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Welcome to our Foreign Rights Guide 2024

Dear friends and colleagues,

Welcome to Kluitman's 2024 foreign rights guide. Since 1864, Uitgeverij Kluitman has been one of the largest and most successful children's book publishers in the Netherlands. We have a wide list ranging from toddler books and picture books up to YA and the best non-fiction titles. The pleasure of reading is what comes first for us and that is reflected in all our books. Kluitman has been successful in the Netherlands and abroad for almost 160 years and we are looking forward to bringing our lovely books and authors to new territories as well.

We hope you enjoy our newest titles and we look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards
The Kluitman Team



Toddler books and picture books



A imaginative picture book for everyone who loves ice creams

Rainbow Dreams

Anne Eekhout & Madeleine van der Raad

An amazing picture book for young and old, written and rhymed by international author Anne Eekhout and illustrated by Madeleine van der Raad. Rainbow dreams are special ice creams everyone dreams of! The main character in the book gets this special ice cream if she cleans her room. She gets help from all different kinds of monsters to complete this task, because they too would love a delicious Rainbowdream...

Anne Eekhout:

Anne Eekhout has written four novels, the rights of 'Mary' (2021) has been sold to 13 countries worldwide. She also wrote 'Nicolas en de verdwijning van de wereld', a novel which won the price for Best Book for youths in 2019. *Rainbowdreams* is her first book for children.

Tech specs:

17 x 22 cm

48 pages

age group: 4+

our retail price: € 14,99

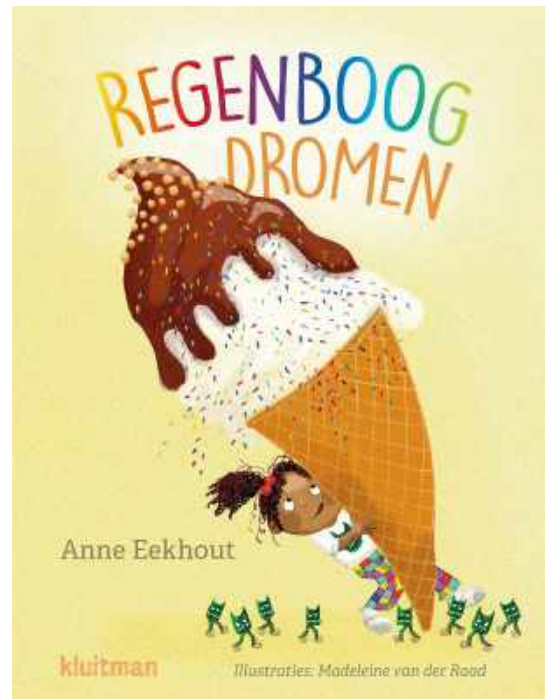
author: Anne Eekhout

illustrator: Madeleine van der Raad

publication date: May 2023

rights: World

files: book and final pdf available





hoorde ik daar oer Regenboogrommel
het lijst van eerbaar zoetgoed?
Ik ben Loll, Laljsje en ik moet echt zo'n lijstje
het liefst nog louder dan koud.



Bestseller series for toddlers and preschoolers with lots of lively and humorous illustrations

Bobbi

Monica Maas

Handy, square, read-aloud books in rhyme about Bobbi the bear. Everything Bobbi experiences is very relatable and fits perfectly in a toddler's world. Every book has lots of lively, heart-warming and adorable illustrations.

This book series, which is very popular in the Netherlands, is still being expanded, along with all kinds of other Bobbi related products.

The beloved Bobbi series now comprises more than 45 picture books, four sound books, six books with flaps, multiple board books, a memory game, two colouring books, two search books, a puzzle book, a doll and much more.



For toddlers and pre-schoolers

Tech specs:

More than 50 titles available!

16,7 x 18,8 cm

32 pages

full colour illustrations

age group: 2+

our retail price: € 9,99

author & illustrator: Monica Maas

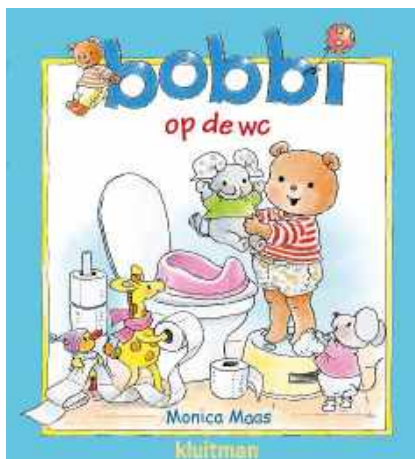
rights sold to: China, Korea, Vietnam and Russia

files: books and final pdfs available

Newest titles:

Bobbi Goes to the Toilet

Bobbi and the Birds (sound book)



- Bobbi goes Shopping
- Bobbi's Birthday
- Bobbi Loses His Cuddly Toy
- Bobbi Goes to Playgroup
- Bobbi on Holiday
- Bobbi Visits a Children's Zoo
- Bobbi Goes to the Woods
- Bobbi Is Ill
- Bobbi Gets Potty Training
- Bobbi Sleeps Over
- Bobbi Becomes a Big Brother
- Bobbi Goes to the Zoo
- Bobbi in the Garden
- Bobbi is Moving
- Bobbi Plays Soccer
- Bobbi in the Spring
- Bobbi in the Summer
- Bobbi in the Fall
- Bobbi in the Winter
- Bobbi ABC
- Bobbi and the Baby
- Bobbi Goes to School
- Bobbi Learns to Swim
- Bobbi. My Dearest Mummy
- Bobbi. My Dearest Daddy
- Bobbi. My Dearest Grandma
- Bobbi. My Dearest Granddad

- Bobbi at the Farm
- Goodnight, Dear Bobbi
- Bobbi Goes to the Dentist
- Bobbi Celebrates Christmas
- Bobbi's Birthday Party
- Bobbi Has a Party
- Bobbi Rides His Bike
- Bobbi Gets a Pet
- Enjoy Your Meal, Dear Bobbi
- Bobbi at the Playground
- Bobbi Celebrates Easter
- Bobbi Goes to the Hospital
- Bobbi. My Dearest Teacher
- Bobbi Goes Camping
- Bobbi Gets a Haircut
- Bobbi Does Gymnastics
- Bobbi Goes to the Doctor
- Bobbi and the Baby Animals
- Congratulations, Dear Bobbi
- Bobbi and the Holidays
- Bobbi Goes to the Toilet
- Bobbi. Bye Pacifier

Specials

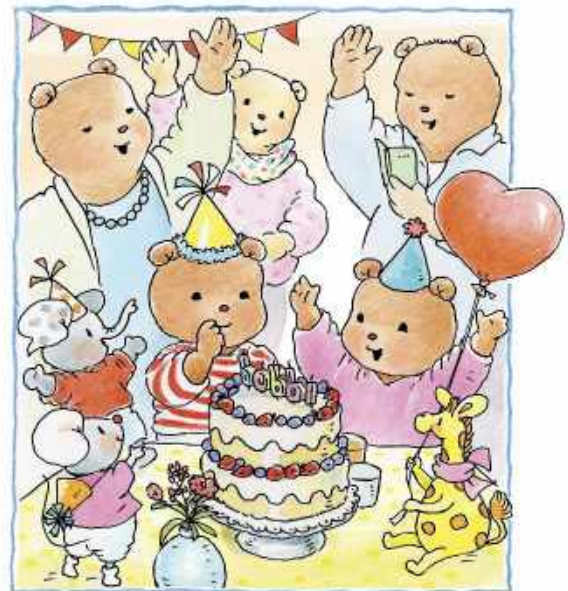
- Bobbi's World. Search-and-Find Book
- Bobbi Puzzle Book
- Bobbi Colour and Sticker Book
- Bobbi. What Do You Hear at the Farm? (sound book)
- Bobbi and the Vehicles (sound book)
- Bobbi Makes Music (sound book)
- Bobbi and the Birds (sound book)
- Bobbi Activity Book
- Bobbi Birthday Calendar
- Bobbi Is Playing Outside (book with flaps)
- Bobbi Goes to Sleep (book with flaps)
- Bobbi Goes to Preschool (book with flaps)
- Bobbi Colour and Sticker Book Farm Animals



Bobbi zit heel fijn te spelen.
Maar ineens hoort hij de bel.
Daar is Ella met een pakje.
Blij roept Bobbi: 'Dank je wel!'



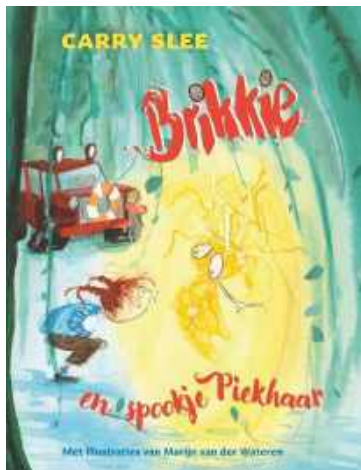
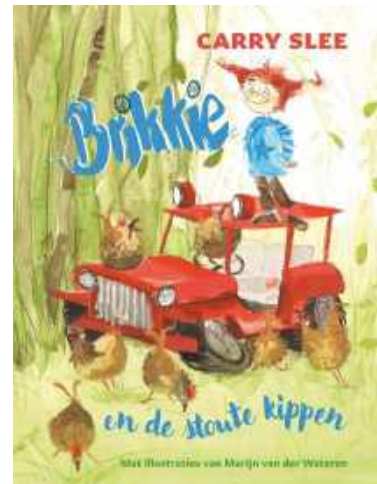
Iedereen gaat vrolijk zingen.
Het gaat van: 'In de gloria.'
Aan het einde van het liedje
roepen ze: 'Hiep, hiep, hoera!'



New imaginative series (5+) by the most successful Dutch children's books author Carry Slee

Brikkie and the Naughty Chickens (book 1) **Carry Slee & Marijn van der Wateren**

Pietje lives in a house with a garden, together with her dad and her stuffed animals. In the garden there's Brikkie, an old red car that once belonged to her grandpa. Neighbour Eitje (meaning: 'little egg', because she looks like an egg) wants to make Brikkie into a henhouse. Pietje doesn't agree and comes up with a plan to save Brikkie.



Brikkie and Little Ghost Piekhaar (book 2) **Carry Slee & Marijn van der Wateren**

Neighbour Eitje wants to cut Pietje's frizzy hair. Pietje absolutely doesn't want that and runs away with Brikkie and her friends. While on the run she meets a ghost. The ghost is looking for the lost little ghost Piekhaar (meaning: 'frizzy hair'). Pietje decides to help. Will they find ghost Piekhaar?

Carry Slee

Carry Slee is the most famous children's book author in the Netherlands. Generations have grown up with her popular children's and young adult books. She has won the Price of the Dutch Children Jury ten times and the Price of the Young Jury five times. Over five million copies of her books have been sold and many of her stories have been made into a movie. Several books have been made into a musical.

Tech specs:

17 x 22 cm

48 pages

age group: 5+

our retail price: € 14,99

author: Carry Slee

illustrator: Marijn van der Wateren

publication date: May 2023

rights: World

files: books and final pdfs available



'Ja, de kippen ontsnappen steeds,' zegt buurvrouw Eitje. 'Ze maken mijn hele tuin kapot. Ik heb er genoeg van. Ik stop ze in de auto en doe de auto op slot.'

'Dat vind ik zielig,' zegt Pietje.

'Welnee,' zegt buurvrouw Eitje. 'Ik heb geen medelijden met kippen. Als ik niet zo van eieren hield, had ik ze allang weggedaan.'

Pietjes vader komt aan lopen.

'Ik kom hem morgen halen,' zegt buurvrouw Eitje.

'Mooi zo,' zegt vader.

'Dat mag niet,' zegt Pietje. 'Brikkie is toch van ons! Opa heeft hem aan ons gegeven.'

'Ja lieverd, dat is een jaar geleden. Jullie mochten erin spelen van opa. Maar opa is er niet meer en het is tijd om dit oude vehikel weg te doen.'



'Nee,' zegt Pietje. 'Brikkie is geen school meer. Brikkie is nu een racewagen, de snelste van de wereld. Buurvrouw Eitje mag Brikkie niet kopen. Brikkie gaat ontsnappen. En de spin mag mee.'

'Ja!' roepen ze.

'Wat heb je in je hand?' vraagt Zoef Zoef.

'Mijn rijbewijs!' Pietje houdt een papier omhoog. Ze wijst op de letters. 'Kijk zelf maar. "Rijbewijs van Pietje" staat er.'

'En in je andere hand?' vraagt Bolletje.

'Een banaan voor onderweg,' zegt Pietje. 'We moeten opschieten, voordat buurvrouw Eitje Brikkie komt halen.' Ze tikt met de veer op de banden.



'Horen jullie die boze stem?' vraagt Pietje.
'Jullie zijn stinkkippen,' zegt de stem. 'Omdat jullie altijd ontsnappen.'
'De stem zegt nog meer,' zegt Pietje.
'Ik sluit jullie vanmiddag op in een oude auto. En dan mogen jullie er nooit meer uit.'
'Wat gemeen,' zegt Bolletje. 'Nu mag ik in de spiegel kijken,' en hij pakt de scherf.
'De grote, enge hand is weg,' zegt hij, 'en de boze stem ook. Ah, wat zielig, de kippen zijn heel verdrietig. De grootste kip legt een ei.'



Ze pikt het ei open.'
'Dan komt er een kuiken uit,' zegt Zoef Zoef.
'Nee,' zegt Pietje. 'Er komt helemaal geen kuiken uit. Er komt een zaag uit met pootjes en armen. De zaag rent naar het deurtje van het hok. Hij zaagt het open. Nu krijgt hij vleugels en hij vliegt weg. De kippen rennen naar buiten...'
'Nu mag ik!' Zoef Zoef pakt de spiegel en kijkt erin.

'Joepiel!' roepen ze alle vier. 'Brikkie is een speedboot!
'Hou je goed vast,' zegt Pietje. 'Een twee drie... Daar gaan wel!
'Waar varen we naartoe?' vraagt Pimmetje Pleister.
'Naar een plek waar buurvrouw Eitje ons nooit kan vinden,' zegt Pietje.
'Ja!' roepen Bolletje en Zoef Zoef. 'Harder! Harder!
'Nee,' zegt Pimmetje Pleister. 'Niet nog harder! Straks kukelen we overboord.'
'Nu varen we op zee,' zegt Pietje. 'Zien jullie die golven?'
'Ja, lekker hoog!' zegt Zoef Zoef.

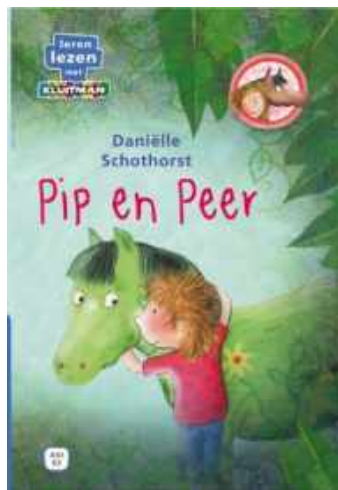
'Brikkie gaat op zijn allerhardst,' zegt Pietje.
'Niet doen, Brikkie!' roept Pimmetje Pleister. 'Ik word kleddernat.'
'Ik ben de kapitein,' zegt Pietje. 'Brikkie moet zo hard als hij kan.'



Beginning readers

Kluitman has always been well known for our beginning reader series. In 'Learning How to Read with Kluitman' over 50 titles have been published, by different authors at all reading levels. Several characters have their own series. In this guide we highlight some of our favorites, but there are many more and we also have a huge backlist.

Please visit kluitman.nl/avi-boeken-van-kluitman or reach out for more information.



Lovely books for first readers by author and illustrator Gitte Spee

Monkey & Mole series

Gitte Spee



The stories about Monkey & Mole are told in simple words and short sentences, because they are suitable for children who just learn how to read. Despite that, they are complete and fun stories with a sweet message. The charming and beautiful illustrations are made by Gitte Spee, a well-known and very successful illustrator.

Available titles:

Monkey & Mole and the Cheese Cabin
Monkey & Mole and the Sun
Monkey & Mole – The Den Is Full
Monkey & Mole and the Rose
Monkey & Mole – Poo on the Road

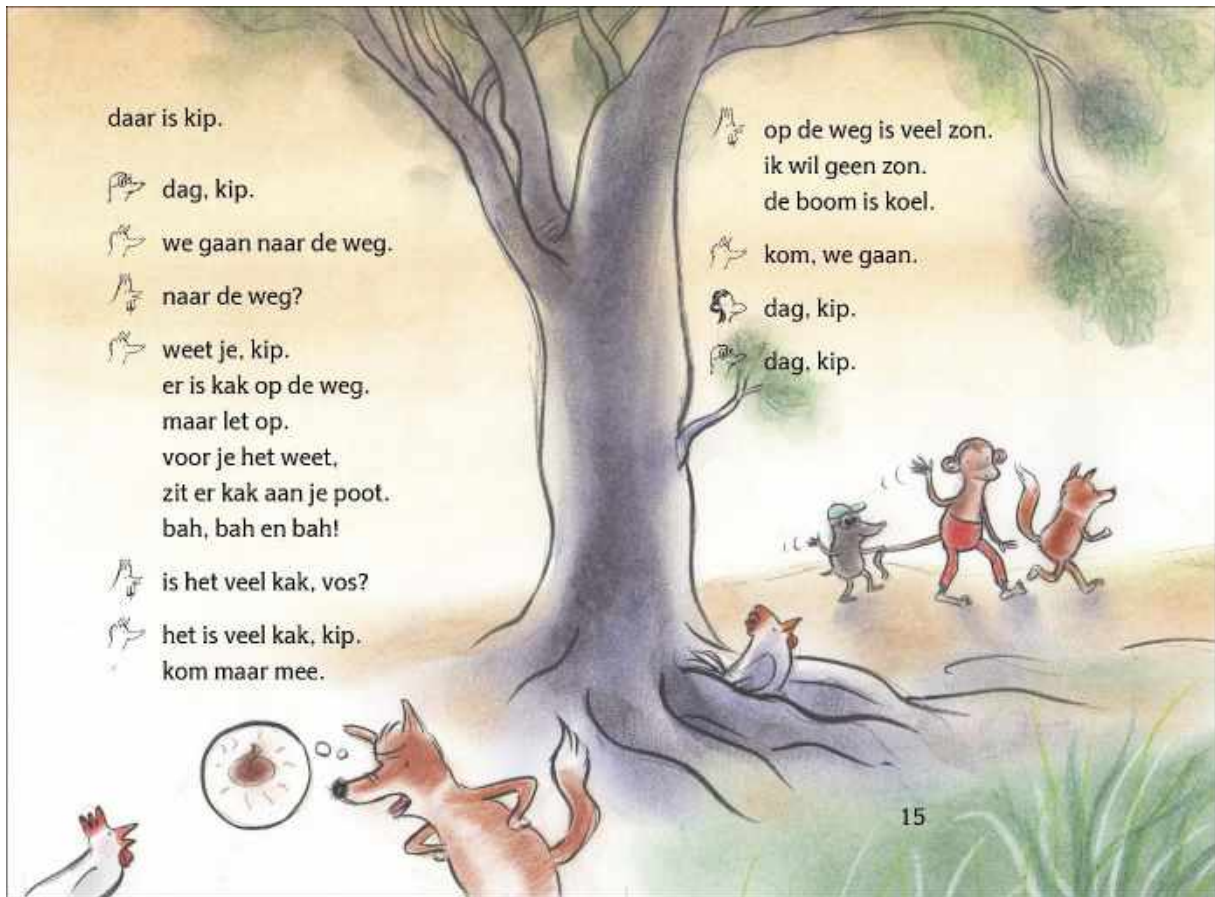
More than 20.000 copies sold in the Netherlands!

Tech specs:

16 x 23 cm
32 pages
full colour
age group: 6+
our retail price: € 10,99
author and illustrator: Gitte Spee
5 titles published, more titles coming up
rights: World
files: books and final pdfs available





Other series by Gitte Spee: *Animal Village* (3 titles available)




daar is kip.

 dag, kip.


 we gaan naar de weg.


 naar de weg?

 weet je, kip.
er is kak op de weg.
maar let op.
voor je het weet,
zit er kak aan je poot.
bah, bah en bah!


 is het veel kak, vos?

 het is veel kak, kip.
kom maar mee.

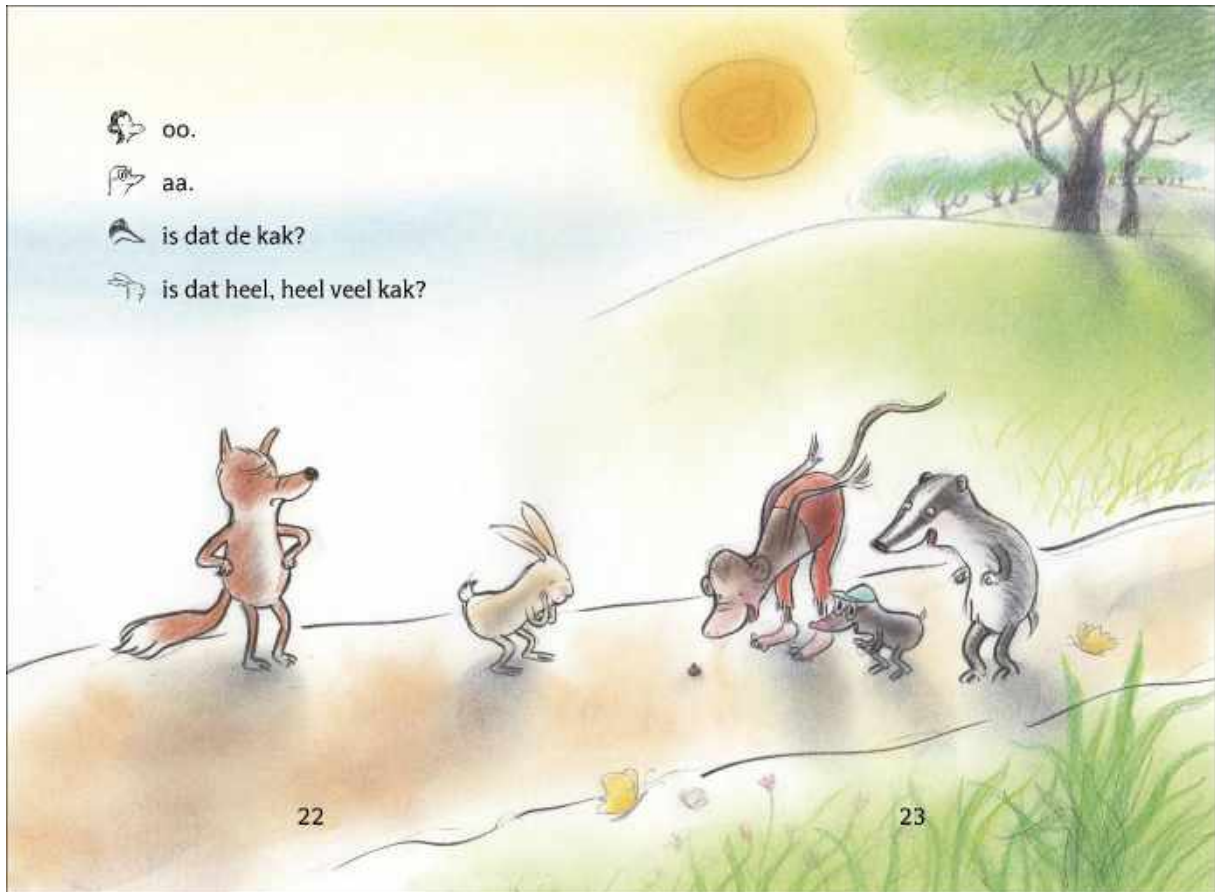
 op de weg is veel zon.
ik wil geen zon.
de boom is koel.


 kom, we gaan.

 dag, kip.


 dag, kip.

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 oo.

 aa.

 is dat de kak?

 is dat heel, heel veel kak?

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A thrilling and funny book series about unicorns

I Love Unicorns (But Not Dragons, Because Those Are Fake!)

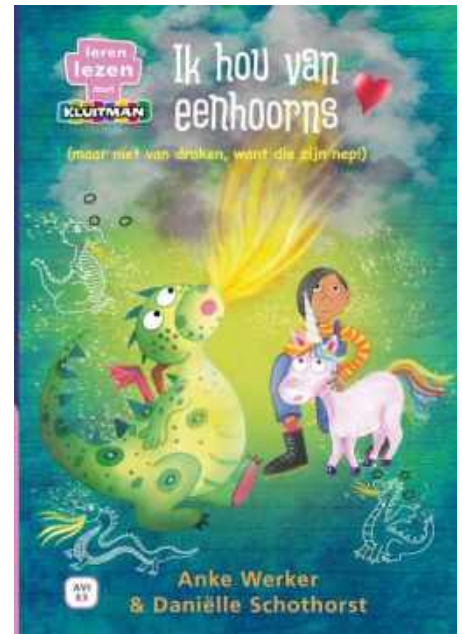
Anke Werker & Daniëlle Schothorst

The fifth instalment in the successful series about Ezra and her little unicorn Ems.

I Love Unicorns has been a great success from the very start. In only two years' time, over 25.000 books in this series were sold, and the first part has recently gotten a fifth print.

In this fifth instalment, a new boy in Ezra's class claims to own an actual dragon. A dragon? No way. Ezra is absolutely, one hundred percent certain that those do not exist... right?

Kluitman has always been known for their early reader series. In 'Leren lezen met Kluitman' ('Learning How to Read with Kluitman') over 80 titles have been published, at different reading levels, and over 500.000 copies have been sold. Within in the series, several characters have their own series, such as Ezra and her unicorn.



Tech specs:

15,9 x 22,9 cm

Hardcover

32 pages

age group: 6+

our retail price: € 10,99

author: Anke Werker

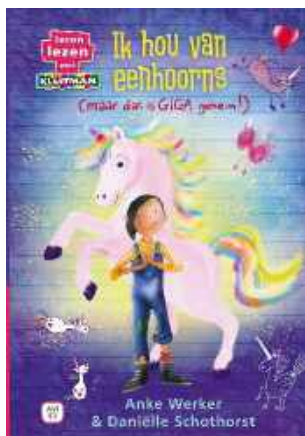
illustrator: Daniëlle Schothorst

publication date: March 2024

rights: World

files: complete pdfs and books are available, English pdf of book 1 available

Other books from this series:



U.N.I. Corn

Welcome to my book.
My name is Uma Naomi Inan Corn.
Naomi is my mom's name.
And Inan is my dad's name.
But call me Uma, that is my name.



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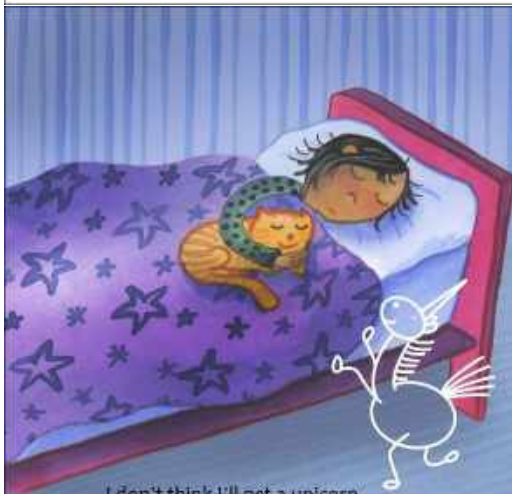
When I get mail it says *U.N.I. Corn*.

U.N.I. Corn
Horsemeadow 6
Kentucky 42749
Horse Cave

I like that, because I ♥ unicorns.

But please don't tell anyone.
Other kids will make fun of me.
My brother Lasse laughs at me.
He thinks unicorns are sappy.
Dad thinks unicorns are too sweet.
But what mom says, is the very worst.
She says: 'Unicorns?
Those don't exist.'

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I don't think I'll get a unicorn.
Grandpa wants me to take care of it really well.
And I can't do that if there is no field.
I turn to my side.
Then Eek jumps on my bed.
He curls up next to me.
When I pet him, he starts to purr.
I sigh deeply and close my eyes.

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Birthday

Mom, dad and Lasse wake me up.
They're sitting on the edge of my bed.
'Happy birthday!' they shout.
Then they sing loudly,
And give me kisses and presents.

hip hip hooray!

Dad's phone rings.
'Grandpa's asking for you,' he says.
My heart is racing.
'Hello?' I say.
'Hello Uma, happy birthday,' grandpa says.
Now he's going to tell me it didn't work.
That's what I think.
But Grandpa says:
'Come to the stable.
I mean the shed.'



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New titles for young readers from successful author and illustrator Harmen van Straaten

Ninja Patrol and the Secret Sword (book 1)

Harmen van Straaten

Storm, Justin and Anna are friends. One day, Anna asks if Storm and Justin want to come to her attic. She has a strange wooden box there. It belonged to the uncle of her father, who was a real ninja!

Then Anna accidentally cuts herself on the sword from the box. They all make a tiny cut in their finger and say: 'Ninja once... Ninja forever!' And that's how the Ninja Club begins.

But then strange things start happening... And when the Ninja Alarm sounds, it's action time! Ninjawoo Woohoo!



Ninja Patrol. Catch Me If You Can (book 2)

Harmen van Straaten

Since Anna, Storm and Justin cut themselves with a sword, they become ninjas whenever someone needs their help. But in this new adventure, they need help themselves! A ninja bully has escaped and does everything in his power to make their lives miserable.

Ninja Patrol and the Dino Bones (book 3)

Harmen van Straaten

Storm, Anna and Justin believe they have found the bones of a dino. They hope to learn more about it in the dino museum. But something funny seems to be going on there. The skeletons of the dino's are suddenly in a different spot. That shouldn't be possible. Time for Ninja Patrol to come into action!

Tech specs:

15,9 x 22,9 cm

Hardcover

48 pages

age group: 7+

our retail price: € 11,99

author and illustrator: Harmen van Straaten

publication date book 3: October 2023

rights: World

files: books and final pdfs available, English chapters book 1 available



Second book for early readers about the most fun dance group ever

Dance School the Butterflies

Dancing at Sea

Jette Schröder & ivan & ilia

In *Dancing at Sea* Dance School The Butterflies goes on a trip to the sea. They have an exciting sleepover, create a beautiful dance inspired by the sea, make a camp fire at the beach and are unexpectedly present when famous singer Yuri is recording his new music video. And then Yuri comes up with an amazing idea...

The first book in this series, *Lola Wants to Dance*, got a reprint after only four months!

Tech specs:

15,9 x 22,9 cm

Hardcover

48 pages

age group: 6+

our retail price: € 11,99

author: Jette Schröder

illustrators: ivan & ilia

publication date: March 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available



Books by the same author:



Funny and sweet horse books by author and illustrator Daniëlle Schothorst

Pip and Peer

Daniëlle Schothorst

The stories about Pip and her horse Peer are told in simple words and short sentences, which makes them suitable for children who are learning to read. Despite that, they are complete and fun stories with a sweet message. The charming and beautiful illustrations are made by Daniëlle Schothorst, a well-known and very successful author and illustrator.

Available titles:

Pip and Peer

Party with Pip and Peer

Be Aware of Pip and Peer

Pip and Peer. Bles Needs to Stay

Pip and Peer are Panicking

Pip and Peer at Camp

Tech specs:

15,9 x 22,9

32 pages

full colour

age group: 6+

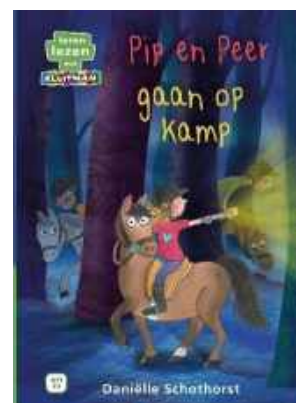
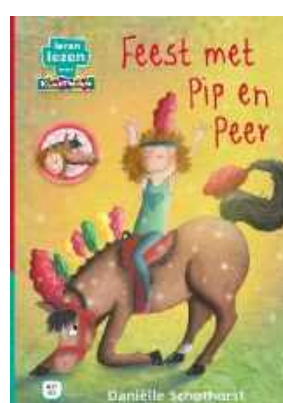
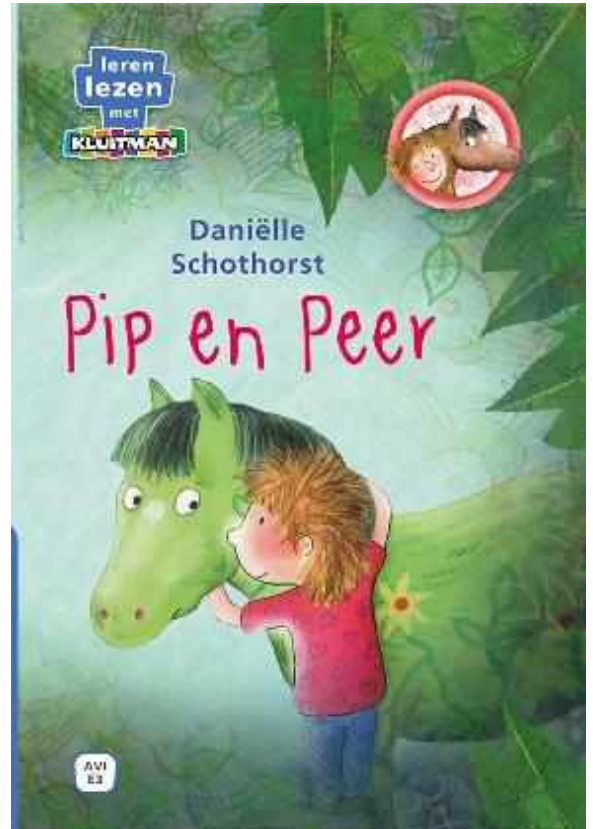
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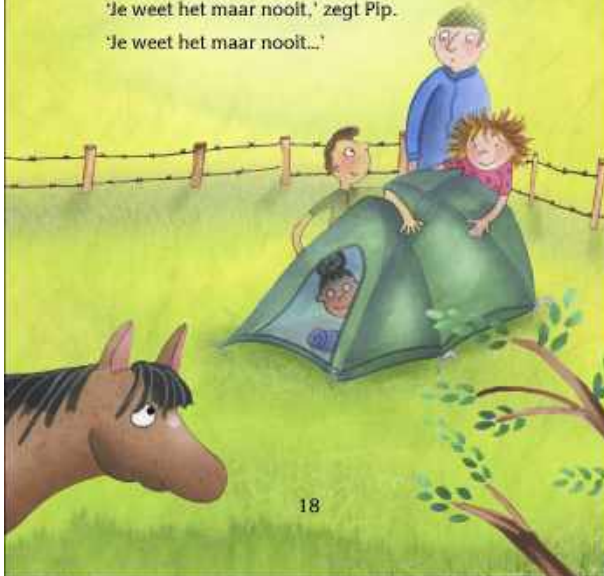
5 titles published, more titles to come

rights: World

files: books and final pdfs available.



Niet veel later is Pip terug bij Stal Haver.
Bas vond het niet erg als ze blijven slapen.
Samen met Suus en Enrik zet ze de tent op.
De tent staat in een hoek van de wei.
'Er komt heus geen dief meer,' zegt Bas.
'Hij is al geweest.'
'Je weet het maar nooit,' zegt Pip.
'Je weet het maar nooit...'



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Die nacht is het stil buiten.
Af en toe briest er een paard.
Peer staat vlak bij de tent.
Vlak bij haar baasje.
Ik waak wel over je, denkt Peer.
Met mij erbij ben je veilig.



Pip ligt met Suus en Enrik in de tent.
'Het is best eng,' zegt Suus zacht.
'Wat als de dief toch komt?
Wat doen we dan?'
'Ik denk dat Bas gelijk heeft,' zegt Enrik.
'Die dief is al geweest.
Hij komt echt niet terug.'

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Peer jaagt de man door de wei.
Hij rent en rent.
'Pas op,' gilt Pip.
Maar ze is al te laat.
De man valt over de tent.
Peer steigert en briest.
De dief wil opstaan.
Maar Peer kijkt hem boos aan.
Hij kan geen kant meer op.
'Help!' roept hij naar Pip.



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Dan gaat alles heel snel.
Bas komt eraan met een stuk touw.
Hij bindt de dief vast.
Niet lang daarna komt de agent.
'Goed gedaan,' zegt hij tegen Pip.
'Jullie vingen de dief.'
Peer hinnikt trots.
'Peer is de held,' zegt Pip.
'Zij pakte de dief!'

En Bles?
De agent vond haar bij de dief thuis.
Ze loopt nu weer in de wei bij Stal Haver.
Hi hi hi, hinnikt Peer.
Hi hi hi, hinnikt Bles blij.
En ze rennen samen een rondje in galop.



Hilarious series about a quirky lama

Spit the Lama

Monique Berndes & Eefje Kuijl

The hilarious series about Spit the lama have been written by the well-known author Monique Berndes. The charming and beautiful illustrations are made by Eefje Kuijl, a very internationally successful illustrator.

Available titles:

Spit the Lama

Spit the Lama Goes Camping

Spit the Search-Lama

Tech specs:

15,9 x 22,9 cm

48 pages

full colour

age group: 7+

our retail price: € 11,99

author: Monique Berndes

illustrator: Eefje Kuijl

rights: World

files: books and final pdfs available



Daarna laat jij hem los en roep je: "Zoek!"
 Als Spit het snoepje vindt, moeten we juichen.
 En dan zeggen we: "Braaf!"
 'Of "Flink",' zegt papa.
 'Dat kan ook,' zegt Finn.
 'Zullen we het nu gelijk een keer doen?'
 Papa knikt.
 Spit knikt ook, alsof hij alles heeft gesnapt.
 Finn loopt met het snoepje door de tuin.
 Hij heeft al een paar keer gebukt.
 Spit houdt hem goed in de gaten.
 Finn legt het snoepje achter de stal.
 Hij doet nog een keer net alsof.
 En dan zegt hij: 'Laat hem maar los.'
 'Zoek,' roept papa.
 Spit snuffelt waar Finn heeft gebukt.
 Het duurt niet lang voor hij het snoepje vindt.
 'Braaf!' juicht Finn.
 'Flink,' zegt papa.
 Spit huppelt heen en weer door het gras.
 Hij is heel erg trots op zichzelf.

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O nee, denkt Finn.
 Haar haarspeld heeft de vorm van een appel.
 Dit komt niet goed!
 'Haal hem daar weg,' zegt hij tegen papa.
 Maar het is al te laat.
 Spit zet zijn tanden in het speldje.
 Hij trekt het uit de haren van het meisje.
 En hij kauwt erop!
 'Mama!' gilt het kleine meisje.
 Een vrouw rent er meteen naartoe.
 Ze tilt het kind op
 en kijkt boos naar papa.
 'Wat doet u hier met dat beest?
 Wat voor een vader bent u?'
 'Een hele goede,' zegt Finn.
 'Hou je erbuiten,' zegt papa streng.
 'Het spijt me, mevrouw.
 Het zal niet meer gebeuren.'
 Spit spuugt het speldje uit.
 Voor de voeten van de vrouw.
 De vrouw trekt haar neus op en loopt weg.

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'We gaan naar huis, Maud,' zegt ze.
 'Ik zet wel een zandbak in onze tuin.
 Hier is het veel te gevaarlijk.
 Eerst loopt er een dief rond.
 Dan een agent met een hond.
 Vandaag een vies beest met krullen.
 En nu ook nog mannen met een schep!'
 Ze wijst naar drie mannen.

Ze rennen langs de speeltuin.
 Finn kent ze wel.
 Het is de buurman met zijn zonen.

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Tough Taylor joins the very first moon landing

Tough Taylor Goes to the Moon

Annemarie Bon & Marja Meijer

After an interesting class about the first moon landing, Taylor wants nothing more than to see the launch of the Apollo 11 in real time. With the time machine from her neighbour Rinus, she travels back to July 16th 1969. But to her horror she doesn't land safely on the ground... She's inside the rocket! Thankfully, the launch still goes well. Together with the three astronauts, she travels all the way to the moon. But do they have enough fuel for the journey back to earth with an extra passenger aboard...?

Part four of the Tough Taylor-series is packed with just as much adventure and humour as the first three. Additionally, you learn a lot about the first moon landing.

Tech specs:

15,9 x 22,9

Hardcover

32 pages

age group: 6+

our retail price: € 10,99

author: Annemarie Bon

publication date: March 2024

rights: World

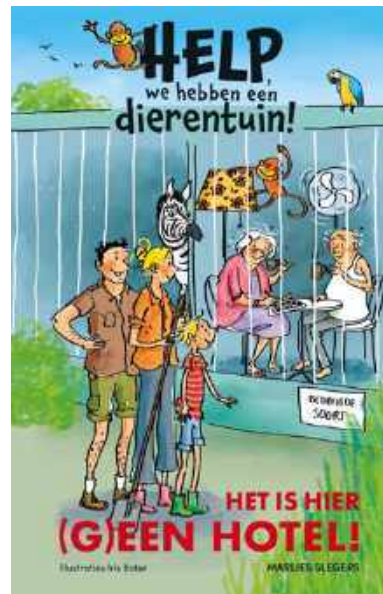
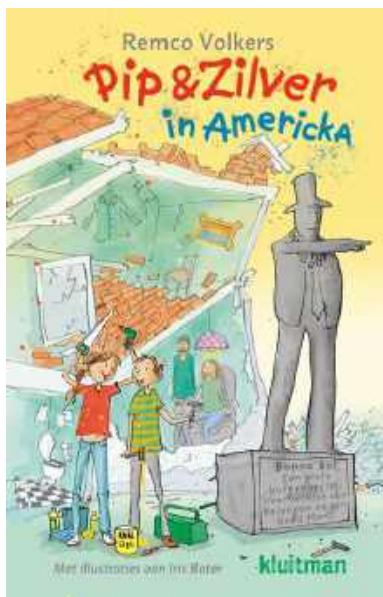
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Other books in this series:



Middle grade



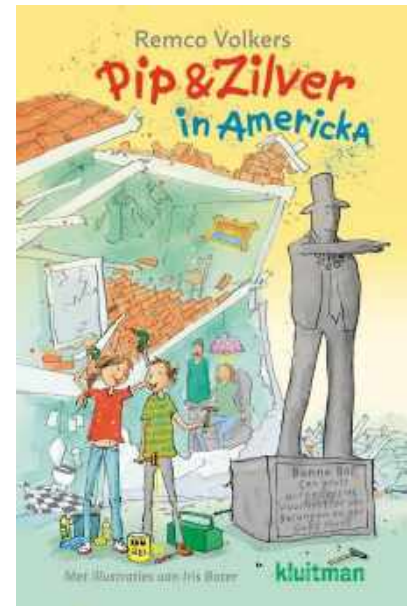
An absurd and hilarious series about the twins Pip and Silver

Pip & Silver in Americka

Remco Volkers & Iris Boter

After their father leaves and all their money vanishes, the twins Pip and Silver and their mother move to a little town called Americka. They can live for free in the old mayor's house.

After moving in they have to deal with a very noisy neighbour, a too diligent police agent, and a very strange supermarket owner. On top of that, a lot of other weird things happen. The top floors of their house collapse, their mother gets lost in Public Transport, they find a total stranger laying in front of their house, and a little girl is gesturing at them from the garden. And why is everybody asking them if they have found something already?



Pip & Silver. Adventure in Paris

Pip and Silver are starting to feel more and more at home in Americka. Justin has rebuild the house and they start a stew-delivery service with aunt Jet, their neighbour. But there is something they can't let go. Because even though Justin is a good 'assistant father', the twins would really like to know the whereabouts of their own father. The last thing they heard, is that he is a dancer in a street orchestra in Paris. Their father, a dancer? Since this is their only lead, there is just one thing the twins can do: go to Paris and search for their father. How big can such a city be...?

Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

Hardcover

168 pages

illustrated in black & white

age group: 8+

our retail price: € 14,99

author: Remco Volkers

illustrator: Iris Boter

publication date: August 2022 and October 2023

rights sold to: Turkey

files: books and final pdfs available

Book 3 is on its way!

A hilarious middle grade series by a successful author and illustrator

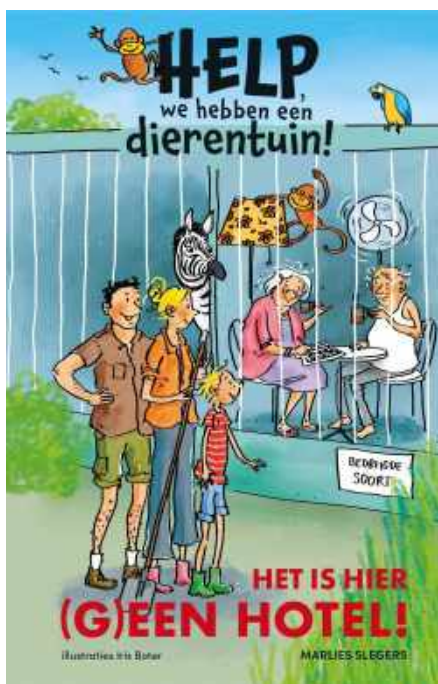
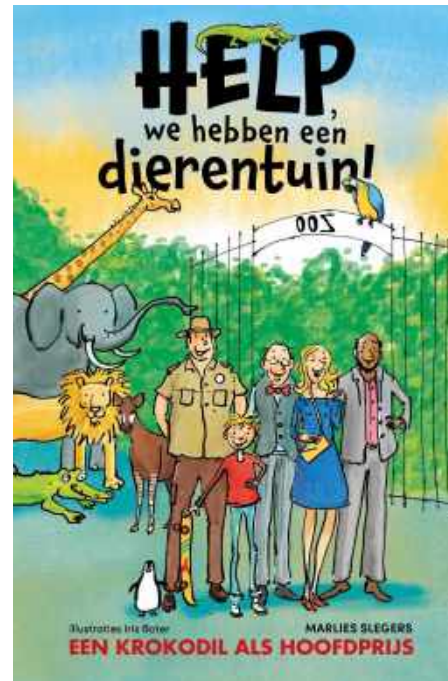
Help, We Own a Zoo!

Marlies Slegers & Iris Boter

You've Won a Crocodile!

Sem and his granddad are in the zoo. But it's not the best place – all the animals are in small cages, and seem lonely and unhappy. They decide to go home, but then a lottery takes place... And Sem has the winning ticket! His price is still a big surprise, but it will be delivered at his house the following day. What Sem and his granddad don't know, is that the zoo is in trouble and the owner wants to get rid of the animals. Especially the big and wild ones...

What do Sem and his family do when a gigantic crocodile shows up in their garden the next day? They can't send it back... can they?



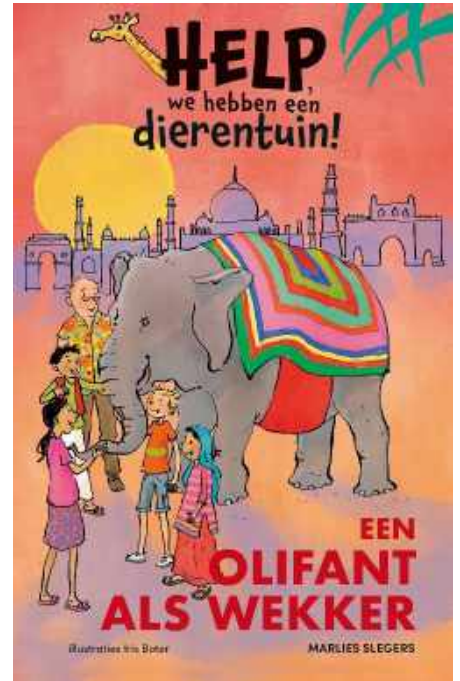
This Is (Not) a Hotel!

The life of Sem and his family changed dramatically when they unexpectedly became the owners of a zoo. And as if that wasn't crazy enough already, it is about to become even crazier. Mr. Pretorius' nursing home has got a leak and it has become way too hot. The residents definitely need a new place to live, but where can they go?

Mr. Pretorius wants them all to go live in the zoo, where there are a lot of empty enclosures and the temperature is a lot better. Now it isn't just a zoo full of animals, but also a zoo full of people! This gives Sem some good inspiration for his new school project.

An Elephant as an Alarm Clock

The summer holidays are starting, but Sem isn't very thrilled. His friends and classmates are travelling to far, warm places and he isn't going anywhere. The zoo where he recently moved into is great fun of course, but it also means there always is a lot of work. Especially during the holidays. His father and mother are both very busy. And he cannot help Sita, the animal caretaker, either. She is going to India to help her uncle Ravi in his elephant sanctuary. Suddenly granddad has a fabulous idea: why don't both he and Sem join Sita on her trip?



Never Lose Your Penguin

It's very busy in the zoo run by Sem and his family! The oceanarium is about to open, filled with fishes, penguins and dolphins! First, all the sea animals that are already there will have to be moved. But then grandpa loses a penguin... There is also love in air: Yin wants to propose to the love of her life. But therefore he needs to be around and not be moving to South-Africa. Sem will do whatever it takes to bring the two together. Because what's more beautiful than being in love?

Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

Hardcover

216/248 pages

illustrated in black & white

age group: 8+

our retail price: € 14,99

author: Marlies Slegers

illustrator: Iris Boter

publication date book 4: June 2024

rights: World

files: complete pdfs and books of book 1, 2 and 3 are available

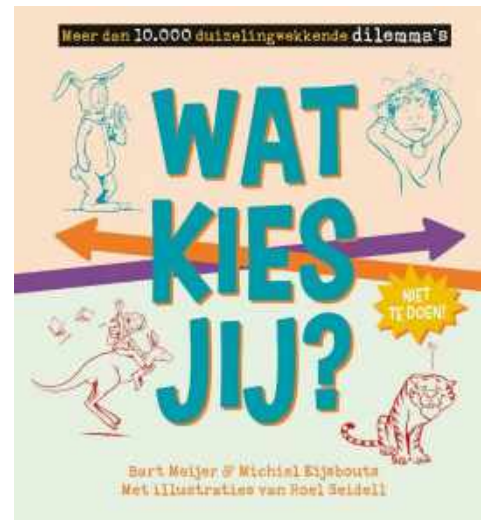
More than 10.000 dizzying dilemmas

Would You Rather...?

Bart Meijer & Michiel Eijsbouts & Roel Seidell

Would you rather always have to eat the pit of your fruits and vegetables or have all your food always be spicy? No more holidays or no more weekends? Receiving 10.000 euros which you can only access when you're 50 or having to give it away to someone else?

This book contains more than 10.000 devilish dilemmas. Because the pages have been cut in the middle you can make the craziest combinations. A book to enjoy for hours by yourself or to have fun with with your family, friends or classmates.



Bart Meijer & Michiel Eijsbouts previously wrote *Don't Read this Book* (which won the Hotze de Roos Award) and *Humour Manual for Kids*. They are well known for the Dutch television show 'Best Friends Quiz' and organise customised quizzes and bingo's. The funny drawings made by Roel Seidell add an extra joke to each page.

Tech specs:

14,8 x 22 cm

Hardcover with wire-o binding and half pages

108 pages

age group: 8+

our retail price: € 18,99

author: Bart Meijer & Michiel Eijsbouts

illustrator: Roel Seidell

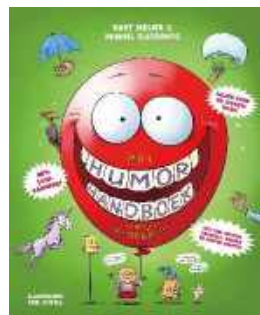
publication date: August 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available, pdfs and copies of previous books available



Books by the same authors:



A heartwarming series for everyone who is crazy about horses!

The Sunny Stables

Gertrud Jetten & Ina Halleman

Gertrud Jetten is one of the most famous Dutch writers when it comes to books about horses. Her most well-known series are 'The Sunny Stables' and 'Dream Horses'.

At The Sunny Stables there are very special horses. Some are sweet, some cheeky, some are really good jumpers and some are fearless. Every book contains the story of a different horse. So far, 16 books have been published.

Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

Hardcover

96 pages

age group: 7+

our retail price: € 11,99

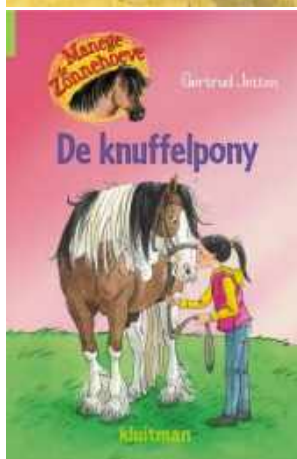
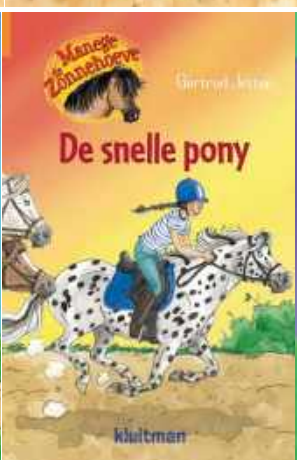
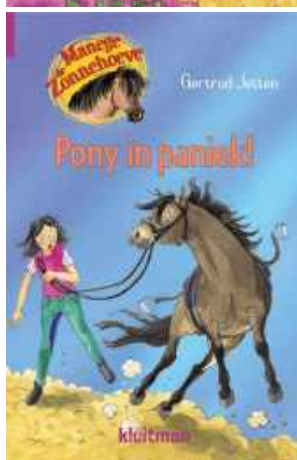
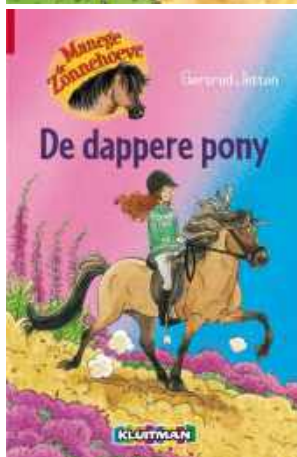
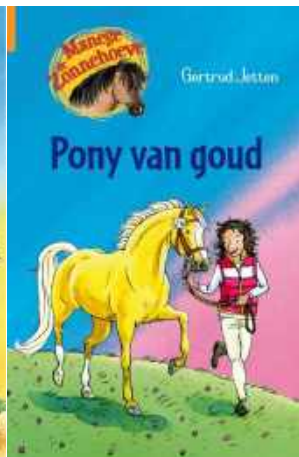
author: Gertrud Jetten

illustrator: Ina Halleman

rights: World

files: sample chapters available in English and German; Dutch books and complete pdfs available





A breathtaking story about friendship and loss

The First and Last Summer

Mariska Overman

12-year old Puca has six weeks to bridge the time. Six weeks before she can go to high school. It seems like forever. How can she make time go faster? Is that even possible?

But time gets a whole different meaning when Puca meets Rover. All of a sudden, she hopes the six weeks will last as long as possible. Especially since they don't know how much time he has left...

The First and Last Summer is a moving story about the quirky Puca. A story about growing up and saying goodbye, but especially a story about life, and everything that makes it so special.

Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

Hardcover

approx. 256 pages

age group: 10+

our retail price: € 16,99

author: Mariska Overman

publication date: May 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available soon

By the same author:



A true story about a Dutch boy who survived four Japanese prison camps

Just a Number

Elsbeth de Jager

10 year old Hugo lives with his parents and younger sister in Batavia. When Japan invades Batavia his carefree childhood comes to an abrupt end. When Hugo's dad is sent to a prison camp, Hugo tries his best to make some extra money for his mother by selling grapefruits from their garden. When sent to camp 'Kramat', and later in the notorious camp 'Tjideng', Hugo keeps looking for ways to earn money. But then he gets separated from his mother and sister, and via the camp for boys 'Grogol' ends up in the terrible camp for men 'Tjimahi'. Will he be able to survive on his own?

Just a Number is based on the true story of Hugo de Jager, who, as a boy, witnessed the Second World War in the Dutch East Indies. His daughter, Elsbeth de Jager, wrote this book.



Elsbeth de Jager

Elsbeth de Jager lives and works in Leusden. Her passion is, besides working with horses, working with language. She is an author of children's books, novels and poetry. She is also an certified translator. *Just a Number* is the remarkable story of the resourcefulness and will to survive of her dad, Hugo de Jager. Elsbeth visits schools to tell his story and to start a dialogue about war and peace and the importance of tolerance.

Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

336 pages + 8 pages with photos and images

age group: 11+

our retail price: € 18,99

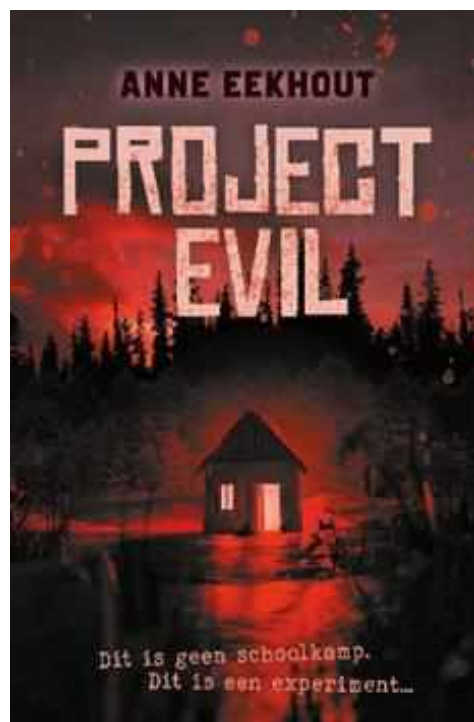
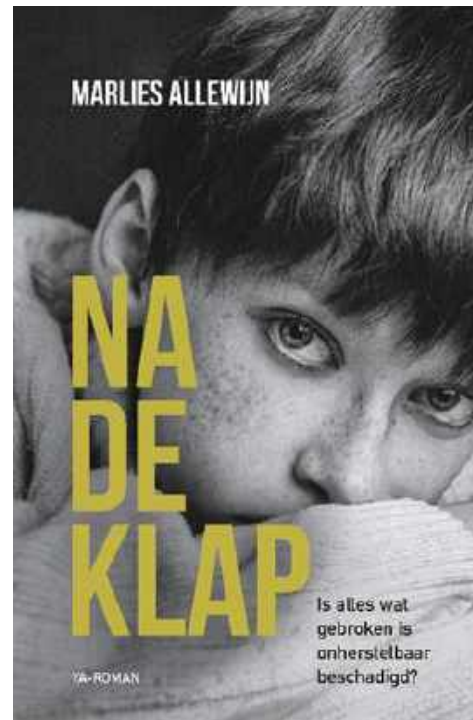
author: Elsbeth de Jager

publication date: March 2023

rights: World

files: book and final pdf available

Young Adult



Claire is doomed, unless she changes the rules

24 Hours

Marcel van Driel

16 year old Claire works as a flash delivery courier during her Christmas break. During one of her shifts, she has to deliver an order at a large villa. It's her last delivery of the day, just before midnight.

When she arrives at the villa, two brothers await her with a gun. The boys give her 24 hours to flee and stay ahead of them. If she succeeds, she will earn 10.000 euros. If she fails – or asks for help – she will get killed. But what if the brothers don't play by their own rules? Claire is afraid she is doomed. Unless she changes the rules herself...



Marcel van Driel has published over 60 books. More than 90.000 copies of his 'Superhero.nl' trilogy have been sold in The Netherlands and Germany. His stories are known for their suspense and dry sense of humour.

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

112 pages

age group: 14+

our retail price: € 10,95

author: Marcel van Driel

publication date: March 2023

rights: World

files: final pdf and book available

The Kluitman novellas are fast paced YA titles of appr. 100 or 160 pages. The perfect read for teenagers who are not very eager to read big books. There are more than 25 titles available and more than 110.000 copies sold.

The hunt has begun

48 Hours

Marcel van Driel

17 year old Claire thinks she can leave the frightening incidents from *24 Hours* behind her. But everything that happened keeps haunting her. The father of her former hunters is looking for revenge. With nothing but her sharp mind and unyielding urge to survive, Claire has 48 hours to survive a new, ruthless hunt. This time the stakes are higher, the enemies more dangerous and the rules random. In a race against the clock she must fight for her life and the lives of her friends. But how far is Claire willing to go to survive? And what if the price is too high?

Marcel van Driel is a bestselling Dutch author and has written over 60 books. More than 90.000 copies of his 'Superhero.nl' trilogy have been sold in The Netherlands and Germany. His books are known for their suspense and dry sense of humor. His previous novella, *24 Hours*, has been nominated for the Jonge Jury Prijs (Young Jury Award).

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

160 pages

age group: 14+

our retail price: € 14,99

author: Marcel van Driel

publication date: August 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available soon



When the line between fantasy and reality disappears...

Sacrifice

Jeroen Windmeijer

Friends Luna and Sterre are going to Castlefest with their classmates Marcel and Kristian, which is the greatest fantasy festival in Europe. Marcel and Kristian have been friends since first grade, but they are growing apart because of the extreme beliefs Marcel is having about Andrew Tate.

Luna and Sterre are interested in wicca. They don't like Marcel's attitude towards women. They're going to the festival to let their imaginations run freely for three whole days. This is the place where you can be anyone you want to be: an elf, a wizard or an orc, an anime character or a Viking...

But what happens when someone steps into character so vividly and can't keep fantasy and reality apart?

Sacrifice is an exciting story about extreme ideas with Castlefest as decor.

Jeroen Windmeijer is an anthropologist and theologian. He has written several books for adults, including *St Paul's Labyrinth*, *The Pilgrim Conspiracy*, and *St. Peter's Mystery*. His books have been translated into five languages and he has sold over 300,000 copies. *Sacrifice* is his first book for young adults.

About his other work:

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

112 pages

age group: 15+

our retail price: € 10,99

author: Jeroen Windmeijer

publication date: August 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available soon



A gripping new novella by a successful romance author

Locked Up

Gillian King

Sixteen-year-old Nora still struggles daily with the disappearance of her twin sister Emma. Four years have passed since Emma disappeared from the face of the earth. On that day each year, Nora visits the location in the woods where her sister's bicycle was found. But this year, she's not alone. A man is watching her from a distance, and something about him feels off.

The next day Nora receives a note. The man knows what happened to her sister and asks Nora to meet him in the woods. But is it wise to meet up him? What if the same fate awaits her as it did her sister?

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

112 pages

age group: 14+

our retail price: € 10,99

author: Gillian King

publication date: June 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available soon



The more she finds out, the worse it can end...

Endgame

Mariska Overman

Sanne is worried about her older sister Lisa. She's suddenly doing things she would normally never do and is hanging out with people she wouldn't normally hang out with. What's going on? Should she say something?

In the meantime, Lisa is tired of everyone interfering with her life. There's no one who really understands her anyway. Except for *him*. Thanks to him, she finally feels strong.

Sanne's got a bad feeling about the situation and goes to investigate. The more she discovers, the more she realises just how badly this could end...



Mariska Overman (1970) lives and works in Hengelo. Originally she was a philosophy teacher. Together with her husband she developed a card game for kids to help them talk about death. Writing is her absolute passion, though. In 2017 she debuted with the thriller *Headcase* and for her latest thriller *Northern Lights* the film rights were sold to Dutch Filmworks. Ever since her debut it has been her biggest wish to write a book for young adults as well. A wish that is finally coming true with *Endgame*. In the summer of 2024 her middle grade debut *The First and Last Summer* will come out.

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

104 pages

age group: 14+

our retail price: € 10,99

author: Mariska Overman

publication date: February 2024

rights: World

files: pdf and book available

This summer:



When a school trip abroad turns into a nightmare

The Excursion

Marieke Damen

Isabella and Jens go on a school trip to Rome for a week. On the very first day one of their teachers becomes ill, leaving the group of 16-year-olds in the hands of the young and inexperienced teacher Jasper and local guide Sergio Moretti. The very attractive Moretti winds everyone around his little finger in no time. Except for Jens. He doesn't trust Sergio and considers him a rival in the competition for Isabella, who he is secretly in love with. During a visit to the Colosseum, the group gets split up and towards the end of the day, they realize that three students are missing... including Isabella. Back in the hostel, the group finds yet another gruesome surprise. Was Jens right not to trust Moretti?



Marieke Damen started writing during a sabbatical abroad. After two children's books and various short stories, she had a breakthrough with *Still Life*. This won her the Thrillzone Award for Best Dutch Thriller Debut and got her nominated for the Hebban Debut Award, the Hebban Thriller Award and the MAX Bronze Bat. Her next thrillers were well received, too. Her work is characterised by its subtle writing style which describes the most horrifying scenes. *The Excursion* is Marieke's first book for young adults.

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

112 pages

age group: 14+

our retail price: € 10,99

author: Marieke Damen

publication date: April 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available

Everybody wants to survive, but nobody wants to sacrifice himself...

Flight 703

Chinouk Thijssen

Iris, Timon, and the rest of their class are going to a special escape room in an airplane. Their group gets the last plane, Flight 703. The goal is to dismantle a bomb.

When an announcement is made that they have to take their seats and fasten their seatbelts, they think it's all part of the game. But then the plane really takes off...

The rules of the game have been changed. There is a *real* bomb on board. Will they succeed in dismantling the bomb and surviving the flight?



Chinouk Thijssen is the author of several YA-thrillers and children's books. Her Kluitman YA novella *Gegijzeld* won the Price of the Young Jury in 2022. Chinouk is very popular among teenagers and is a frequent speaker at schools.

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

120 pages

age group: 14+

our retail price: € 10,95

author: Chinouk Thijssen

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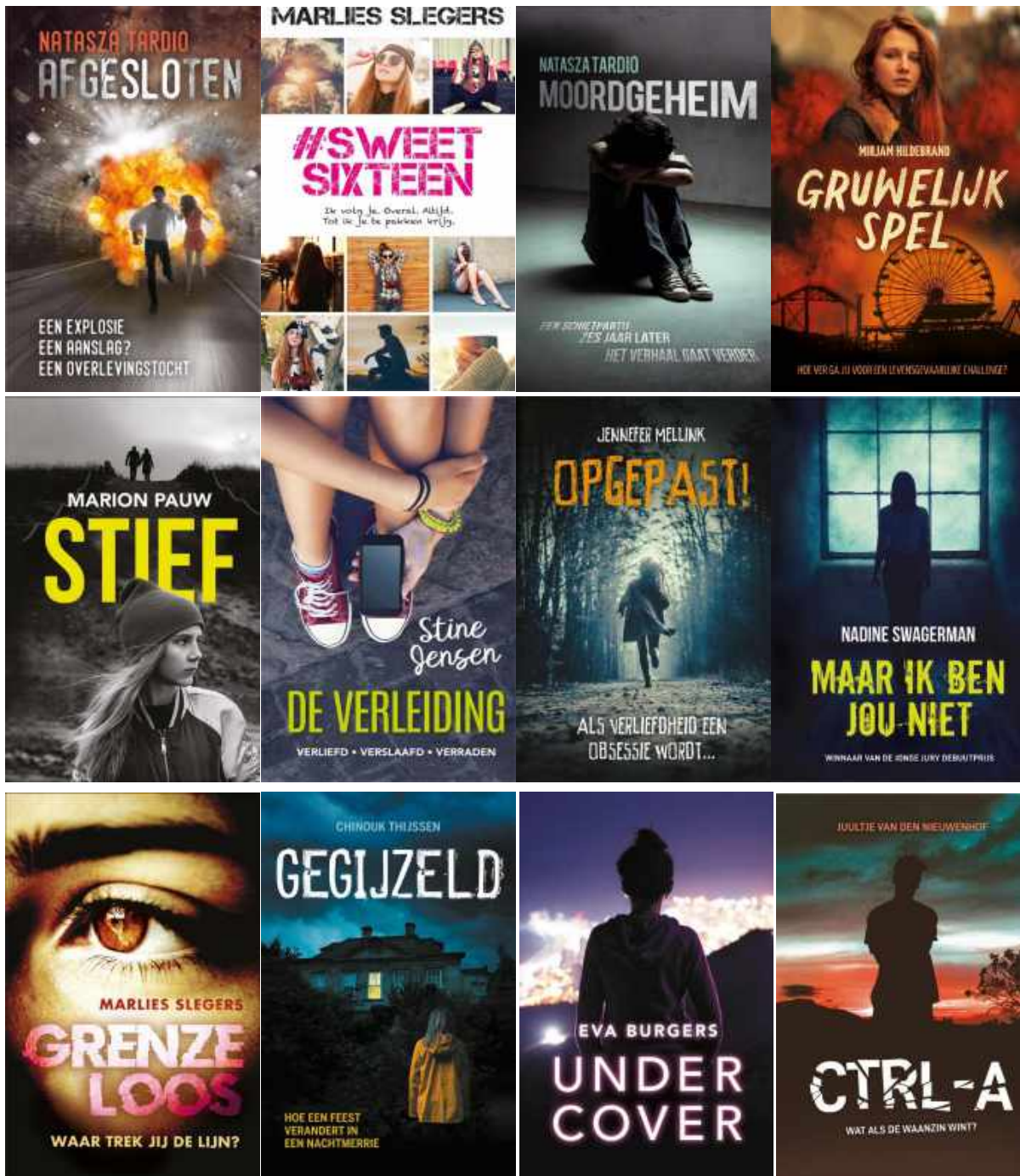
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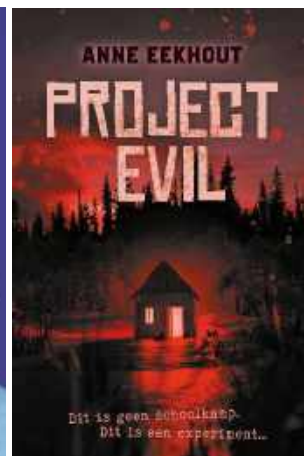
Books by the same author:



More than 10.000 sold copies of Gegijzeld

Backlist:





How do you hold up when fear takes over?

After the Collision

Marlies Allewijn

When I woke up in the hospital, my life had been turned upside down. My parents didn't talk to each other anymore. I had to go to a rehabilitation center to learn how to walk again. 'You're so strong,' everybody said. But they didn't have a clue... Because more and more a terrible feeling of fear submerged.

After the Collision is about holding up after a trauma caused by a tragic accident. With parents who no longer talk to each other and people who don't really see how you are doing. And it's about how, slowly, fear can take over your life.



Marlies Allewijn

Marlies Allewijn debuted in 2012 with her (semi-)autobiographical debut *Crooked*. After that, she published the WWII novel *She Was 16*. Marlies has also written several books for adults, including the biographical novel *The Maid* (which got her nominated for the Zeeland book price) and the beautiful novel *Burst*.

Marlies is known for giving a voice to characters who normally play a smaller, supporting role in books: the maid, the daughter from a conservative working-class family, a sick teen.

Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

Paperback

320 pages

Age group: 15+

Our retail price: € 18,99

Author: Marlies Allewijn

Publication date: May 2023 Rights: World

Files: book and final pdf available

Books by the same author:



Is their bond strong enough to overcome their past?

On the Other Side of Happiness

Nadine Swagerman

Isa and Gwen need help for different reasons. Isa is mourning the loss of her brother, while the divorce of Gwen's parents has made it unbearable for Gwen to be at home. The girls meet at group therapy and get along right away. They find comfort in each other and build a connection that develops into something deeper than friendship. When Gwen discovers something terrible, it is not guaranteed that their relationship will survive.

On the Other Side of Happiness is a story about grief, fear and sadness, but also friendship, growth and love. It is a story about two girls who, in one of the hardest periods of their lives, find something beautiful.



Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

264 pages

age group: 15+

our retail price: € 16,99

author: Nadine Swagerman

publication date: February 2022

rights: World

files: book and final pdf available

Books by the same author:



A heartbreaking queer YA novel about identity, loss and love, by prize winning author Nadine Swagerman

Half of Me

Nadine Swagerman

Sara lives with her dad and dog Spot in a small village where nothing ever happens. When Sara gets an assignment for school that forces her to look at the loss of her mother and the emptiness she left behind, her carefully crafted everything-is-fine-demeanour completely falls apart.

Sara finds herself in a whirlwind of questions, loss, grief and anger. She feels completely alone and misunderstood. Only one person seems to actually see her: Jen. But how to cope with all those confusing feelings that keep surfacing?

Half of Me is a story of discovering who you are and where you come from. A story of friendship, love and loss.

Nadine Swagerman writes contemporary novels about important subjects. Her first novel, *One Truth*, won the Jonge Jury Debutprijs (Young Jury Debut Prize). Nadine is an own voices author.

Tech specs:

13,5 x 21 cm

Hardcover

Approx. 300 pages

age group: 15+

our retail price: € 18,99

author: Nadine Swagerman

publication date: May 2024

rights: World

files: pdf available soon



Books by the same author:



An important book about the digital age by privacy and cybercrime expert Maria Genova

Chatbotboy

The digital secret of Christian

Maria Genova

Christian likes Raina. A lot. But he doesn't have the courage to tell her. When his best friend Dylan tells him he's making ChatGPT do all of his homework, Christian gets an idea. He lets the chatbot write texts for him to impress Raina. His fake Instagram-account seems like a smart move as well, but soon Christian gets tangled up in a web of his own lies. Can the chatbot still help him or is it too late?

In this exciting book you'll find the real chats with the chatbot and a lot of interesting info on AI. Can ChatGPT do all of your homework? Is it a good search engine? How do you recognise a fake picture or video? And what happens if robots get emotions? *Chatbotboy* shows the unbelievable potential of AI, but also highlights the dangers.



Maria Genova is a writer and much sought after speaker about privacy and cybercrime. Her books have won various awards. It's her mission to make as many people as possible aware of the increasing digital dangers. Her children's book debut *What the h@ck!* won the Hotze de Roos-award 2020.

Tech specs:

12,8 x 19,7 cm

Hardcover

144 pages

age group: 10+

our retail price: € 14,99

author: Maria Genova

publication date: October 2023

rights: World

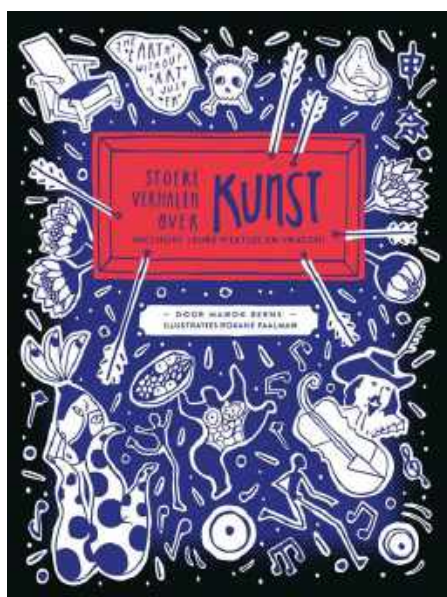
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Books by the same author:





Non-fiction



STINE JENSEN

Stine Jensen is born in Denmark but raised in the Netherlands. She is a philosopher, author and producer. She writes books for and with children about themes such as feelings, identity and happiness. She also writes inspiring books for adults. Stine Jensens philosophical children's book 'Lieve Stine, weet jij het?' won the Dutch Zilveren Griffel en 'Alles wat ik voel' was at the top of the children's bestsellers list for weeks. She has also been appointed as a visiting professor of Public philosophy at the Erasmus University Rotterdam.



Everything That Once Was

Stine Jensen & Marijke Klompmaker

Saying goodbye to a person, an animal, a place or a situation...Every child will have to face these difficult goodbyes. But how can you deal with it? What can you do when you miss someone? Or what can you do if someone you love is sad?

Death is probably the biggest form of saying goodbye. What exactly happens when somebody passes away? Is dying scary? What does death tell us about life?

Everything That Once Was is an unique book that can help make children aware of their feelings and stimulates them to reflect on those feelings. It gives them ways to talk to others about sadness, change and all the things related to letting go. Saying goodbye can be really hard and challenging, but there's also something beautiful about it. Because when you say goodbye to something, you're making room in your life for something new.



Tech specs:

20,5 x 26,5 cm 128 pages

age group: 8+

our retail price: € 21,99

author: Stine Jensen

illustrator: Marijke Klompmaker

publication date: February 2020

rights sold to: China

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Introduction: saying goodbye

Do you know the poppy? It is a beautiful flower with bright red petals that feel just like crepe paper. But if you pick the flower, it will wither quickly. The poppy has a short life. It blooms for one day. Then the fragile red petals will fall.

Poppies remind us of the way things pass. And the strange thing is: everything will pass. In a few moments when you're done reading this page, you'll turn it – that one is done! And tonight, when you lay in bed, then you end this day and it will never come back again.

Every day we have to say goodbye to something. But not every goodbye is the same. There are heavy goodbyes and light-hearted goodbyes, they can be small and at other times big, there are long ones and short ones. Sometimes you are aware that a goodbye is approaching, for example because the summer vacation is coming to an end and you'll have to go back to school, or because you know you are moving. But there are times a goodbye takes you by surprise and you are in no way prepared for it.

Saying goodbye can be hard. It can be sad as well. When your pet dies, you can feel really down. But saying goodbye isn't just sad. Whenever someone has been sick for a very long while, or is already very old, and that person dies, you can comfort yourself a little with the thought they're not in pain anymore, or they lived a long, happy life. Goodbyes can also mean the start of something new and exciting. For example going from middle school to high school or saying bye to your parents when you are having a sleepover. Saying goodbye can evoke many different emotions, sometimes even multiple ones at the same time: sadness, anger, fear, cheerfulness, relieve, surprise, loneliness, melancholy, despair.

In school we don't have a class where we are taught to let go of things or people. What we do learn is saying goodbye in many different languages: 'au revoir', 'goodbye', 'auf Wiedersehen', 'tot ziens'. Many of these expressions are a way to soften a goodbye: after all you surely will see them again some day. When you know you really have to say goodbye you use another word that is used in many languages: 'farewell', 'farvel', 'vaarwel' or the beautiful French way of saying it: 'adieu'. It has a religious aspect because it means 'I hope you'll go to God'.

Much has been written about the biggest goodbye we face in our lives, death. What happens when someone dies? Where do they go? How do you say goodbye to them? And how do you deal with all the feelings you get because of it? When you are religious you have other ideas about this in comparison to when you are not.

This book is about different types of goodbyes. I wrote it because I'm actually not that good at it myself. In my family we never talk about farewells or goodbyes, and definitely not about that big goodbye, saying goodbye to life. I used to visit my grandma each year in Denmark, because she lived there and I was born there as well. When she was 98 she called out to me cheerfully as always: 'See you next year!' But that year never came, because she passed away that year and it made me wonder why we always had to pretend that death didn't exist. Maybe we thought there is no use in talking about it since you can't control it anyway.

Different cultures, countries and religions have different ways of handling death. That means that a Danish funeral is very different from a Surinamese one, a Ghanaian one or a Dutch one. At a Dutch funeral you will hear personal stories about the life of the person that has died. Or there's music. At a Danish funeral somebody usually talks about the meaning of life and death. There is also music, and people do cry, but the sadness is shown less. Just like in the Netherlands they like to drink something afterwards. But instead of coffee and cake, they prefer having something stronger.

In that way there are many cultural customs and manners about saying goodbye and how you should do that. Not just with funerals, but also when you've played at somebody else's house you have to say 'Thanks for letting me play here'.

I think you can have a little practice saying goodbye. When you try to picture it, think about it and talk about it. People have good reason to say: 'Goodbye is a part of life.' If you're alive inevitably you'll get to deal with saying goodbye. In this book we will philosophize about that.



The big book of emotions

Everything I Feel

Stine Jensen & Marijke Klompmaker

Hello, how are you?

This is a question you probably hear every day. Usually you say 'I'm fine' or 'I'm busy' or 'doing okay'. But do you ever take the time to check how you're *really* doing, how you're *really* feeling?

Everyone has all sorts of feelings and emotions: happiness, jealousy, being in love, sadness, pride and fear. This book is about those emotions. Why do you feel what you feel? Is it okay to be jealous? What should you do when you feel guilty about something? Can you change your own feelings?

With relatable stories, accessible explanations and open questions this book will encourage you to think, to philosophize and to take a moment to explore your own feelings and the feelings of those around you.

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Courage



I play soccer in a special team for children with talent and I train three times each week. Every weekend I play a match. Most of the guys from my school are really jealous. They would love to be part of my team and maybe one day be able to play on the national team.

But I don't.

I want to quit.

Because if I'm being honest, I don't really enjoy it. I don't even have time to hang out with my friends. And I don't want to invest all my time in something to have a small chance to maybe become the best at it. My coach says I have a good chance, if I stop playing so 'nicely' and learn how to tackle other players. But I only want to win in a fair way.

Deep in my heart I know I want to quit. But I still I haven't been able to make a decision. That is because when I do, I'm going to have to tell my dad. He acts like I'm going to be a star player; he's always there standing on the side line screaming at me. All the while he nervously smokes cigarettes. I'm sure he will find it terrible that his son gives up on something.

This is why I'm having doubts. Am I allowed to choose my own path, or should I just keep going?

What do you think? Is quitting brave or foolish?

Courage – *fortitudo* in Latin – is one of the four well-known basic virtues. A virtue is something we see as a good quality in someone. The other three virtues are justice, prudence and moderation. Courage means that you have to get out of your comfort zone. There's something you're afraid to do, but you do it anyway. For example being honest about having a different opinion in a group of people, admitting a mistake you made, or standing up for someone you don't know. Courage is something that helps us grow as a person. Think about a child that is scared to jump in a pool, until one day it suddenly decides to jump Or a teenage girl who, while all the other girls only shower in their bikinis after gym class, just showers naked because she thinks wearing a bikini in the shower is nonsense. Or an elderly person who one day admits that his body isn't as strong as before and goes for a walk on the street with a walker for the first time.

If we think someone is brave or courageous, it is usually a big compliment and that person is a hero to us. Hero's are often brave. A hero can do something others can't: climbing a high mountain, riding their bike really fast or singing beautifully.

Stine Jensen introduces yoga and mindfulness to kids in a fun and accessible handbook

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Stine Jensen & Sam Loman

We all need to relax our body and mind. And not only adults! Children suffer from too much pressure, stress and disquiet as well. In *Everything Is Chill*, Stine Jensen explains how the body deals with stress and shows children how they can get started with yoga and meditation to calm down. The book is build around different themes, such as breathing, focus, positive thoughts and exercising. How do you get stressed? Where do you feel that in your body? And most important: how do you deal with it? There are many practical tools and exercises to get started right away!

So breathe in, breathe out... and chill!

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Travel through the world of philosophy like a detective, and get to know the weird, funny and crazy facts about the world's most famous philosophers.

The Filotective

Stine Jensen & Georgien Overwater

Who made Socrates drink the cup of poison? How did Mary Wollstonecraft end up on a ship filled with stolen gold? What did Wittgenstein and Popper fight about? And why was Simone de Beauvoir photographed naked? In this 'Filotective' readers have to solve historical and philosophical mysteries. Searching for wisdom and truth, they travel through the world of philosophy, and get to know the weird, funny and crazy facts about the world's most famous philosophers.

The book is filled with joyful illustrations, questions, quizzes, fun facts and more. A unique book for young sleuths!

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Please dream along about the future - back in the days up until now

Everything Is Dreaming, Dreaming Is Everything

Stine Jensen & Marijke Klompmaker

People dream. Not only during the night, but during the day as well. About the newest gadgets, about never having to go to school again, about holidays to far away countries, and about the future. What will the future hold for us in 100, 200 or even 1000 years? What new great inventions will there be?

The greatest inventions all started with a dream, a desire to make something, often to simplify our life. Some of those dreams came true. Others will always stay what they are: a dream.

This book will take you on a journey along the future dreams of mankind. Starting back in the days we will work our way up to the present. Together with fun questions and exciting assignments you're going to take a closer look at the 10 most common dreams and we will fantasise about our own future.

Are you coming along on this journey?



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An unique book about right and wrong

Everything That Is (Not) Allowed – Stine Jensen, Ellie Lust & Marijke Klompmaker

Are you allowed to steal bread when you are poor? Or to break in to rescue a pet in distress? Are you allowed to take a family member's place in prison? These are all difficult questions. A criminal offence is when you do something that is not allowed according to the law. But whether you behave well or badly is not determined by the law alone.

In this book Stine Jensen and Ellie Lust get the reader to think about how complicated it can be sometimes to do the right thing and to know what the right thing is and why.

The beautiful illustrations are done by Marijke Klompmaker ('Everything I Feel' and 'Everything That Once Was').

A unique collaboration between three women who are each half of identical twins!

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Ellie Lust (Amsterdam, 1966) worked for 31 years as a police officer. In 2007 Ellie became the spokesperson for the Bureau of Communication for the Amsterdam Police Department. In 2005 the Dutch television audiences got to know Ellie for her appearances as the police spokesperson in the show 'Most Wanted'. Since then, she has featured on several television shows. She starred in three seasons of 'Ellie on Patrol' in which she shadowed and worked with foreign police departments. Ellie is a popular expert for crime and security and often features on the television show '112 Today'. In 2020 her memoirs 'My Years with the Police' came out. 'Everything That Is (Not) Allowed' is her children's book debut.

365 questions to add a little philosophy to your every day. Compiled and introduced by the well-known Dutch philosopher Stine Jensen

One Philosophical Question a Day

Stine Jensen

In a busy world with little time to stand still and take a moment to reflect, a short respite can be very welcome.

With the 365 philosophical questions in this book, you can take a moment to yourself every single day. Or connect with someone else by asking them the question. After all, questions are at the very core of philosophy. And a good question usually invites not a straight-forward answer, but rather even more questions.

The questions are compiled and introduced by philosopher, writer, and TV-producer **Stine Jensen**. Jensen has written countless (children's) books already. She has also been appointed as a visiting professor of Public philosophy at the Erasmus University Rotterdam.

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Unique and hilarious book for all ages – already a bestseller for years!

Facts About farts

Sanne de Bakker & Kees de Boer

Oh no, my goodness! Can someone open a window please? What an awful smell! Who is the guilty one?

Well, even though they can smell really bad: everyone farts! Even kings and queens. And yes those smell bad too. Some more than others (the soft and secret ones are the worst).

But what exactly is a fart, what happens when you hold them in and why do they smell different when you're on vacation?

In this book you can learn everything about them. Such as:

- which animals fart and how
 - the best fart jokes
 - official academic fart-science
 - which food you need for extra stench
 - airy fart facts
 - smelly rhymes
- and so much more!

Hail the good old fart! Pffffrrrrtt!

With many hilarious illustrations by the famous Kees de Boer!

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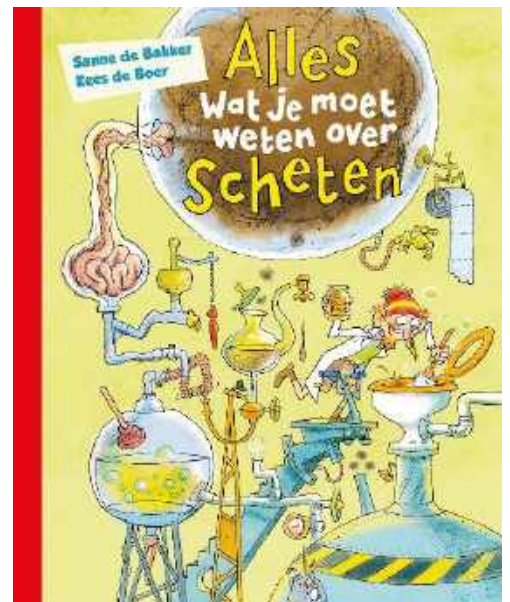
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1. Intro

O no, my goodness! Can someone open a window please? What an awful smell. Who is the guilty one? You can laugh about it, but know: everybody farts! Even the king and queen. Long live farts! And yes, they smell bad too. Some farts more than others. Your farts choose the easiest way to escape from your body. Where else does all that air go? Imagine holding in all of your farts. Your belly would blow up like a balloon; you might pop! Think about all the smells that would spread... just let it rip! Because farting is very healthy. It drains your body from bad smells; lets you know if your friends really like you (despite the smells you spread) and it immediately relieves you. You're away!



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11. Farts from dogs and other pets

Humans are not the only ones that gas up a room from time to time. Our sweet, innocent pets also know a thing or two about farts. Every animal farts, even goldfish!

Dogs are the biggest farting machines, though. And, if you want to impress your dog, just drop one of your famous smelly farts, because dogs love the smells we think are nasty. Have you ever noticed that dogs sniff each other's butts when they meet? That is completely normal in the dogworld. Based on the smell, they decide if they like the other dog or not.

Dogs do not like the smell of soap or perfume at all. If you smell of shampoo and he still lets you cuddle him, that is because he truly loves you. He takes 'the smell' for granted.



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Did you know... that a human poops 900 grams on an average day? That is nothing in comparison to an elephant, that poops almost 35 kilos a day!

Did you know... that there is a poo bus in England that uses poop and foodwaste as gas? So, the tank is filled with turds and food scraps instead of gasoline.

Did you know... that there are over 100,000 billion bacteria in your intestines? Together, they weigh over a kilo. There are over a thousand different types of bacteria.

Did you know... that your poop says a lot about your health?



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Good for your health

Looking at it from another perspective: farts are good for your health. The University of Exeter even researched this topic. And what do you know? Sniffing gasses from a yummy fart can prevent diseases such as cancer, heart attacks and dementia. So if you want to grow old and healthy: let those smelly bombs blast from your butt! And be grateful for the people around you that do the same. You might even want to say "thank you" when your brother or sister lets one rip. It means you just sniffed a free remedy to make you to live longer, after all.





Jokes that smell

Tom Turds wants to change his name. He goes to the court and says: "Hello, I am Tom Turds and I would like to change my name." The court clerk says: "I completely understand. What would you like to be called?" He answers: "Joe Turds."



Pablo Picasso

1881-1973 Spanje, Frankrijk



Pablo Picasso 30



Pablo Picasso 31

ONTDEKKEERIJME KUBIJSME



Wist je dat?

Wonderkind

Als kind tekende en schilderde Pablo graag. Het leefs duiven en stierengevechten. Hij had duidelijk talent. Zijn vader was schilder en leerde Pablo goed kijken en dingen als mensen precies zo te tekenen als ze eruitzagen. Op zijn 19e bleef Picasso voor het eerst Parijs. De stad bruisde van de energie en trok kunstenaars uit de hele wereld aan. Hier wilde Picasso wonen.

Picasso was zo om in die tijd dat hij met een vriend een best deelde: de één sloop over dag, de ander 's nachts.

Experimenteren

Picasso keek naar het werk van andere kunstenaars, maar hij deed ze niet precies na. Hij gebruikte wat elk kunstwerk dingen die hij goed vond. Hij experimenteerde erop los en maakte er uiteindelijk iets nieuws van.

Afrikaanse maskers

Toen Picasso in 1907 voor het eerst een Afrikaans masker in een museum zag, was hij verrast. De kunst uit die landen zag er anders uit dan hij gewend was. Hij gebruikte de vormen in zijn eigen schilderijen.



Schilderij

Op het grote schilderij zie je vijf kleine vrouwen. De manier waarop Picasso de vrouwen schilderde, was nieuw. Van de vrouw links zie je het oog van voren, terwijl je de neus van de zijkant ziet. En van de vrouw rechts voornamelijk het gezicht en de rug tegelijkertijd.

Zie jij in het schilderij vormen die op Afrikaanse maskers lijken? Waar?

Ontdekking

In het schilderij bekijkt Picasso de vrouwen niet vanuit één gezichtspunt, maar van verschillende kanten tegelijk. Hij schilderde de vrouwen dat in één afbeelding van de voor-, de zij- en de achterkant, iets wat natuurlijk in het echt niet kan. Deze ontdekking van Picasso was het begin van een nieuwe manier van schilderen: het kubisme. Andere kunstenaars gingen ook in deze stijl werken.

Het schilderij werd door het Museum of Modern Art in New York gekocht en daar hangt het nog steeds.

Heb jij wel eens iets echt nieuws bedacht? Of ken je iemand die iets ontdekt heeft?



Pablo Picasso 34

Pablo Picasso 35

Oma van alle kanten

Bes slaat de bladwijze van het fotoboek om. Op een foto staat oma met een groot cadeau in haar handen naast de kerstboom. Bas weet nog precies wat erin zat. Een trein van lego, degene die hij heel graag wilde hebben. Hij loopt met het fotoboek naar de keuken. 'Zal ik deze foto natekenen, mam?'

Zijn moeder zet de keukenmachine uit en veegt haar handen aan haar schort af. Als ze de foto ziet, lecht ze. 'Oma kijkt zo lekker geheimzinnig, alsof ze wil zeggen: je raadt nooit wat erin zit.'

'Maar ik wil eigenlijk geen kerstboom tekenen,' zegt Bas. 'Het is zomer.' Hij blendert verder door het fotoboek.

Morgen is oma jarig. Ze komt met opa naar hen toe om samen feest te vieren. De hele familie is uitgenodigd en iedereen neemt iets lekkers mee. Dingen waar oma van houdt. Mama bakt een appeltaart met krenten, zoals oma die vroeger zelf maakte. En ze heeft zeven kaarjes gekocht, voor elke tien jaar aan. Bas wil een tekening maken voor oma. Maar omdat hij niet zo goed weet hoe hij moest beginnen, stelde mama voor om een leuke foto van oma uit te zoeken.

'En deze dan? Mama wijst naar een strandfoto. Oma's gezicht is rood van de zon en ze lecht naar de camera. Naast haar neus zit een veeg nat zand. Achter haar ziet Bas nog een klein stukje van het zandkasteel, voordat de zee hem wegspoelde. Bas likt aan een lijn. Het bovenste bolletje is al gesmolten en is druipend langs het hoortje op zijn hand. Aardbeienmaak was het. Bas proeft het nog in zijn mond. Hij hoopt dat hij die jaar weer bij opa en oma aan zee mag logeren. Met een schepnet krabberjes vangen en samen naar de ondergaande zon kijken.

'Weet je nog waarom oma zo hard moest lachen?'

Bes knikt. 'Omdat ik haar rug helemaal met zand had ingesmeerd.'

'Ze was net een moddervrouwje.' Zijn moeder haalt haar vinger door het deeg in de kom en likt hem vervolgens af. 'Wmm. Lekker zoet.'

Bes kijkt naar de foto. Jammer dat je oma alleen van voren ziet. Haar volgetiedende rug zie je niet. Bas had zijn handen door het natte, kleverige zand gefaald en dit over oma's rug gesmeerd. Ze giecht het uit van de pret. Niet toen ze helemaal ingesmeerd was, kwam opa met het lijn saagelopen en maakte hij een foto. Hij legt het fotoboek op de leusantafel en haalt zijn tekenblok en stiften uit de kast in de kamer. Als hij de kaarzen weer inloopt, zit zijn moeder aan tafel en schilt appels.

Bes pakt een bruine stiften en tekent oma's gezicht na. Voor haar grote ogen ge-

bruikt hij blauw. Met een zwarte stiften kleurt hij de modderveeg naast haar neus. Oma's rug moet er ook op. Die is belangrijk en het kan Bas niet schelen dat het in het echt niet kan, je gezicht an je rug tegelijkertijd zien. Hij weet heus wel dat je dan om iemand heen moet lopen en twee foto's moet maken. Eén van de voorkant en één van de achterkant. Maar Bas kan het wel tekenen. Hij weet hoe oma's rug eruitziet dus hij tekent hem gewoon onder haar gezicht. Alsof ze helemaal gedraaid zit. Nu nog vegen modder erop en klaar is de tekening. Hij weet zeker dat oma er heel blij van wordt.

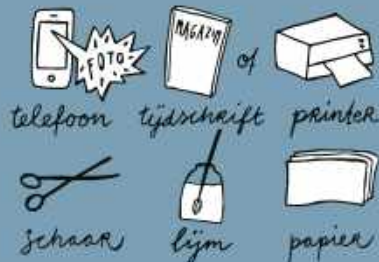


Ra Ra Wie ben ik?



En nu jij!

Wat heb je nodig:



Aan de slag:

Zoek een persoon die er heeft in een leuke opdracht bijvoorbeeld een vriend of een familielid. Zorg dat hij of zij iets groots en herkenbaars in zijn hand heeft (bijvoorbeeld een bezem of glas). Zet hem een hoed of een bril of iets anders op. Maak nu twee foto's: één van de voor- en achterkant. Maak ze vast dichtbij, maar wel zo dat zowel het hoofd als de voeten erop staan en print de foto uit. Als je geen foto kunt maken of uitprinten kun je ook in een tijdschrift of knipt naar foto's zoeken.

Knip de foto in stukjes met verschillende rechtehoeken vormen. Leg alle stukjes op tafel en leg ze een voor een op een nieuwe plek op een laag vel papier. Als je tevreden bent, plak je ze vast.

Zie jij nog wie het is?