

# Children's Rights Guide Spring 2025





**Picture Books** 

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Illustration by Julie Kwon from Balloon



# **MYSTERIOUS THINGS**

By Andy J. Pizza and Sophie Miller

From the creators of the New York Times bestseller Invisible Things, this entertaining exploration of invisible mysteries is a mind-tickling invitation to explore the unseen world.

Our universe is more baffling and mysterious than we ever could have imagined: 95% of the world is invisible—yes, really. Andy J. Pizza and Sophie Miller offer young readers the opportunity to explore these mysterious things and perhaps be the ones to solve them! This playfully illustrated book celebrates the mysteries of

our world, from math, black holes, dreams, and consciousness to everyday mysteries like the Teacher's Lounge, the secret garden, lost things, and the oddly shaped gift. The more we look for answers, the more unbelievable questions we seem to find. And that's where the reader comes in! Each turn of the page challenges them to explore questions like: What will you do? What will you be? What mysteries will you solve, and which new ones will you discover? Curiosity and wonder abound!

Hardcover, \$17.99, 9 x 11 in, 52 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026

# Also available:

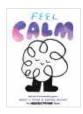


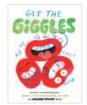
**Invisible Things** \$17.99 • 9781797215204 Rights sold:

Bulgarian, Chinese Simplified, Chinese Traditional, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Korean, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Portuguese (Portugal), Spanish, and Turkish



Invisible Things Flashcards Feel Calm





Get the Giggles \$9.99 • 9781797215228

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### SHRINKING VIOLET

# By Laurel Snyder, illustrated by LeUyen Pham

This empowering story of a brave, shrinking girl will inspire readers with the profound message that all of us, no matter our size, are already so much bigger than fear makes us feel. Violet knows what it's like to be afraid: when you're afraid, you feel helpless and small. But when Violet is afraid, she doesn't just feel small—she actually shrinks! It's tough to stop feeling frightened when you're only a few centimeters tall. But with Violet's best friend in danger, she'll have to learn to deal with her fear in a new way—and save the day in the process. Shrinking Violet is for anyone who has ever felt scared

and small. Readers will root for Violet as she finds her voice, stands up for her friend, and, most importantly, discovers the tremendous power of her inner strength.

Hardcover, \$18.99, 9 x 12, 56 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A DAY

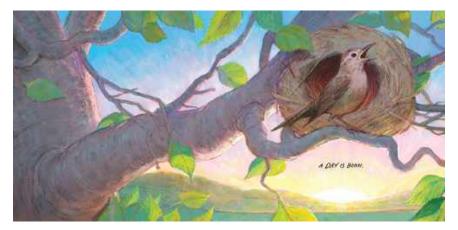
By Chelsea Lin Wallace, illustrated by Adam Rex

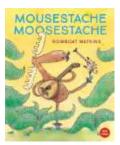
A poetic and innovative exploration of the infinite possibilities of each day—from the powerhouse team of award-winning author Chelsea Lin Wallace (*Ode to a Bad Day*) and author-illustrator extraordinaire Adam Rex (*School's First Day of School*).

A day's life is filled with all the moments that happen around the entire universe—births and deaths, storms and earthquakes. But

a single day's life is just one in an average lifespan of thousands upon thousands—how much could it actually matter? In this poignant and delightful picture book, fascinating statistics about the events that occur during a day are set against a larger metaphor about the significance of a lifetime. Inspiring and educational, with wonderful bite-sized science content, this unique concept book will encourage and guide young readers to look at the world a bit differently.

Hardcover, \$18.99, 10 x 9.5 in, 44 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026





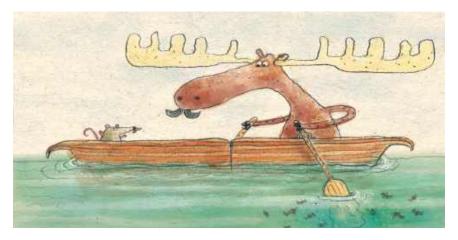
# **MOUSESTACHE MOOSESTACHE**

# By Rowboat Watkins

A hilarious read-aloud about every kind of moustache imaginable, created by the highly lauded Rowboat Watkins.

The recent publishing landscape is quite heavily populated with "issue" and other more serious books, which are highly needed but not always. Rowboat Watkins was awarded the Ezra Jack Keats award for Rude Cakes, and he was a Sendak Fellow.

Hardcover, \$17.99, 9 x 11 in, 40 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026





Go Go Guys \$15.99 • 9781797205717 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified, Korean



Rude Cakes \$16.99 • 9781452138510 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified, Chinese Traditional, French, Korean



Mabel \$16.99 • 9781452155272 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified, Chinese Traditional, Korean



Big Bunny \$16.99 • 9781452163901 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified, French, Korean



Most Marshmallows \$16.99 • 9781452159591 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified, Chinese Traditional, Korean



Pete With No Pants \$16.99 • 9781452144016 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified



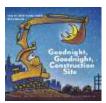
# CONSTRUCTION SITE: FIREFIGHT

By Sherri Duskey Rinker, illustrated by AG Ford

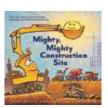
When powerful winds knock over electric lines and start a dangerous fire, there's a big job to do. Thankfully, help is on the way! Fire Engine, Foam Truck, Water Tender, and the rest of the mighty fire crew join forces with the classic Construction Site friends to save the day. They work through the night to put out the flames, clean up the mess, and make sure everyone is safe and sound. Sherri Duskey Rinker's lively, rhyming text and AG Ford's

vibrant illustrations bring this team of heroic firefighters to life. Little construction fans will love watching trucks, both familiar and new, work together as a team to save the construction site. Hardcover.  $\$18.99.10 \times 9\%$ . 44 pp. ages 3-5. full-color illustrations throughout. Spring 2026

# Also available:



Goodnight, Goodnight
Construction Site
\$16.99 • 9780811877824
34 foreign editions!



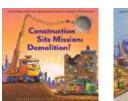
Mighty, Mighty
Construction Site
\$16.99 • 9781452152165
14 foreign editions!



Construction Site on Christmas Night \$16.99 • 9781452139111 7 foreign editions!



Three Cheers for Kid McGear! \$17.99 • 9781452155821 8 foreign editions!



Construction Site Mission: Demolition! \$17.99 • 9781452182575 Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), Japanese, Korean, Polish, Russian. Ukrainian



Construction Site: Road Crew, Coming Through! \$17.99 • 9781797204727 Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), Japanese, Korean, Polish,

Russian, Ukrainian



Construction Site: Farming Strong, All Year Long \$17.99 • 9781797213873 Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), French (Canada), Japanese, Korean, Polish. Thai. Ukrainian



Construction Site: Taking Flight! \$17.99 • 9781797221922 Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), French (Canada), Japanese, Polish, Ukrainian



STEAM TRAIN, DREAM TRAIN: NEXT STOP, CHRISTMAS! By Sherri Duskey Rinker, illustrated by AG Ford

The long-awaited sequel to #1 New York Times bestseller Steam Train, Dream Train is here at last! Tonight, the dream train pulls out of the station and sets off on an enchanting journey of Christmas cheer. Told in Sherri Duskey Rinker's signature rhyming verse with immersive art in the timeless series style, this Christmas-spirited bedtime book is sure to become a family favorite. It invites little

readers to say goodnight to all their favorite animals before bundling in for a winter night filled with sweet dreams.

Hardcover, \$18.99, 10 x 9 ¾ in, 40 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025





# STEAM TRAIN, DREAM TRAIN DELUXE EDITION By Sherri Duskey Rinker, illustrated by Tom Lichtenheld

The *New York Times* bestselling train book that kids have been dreaming of—now in a deluxe edition with a shiny foil cover and a 45-inch foldout poster in a vellum envelope with sticker included inside!

Since its debut more than a decade ago, Steam Train, Dream Train has become a beloved favorite of kids and parents, with over 500,000

copies sold. This timeless nighttime story continues to delight families everywhere, and old and new fans are welcome aboard the Dream Train in this new special edition. The dream train pulls into the station, and one by one the train cars are loaded: polar bears pack the reefer car with ice cream, elephants fill the tanker cars with paints, tortoises stock the auto rack with race cars, bouncy kangaroos stuff the hopper car with balls. Sweet, silly dreams and happy smiles before sleep are guaranteed for little ones who love animals, trains, and imaginative adventure.

Hardcover with foil stamped jacket, \$22.99, 10 x 9 ¾ in, 40 pp, ages 2-4, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



Construction Site:
Garbage Crew to the
Rescue!
\$18.99 • 9781797226552
Rights sold:
Chinese Simplified, Italian,
Japanese, Polish



# ONE WHOLE HIPPO

# By Carter Higgins

From the creative mind behind *Circle Under Berry* and *Some* of *These Are Snails* comes this deceptively simple concept book that explores sorting, counting, classification, and patterns as it teases the brain in unusual ways. Carter's fun and clever approach will teach kids how to use their senses to observe the world around them and solve problems in creative ways! With an elegant and simple approach, this thought-provoking book shows young readers that even the most familiar things can be seen from infinite perspectives. It teaches kids. As with the best classic children's

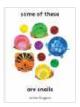
books, you read it once, read it ten times—and see something new every time.

Unjacketed Hardcover, \$16.99, 7.5 x 10 in, 52 pp, age 2-4, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026

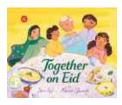
## Also available:



Circle Under Berry \$15.99 • 9781797205083 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified



Some of These are Snails \$15.99 ● 9781797220185 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified, Portuguese (Brazil)



# **TOGETHER ON EID**

# By Sana Rafi, illustrated by Mariam Quraishi

A beautifully illustrated picture book that showcases the warm family memories and cultural traditions that are a part of celebrating Eid. Author Sana Rafi grew up spending Eid in different places, but her fondest memories include celebrating it in Lahore with her large extended family. Illustrator Mariam Quraishi spent

most of her childhood Eids in Karachi, where she could be found guzzling down many bowls of sheer khurma before the holiday dinner. An ode to cultural traditions, *Together on Eid* is a loving story about a special day and gives thanks for its many gifts—from steaming hot rotis to treasured family stories. Through image and verse, it shows readers that Eid is more than a feast—it is a gift that continues to shine brightly with each passing year.

Jacketed Hardcover, \$18.99, 11 x 9 in, 32 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025





# BALLOON

# By Bruce Handy, illustrated by Julie Kwon

A small child, an orange balloon, and a gust of wind combine to start an adventure with just a hint of seek-and-find that takes readers on a journey through a park, on a subway, and down the streets toward home. Each turn of the page reveals the unexpected, including a sweet surprise ending that will warm the heart of every reader. This calming, wordless book is the perfect vehicle for imaginative growth and an active reading experience.

Hardcover, \$17.99, 9 ½ x 10 ½ in, 44 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



# HUGGED BY THE NIGHT

# **HUGGED BY THE NIGHT**

# By Harold Green, Illustrated by Karabo Poppy

Spoken-word poet Harold Green's debut picture book is a reassuring lullaby for bedtime fears and an affirmation of the beauty and power of Black identity. As darkness settles over the forest, three animals gaze up at the Night Sky and wonder how they, too, can be as confident, proud, and fearless as She is. Hearing their wishes, the Sky takes the animals into her arms and, with a gentle embrace, bestows each one with a powerful and transformative gift. Green brings his vibrant poeticism to this soothing, lyrical new

folktale richly illustrated with luminous art by South African designer Karabo Poppy.

Hardcover, \$17.99, 9 x 11 in, 52 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



# LOST AND FOUND HANUKKAH

# By Joy Preble

An inclusive, heartwarming Hanukkah tale that mirrors the holiday's themes of rededication and resilience. Nate's beloved menorah was lost in his family's recent move, and finding the perfect new one isn't going well. With Hanukkah one night away, Nate's missing not only his menorah but everything else about his old home, where everything fit just right. Then a trip to a local shop with his dads

results in something else lost—Kugel, the shop's cat. Nate sets out to help, and by the time he's ready to light the first candle, Nate discovers that, like in the story of Hanukkah, everything in his new home can be made right again, too. This sweet and reassuring Hanukkah tale feels like a cozy hug on a winter night! With endearing characters and a super satisfying "aww"-worthy ending, families will reach for this new Hanukkah classic again and again.

Hardcover, \$17.99, 10 x 9 5/8 in, 44 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



### MY QUIET PLACE

# By Monica Mikai

For anyone who struggles with sensory overload, this soothing picture book offers a touchstone of understanding and encouraging guidance for finding your own quiet place—whenever and wherever it's needed.

In our loud and busy world, finding a moment or place to think, dream, or rest quietly can be challenging. My Quiet Place highlights one child's difficulty in dealing with the volume and action that swirl around her as she moves through her day.

With focus and determination, she identifies all the ways she can find quiet when she needs it and even share it when someone else needs a bit, too. Highlighting a common symptom of anxiety, depression, and ADHD, this compassionate and empowering book serves as a much-needed resource for children, families, and teachers. Light-hearted and relatable, it will make neurodiverse kids feel heard and understood and let kids who don't experience this phenomenon hear and understand them.

Hardcover, \$17.99, 8 x 10 in, 32 pages, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025





# **TINY TRIES SOCCER**

# A Tiny T. Rex Book

# By Jonathan Stutzman, illustrated by Jay Fleck

A brand-new series featuring everyone's favorite pint-size dino trying his favorite things!

Join Tiny as he tries his favorite sport--soccer! He has his shin protectors, socks, cleats, special headband, and jersey (even though it's a little too big). He is ready! But as it turns out, soccer

is very tricky. With the help of his teammates, and lots of practice, Tiny learns to juggle, dribble, pass, shoot, and... score!

Paper Over Board, \$10.99, 8 x 8 in, 32 pp, ages 2-4, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



Tiny T. Rex and the First Day Oopsies \$16.99 • 9781797233208



Tiny T. Rex and the Grand Ta-Da \$16.99 • 9781452184883 Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional)



Tiny T. Rex and the Very Dark Dark \$15.99 • 9781452170343 Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional), Dutch, French, German. Spanish



Tiny T. Rex and the Impossible Hug \$15.99 • 9781452170336 Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional), French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese (Brazil), Portuguese (Portugal), Russian, Spanish, Turkish

# Board Books, Activity and Special Formats



# TINY T. REX AND THE ITTY-BITTY BUN-BUN **An Easter and Springtime Story**

By Jonathan Stutzman, illustrated by Jay Fleck

Everyone's favorite pint-sized dino from Tiny T. Rex and the Impossible Hug celebrates springtime in this heartwarming Easter board book! The Easter Bun-Bun visits young dinosaurs and leaves them each a special treat—a basket filled with surprises! But when Tiny realizes that Mother and Father didn't get anything, he decides that today he is not a mighty rex, but an Itty-Bitty Bun-Bun, and

sets out to create a sweet surprise for them, too.

Board Book, \$7.99, 6 x 6 in, 18 pp, ages 2-4, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025

# Also available:





Tiny T. Rex And The Perfect Valentine

Tiny T. Rex And The Tricks Of Treating \$7.99 • 9781452184890 \$7.99 • 9781452184906



### **TOUCH A TRUCK**

# By Carrie Finison, illustrated by Viola Wang

Climb inside eight different kinds of trucks and learn all about what makes each of them unique! This delightful, tabbed novelty board book is filled with dynamic, fun-to-read rhymes and useful information on what everyone's favorite vehicles actually do-from a fire engine to a garbage truck to (surprise!) an ice cream truck.

With enticing tabs and a surprise gatefold ending, this is a dynamic reading experience that will engage little truck fans for hours on end.

Tabbed Board Book, \$12.99, 8.5 x 7 in, 22 pp, ages 2-4, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# LITTLE HELPERS #1 Let's Grow a Garden By Brianna Miller

The perfect and logical extension to our successful TouchThinkLearn series: tactile, interactive board books about process, the critical sequencing of steps to perform familiar home activities like planting a garden. Little Helpers takes us to the next level of hands-on books. Intriguing interactive elements—flaps, wheels, tabs, and more—provide a fun way to allow children to

learn, imitate, and participate in simple and satisfying chores.

Case-bound board book with interactive elements on every spread: die-cuts, flaps, tabs, wheels, etc., \$18.99, 8 x 8 in, 14 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026

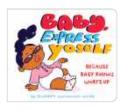


# LITTLE HELPERS #2 Let's Do The Dishes By Brianna Miller

Inspired by our TouchThinkLearn books and the popular Phaidon Cook In A Book series for kids, *Little Helpers* titles offer a wonderful way to build on our program of publishing hands-on books. These board books take us to the next level: process, the critical sequencing of steps to perform familiar home activities like washing dishes. Intriguing interactive elements—flaps, wheels,

tabs, and more—provide a fun way to allow children to learn, imitate, and participate in simple and satisfying chores.

Case-bound board book with interactive elements on every spread: die-cuts, flaps, tabs, wheels, etc., \$18.99, 8 x 8 in, 14 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# **BABY, EXPRESS YOSELF**

By Elizabeth McConaughy-Oliver

Originally made as a present for a girlfriend having a baby, this witty and hilarious board book is the ultimate baby shower gift that will charm gift-givers, recipients, and young readers alike. Enjoy unfiltered advice from a pint-sized pundit who's got it all figured out. With witty wisdom and cheeky charm, our little expert coaches

the next generation of empowered babies to find their voice, have standards, walk away, and more. This baby knows best and she's here to express herself loud and clear.

Board Book, \$8.99, 6 x 5 in, 16 pages, ages 0-3, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



# GOODNIGHT, GOODNIGHT, CONSTRUCTION SITE ACTIVITY BOOK

Full speed ahead for construction site fun! Featuring the beloved characters from the bestselling Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site series, this construction-themed activity book is packed with colorful mazes, matching, connect the dots, and more, plus two pages of stickers. It's the perfect boredom bulldozer for kids who love the big machines that build our world.

Activity Book, \$9.99, 8 x 11 in, 32 pp, ages 3 & up, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# **CONSTRUCTION SITE: HANUKKAH LIGHTS**A Hanukkah Lift-the-Flap Book

By Sherri Duskey Rinker, illustrated by Shawna J. C. Tenney

Celebrate Hanukkah with the construction crew in this heartwarming seasonal board book—the perfect gift for little readers! Following up on the success of the previous holiday titles in the *New York Times* bestselling Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site series, this Hanukkah-themed lift-the-flap board book features the construction characters kids know and love and

teaches teamwork, collaboration, and working together to solve a problem. The story centers on Hanukkah at the construction site, making the holiday extra special for little construction fans everywhere.

Lift the Flap, \$12.99, 7 x 7 in, 16 pages, ages 2-4, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



Construction Site: Merry and Bright \$12.99 • 9781797204291



Construction Site: You're Just Right \$12.99 • 9781797204307



Construction Site: Gets a Fright \$12.99 • 9781797204321



Construction Site: Spring Delight \$12.99 • 9781797204314



Construction Site: A Thankful Night \$12.99 • 9781797226729

# Beginning Readers, Chapter Books & Middle-Grade



# THE FARAWAY FOREST: WALLY'S ROUTE By Debbie Fong

A colorful cast of animal friends stars in this charming new young readers' graphic novel series by rising star Debbie Fong.

Welcome to Faraway Forest, a magical woodland village home to an assortment of adorable animal characters, including a sweet and dedicated raccoon named Wally. Alongside his best friend Bo, a loyal white rabbit, Wally sets out every day to fulfill his very important job as the village mail carrier. Wally and Bo not only deliver the mail, but they often visit and help their neighbors along

their route. Except for Mr. Sternbill. Will Wally be able to win over his seemingly unfriendly neighbor? Follow this pair of friends as they discover the power of kindness and community.

# Book 2 to publish Fall 2026!

Unjacketed hardcover, \$12.99, 7 ¼ x 9 ¼ in, 88 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



# **HENRY UPSIDE DOWN**Book 4

# By Jenn Bailey, illustrated by Mika Song

From the creators of the Schneider Award-winning books *A Friend* for Henry and Henry, Like Always comes a delightful beginning chapter book about embracing new experiences, starring a sweet and sensitive child on the autism spectrum.

Henry likes to garden and loves lists. Gardens are quiet. A list means no forgetting. A list means no guessing. Mrs. Tanaka chooses Henry to be the gardener for the class garden. To help him do all

the tasks on the list, Henry chooses his best friend Katie. Katie brings her new friend Ivy along to the garden. Ivy likes to do handstands. Katie does too. Henry does not. Since Katie has a new friend that isn't him, his whole world feels upside down. Join Henry as he digs through difficult situations like worms in the garden, the fear of losing lists, the feeling of losing his friend, and making new ones along the way. The fourth book in the Schneider Family Award and Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor-winning series, this is a reassuring read for all school-age kids.

Hardcover, \$14.99, 6 x 8 in, 48 pp, ages 6-9, 2-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



Henry, Like Always Book 1 \$14.99 • 97817972133



Henry and the Something New, Book 2 \$14.99 • 9781797213903



Henry's Picture Perfect Day, Book 3 \$14.99 • 9781797230252



A Friend for Henry \$16.99 ● 9781452167916 2 Rights sold: Korean



# STELLA & MARIGOLD: MERMAIDS AND MIX-UPS Book 2

By Annie Barrows, illustrated by Sophie Blackall

From the creators of the *New York Times*—bestselling *Ivy* + *Bean* comes the second book in a fun and funny new series about two small sisters with very big imaginations.

This charming and critically acclaimed early chapter series follows the everyday adventures of siblings Stella and Marigold. In this second book, Stella and Marigold receive a purple present—a book for them to list all their friends. That's when they discover they need to make more friends. But how? With magical recipes to make snow fall? With lots of

nice Band-Aids? How about a mermaid candleholder? The two sisters are full of ideas and plans. Maybe they turn out, or maybe they don't, but one thing is for sure: By the end of this book, readers and Stella and Marigold will be the best of friends. Book 3 publishing Fall 2026! Unjacketed hardcover, \$15.99, 6 x 8 in, 116 pp, ages 6-9, full-color throughout, Fall 2025

Rights sold: Hebrew

# Also available:



Rights sold: Chinese Simplified, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Korean



# JAVIER AND THE CONE OF UNCERTAINTY Book 4

By K.A. Holt

The story of the Kids Under the Stairs continues in this honest and hilarious novel-in-verse from award-winning author K.A. Holt.

The fourth installment in the series follows Javier: the artist, the quiet one, the funny one, the good friend, and the all-around easygoing guy. But as his ever-present sketchbook reveals, Javier has a lot going on beneath that calm exterior. As a giant storm threatens to make landfall

near their Florida town, Javier's comfortable norms are upended, forcing him to confront big changes and big feelings, new truths, and new relationships with friends and family. Funny and wise, this riveting middle-grade novel explores the idea that sometimes stepping out of your comfort zone is the only way to step into who you will become.

Hardcover, \$17.99, 5 3/4,x 7 ¼ in, 272 pp, ages 8-12, black and white illustrations throughout, Spring 2026

# Also available:



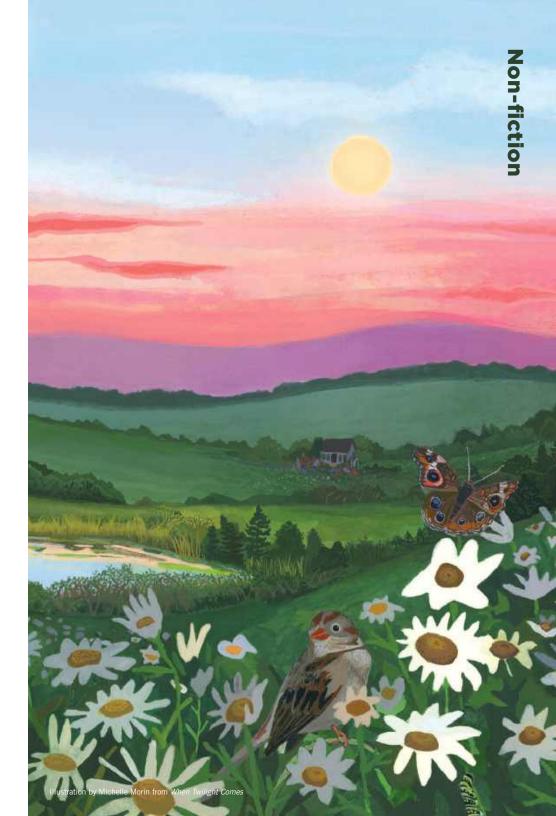
BenBee and the Teacher \$17.99 • 9781452182513



Ben Y and the Ghost in the Machine



Jordan J and the Truth About Jordan J \$17.99 • 9781452183213 \$17.99 • 9781797206097





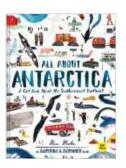
### **BECAUSE OF A BEE**

# By Lola M. Schaefer, illustrated by Francesca Sanna

A simple and sweet picture book about how pollinators help us grow our food!

Because of a bee, a pear grows. And because of a pear, a butterfly can eat. Because of a butterfly, a stalk of celery grows. Now, because of all these pollinators and more, we all get to feast! Wander through the farm to learn how every fruit, vegetable, bug,

and bird connects to each other before food arrives on your plate. A bee is just the beginning. Hardcover,  $$17.99, 9 \times 9$$  in, 36 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# **ALL ABOUT ANTARCTICA**A Fact Book About the Southernmost Continent *By Marc Martin*

Put on your parka and snowshoes and get ready to embark on a journey to the way, way south. You could hitch a ride on a Sno-Cat, explore the majestic icefalls, hunt for meteorites, and marvel at migrating whales—or just stay in for a movie and pizza. From colossal squids and active volcanos to research vessels and cricket matches, there's a lot more to the South Pole than just penguins and icebergs (though there are also a lot of penguins and icebergs). Learn how humans survive in the coldest place on Earth and

discover what surprises await in this fragile and fascinating world that most will never see. Bestselling author and illustrator Marc Martin pairs his stunning illustrations with bite-sized facts to create a uniquely inviting and exciting reading experience.

Unjacketed hardcover, \$18.99, 9 x 12 in, 44 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025

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# WHEN TWILIGHT COMES

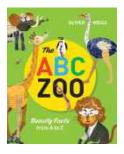
# The Animals and Plants That Bring Dawn and Dusk to Life By Marcie Flinchum Atkins, illustrated by Michelle Morin

If you wake in the early morning, when dark gives way to light, it's dawn—the first twilight of the day. When twilight comes, nature transitions: from night to day at dawn, from day to night at dusk. Inside, we are getting ready to start our days, or to end them. But outside, crepuscular creatures—animals that are most active at dawn or dusk—are right in the middle of their days! With immersive imagery and gentle prose, Marcie Atkins paints the patterns and behaviors of familiar animals in a whole new light,

encouraging readers of all ages to observe and appreciate the wonders of the natural world all around us.

With a lyrical and informative text and a wealth of visual information (and deeply researched, gorgeously illustrated backmatter), this beautiful book is great for engaging primary-schoolaged readers, sure to draw in a variety of consumers with its winning combination of engaging narrative and solid curriculum connections.

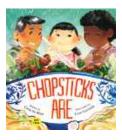
Hardcover, \$18.99, 9 x 12 in, 48 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# ABC ZOO Beastly Facts from A to Z By Oliver Weiss

Did you know that a squid changes color and glows in the dark? That giraffes have tongues as long as your arm? Learn a host of surprising facts about familiar zoo animals from A to Z in this gloriously illustrated book for children. Colorful and whimsical collage-based illustrations bring new life to animals kids love, from elephants to penguins.

Paper Over Board, \$18.99, 8 x 10 in, 40 pp, ages 2-7, full-color illustrations throughout, Fall 2025



# **CHOPSTICKS ARE**

# By Chloe Ito Ward, illustrated by Lynn Scurfield

Learn about the countless things that chopsticks can be in this content-rich, culturally resonant picture book!

Why do we love chopsticks? Let us count the ways: Chopsticks can be so many things: they are a spatula for cooking, they are art, they are tradition, they are family. And most importantly, they are remembering and celebration and good luck. This fun and meaningful picture book will inform and delight as it celebrates how

chopsticks are used by so many people all over the world.

Hardcover, \$18.99, 9 ½ x 10 ½ in, 44 pp, ages 3-5, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# **SEARCH FOR A MYSTERIOUS MUSHROOM**Pick Your Path

# By Amy Seto Forrester, illustrated by Andy Chou Musse

The next book in the new and exciting pick-your-path STEM adventure for emerging readers! From the creators of the award-winning Search for a Giant Squid, this adventure centers on an expedition around the world in search of a mysterious mushroom. The explorers want to know more about these elusive fungi, and they need the reader's help. First, they'll choose a location and all the tools and equipment needed for their search. Not every path

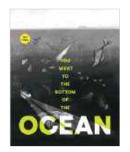
leads where one expects, so caution is needed! But whatever path they pick, kids will see and learn amazing things. Emerging readers will be enticed by the colorful comic—paneled images and action-packed text as they choose the path their expedition will follow and visit new habitats across the globe.

Hardcover, \$15.99, 7 ½ x 9 in, 96 pp, ages 6-9, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026

# Also available:



Search for a Giant Squid \$14.99 • 9781797213934 Rights sold: Chinese Simplified



# IF YOU WENT TO THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN

By Brooke McIntyre, illustrated by Gordy Wright

Dive into this compelling, content-rich nonfiction picture book to explore what mysterious marine life might dwell at the very bottom of the ocean!

Turn the pages of this irresistibly beautiful eco picture book and find yourself on an underwater adventure: a marine mission past reefs, beyond the near-shore sea floor, down, down, through the sunlight layer, the twilight layer, the midnight zone—all the way (as in seven miles!) down to the bottom of the ocean. Keep your

eyes peeled—if you're lucky, you might see a 400-year-old shark, or a dumbo octopus, or . . . a xenophyophore! Layer by layer, readers will get to know all the mysterious sea life that dwells in the deepest depths while finding out just how interconnected—and crucial—the ocean's ecosystems really are.

Hardcover, \$18.99, 9 x 11 in, 50 pp, ages 5-8, full-color illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



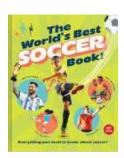
# THE SECRETS OF THE JELLIES

Amazing Jellyfish and Their Surprising Talents By Karen Jameson, illustrated by Marie Hermansson

A spectacular world of weird and wonderful jellyfish awaits in *The Secrets of the Jellies*. Engaging rhyming text paired with dazzling visuals will amaze young readers with awe-inspiring information about these beguiling, (literally) brainless beauties of the sea. Ocean lovers will soak up facts about jelly anatomy, behavior,

habitat, and ecosystems and meet superstars such as the Lion's Mane Jelly and the infamous Pink Meanie in this aquarium exhibit within a book. Dive in for a jelly good time!

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# WORLD'S BEST SOCCER BOOK

By 10Ten Media

Soccer-obsessed kids will love this fun and funny history of the most popular sport in the world! Publishing just in time for the 2026 FIFA World Cup, which will be played in 14 cities across North America. The book will be a global look at the history of the sport and will cover the best players, teams, countries – of all time! – featuring both men and women's teams. Exciting photos and graphics will make the encyclopedia a thrilling read. Readers will love learning the stories behind the most exciting goals, best saves,

most agonizing losses and the best goal-celebration dances! The book will be perfect for new players and as well as experienced footballers alike.

Also included are 24 pages of comics, which introduce readers to The United, a soccer team of literal animals.

Unjacketed hardcover, \$29.99, 9 x 11 in, 240 pp, ages 8-12, full-color photos and illustrations throughout, Spring 2026



# LEYENDAS/LEGENDS

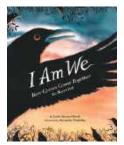
Extraordinary Leaders, Icons, Innovators, Scientists, Athletes, Artists, Change-Makers, and Trailblazers By Mónica Mancillas, illustrated by Isadora Zeferino

A gifty compendium of sixty legendary Latine icons who have changed the world—from artists to engineers to activists and more!

Did you know that a famous Colombian singer wrote her first song at just eight years old and had a record deal by thirteen? Or that

the work of a Mexican chemist led to the discovery of a hole in the ozone layer? Or that the youngest congresswoman in US history is Puerto Rican? Discover the stories of sixty real-life role models—including celebrities and icons like Frida Kahlo, Roberto Clemente, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Sonia Sotomayor, Shakira, Walter Mercado, Elizabeth Acevedo, and Jharrel Jerome—in this beautifully illustrated collection. Offering a fresh take on traditional history or biography books for kids, Leyendas/Legends profiles famous modern-day figures as well as past and lesser-known heroes. This is a great teaching resource and an empowering read-aloud full of satisfying, bite-sized biographical stories that encourage conversation, connection, and dreaming big.

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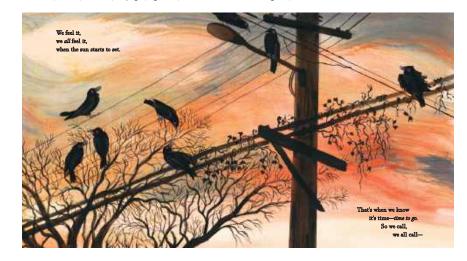
# I AM WE How Crows Come Together to Survive By Leslie Barnard Booth, illustrated by Alexandra Finkeldey

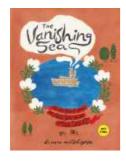
Caw-Caaaaw! How do cackling crows survive a winter crawling with crow-eating creatures? This riveting nonfiction picture book uncovers the secrets to crow survival, and—spoiler alert!—it's closer to how humans survive than you might think.

 $IAm\ We$  explores how and why crows roost together by the thousands, unpacking the mystery of their survival. With strong seasonal, STEM, and urban conservation hooks, this informational

picture book introduces readers to one of the most recognizable birds in a compelling—and unforgettable—way. Written with a chilling and irresistible voice paired with engaging illustrations, this beautiful, bewitching book will resonate in the spooky season and all year round.

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# THE VANISHING SEA The Tale of How the Aral Sea Became the Aral Desert By Dinara Mirtalipova

This artful and thought-provoking picture book shares the littleknown story of the disappearance of the Aral Sea—and the loss of livelihood and biodiversity as fishing villages and ships were left stranded in the desert without water.

The Aral Sea once stretched across modern-day Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan. A large saltwater lake of Central Asia (called "sea" because of its vastness), the Aral Sea's 26 square miles (67 square kilometers) sustained its surrounding communities for generations.

Beginning in the 1960s, aggressive Soviet industrialization diverted water for agricultural production and caused the lake to shrink. Today the waters that had thrived for centuries have almost entirely disappeared—and along with them, the biodiversity of the lake, its thriving fishing industry, and the many homes along its shores. Told in a folkloric style with stunning illustrations, this true tale chronicles what happens when nature's generosity is exploited. It gently invites readers to consider the reality of irreversible environmental harm, its global impact, and what it means to be compassionate to the land we live on.

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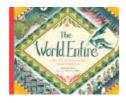
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### THE WORLD ENTIRE

# A True Story of an Extraordinary World War II Rescue By Elizabeth Brown, illustrated by Melissa Castrillón

Everyone knows Oskar Schindler and his famous list, but few have heard of Aristides de Sousa Mendes—a Portuguese diplomat who saved thousands in World War II and whose story is only starting to be better known. Now, a gorgeous picture book biography tells the

true and powerful story of Mendes, who, against his government's commands, helped refugees flee France to Portugal to escape the Nazis. In one of the greatest acts of individual rescue in all of WW II, Mendes saved tens of thousands of people, including the artist Salvador Dalí and H.A. and Margret Rey, the creators of Curious George. He and his family would pay dearly for it, but Mendes never regretted his actions, believing to the very end of his life that every life is worth saving. As the Talmud states, "He who saves a single life, saves the world entire."

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