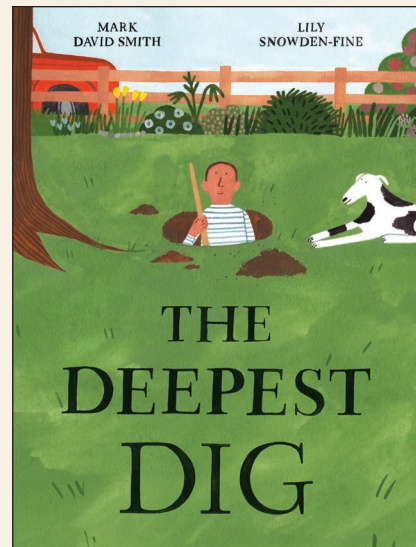




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Picture Book • Fall 2021
32 pages • 7.5 x 10 • Ages 3–7

The Deepest Dig

Written by Mark David Smith • Illustrated by Lily Snowden-Fine

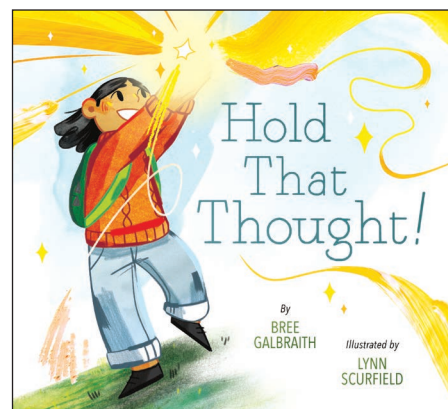
Caden finds something in his backyard. Something BIG. But his parents are too busy for games and no one believes him! Caden takes up the challenge and, with a little help, unearths an entire mammoth skeleton—and finally finds some family connection. This fun paleontological tale teaches the value of trusting your gut, because a little perseverance might just yield mammoth-sized rewards.



Hold That Thought!

Written by Bree Galbraith • Illustrated by Lynn Scurfield

Thoughts come in all weights and shapes. Some thoughts are so precious they need time before they burst out loud. One night, Finn wakes to one of those thoughts. It's a good thought, simmering up inside them, but it isn't ready. With encouragement from family and friends, they learn that some ideas, secrets, and thoughts just need a little love and space to grow into something spectacular.

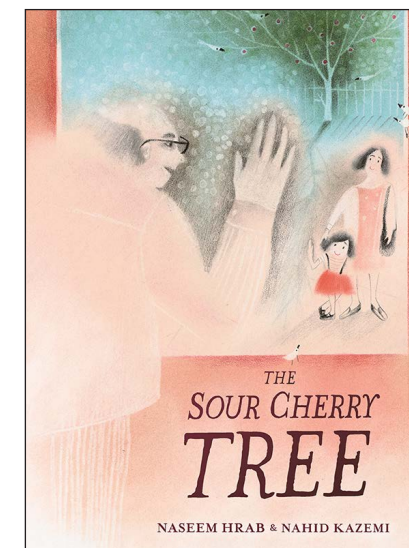


Picture Book • Fall 2021
32 pages • 10 x 9 • Ages 4–8

The Sour Cherry Tree

Written by Naseem Hrab • Illustrated by Nahid Kazemi

It's the day after the morning that Baba Bozorg forgot to wake up. Before, his snores were so loud you could hear him throughout the house. Today, as his granddaughter explores the familiar halls, it's quiet. But at every turn she discovers that her Baba Bozorg is still there—he lives on in his favorite fig cookies, his giant slippers, and the sour cherry tree he planted years ago.

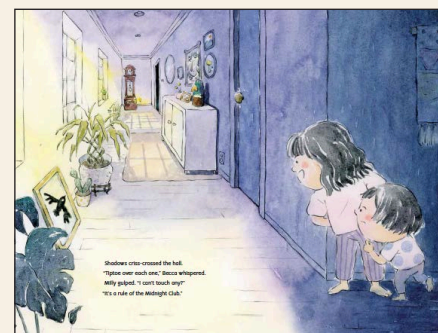


Picture Book • Fall 2021
32 pages • 8 x 11 • Ages 4–8

The Midnight Club

Written by Shane Goth • Illustrated by Yong Ling Kang

At the stroke of midnight, Milly wakes her big sister, Becca. It's time for Milly's first Midnight Club adventure! With Becca leading the way, the siblings explore the hidden wonders of their house in the dark. This charming midnight romp celebrates the special bond between siblings with a mischievous but safe spirit.

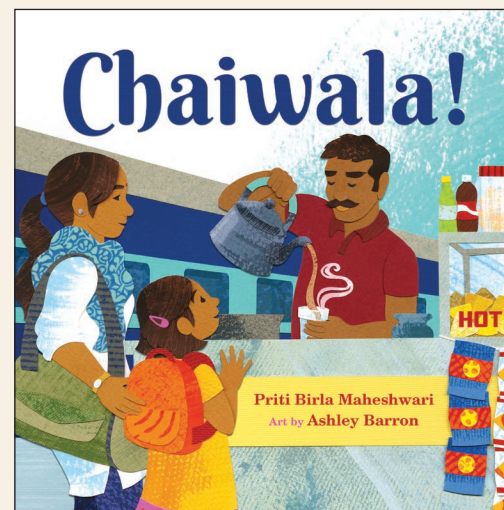


Picture Book • Fall 2021
40 pages • 7.5 x 11 • Ages 3–7

Chaiwala!

Written by Priti Birla Maheshwari • Illustrated by Ashley Barron

Pulling up to the last stop before Jaipur with ten minutes to spare, it's time for chai! A young girl rushes her mother onto the platform for a treat. The chaiwala grinds spices, rustles up tea leaves, and skillfully pours the hot, milky tea. With a sip, they capture a sweet, perfect moment in the rush of a busy day.

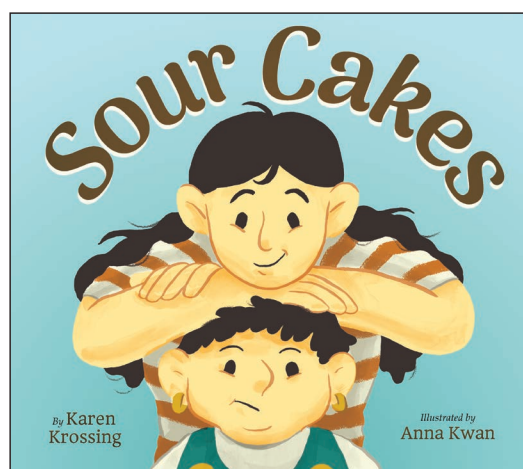


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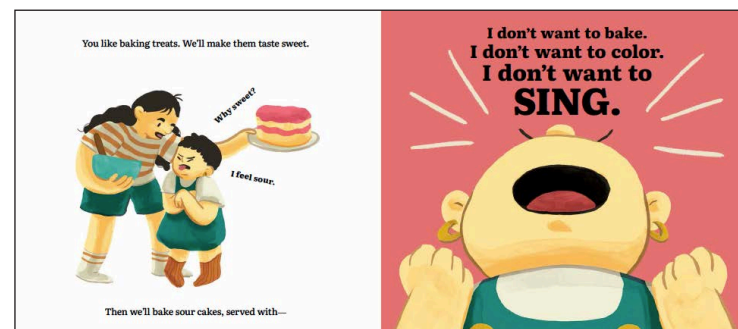
Sour Cakes

Written by Karen Krossing • Illustrated by Anna Kwan

Sometimes siblings can be stubborn. Sometimes things can turn sour. But, most of the time, siblings have each others' backs. When one sibling wants to play and the other only wants to pout, all it takes is a little patience, love, and understanding to brighten the day and turn a sour cake sweet.



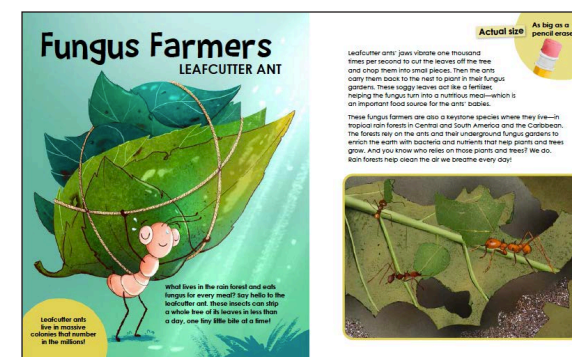
Picture Book • Fall 2021
32 pages • 10 x 9 • Ages 3–7



Small but Mighty

Written by Kendra Brown • Illustrated by Catarina Oliveira

Some of the smallest creatures on the planet are the mightiest—no, really! Have you ever heard of reticulated glass frogs or leafcutter ants? They're seriously tough. Kids will love learning about the most unexpected of mighty creatures and discovering the critical impact these tiny critters have on their environment.

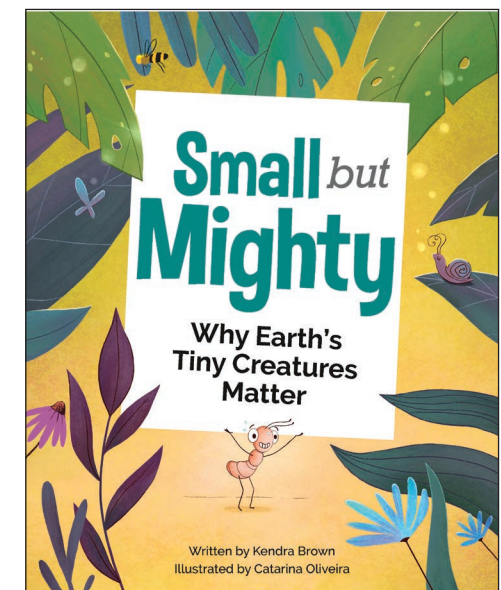


Fred & Marjorie

A Doctor, A Dog, and the Discovery of Insulin

Written by Deborah Kerbel • Illustrated by Angela Poon

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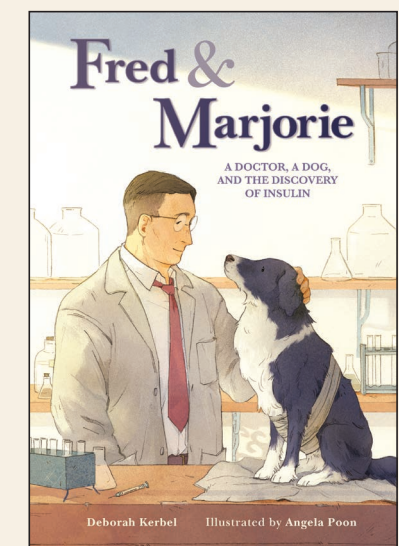
Non-Fiction • Fall 2021
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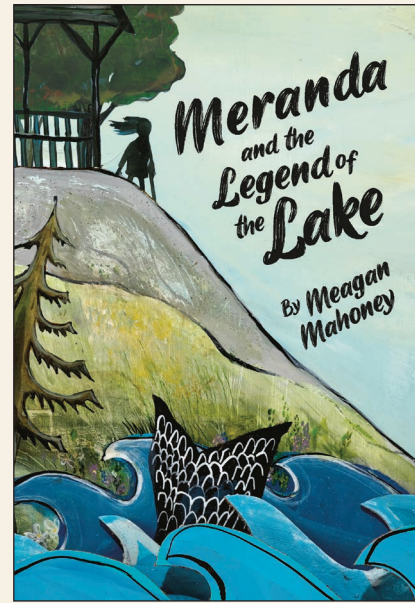


Graphic Novel • Fall 2021
56 pages • 6.75 x 10 • Ages 8–12
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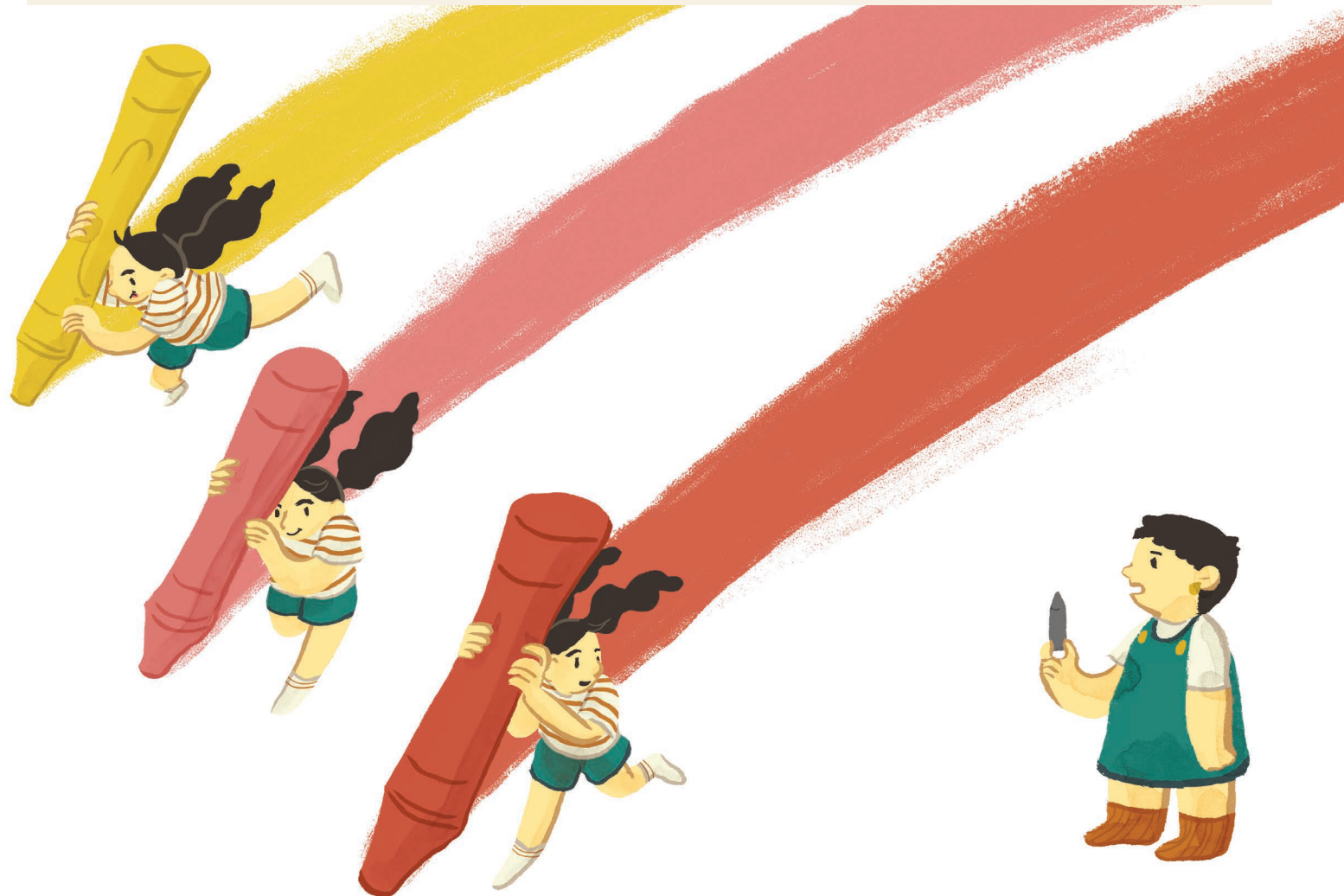
Meranda and the Legend of the Lake

Written by Meagan Mahoney

Eleven-year-old Meranda thought her life was complicated enough with cerebral palsy and her helicopter parents. But when her family visits her grandparents' home on the coast, secrets begin to unfold. A suspicious death, a supposed miracle, and ... mermaids? With an intriguing mystery afoot, and a strong-willed, resilient heroine at the helm, this mythical maritime novel celebrates coming of age and growing into yourself.



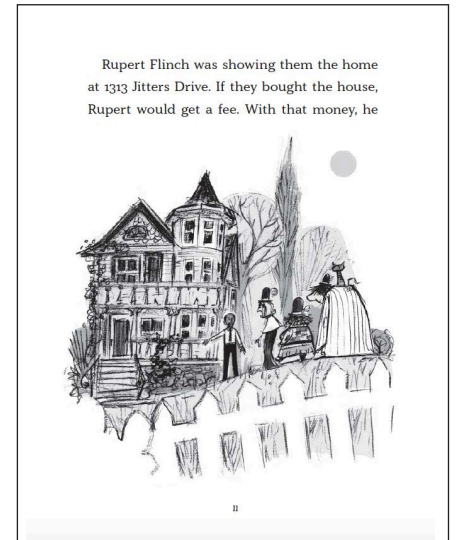
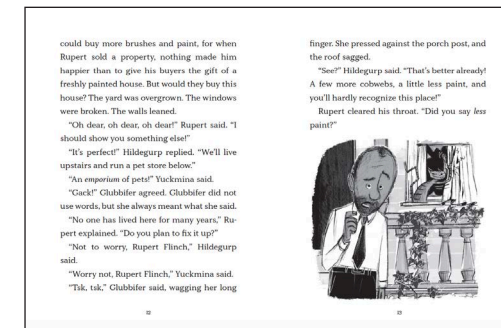
Middle Grade Fiction • Fall 2021
232 pages • 5.25 x 7.375 • Ages 8–12



The Weird Sisters

Written by Mark David Smith • Illustrated by Kari Rust

In this first book of a new series, three peculiar sisters arrive in the town of Covenly and are swept into a mystery involving a lost goat, a found note, and a casserole. Through missteps, magic, and much-needed help from nine-year-old Jessica Nibley, the Weird Sisters humorously puzzle out clues as well as how to fit into everyday life in their community.

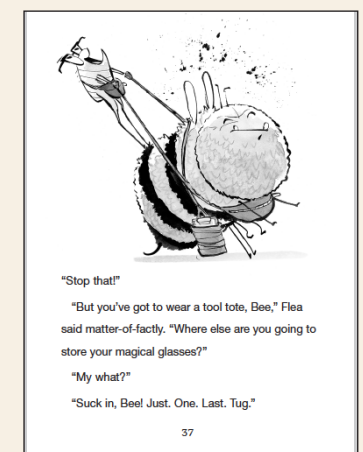
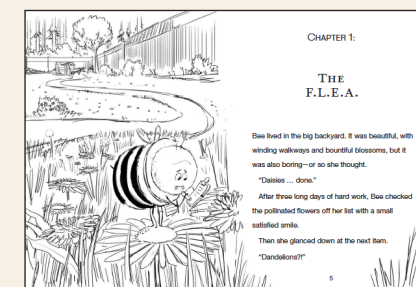


Chapter Book • Spring 2022
72 pages • 5.5 x 7.25 • Ages 6–9

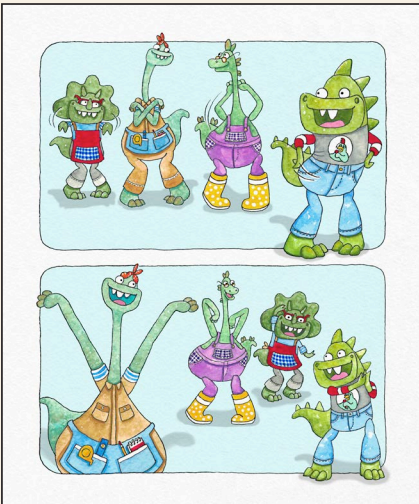
Bee & Flea

Written by Anna Humphrey • Illustrated by Mike Deas

Flea, the one and only agent of the Fenced-in-area Law Enforcement Agency, enlists the busy (but bored) Bee to help her investigate a ruckus in the compost heap. While Flea tries to enforce order amongst the teensy compost critters, Bee begins to realize the commotion is no crime—it's all part of the natural cycle of the garden. Kids will be buzzing about this dynamic duo in the first book of a planned series.



Chapter Book • Spring 2022
120 pages • 6 x 8.25 • Ages 6–9



The Fossil Family Dance-off

Written by Jorden Foss • Illustrated by Sara Theuerkauf

Darwin the Dinosaur loves to dance, but he needs someone to join his dance troupe. He searches high and low, and whom does he find? Mom and Dad! Darwin knows there's no way his parents can keep up with his moves ... until they show off some Jurassic dance steps, proving that even prehistoric parents can be the coolest—and grooviest—dinosaurs around.



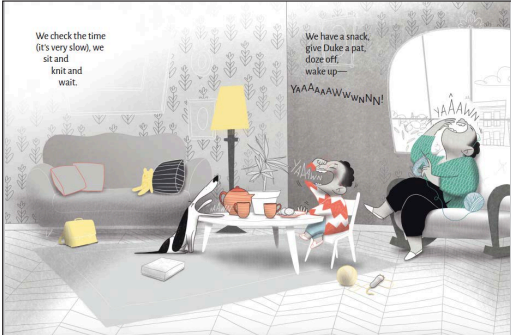
Picture Book • Spring 2022
32 pages • 8.125 x 9.75 • Ages 3–7



Waiting

Written by Judy Ann Sadler • Illustrated by Élodie Duhamel

A boy and his grandmother wait and wait. They sit and knit, they stretch, they rock, they dance, they pace, they snack, they talk. But still, time passes s-l-o-w-l-y. When Mom and Dad finally get home with a new baby, there is joy and awe—and a special gift, knitted with love. A gentle lesson about patience that is well worth the wait.



Picture Book • Spring 22
32 pages • 8.25 x 11 • Ages 4–7

Pink Is for Everybody!

Written by Ella Russell • Illustrated by Udayana Lugo

It's a grey, rainy day and a group of kids are stuck inside and bored when they come across something strange: a pink treasure chest! They open it up to discover that while grey might be for rainy days, pink is for all kinds of fun! In an explosion of exuberance for all things pink, one surly fur ball stands apart—and teaches the kids a valuable lesson in celebrating what you love no matter who you are, while respecting the preferences of everybody around you.



Picture Book • Spring 2022
24 pages • 7.75 x 9.5 • Ages 3–7

The Maple Key

Story by Deborah Kerbel • Illustrated by Josée Bisailon

Follow the wordless journey of a maple key, as it twirls away from the parent tree and around the city to cross paths with children and their families. It touches their lives in both seen and unseen ways, before finally landing, overwintering, and sprouting in the spring. Nature content is interwoven with human narratives in this fresh new take on natural life cycles and the circle of life.



Picture Book • Spring 2022
32 pages • 9.5 x 11 • Ages 4–8

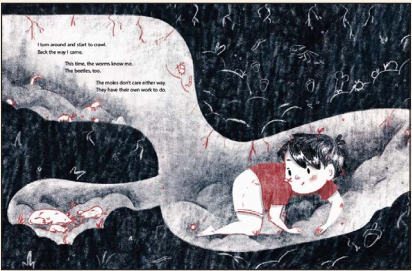


Picture Book • Spring 2022
32 pages • 8 x 10.25 • Ages 4–8

The Tunnel

Written by Sarah Howden • Illustrated by Erika Rodriguez Medina

After something bad happens, a child has trouble connecting with those around him. So, from his room, he picks up a shovel and digs a tunnel deep, down, and out into the backyard. Outside in the dark, nobody knows where he is. He could just disappear. But, seeing his mom in the window, his newfound distance offers him enough space to see the connection he needs. He decides to return home. Everyone needs a place to go sometimes. The important thing is to come back.



Free

Written and illustrated by Barroux

The Great Bird Circus is headed to a big show, but their birds aren't allowed to cross the border. The situation seems hopeless, until they see a brilliant, simple solution. They free the birds and the truck passes through without them. As the border guard looks on in dismay, the birds fly right overhead and the circus is reunited on the other side! With his signature style, Barroux distills big ideas into simple images that tell a powerful and uplifting story.



Picture Book • Spring 2022
40 pages • 8 x 11.25 • Ages 3–7

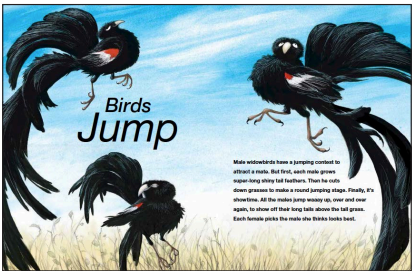


Non-Fiction • Spring 2022
32 pages • 8.5 x 11 • Ages 6–9

Dig, Dance, Dive
The Many Ways Birds Move to Survive

Written by Etta Kaner • Illustrated by June Steube

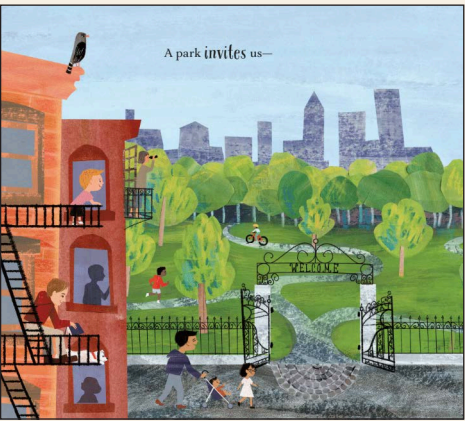
Birds don't just fly—they can also climb, dig, dance, and toboggan! This is an up-close look at 20 amazing birds from around the world, the surprising ways they can move, and special adaptations that make these movements possible. Short, snappy text, solid information, and full-color illustrations with personality and pizzazz bring these fascinating birds to life.



A Park Connects Us

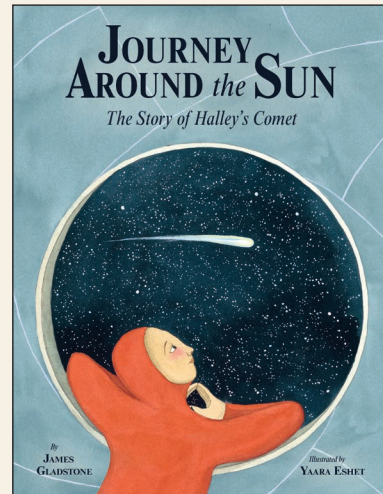
Written by Sarah Nelson • Illustrated by Ellen Rooney

This lyrical love letter to one of the most beloved forms of public space—a city park—celebrates the many ways it can provide a sense of community and bring neighbors together. A park connects us all. It is a space for sharing and playing, for contemplating quietly and making yourself heard loudly. Readers catch a glimpse into the lives of the many people in a city, as their days lead each of them into the park.



Picture Book • Spring 2022
32 pages • 10.5 x 10 • Ages 3–7

Recently Published



Picture Book • Spring 2021
32 pages • 9 x 12 • Ages 4–8

Journey Around the Sun The Story of Halley's Comet

Written by James Gladstone • Illustrated by Yaara Eshet

This story of Halley's Comet, told from the comet's own perspective, ties the history of the renowned astronomical phenomenon of Halley's return every 75 years with our own human history. The ways that the comet has touched people around the globe for millennia, scientifically and culturally, are revealed.



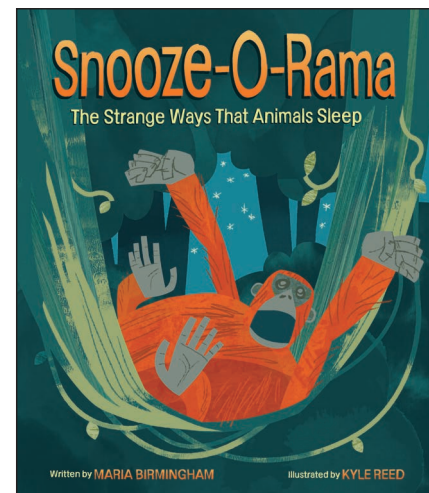
Carmen and the House That Gaudí Built

Written by Susan Hughes • Illustrated by Marianne Ferrer

This fictional tale about the youngest child of the historical Batlló family, of the famous Batlló House in Barcelona, is a joyful celebration of architect Antoni Gaudí's work. Young Carmen resists her family's move to the city, but she soon discovers Gaudí's ability to turn a stiff city house into a nature-inspired wonder.



Picture Book • Spring 2021
32 pages • 8 x 10 • Ages 4–8
Rights sold: French (N.America)



Non-Fiction • Spring 2021
32 pages • 8.5 x 10 • Ages 4–8
Rights sold: Dutch

Snooze-O-Rama The Strange Ways That Animals Sleep

Written by Maria Birmingham • Illustrated by Kyle Reed

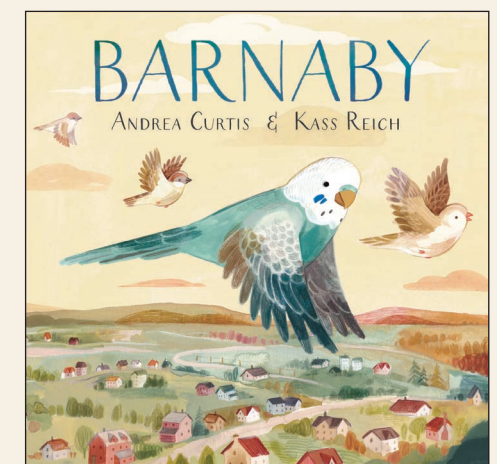
Discover the bizarre yet strangely familiar ways animals get ready to sleep. Otters snuggle under seaweed blankets and, while kids get cozy in pajamas, parrotfish cover themselves with a coat of slime before bed. Kids will laugh and learn along with this STEM book full of relatable but wacky bedtime routines.



Barnaby

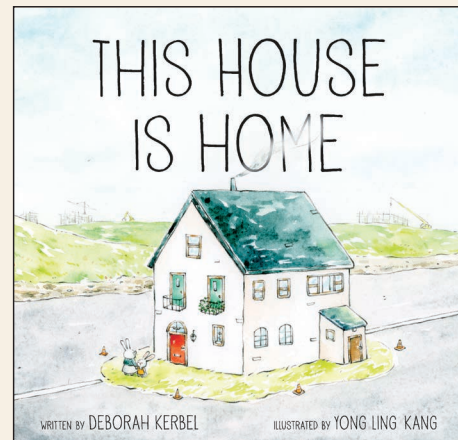
Written by Andrea Curtis • Illustrated by Kass Reich

Barnaby, a beautiful blue budgie, is the pride and joy of his owner. But one day, she comes home with a new bird and Barnaby won't have it. He protests to no avail, and finally flies away out the window. However, alone in the unfamiliar world, Barnaby learns that compassion holds more value than competition.



Picture Book • Spring 2021
32 pages • 10 x 10 • Ages 3–7
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Recently Published



Picture Book • Spring 2021
32 pages • 8.25 x 8 • Ages 4–8

This House Is Home

Written by Deborah Kerbel • Illustrated by Yong Ling Kang

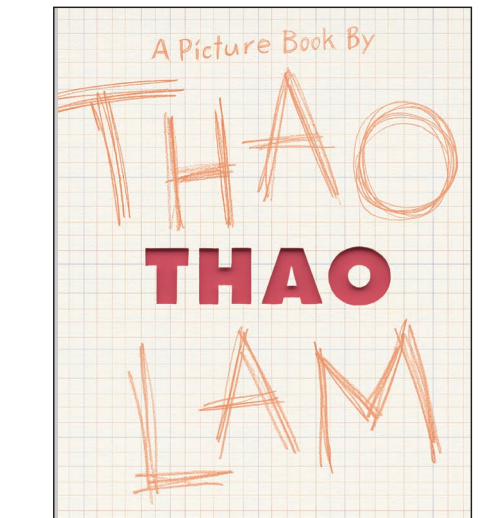
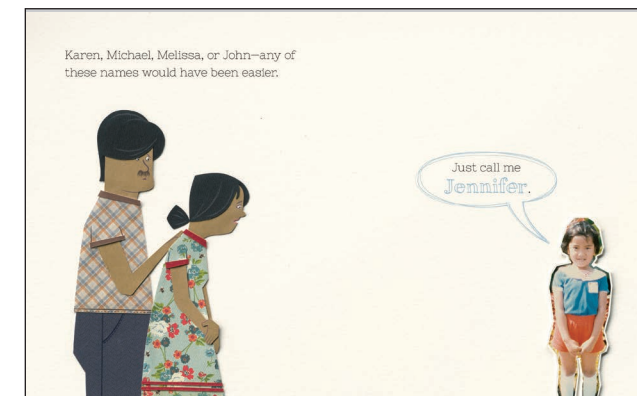
When an expanding city swallows up the landscape around a young rabbit's ancestral home, her grandma refuses to move. She insists that the house is their forever home, immovable as mountains. Seeing good in both sides—change and tradition—the young rabbit finds a way to honor their home and move mountains at the same time.



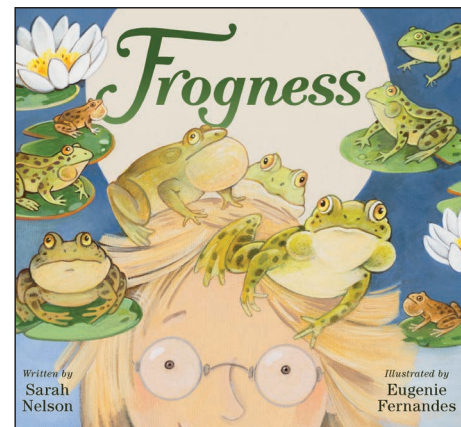
THAO

Written and illustrated by Thao Lam

Our latest from critically acclaimed author-illustrator Thao Lam is a funny, eye-opening story about the challenges of growing up with an unfamiliar name, and learning to be true to yourself.



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24 pages • 8.25 x 10.25 • Ages 4–8

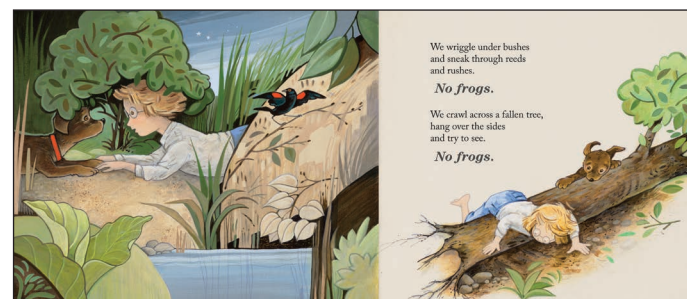


Picture Book • Spring 2021
32 pages • 9.75 x 8.5 • Ages 3–7
Rights sold: Dutch

Frogness

Written by Sarah Nelson • Illustrated by Eugenie Fernandes

A picture book about a child and their dog, who hope to catch a frog in the croaking, chirping, twilight marsh. Eventually, they collapse onto the grass in happy exhaustion. As they listen to the elusive, slippery creatures all around them, they capture something even better—muddy, magical *frogness*.



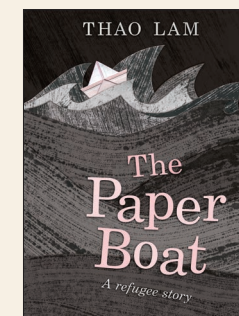
Previously by Thao Lam:

The Paper Boat
A Refugee Story

Fall 2020

- ★ Kirkus Reviews
- ★ SLJ
- ★ Booklist
- ★ BCCB

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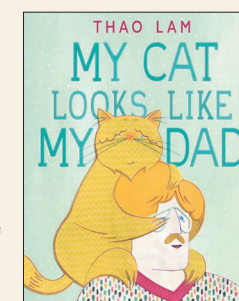


My Cat Looks Like My Dad

Spring 2019

- ★ SLJ
- ★ Booklist

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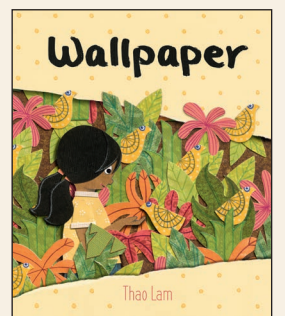


Wallpaper

Spring 2018

- ★ Kirkus Reviews
- ★ PW
- ★ Q&Q

Rights sold: Korean



Skunk on a String

Spring 2016

- ★ Kirkus Reviews

Rights sold: Korean



Recently Published



Pierre & Paul series

Written by Caroline Adderson • Illustrated by Alice Carter

Meet two best friends who speak two different languages! These books are told half in French and half in English, and can be adapted to any two languages. Simple phrasing and visual cues in the illustrations make the story easy for early readers to decode in both languages. Illustrations in a loose, colorful style turn this vocabulary-learning tool into an engaging display of friendship and imagination!



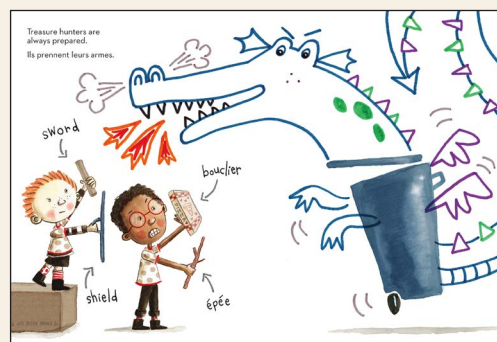
Picture Book • Spring 2020
32 pages • 8 x 11 • Ages 5–8

Pierre & Paul: Avalanche!

When Pierre and Paul get hungry in the middle of a mountain-climbing adventure, they head back to the kitchen to build one giant mountain of a sandwich—just watch out for the AVALANCHE!

★ Two STARRED reviews from *Foreward Reviews* and *Quill & Quire!*

“Very silly and very smart, this distinctive find is worth checking out.”
— *Kirkus Reviews*



Picture Book • Spring 2021
32 pages • 8 x 11 • Ages 5–8

Pierre & Paul: Dragon!

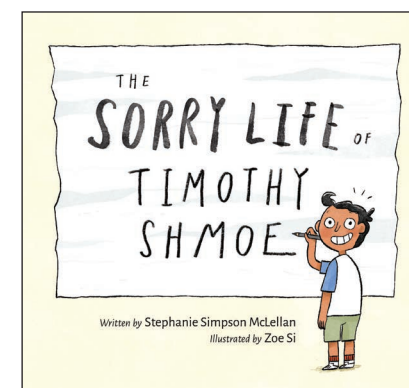
Our two explorers are excited because today is garbage day. Translation? It's treasure hunting time! Pierre and Paul head outside for an imaginative adventure complete with a dragon, a princess, and the hope of finding treasure.

Recently Published

The Sorry Life of Timothy Shmoe

Written by Stephanie Simpson McLellan • Illustrated by Zoe Si

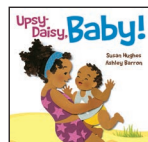
Timothy Shmoe is not a bad kid, but sometimes he does bad things. A series of apology notes to his accidental victims reveal how his blunders, mistakes, and antics can sometimes (or all the time) turn his family's world upside-down. Luckily, he will always have their unconditional love—and they will have his.



Picture Book • Spring 2021
32 pages • 10 x 9.5 • Ages 4–8
Rights sold: German, Korean



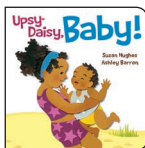
Picture Books



Upsy-Daisy, Baby!
How Families Around the World Carry Their Little Ones
By Susan Hughes,
Ashley Barron

Hardcover
8.25 x 8 in
24 pages
Ages 2 – 5

Available in Board Book format as:



Upsy-Daisy, Baby!
Board Book
6.5 x 6.5 in
24 pages
Ages 0 – 3



Panda Opposites
By Suzi Eszterhas

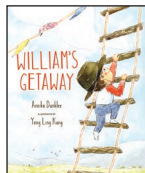
Board Book
7 x 7 in
24 pages
Ages 0 – 3

Rights sold: Danish,
Japanese



Don't Let Go!
By Élisabeth Eudes-Pascal

Hardcover
8.5 x 6 in
32 pages
Ages 2 – 5



William's Getaway
By Annika Dunklee,
Yong Ling Kang

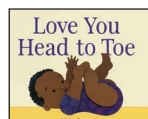
Hardcover
8.125 x 10 in
32 pages
Ages 3 – 7



Sprout, Seed, Sprout!
By Annika Dunklee,
Carey Sookocheff

Hardcover
9 x 7.5 in
32 pages
Ages 3 – 7

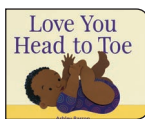
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Love You Head to Toe
By Ashley Barron

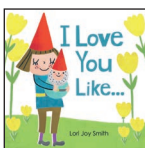
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Love You Head to Toe

Board Book
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I Love You Like...
By Lori Joy Smith

Hardcover
8 x 8 in
32 pages
Ages 2 – 5



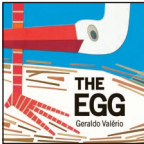
Cone Cat
By Sarah Howden,
Carmen Mok

Hardcover
10 x 9 in
32 pages
Ages 3 – 7



Raj's Rule
(For the Bathroom at School)
By Lana Button,
Hatem Aly

Hardcover
9.5 x 9.5 in
32 pages
Ages 3 – 7



The Egg
By Geraldo Valério

Hardcover
9.5 x 9.5 in
40 pages
Ages 3 – 7

Also available in BB format!



You Are One
By Sara O'Leary,
Karen Klassen

Hardcover
8.25 x 8.25 in
Board Book
7.25 x 7.25 in

24 pages
Ages 0 – 3

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Chinese (simplified)

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You Are Two
By Sara O'Leary,
Karen Klassen

Hardcover
8.25 x 8.25 in
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You Are Three
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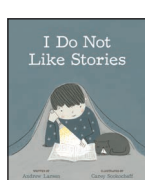
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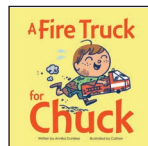
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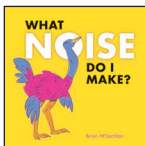
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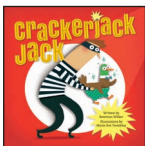
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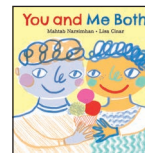
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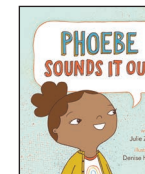
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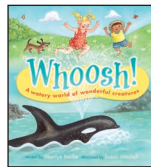
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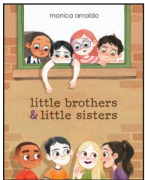
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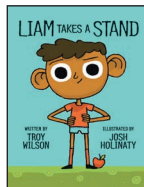
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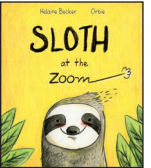
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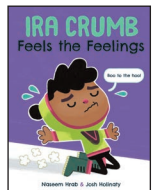
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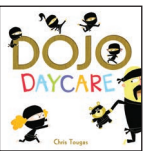
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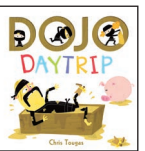
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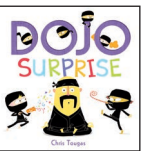
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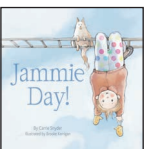
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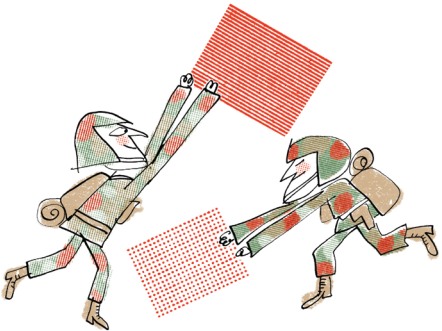
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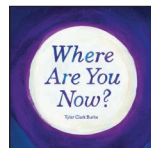
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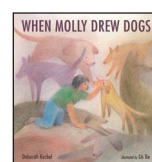
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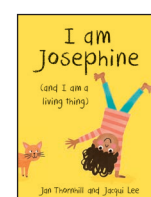
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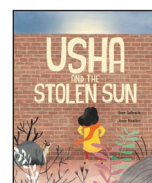
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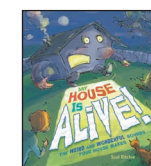
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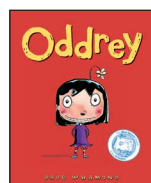


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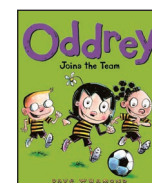
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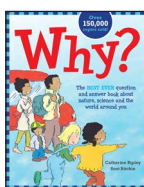


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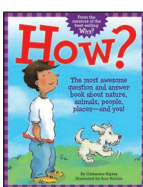
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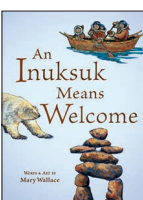
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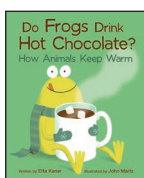
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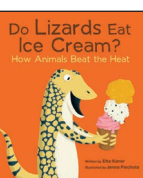


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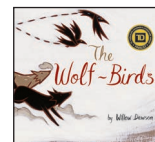


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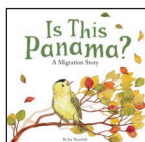
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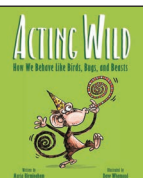


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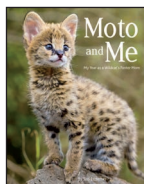


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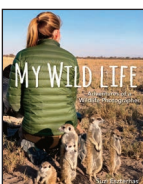
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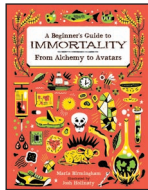
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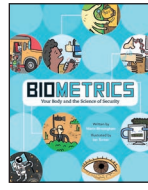
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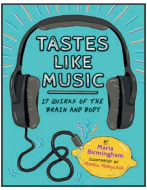
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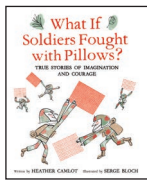
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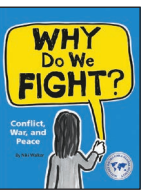
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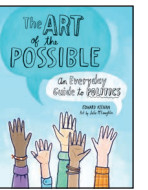
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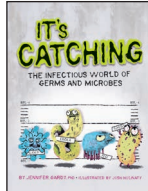
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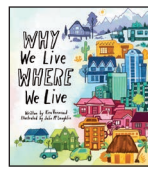
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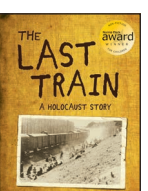
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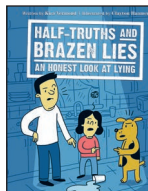
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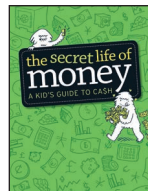
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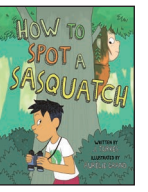
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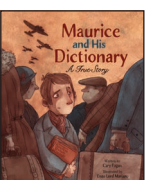
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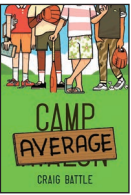
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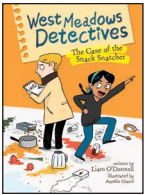
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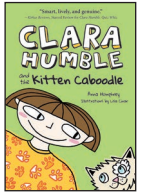
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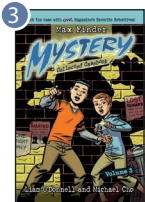
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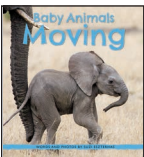
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