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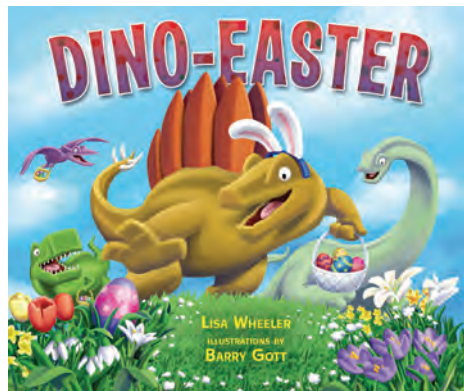
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Dino-Easter

Lisa Wheeler, illus. Barry Gott

Celebrate with the dinos as they gather flowers for a spring bouquet, throw an egg painting party, pet newborn farm animals, visit a chocolate factory, join an Easter parade with Peter Clobbertail, and compete in an egg hunt.

- Wheeler's verse is fun and easy to read, creating an entertaining read-aloud experience
- Gott's art, hilarious and filled with witty details, invites kids for multiple readings
- *Dino-Valentine's Day* is coming Fall 2022



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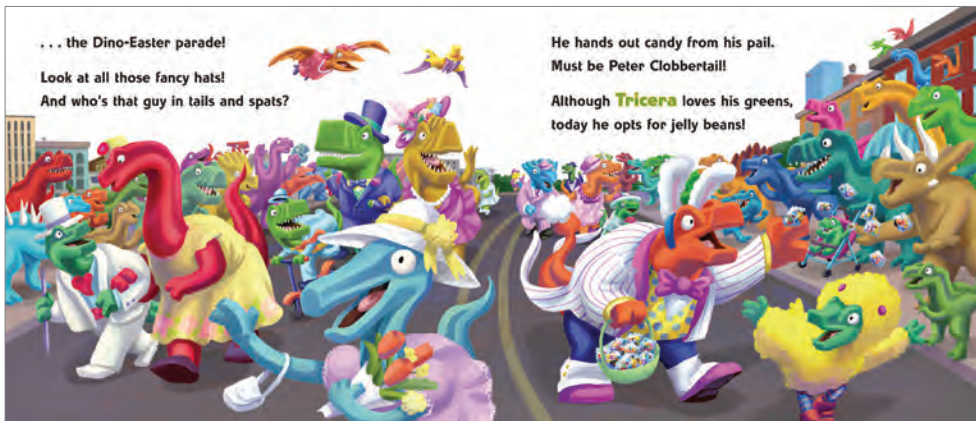
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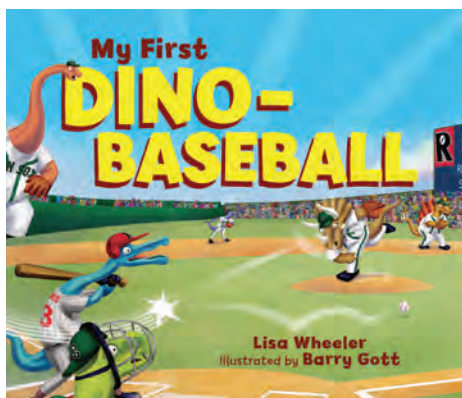
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My First Dino-Baseball

Lisa Wheeler, illus. Barry Gott

Batter up! Simple rhyming text highlights baseball essentials as dinosaurs play baseball in this charming board book.

- All-new text accompanied by artwork from the original Dino-Sports books
- Bouncy rhyme appeals to babies and toddlers
- Bright illustrations feature dinosaurs in sports garb
- 4 additional Dino Board Books coming in Fall 2022

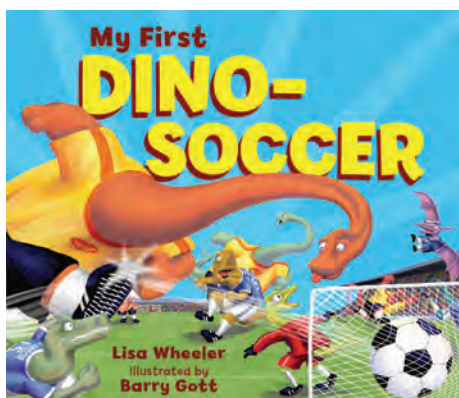
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My First Dino-Soccer

Lisa Wheeler, illus. Barry Gott

Goal! Cheer along as dinosaurs play a soccer game in this high-energy board book.

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Dear Mama's Loving Arms

Ceece Kelley

illus. Sawyer Cloud

Despite longing for Dear Mama's embrace, Baby learns to defeat the big, bad daily nap time separation by joining Dear Mama in adventurous safari dreams inspired by Baby's stuffed giraffe pal, Raffie.

- Interracial family, biracial child
- Appeals to children's imagination with dream adventure
- Includes a song for parent and child to sing



Soaring Kite Books

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Pages: 32 • Trim: 8½ x 10½ • Ages: 0-4

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We Belong

Laura Purdie Salas

illus. Carlos Vélaz Aguilera

Are you tall or short? Are you quiet or loud? Rhyming verse explores opposites while prompting readers to see the ways in which we all have value and we all belong.

- Underlying message celebrating diversity and inclusion
- A great gift for a child—or a teacher
- Will appeal to fans of books such as *All Are Welcome* and *I Am Enough*

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Today Is Different

Doua Moua, illus. Kim Holt

Two girls—one Hmong American and one Black—stand with their communities to protest systemic racism and injustice. Written by author and actor Doua Moua, who played Po in Disney's live-action *Mulan*, this picture book provides an inspiring look at the value of allyship and solidarity with Black Lives Matter.

- The central message of solidarity speaks to a broad audience
- Debut illustrator Kim Holt brings the story to life with rich and vibrant art
- An author's note in the back matter addresses the history of the Hmong people, the historical relationship between Hmong and Black communities, and the value of solidarity



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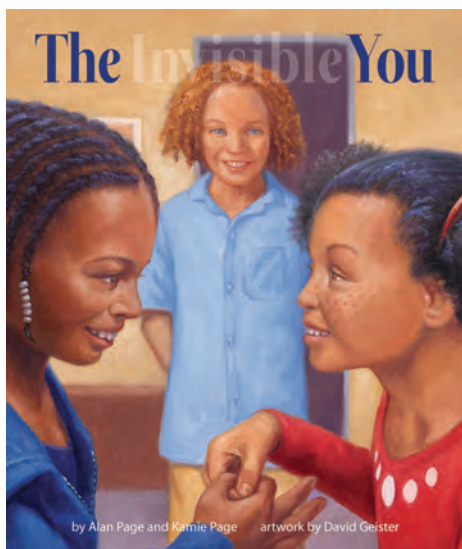
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The Invisible You

Alan Page and Kamie Page
illus. David Geister

Everything about Howard's new school is different and he feels different, too. But as Howard begins to make connections with his new classmates, he realizes that maybe he isn't so different after all.

- A lovable story about making new connections, acknowledging differences, and appreciating uniqueness
- Page Education Foundation creates picture books focused on diversity and inclusion which are written by former Minnesota Supreme Court Justice and Minnesota Vikings football great, Alan Page, and his daughter, Kamie Page, an educator
- Page Education Foundation donates 100% of their book proceeds back to the Foundation, which offers financial assistance to students of color facing barriers to attaining their educational dreams

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Grandpa Alan's Sugar Shack

*Alan Page and Kamie Page
illus. David Geister*

Here is the gentle story of a granddaughter discovering one of the great joys of her grandfather's youth: spring in the north woods when the maple trees are bursting with sap.

- An endearing intergenerational story about spending time with family and building memories
- Spring in the north woods means the maple trees are bursting with sap and time for delicious maple syrup

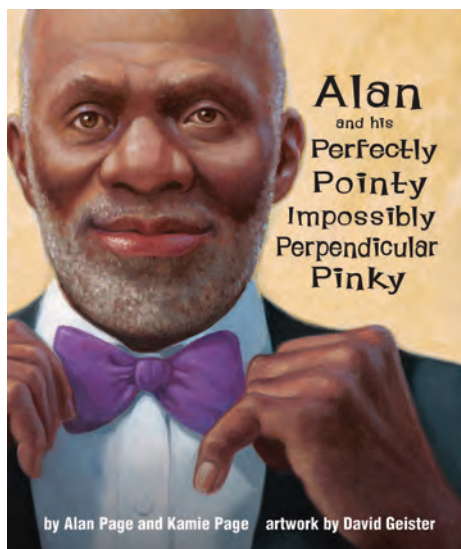
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Alan and His Perfectly Pointy Impossibly Perpendicular Pinky

*Alan Page and Kamie Page
illus. David Geister*

Students are on their best behavior during Justice Alan Page's classroom visit. But one little boy, who is known to ask inappropriate questions at inappropriate times, has a question. What happens next surprises everyone.

- A charming story about a little boy and a big man finding something in common
- A heartwarming story about embracing children's curiosity and questions

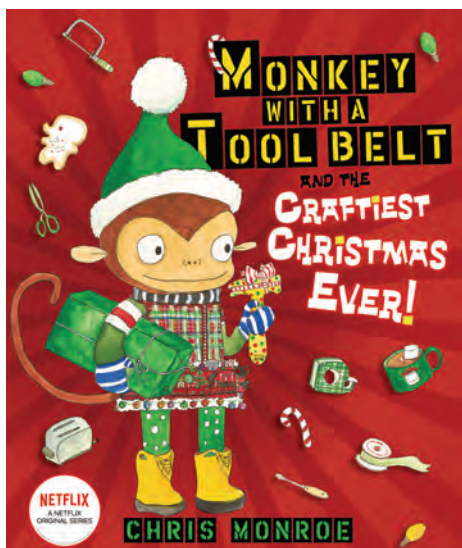
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Monkey with a Tool Belt and the Craftiest Christmas Ever!

Chris Monroe

Christmas is coming! With the help of his trusty tool belt, Chico Bon Bon helps friends decorate, turns a pile of junk into a bundle of gifts, and throws an epically awesome party!

- *Chico Bon Bon: Monkey with a Tool Belt* launched on Netflix in May 2020 and new seasons continue to be added
- A fun Christmas story with a DIY twist as Chico turns a bunch of junk into awesome gifts for all his friends
- Humor will appeal to kids and parents alike

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From the Tops of the Trees

Kao Kalia Yang, *illus. Rachel Wada*

A powerful true story of a young girl who has never known life outside a refugee camp and a father determined to help her dream beyond the fences that confine them.

- From the #OwnVoices author of the acclaimed picture books *A Map into the World* and *The Most Beautiful Thing*
- Showcases how a father's love for his child can support dreams of transcending difficult circumstances
- Offers a look at the everyday life of children in a refugee camp that captures both joy and hardship in a way kids can relate to

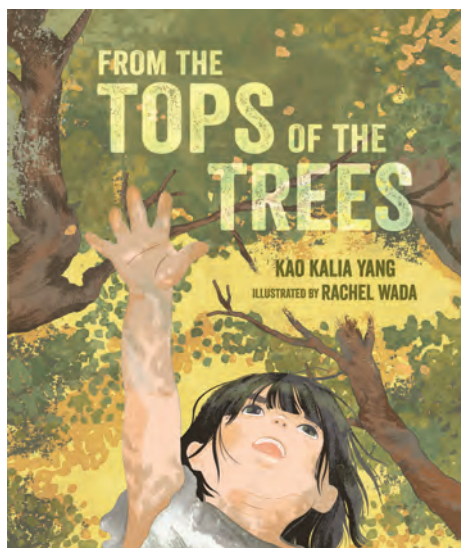
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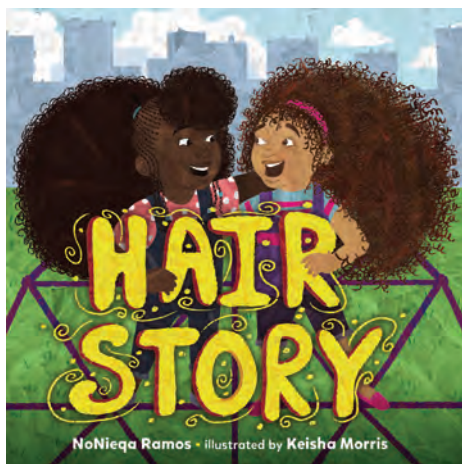
★ *"A visually striking, compelling recollection."*

—starred, **Kirkus Reviews**

★ *"Beautiful in its simplicity and elegance, with a hopeful and inspiring message."*

—starred, **Booklist**





Hair Story

NoNieqa Ramos, illus. Keisha Morris

With rhythmic, rhyming verse, this picture book follows a Boriqua (non-Black Puerto Rican) girl and a Black girl from birth through early childhood, culminating in a play date in which they celebrate their natural hair.

- A celebration of natural Black and Latinx hair
- Includes a “Fro-ments in time” page celebrating Black and Latinx icons from history and contemporary culture
- Set in a distinctly urban setting

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The Art of Magic

A Novel

Hannah Voskuil

Two friends must use their artistic abilities to save their town from malevolent magical forces in this action-packed adventure.

- A unique magic system set in the real world, with powers explicitly rooted in creativity
- Both plot-driven, with a distinctive set of stakes, and character-focused
- Young readers follow along as ZuZu gains confidence in herself, learns to trust new friends, and stands up to the villain

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*"Magical, musical, and mysterious.
A delightfully haunting tale."*

—Jennifer Blecher
author of *Stick with Me*

CHAPTER II MADE-UP MAPLETON DAY CAMP

A half hour later, ZuZu—breathless from pedaling as fast as she could—coasted into her driveway. She hadn't meant to stay at the Mapleton Mansion as long as she had, but Martha had decided the kids would need an excuse to return to the mansion over the next few days. Andrew came up with the idea of a fake art camp, and the three of them had found the computer in the caretaker's office, logged on using the password written on a nearby sticky note, and rigged up a temporary enrollment option on the mansion's simple website. They'd also made a flyer for the imaginary camp, but they'd been sidetracked when an internet advertisement for an animal documentary appeared on the screen.

"Is that . . . is that a polar bear cub?" Martha had cried out with amazement.

"Do you want to see it?" Andrew had asked, with a rare smile. He had clicked on the ad, and Martha clasped her hands together with pure joy at the clips of romping cubs and caribou, wolves and leopards. "Is there a way I can watch this later?" Martha had asked eagerly, and Andrew showed her how to do it. By the time they'd finished up the brochure for the fake camp, ZuZu was running very late.

Now, ZuZu gently put a hand on Clawson's head to make sure he stayed hidden in her bike basket. "I know most people can't see you," she whispered, "but keep out of sight just in case, okay? I don't want to freak out my parents." Clawson settled lower in the basket.

Her mother was kneeling in the dark soil along the side of the house, pulling weeds from the herb garden.

"I'm back," ZuZu called.

Her mom looked up and wiped her forehead with the back of one gloved hand. "There you are! You were sure gone awhile."

"Sorry, I lost track of time," ZuZu said. One of Clawson's striped horns poked into view as he tried to peek over the edge of the basket. She softly patted his head to remind him to stay still.



This Last Adventure

Ryan Dalton

When Archie's beloved grandpa is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, Archie tries to slow the progression of his grandpa's memory loss through shared role-playing fantasies. But he has to face the reality of what he's losing.

- An imaginative and heartfelt story about coping with loss, facing the unknown, and redefining what it means to be a hero
- Sensitive portrayal of the common experience of slowly losing a loved one to Alzheimer's
- A compassionately told story, incorporated with uplifting elements in its portrayal of a close-knit family, supportive friendships, and the protagonist's personal growth

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"A sensitive, touching story . . . With a family history of the disease, I can't wait to hand this book to the younglings in my family."

—Aprilynne Pike

#1 New York Times Bestselling author

Chapter 6

By the time Archie hit the ground floor, he had his plan. Snapping the journal closed, he set it on the stairs, grabbed the banister, and swung around to dash down the hallway. He burst into the kitchen only seconds after Grandpa.

"Hurry!" he said, grabbing Grandpa's arm. "We can defeat it, but we have to go right now."

Grandpa stared at him. "Defeat what?"

"The beast that stole everyone's gold." Archie moved toward the back door, pulling Grandpa along. "Every gold piece is a part of us. It's like a memory. We have to get it all back, and only we can face that monster's fire!"

"Fire?" Grandpa snapped to attention. "Where?"

"Follow me. I tracked it outside the town."

"There's a town here?"

Archie didn't need to pull anymore. Grandpa followed him into the vast green backyard. Archie pointed toward the woods beyond.

"Yes, there's a town on the other side of the forest. See the buildings, just above the trees?"

Grandpa followed his gesture, eyes sweeping over the tops of the trees. Archie waited, trying not to look anxious. Hoping Grandpa would catch on and join in. If this didn't involve both of them together, Archie didn't think it would work.

But there was no spark in Grandpa's eyes, no recognition. He still looked like someone playing a game he didn't know the rules to. He was trying, but ultimately still lost.

Archie suppressed a sigh. Maybe he could figure out another way, try again tomorrow or—

"That stone roof," Grandpa said. "Is that . . . the duke's manor?"

A thrill raced through Archie. "Yes! The one that's all wacky angles. The duke who gave us this quest lives there."

With a rumble in the distance, the top of a building appeared beyond the forest, rising up from the ground fully formed: gray stone blocks and a steep roof topped with dark slate tiles.

Roosevelt Banks and the Attic of Doom

Laurie Calkhoven, illus. Debbie Palen

With a new sister on the way, Roosevelt Banks has to give up his bedroom and move into the attic, which must be haunted because of the squeaks and groans coming from the top of the stairs.

- The sequel to *Roosevelt Banks, Good-Kid-in-Training*
- A feel-good story about growing up and facing change, featuring a diverse cast of characters

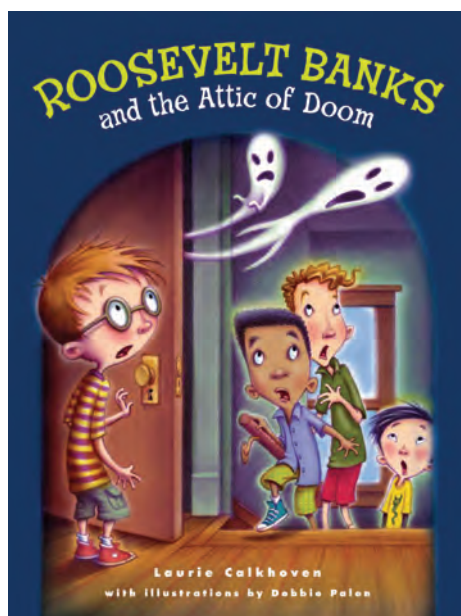
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CHAPTER ONE

The Summer of Dad

It was going to be the best summer ever. THE SUMMER OF DAD.

I jumped off the school bus yelling to the driver “Bye, Mrs. Angela! Have a good vacation.” My three best friends, Tommy, Josh, and Eddie Spaghetti, were right behind me with a chorus of goodbyes.

“Bye, boys,” Mrs. Angela called after us. “Don’t get into too much trouble.”

“Who, us?” I asked with an innocent grin. “What kind of trouble would good kids like us get into?”

Eddie Spaghetti snickered behind me. His name’s not really Spaghetti, but once in second grade he laughed so hard at lunch that a spaghetti noodle shot



"Showing a keen understanding of loss, Isler's compassionate debut is written with stark honesty, showcasing various responses to tragedy..."

—Publishers Weekly

AfterMath

Emily Barth Isler

After her brother's death from a heart defect, Lucy starts seventh grade at a new school—whose students survived a shooting four years ago—and must navigate different kinds of grief and healing.

- A sensitive, poignant, age-appropriate exploration of trauma
- Highlights the importance of unconventional forms of self-expression such as mime
- Responsibly presents a timely topic with an emphasis on long-term recovery

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CHAPTER 1

Kenton, Maryland, and Queensland, Virginia, are 31.5 miles apart via the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, and the speed limit averages 45 mph along the way. However, via I-95, the towns are 38 miles apart but with a speed limit that averages 60 mph. Which is the faster route from Kenton to Queensland?

distance divided by speed = time
via the BW Parkway: $31.5 / 45 = 0.7$ hours, or 42 minutes
via I-95: $38 / 60 = 0.63$ hours, or about 38 minutes

But in reality, it might as well take seven million hours either way, because it seems like we're never going back there.

I live in a dead girl's house. I sleep in her room.

We knew this before we bought the house. Our real estate agent, Cheryl Ann (her full name—who on earth has the last name Ann??), mentioned it during our tour. Well, technically she only said that the couple who were selling the house had lost a daughter in the Queensland school shooting. But I know that my room is the one that used to belong to the daughter, because in my new closet, on the edge of the sliding doors—covered in an anemic, barely-there coat of white paint—I found a vertical set of hash marks, with a date written next to each mark and the name *Bette* written at the top.

It's a height chart. I had one just like it on my wall at home. My dad used to measure Theo and me every few months and draw lines where we stood to show how much we'd grown. Then he'd write our names and the date.

I often wonder who sleeps in my old room. Or in Theo's. Does the kid who lives there now know that they're sleeping in the room of a dead kid too?

Cheryl Ann also informed us that basically no one has moved to this town in the four years since the shooting, until my family. I don't blame everyone else for staying away. If it were up to me, I would have.

Eddie Whatever

Lois Ruby

Thirteen-year-old Eddie needs to do a community service project in preparation for his bar mitzvah. He ends up volunteering at a retirement home, where intrigues and hijinks upend all his assumptions about the elderly.

- Humor, insight, and elements of mystery unite the adventures of zany but believable characters
- Full of whimsy, a touching story of inter-generational bonds

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"Short chapters and snappy first-person narration give this wide appeal. An enjoyable intergenerational story."

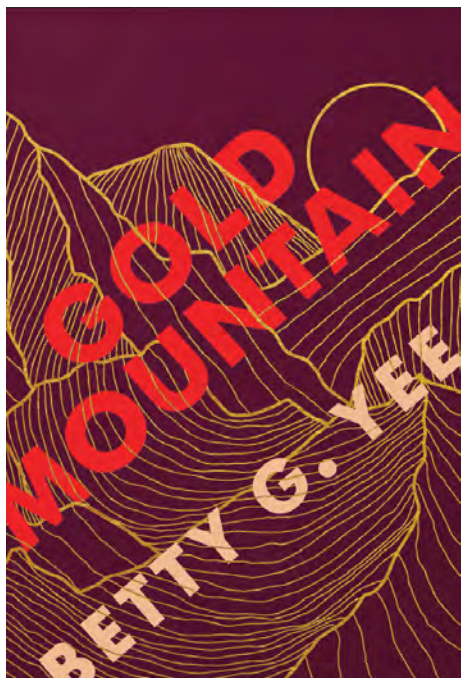
—Kirkus Reviews



also by **Lois Ruby**

"Young readers will find this compelling story sharply relevant..."

—Booklist



Gold Mountain

Betty G. Yee

In the 1860s, Tam Ling Fan needs money to help her father. Disguised as a boy, she travels from China to America to take a dangerous job as a laborer on the Transcontinental Railroad.

- A Chinese-American author's suspenseful, immersive depiction of a pivotal point in US history
- Focuses on the Chinese migrant workers who contributed to the literal building of the nation
- Touches on still-relevant themes of immigration, xenophobia, racism, and inequality

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CHAPTER 4

At noon the first day of August, the *Cormorant* rounded the eastern bend of the Pearl River. It wasn't a particularly large ship, but its deck was crowded with at least twenty men leaning over the railings. It cut through the ribbon of water easily on its way to the wooden docks at the southern edge of the village.

"It's here! Ling, look!" Ming rushed to the narrow kitchen window.

Ling Fan was already staring out the window. This was the ship that would've taken Jing Fan to the busy seaport of Guangzhou, where he would've boarded a much bigger ship bound for America—for the Gold Mountain where he would've made his fortune.

But she couldn't think about that now. Tonight Young Bao and his mother were coming to dinner, and before they arrived, Ling Fan had to speak to Aunt Fei.

Ling Fan's hand holding the kitchen knife trembled as she continued to slice white icicle radishes into long, thin strips. She tried to calm her breathing and her racing heart as she rehearsed her speech in her mind. She had brooded over it every night for weeks, trying to imagine what Fei would say and thinking of convincing replies.

"I can't see any bak gui," Ming said, leaning out the window to get a better look. "I suppose they're all in Shanghai. My sister-in-law says they have hair all over their faces like dogs. And she says when they talk, they sound like barking dogs, and they smell funny. But what does she know? She's never seen one either!"

Bak gui were the Europeans and Americans. According to the aged aunts in the village, when these foreigners first started arriving on China's shores, many people had likened them to gui—ghosts—because of their unearthly pale skin and their strange language and mannerisms. Before long, they were commonly referred to as *bak gui*, or white ghosts.

"Anyway, a ship is exciting enough even without any bak gui on it," Ming added. "I wonder if we can get a closer look before it leaves for Guangzhou tomorrow morning." Ming glanced back at Ling Fan, her smile disappearing when she saw her cousin's face.

"Jing would've been the first one on the dock," Ling Fan said, tossing the radishes into the wok. She was grateful for the hiss of oil that muffled her voice and the rising cloud of steam that hid her expression. "He would've been there at sunrise."

"With half his chores left undone and the other half done poorly," added Aunt Fei at the back door. Ling Fan flinched; she hadn't heard Aunt Fei come in from the garden. Aunt Fei put a basin of greens on the table and turned to inspect the radishes in the wok. "Remember to clean the chicken well. We need to show Young Bao that you're a good cook," she reminded Ling Fan over her shoulder as she headed back out to the garden.

Ling Fan damped down the fire in the stove and covered the simmering vegetables with the wok lid. She took a long calming breath before she told Ming, "I'll be back in a minute."

Just Ash

Sol Santana

Ash has never thought much about being intersex. But when he gets his period and his parents pressure him to “try being a girl,” he must fight for who he really is.

- A heartrending but ultimately empowering journey of an intersex boy learning to embrace both his body and his identity
- A rare story about an intersex kid, written by an intersex author (“intersex” is the “I” in LGBTQIA+)
- Examines the ignorance and prejudice that still define society’s views of a gender binary

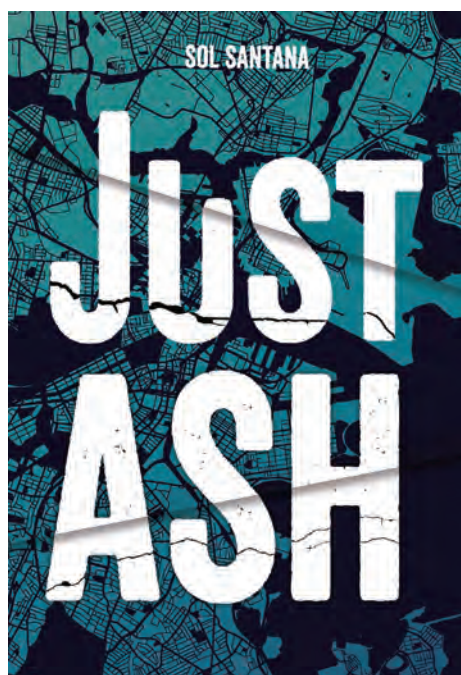
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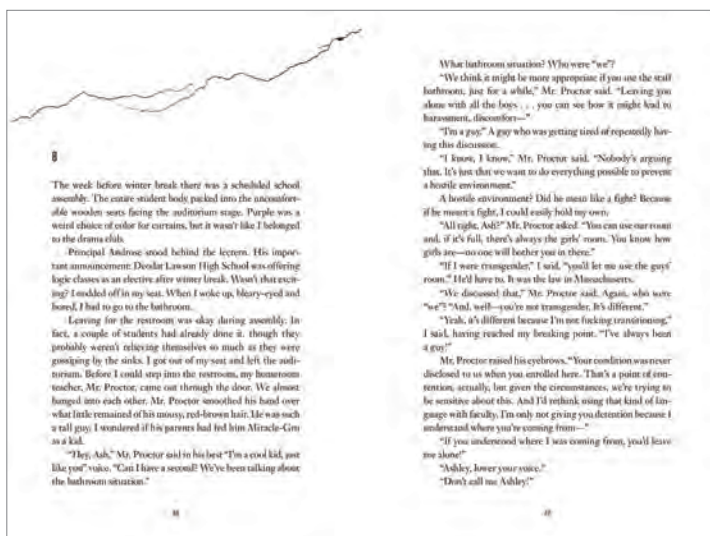
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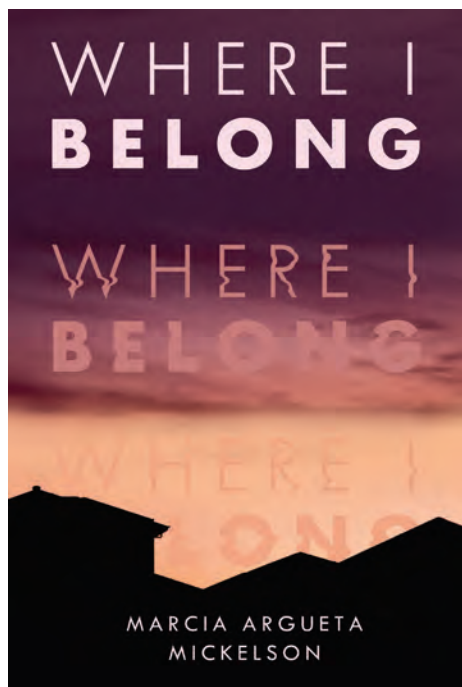


★ —starred, **Booklist**

“[T]his title offers frank education about intersex people and representation for an underrepresented group. Harrowing but hopeful.”

—**Kirkus Reviews**





★ *“Full of thought-provoking conversations, messy answers, and lots of heart, this novel’s a quiet knockout. Utterly compelling.”*

—starred, *Kirkus Reviews*

Where I Belong

Marcia Argueta Mickelson

Guatemalan-American high school senior Millie Vargas struggles to balance her family’s needs with her own ambitions, especially after her mother’s employer, a Senate candidate, uses Millie as a poster child for “deserving” immigrants.

- Accessible treatment of complex subject matter—immigration, doxing, youth activism—softened by an uplifting, romantic subplot
- A timely topic by a Latina author, herself a Guatemalan-American immigrant

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CHAPTER NINE

Mami brings me home and stays with me until it’s time for her to go pick up Caroline Wheeler. My siblings are still at school, so I’m home alone, which is a rare occurrence. I try to think about anything besides the note, besides the Instagram comments, but they are all I can think of.

Part of me is grateful for Charlie’s presence and his helpful attitude, but most of me is mortified that he witnessed my humiliation. I wonder how I’ll face going back to school. Someone in my school wrote that note, and I don’t know who it was. The Instagram comments were written by nameless, faceless trolls who might live several states away, but the note was written by someone I might see every day. The thought sends chills up my back, and that feeling only gets worse when the phone rings.

I jump at the sound and consider ignoring it, but it might be Mami, so I pull myself off the couch and go into the kitchen. I don’t recognize the number on the caller ID but decide to pick up anyway. “Hello.”

“Hi. I’m looking to speak to the parent of Milagros Vargas,” says a man’s voice.

Uneasiness spreads through my entire body. “This is Milagros Vargas. My mom can’t come to the phone. Do you need something?”

The voice sounds soft but professional. “Hi, Milagros. My name is Thomas Dell. I’m a reporter for *Texas Monthly* magazine. I’ve worked with Oscar Zambrano before. You know Oscar, right?”

“Yes. I say in the four stars to wash away.”

“Well, we’re very interested in doing a piece on you and your life here in America. I think Texas readers would be interested in reading your story.”

I take the phone with me toward the kitchen table and sink down into one of the chairs. “Thank you, Mr. Dell, but I don’t think I’m going to do any more stories. I’d really like all of this to just die down.”

“Well, I hope you’ll reconsider, Milagros. I’d be happy to come down there, do the interview, do a photo shoot. We can come anytime.”

“Sorry, no.”

“You know what? I’m going to send you some copies of our back issues. So you can take a look at our magazine and see what you think. I’ll include my contact information in case you change your mind. How’s that sound?”

“That’s okay, but I won’t change my mind.”

“All right, Milagros. Thank you for your time. I’ll send these out today.”

I wait for him to ask for my address, but he doesn’t. He says goodbye and I do too. I suppose he already has my address. He could get it from wherever he found my phone number. A shiver spreads through my body as I realize that anyone, anywhere could find me.

Georgie Dupree

The Georgie Dupree series for new and emerging readers features a vibrant Black elementary student, a loving Black family that reminds you of your own, and classmates of all backgrounds and abilities.

- A modern *Junie B. Jones* with a BIPOC cast and urban setting
- Stories feature a main character who is a happy, self-confident girl
- Loving, multigenerational family

Soaring Kite Books

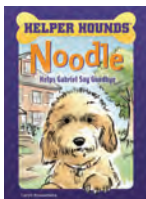
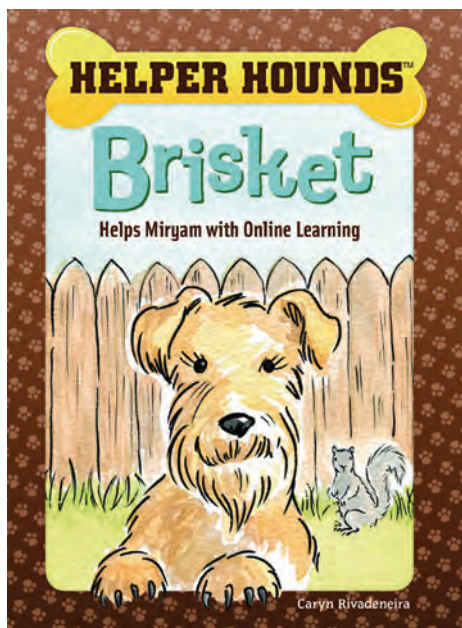
Price: HC: \$18.99

Pages: 48 • Trim: 8¼ x 10¾ • Ages: 5-9

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Luke smiled. Zahra giggled.

"Rufus McGuiken better never look me in the eyes," she said. "I'd give him a treat all right."

Luke laughed out loud and sat me back on his lap. He scratched my head while I thought about Rufus.

I thought Rufus was tops. But Zahra and Rufus never got along. They fought over me, mostly. Over who could walk me, to be precise.

Most days, Zahra would knock on the door and offer to take me for a walk while Luke worked. Most days, Luke said yes, tossed Zahra my leash, and off we'd go.

As soon as we left, Rufus would bound out of his door and insist that he come with us. This drove Zahra crazy.

Zahra was nine months older than Rufus. And those nine months gave Zahra the "right" to be trusted to take a wild Brisket like me

Helper Hounds

An early chapter book series about specially trained emotional support dogs who help the kids who need them most. Meet these uncommon heroes with wet noses and big hearts. These stories are told from the point-of-view of the helper hound so that young readers can easily relate to the story. Each book centers around a different emotional support dog, and how the dog helps kids process emotional experiences and overcome obstacles. The helper hounds are here to assist kids dealing with bullying, grief, making new friends, and facing their fears!

- For kids who like the **Dog Diaries** and **Magic Puppy** series
- While focused on dogs, this series teaches the benefits of emotional support animals as a whole
- Now an 8-book series

Red Chair Press

Price: PB: \$6.99

Pages: 72 • Trim: 5½ x 7½ • Ages: 6-9

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"Positive message[s] of hope and love."

—Kirkus Reviews

to the park and make sure I ran through my obedience drills. Since Rufus was "way younger," his job was to make sure I got all my zoomies in and wiggles out.

If you ask me, the two of them made the perfect combination for an afternoon at the park. Even if they both bickered a lot.

"Zahra," Luke said. "I'm sorry. But we'll have to video-chat another time. Just got an alert that we've got a new case."

Luke scratched my wiry fur and asked if I was ready for a new job. I barked, YES!

"I better let you go straightaway then," Zahra said. "Anyway, Mom just got home. Dad has tea ready, and Mom will want to know how my homework is coming along."

Luke smiled. "Hope we haven't kept you from it."

"Not at all! I learned something new. I'll tell Rufus about it after tea. Goodbye, Brisket!"

Felix and Calcite

The Land of the Trolls: Book 1

When Felix discovers a tunnel in his toy chest, he finds a land of trolls and a new best friend: Calcite! Together, they'll meet confused gnomes, cranky giants, and more. Artur Laperla (creator of **Super Potato**) brings their laugh-out-loud adventures to life.

- A quirky and colorful graphic novel series great for reluctant readers or first-time graphic novel readers
- Laughs for comics fans of all ages
- Bonus games at beginning and end of each book

Graphic Universe™

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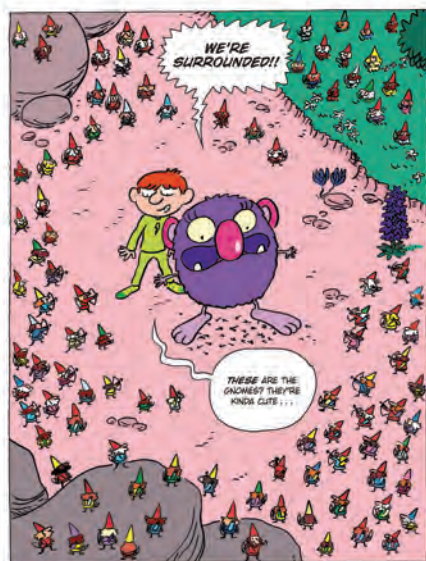
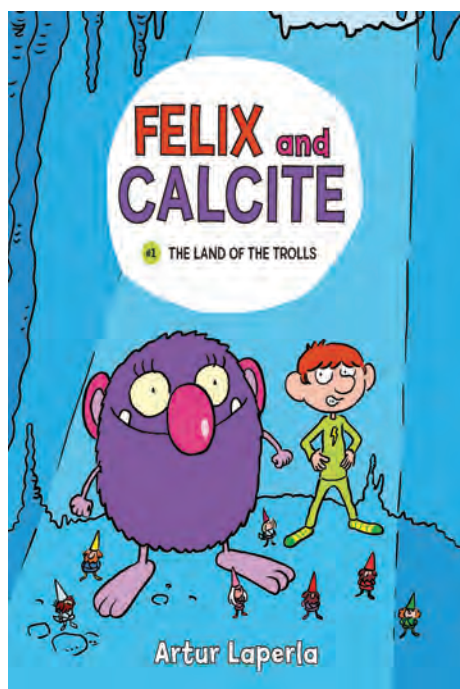
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Canizales

- A suspenseful, socially conscious graphic novel with a singular visual style
- Strong, resourceful female protagonist
- Written by a Colombian author who was inspired by true reports of inhospitable conditions for displaced Colombian peoples

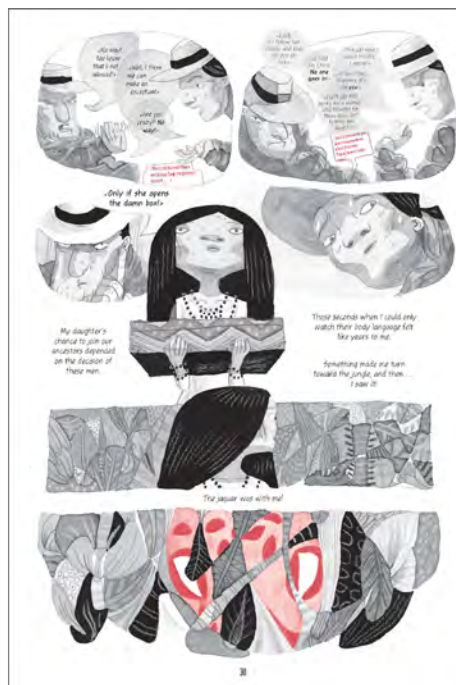
Price: PB: \$9.99

Pages: 96 • Trim: 7 x 10 • Ages: 14-18

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HAROLD JIMENEZ CANIZALES



Artie and the Wolf Moon

Olivia Stephens

Artie Irvin is thrilled to discover she comes from a line of werewolves. But as she dives into her family history and figures out her new abilities, vampires wait in the shadows . . .

- A supernatural graphic novel about community and coming-of-age
- A strong, inspiring young protagonist of color
- LGBTQIA+ positive

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Price: HC: \$16.99

Pages: 256 • Trim: 6 x 9 • Ages: 12-15

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"A wonderful tale of friendship, family, and forgiveness."

—**Booklist**





Dead Max Comix

Fur Ball of the Apocalypse: Book 4

Middle school can be a survival of “fitting-in,” at best. In Dead Max Comix, Derrick discovers that his secrets aren’t really unusual. A light-hearted touch at accepting yourself and finding your own “pack”.

- Derrick deals with usual middle school struggles, with some unique twists
- Addresses topics such as bullying, first crushes, and developing self-confidence, which will relate to all kids going through the same
- Appeals to fans of **Dog Man** who have grown beyond its core audience

Red Chair Press

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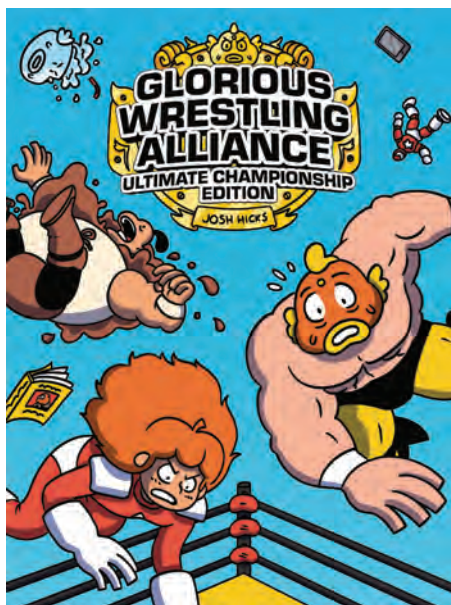
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Glorious Wrestling Alliance

Ultimate Championship Edition

Step into the ring at Glorious Wrestling Alliance, the universe’s least-professional wrestling company. Collected in colossal full color for the first time, this hilarious love letter to pro wrestling covers identity, anxiety, and leg drops.

- *GLOW* meets *Bojack Horseman* in a sharp, thoughtful, and hysterically funny pro-wrestling comedy
- Comparisons to the beloved **Scott Pilgrim** series by award-winning comics writer Kieron Gillen
- Stylish artwork and endless laughs
- Connection to a large, enduring fan culture

Graphic Universe™

Price: PB: \$14.99

Pages: 112 • Trim: 6½ x 8¾ • Ages: 14-18

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“Spine-crushing fun.”

—Kirkus Reviews

Medical Breakthroughs

Explore major medical events and scientific breakthroughs—from the discovery of penicillin to the first heart transplant. With high-interest graphic novel art, these nonfiction titles spotlight famous figures behind notable discoveries and present complex STEM concepts in a fun, inviting fashion.

- Eventful narrative non-fiction
- Stylish, colorful artwork
- Engaging presentation of complex concepts

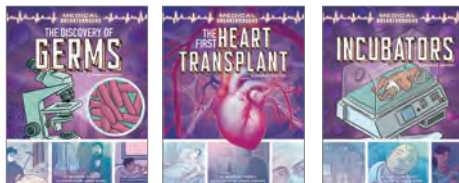
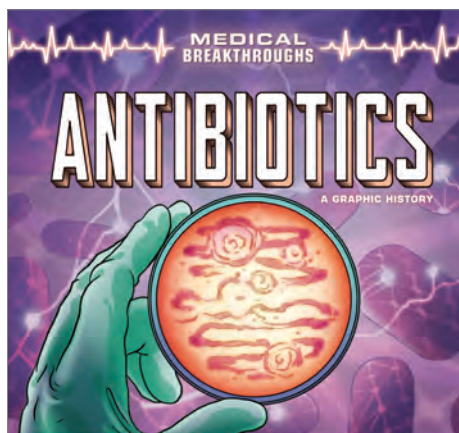
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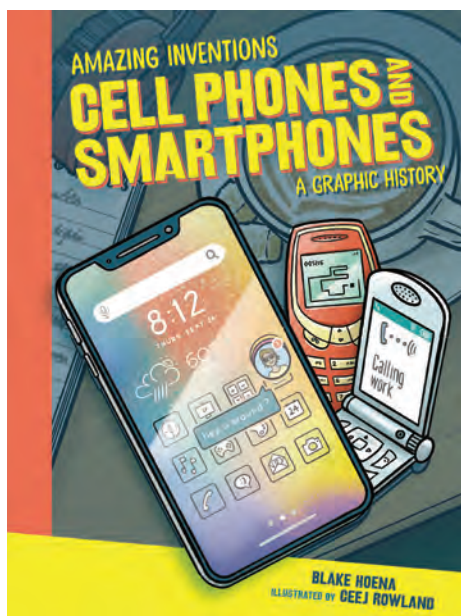
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Amazing Inventions

Discover true stories of invention behind coveted pop-culture objects—from sneakers to smartphones. With high-interest graphic novel art, these books profile the products' creators and innovators, as well as the scientific or technical developments that made the inventions possible. The books also cover social history, revealing how people's needs in a particular period led to creative solutions.

- High-interest stories showing how inventions—and societal trends—evolve over time
- Informative back matter supports more exploration of the topics

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★“A fascinating look at the relationship between technology and music.”

—**Booklist** starred (for *The Electric Guitar*)



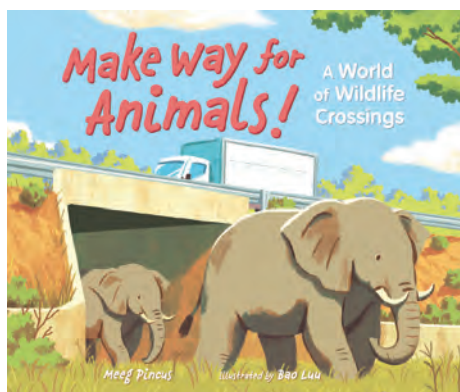
Make Way for Animals!

A World of Wildlife Crossings

Meeg Pincus, illus. Bao Luu

Around the world, roads have cut off animals from the resources they need to survive. Fortunately, this problem has also inspired some creative solutions! Take a tour of wildlife crossings from badger bridges to penguin pipelines.

- Showcases a wide variety of innovative animal crossings from around the globe
- Highlights the role of scientists, activists, and others in solving environmental problems
- Back matter includes further information about animals crossings and a prompt for kids to design their own animal crossings



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Pages: 32 • Trim: 10% x 8% • Ages: 5-9

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Rumble and Roar

Sound around the World

Sue Fliess, illus. Khoa Le

The thump of a heartbeat, the chirp of insects, the roar of a waterfall—sound is all around! Rhyming text and atmospheric illustrations present four children encountering all sorts of sounds.

- A gorgeous look at the many types of sound that exist all around us
- A companion book to *Flash and Gleam: Light in Our World*
- Back matter includes more information about the science of sound and some of the key phenomena in the book (such as elephant communication and avalanches)

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Pages: 32 • Trim: 9¾ x 9¾ • Ages: 4-8

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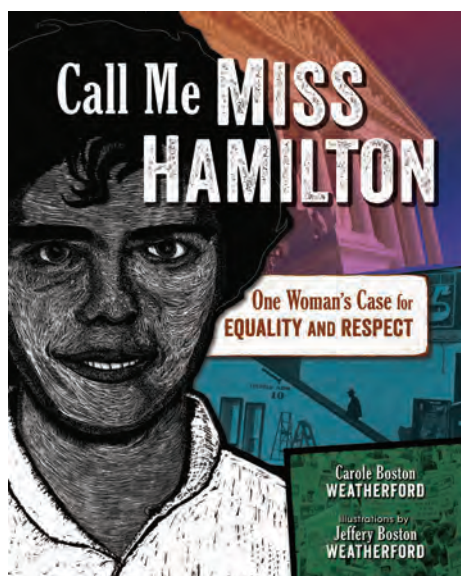
One Woman's Case for Equality and Respect

Carole Boston Weatherford

illus. Jeffery Boston Weatherford

Discover the story of Civil Rights activist Mary Hamilton, a Black woman who took a stand for respect—with a case that went all the way to the Supreme Court of the United States—and won.

- An inspiring true story about an important Civil Rights activist whose story hasn't been told in book form until now
- Written in free verse by the award-winning author of *UNSPEAKABLE: The Tulsa Race Massacre*, long-listed for the 2021 National Book Award for Young People's Literature
- Distinctive digital scratchboard illustrations from Jeffery Boston Weatherford, in his picture book debut



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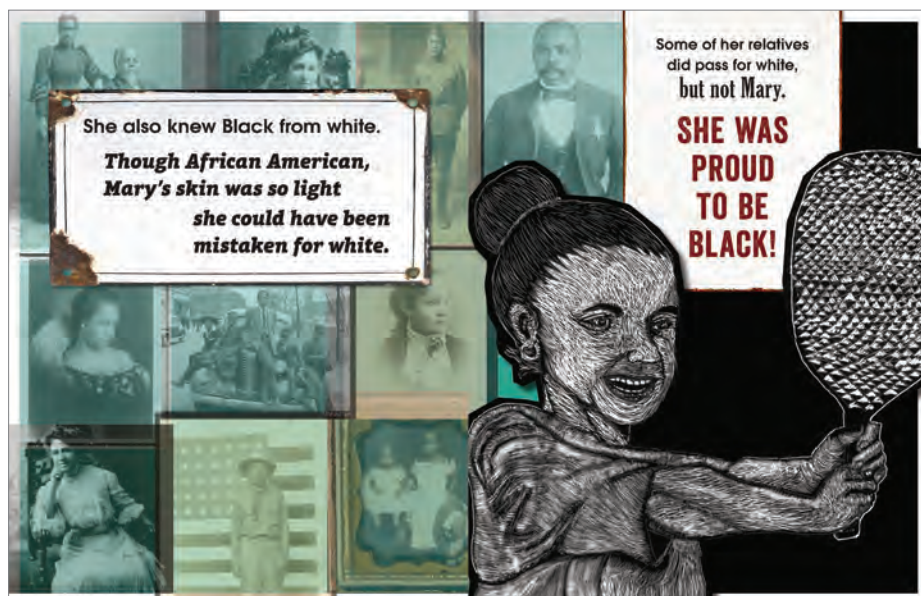
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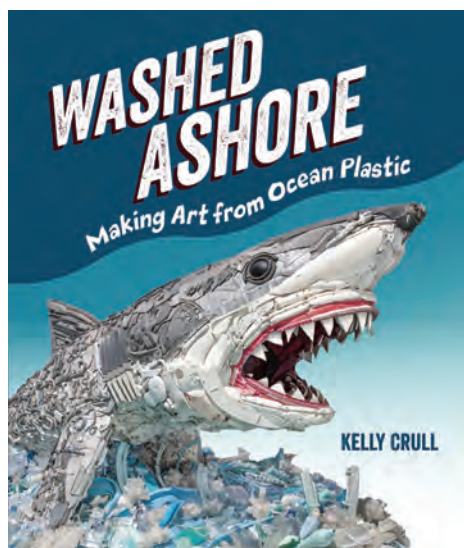
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Washed Ashore

Making Art from Ocean Plastic

Kelly Crull

Biology meets art in this book with photos of incredible animal sculptures created from ocean trash. The sculptures are accompanied by key facts about the featured animals and tips for how to reduce plastic use.

- A great STEAM title, focusing on biology, the environment, and art
- Each spread with a sculpture has a seek and find element along the bottom, encouraging readers to look closely for different items used to create the sculpture
- Back matter includes instructions for how readers can collect plastic trash and create their own sculptures

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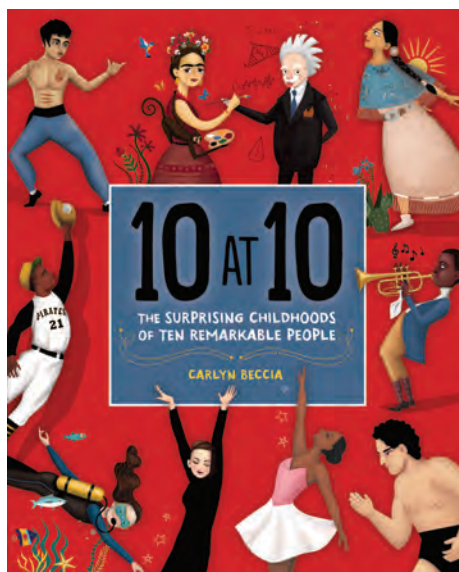
10 at 10

The Surprising Childhoods of Ten Remarkable People

Carlyn Beccia

At age ten, Audrey Hepburn evaded the Nazis. What was Roberto Clemente doing at that age? Or Albert Einstein? Discover the fascinating childhoods behind ten of history's most famous figures.

- Fun, browseable format appeals to even the most reluctant readers
- Illustrated timelines add context and interest
- A diverse range of people profiled, including Audrey Hepburn, Albert Einstein, Bruce Lee, and Andre the Giant, among others



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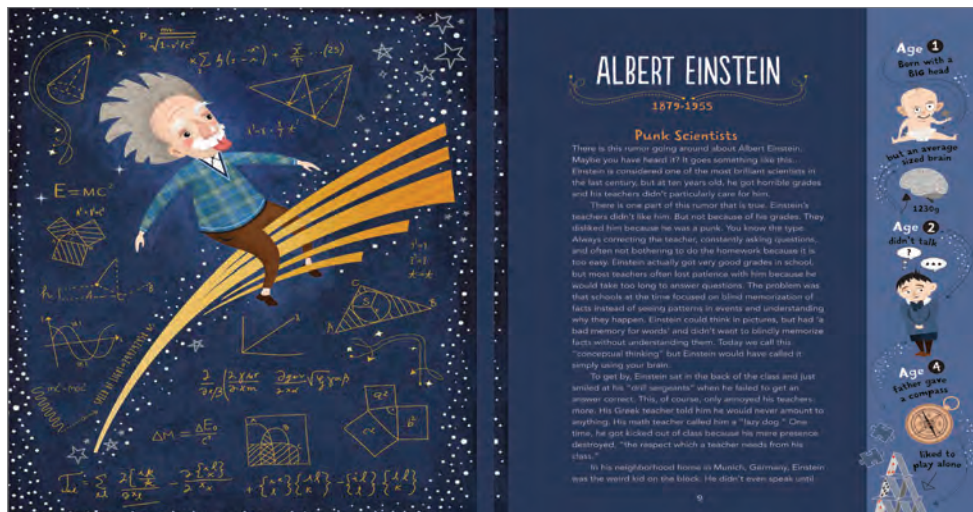
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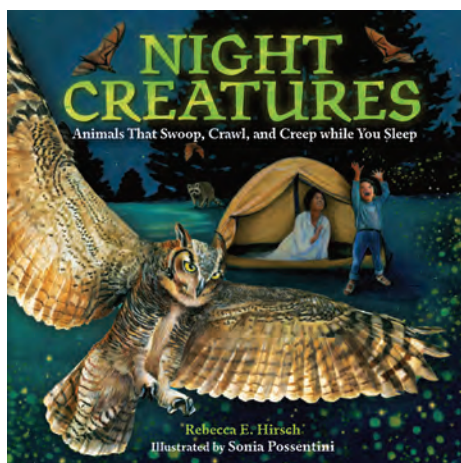
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"Rhythmic and soothing, just right for a bedtime story. . . . Well executed."

—Kirkus Reviews

Night Creatures

Animals That Swoop, Crawl, and Creep while You Sleep

Rebecca E. Hirsch, *illus.* Sonia Possentini

As the sun sets, night creatures wake. They race and chase, dart and leap. A parent and child camp out in their rural backyard, observing the nocturnal animals in this evocative and informative picture book.

- A gorgeously illustrated peek at what animals do while we sleep
- Beautiful, atmospheric illustrations by Sonia Possentini
- Lyrical text with great read-aloud potential
- Informative back matter delves deeper into the lives of crepuscular, nocturnal, and diurnal animals

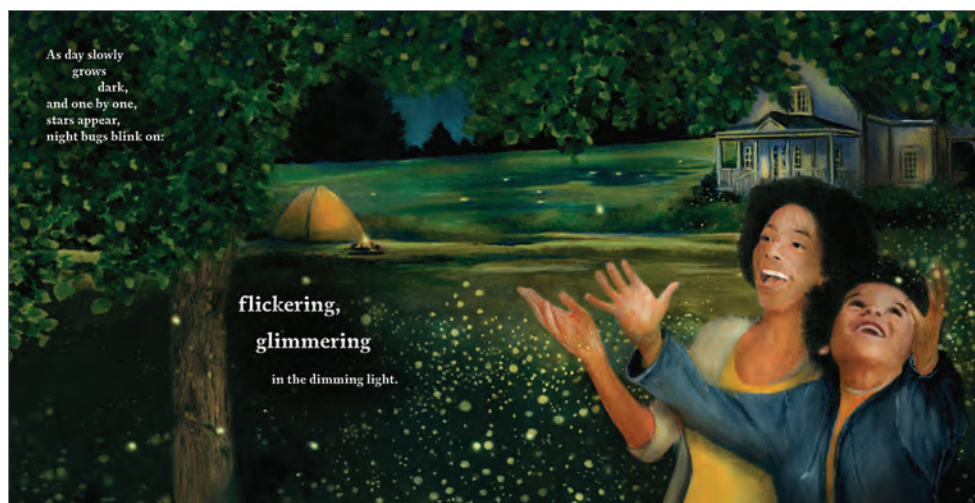
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How to Make a Book (about My Dog)

Chris Barton, illus. Sarah Horne

There's more to a book than just the author and illustrator. Follow the creation of a book (about Ernie the dog) from manuscript to bookshelf in this humorously self-aware nonfiction picture book.

- A fun and fresh look at how books are made
- Combines humor and accurate information about the book-making process

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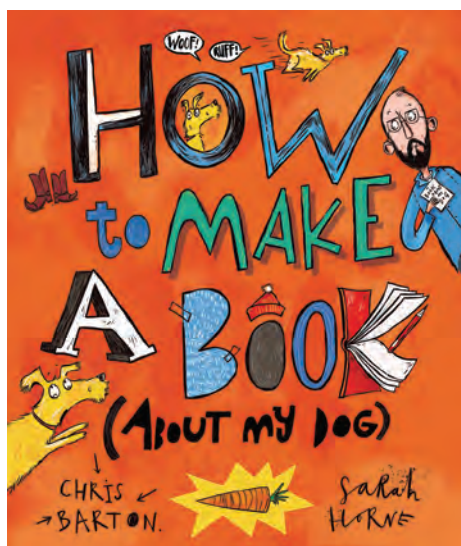
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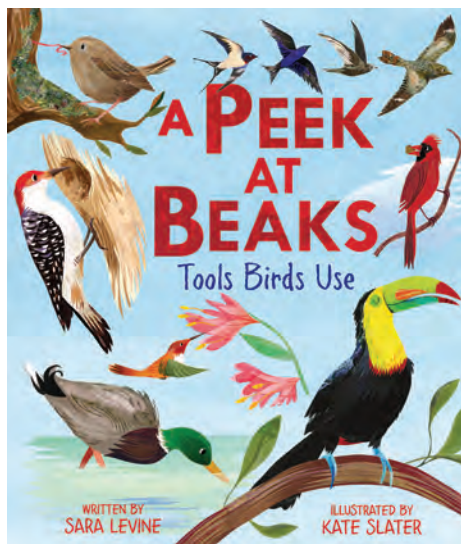
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★ “[A]n entertaining and informative introduction to the world of birds and how they survive and thrive.”

—starred, *School Library Journal*

A Peek at Beaks

Tools Birds Use

Sara Levine, illus. Kate Slater

What kind of bird has a beak like a jackhammer? A woodpecker! What kind has a beak like a straw? A hummingbird! This playful picture book keeps readers guessing as they discover how birds’ beaks resemble—and can be used like—tools.

- Playful guessing game format keeps readers engaged
- Gorgeous mixed-media collage art from Kate Slater
- Back matter includes information about why bird beaks come in so many different shapes and sizes and touches on how evolution works
- From the author of *Tooth by Tooth*, *Bone by Bone*, *Flower Talk*, and more

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Hidden Animal Colors

Jane Park

Some animals look plain at first glance, but they have a hidden surprise! Meet animals with unexpected flashes of color—blue tongues, orange teeth, pink sweat, and more! Brilliant photos accompany rhyming nonfiction text in this playful exploration of animal colors.

- Fun, rhyming text leads to a surprise reveal with each page turn
- High-impact photos of fascinating and colorful animals
- Appeals to children's sense of wonder when exploring nature



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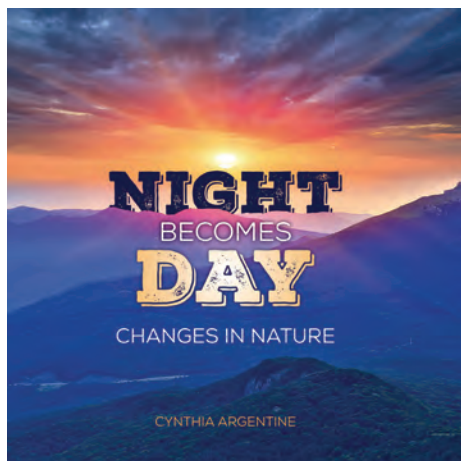
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Night Becomes Day

Changes in Nature

Cynthia Argentine

Change can be colorful—like leaves in fall. Change can be slow—like a river carving a canyon. Explore the transformative power of nature's processes all around us.

- High-impact nature photos
- Expository text leaves room for curious readers to explore and ask questions
- Extensive back matter includes further information about the science of the changes featured in the book, bringing in concepts from biology, geology, chemistry, and physics

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Robo-Motion

Robots That Move Like Animals

Linda Zajac

It's a bird, it's a plane, it's a . . . robo-hummingbird? Meet robots inspired by animals that race through water like fish, run like cheetahs, jump like a kangaroo, swarm through the sky like honeybees, and more!

- Cool photos of cutting-edge robot technology
- Familiar animals will engage young readers as they discover new tech
- High-interest STEM content highlighting both animal behavior and technology

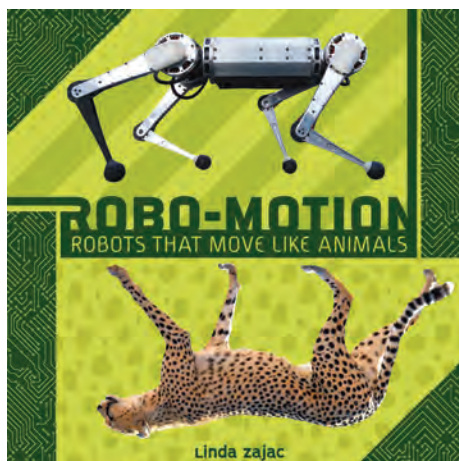
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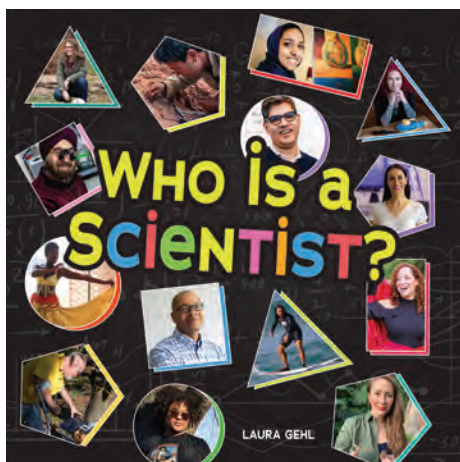


★ *"Delightful, motivating, and thought-provoking—a winner for any bookshelf."*

—starred, **Kirkus Reviews**



Crabster CR200 is an underwater robot that's the size of a small car. Like a crab, it's sturdy and stable as it crawls through pounding surf and pulling tides. Crabster was made to explore the seafloor, respond to oil spills, search for shipwrecks, and check underwater pipelines.



Who Is a Scientist?

Laura Gehl

Scientists work hard in the lab and in the field to make important discoveries. But that's not all—they also love to dance, fly drones, eat French fries, and more! Meet fourteen phenomenal and diverse scientists.

- Features a wonderfully diverse group of scientists with respect to race, ethnicity, religious practice, physical abilities, age, and sexuality
- Spotlights high-interest STEM careers that are aspirational for young readers
- Covers each scientist's field of study as well as their hobby

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★ *"The photographs reflect the world's diversity . . . Both selection of information and presentation have been thoughtfully designed to appeal to young readers. Convincing evidence that readers, too, might become scientists."*

—starred, *Kirkus Reviews*



She studies the weather.

She also loves to dance, play volleyball, and eat chocolate.



Isha M. Renta López releases weather balloons and prepares weather forecasts. When there is a big weather event, such as a blizzard or a hurricane, she works with emergency response teams, the government, the media, and the public to make sure everyone knows what is happening and how to stay safe.

Sensational Senses

Amazing Ways Animals Perceive the World

Rebecca E. Hirsch

Humans have five senses. Some animals have extraordinary senses and can perceive things we can't. Discover how animals including star-nosed moles, elephants, and mantis shrimp use their senses to find food, navigate, and communicate.

- High interest approach with cool animal photos
- Written by accomplished science author Rebecca E. Hirsch

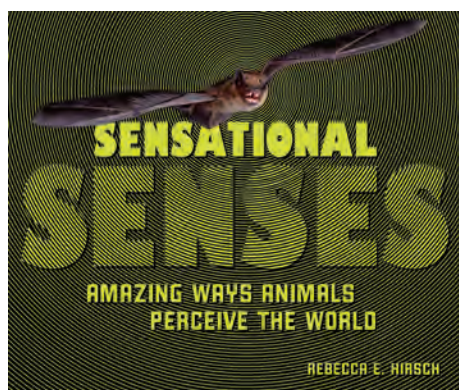
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Little Killers The Ferocious Lives of Puny Predators

Sneed B. Collard III

Meet some of the world's most impressive predators! Small creatures can make a huge impact, changing ecosystems, controlling pests, and even taking down much larger creatures. Discover the amazing lives of these voracious killers.

- An intriguing look into the lives of these tiny predators
- Highlights how small animals can be just as ferocious as large predators
- Examines environmental concerns including climate change and the impact of losing tiny predators

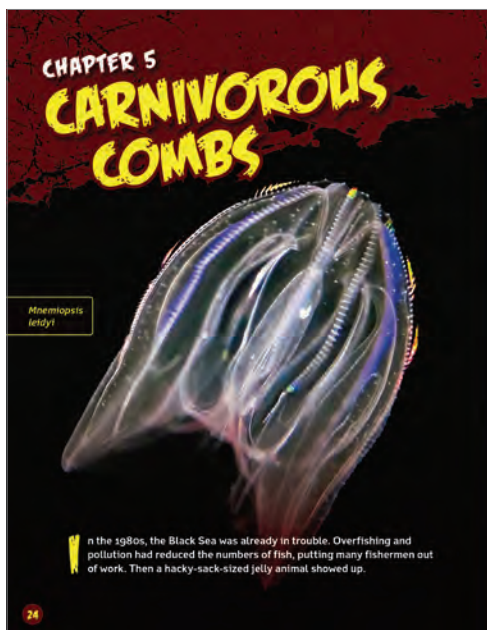
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The animal was called *Mnemiopsis leidyi* (NEH-mee-OP-sis LAY-dee-eye), and it probably arrived in a ship's ballast water. Empty ships pump ballast water into their hulls to make them more stable during a voyage. At the end of the voyage, they usually dump the water at their new location. Unfortunately, the water often carries harmful hitchhikers with it. Sometime around 1982 a ship dumped one or more *Mnemiopsis* into the Black Sea.

It was a disaster.

Within several years, the Black Sea ecosystem had almost entirely collapsed. Fishing boats could barely catch any fish. Other animals all across the food web disappeared. Why? Because *Mnemiopsis* had gobbled up the fish larvae, fish eggs, and tiny zooplankton that the Black Sea ecosystem depended on.

DEADLY BEAUTY

Mnemiopsis is a kind of comb jelly, or ctenophore (TEE-no-four). About two hundred species of ctenophores live in the world's oceans and saltwater seas, and they are some of Earth's most beautiful—and hungriest—predators. Most are bioluminescent. They glow a spectacular blue or green color when bumped or attacked.

"Giant" ctenophores can reach more than 4 feet (1.3 m) long, but most range from smaller than a pea to just a few inches long. At first glance, ctenophores look like jellyfish. Many have gelatinous, see-through bodies. They also feed on many of the same tiny creatures as jellyfish do. Ctenophores, though, are a separate group of animals.

Ctenophores get their name *comb jellies* from eight rows of combs on their bodies. These combs are filled with clusters of cilia that beat in waves or ripples up and down the combs. As the cilia move, they row the

ZOOPLANKTON IS ANOTHER WORD FOR PLANKTONIC ANIMALS. PHYTOPLANKTON REFERS TO PLANTS, OR ALGAE, THAT ARE PLANKTONIC.



Ctenophores, or comb jellies, are some of Earth's most beautiful and important ocean animals.

The Adventures of Dr. Sloth

Rebecca Cliffe and Her Quest to Protect Sloths

Suzi Eszterhas

Scientists know surprisingly little about sloths, but Becky Cliffe is working to change that. Visit the steamy jungles of Central and South America to see these adorable animals up close—and find out ways to protect them.

- An engaging introduction to the surprisingly interesting lives of these adorable animals
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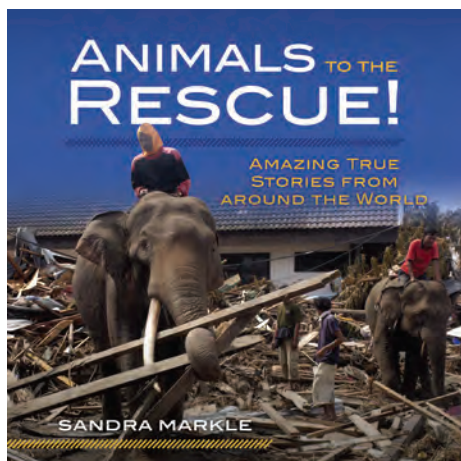
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Amazing True Stories from around the World

Sandra Markle

Did you know that rats can be heroes? So can a humpback whale! Discover incredible true stories about animals that have rescued humans and other animals in a book sure to appeal to animal lovers everywhere.

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- The heroic animals include a humpback whale, a lamb, African giant pouched rats, and a guide dog

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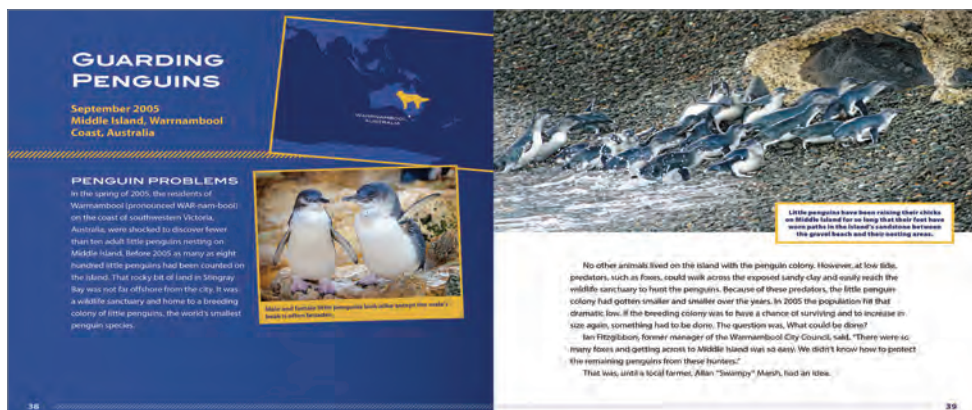
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The Mission to Save a Galápagos Giant

Kate Messner

Take a journey to the Galápagos Islands to see Galápagos giant tortoises up close and discover how cutting-edge technology is helping scientists study and protect these gentle giants. Page Plus links in the book lead to videos of scientists in the field.

- A compelling look at the lives of Galápagos tortoises
- Lots of appeal for animal lovers
- The book explores extinction, migration, evolution, and climate change

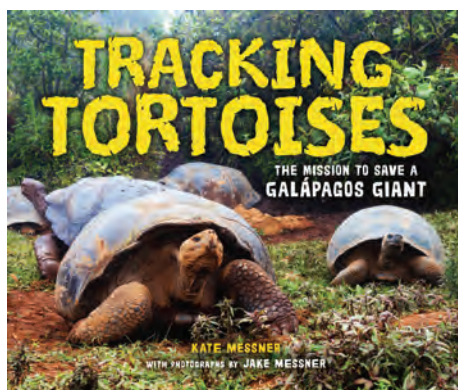
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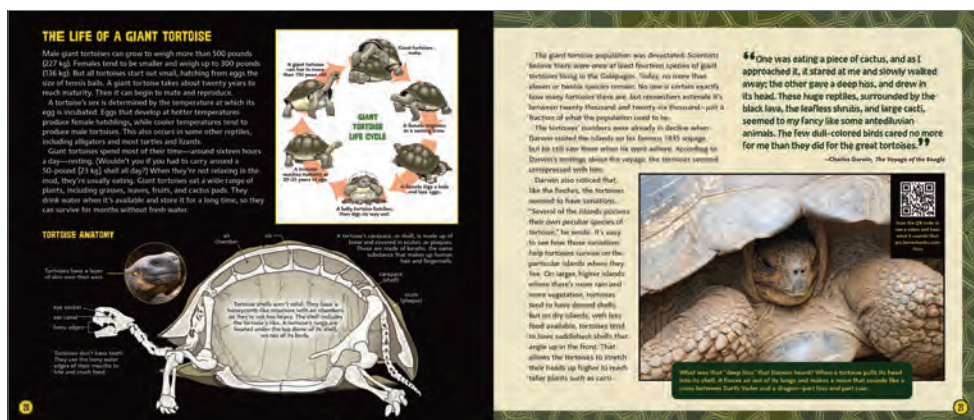
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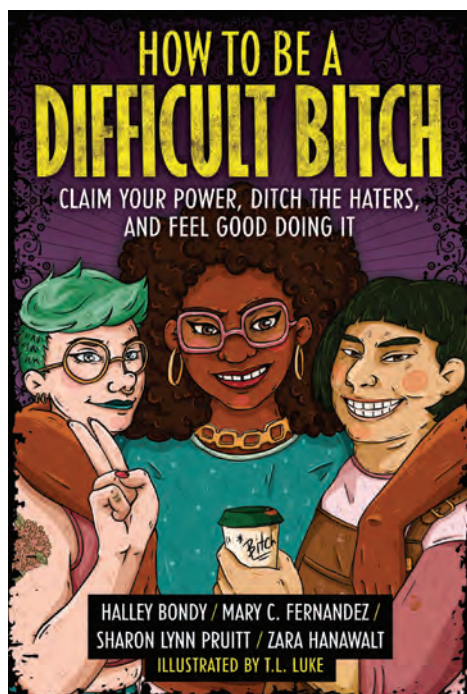


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How to Be a Difficult Bitch

Claim Your Power, Ditch the Haters, and Feel Good Doing It

Halley Bondy; Mary C. Fernandez; Sharon Lynn Pruitt-Young; Zara Hanawalt

Being a powerhouse is a choice, a lifestyle, a code of ethics. It takes work, a thick skin, and perseverance. Learn the basics of being a Difficult Bitch, from school to friends to body to life.

- Empowers teens to love and stand up for themselves and those around them
- Filled with funny but important poignant messages
- Contributions from a diverse group of writers explore the realities of reclaiming the term "difficult bitch" for people of different ethnic backgrounds, abilities, and gender identities

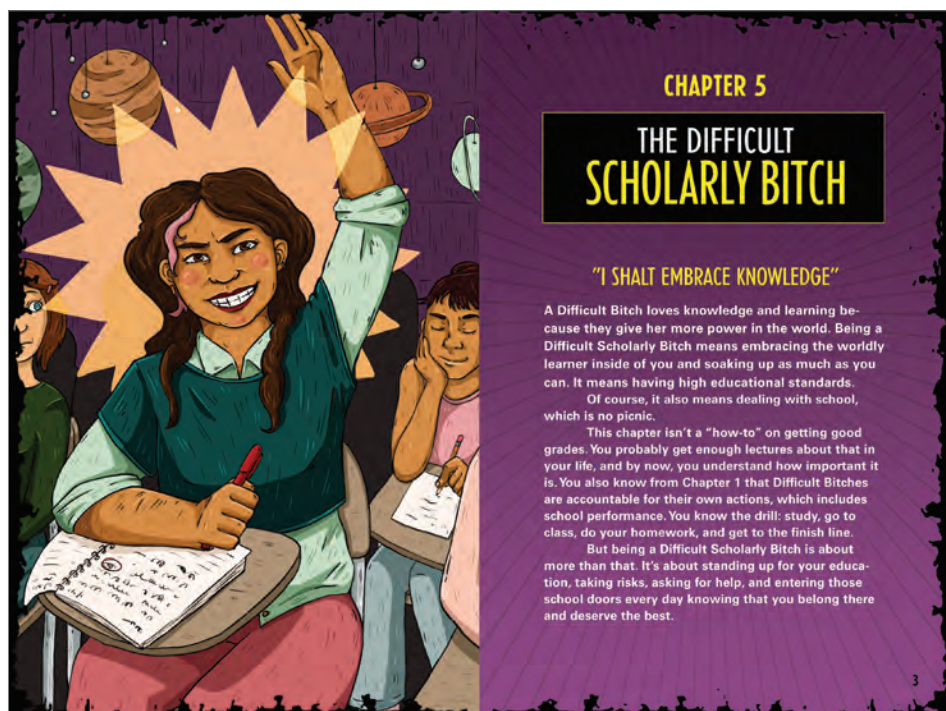
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Why We're Making Hybrids, Chimeras, and Clones

Jeff Campbell

Modern genetic technology has the potential to remake animals in almost any way we can imagine. With reassuring, wry humor, *Glowing Bunnies!?* explores the possibilities, dangers, and ethical issues of bioengineering.

- A fun, factual book about new ventures in animal bioengineering by an award-winning author
- Raises pertinent questions about the ethics of bioengineering
- Features bizarre, unique megafauna

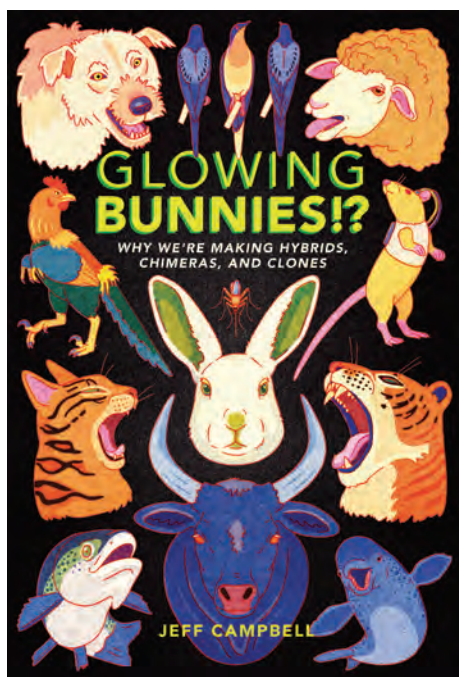
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Among wild species, lions are the only social cats. They hunt by day in female-led packs in wide-open savannas, their tawny fur blending seamlessly into tall dry grasses.

Tigers, meanwhile, are solitary. They live and hunt alone in forests at night, and their black-and-orange stripes are perfect camouflage in the dappled jungle.

These species used to share habitat across the Middle East, but today the only place where they might meet is a tiny patch of forest in India.

No one ever sees them together. They live entirely separate lives. They are, in fact, different species. Their common ancestor lived about 4.6 million years ago, and split about two hundred years ago, people believed that a lion-tiger hybrid was impossible.

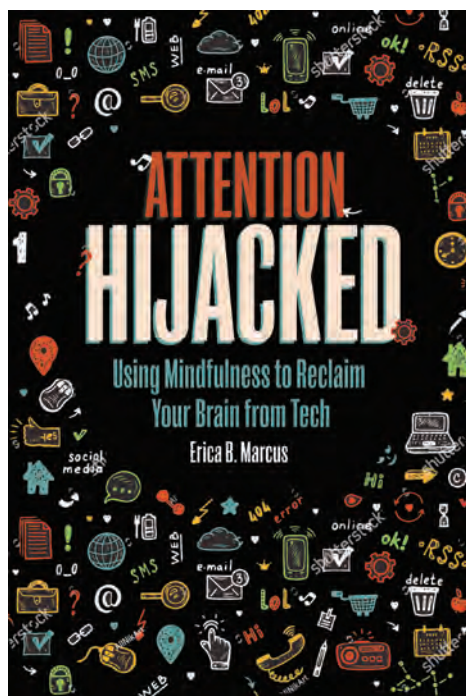
BIRTH OF THE FRANKENCATS

Perhaps it was an accident. A careless keeper left a male lion and a tigress together in the same cage, and instead of attacking each other, they mated, conceived a child, and *voilà!* A liger was born.

Historians don't know when exactly this happened, but the first set of ligers appeared in the 1820s; in the 1830s, two miraculous liger cubs were presented to England's royal family. By then, savvy zookeepers were deliberately crossbreeding lions and tigers to make more.

Naturalists and the public were fascinated. Ligers shouldn't exist, but here they were, a magical blend of both parents—with faint, striping and modest manes, a lion-like tail and a tiger's love of water. They are also gigantic, bigger than either parent. Adults can be over ten feet long and weigh over eight hundred pounds, while lions and tigers, on average, rarely top six hundred pounds.

Conversely, if a male tiger and lioness mate, the resulting child exhibits dwarfism for its smaller than either parent and is called a tigon. Why does this hybrid get a different name? Because most hybrid



Attention Hijacked Using Mindfulness to Reclaim Your Brain from Tech

Erica B. Marcus

Using mindfulness techniques, *Attention Hijacked* offers a roadmap for readers to decide how they want to deal with technology, exploring the ways technology impacts the individual, dispelling common misinformation, and using this knowledge to make personalized decisions.

- Empowers teens with information and strategies to create their own healthy technology diet
- Addresses some of the common narratives and misinformation around technology
- Focuses on all types of technology use, not just social media

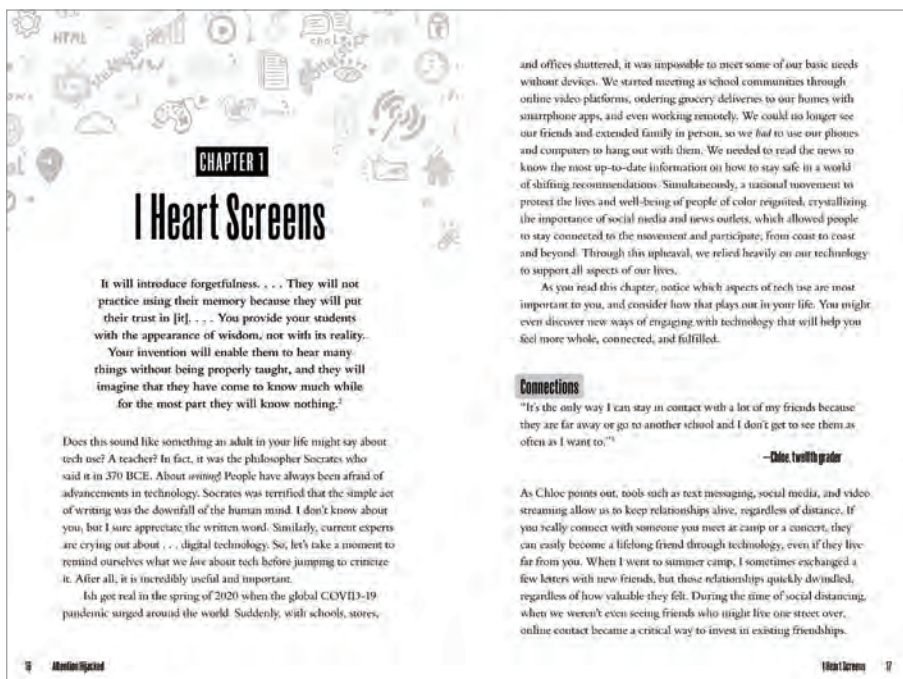
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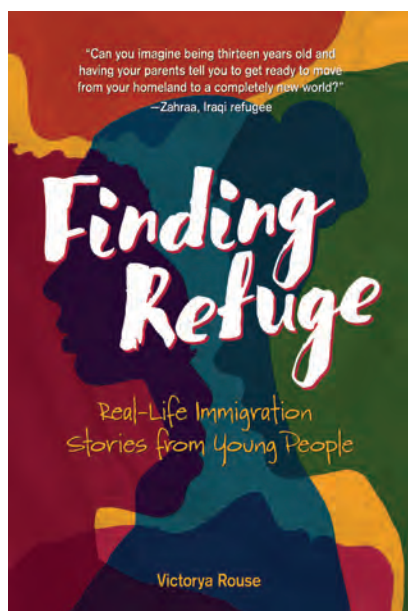
Finding Refuge

Real-Life Immigration Stories from Young People

Victorya Rouse

English teacher Victorya Rouse has assembled a collection of true stories told by teens who know firsthand what it means to leave a beloved but unsafe homeland for a distant place where everyone speaks another language.

- An essential anthology for anyone interested in the world's immigration debates
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- Includes maps and background information on writers' home countries and regions



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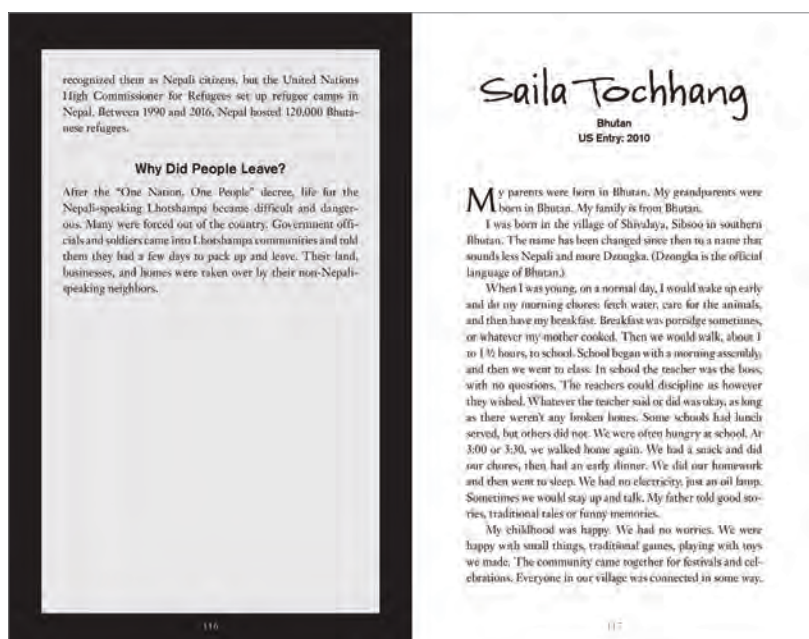
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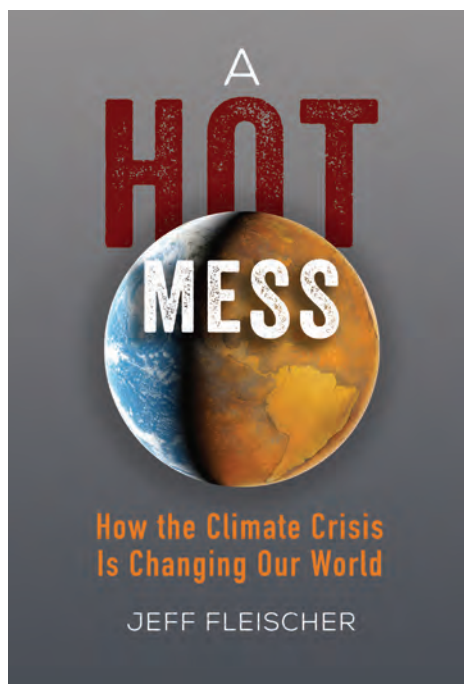
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A Hot Mess

How the Climate Crisis Is Changing Our World

Jeff Fleischer

Drawing on real-life situations and stories, journalist Jeff Fleischer takes an informed, approachable look at how our world will change as a result of the climate crisis, addressing sea levels, extreme weather, drought, extinction, and migration.

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- Debunks common myths, as well as focusing on the human impact of climate change
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temperature. Just as he calculated that lower levels of carbon would make the planet colder, he theorized that higher levels would make things warmer. He actually saw increasing carbon levels as positive and maybe even something worth trying to do on purpose, but he also lived in a colder time. And in Sweden, which was pretty cold to begin with.

These scientists' work on climate change focused on the big picture. The study of short-term, year-by-year emissions began in the second half of the twentieth century.

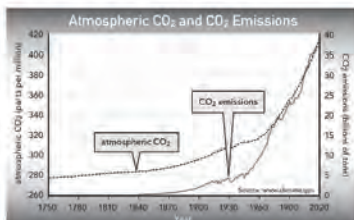
One important step in tracking climate change was to consistently measure the amount of carbon in the atmosphere. In the late 1950s, scientist David Keeling and the California-based Scripps Institution of Oceanography set up a climate monitoring station in Hawaii, on the slope of the Mauna Loa volcano. They chose the volcano because it was more than 11,000 feet (3,350 m) above sea level and because the surrounding lava kept the station away from vegetation, soil, and human activity—any of which might affect the accuracy of the measurements.

Starting in 1958, the observatory measured the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere—and it took only a few months to determine that the numbers were slowly going up. The U.S. government got involved a few years later when the National Science Foundation started funding the research. In 1963, the foundation issued a warning about the dangers of the increased carbon in the atmosphere. When computer technology started advancing in the 1960s, researchers were able to build computer models that used the collected data from the past and present to start predicting the future of climate change.

The Mauna Loa observations were groundbreaking, and the observatory's ongoing research is important, but it's hardly the only source of data. With the risk becoming clear, more scientists around the world started studying the amount of greenhouse gases

in the atmosphere and their impact on the global climate. Dozens of stations began conducting similar research. They used satellites, radiosonde transmitters attached to weather balloons, radar technology, and other tools to collect more data. Their findings have backed up the steady increase American scientists were seeing, and climate science became an increasingly important field of study.

The data from Mauna Loa and other stations showed that the amount of carbon in the atmosphere was going up consistently and rising more dramatically as time went along. That ever-growing curve from 1958 to the present is nicknamed the "Keeling Curve," after the founder of the observatory. As we learned more about the amount of carbon that was in the atmosphere before 1958, the curve started to look even more dramatic.



The Keeling Curve demonstrates a sharp rise in atmospheric carbon dioxide that correlates strongly with the amount of carbon dioxide emitted by human activities. Until the Industrial Revolution, atmospheric carbon dioxide levels were fairly stable.

Science and the Skeptic

Discerning Fact from Fiction

Marc Zimmer

Fake news and pseudoscience have unprecedented reach on modern platforms. Chemistry professor Marc Zimmer explains how science is done, why some people want to trick others, why false information is dangerous, and empowers readers to identify trustworthy sources with 25 easy-to-follow rules.

- Deep and thorough discussion of quackery and pseudoscience, which distinguishes this book from similar titles about fake news
- Readers need no scientific training, knowledge, or skills to learn the tools contained in this book
- Based on author's recently published book for adults on the same topic (*The State of Science: What the Future Holds and the Scientists Making It Happen*)

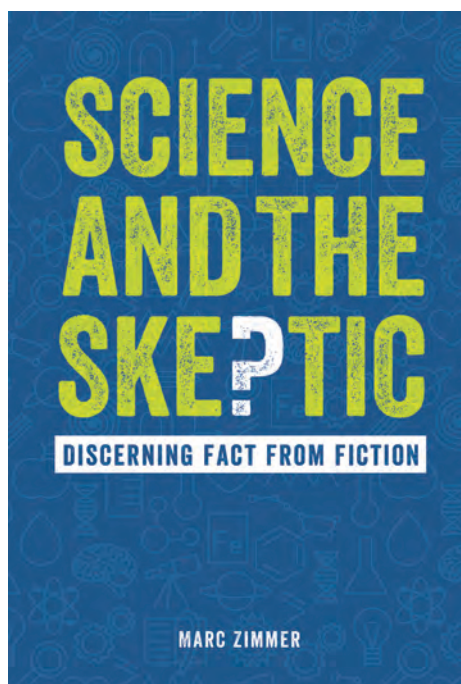
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Nature in Crisis

Rebecca E. Hirsch

In the face of rapidly declining bird populations, read about the vast impacts birds have on ecosystems, food systems, and our mental health and what we can do to protect them.

- STEM biology content focusing on life cycles, food production, threatened species, biodiversity, ecosystems, and environmental interdependence
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- Explores an aspect of climate change and extinction that is often overlooked in media

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In May 1850, Simon Pokagon stepped out of his wigwam. The twenty-year-old Potawatomi Indian was camped out near the headwaters of the Manistee River in northern Michigan. There, a loud, strange rumbling sound greeted him. It sounded like an army of horses with sleigh bells was advancing through the woods. Pokagon listened carefully. No, he decided, the sound wasn't the beating of horse hooves and the ringing of sleigh bells. It must be distant thunder. Yet the sky was clear.

Nearer and nearer came the mysterious sound. At last, the source of the rumbling came into view—a flying mass of millions of pigeons. He stood as still as a statue, with birds flying all around him. "They passed like a cloud through the branches of the big



Shooting passenger pigeons, which are now extinct, for sport in Louisiana, 1870s.

trees, through the underbrush and over the ground," he later wrote. They were passenger pigeons (scientific name *Ectopistes migratorius*), pretty birds a little bigger than mourning doves. The males were slate blue on top with coppery undersides. The females were brownish. The birds flapped their long, tapered wings and landed all around—on the branches, on the ground, on his head, on his shoulders. The fluttering of their wings and the ringing of their chatter were deafening.

Pokagon had watched passenger pigeons all his life. In the early nineteenth century, when he was a boy, they were likely the most numerous birds on the planet. Year after year, roughly three billion passenger pigeons migrated north and south through the eastern and midwestern United States and Canada. They flew as far north as Ontario, Quebec, and Nova Scotia and as far south as Texas.

Gender Inequality in Sports

From Title IX to World Titles

Kirstin Cronn-Mills

A comprehensive view of gender inequality in sports, this book details the continued struggle against unequal pay, discrimination, and sexism despite the landmark Title IX legislation.

- Highly relevant to young adults who participate in school sports or know people who participate in sports
- Includes sections on highly recognizable topics including the World Cup-winning US Women's soccer team and Olympic athlete Caster Semenya
- Covers inequality for women and LGBTQ+ individuals

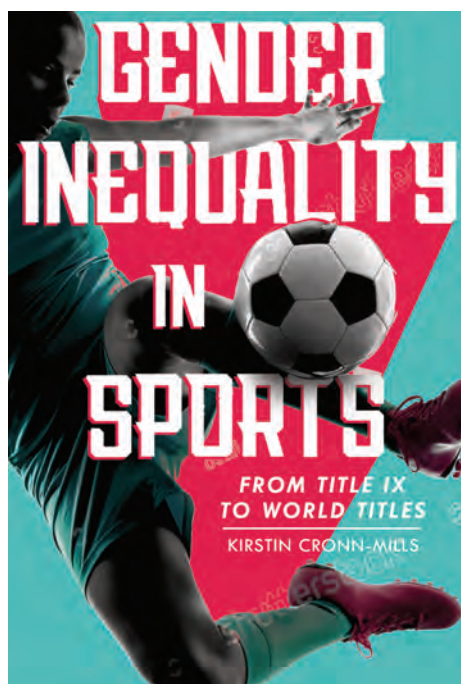
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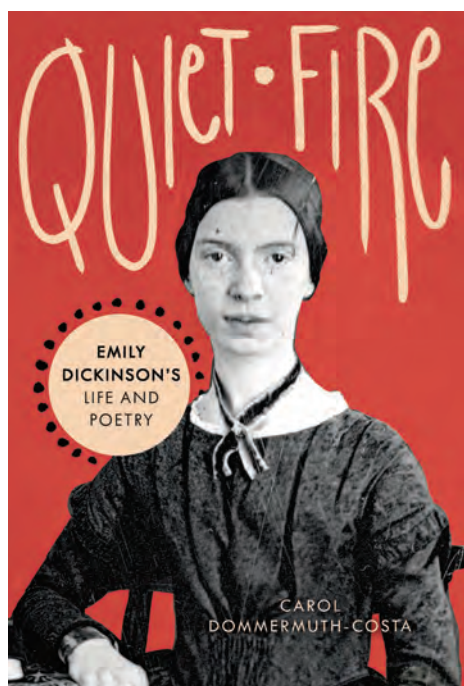
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Emily Dickinson's Life and Poetry

Carol Dommermuth-Costa;

Anna Landsverk

Emily Dickinson is revered as one of America's greatest and most original poets. Using primary source materials including the poet's own letters and poems, *Quiet Fire* presents the life and art of Emily Dickinson to a new generation.

- Young poets and historians alike will delight in this new account of the life of Emily Dickinson
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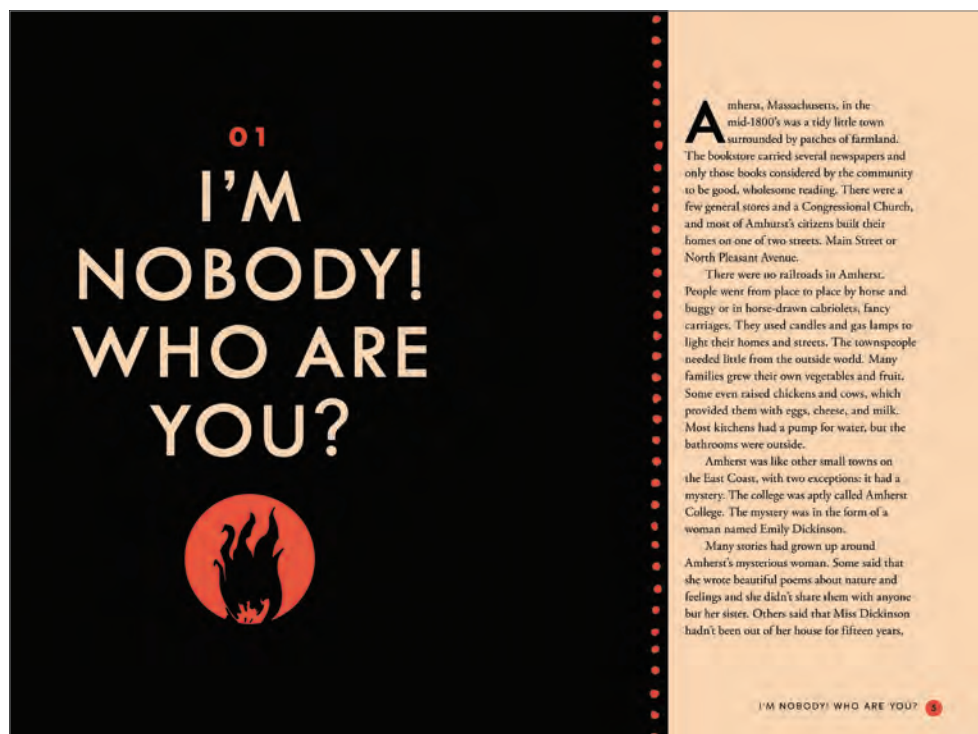
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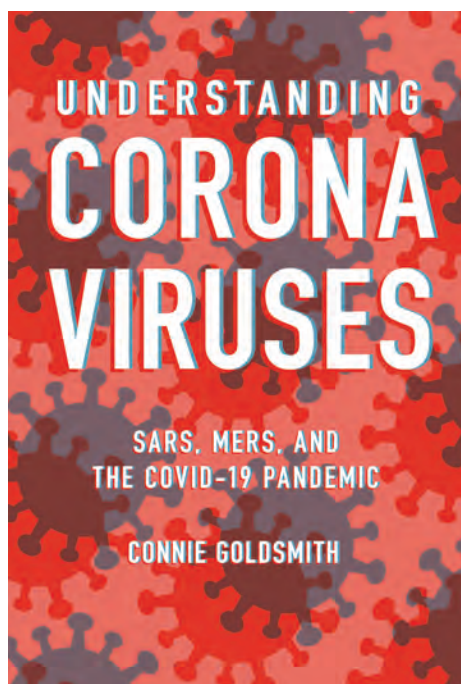
Understanding Coronaviruses

SARS, MERS, and the COVID-19
Pandemic

Connie Goldsmith

While many scientists believed influenza would cause the next pandemic, no one was prepared for the new strain of coronavirus that appeared in 2019. *Understanding Coronaviruses* examines SARS-CoV-2, its origin, its impact on daily life, and how COVID-19 compares to other coronavirus diseases.

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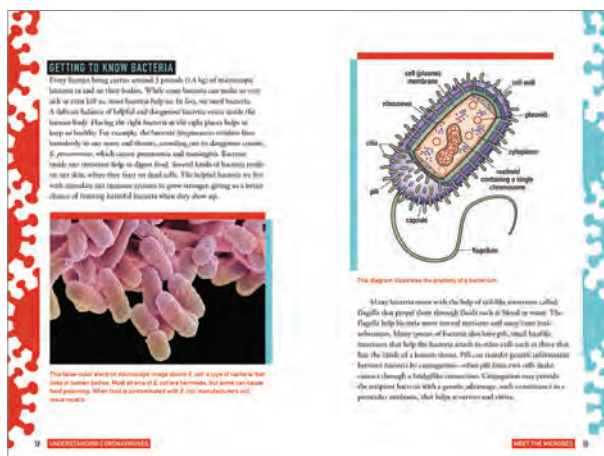
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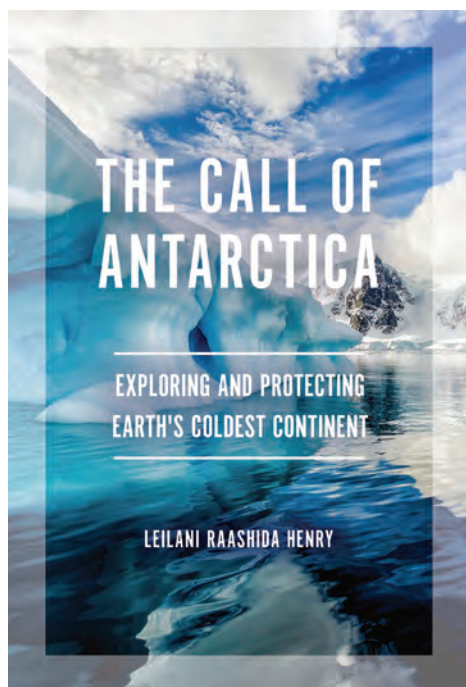
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The Call of Antarctica

Exploring and Protecting Earth's Coldest Continent

Leilani Raashida Henry

Author Leilani Raashida Henry, daughter of the first person of African descent to go to Antarctica, recounts her father's expedition and reveals the incredible geography, biodiversity, and history of the continent.

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American Jaguar

Big Cats, Biogeography, and Human Borders

David C. Louis

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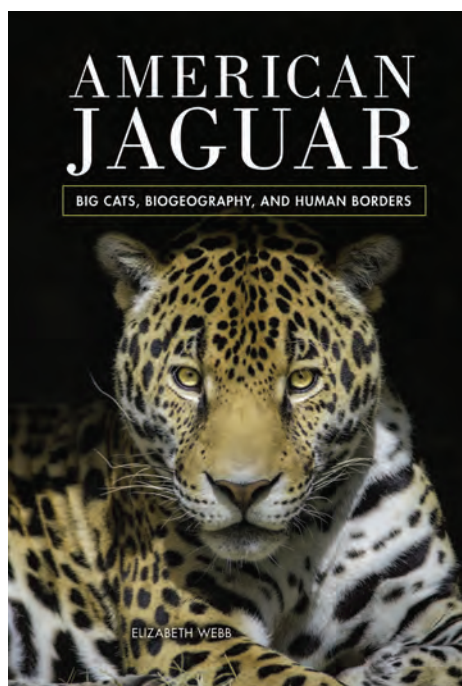
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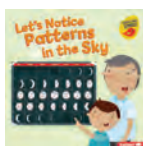
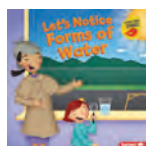
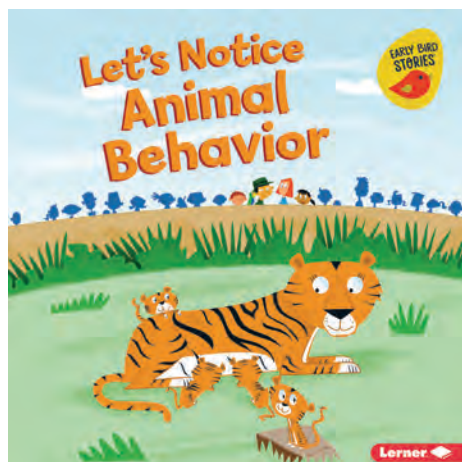
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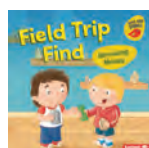
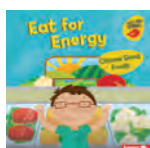
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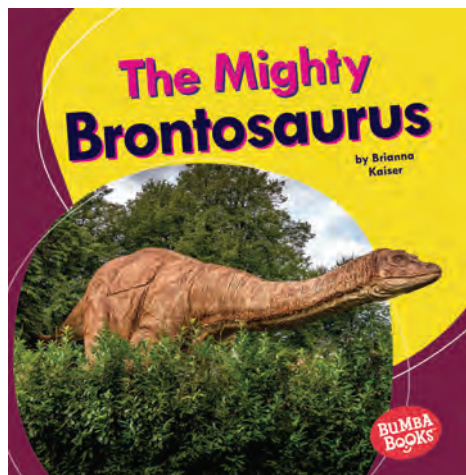
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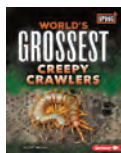
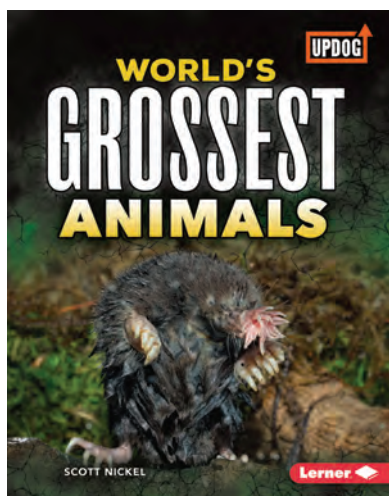
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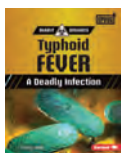
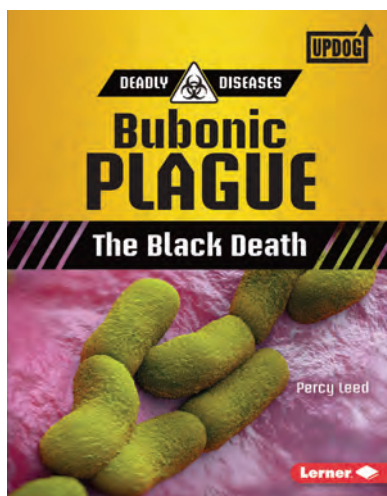
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- A science-focused series that answers all of readers' questions on diseases
- High-interest content keeps reluctant readers engaged and turning the pages
- An interactive feature, Doctor You!, gives readers the opportunity to step into the role of doctor by figuring out which patient has that disease

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Price: PB: \$8.99

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The Real Science of Superpowers (Alternator Books®)

Learn the physics behind superhero powers and how they would operate in the real world. Find out how scientists and engineers are making invisibility, X-ray vision, and super strength possible for mere mortals.

- Fun, superpowered material entices readers to learn important science concepts
- Super You! feature offers a topically related hands-on activity

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Searchlight Books™ — World Traveler

Travel around the world to discover the peoples, cultures, histories, and landscapes of different countries. Sidebars highlight each country's must-see sights and biggest celebrations while a back matter feature points out key fast facts.

- Engaging features include fast facts and maps
- Sidebars highlight must-see sights and popular celebrations
- Introduces key content-area vocabulary

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Searchlight Books™ — My Style

These entertaining titles look at the history of fashion, identify trends, and provide inclusive tips and tricks for developing a personal style. From hair care to accessories, readers learn how to make their look their own.

- An inclusive, encouraging tone invites readers of all identities to explore their style
- Text explains the historical and social context behind meaningful style moments
- Fashion Hack feature provides hands-on engagement

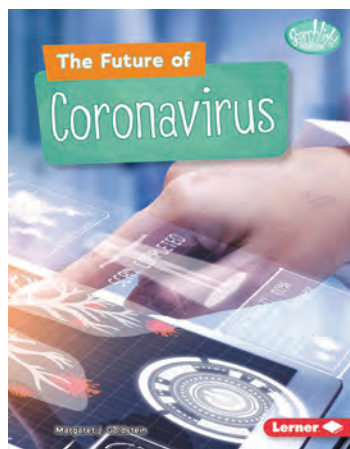
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Searchlight Books™ — Understanding the Coronavirus

Learn about the discovery of the novel coronavirus and track the COVID-19 pandemic as it spreads globally, scientists develop a vaccine, heroes rise up, and the world reacts. This series makes a difficult topic approachable while answering crucial questions.

- A high-interest series with a science and social studies look at the coronavirus and the COVID-19 pandemic
- Key Figure sidebars highlight people who helped others during the pandemic
- STEM Spotlight sidebars allow readers to see how science is a part of everyday life

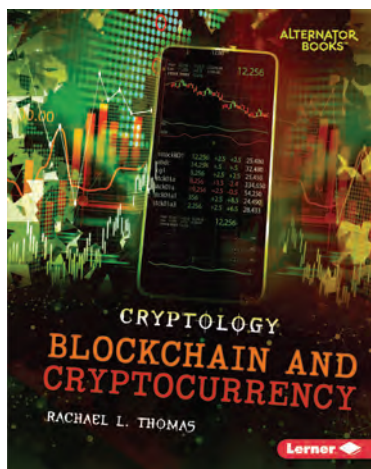
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Cryptology (Alternator Books®)

Enter the exciting world of cryptology, the science of secret communications. Discover how cryptologists encode and decode messages and work to keep information secure. Learn about codes and cyphers, as well as historical and current methods of concealing text. And explore the realm of digital currency and blockchain technology that is quickly becoming a key part of the future of finance.

- STEAM Spotlights connect codes to curriculum concepts
- A hands-on activity at the back of each book encourages readers to try creating their own codes

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Pages: 32 • Trim: 7 x 9 • Ages: 8-12

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Magical Creatures

Many legends and stories feature magical creatures. Wouldn't it be exciting if they could come to life? This imaginative, illustrated series for young readers describes those creatures as if they were real! With fun details, vocabulary, and a quiz, readers will learn and test their knowledge about legendary creatures.

- Readers will learn about the myths and legends surrounding each creature
- Each book features a quiz so readers can test their knowledge about legendary creatures

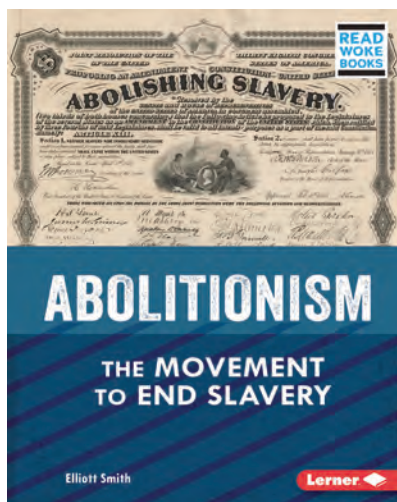
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Price: HC: \$26.65

Pages: 24 • Trim: 8 x 8 • Ages: 5-8

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American Slavery and the Fight for Freedom (Read Woke™ Books)

This examination of slavery in America balances accounts of oppression with true stories of resistance and resilience, centering on the voices of enslaved people.

- Balances discussions of oppression with stories of resistance, both everyday and extraordinary
- Reflection questions prompt deep engagement
- Back matter features include a primary source highlight, activism toolkit, and Read Woke Reading List

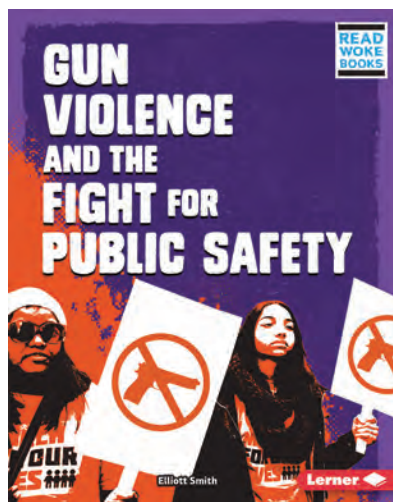
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Issues in Action (Read Woke™ Books)

Examine hard topics facing our society—from gun violence to immigration. Learn how problems developed and hear from underrepresented persons involved in these struggles. Reflection questions help readers challenge their perspectives, while an activism toolkit and a Read Woke reading list empower readers to make a difference.

- Informs readers about hard topics, helps them start conversations, and encourages them to take action
- Read Woke™ Books are created in partnership with Cicely Lewis, the Read Woke librarian

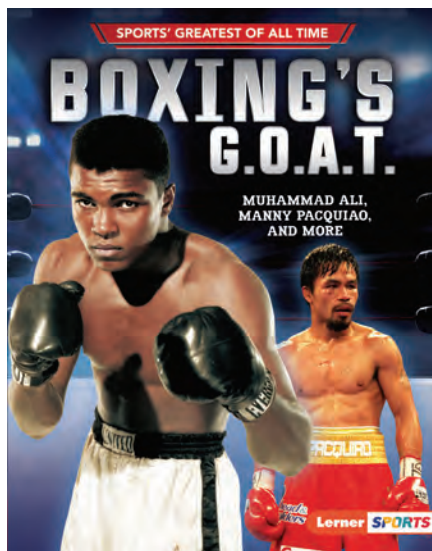
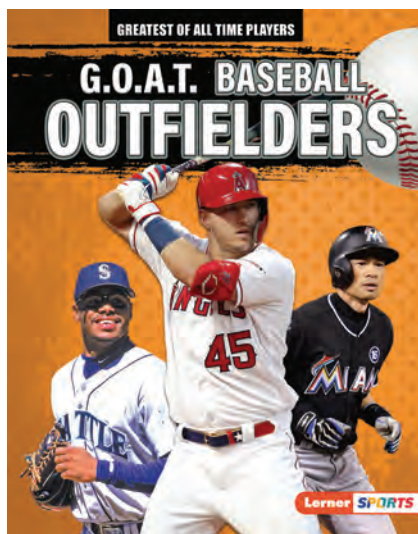
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Greatest of All Time Players (Lerner™ Sports)

Read about the world's greatest athletes who play some of the most important positions in sports. The amazing stats, thrilling moments, and record-breaking performances packed into each book will fascinate sports fans.

- Familiar and unfamiliar sports stars presented in a fun top-10 format
- Action-packed text and photos
- Perfect for sports fans

Lerner Publications™

Price: PB: \$9.99

Pages: 32 • Trim: 6¾ x 9 • Ages: 7-11

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Sports' Greatest of All Time (Lerner™ Sports)

Discover the greatest athletes across the world's most popular sports in a fun, top-ten format! Packed with color photos, exciting stats, and thrilling action, each book is sure to appeal to sports fans.

- Fans will adore learning about sports stars through stats and thrilling facts
- Action-packed text and photos
- Features familiar and less familiar sports superstars

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Sports All-Stars (Lerner™ Sports)

Meet some of the world's most famous athletes, celebrate their biggest games and defining moments, and discover what they like to do for fun. See how these superstars worked hard to achieve their dreams and now inspire others.

- Engaging biographies with unique information about each athlete's training routines
- Perfect for sports fans
- Action-packed text and photos

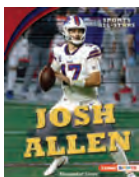
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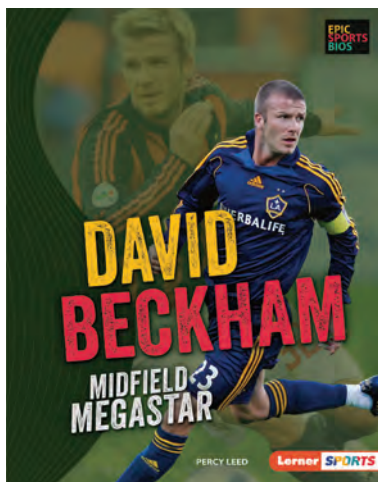
LILLARD OFF THE COURT

Lillard became interested in rap music while hanging out with his older cousins in Oakland.

Lillard was nominated for a 2014 ESPY Award. He also introduced a video featuring rapper Drake.

Lillard is not just a basketball player. He is a father, a musician, and a businessperson. Lillard and his partner, Kayla, have been together since college. In 2018, they had a son, Damian Jr. They had two more kids in 2021, Kali and Kall.

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Super Sports Teams (Lerner™ Sports)

Learn about the history, greatest players, and most iconic moments of the world's most popular sports teams. Chock-full of stats and shareable information, sports fans will love the action-packed, high-interest text and thrilling photos.

- Includes some of the most iconic moments and athletes in sports
- Outlines the past, present, and future of famous teams
- Appeals to sports fans with action-packed text and photos

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Epic Sports Bios (Lerner™ Sports)

Some athletes' careers are so impressive that they become near-mythical figures! Learn about the lives of sports heroes and legends from the past and present. These biographies of the biggest superstars in sports history cover each athlete's rise to the top, their greatest games and successes, and other moments that cemented their status as sports legends.

- Engaging biographies about the most popular and legendary athletes
- Packed full of stats, amazing moments, and thrilling photographs

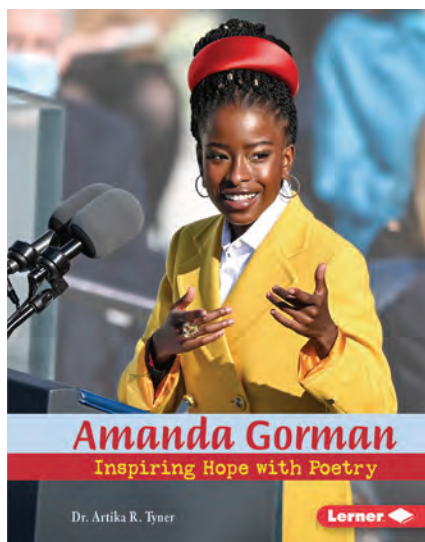
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Gateway Biographies

Discover the human side of newsworthy, historical, and pop culture figures. Each biography is peppered with quotations and childhood stories, accounts of successes and failures, and descriptions of inspirational experiences that influenced the person's achievements.

- Highly readable biographies about contemporary public figures
- Includes quotes and stories that provide an inside look at each subject's life

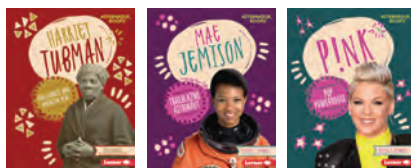
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Boss Lady Bios (Alternator Books®)

Featuring figures from a variety of backgrounds, these books celebrate women who dominate their respective fields.

- Highlights of-the-moment figures young readers can look up to
- Figures are leaders in a variety of fields, from science and politics to sports and activism
- Vibrant, readable text combines with photos that pop

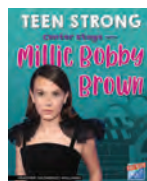
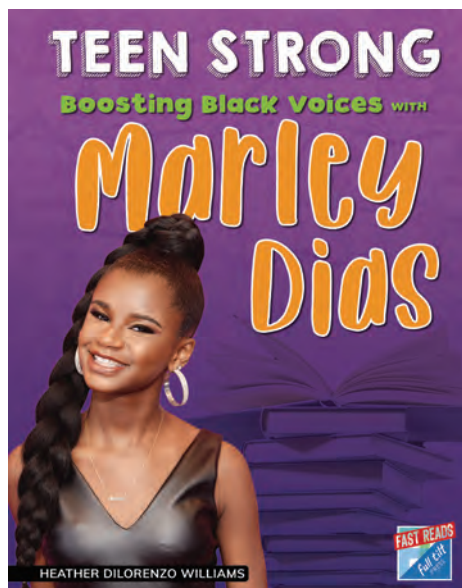
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Teen Strong

This high-interest, low-level series featuring teenagers taking the world by storm. Each book tells the life story of one exemplary teenager. Through engaging narrative text and exciting photos, readers can explore what makes each subject Teen Strong.

- Focus on teenagers who are highly influential today and frequently in news headlines
- Teens featured represent various fields of work and are diverse, which will relate to all types of kids

Full Tilt Press

Price: HC: \$27.99

Pages: 32 • Trim: 7 x 9 • Ages: 10-14

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Families of Fame & Fortune

This high-interest, low reading level series explores the lives of successful families in entertainment, music, and sports. Each title features real-life stories of families who have worked together to overcome obstacles and reach for the stars, as well as consider the importance of giving back.

- These stories will inspire readers to explore their own dreams
- Readers will learn that superstars are real people, too, who face challenges to achieve success

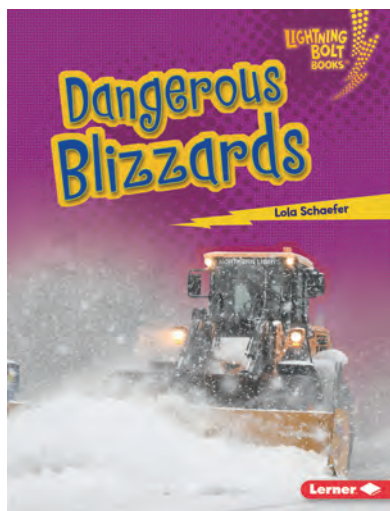
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Lightning Bolt Books® — Earth in Danger

Weather and natural processes on Earth can sometimes evolve into dangerous storms and events. Examine hurricanes, wildfires, volcanic eruptions, and more to learn how they happen, how to stay safe, and the role climate change plays in nature's big disasters.

- Clear, informational text provides essential science information
- Examines the impact of climate change on natural disasters
- Empowers readers by explaining how to stay safe

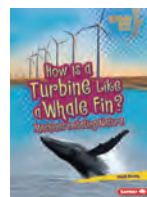
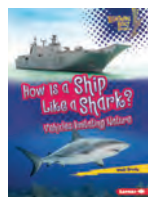
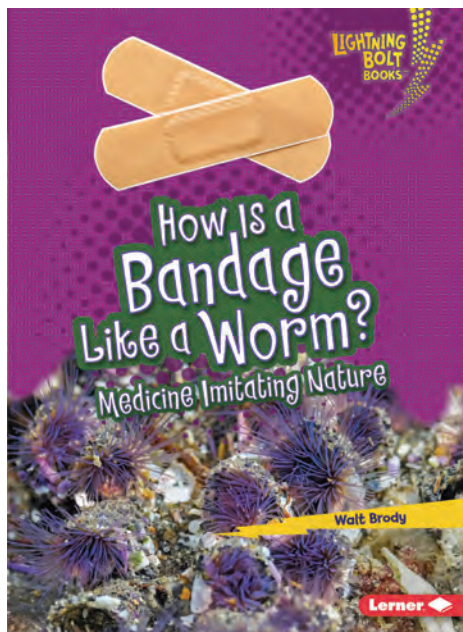
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Lightning Bolt Books® — Imitating Nature

Inventors and engineers have long taken inspiration from the natural world to develop new technologies and innovate solutions. Discover how biomimicry shapes the world around you from vehicles and medical technology to buildings and machines.

- A fresh spin on animals and STEM topics
- Vibrant, engaging photos with clear informational text

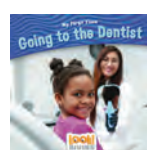
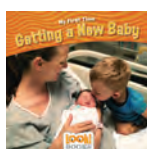
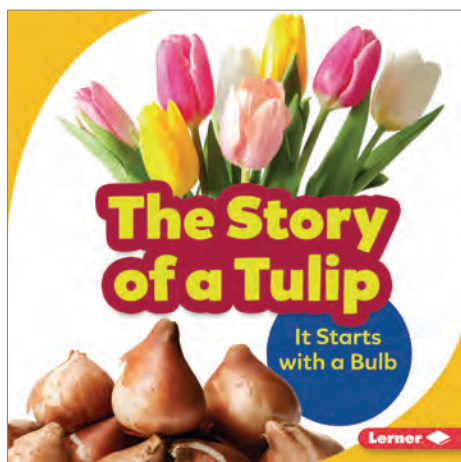
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Step by Step

What happens first? What comes next? Introduce readers to simple sequences and processes by exploring animal life cycles, how plants grow, or how foods or products are made. Readers will be fascinated by these step-by-step accounts.

- Simple, low-level text describes each step in a process or life cycle
- Engaging, full-color photographs help young readers understand how plants, animals, and products develop

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My First Time (LOOK! Books™)

For young children, the world is full of new experiences. This series takes a true-to-life approach to first-time experiences in a way that is sure to help readers feel empowered. These books allow readers to learn about common events--through the use of clear, easy-to-follow text and helpful, comforting photos.

- Helps teach responsible decision-making, a key component of social-emotional learning
- Features less frequently covered topics, such as getting a first pair of glasses

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Be a Good Sport (Pull Ahead Readers People Smarts — Fiction)

Play soccer, take turns on the playground, count for hide-and-seek, and more in this fiction series about good sportsmanship. Each story features carefully leveled text to support emergent readers while tackling key topics.

- Simple text patterns use high-frequency sight words
- Bright, full-color illustrations throughout
- Narrative stories pair with nonfiction titles to cover key topics

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Price: PB: \$7.99

Pages: 16 • Trim: 5¾ x 8 • Ages: 4-7

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Be a Good Sport (Pull Ahead Readers People Smarts — Nonfiction)

Find out what it means to be a good sport. Children can learn how to practice good sportsmanship, from trying their best to playing fairly. These leveled nonfiction titles help emergent readers build literacy skills.

- Simple text patterns use high-frequency sight words
- Full-color photographs throughout; photo glossary in the back
- Combine these with our fiction set for a paired fiction/nonfiction reading experience

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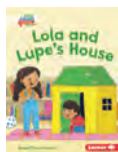
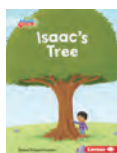
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PAIRED FICTION/NONFICTION



Helpful Habits (Pull Ahead Readers People Smarts — Fiction)

Follow along as Jordan plans ahead, Paco sets a goal, Lola and Lupe work together, and more as the children in each book model good habits and social-emotional skills. These fiction stories pair with nonfiction counterparts to build literacy skills for emergent readers.

- Series covers in-demand social-emotional learning (SEL) topics in an accessible way
- Combine these with our nonfiction set for a paired fiction/nonfiction reading experience

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Helpful Habits (Pull Ahead Readers People Smarts — Nonfiction)

Introduce beginning readers to helpful social-emotional learning skills, such as setting goals, planning ahead, being mindful, and more. Easily decodable texts and supportive sentence structures allow students to boost their nonfiction reading skills. Pair these books with their fiction partners to explore these positive behaviors further.

- Series covers in-demand social-emotional learning (SEL) topics in an accessible way
- Combine these with our fiction set for a paired nonfiction/fiction reading experience

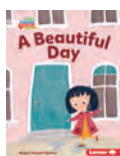
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Character Builders (Pull Ahead Readers People Smarts — Fiction)

Simple stories illustrate how to live out four key character traits, including being positive, caring for others, being honest, and taking responsibility. Emergent readers will build literacy and social-emotional learning skills with high-frequency sight words and simple vocabulary. Match these titles with nonfiction partners for paired reading.

- Series covers in-demand social-emotional learning (SEL) topics in an accessible way
- A picture glossary helps readers define unfamiliar words
- Reflective question at the end of each title encourages readers to consider other ways to demonstrate the character trait

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Character Builders (Pull Ahead Readers People Smarts — Nonfiction)

Explore the building blocks of character with beginning readers. These straightforward, nonfiction books give readers actionable ideas for living out positive traits, including caring, honesty, positivity, and responsibility. Predictable text structures support emergent readers. Pair these books with their fiction counterparts to build literacy and social-emotional learning skills.

- Series covers in-demand social-emotional learning (SEL) topics in an accessible way
- A picture glossary helps readers define unfamiliar words
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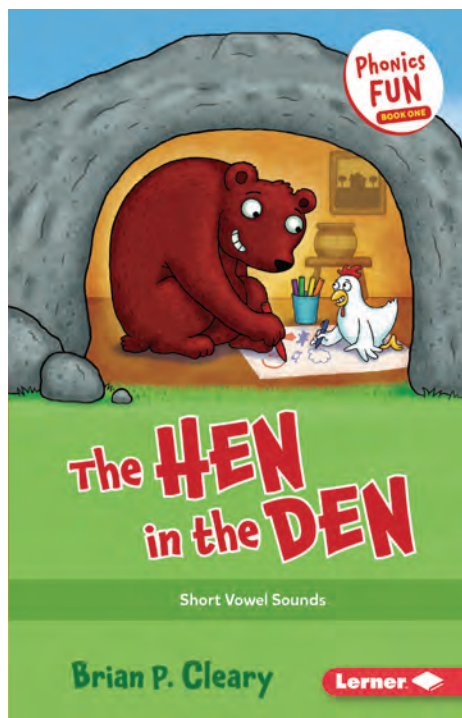
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Phonics Fun

Award-winning author Brian P. Cleary uses his trademark wit and humor to engage emergent readers in these phonics-based books. Each book hones specific skills and builds readers' confidence.

- Fun and humorous material introduces youngsters to phonics in ways they'll want to read again and again
- Charming art and whimsical, rhyming text teach different word sounds
- An activity encourages readers to try the sounds they've learned

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Mrs. Noah's Doves

Jane Yolen, illus. Alida Massari

Mrs. Noah kept many kinds of birds. But her favorites were the doves. When the flood comes, Mrs. Noah brings them all onto the ark. But there is a special mission for the doves.

- Unusual take on the well-known Noah's Ark Bible story
- Second bible story by Jane Yolen, after Sydney Taylor Honor Award-winning *Miriam at the River*
- Exceptional illustrations by Alida Massari

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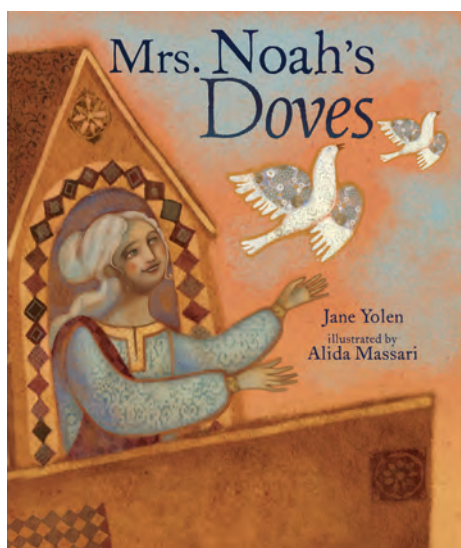
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Peek-A-Boo Passover

Pamela Mayer, illus. Viviana Garofoli

"Peek-a-boo!" says a little boy on each page of this Passover board book, as little readers get a glimpse of items that appear on the Passover seder table. Turn the page to find out what each item is!

- A cute "peek-a-boo" guessing game-style Passover book
- Educational Passover story to introduce young readers to the holiday

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Raquela's Seder

Joel Edward Stein, illus. Sara Ugolotti

Raquela yearns to celebrate a Passover seder, but Inquisition-era Spain is a time when Jews must hide their religion. Her clever papa, the best fisherman in town, creates a unique celebration for his family.

- A Sephardic-themed Passover story of a young girl who learns to appreciate her Jewish heritage

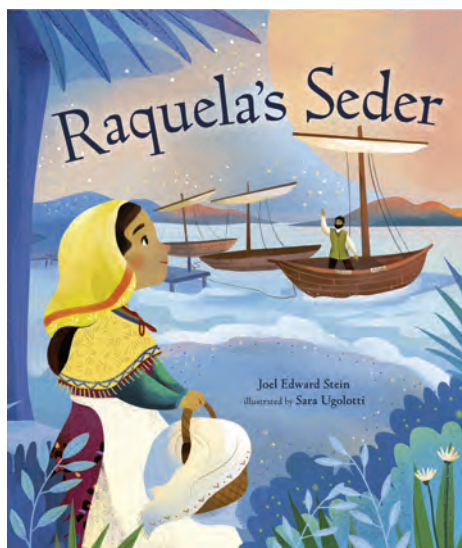
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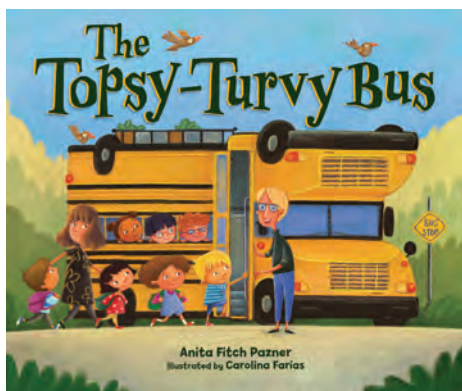
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The Topsy-Turvy Bus

Anita Fitch Pazner, illus. Carolina Farías

Join a busload of kids on the Topsy-Turvy Bus as it travels around the country teaching communities the importance of taking care of the earth. Based on a real Topsy-Turvy Bus created by Hazon, the largest Jewish environmental organization in North America.

- A timely fun eco-friendly story of taking care of the earth
- Based on a true story
- Provides practical information for kids on ways to help the planet

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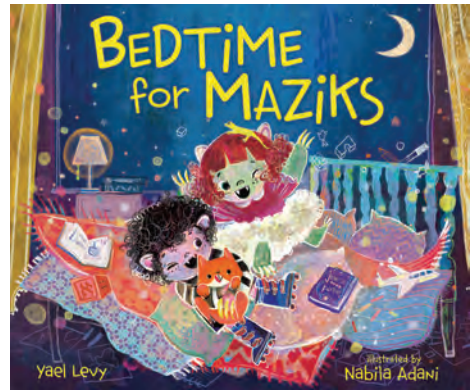


Bedtime for Maziks

Yael Levy, illus. Nabila Adani

After a day of roly-poly fun and shenanigans, it's bedtime for maziks, the Yiddish word for pranksters or little mischief-makers, a name Jewish parents may lovingly call their rambunctious little ones.

- A Jewish take on the classic picture book *Where the Wild Things Are*
- Introduces the yiddish word "mazik"



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Sammy Spider's First ABC

Sylvia A. Rouss

illus. Katherine Janus Kahn

In this 19th book in the popular "Sammy Spider" series, the English alphabet is presented using Jewish holidays and traditions celebrated by the Shapiro family and observed by little Sammy Spider.

- An alphabet book starring Sammy Spider, a popular character for many preschoolers
- Introduces the alphabet to little ones while also teaching Jewish words and concepts

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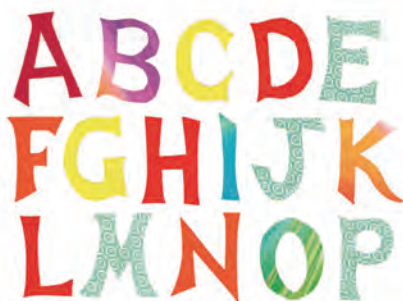
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Introducing children to the alphabet is the first step in teaching them to read and write. Children usually begin demonstrating an interest in letters around the age of 2 or 3.

There are many ways to nurture this interest. Children enjoy singing alphabet songs, drawing letters, identifying letter sounds, recognizing letters, and reading books that highlight the alphabet.

In this book, the English alphabet is presented using Jewish holidays and traditions celebrated by the Shapiro family and observed by little Sammy Spider. Each letter is represented in uppercase and lowercase. —Sylvia A. Rouss



A is for apple, a Rosh Hashanah treat.
Josh dips it in honey, so tasty and sweet!



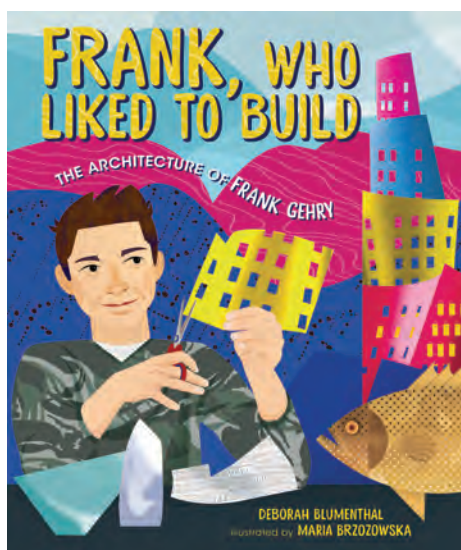
Frank, Who Liked to Build

The Architecture of Frank Gehry

Deborah Blumenthal
illus. Maria Brzozowska

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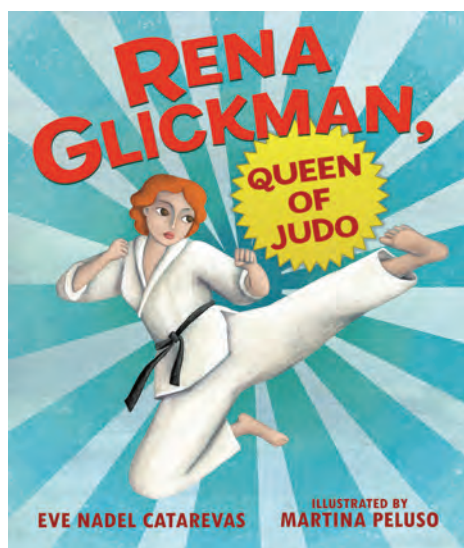
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Rena Glickman, known professionally as Rusty Kanokogi, was a poor Jewish girl who grew up to become the pre-eminent female judo master of her time.

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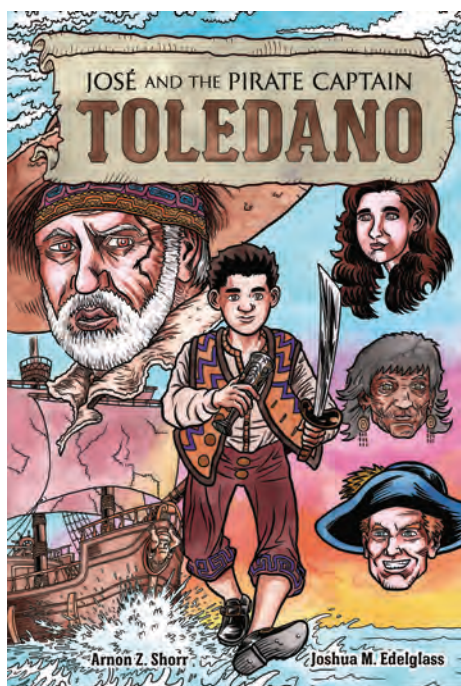
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