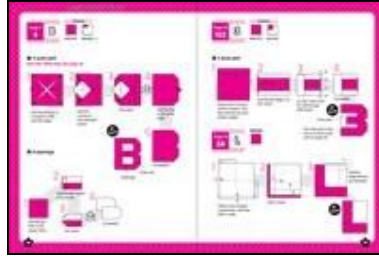
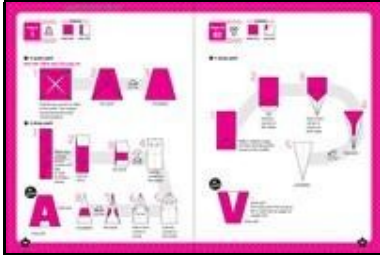
Origami offers kids the chance to engage their minds and develop their motor skills. Older children will enjoy combining the letters into words and names, and making decorative banners for special events or bulletin boards. The author even shows you how to create a personalized scrapbook with your paper models!

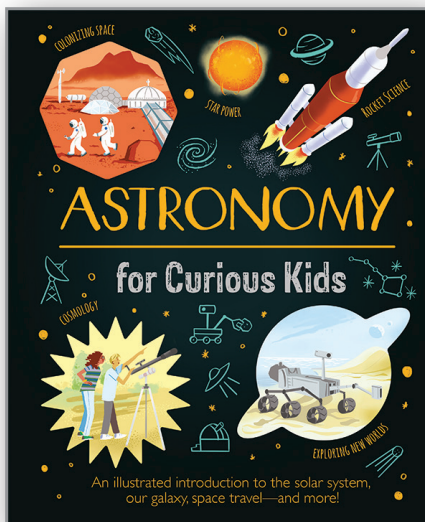
Contributor Bio

Naoko Ishibashi is Japan's leading origami author and an instructor focusing on creating kawaii origami models for children to enjoy. She has published dozens of books on origami, including *Origami Dress-up Dolls*, *Origami Play*, and Tuttle Publishing's *Easy Origami for Kids* and *Kawaii Origami for Kids Kit*.

Illustrations







Astronomy for Curious Kids

An illustrated introduction to the solar system, our galaxy, space travel—and more!

Giles Sparrow, illustrated by Nik Neves

ISBN	9781486318384
RRP	AU \$32.99
PUBLICATION DATE	01 March 2024
FORMAT	Hardback
EXTENT	128pp
DIMENSIONS	280mm x 225mm x 14mm
APPROX. WEIGHT	812 grams
ILLUSTRATIONS	colour illustrations throughout
KEYWORDS	solar system, space, stars, universe, sky, milky way
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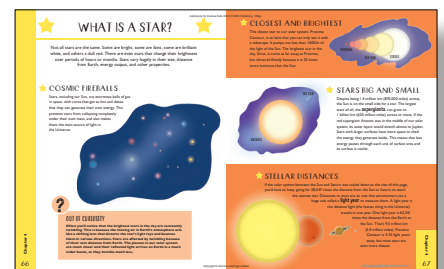
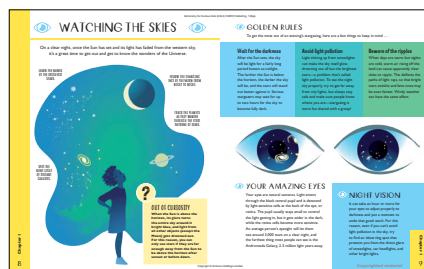
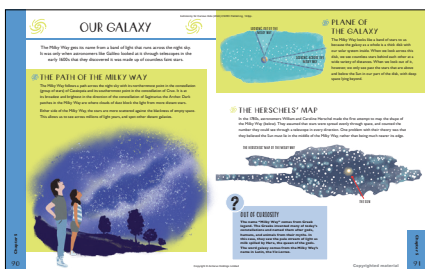
Look up to the stars and observe the wonders of outer space with this beautifully illustrated, inspirational, and accessible introduction to astronomy. Visit other planets in our solar system, steer a course through the constellations, and head away from our galaxy to unlock the secrets of interstellar space.

Take a tour of the night sky and the wonders of the Universe with *Astronomy for Curious Kids*. Travel through time and space from the Big Bang to black holes, and study solar eclipses, shooting stars, supergiants and supernovas for a journey that is literally out of this world.

Reading level varies from child to child, but we recommend this book for ages 8 to 12.

KEY INFO

- Beautifully illustrated, accessible guide to the world of astronomy
- Explains how stars are born and how they die
- Learn how to navigate the night sky using constellations
- Explores the Big Bang, black holes, solar eclipses, shooting stars, supergiants, and supernovas
- Discover the Milky Way and the solar system



ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

Giles Sparrow is a freelance author and editor, specializing in popular science, astronomy, and space technology. He studied astronomy at University College, London, and is a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society. He has gone on to have books about space published by many esteemed children’s publishers.

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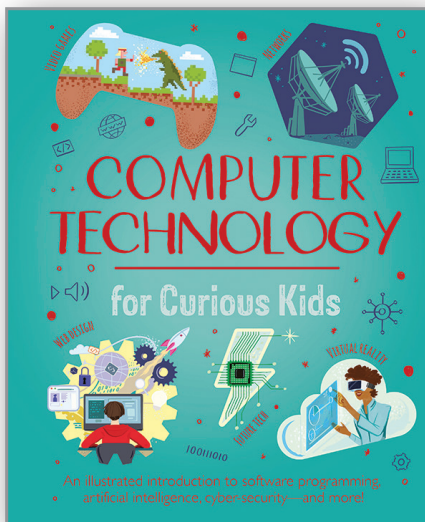


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Computer Technology for Curious Kids

An illustrated introduction to software programming, artificial intelligence, cyber-security—and more!

Chris Oxlade, illustrated by Nik Neves

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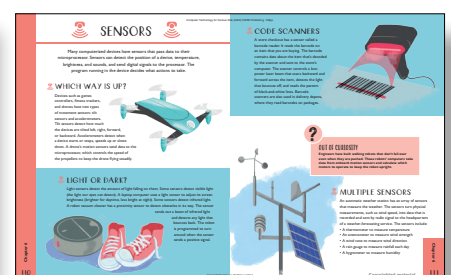
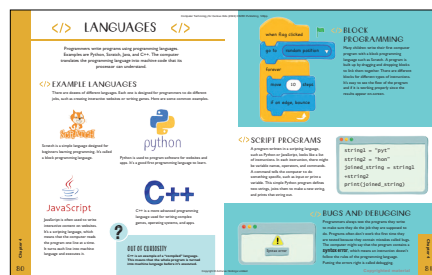
Upgrade your tech knowledge with this beautifully illustrated, inspirational, and accessible guide to the fascinating field of computing. From the simplest software to electronic brains, and from smartphone apps to social media and video games, there are gigabytes of data for you to unravel. Discover the skills you'll need to become a top-class coder or a cyber sensation, and how microprocessors monitor our factories, fitness, traffic, and even guide robots across other worlds.

From the abacus to apps, games to graphics, and GPS to smart speakers, *Computer Technology for Curious Kids* provides all the data you need to transform yourself into a computer-tech wizard.

Reading level varies from child to child, but we recommend this book for ages 8 to 12.

KEY INFO

- Explores the technology that's transforming the way we work, play, and stay in touch
- Beautifully illustrated, accessible guide to computer science
- Uncovers the secrets of PCs, laptops and smartphones
- Explains programming languages and skills
- Please note, this title is published under the name *Computer Science for Curious Kids* outside Australia



ABOUT THE AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

Chris Oxlade is a prolific author of information books for children. He has written more than two hundred titles on science, technology, sports, and hobbies. He studied engineering at university before becoming an author. He lives in Ilkley, West Yorkshire with his wife, children, and dogs.

Nik Neves is a Brazilian graphic artist, illustrator, and comic author specializing in illustrated maps, sketchbooks, visual diaries, and music. Nik works with clients across the globe and regularly contributes to international publications including *Lonely Planet*, *National Geographic*, and *Arte Magazin*. He lives and works in Berlin.

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The Dreaming Volume 1 (2nd Edition)

Queenie Chan

Key Selling Points

The Dreaming, when published in 2005, was a big hit, particularly for schools. Manga for teens in an unusual setting. Uniquely the first Australian made manga. This edition is updated to contemporary standards, and has the same allure for teens who like manga.

Summary

When twin sisters Amber and Jeanie are accepted into an exclusive boarding school, their future looks bright. But the school's halls harbour a terrible secret: students have been known to wander into the surrounding bushlands and vanish...without a trace! No one knows where they went— or why. But as Amber and Jeanie are about to learn, the key to the school's dark past may lie in the world of their dreams. An atmospheric supernatural mystery-horror, this is a Lovecraftian tale in the tradition of such Australian classics as Picnic at Hanging Rock.

Contributor Bio

Queenie Chan was born in Hong Kong, and migrated to Australia when she was six years old. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Information Systems, and her first published work was a 3-volume mystery-horror series called "The Dreaming" for LA-based manga publisher TOKYOPOP. To date, it has been translated into multiple languages. Currently, she is working on her next project, a series of non-fiction children's graphic novels called "Women Who Were Kings". It will be a collection of biographies about the lives of famous historical queens from all over the world.



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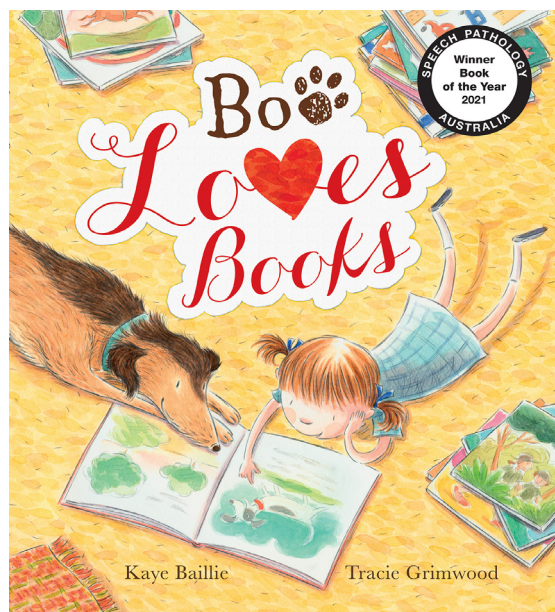
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Author: Kaye Baillie
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RRP: \$16.99



BOO LOVES BOOKS

Kaye Baillie | March 2024 Paperback Release

Some dogs are shy and anxious and so are some children. Can Boo and Phoebe turn their fears into a positive experience?

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Kaye is an award-winning writer of fiction and non-fiction children's picture books and short stories. Many of her picture books have won or been shortlisted for awards such as the CBCA Book Awards, Speech Pathology Australia Book Awards, NSW Premier's History Awards, West Australian Young Readers' Book Awards and the Children's Peace Literature Award. Her work has been published in Australia and internationally. One of Kaye's passions is sharing stories about remarkable people, just like the boy and his cat who inspired the story, *Boo Loves Books*. Kaye lives in a coastal town in Australia where she enjoys beach walks and baking. You can find Kaye on Instagram: [@bailliekaye](https://www.instagram.com/bailliekaye)
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ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Tracie Grimwood is an award-winning illustrator and artist from Melbourne, Australia. She has produced illustrations for a diverse range of clients, both nationally and internationally, and her many projects include stamp issues, museum installations, editorial illustrations, album covers, greeting cards and dozens of books and book covers. Her personal art practice reflects her love of animals, especially horses and dogs, and her deep connection with the natural world. Her paintings have been shown in many exhibitions including a solo show in 2014. Tracie is also a passionate educator and teaches illustration at Monash University's School of Art, Design and Architecture. You can contact Tracie on www.traciegrimwood.com.au/



SALES POINTS

- Features a creative solution to help reluctant readers overcome their fear of making mistakes while reading
- A charming story of friendship between a shy girl and a huge, gentle rescue dog
- Based on a true story
- One of the winning titles for the Speech Pathology Australia Book Awards 2021



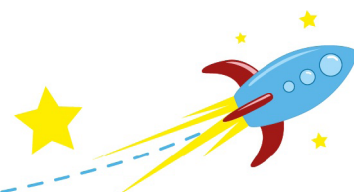
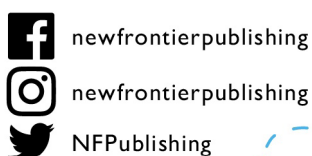
... Phoebe froze.
'I want to go home,' she whispered.
'I'm staying right here,' said Miss Spinelli, bending down.



'This dog is a little bit scared. But he would never hurt you.'
Scared, thought Phoebe. *Of me?*
'Talk about the pictures,' said Miss Spinelli.
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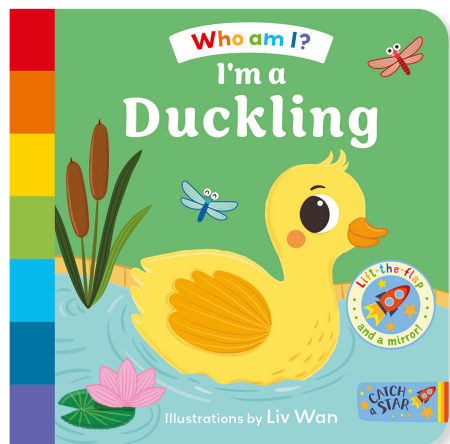
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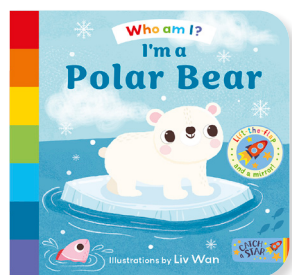
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I'm a Duckling

Liv Wan | February 2024

Find out which farm animals are hiding in this colourful, interactive lift-the-flap children's board book with a surprise ending.

ABOUT THE SERIES

A brand-new series where little readers can guess which animals are hiding under colourful flaps by reading the clues. Perfect for reading aloud and developing early world recognition, children will want to read these books again and again.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

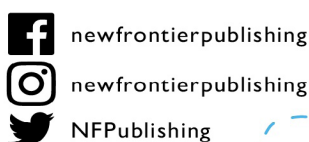
Originally from Taiwan, Liv has lived in Edinburgh for the last 14 years. She gained a degree from Edinburgh College of Art and has worked with high profile clients, including Snapchat and World Vision. Working digitally, her style is fun and colourful. In her free time, she loves travelling and eating local food. She lives with her photographer husband, tennis-playing daughter and her cat, Tinny, who loves everyone. Home is very colourful, both in terms of work and language, but it's also full of fun and laughter. Liv can be contacted via www.advocate-art.com/liv-wan.

SALES POINTS

- Bright and colourful lift-the-flap children's board book.
- Aims to help children develop early word recognition by reading the clues.
- Readers will love the surprise mirror ending!
- First book in a series.



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GLOBE DEFENDERS: RAINFOREST RESCUE

Jonny Daymond | March 2024

When Jess and Jack Rayworth reluctantly enter the gates of their latest school Hilltop Academy, they don't know they're entering the training ground for a secret agency. An agency set up to stop damage inflicted on the planet through the greed of a sinister organisation known as the Lobby. They soon work out that Hilltop also has something to do with their missing parents. And following their hunch, they are launched into a battle for survival deep in the Amazon rainforest, trying to help save someone else's home and family. But will this help them save their own?

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Jonny Daymond loves action, adventure and travel. He has trekked the Amazon rainforest, dived the Great Barrier Reef, jumped out of planes, raced sailing dinghies, climbed sheer rock faces and spent a lifetime studying martial arts. In fact, he holds a fourth degree black belt and is the current Chairman of the United Kingdom Shorinji Kempo Federation. As a former publisher he has travelled the world visiting countries on every continent, while as a musician he has performed thousands of gigs singing, playing the guitar, harmonica, bass and drums.

But most of all, he is a dad, and he likes nothing more than hanging out with his two children: climbing trees, sword fighting with sticks and making up stories. His writing career is dedicated to them and all other children, young and old. A debut author, Jonny writes intriguing, thrilling and thought-provoking adventure stories. Jonny can be contacted at jonnydaymond.com and www.tyidsagency.co.uk/jonnydaymond.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Marco Guadalupi loves to tell stories and works in the publishing industry as both a writer and as an illustrator. He primarily uses digital drawing tools, particularly Procreate and Photoshop, but also creates hand-lettering and fonts for book covers, in addition to graphic elements for the interiors. Marco is passionate about everything vintage and often draws inspiration from retro charm and elegance. Alongside illustration, Marco has a keen interest in photography. Marco lives in Italy and likes chips, liquorice and Harry Potter. He believes in imagination: the world needs it. Marco can be contacted on Instagram @marcogudalupi85

GLOBE DEFENDERS
RAINFOREST RESCUE



and creaked, until it started to lean, splintering and finally collapsing to the forest floor. The demon flashed its yellow eyes in triumph, exclaiming its opponent for any sign of resistance.
Biro took the chance while the monster was distracted, and jumping up, he turned and ran. He ran fast, his feet giving him speed he never knew he had. The cat pushed ahead, guiding his path, creating a wake of gnarled trunks and branches for him to follow. Biro had never believed the stories of forest demons his father had told him. In fact, he had always felt safe in the jungle, especially with Porro by his side. But now he was gripped by a terror like none he had experienced before. What was this beast that was attacking the forest? They had to get away from this tree killer. This monster. This demon.



CHAPTER 1

Come on, you fool! The man called from the little bridge over the stream. You can't be late on your first day!

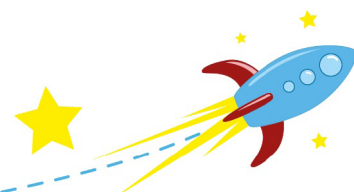
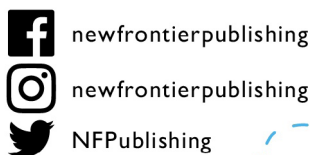
"We're coming!" shouted the taller of two figures trailing behind him.
Jess Rayworth was not impressed. She didn't want to be here. She didn't want to be starting yet another new school and she certainly didn't want to be shouted at by the tallest in a long line of foster carers. Even if this latest pair seemed okay. Unbearably well-meaning – yes – but okay. Why had Nigel insisted on sending them in anyway? She was thirteen, for goodness' sake. But she broke into a cautious trot.

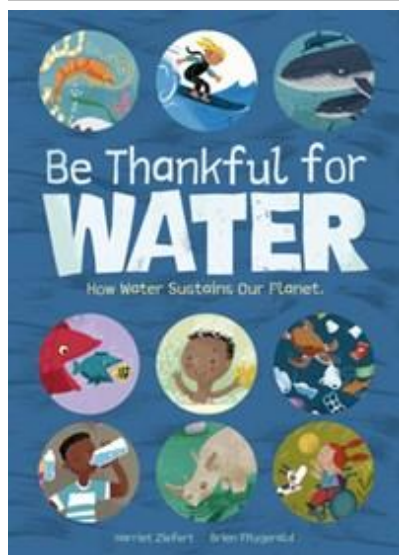
SALES POINTS

- Exciting eco-adventure that encourages children to engage with issues facing our world today. A useful resource in the classroom.
- Diverse set of characters
- Key themes are environmental issues, digital enhancement, history, loss, sibling connection and family
- Dynamic illustrations by talented illustrator



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Be Thankful for Water

How water sustains our planet

Harriet Ziefert, Brian Fitzgerald

Key Selling Points

- Kids will view this vital resource in a whole new light after going on an aquatic eco-tour in this gorgeous poem about water.
- It's good to be green: Environmentally conscious parents and teachers will love the message of conservation at the heart of this eco-friendly book.
- Where does it come from?: This title offers a fresh take on the "where does it come from" book. Rhyming couplets and lush artwork elevate the genre and combine to make the nonfiction content compelling to young children
- Great STEM Information Each section of the book offers a wealth of information about water and how important it is to our lives, from weather, to health and keeping clean, water is essential to life on earth
- Appealing repetition: The book is divided into sections, each of which begins with a question: Would animals have habitats without water? Would the earth have seasons without water? Would life be fun without water? The answer is always a resounding no, as each section explores the many ways that water contributes and sustains our lives.
- Extensive resources guide available on publisher website and teachingbooks.org

Summary

A gorgeous exploration of water and how it is essential to sustaining life on Earth.

Would life be fun without water? It would not!

*Pools for lap swimming, ponds for row boating,
Lazy rivers for paddling and floating,
Canoe in a creek, sail on the blue sea,
And on a big lake stand on one ski.
Snorkel in the ocean, what's down in the deep?
Jump in and splash from a cliff so steep!*

Using lilting, rhyming couplets, this book explores the many way that water is essential to our lives and the existence of life on earth. But it doesn't stop there! Kids will also learn about the many uses of water – and the environmental danger to water posed by pollution and lack of respect for this precious resource. Kids are encouraged to be kind, not only to one another, but to the environment as well.

Kids will view the many forms of water in our lives and will view it in a whole new light after going on an aquatic eco-tour in this gorgeous poem about water.

This book is printed on responsibly sourced, 100% recycled FSC paper.

Contributor Bio

HARRIET ZIEFERT wears many hats. A graduate of Smith College, she also holds an MA in Education from NYU. She is the bestselling author of more than 250 children's books and has developed easy-to-read series for several major publishing houses. As founder of Blue Apple Books, she has published over 500 titles, many of which have become best-selling modern classics. Since childhood Ziefert has always loved to swing, but now, as the mother of two and grandmother of five, she must wait her turn. Harriet Ziefert lives in the Berkshires, Massachusetts, where she is thankful streams, lakes, rain and snow in the winter.

BRIAN FITZGERALD is an internationally recognized, award-winning illustrator of children's books. He is a graduate of Ireland's National College of Art and Design and

has also worked on publishing, editorial, and design projects. Brian Fitzgerald lives near Dublin, a port town on the banks of the river Liffy which flows into the Irish Sea and sometimes, quite often actually, it rains, for which he is thankful.

Illustrations



100%

Water is weather.

Cleaning their autos getting ALL WET!

Would the earth have seasons without water? It would not!

A springtime activity.

A summer stream.

A busstop in fall... with THUNDER around!

Start when streets slushy.

Snow when the year!

Will horses around...

Ice is slippery here!

That bird is water.

Snowmen all again.

See blue water when... it's bright, rainbow!

100%

Water is recreation.

Would life be fun without water? It would not!

Pools for fun swimming.

Ponds for swimming.

Many rivers are winding and flowing.

Come in a creek.

Will on the blue sea.

And on a big lake, stand on the side.

Swim in the water.

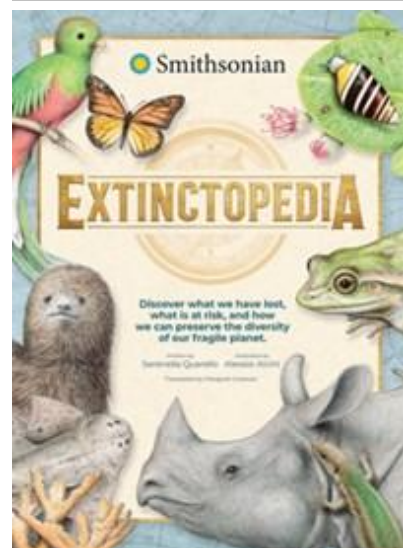
What's down in the water?

How your ship, and take a big swim!

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Water is health.

Would our bodies stay healthy without water? They would not!



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Extinctopedia

Discover those we have lost, those at risk and how we can preserve the diversity of our fragile planet

Serenella Quarello, Alessio Alcini, Margaret Greenan

Key Selling Points

This books offers a passionate guide which:

- Highlights over 150 animals that are either lost or near extinction
- Provides information on endangered species and habitats
- Beautiful artwork reminiscent of 19th Century naturalists notebooks
- Illuminating text relays the story of each species
- Provides an understanding of the challenges these species face
- Helpful call to action with ways that everyone can help
- Rigorous scientific review by Marco Ferrari, a veteran expert in the field
- Organizations to connect with and support
- Common and full scientific names listed throughout
- Weights and measures expressed in both imperial and metric for all markets
- Visually rich and timely, this informative book raises awareness of an urgent cause
- Back matter includes Index of Animals and Glossary of Terms

Summary

A Smithsonian collaboration—this journey of discovery through the animal kingdom, past and present, calls on us to educate ourselves and take action to save the amazing diversity of our planet.

Every living creature contributes towards the richness and beauty of our planet. Each one has a reason to exist, from the giant panda to the pygmy possum, and if we lose them, it will be forever. *Extinctopedia* tells a complex story, not just of those who are extinct, but also of those in greatest peril, with explanations of what threatens their survival. It is also a story of hope – hope for animals who have been rediscovered, hope in the form of newly-discovered animals, and hope that we might hear the warning call and act to preserve the amazing biodiversity of our fragile planet for future generations to come.

- Read stories about animals that are no longer with us
- Discover endangered animals at risk of extinction
- Learn about organizations which aim to protect animal life
- Find out about strategies for preserving biodiversity

Extinctopedia provides a fascinating catalog of life on earth and encourages the reader to find ways of preserving the incredible diversity of species, so we may all thrive and life itself can endure on this amazing and beautiful planet.

Contributor Bio

Serenella Quarello is a Spanish teacher, a translator and an author of novels and picturebooks, published in Italy and abroad. She organizes creative workshops for animated reading, creative writing, and literary translation.

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Margaret Greenan is a translator and English as a foreign language teacher based in Italy. She has mostly translated books for young children and teens, for Italian and international publishing houses.

Illustrations



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EXTINCTOPEDIA

THE FIRST ISSUE

"We are used to seeing the world from above. But what if we could see it from the inside?"

What are the most common causes of extinction? How can we prevent it? What are the most interesting facts about extinct animals?

TWO HEARTBEATS IN ONE

MARTHA AND GEORGE

They were the first of their kind. They were the last of their kind. They were the first and last of their kind.

LOST FROM THE SKIES

EXTINCT BIRDS THAT HAVE LEFT US

Some of the most beautiful and interesting birds that ever lived are now extinct. Here are some of the most interesting facts about them.

EVERY THING TO PRESERVE THEM

There are many ways to preserve the memory of extinct animals. Here are some of the most interesting facts about them.

WUNDERKAMMER

CABINET OF WONDERS

These are some of the most interesting and beautiful specimens in a museum. Here are some of the most interesting facts about them.

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MUSEUM ANIMALS

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THE ALL-TIME CLASSIC

These are some of the most interesting and beautiful specimens in a museum. Here are some of the most interesting facts about them.

WANTED ALIVE

These are some of the most interesting and beautiful specimens in a museum. Here are some of the most interesting facts about them.

WHAT'S LEFT OF THESE ANIMALS?

These are some of the most interesting and beautiful specimens in a museum. Here are some of the most interesting facts about them.

MISSING...OR NOT?

BEHAVIOR: EXTINCT BY ACCIDENTS

Asian night heron
This bird was once common in the wetlands of Southeast Asia but is now considered extinct.

Woolly mammoth
The last of these giant mammals died about 4,000 years ago.

Thylacine
A large marsupial predator that once roamed the coast of Tasmania.

Quagga
A subspecies of zebra that was hunted to extinction in the late 19th century.

Passenger pigeon
Once the most abundant bird in North America, it was hunted to extinction in 1914.

LEGENDARY OR PAST LEGENDS?

The Quetzal
A bird with a long tail that was once considered a mythical creature.

The Chinese dragon
A mythical creature that is said to have the body of a snake and the wings of a dragon.

THE REASONS FOR EXTINCTION

Overhunting
The most common cause of extinction, often driven by demand for fur, ivory, or other animal products.

Loss of habitat
Deforestation and land development have destroyed the homes of many species.

Climate change
Rising temperatures and changing weather patterns are affecting ecosystems worldwide.

Invasive species
Non-native animals introduced to new environments can outcompete or prey on native species.

Pollution
Contaminants in the air, water, and soil can harm or kill animals.

KEEPING TRACK OF ENDANGERED SPECIES

The importance of science
Scientists use various methods to monitor the health of endangered populations.

The Red List
The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) maintains a global Red List of threatened species.

Conservation efforts
Many organizations are working to protect endangered species through habitat restoration and captive breeding programs.

WHO'S THE REAL ENEMY?

The wolf
Often blamed for the decline of large mammals, but its impact is more complex than it seems.

The bear
Large bears like grizzlies and black bears are facing threats from habitat loss and human encroachment.

THE PROGRESS OF CONSERVATION: THE PANDA AND TIGER

Panda
Once on the brink of extinction, giant pandas are now a protected species with a growing population.

Tiger
The world's largest cat is still critically endangered, but conservation efforts are helping to stabilize its numbers.

AT HOME, WE CALL THEM STRANGE

Arboreal sloth
These slow-moving mammals spend most of their lives in the trees.

Coati
A unique mammal with a long, prehensile tail that it uses to grasp branches.

THE WORLD'S MOST UNUSUAL ANIMALS

Platyfish
A flat, fish-like creature that can survive out of water for long periods.

Spiny-tailed lizard
A lizard with a long, segmented tail that it can use as a defense mechanism.

UNUSUAL AND UNIQUE ANIMALS TO SAVE

Amur leopard
One of the world's rarest big cats, with only a few dozen left in the wild.

Vaquita
A small aquatic mammal that is critically endangered due to illegal fishing practices.

Sumatran rhinoceros
The world's smallest rhinoceros, which is now extinct in the wild.

AND WHAT ABOUT BUGS? ANIMALS OF WONDER

Butterflies
These beautiful insects play a vital role in ecosystems as pollinators.

Beetles
The most diverse group of insects, with millions of species.

PLATANISTA, PORPOISES, AND CO.

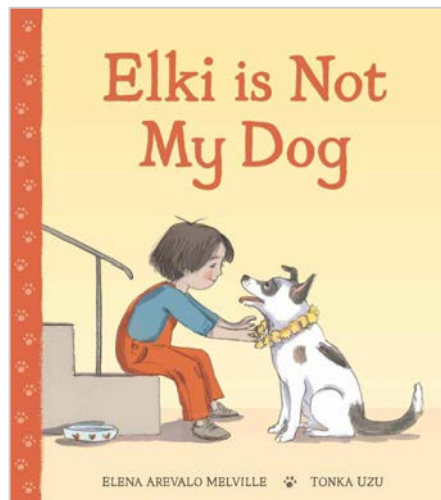
The "biggest" of the small ones
The Platanista, or river dolphin, is the largest species of its family.

The smallest
The Vaquita is the smallest aquatic mammal in the world.

BIG MARINE MAMMALS: BIG PROBLEMS

Whales
Large marine mammals like blue whales and humpback whales are facing threats from climate change and pollution.

Seals
Many seal populations are declining due to overhunting and environmental changes.



Elki is Not My Dog

By Elena Arevalo Melville and Tonka Uzu



Scallywag Press

When a small group of children befriend a stray dog, the entire community is inspired to become involved.

Elki does not have a home – she is a stray dog who finds kindness in the company of a little group of children. They play together during the day, but Elki must stay alone outside every night because dogs are not allowed in their block of flats. One day Elki disappears and is found injured. Who will look after her and how?

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Key Selling Points

- Shows how one act of kindness can change the attitude of other people
- An uplifting book about feeling empathy for someone in need and taking action to help
- An example of how good citizenship should work, where the duty of caring is owned by everybody
- Gentle illustrations set the scene and beautifully show the bond between Elki and her found

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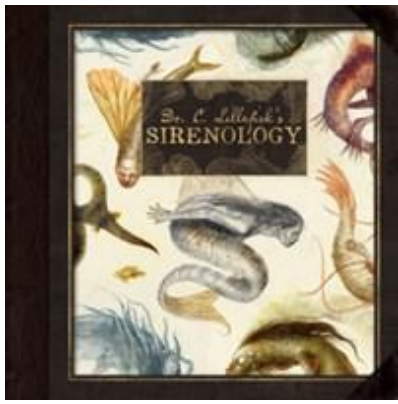
- Author and artist will do events, they are based in Cambridge.
- Elena is being accepted by Authors Aloud
- Possible cross promo with Animal charities
- POS planned
- Free downloadables on the website



ELENA AREVALO MELVILLE is originally from Guatemala and now lives in Cambridge. Elena is the author and illustrator of the prizewinning picture book *Umbrella*.

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Dr. C. Lillefisk's Sirenology

A Guide to Mermaids and other under-the-sea Phenonemon

Jana Hiedersorf, Dr. Cecilia Lillefisk

Key Selling Points

- This book is a blend of imagined mythology and art. It falls into the tradition of Brian Froud's *Faeries* and blends it with DiTerlizzi's *Arthur Spiderwick's Field Guide to the Fantastical World Around You*. Under the pretense of true scientific exploration Jana Hiedersorf (writing as Dr. Lillefisk) unleashes her imagined world of the mermaids. Each creature pulls elements from fantasy and creatures from the real world to create a fantastical world beneath the waves.
- Jana is an accomplished and acclaimed artist and this would be her first solo publication.
- Mermaids (sirens) are eternally fascinating and popular and the depth and breadth with which this text explores these creatures will delight and inspire fans new and old.
- There are elements of a reader's self-reflection (which creature does one more gravitate towards & what qualities does that creature have).
- The text is self-reflexive and playful in that it presents itself as a scientific study and so can be critical of both scientific research and fantastical texts such as itself.
- There are also rich environmental themes where human expansion, overfishing, and pollution are affecting even these magical creatures. There is an invitation for environmental stewardship.

Summary

I've always known mermaids to be real, I've seen proof of their existence. But for those who still think they're the stuff of fairytales, this book will certainly change their mind.— Iris Compiet

The future of mermaids is in peril. Open this book and learn about these wild and mysterious creatures before they are gone forever. Dr. Lillefisk presents her field notes, sketches, and research on the rich and expansive mermaid ecosystem and how it exists alongside the human world. Indeed, the growing environmental threat that humans impose on these creatures is at the fore of Dr. Lillefisk's appeal for attention and funding so that research and preservation of these creatures can continue.

Each mermaid is inspired by a real or mythological creature and blended with fantasy, Jana Heidersorf's imagination, and a fantastical pseudo-natural science that reveals the fantastical world beneath the waves of planet Earth's lakes, oceans, and seas. *Dr. Cecilia Lillefisk's Sirenology: A Guide to Mermaids and other under-the-sea-Phenonemon* joins the Wool of Bat specialty series which aims to help preserve and promote folklore, mythology, and oral history whether it be real or imagined. If you are looking for myths, legends, and the supernatural, look no further than Wool of Bat.

Contributor Bio

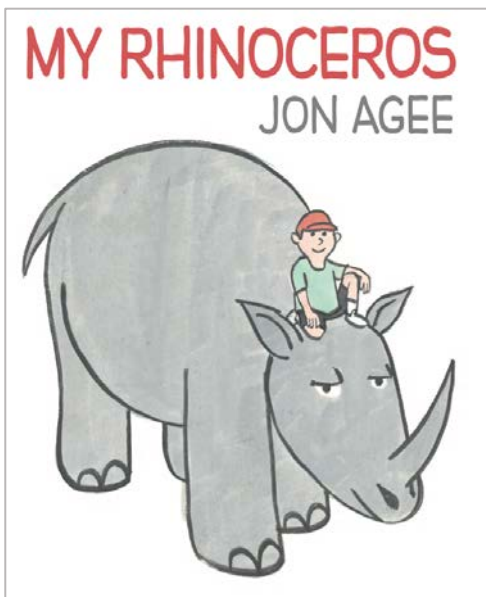
Jana Heidersdorf is a fantasy and horror illustrator located in Berlin, Germany. She has no life skills apart from drawing trees and birds and everything beautifully creepy. Her ethereal, nature-inspired compositions can be primarily found on and in books, comics, and the internet, but really she can be hired for anything that needs a gentle haunting. Her clients include Little Brown Young Readers, Penguin Random House, Sourcebooks, and DC Comics.

Dr. Cecilia Lillefisk is most definitely a real person. She simply detests the internet and prefers her privacy. She is also a very busy sirenologist out in the world

researching mermaids and writing her numerous bestselling books. In fact, they are so bestselling that copies are always out of stock. Some of her most popular titles include *The Curious Case of the Pickled Mermaid*, *Mast-bound—Odysseus: Advice for the Modern Man*, and of course, *Pool Sharing—A personal account of Interspecies Relationships*.

Illustrations





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My Rhinoceros

By Jon Agee



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A hilarious story from master of the absurd, Jon Agee, where a boy finds out that his pet rhinoceros can do more than he bargained for !

If you should ever get a rhinoceros for a pet, you're in for a surprise. It won't chase a ball. Or a stick. Or a frisbee. In fact, according to the experts, a rhinoceros does only two things: pop balloons and poke holes in kites. But don't be discouraged. As you'll discover in this book, rhinoceroses can do more—so much more—than that!

Key Selling Points

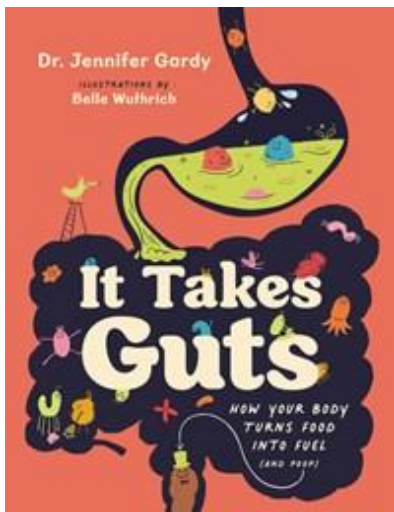
- Deadpan, first person narration of this hilarious drama by a convincing young story teller
- A witty look at how our pre-conceived expectations of people can be wrong
- Humorous cartoons and clever build-up of the absurd but logical narrative
- Award winning author with more than 2 million copies in print worldwide.
- *“Jon Agee’s My Rhinoceros is a genuine masterpiece. Even better, every kid will love it.”* MAURICE SENDAK
- *‘Will delight readers both young and old. A joy.’* Books for Keeps Book of the Week

Sales and Marketing

- **MY RHINOCEROS was short listed for the 2023 Children’s Book Award**
- Bookmarks featuring all Jon’s books, and a postcard available
- Author known in the UK specially with educators Seven Stories, Just Imagine
- THE WALL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE BOOK and IT’S ONLY STANLEY were long listed for the UKLA Award
- [Booktrust interview](#) and reading of the book, [LoveReading Litfest podcast](#)

Jon Agee attended The Cooper Union School of Art in New York City. A full-time author, he lives with his wife in San Francisco. Jon is the author/illustrator of many acclaimed books for children, which between them have won an Irma Black Honor, a Boston Globe-Horn Book Honor, *New York Times* Ten Best Illustrated Books, ALA Notable Book, and much more.





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It Takes Guts

How Your Body Turns Food Into Fuel (and Poop)

Dr. Jennifer Gardy, Belle Wuthrich

Key Selling Points

- **Inspired by a Bestseller:** Inspired by the *New York Times*-bestseller *Gut: The Inside Story of Our Body's Most Underrated Organ* by Dr. Giulia Enders, from the same publisher.
- **A Fun Introduction to Human Anatomy for Kids:** Includes quirky and visually stimulating illustrations to help kids better understand one of the body's most complex organs—our gut and digestive system.
- **New Scientific Revelations:** Includes an explainer of the microbiome and mind-gut connection.
- **Comprehensive:** Filled with fun facts about not just our digestive system, but the body as a whole, including our immune system, to give kids a full picture of how our body's systems work together to help them grow and keep them healthy.
- **Funny science: Farting, pooping, burping, and vomiting are fun to read and learn about, too!**
- **Parent/teacher reading guide:** Includes a guide to help kids learn through various activities and guided questions.
- **Written by a renowned expert:** The author, Dr. Jennifer Gardy, is a charismatic scientist and science communicator currently working as a Deputy Director for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. She was previously a Canada Research Chair in Public Health Genomics and a Senior Scientist at the BC Centre for Disease Control.

Summary

Winner of the 2023 AAAS/Subaru Prize for Excellence in Science Books

An illustrated book about the digestive system and microbiome for young readers, from famous (and funny) scientist Dr. Jennifer Gardy.

Everybody eats, and everybody poops. Pretty ordinary stuff, right?

But what happens in between is far from ordinary! That's where your digestive system—also known as your gut—works its magic.

It Takes Guts is an excellent, science-based resource for classroom learning and home-schooling for kids age 9 to 13, with information about:

- **The surprising role that food and digestion play in your mood and immune system.**
- The amazing tools your body uses to break down food including acids, which do their thing without burning a hole in your stomach!
- The incredible truth that not all bacteria is bad! Billions of "helpful bacteria" belong in your gut.
- And so much more!

Dr. Jennifer Gardy also takes stomach-turning detours to investigate the science behind burps, barfs, and farts, proving that learning about the wonderful world of your gut—takes guts!

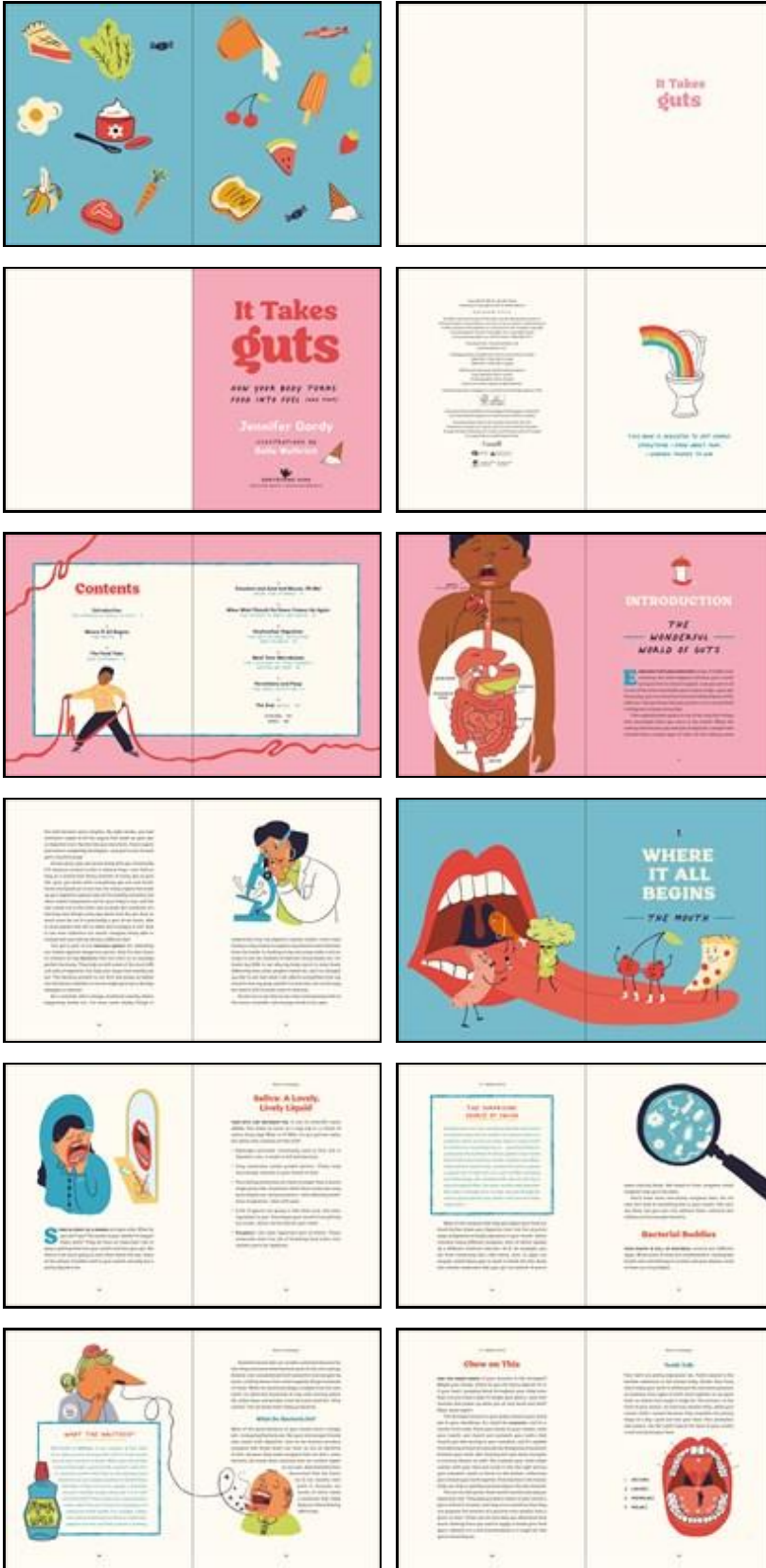
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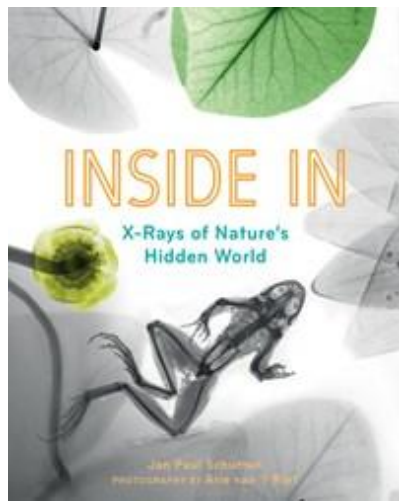
Dr. Jennifer Gardy is a scientist who has worked at the British Columbia Centre for Disease Control and is now part of the Bill Melinda Gates Foundation Malaria team. She

appears frequently on television programs such as *CBC*, *The Nature of Things*, *the Discovery Channel*, and *Daily Planet*. She lives in Chicago.

Belle Wuthrich is an illustrator and designer specializing in books for young readers. Based in Vancouver, Canada, Belle has contributed to more than a dozen books for kids, a number of which have won awards or been republished internationally.

Illustrations





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Inside In

X-Rays of Nature's Hidden World

Jan Paul Schutten, Arie van 't Riet, Laura Watkinson

Key Selling Points

- **Visually stunning and highly original:** these X-Ray images of everything from plants to frogs and insects help kids understand the anatomy of the natural world.
- **Perfect for home-schooling and online learning:** *Inside In* is a unique, informative, and science-driven resource to help kids learn about the natural world from an exciting new perspective.
- **Parent/teacher reading guide:** Includes a guide to help kids learn through various activities and guided questions.
- **Accessible and fascinating:** An engaging introduction to science for kids that helps them to think and learn outside the box.
- **Celebrates Nature:** Encourages kids to explore the outdoors and engage with nature.

Summary

A perfect book for STEM learning: Kids ages 8-12 will love these creepy X-Rays of bugs, reptiles, mammals, and more!

A Smithsonian Magazine Best Children's Book of the Year

Using incredible X-ray techniques, *Inside In* displays creatures and their natural habitats in a never-before-seen way. Kids will learn the awesome answers to questions like:

- What does a bee look like under its furry coat?
- How does a seahorse protect itself with armor and a skeleton?
- How does a tree frog use its eyes to swallow?

This visually stunning and highly original book features:

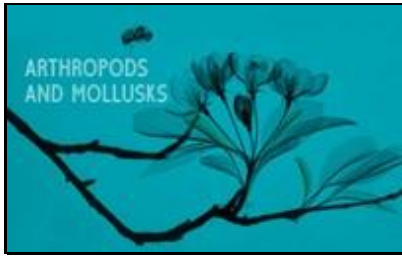
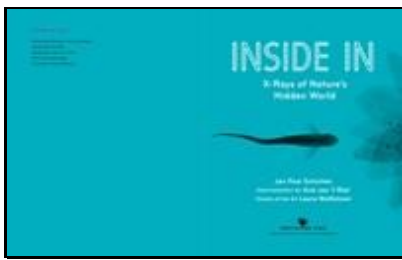
- X-ray images are cool and fun to look at!
- Simple text helps kids understand the animals and plants in each image.
- Pops of neon colors make animals and plants come to life.

Contributor Bio

Jan Paul Schutten has been writing children's nonfiction books since 2003. His books are popular and critically acclaimed; he has won several awards including the Gouden Griffel (Golden Stylus) for his book *Children of Amsterdam*.

Arie van 't Riet is a Dutch artist and medical physicist who uses X-ray equipment to create "bioramas"—X-ray portraits of animals and plants. While teaching the physics of radiation and radiation safety, he became interested in the application of low-energy X-rays to capture delicate objects. Arie van 't Riet is "inspired by the unbelievable beauty of nature... and its wonderful complexity."

Illustrations





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 22.1 cm H | 22.1 cm W
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How to Draw Fun Characters

by Erin Hunting

Erin Hunting

Key Selling Points

KEY SELLING POINTS:

- Adding something of the highest quality, with high production values and professionally created artwork, to the children's art book market to offer a desirable alternative for parents
- Fun, creative, and clear presentation that breaks learning down into achievable tasks that even the youngest children can follow
- Learn to draw a variety of cool characters in an appealing style, with inspiration from the very popular manga and anime style, plus Disney-esque elements
- High-quality art, presentation, and print quality that all comes with a competitive price tag
- Created by a single established children's artist, so every title in the series has the same appealing style

TARGET AUDIENCE:

- Young artists (age 4+) who love to draw and are ready to learn the very basics to create recognizable pictures
- Parents, guardians, and relatives who want to gift a child something to spark their imagination and give them the opportunity for independent play
- Adults who love the art, as this is a chance to share that passion with their children

Summary

Unleash your child's creative side with this super-cool drawing activity book.

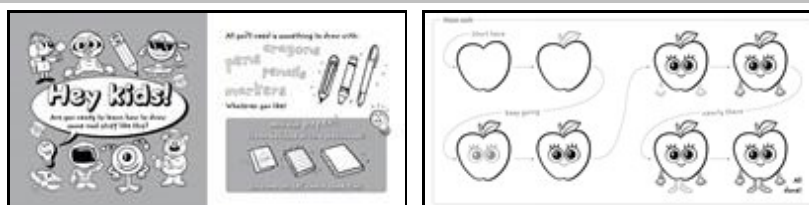
Inside you'll find over 100 pages of step-by-step drawing lessons, perfect for ages 4 years and up, each one featuring a fun character. New lines are added at each step, so a child can gradually build up an impressive sketch, and all the drawing is done on separate paper, meaning the book can be kept for years to come. Featuring awesome illustrations and invaluable tips from professional artist Erin Hunting, this book is the perfect starting point for a child's journey into art.

The child will learn to add up simple shapes and lines to create something recognizable and most importantly, super cool. Children's love for art will be sparked and their confidence boosted as they realise they can make marks on a page that mean something, and start to imagine their own cool creations. The only tools they will need are pens or pencils, paper, and this book.

Contributor Bio

Erin Hunting is a Melbourne-based illustrator and character designer who loves to create drawings for picture books and comics. She also creates designs for vinyl toys. Erin has illustrated picture-book series with Penguin Random House (USA) and others, and drawn comic covers for Adventure Time, Jughead, Little Archie and Rick and Morty. In 2018 she also wrote and illustrated a 10-page Garfield comic for BOOM! Studios. Erin has created character designs and worked in visual development for Nickelodeon, Will Smith, and Sesame Studios, where her designs were aired in Abby's Amazing Adventures on HBO.

Illustrations



Hey kids!
Are you ready to learn how to draw some cool stuff like this?

All you'll need is something to draw with:
 pens
 crayons
 pencils
 markers
 Whatever you like!

And also paper!
 It can be loose or in a sketchbook.

So come on, let's have some fun!

and doughnuts

Start here

keep going

nearly there

All done!

Three balloons

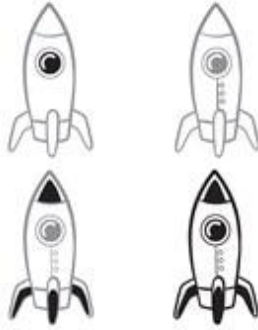
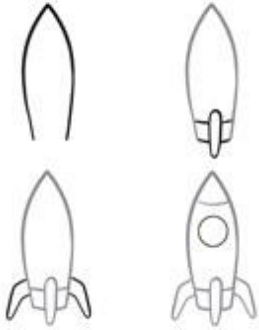
Don't forget the string part!

For some drawings with straight lines, you may want to use a ruler.

A ruler helped me draw straight lines here...

...and here, too!

Space rocket



Drawing with **thick** and **thin** lines can make an object look better and more interesting.



This controller and umbrella would look too crowded if the lines were all too **thick**!





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How to Draw Amazing Nature

by Erin Hunting

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- Fun, creative, and clear presentation that breaks learning down into achievable tasks that even the youngest children can follow
- Learn to draw an appealing variety of amazing nature such as trees, animals, and more, in a style inspired by anime and manga, and Disney
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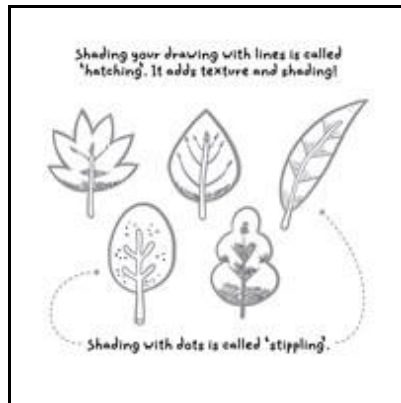
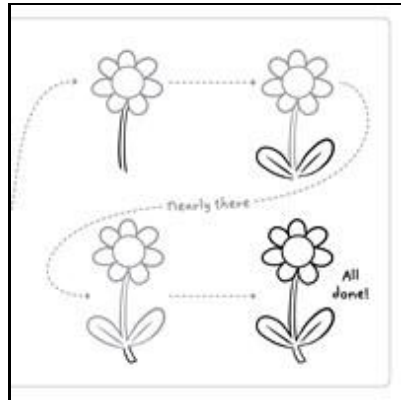
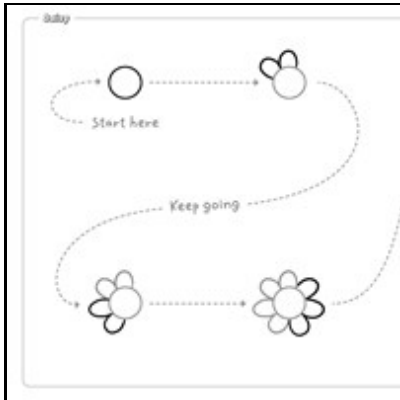
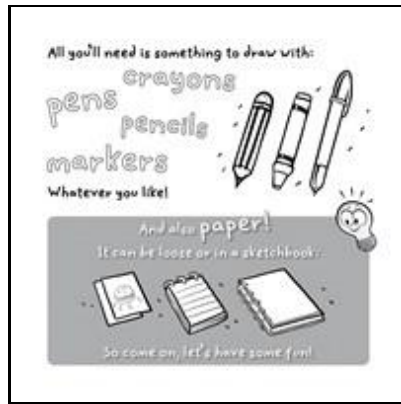
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Harry Styles Legends Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

Summary

From Watermelon Sugar to Adore You, Matilda to As It Was, Harry Styles Legends Alphabet is a swooning, pop-filled voyage through the greatest hits of Britain's brightest star. Put on your flashiest suit jacket (or dress!) and get ready to fall head-over-heels for Harry Styles.

Contributor Bio

Beck Feiner is an acclaimed Australian illustrator and author. She illustrates with a vibrancy and a joie de vivre that is infectious, while tackling subject matter that is poignant and 'of the moment' - but always with a smile. Her first book - Aussie Legends Alphabet - an enormous hit in Australia, was the catalyst for the creation of the Alphabet Legends publishing house.

Beck established herself in the United States with the best seller Lady Legends Alphabet, and has since followed this up with a catalogue of over 50 hit titles. Under the Alphabet Legends brand, Beck has released titles about music and sport. Titles about art, food, dance, and religion. Titles that celebrate equality, diversity and freedom. And even titles about cult film and television. Beck continues to create a suite of new titles each year, growing the reach and reputation of the brand. Her north star is simple: Inspiring kids is as easy as ABC.

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Illustrations





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Rolling Stones Legends Alphabet

Beck Feiner, Alphabet Legends

Summary

From Angie to Wild Horses, Start Me Up to Ruby Tuesday, Rolling Stones Legends Alphabet is a blues-soaked journey through the works of Mick, Keith, Jones, Wyman, and Watts. Grab a Jagger-inspired velvet suit, and prepare for pure satisfaction as we dive into the Stones' greatest hits!

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Illustrations





Captain Laserhawk: A Blood Dragon REMIX

Ben Kahn, Bayou Kun

Key Selling Points

- Inspired by Captain Laserhawk: A Blood Dragon Remix, the Netflix animated series produced by Ubisoft.
- Adi Shankar, creator and executive producer of Captain Laserhawk: A Blood Dragon Remix, was also the producer of Castlevania, one of the most successful original animated shows on Netflix.
- The manga and animation include alter egos from Ubisoft characters in a highly-referenced homage to the early 90s.
- The manga is penned by GLAAD Media award-nominated writer Ben Kahn.

Summary

A prequel to Captain Laserhawk, the Netflix original animated series featuring alter egos from Ubisoft’s vast library of characters.

Dolph Laserhawk, the once-powerful and illustrious super-soldier stationed under the oppressive Eden mega-corporation, stands at a crossroads between staying a mindless killing machine under Eden’s control and joining a band of rebel outcasts on a risky undercover mission. Before he can finally be free of the manipulative forces surrounding him, he must relive the best and worst moments of his life. Using Holloway’s VR technology, he walks through his memories of living as a penniless deserter, meeting and abandoning the love of his life, and coming to terms with the truth behind his passionate and tumultuous love affair with Alex Taylor — the ruggedly handsome criminal mastermind who once saved his life.

Immerse yourself in the first-hand accounts of Captain Laserhawk’s tragic past through this introspective manga adaptation featuring all-new scenes that explore Dolph’s conflicting thoughts and motivations leading up to the most memorable moments in his life.

Contributor Bio

Ben Kahn is a GLAAD Media Award-nominated writer of comics and novels who has worked with a variety of publishers, including Scout Comics, Dark Horse, and Scholastic. For Captain Laserhawk, Ben brought their years of writing experience and a lifetime of loving manga. You can typically find Ben at their home in New York, working on new writing projects and playing with the snuggliest cat in the world.

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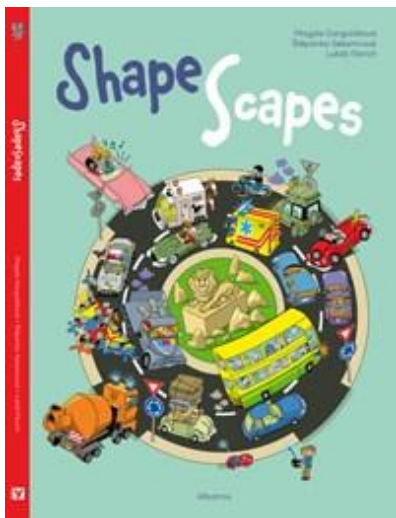
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Shapescapes

Magda Gargulakova, Lukas Fibrich, Stepanka Sekaninova

Key Selling Points

- **Funny concept:** Everyday situations framed in basic shapes: circle, triangle, square, rectangle, oval, and trapezium.
- **Fully illustrated:** Bustling illustrations with numerous eye-catching details that kids can look for.
- **Fun activities:** A little teddy bear is hidden on every double page for kids to find.
- **Entertaining:** A vortex of details that draws kids' attention for long hours.
- **Sturdy format:** Heavy paper stock makes the book more durable.

Summary

With detailed illustrations, this conceptual book provides young readers with a playful, geometric adventure in a fun world of shapes.

Shapes provide space and offer boundaries, allowing kids to let their imagination run wild and watch all the shapes come to life. In this captivating book, children will enter a world of shapes and imagination to learn about geometry. Using the following basic geometric shapes as a foundation...

- Circle
- Triangle
- Square
- Rectangle
- Oval
- Trapezium

...children will experience an array of colorful and detailed illustrations that feature various structures and locations, such as:

- Ferris wheel
- Spiral staircase
- Roundabout
- Whirlpool
- Telescope
- Velodrome
- Maze
- Bed
- House
- Soccer field
- Swimming pool
- Town square
- Attic
- Tent
- Pyramid
- Mountain
- Sailing boat
- Castle

A representative example is:

The tent looks like a triangle

A triangle in a backpack? That must be a tent! Packed on your back, it travels the world with you. And when you get tired of walking, you just take it off. And there it is . . . A whole home squeezed into a triangle. Small but cozy, you can fit in everything you need! You, your friend, your things, especially your essential map.



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The illustrations are packed with interesting details, entertaining situations, and plenty of things to discover. There is even a little search-and-find game throughout the book where children can look for a hidden teddy bear on each spread. Along the way, children will be able to recognize shapes quickly and easily, while having lots of fun doing so. This unique approach to storytelling stimulates children's imagination while helping them to uncover new levels of perception. Not only will they learn about basic shapes, but they will also improve their visual perception and attention to detail.

With this book, children will recognize shapes quickly and easily and have lots of fun along the way. With its whimsical illustrations, *Shapescapes* is sure to capture the hearts and minds of young readers aged 3–6, making this an ideal book for any child who loves to learn and have fun at the same time. The illustrations are enchanting and will keep children engaged for hours.

Contributor Bio

Magda Gargulakova has a degree in Art History and is a co-founder and also curator of the OFF/FORMAT gallery in Brno, Czech Republic, which exhibits and promotes contemporary progressive art, mostly by young artists. She worked for a time in marketing, but her love affair with books has been a long one. For OFF/FORMAT, she has edited and published several art publications. Since 2019, she has added to this experience as an editor of literature for very young readers at Albatros Media, using her two daughters for quality control.

Stepanka Sekaninova used to work as a TV reporter and in the production of children's programs. Now she is a writer and an editor-in-chief, living in the Czech Republic.

Lukas Fibrich, born in 1974 in the Czech Republic, graduated from the Department of Animated Film at the Film and TV School in Prague and the Studio of Film and TV Graphics at the Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague, Czech Republic. He is a house artist for the Czech ABC magazine, where he has his own comic strip, and his work appears regularly in a Czech history magazine for children. He has also illustrated 20 language coursebooks and works with various advertising agencies and filmmakers.

Illustrations







Words About Where

Let's Learn Prepositions

Magda Gargulakova, Marie Urbankova

Key Selling Points

- **First introduction:** A helpful aid for the correct use of basic spatial prepositions.
- **Clear layout:** One leading picture with a clearly arranged infographic for every preposition, followed by four additional examples.
- **Durable format:** Heavy paper stock ensures longer endurance.
- **Fun activities:** Kids test their newly acquired knowledge on the final spread in a search-and-find game.
- **Playful and educational:** Follows in the footsteps of *Schoolhouse Rock: Conjunction Junction*

Summary

In this illustrated preposition book, kids will learn English spatial prepositions with visual examples and fun games to test their knowledge.

With simple explanations and lots of fun, colorful illustrations, this fully illustrated book uses visual examples to teach children how to use 8 basic prepositions of place in everyday situations:

2. In
3. On
4. Under
5. Above
6. Next to
7. Between
8. Behind
9. In front of

Having been introduced to these 8 basic prepositions of place, the child reader then remembers them and learns to use them in everyday life. Each preposition contains a visual aid showing a blue box and a red ball (or multiple balls) located somewhere in relation to (i.e., in, on, under, above, next to, between, behind, in front of) the box. Each preposition takes up a page featuring the visual aid plus a large representative image on the left and four additional examples of the use of the preposition on the right.

For example, UNDER contains 5 fun images with the following text:

- Lucy and Eddie are playing **under** the umbrella.
- The bug is **under** the rock.
- The presents are **under** the tree.
- The ball is **under** the car.
- The whale is **under** the boat.

Through this simple method of repetition, children will learn to commit the prepositions to memory. But this learning process doesn't have to be boring. In addition to the visual examples, this book also includes a little game at the end (titled: *WELCOME TO OUR ROOM. CAN YOU TELL WHERE EVERYTHING IS?*) to help reinforce the concepts learned.

Words about Where is ideal for children aged 3–6 who want to master English spatial prepositions – an excellent resource for kids learning English as a second language, as well as for young native speakers looking to improve their understanding of prepositions. Young readers will enjoy spotting and naming the prepositions in the pictures, and will be able to exercise their new knowledge in an exciting and engaging way. With its fun approach and helpful exercises, this book makes prepositions easy

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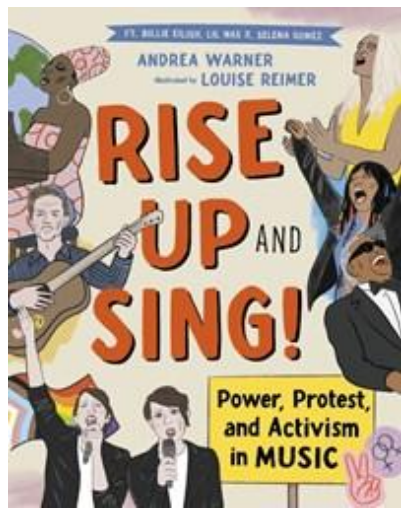
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Marie Urbankova studied Scenography at the Žižkov Secondary School of Art and Design before graduating in Animated Film from the Academy of Arts, Architecture and Design in Prague. She has a number of children's books to her name and is a regular contributor to a Czech children's magazine. In addition to illustrations and books, she enjoys animated films and all that goes along with them. She is from the Czech Republic.

Illustrations





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Rise Up and Sing! Power, Protest, and Activism in Music

Andrea Warner, Louise Reimer

Key Selling Points

- **Makes social justice accessible:** Uses music to introduce teens to the power of activism, and many social justice issues—from Indigenous and 2SLGBTQIA+ rights to climate justice and the peace/anti-war movement.
- **Features familiar and favorite artists:** Includes artists that young teens will know and love, such as Lil Nas X, Billie Eilish, Lizzo, Kendrick Lamar, and more.
- **Introduces iconic artists from past generations:** Shares the art and activism of famous icons young teens may know less about, including Neil Young, Björk, Nina Simone, John Lennon and Yoko Ono, and Tracy Chapman.
- **Playlists for each social justice issue:** Each chapter includes a playlist with recommended songs about an area of activism, from classic tracks to contemporary hits.
- **Engaging illustrations:** Louise Reimer depicts artists in a precise and fun style throughout the book.

LEVELING

Lexile: 1130L

Guided reading level: Z+

Summary

This inspiring introduction to activism and social justice for young teens shows the important role music plays in changing the world, featuring:

- **Musicians young teens will know and love: Beyoncé, Billie Eilish, Lady Gaga, Lil Nas X, and more!**
- **Iconic artists from past generations:** readers will learn about the extraordinary impact of artists such as Nina Simone, Neil Young, John Lennon, Bob Dylan, Tracy Chapman, and more.
- **Playlists for each social justice issue:** Each chapter includes a playlist with recommended songs about an area of activism, from classic tracks to contemporary hits.

In *Rise Up and Sing!*, Andrea Warner explores how music has contributed to the fight for social justice. Across eight areas of activism—the climate emergency, Indigenous rights, civil rights, disability rights, 2SLGBTQIA+ rights, gender equality, the peace/anti-war movement, and human rights—Warner introduces some of the artists, past and present, who have made a difference both on stage and off.

Through ground-breaking artists and iconic moments, *Rise Up and Sing!* shows us that a song is never just a song, and that music really does have the power to change the world.

Contributor Bio

Illustrations

FEATURES

Beyoncé
 Billie Eilish
 Lil Nas X
 Lady Gaga
 Selena Gomez
 Shawn Mendes
 Tegan & Sara

Nina Simone
 Neil Young
 John Lennon
 Bob Dylan
 Tracy Chapman
 Elton John
 Joni Mitchell

EXPLORES EIGHT AREAS OF ACTIVISM

- the climate emergency
- Indigenous rights
- civil rights
- disability rights
- 2SLGBTQIA+ rights
- gender equality
- peace/anti-war
- human rights

Features a playlist for each social justice issue

CHECK OUT THE OFFICIAL RISE UP AND SING! PLAYLIST

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- 3 Fight the Power
- 4 Walking About in

Includes a table of contents with icons for each section.

1 Earth Revolution

THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY, CLIMATE JUSTICE, AND JUNK FOOD

'Earth Revolution'

TEYONNA TAYLOR

COMING TO SAVE THE PLANET

HALL OF FAME

'All the Good Girls Go to Hell'

BILLIE EILISH

'Good Fight'

MOTY TALEX

Good Fight

Top 10 Playlist

Includes a list of songs and a 'Bonus Tracks' section.

2 Indigenous Existence Is Resistance

RESISTANCE AND INDIGENOUS RIGHTS

Includes text and a small image of a person.

'The Old Road'

RAYO KARAGÖZ

3 Fight the Power

LABOUR, LGBTQ RIGHTS, AND RACIAL JUSTICE



A Bright Heart

Kate Chenli

Key Selling Points

- **HIGHLY COMPELLING, ASPIRATIONAL PREMISE:** Who *wouldn't* want the chance to take down the man who betrayed and killed her? It is impossible not to become deeply invested in Mingshin's second-chance vengeance mission, which was inspired by a popular trope in Chinese storytelling.
- **BRILLIANT, LOVEABLE HEROINE:** Mingshin swiftly wins readers over with her quick wits, strategic mind, and fierce protectiveness of her family and household.
- **FABULOUS COURT INTRIGUE:** With four princes vying for the throne, and a crafty princess in the mix, the story is packed with shifting alliances, manipulation, and betrayals.
- **SLOW-BURN ROMANCE:** Mingshin has vowed to never fall in love again – but fate keeps bringing her and arrogant, handsome Prince Jieh together.
- **TALENTED DEBUT AUTHOR:** Kate Chenli is a natural storyteller with impeccable pacing, colorful characters, and tons of teen accessibility.

Summary

What if you could avenge your own murder? A brilliant young woman gets a second chance at life in this debut YA tale of vengeance, court intrigue, and romance, inspired by classic Chinese tropes.

"An incredible addition to the classic Chinese court intrigue genre. *A Bright Heart* is smart, subversive, and certainly swoony."

—Chloe Gong, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *These Violent Delights*

Mingshin outsmarted three princes to help the man she loved become king. But she doesn't see Ren's betrayal coming, not until she's lying in a pool of her own blood on the palace steps.

As she's dying, Mingshin makes a desperate plea to the gods to turn back time and give her a chance to make things right.

Mingshin wakes up two years earlier, her prayer granted, and swears two things: Ren will never become king, and she will never fall in love again.

But the timeline in this life has changed: a dignitary gifted with dark magic is threatening her kingdom's peace, and Ren's thirst for power runs deeper than Mingshin could have imagined.

She finds herself allying with Jieh, another contender for the throne. Mingshin knows better than anyone not to give her heart to a prince. But in the viper's nest of the royal court, she and Jieh prove a phenomenal team. Can Mingshin avert the catastrophe of her past by once again learning to trust...and maybe even love?

Master storyteller Kate Chenli introduces a singular YA heroine in this vividly rendered and utterly original new young adult fantasy books series.

A spellbinding, tension-filled page-turner with a bold heroine, *A Bright Heart* will appeal to fans of romance books for teens like *The Shadows Between Us* by Tricia Levenseller, or other YA books that feature rich world-building, captivating romance, and a quest for revenge.

Contributor Bio

As a Chinese immigrant, **Kate Chenli** is a proud US citizen who also cherishes her Chinese heritage. She has an MS in Electrical and Computer Engineering, but has always enjoyed designing complex worlds and characters more than designing complex

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software. Other than reading and writing, her passion is world travel (five continents down and counting).

Quotes

"The clever premise and intriguing and suspenseful plot will keep readers engaged. A fresh and compelling voice."—*Kirkus Reviews*

"[A] vivid and evenly paced fantasy series starter that centers a determined heroine seeking to topple an archaic patriarchal society." —*Publishers Weekly*

"The characters are complex and well-developed and the fairytale-like romance still shows an equal partnership and a thoughtful message about looking past first impressions. This book will appeal to any reader who loves fantasy with a good mix of romance, ancient Chinese court politics, and magic."—*Booklist*

"Kate Chenli's YA debut is full of romance, intrigue and vengeance . . . [P]erfect for readers who want smart characters and gripping twists." —*Geek Girl Authority*

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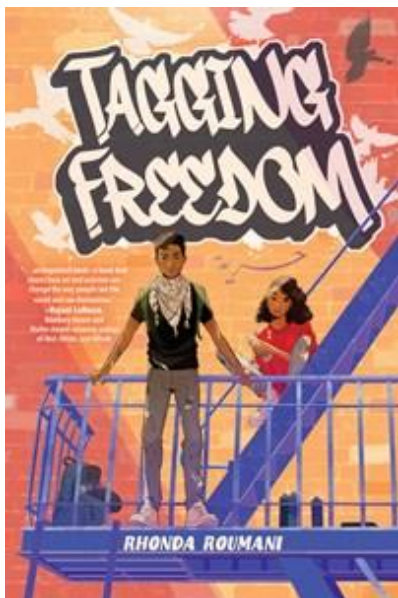
Marketing Plans

Marketing & Publicity

- National print and online publicity campaign
- Review copy distribution to trade publications, librarians, book reviewers, booksellers, and influencers
- Outreach to bloggers, Bookstagrammers, and BookTokers
- National consumer advertising campaign
- Trade advertising campaign
- Social media promotions on @unionsqandco across all channels
- Giveaways, newsletter features, and other digital promotions
- Priority title at national and regional library and educator conferences
- ARC distribution at major trade shows across the U.S.

Comp Titles

Iron Widow	Zhao, Xiran Jay	Penguin Teen Canada	21/09/2021	9780735269934 0735269939	\$17.99 USD	Hardcover	Young Adult Fiction
The Shadows Between Us	Levenseller, Tricia	Feiwel & Friends	25/02/2020	9781250189967 1250189969	\$17.99 USD	Hardcover with dust jacket	Young Adult Fiction
You've Reached Sam	Thao, Dustin	Wednesday Books	9/11/2021	9781250762030 1250762030	\$18.99 USD	Hardcover with dust jacket	Young Adult Fiction
A Magic Steeped in Poison	Lin, Judy I.	Feiwel & Friends	29/03/2022	9781250767080 1250767083	\$18.99 USD	Hardcover with dust jacket	Young Adult Fiction
The Inheritance Games	Barnes, Jennifer Lynn	Little, Brown Books for Young Readers	1/09/2020	9781368052405 1368052401	\$18.99 USD	Hardcover	Young Adult Fiction
These Violent Delights	Gong, Chloe	Margaret K. McElderry Books	17/11/2020	9781534457690 1534457690	\$19.99 USD	Hardcover	Young Adult Fiction



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Tagging Freedom

Rhonda Roumani

Key Selling Points

DUAL VOICE STORY: Samira and Kareem's stories unfold in alternating voices, making this appealing to a broad, middle-grade audience.

THE RISE OF YOUNG ACTIVISTS AND ARTIVISM: From Malala Yousafzai to Greta Thunberg to local protesters all over the world, young people are engaged and using their voices to advocate for change in their communities. TAGGING FREEDOM captures the experience of kids stepping out of their comfort zone and making their voices heard on issues that shape their world. It also celebrates artists whose work fuels social change.

IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE STORIES: Stories of new immigrants are growing in popularity in the middle-grade space, especially those about Muslim immigrants and Muslim American children.

EXCITING DEBUT: Rhonda Roumani's work as a journalist writing about Muslim American issues informs her middle-grade debut. Kareem's story is heavily influenced by events that took place in the early days of Syria's civil war.

Summary

Out of the revolutions across the Arab world, comes this inspirational story of hope, freedom, and belonging, perfect for fans of *Other Words for Home* and *A Good Kind of Trouble*.

Kareem Haddad of Damascus, Syria, never dreamed of becoming a graffiti artist. But when a group of boys from another town tag subversive slogans outside their school, and another boy is killed while in custody, Kareem and his friends are inspired to start secretly tagmessages of freedom around their city.

Meanwhile, in the United States, his cousin, Samira, has been trying to make her own mark. Anxious to fit in at school, she joins the Spirit Squad where her natural artistic ability attracts the attention of the popular leader. Then Kareem is sent to live with Sam's family, and their worlds collide. As graffitied messages appear around town and all eyes turn to Kareem, Sam must make a choice: does she shy away to protect her new social status, or does she stand with her cousin?

Informed by her time as a journalist, author Rhonda Roumani's *Tagging Freedom* is a thoughtful look at the intersection between art and activism, infused with rich details and a realistic portrayal of how war affects and inspires children, similar to middle grade books for middle schoolers by Aisha Saeed, *The Night Diary* by Veera Hiranandi, or *Refugee* by Alan Gatz.

Contributor Bio

Rhonda Roumani is a Syrian American journalist who lived in Syria as a reporter for U.S. newspapers. She has written about Islam, the Arab world, and Muslim-American issues for more than two decades. Currently, she is a contributing fellow at the Center for Religion and Civic Culture at USC. Rhonda lives in Connecticut with her family.

Quotes

"...An important book—a book that shows how art and activism can change the way people see the world and see themselves." —Rajani LaRocca, Newbury Honor and Walter Award-winning author of *Red, White, and Whole*

Marketing Plans

Marketing & Publicity

- National print and online publicity campaign

- Select book signings and events at on-sale
- Regional school visit tour
- ARC distribution to trade publications, children’s book reviewers, and influencers
- Pre-awareness campaign to children’s booksellers across the U.S.
- Outreach to bloggers and Bookstagrammers
- National consumer advertising campaign
- Trade advertising campaign
- Social media promotions on @unionsqandco and @unionsquarekids across all channels
- Giveaways, newsletter features, and other digital promotions
- Priority title at national and regional library and educator conferences
- Special mailing to librarians
- ARC and promo item distribution at major trade shows across the U.S.
- Educator guide

Links

- [Educator Guide](#)

Illustrations



Comp Titles

Other Words for Home	Warga, Jasmine	Balzer + Bray	6/04/2021	9780062747815 0062747819	\$9.99 USD	Paperback	Juvenile Fiction
A Good Kind of Trouble	Ramée, Lisa Moore	Balzer + Bray	16/06/2020	9780062836694 0062836692	\$7.99 USD	Paperback	Juvenile Fiction
Amal Unbound	Saeed, Aisha	Nancy Paulsen Books	7/01/2020	9780399544699 0399544690	\$8.99 USD	Paperback	Juvenile Fiction
When Stars Are Scattered	Jamieson, Victoria	Dial Books	14/04/2020	9780525553908 0525553908	\$13.99 USD	Trade Paperback	Juvenile Fiction
The Night Diary	Hiranandani, Veera	Puffin Books	23/04/2019	9780735228528 0735228523	\$8.99 USD	Paperback	Juvenile Fiction
Nowhere Boy	Marsh, Katherine	Square Fish	25/08/2020	9781250211453 125021145X	\$8.99 USD	Trade Paperback	Juvenile Fiction
Front Desk (Front Desk #1) (Scholastic Gold)	Yang, Kelly	Scholastic Press	25/06/2019	9781338157826 1338157825	\$8.99 USD	Trade Paperback	Juvenile Fiction
Amina's Voice	Khan, Hena	Salaam Reads / Simon & Schuster Books for Young Re	1/05/2018	9781481492072 1481492071	\$7.99 USD	Trade Paperback	Juvenile Fiction

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Dinos Driving

Lynn Leitch, Scot Ritchie

Key Selling Points

- *Dinos Driving* has sold 2,600+ hardcover units since its publication in September 2022
- Well-reviewed by *Kirkus Reviews*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Booklist*, and more
- Award-winning illustrator Scot Ritchie has more than 60 books to his credit, and his illustrations have been exhibited at the National Gallery of Canada
- Concludes with developmentally appropriate activities for caregivers and educators to try with their children
- Teaches children about the names of dinosaurs in a fun and easy to learn method
- Dinosaurs are perpetually popular with the target age group
- Classroom guide for educators now available
- World rights available

Now in board book format! In a smart and silly picture book enriched with preschool-friendly facts, Lynn Leitch and the acclaimed Scot Ritchie propose the perfect modes of transport for eight charismatic dinosaurs

Summary

The witty and whimsical picture book that *Kirkus Reviews* calls "Amusing fun from the "Car"-taceous era," now in board book format!

What kind of a car would a tiny velociraptor drive? Perhaps a mini car? But what would suit a vegetarian iguanodon or a pack of rowdy triceratops? What would an ideal vehicle be for a T-rex? Whatever it is, it had better come with an adjustable steering wheel for those short arms!

Illustrated by award-winning artist **Scot Richie**, this humorous picture book helps dinosaurs find their perfect way to get around. Carnotaurus, Brachiosaurus, Diplodocus, and more ride around on a variety of vehicles that suit their style, anatomy, and nature. At story time, readers will ask themselves the inevitable question: out of all the things that go, what would my favorite dinosaur drive?

Scot Richie's fun and witty dinosaurs will have children laughing at the absurdity of a T-rex in a monster truck, while they simultaneously learn the names of these prehistoric creatures. Author **Lynn Leitch** includes preschooler-friendly dinosaur facts that help readers to go beyond the story.

"Young readers who sit firmly in the Venn diagram overlap of dinosaur lovers and car enthusiasts will be thrilled, and with the right guidance, those outside of that overlap will be interested as well."—*Kirkus Reviews*

"Dinosaurs hit the road as Leitch and Ritchie pair eight species with their ideal vehicles...a playfully tender concluding scene should fuel driving daydreams."—*Publishers Weekly*

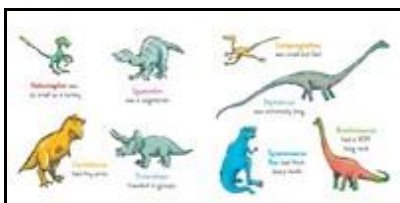
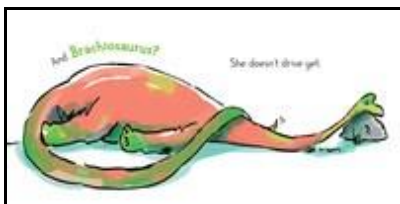
"In a (mostly) four wheeled flight of "What If..." Leitch pairs prehistoric motorists to preferred motor vehicles and Ritchie puts pedal to the metal with windswept views of full sized dinos atop, usually, hilariously tiny cars..."—*Booklist*

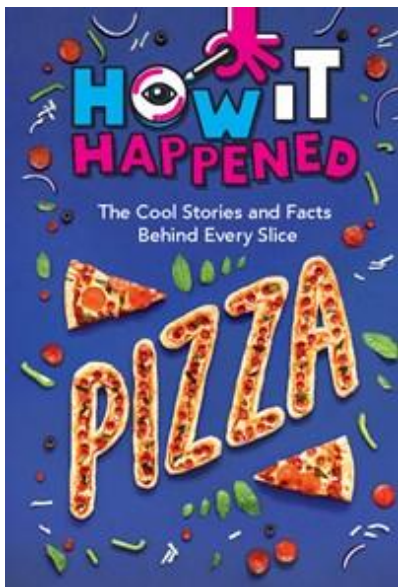
Contributor Bio

Born in Vancouver, British Columbia, **Lynn Leitch** is a children's author with a passion for stories that lead to giggles. After graduating from Queen's University and Dalhousie, Lynn worked at the Bank of Montreal before becoming a freelance writer. Her debut picture book brings together eight humorous dinosaurs with their ideal modes of transport. Lynn lives in Burlington, Ontario.

Scot Ritchie is an award-winning illustrator and author with more than 60 books to his credit, including most recently *On the Line*. His books have been translated into French, Korean, Indonesian, Polish, Finnish, Arabic and Dutch. Scot has worked with the National Film Board of Canada and has had his illustrations exhibited at the National Gallery of Canada. He lives in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Illustrations





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How It Happened! Pizza

The Cool Stories and Facts Behind Every Slice

Paige Towler

Key Selling Points

- **NARRATIVE NONFICTION:** The narrative structure of the text allows readers to digest facts and keep turning the pages without getting overwhelmed.
- **HIGH-INTEREST UNIQUE SUBJECTS:** Each book focuses on a universal “cool” object, such as gum or sneakers, that will capture the interest of reluctant and striving readers.
- **HIGHLY ILLUSTRATED:** The interior design features photos, illustrations, bursts, and sidebars to make the reading experience lively and visually approachable.
- **PACKED WITH STEAM CONTENT:** Each subject is discussed from scientific, technological, business, historical, and cross-cultural perspectives.

Did you know that every hour, more than one million slices of pizza are eaten in the United States? But this cheesy flatbread had a long journey before becoming a global comfort food. This fact-filled book delivers the deep dish on pizza culture, history, and science. Whether you like thin crust or Sicilian-style, this book is one that pizza lovers won't want to miss!

Summary

Find out how pizza became the world's favorite comfort food in this nonfiction book, part of the HOW IT HAPPENED! Series.

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Contributor Bio

WonderLab Group is a custom-content-creation and editorial-services firm specializing in publishing, audio, and digital content in the areas of children's nonfiction and STEM. Their focus is on developing programmatic and 360-degree content to build nonfiction brands and franchises that promote science and inspire curious kids.

Illustrations





Comp Titles

What Is Rock and Roll?	O'Connor, Jim	Penguin Workshop	22/08/2017	9780451533814 045153381X	\$7.99 USD	Paperback	Juvenile Nonfiction
Weird But True Food	National Geographic Kids	National Geographic Kids	10/03/2015	9781426318719 1426318715	\$8.99 USD	Trade Paperback	Juvenile Nonfiction
The Deep Dish on Pizza!	Krensky, Stephen	Simon Spotlight	5/08/2014	9781481420556 1481420550	\$4.99 USD	Trade Paperback	Juvenile Nonfiction
How It Happened! Sneakers	Drimmer, Stephanie Warren	Union Square Kids	18/04/2023	9781454944966 145494496X	\$18.99 USD	Hardcover	Juvenile Nonfiction
How It Happened! Gum	Towler, Paige	Union Square Kids	18/04/2023	9781454944980 1454944986	\$18.99 USD	Hardcover	Juvenile Nonfiction
How It Happened! Sneakers	Drimmer, Stephanie Warren	Union Square Kids	18/04/2023	9781454945123 1454945125	\$12.99 USD	Trade Paperback	Juvenile Nonfiction
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