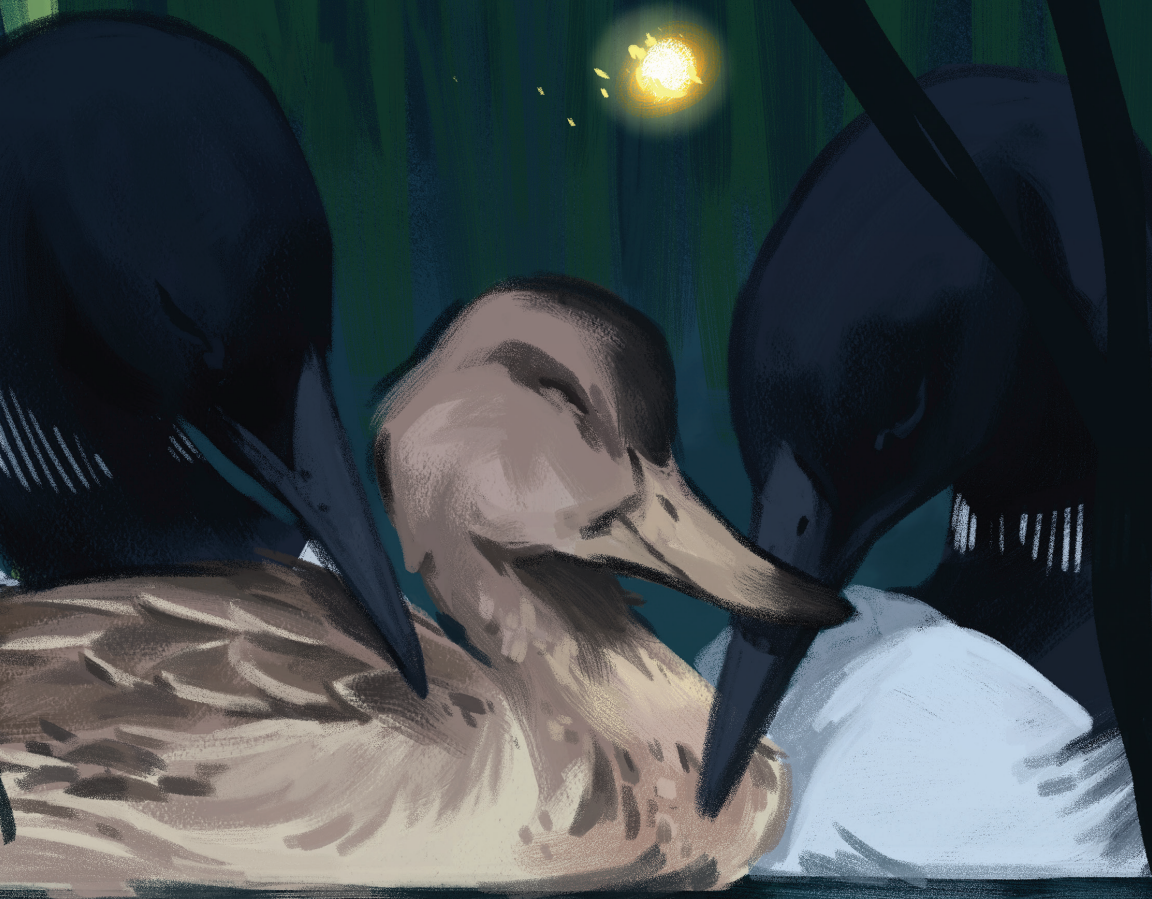


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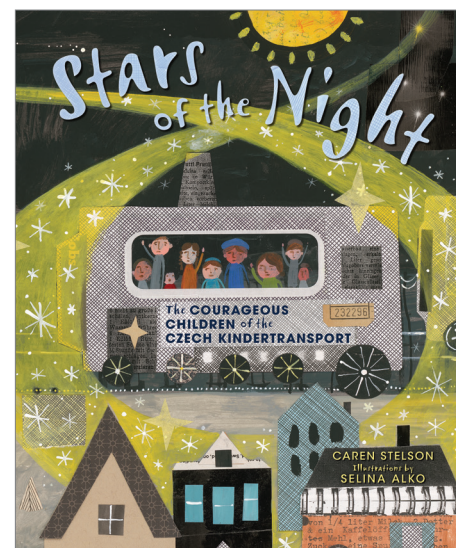
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Stars of the Night The Courageous Children of the Czech Kindertransport

Caren Stelson, illus. Selina Alko

Discover the powerful and sensitively told true story of the Czech Kindertransport, which rescued 669 children from Nazi persecution on the eve of World War II.

- Brings together award-winning author Caren Stelson and award-winning artist Selina Alko, both of whom connect deeply with the story
- A great complement to *Nicky & Vera* by Caldecott Medalist, Peter Sis
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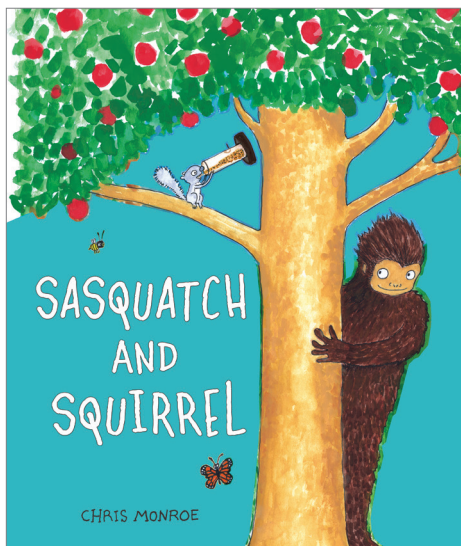
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Sasquatch and Squirrel

Chris Monroe

Strawberry the Sasquatch is happy on her own—or so she thinks until an extremely enthusiastic squirrel named Nutty shows up. A laugh-out-loud story of unexpected friendship from the creator of the *Monkey with a Tool Belt* books (now a series on Netflix).

- A great choice for kids looking for silly friendship stories
- Chris Monroe's off-beat humor shines through once again
- Young readers will enjoy poring over the subtle, wry details in the artwork

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Big Kids Don't Get Butterflies

Ceece Kelley, illus. Sawyer Cloud

"Each year I get bigger and stronger, and I get to ride more rides at the fair!" Enjoy this fun-themed, coming-of-age story that celebrates a child's milestones.

- Features a diverse, interracial family with a gender-neutral main character
- Readers learn that growing up doesn't mean giving up the things you love

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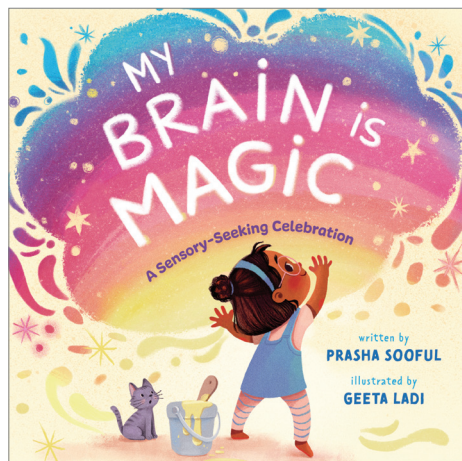
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My Brain Is Magic A Sensory-Seeking Celebration

Prasha Sooful, illus. Geeta Ladi

Is your brain magic? Does it turn into a bee or a lion? This sensory-seeking celebration shines a light on Sensory Processing Disorder in an accessible and upbeat way for all children to enjoy.

- A lively comparison of animals to every day sensory-seeking behaviors
- Features a diverse, loving multigenerational family
- Includes a note to parents

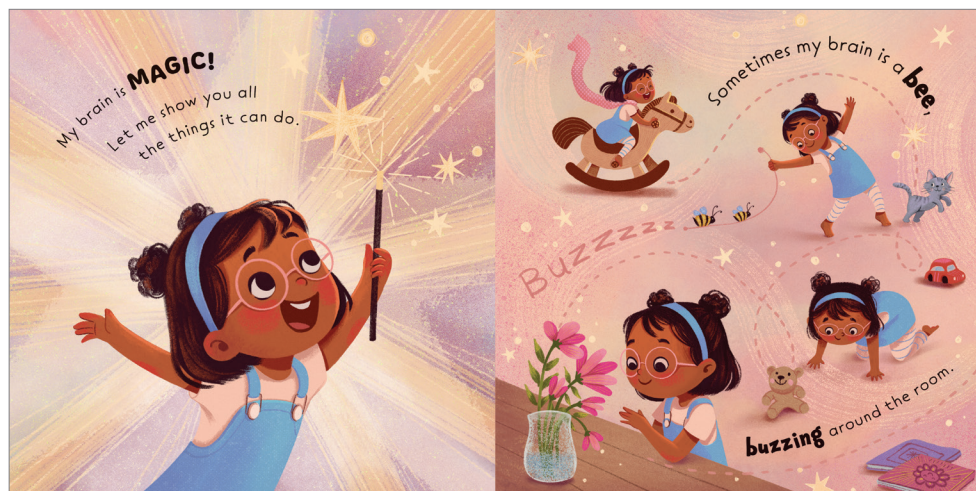
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The Love of the Moonlight

Sarah Buckner, illus. Paula Ortiz

Around the world, we all look up at the same moon and it shines down on each person equally. The moon isn't afraid to share its sky with the stars; the moon knows the stars don't take away its ability to shine. This heartfelt rhyming story is a great conversation starter on kindness and equality for children.

- Touches on social justice and awareness
- Features characters from socio-economically diverse backgrounds

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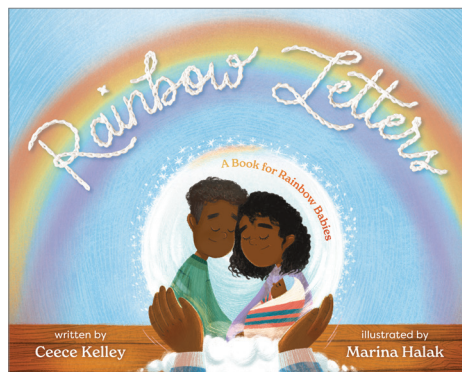
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Rainbow Letters

A Book for Rainbow Babies

Ceece Kelley, illus. Marina Halak

"You are a rainbow baby, the calm after the storm, the sun after cloudy days, one less reason to mourn." A meaningful gift for parents to celebrate their new baby while honoring a child lost.

- Offers a sweet message from an angel sibling to a rainbow baby
- Includes a note to adults
- Family activities included

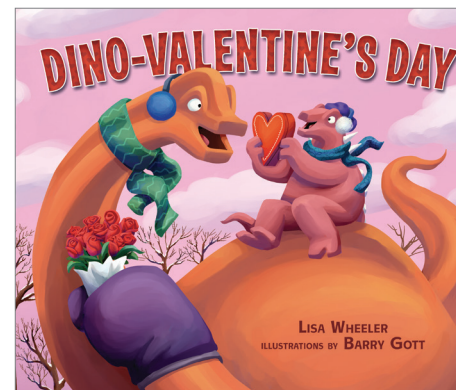
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Dino-Valentine's Day

Lisa Wheeler, illus. Barry Gott

How do dinosaurs celebrate Valentine's Day? With chocolate, cards, flowers, and more! Kids will love this sweet peek at the softer side of these brawny beasts.

- A fun twist on familiar Valentine's Day traditions
- Colorful art with lots of details for readers to pore over
- *Dino-Hanukkah* coming in Fall 2023

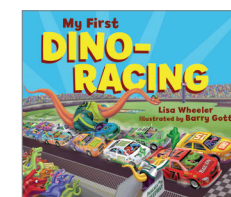
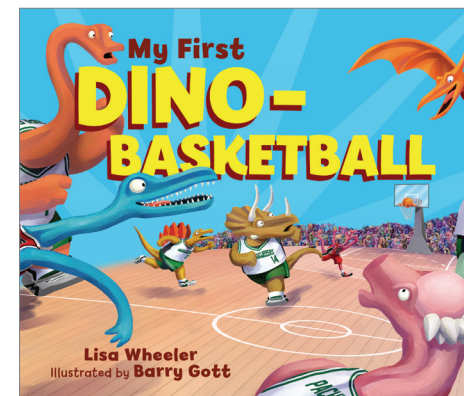
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Dino Board Books

Lisa Wheeler, illus. Barry Gott

There's dino-fun for everyone in this high-energy board book series. Dinosaurs face off on the baseball field, the basketball court, the football field, and more.

- All-new text is accompanied by artwork from the original **Dino-Sports** books
- Bouncy rhyme appeals to babies and toddlers
- Bright illustrations feature dinosaurs enthusiastically playing sports

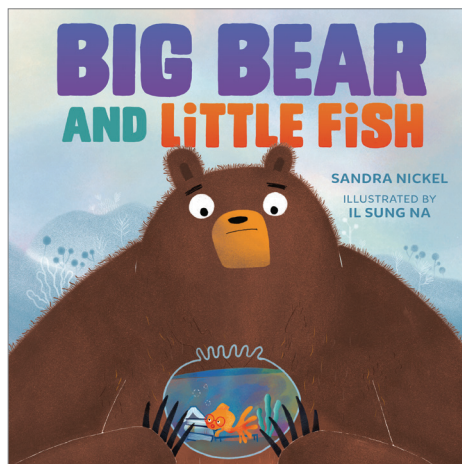
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"A delightful tale of unexpected friendship."

—Kirkus Reviews

Big Bear and Little Fish

Sandra Nickel, illus. Il Sung Na

A sweet story of unexpected friendship between Bear (who is very big!) and Fish (who is very little!), told in accessible prose that's just right for beginning readers.

- Touches on the way a friend can help us see ourselves—and the world—in a new way
- A gentle, charming story that explores the commonalities between seemingly unlike creatures

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"A charming and welcome read bound to help cultivate a kinder next generation."

—Kirkus Reviews

Be a Bridge

Irene Latham; Charles Waters
illus. Nabila Adani

Upbeat rhyming verse and colorful illustrations of a diverse group of students help readers take action to foster inclusivity, respect, and connection. A Page Plus QR code includes a Bridge Builder Pledge.

- Will appeal to fans of the authors' previous collaborations (*Can I Touch Your Hair?* and *Dictionary for a Better World*) who want to share their message of inclusivity with a younger audience
- Back matter includes an authors' note about how this book came to be, as well as book suggestions, and links to different kinds of bridge-building activities

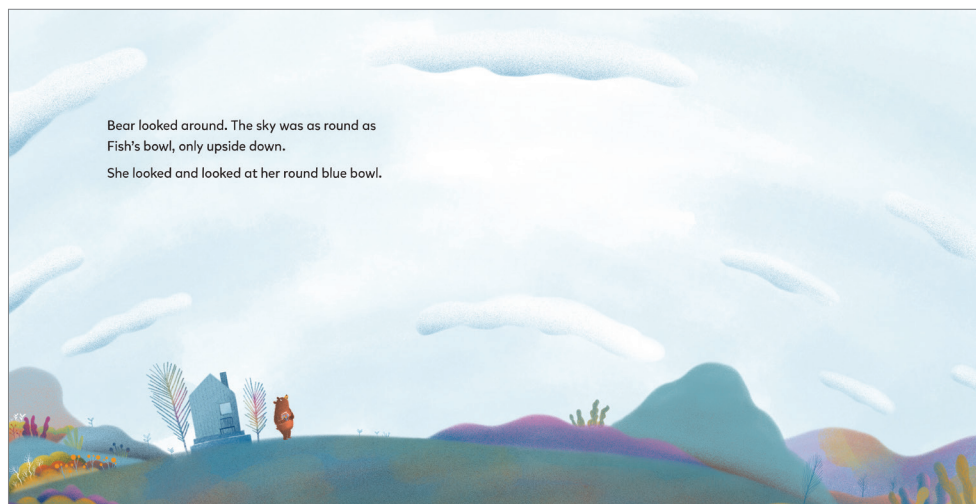
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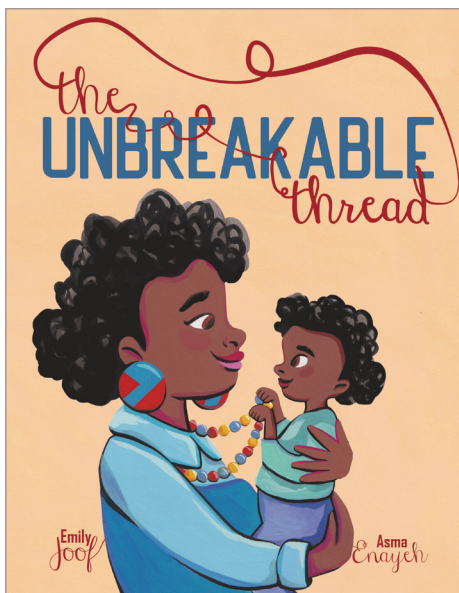
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The Unbreakable Thread

Emily Joof, illus. Asma Enayeh

"When you were born, I held you close and we were bound together by a thread." A bittersweet celebration of the everlasting bond between a mother and child through the changing phases of their lives.

- Multigenerational family
- Illustrates a special Gambian cultural tradition
- Great for new parents and baby showers
- #OwnVoices

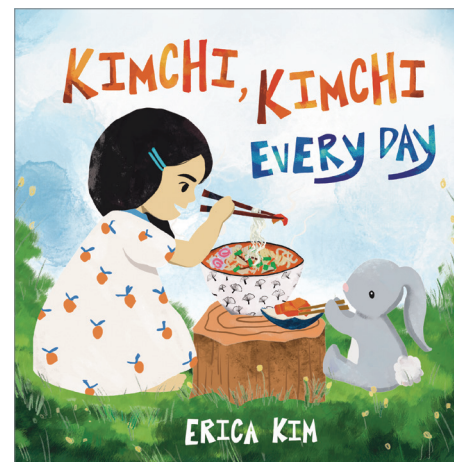
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Kimchi, Kimchi Every Day

Erica Kim

"I eat kimchi every day. I like kimchi every way!" Explore the different ways to eat kimchi in this fun, rhyming tale that also teaches the days of the week.

- #OwnVoices story
- This rhyming tale brought to life by cut paper art will encourage children everywhere to take pride in their cultural foods

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★ "A delicious read-aloud and perfect recommendation for every child, any day of the week."

— starred, *School Library Journal*





The Secret of the Plátano

Luz Maria Mack, illus. Stephany Mesa

"Abuela, can you help me hear the secret?" During a magical night, a curious grandson learns that the secrets of life are written in nature, under the stars, and in the sounds of the trees.

- Touches on nature and conservation
- BIPOC multigenerational family focus on Latin folklore
- #OwnVoices

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"A night full of dance and magic flows between an abuela and her grandchild...an evocative and earnest nighttime reverie."

—Kirkus Reviews



Enly and the Buskin' Blues

Jennie Liu

Hoping to earn money for band camp tuition, twelve-year-old Enly Wu Lewis starts busking. His mission quickly turns into a series of misadventures that change how he sees his family, his dreams, and himself.

- A sweet, funny story that explores youthful dreams, cultural expectations, and family loyalty
- Features a boy protagonist exploring an unusual interest and getting in touch with his emotions

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For the rest of the bus ride, I thought about the video I'd found online a couple years back of Dad playing with his band at some bar. They were in the middle of a song and then the singer, guitarist, and drummer suddenly dropped off and Dad bore down on the keys, playing a fast and furious riff that he seemed to be improvising. An uptick of cheering and whistling from the audience could be heard in the background.

The video was grainy and wobbly as if it had been shot from an old-school camera. Whoever had taken it had gotten up on the stage because the video zoomed right up on Dad—first focusing on his fingers as they skipped all over the keys, then panning to his face when he flashed a big grin and winked at the camera.

If I went to camp, I could get pretty good. Maybe

not as good as Dad in such a short time, but good enough so I could work out how to play any song I wanted to learn and maybe write down the measures of the ones I made up so I wouldn't forget them. And then those songs could be played. By a band. Pinky's and my band.

I saw myself in a black leather jacket under the streaming stage lights, pounding out my songs on a full-size keyboard, surrounded by Pinky on guitar, a drummer, and singers. Our band name, The . . . The . . . well, whatever we decided to call ourselves, would be up in lights, and the audience would be screaming out our names along with the emcee: *Please welcome Enly Wu Lewis to the stage . . .*

I ran the three blocks from the bus stop to our apartment because I hoped to catch Mom before she left for her second job at the Golden Years Retirement Center, where she gave people showers, helped them get to the bathroom, and wiped their bottoms. During the day, Mom worked at the hospital as a nursing assistant pretty much doing the same thing, except the people in the hospital weren't necessarily old, and they used bedpans and got sponged down in bed rather than getting into the shower, according to Mom.



Indigo and Ida

Heather Murphy Capps

Indigo, an eighth-grade investigative reporter, is torn between fighting a racist school policy and keeping her friends—until she discovers a series of letters written by Black journalist and activist Ida B. Wells.

- Features a bighearted, biracial heroine and a trailblazing Black woman who fought for racial justice
- Explores relevant issues of friendship, identity, and truth-telling in an appropriate way for middle graders
- Draws on the author's experience as a news reporter and a press secretary

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A Long Way from Home

Laura Schaefer

When anxious Abby meets two boys from the future who need her help, she decides to escape the depressing present by traveling to their time with them. But that's not as simple as it seems.

- Balances poignant tween conflict with a light-hearted adventure
- Portrays a girl with generalized anxiety realistically and sympathetically
- Blends a Greta Thunburg-esque outlook on real-world issues with a quirky sci-fi angle

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—Karen McQuestion

author of *The Watchful Woods* series



CHAPTER 3 Miles Davis

Indigo was still seething twenty minutes later when Mom picked her up. Indigo played her phone recordings. "See? He won't let anyone go to the bathroom. It's not fair. And then poor Nia . . ."

Nia had refused to say a single word or even look Indigo in the eye the whole time they were in the bathroom. But at least she'd taken the extra pair of leggings Indigo kept in her locker for food spillage emergencies. Indigo had secretly thought maybe they would come in handy if she ever got her period at school, but so far, she'd never had to deal with that.

Mom sucked in a harsh breath when she heard what had happened with Nia. She turned to flash a narrow-eyed glance at Indigo sitting in the back seat. "I don't care if you are being disciplined—keeping a child from taking care of personal hygiene

is disrespectful, inhumane, and abusive. I'm calling Mr. Belkin right now." She stabbed at the hands-free phone menu on her steering wheel, short fingernails clicking against the silver plastic.

"Mom! No! Let me do my story first." Her mother was about to ruin everything she had worked so hard for. Indigo leaned forward, straining against the seat belt, speaking right into her mother's ear. "If you call him now, you scoop my investigation."

Mom frowned into the rearview mirror, her blue eyes sharp with worry. "Okay. This is serious, though. If you don't get any adult attention from your newscast tonight, let me know. And don't think we're done talking about your little show of . . . I don't even know what. Did you really have to vandalize school property to get the story?"

"I don't know," Indigo muttered. Mom had no idea how hard it was to be in middle school these days.

Mom drummed her ring hand against the steering wheel. "Dad and I decided that getting sent to detention was punishment enough. But if you pull something like this again, we'll have to ground you."

Indigo quietly breathed a sigh of relief. She hadn't even considered the possibility of being grounded, which would've seriously hurt her plans.

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T-minus 30 days to launch

During the first leg of our drive to Florida, Mom is in a chatty mood. I try to leave my earbuds in and ignore her, but she keeps telling Dad and me (and Jones, who's meowing mournfully in his cat carrier) trivia about SpaceNow. She's full of nervous, excited energy.

"Did you know that SpaceNow failed its first three launch attempts?" Mom says, turning around in the front passenger seat to face me.

"No," I say, removing one bud with a sigh. "That was before I was born."

"Now you're making me feel old," Dad laughs. He catches my eye in the rearview mirror and winks.

"You are old," I say, smiling at him.

"No, he's not!" Mom protests. "Besides, age is just a number."

I roll my eyes. *Age is just a number* until I decide I want to try driving the car or get my eyebrow pierced. Mom can be so oblivious to reality beyond, like, neutrinos.

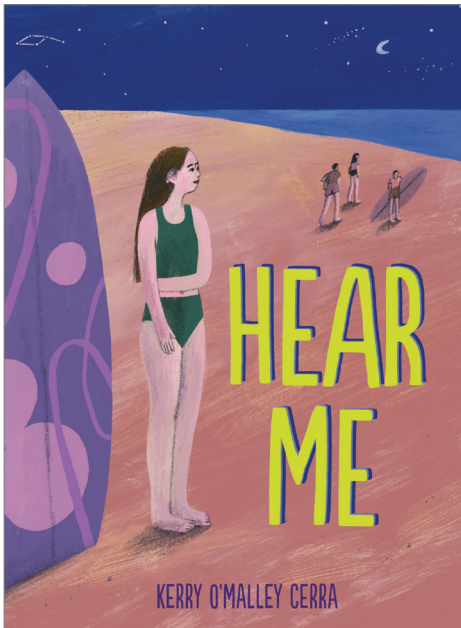
I look out the window as she keeps talking. "SpaceNow started with a dream: to land a packet of gel on Mars, to grow plants in its soil."

"And how's that project going?" I ask. I'm being a jerk, because I already know SpaceNow isn't actively doing anything on Mars. It's simply too hard to get to and from our closest planetary neighbor regularly, even though SpaceNow is now a \$30 billion company employing more than five thousand people.

"It's not going, at the moment," Mom admits. "But it will. We have a significant, history-making launch coming up in T-minus thirty days. And a dream is what started it all. Isn't that amazing? We should talk more about dreams. They're powerful."

"So, when are we moving to Mars, then?"

Mom ignores the question and instead launches into a little speech about how colonizing Mars is definitely going to happen, and how great that will be, because sending a bunch of overachievers to another



"This empathetic, appealing story highlights Rayne's journey to self-acceptance while also exploring her complicated but loving family relationships, loyal friendships, and a little romance."

—Booklist

Hear Me

Kerry O'Malley Cerra

One year after being diagnosed with hearing loss, Rayne's hearing keeps getting worse. It's a struggle to maintain friendships and keep up in school, and she can no longer understand her favorite singer's lyrics. But worst of all, Rayne's parents are pushing for her to get cochlear implants, a surgery Rayne's not convinced is worth the risks and challenges. With the surgery looming, Rayne sets off on a bus journey in search of alternatives—and discovers that even though her ears may be broken, she is not.

- Compellingly depicts the experience of hearing loss
- Sensitive explores a situation without easy or obvious answers
- Ultimately reinforces the importance of listening and open communication

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CHAPTER 2

Dr. James is examining the audiogram as I plunk onto the chair next to Mom. I pull out my notebook and try to write the five new words I saw on Yvonne's list when I stole a glance at it as I came out of the Box of Shame. *Youth. Beg. Jug. Phone. Words* I didn't catch. Words to memorize. Sounds and patterns to study, so I can figure out exactly what I don't hear in order to pretend that I do.

Before I can write the last word, *star*, Mom leans in and gives me a kiss on the cheek. Because she'd call this cheating for sure, I quickly flip to a new page and doodle my favorite star constellation—Delphinus—to help me remember to add the word later. Delphinus is a dolphin that, according to star lore, saved a famous ancient singer when he was robbed by pirates at sea. The singer jumped overboard before the pirates could hurt him. A dolphin heard

the guy's song and rescued him, carrying him safely to land. The Greek god Apollo rewarded the dolphin with a constellation. It's one of my all-time favorite star stories.

Mom taps me. "How'd it go?" she asks me, but she looks to Dr. James for an actual answer. "I'm *** worried the last ear infection Rayne *** a few weeks ago damaged *** ears *** more."

Yvonne busted me on the bone test and made me redo it. I bet she told Dr. James. He gives me a tight smile. He probably also knows I guessed words and clicks. I was trying . . . maybe too hard. Part of me feels bad. He's a nice man, and I like him, but I'm sure I've wasted his time today. Those tests probably cost a million dollars, so I wasted that too. But he's not the one with a mom who, even though she can hear just fine, refuses to listen.

Mom's like a cat watching a game of ping-pong, looking from Dr. James to me and back. I turn away and hitch my left foot on top of my opposite knee and trace one of the constellations I drew on my sneakers. One boy called them dorky in the middle of the hallway at school, and a few kids laughed, but I'd rather them stare at my feet than my ears, so I keep wearing them.



The Coldest Winter I Ever Spent

Ann Jacobus

Eighteen-year-old Del is in a healthier place more than a year after a suicide attempt, but her aunt's terminal cancer diagnosis forces her to confront the demons she's been keeping at bay.

- An unflinching yet hopeful story of a girl who discovers she cannot fully value life without accepting the realities of death
- Ultimately reaffirms Del's commitment to living and helping others do the same
- Deals sensitively with the topic of physician-assisted "death with dignity"

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Saturday, August 1

Aunt Fran is propped up in bed holding an album and fussing with stacks of old photos. Bad news blares from her television.

She looks up and answers my unasked question. "It's never a bad idea to clear out duplicates, and to add dates—and identify locations and people. I'll get them scanned too."

"Oh." I squash the thought of why she would suddenly want to organize her past.

She pats her bed and thrusts several pictures at me. The one on top is of a pretty, middle-aged woman standing in a kitchen. On the counter is the ceramic rooster cookie jar we had in our house for years. Whatever happened to it? "Grandma, right?" I ask.

"I'm so sorry you didn't know her."

"Me too." She died in the eighties.

Fran pulls out another photo. "That's Daddy and me fishing on Lake LBJ."

"Ohmigosh. You were so cute."

"I'm about nine. I wasn't into the hunting-gathering aspect of it, but I loved being with him." The man reminds me a little of Colonel Sanders. And Fran was big for nine. She's posing in

her tube top, holding up a fish the size of a sales receipt, grinning with oversized front teeth.

She hands me another. "This photo's from a couple of months before Daddy died. That's his favorite leather chair and he's reading the *Dallas Morning News*. Already so thin and gray . . ."

"Mm-hmm."

"It was right before he was admitted to the hospital. I kept taking leave from MacDougal here to go to Dallas and take care of him. His decline took a long time."

"How long?"

She points at the throw blanket at the end of her bed. "Hand me that, please, will you? Almost a year total. About two months in the hospital." She pauses. "He refused hospice care."

Can't blame him for that.

"I'd read to him, but sometimes I'd just sit quietly, holding his hand. Watching him grimace with pain." She stares off into the hallway.

I fidget. I don't want to interrupt her reverie, but this is . . . a lot. I need to get out of here.

She says, "He finally slipped away one night, while I was briefly out of the room. I've always regretted that. He was a social creature, but he was lonesome in many ways." She sighs through a smile. "You came in here to ask me something, though, didn't you, sugar?"

"Uh, yeah. I hope you don't mind—I have an invitation tonight to meet up with a couple of friends."

"Thank goodness." She flips the album closed. "You're eighteen years old. You're meant to be hanging out with friends. Staying up late. Dancing! Not sitting at home going through



The Weight of Everything

Marcia Argueta Mickelson

When Sarah's mom dies in an accident, Sarah must balance her new role as the family caretaker with her own needs: to grieve, to create art, and to open herself up to love.

- Nuanced treatment of grief, depression, and substance abuse
- Explores large issues through the accessible lens of one girl's personal experiences
- Brings in joy and humor through Sarah's bond with her brother and budding romance with a classmate

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Funeral Girl

Emma K. Ohland

When Georgia revives the spirit of a recently deceased classmate at her family's funeral home, she's forced to sort out her complex feelings about grief and mortality.

- Uses the hook of ghost-summoning in a funeral home to explore a young person's relationship to their own and others' mortality
- Offers a profoundly compassionate portrait of teen anxiety; Georgia's emotional turmoil will be relatable to many readers
- The story has great LGBTQIA+ representation: Georgia is asexual, and her best friend is nonbinary
- Leavens the serious subject matter with dry wit and a hint of the absurd

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"[G]ive Ohland's first novel high marks for its unusual premise and vivid characterization of its imperfect protagonist."

—Booklist



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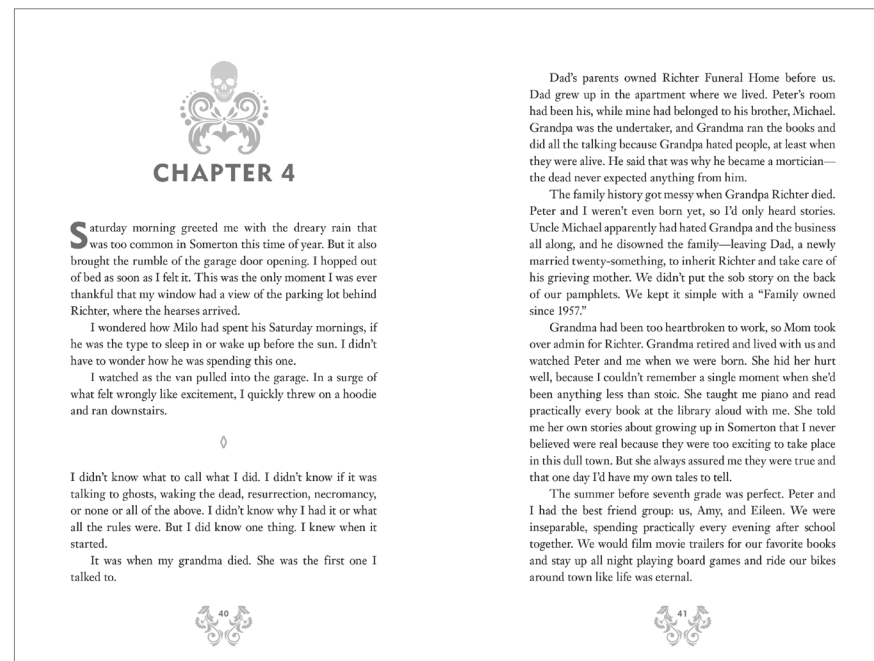
When Vic called, I thought my dad had died. Vic's first phone call had been to tell me that my mom had died; my dad had been too distraught to make the call himself. Vic's second call caused me to pack up everything from my dorm room into my Toyota and drive back home.

Vic said my dad had had a nervous breakdown, though I don't think that's the term people use anymore. It's been almost three months since that call, but the heart-pounding feeling of disaster I experienced that day filters its way into my mind as I sit in first-period physics.

Mr. Lemmon takes attendance and starts talking about the syllabus and his expectations. I pull my cell phone out of my backpack and let out a small breath when I see there are no notifications. I keep my phone on my lap as Mr. Lemmon reviews the class weight of each type of assignment.

Today is the first day I've left my dad alone since I came back from boarding school, and this overwhelming thought keeps creeping into my mind, making it impossible to pay attention to Mr. Lemmon: *I shouldn't be here right now.*

I should be at home. School seems like such a triviality in light of what real life has to offer—a dead mom and broken-down dad.



CHAPTER 4

Saturday morning greeted me with the dreary rain that was too common in Somerton this time of year. But it also brought the rumble of the garage door opening. I hopped out of bed as soon as I felt it. This was the only moment I was ever thankful that my window had a view of the parking lot behind Richter, where the hearses arrived.

I wondered how Milo had spent his Saturday mornings, if he was the type to sleep in or wake up before the sun. I didn't have to wonder how he was spending this one.

I watched as the van pulled into the garage. In a surge of what felt wrongly like excitement, I quickly threw on a hoodie and ran downstairs.

I didn't know what to call what I did. I didn't know if it was talking to ghosts, waking the dead, resurrection, necromancy, or none or all of the above. I didn't know why I had it or what all the rules were. But I did know one thing. I knew when it started.

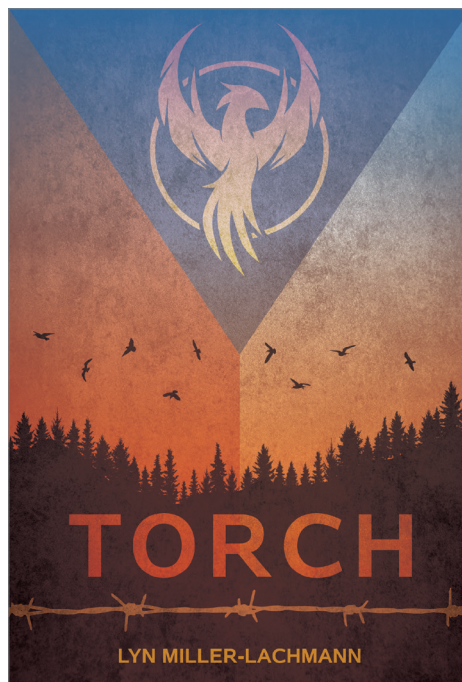
It was when my grandma died. She was the first one I talked to.

Dad's parents owned Richter Funeral Home before us. Dad grew up in the apartment where we lived. Peter's room had been his, while mine had belonged to his brother, Michael. Grandma was the undertaker, and Grandpa ran the books and did all the talking because Grandpa hated people, at least when they were alive. He said that was why he became a mortician—the dead never expected anything from him.

The family history got messy when Grandpa Richter died. Peter and I weren't even born yet, so I'd only heard stories. Uncle Michael apparently had hated Grandpa and the business all along, and he disowned the family—leaving Dad, a newly married twenty-something, to inherit Richter and take care of his grieving mother. We didn't put the sob story on the back of our pamphlets. We kept it simple with a "Family owned since 1957."

Grandma had been too heartbroken to work, so Mom took over admin for Richter. Grandma retired and lived with us and watched Peter and me when we were born. She hid her hurt well, because I couldn't remember a single moment when she'd been anything less than stoic. She taught me piano and read practically every book at the library aloud with me. She told me her own stories about growing up in Somerton that I never believed were real because they were too exciting to take place in this dull town. But she always assured me they were true and that one day I'd have my own tales to tell.

The summer before seventh grade was perfect. Peter and I had the best friend group: us, Amy, and Eileen. We were inseparable, spending practically every evening after school together. We would film movie trailers for our favorite books and stay up all night playing board games and ride our bikes around town like life was eternal.



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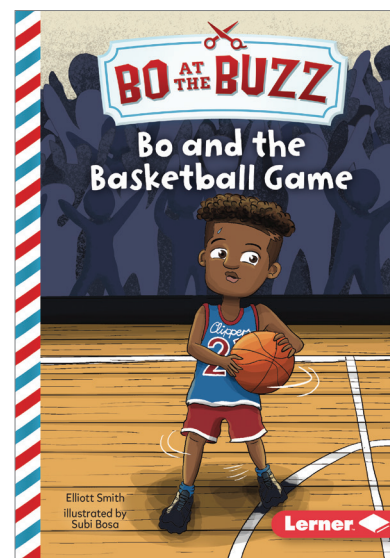
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CHAPTER 1: PAVOL

The letter was Pavol's last chance for a future. He paced Štěpán's living room, secrets like carpenter ants burrowing into him, eating him from the inside out. Štěpán's wisecracks thudded in his ears. Tomáš hunched on the sofa, pen tap-tapping against a blank notebook page.

"Let's get started," Pavol said. "To the Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Communist Party: We are secondary school students, the future of our country." He stopped to let Tomáš write.

"We're not the only ones writing a letter, are we?" Tomáš set down his pen and picked at loose skin on his thumb.

Sprawled on the rug, Štěpán rolled his hockey stick back and forth. "I thought we cleared this up already."

"It's all right," Pavol said to Štěpán before turning to Tomáš. "Thousands of people have been writing. Famous people. Even KSC members." His throat was parched despite the Kofola cola he'd downed in two gulps. "Remember the newspaper editorial telling people to fight for their freedom?" He didn't remind Tomáš that afterward the Russians shut the paper down.

"Bet the people who wrote are in prison now," Tomáš squeezed his thumb until a ruby drop formed.

"Don't be a baby, Tomáš," Štěpán snapped. He unfolded

himself from the floor, checked that the windows were shut tight, and padded to the wooden hi fi console. "My father's in the Party and he signed a petition to reopen the newspapers and the radio stations. If he can do it, so can we." But Štěpán's father wasn't as high up in the Party as Tomáš's. Comrade Kuchař would probably murder Tomáš if he found out about this letter.

Pavol tugged at his hair while Štěpán flicked through the stack of now-banned Western albums in the cabinet. "Next line: We believe that having freedom to speak and read and listen to music and debate politics last year made our country stronger."

"Wait, that's not how you say it," Tomáš raised his pen. "It's strengthened our glorious socialist revolution."

Štěpán let out a harsh laugh. "Is that the crap your father says?" Tomáš flinched. "They're the words we're supposed to use, if we want them to take us seriously."

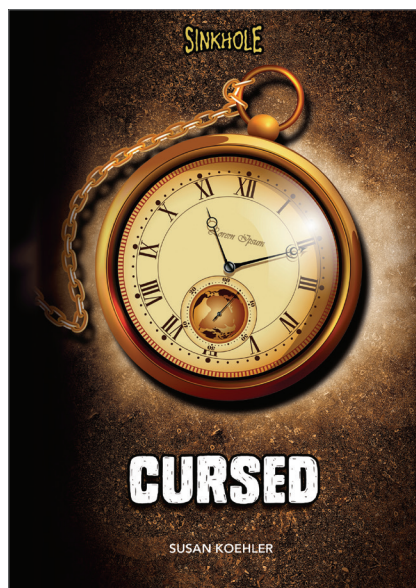
"Tomáš is right," Pavol said. "His father made him take the political classes."

"Complete waste, but I guess you had no choice."

Štěpán lifted a record, wiped it with a cloth, set it on the turntable, and lowered the needle. After a few pops and clicks, the opening drumbeat of the Zombies' "Time of the Season" wafted through the speaker. Štěpán lowered the volume while humming the melody.

Pavol rubbed the back of his neck. His hands shook. "Focus, guys. We need to get this done today. And Tomáš!"

"Yes!" Tomáš peered through his black-rimmed glasses with the mixture of trust and awe that reminded Pavol of the farm dogs he'd played with back in his village in Slovakia, before his family had come to live in this northern Bohemian town of factories and coal mines. Before those mines killed his father and threatened to one day kill him.



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"Let's go back to the barn. We've got research to do," Sofia said.

In the barn's office, Sofia quickly typed search terms into the laptop: "sticky ooze."

Both girls gagged at the images that popped up.

She typed: "animals that leave ooze."

She read through the list: hagfish, eels, banana slugs, glowworms.

"Think any of those live in Texas?"

Carmen asked.

She shrugged and typed: "long strands of string."

A list of spiders came up.

They scrolled through images and videos.

"There's not a spider alive that could've made what you found," she said to Carmen.

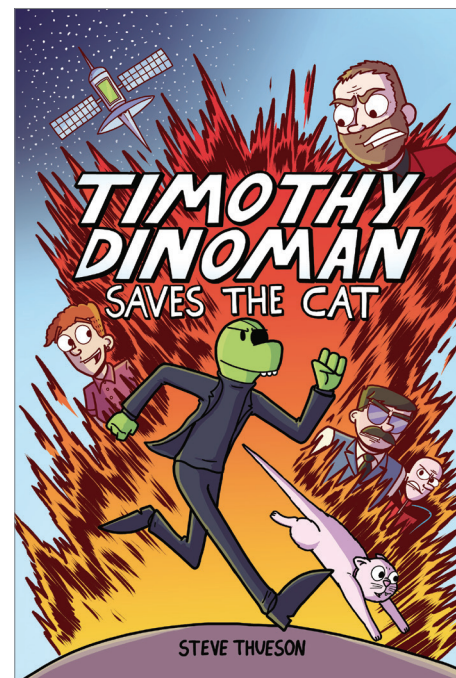
"What the heck is it?"

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The next day, Sofia spent hours running internet searches on animal scat and animal tracks. Nothing looked like what Carmen had found. She even searched for things like "Bigfoot sightings" and "alien landings." But, over and over again, there was nothing like it.

While she had been searching the internet, Carmen had been in the library, combing through books on mysterious animals and the supernatural. Nothing explained it.

"Should I say anything to Miss Penni when we get to work?" Carmen asked.



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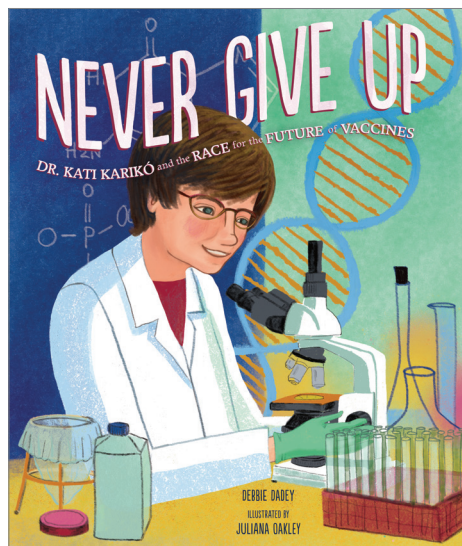
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Debbie Dadey, illus. Juliana Oakley

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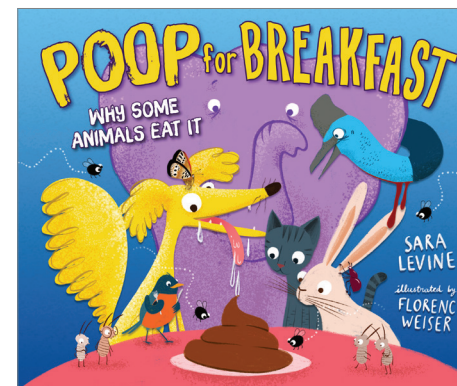
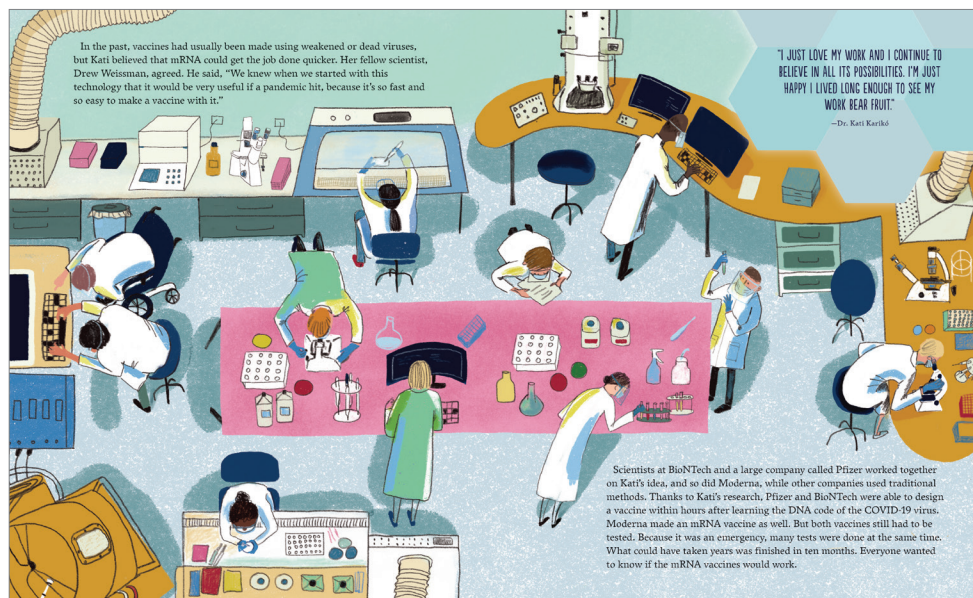
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Sara Levine, illus. Florence Weiser

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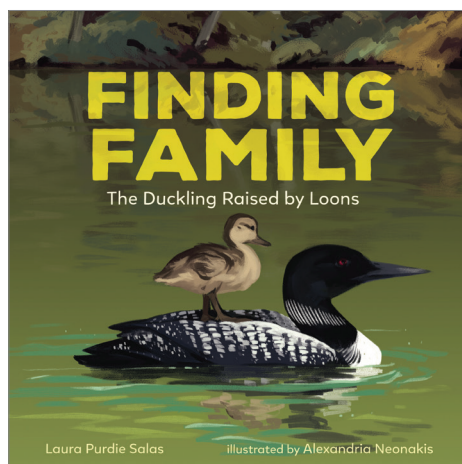
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The Duckling Raised by Loons

Laura Purdie Salas
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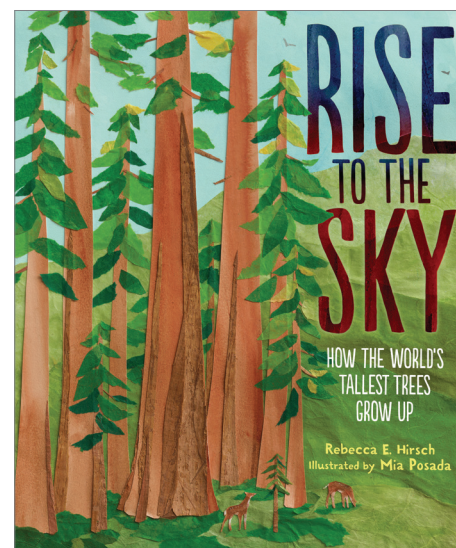
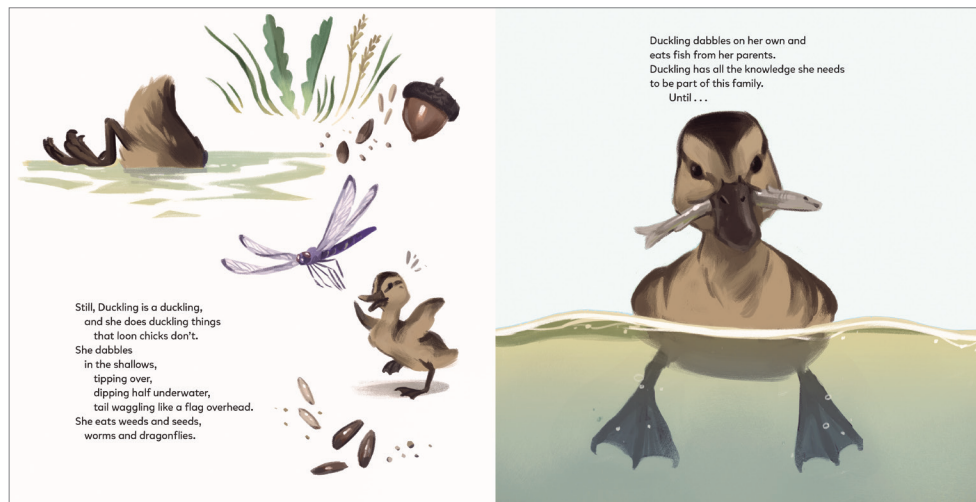
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Rebecca E. Hirsch, illus. Mia Posada

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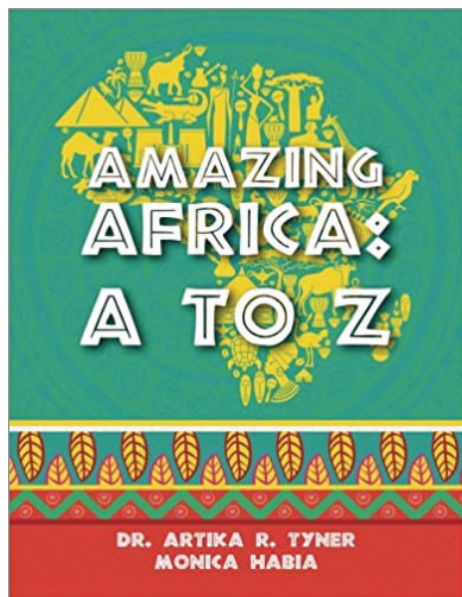
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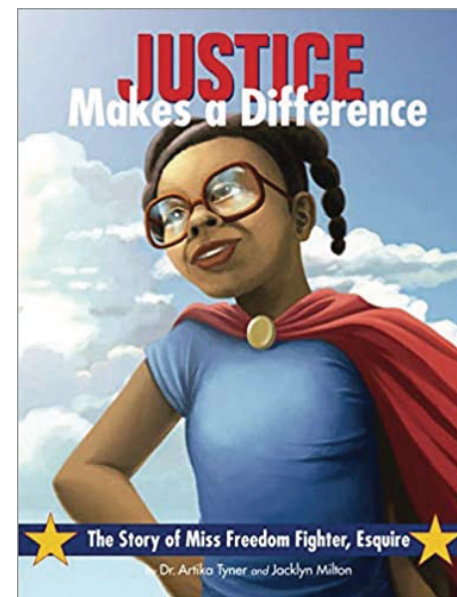
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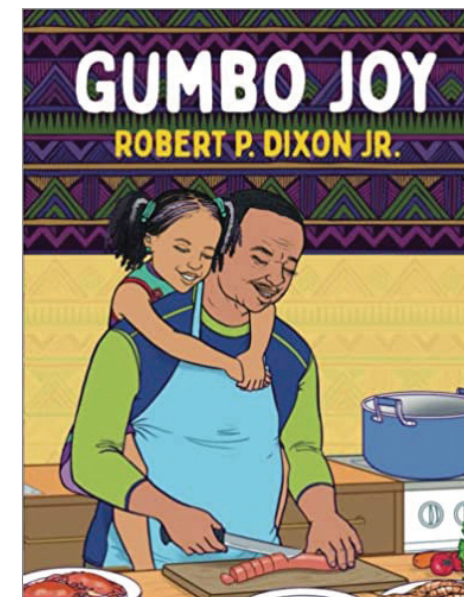
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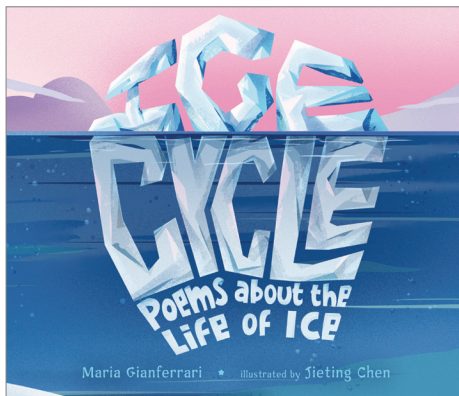
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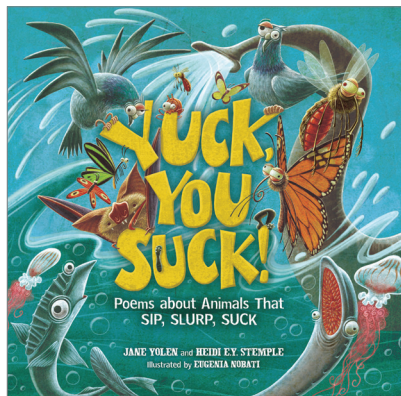
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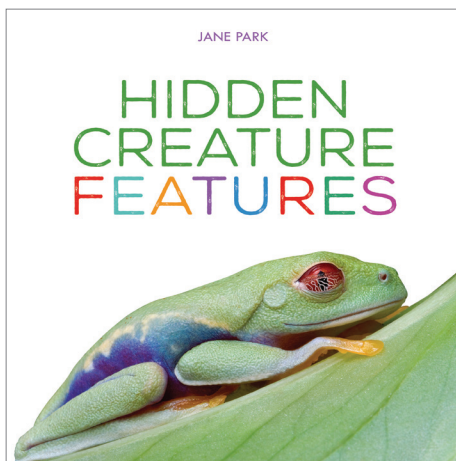
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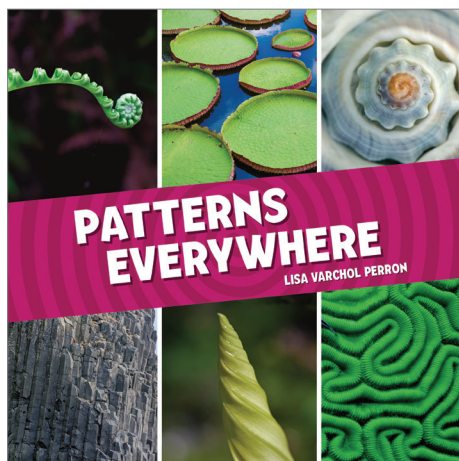
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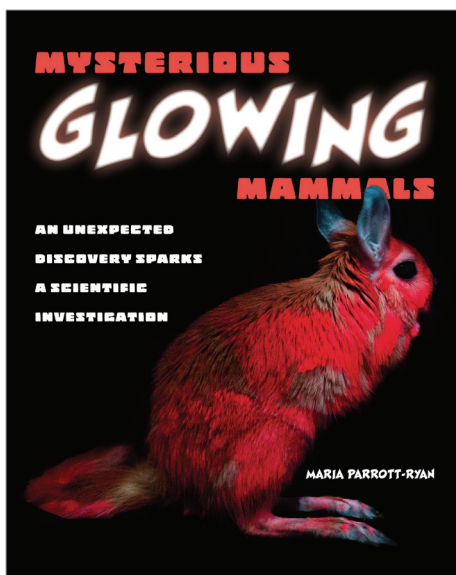
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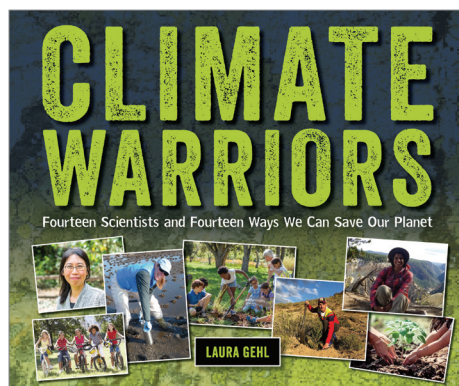
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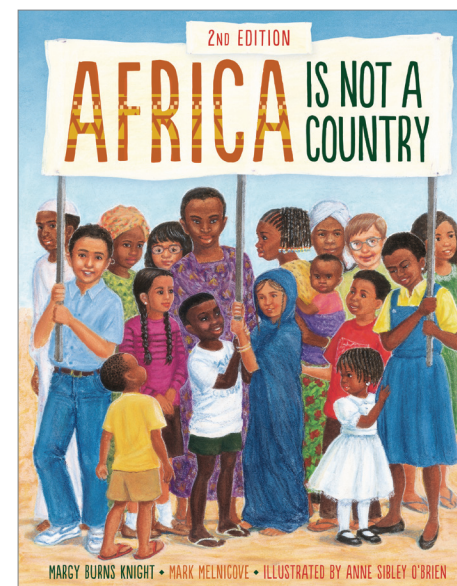
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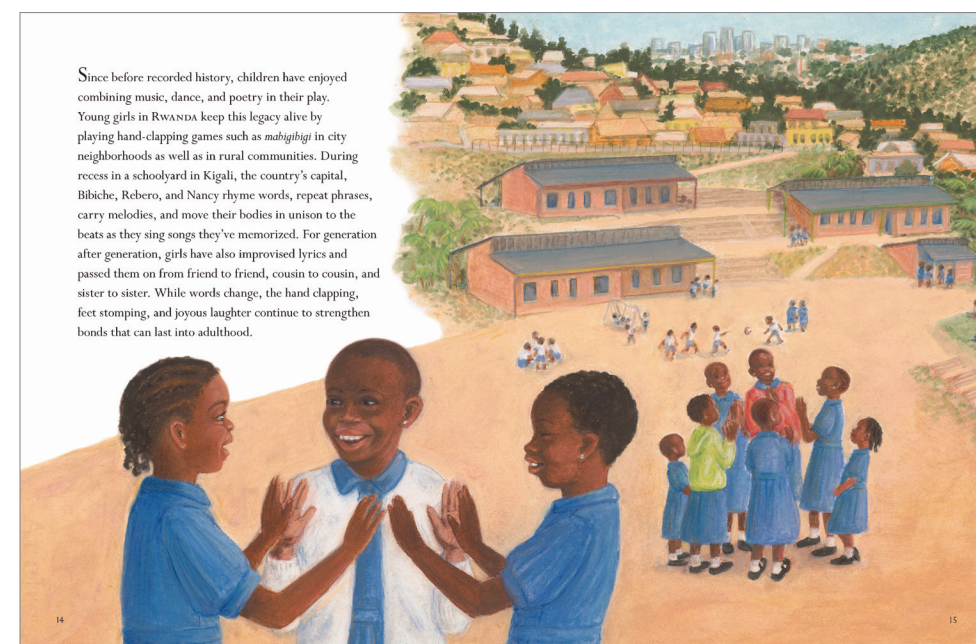
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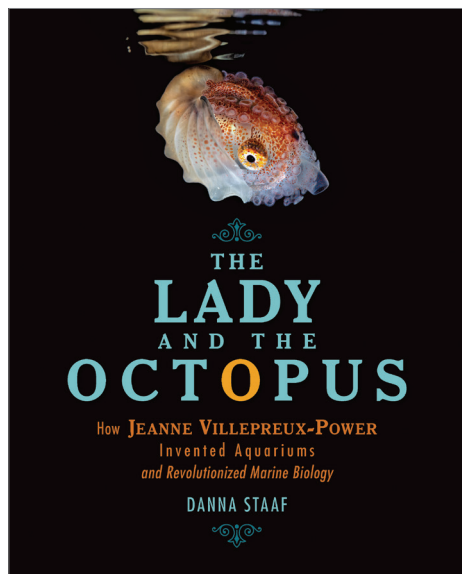
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—Kirkus Reviews

The Lady and the Octopus

How Jeanne Villepreux-Power Invented Aquariums and Revolutionized Marine Biology

Danna Staaf

Follow the remarkable journey of Jeanne Villepreux-Power from her childhood in a small French village to her life as a naturalist in nineteenth-century Messina, Sicily, where she conducted groundbreaking research and invented aquariums.

- A fascinating middle-grade biography that will appeal to fans of Sibert Award winner *The Girl Who Drew Butterflies* by Joyce Sidman
- Conversational writing style draws readers in and invites them to share in the author's wonder and delight at Jeanne's life story
- Includes sidebars on topics ranging from French fashion to the ethics of experimenting on animals to the birth of the metric system

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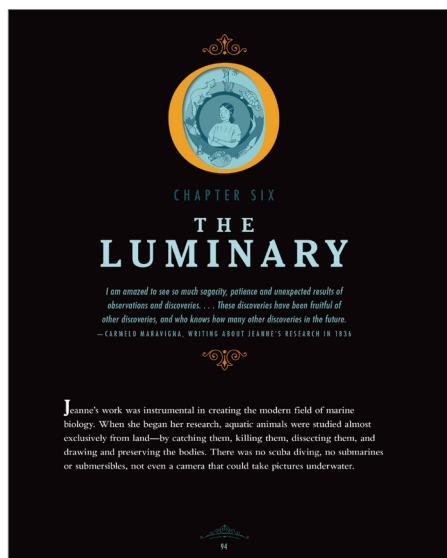
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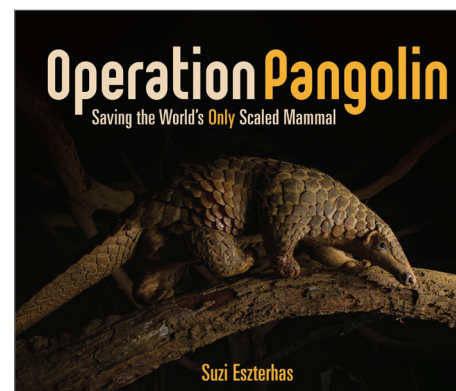
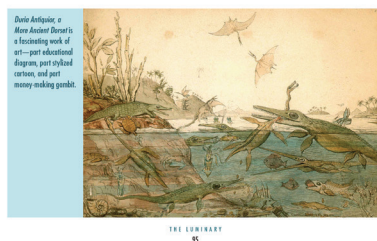


But Jeanne had the imagination to conceive of aquariums and the perseverance to see her idea through. The acumen and creativity with which she designed and executed replicable tests for her ideas were harbingers of a new science. Her artistic skills, which she used to document her discoveries, and her determination to promote her work and get credit for it, were nearly as important.

She was not alone in pushing this sea change. Many people in many countries were working to advance the study of animals in their natural habitat, alongside predators and prey. When it came to visualizing underwater life, a remarkable development came from an unexpected source: a painting created primarily to make money, with science as an afterthought.

LINKING PAST AND FUTURE, EARTH AND SEA

The painting is called *Doris Antipior, a New Ancient Diver*. It was groundbreaking in two ways. First, it was the earliest example of what is now called paleoart: artistic reconstruction, based on fossils, of what extinct animals might have looked like and how they might have behaved. Second, as far as we know, *Doris Antipior* was the first "split-screen" illustration. It shows life underwater and above water as one connected ecosystem (although the word *ecosystem* wouldn't be coined until a hundred years later).



"Readers will come away feeling empowered to help and more knowledgeable about this amazing creature. Attractive and brimming with intriguing facts."

—Kirkus Reviews

Operation Pangolin

Saving the World's Only Scaled Mammal

Suzi Eszterhas

Pangolins are one of the most poached animals in the world, and yet scientists know very little about them. Discover how pangolin rescuers and researchers such as Thai Nguyen are working to protect these mysterious creatures.

- Brilliant photos of adorable animals
- Highlights ongoing research on an endangered species
- Emphasizes the importance of conservation and gives tips for how readers can help pangolins

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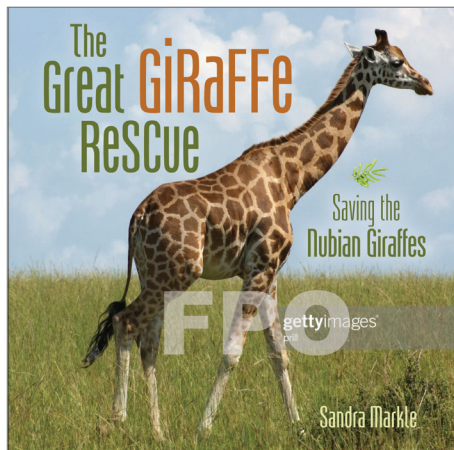
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The Great Giraffe Rescue

Saving the Nubian Giraffes

Sandra Markle

After oil was discovered in the Nubian giraffes' habitat in Uganda, conservationists needed to move some of these endangered animals across a river to safer territory. But there was no bridge and giraffes can't swim. What did scientists do? Follow this unusual—and successful—rescue!

- An exciting story of a charismatic, critically endangered species
- A unique look at the challenges scientists face in conservation efforts
- Fabulous photographs

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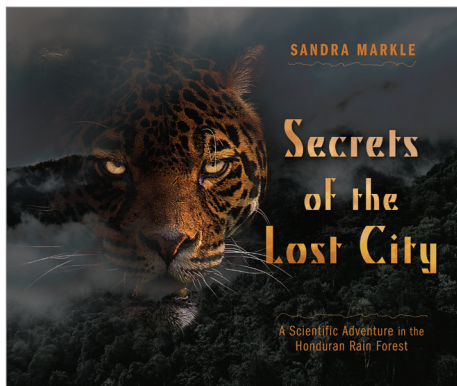
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Secrets of the Lost City

A Scientific Adventure in the Honduran Rain Forest

Sandra Markle

Join a real-life, scientific adventure to a remote Honduran rainforest where an ancient city once stood. Learn how scientists located the ruins likely unvisited by humans for 500 years and documented animals—even some believed to be endangered or extinct—flourishing free from human influence.

- Award-winning science writer Sandra Markle brings readers face-to-face with exciting archeological discoveries and incredible wildlife in the Honduran rainforest
- Brings together science and technology to make new discoveries about a remote ecosystem

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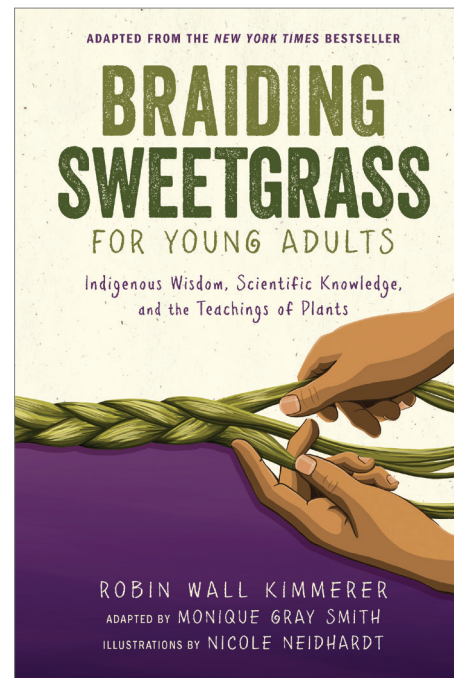
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"An inviting introduction to an amazing place."

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★*"Readers will feel as if they are in conversation with a caring, respected expert guide who offers a hopeful, nourishing vision."*

Both an urgent, essential call to action and an uplifting love letter."

— starred, Kirkus Reviews

Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults

Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants

Monique Gray Smith; Robin Wall Kimmerer
illus. Nicole Neidhardt

Botanist Robin Wall Kimmerer's *New York Times* bestseller, *Braiding Sweetgrass*, is adapted for a young adult audience by Monique Gray Smith, bringing Indigenous wisdom, scientific knowledge, and the lessons of plant life to a new generation.

- Kimmerer's best-selling book has been translated into 16 languages
- Kimmerer is a Citizen Potawatomi Nation member
- Adapted for young readers by award-winning author Monique Gray Smith (Cree)
- Original art from Nicole Neidhardt (Navajo)

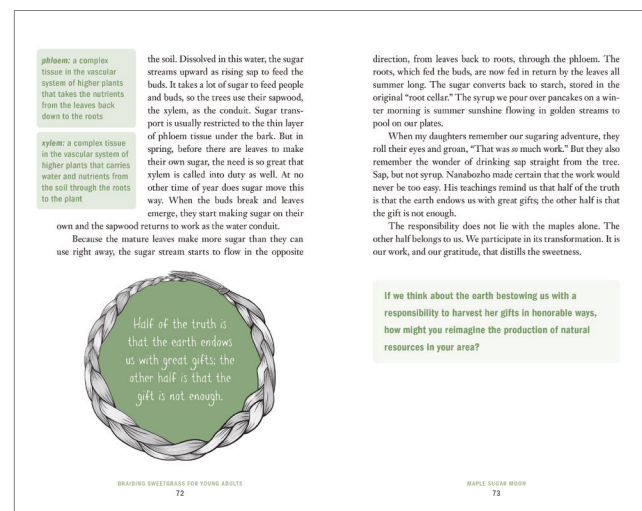
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Teen Innovators

Nine Young People Engineering a Better World with Creative Inventions

Fred Estes

Teen Innovators celebrates the determination and ingenuity of young inventors. Through profiles that explore the challenges, motivations, and lives of these teen visionaries, readers will see how the science they study today in school relates to these important discoveries.

- Features a diverse group of innovators and inventions
- Fills a need for books that feature the achievements of teen scientists and inventors
- Encourages young readers to conduct their own experiments and solve problems on their own

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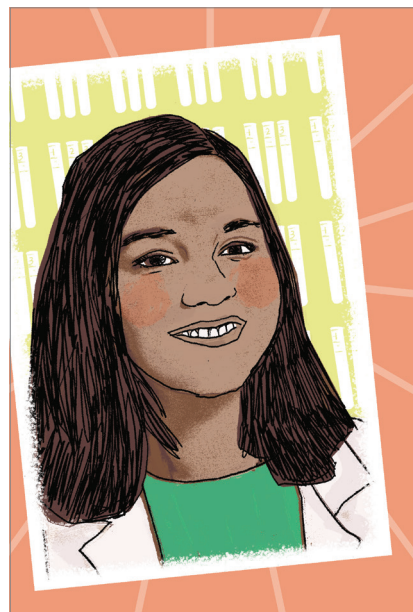
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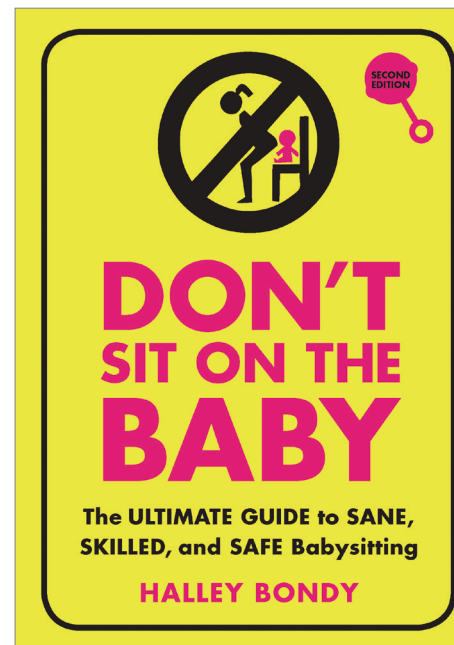
GITANJALI RAO AND TETMYS, HER LEAD DETECTION SENSOR

"This is Opemipo. He's among the thousands of children and adults exposed to lead in drinking water in Flint, Michigan," says a twelve-year-old Gitanjali Rao. She's explaining her invention, a device to detect lead in drinking water, to a room full of scientists, engineers, and executives at the 3M headquarters in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Because lead dissolved in drinking water is very toxic, her invention could prevent serious brain damage and save lives. Its potential, and the remarkable science behind it, brought her to this stage. After five months of anticipation, she was in the 2017 finals of the Discovery Education 3M Young Scientist Challenge, the nation's premier science competition for middle school students. Gitanjali just had to convince this room of judges about the value of her idea and her work.

Triggering Event: The Flint Water Crisis

Gitanjali first heard about the hazards of lead in drinking water in the news when she was ten years old. "Anything we flipped on, we saw

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Don't Sit On the Baby!

2nd Edition

The Ultimate Guide to Sane, Skilled, and Safe Babysitting

Halley Bondy

Babysitting is a popular job for teens, but caring for kids is not easy. This funny, updated guide covers the basics—from how to find jobs and negotiate pay rates to how to entertain your charges and handle behavioral challenges.

- Approachable, tongue-in-cheek tone
- Anecdotes from actual teens provide real-life insight
- Outlines all stages of babysitting, from networking and landing a job to putting kids to bed and getting paid
- New edition provides up-to-date safety guidelines and information for handling behavior challenges

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You should be prepared to help little ones change into everything from school clothes to pajamas to sports uniforms. While there's no way to make dressing time go perfectly every day, there are ways to expedite it, and crazy-color dress-up time right before soccer practice probably isn't one of them!



1. Ask for instructions. Kids have different wardrobe requirements depending on their age, their clothing preferences, and what their parents want them to wear. Parents know best. They even know better than the chicest, opinionated kids, so be sure to ask your bosses what the deal is before you let the kids go wild. Here are some questions you'll want to ask:

- Can the child dress themselves? What kind of help do they need?
- Where do you keep the socks, shoes, shirts, pants—you get the idea?
- Where do you put dirty clothes?
- Do they have to wear a school uniform?
- Do they require a sports uniform or any other equipment for scheduled activities?
- If the child has a disability, are there any considerations I should take when I put clothes on or take them off?

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DON'T SIT ON THE BABY

SAFETY FIRST

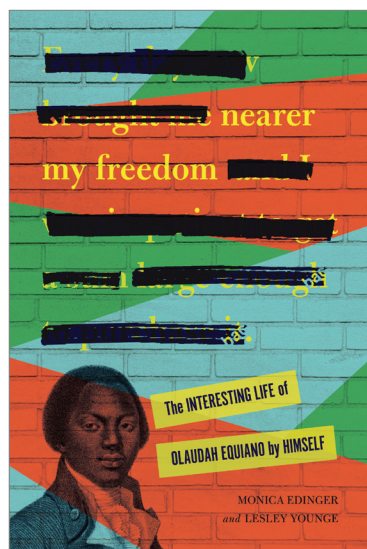
Q. How do I dress babies safely?

A. Between spit-up and overflowing diapers, babies need their outfits changed pretty often to stay clean and sanitary. When you change an infant's clothes, you need to keep their head supported and choose loose clothes that won't suffocate them. Onesies with snaps are the easiest outfits to maneuver, so opt for these if you can. That way, you can open the onesie on a table and lay the baby on top of it. Gently move their arms and legs into the outfit and snap it closed. Ideally, they should have a fresh diaper too. (See page 45 for more on diapers.)

2. Plan ahead. Rushing may agitate kids, decreasing your chances of success. Give yourself plenty of time to dress them. Factor in potential delays, like having to chase little ones around the house or having to find their black shoes because who knows where they are. Also, plot some smooth moves to save time, such as untying and loosening shoes before asking kids to put them on.

GETTING KIDS DRESSED

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Nearer My Freedom

The Interesting Life of Olaudah Equiano by Himself

Monica Edinger; Lesley Young

The autobiography of Olaudah Equiano, a former enslaved African, is retold in “found verse”—a creative approach to primary source analysis and synthesis. Explore his life story—his childhood in Africa, enslavement, liberation, and life as a free man. Through selected excerpts from Equiano’s autobiography, the authors create a poetic retelling, adding annotations to deepen understanding.

- Selective “found verse” makes 18th century text accessible to middle grade through young adult readers
- Annotations provide key historical and cultural context
- The narrative is centered on Black resilience to enslavement

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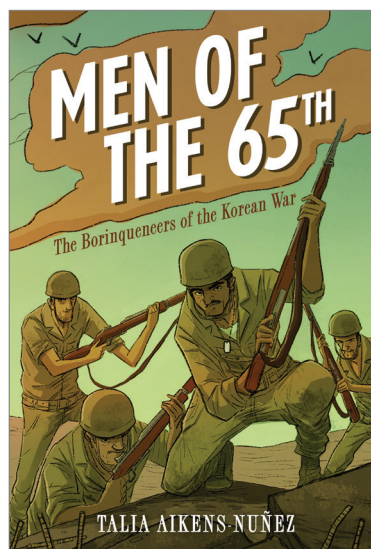
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Men of the 65th

The Borinqueneers of the Korean War

Talia Aikens-Nuñez

Nicknamed the Borinqueneers, the 65th Regiment was the envy of generals and the pride of Puerto Rico. How could a regiment known for honorable service in two world wars lay down their arms and refuse to fight in the Korean War?

- Explores the largest mass court martial of the Korean War, with one of the most decorated regiments in the US Army, tried for willful disobedience
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- Primary source quotes from historical documents

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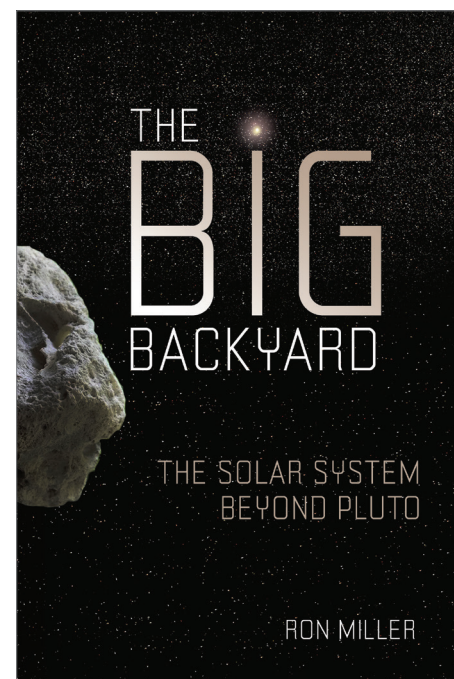
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The Big Backyard

The Solar System beyond Pluto

Ron Miller

Deep space holds materials left over from the formation of the solar system. Astronomers have been making exciting discoveries on the outermost fringes and the New Horizons spacecraft brings new insights into the origins of the sun and planets.

- NASA illustrator Ron Miller shares what astronomers are discovering in the farthest reaches of our solar system with stunning full-color, scientifically accurate illustrations
- Features up-to-date science on the Kuiper Belt, Oort Cloud, and the origins of the solar system

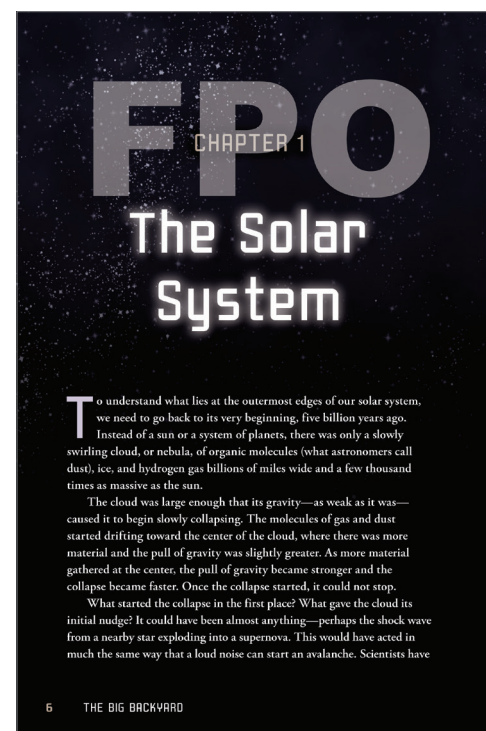
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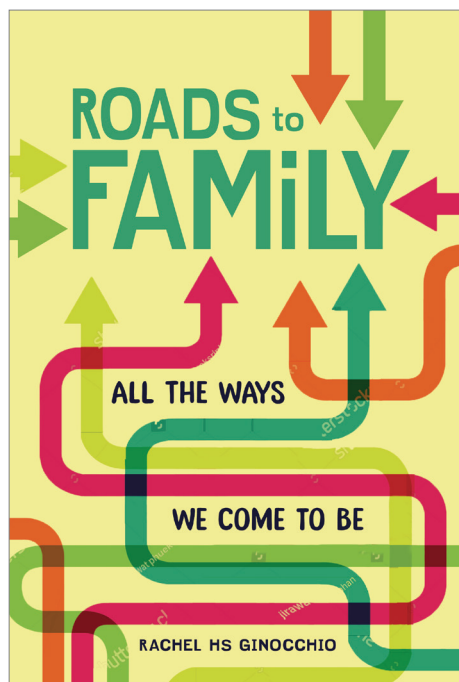
found some evidence to support this theory. Measurements of the elements in the solar system reveal high concentrations of rare, radioactive elements. Supernova explosions are the only way to create these radioactive elements, so it is unlikely that the elements were already in the collapsing cloud. A nearby supernova is the most likely source. The presence of these radioactive elements is also a strong indication that a supernova started the collapse of the nebula that eventually produced our solar system.

As the moving molecules grew closer together, they occasionally bumped against one another. Each bump created a little heat. As the cloud condensed and molecules came closer together, it grew warmer. You can observe this heating effect yourself with a bicycle pump. When you push down on the pump handle the air inside the pump is compressed—it becomes denser. As this happens the pump will grow warmer, which you can feel if you touch it. A tire will also grow warm as you inflate it, for the same reason: the air inside is being compressed and made denser.

The center of the cloud, where the gas and dust is densest, grew warm, then hot, as more and more material fell into it. As the center of the cloud became denser, it pulled even more gas and dust into it. It was a cycle that increased rapidly. In just one year, a cloud of gas 2 trillion miles (3.2 trillion km) wide collapsed to only 200 million miles (322 million km)—ten thousand times smaller. Soon it became hot enough—over 3,000°F (1,650°C)—to vaporize any remaining particles of ice or dust. At the same



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Roads to Family

All the Ways We Come To Be

Rachel HS Ginocchio, MPH

Examine—and appreciate—the many ways in which people can create a family. This informative compendium goes beyond the basics of sexual reproduction to examine the diversity of methods people use, including in-vitro fertilization, surrogacy, adoption, and more.

- Goes beyond basic sex education and human reproduction lessons to explain how families form, including using assisted reproduction and adoption
- Personal narratives provide emotional context for technical, biological, and logistical processes
- Timely topic

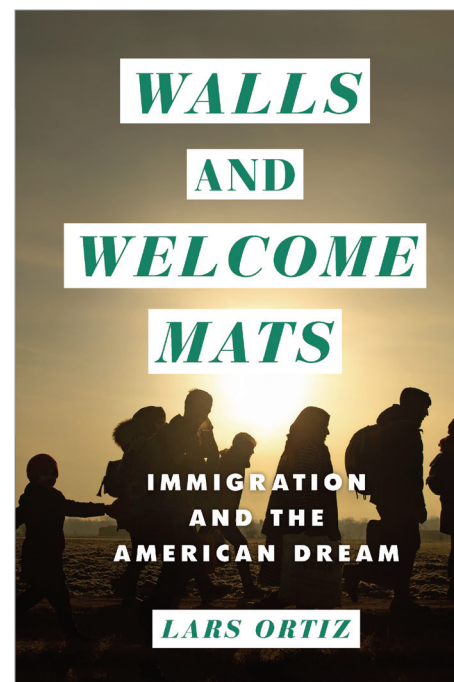
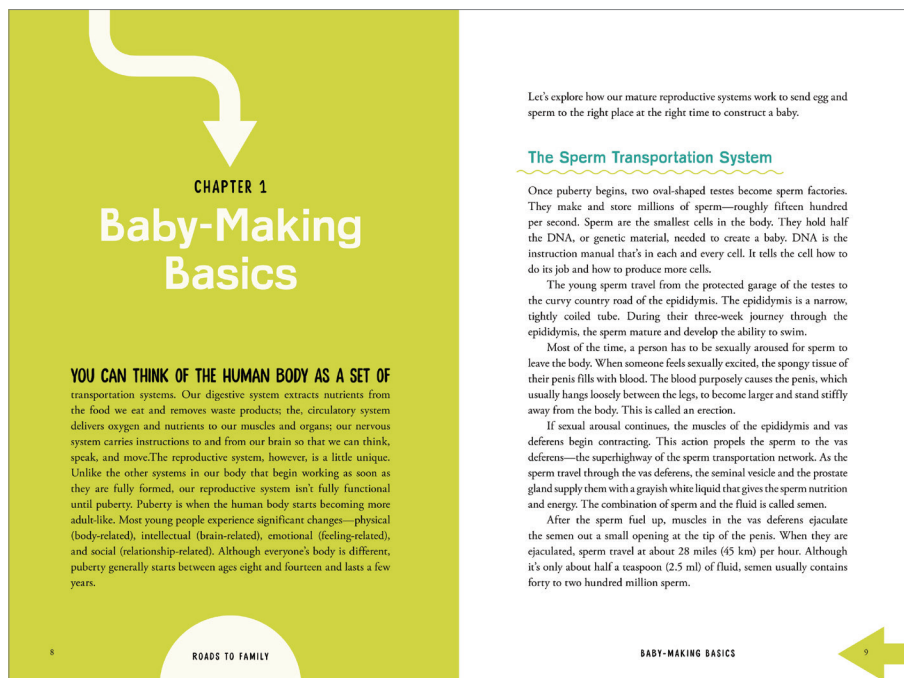
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Walls and Welcome Mats

Immigration and the American Dream

Lars Krogstad Ortiz

Examine the United States' history of immigration, as well as the backlash that so many immigrants have faced, while also understanding the optimism that leads people to seek a better future in a new land.

- An engaging examination of the history and current issues of immigration in America
- An explosive topic that is consistently in the headlines
- Encourages readers to learn about their family history of immigration

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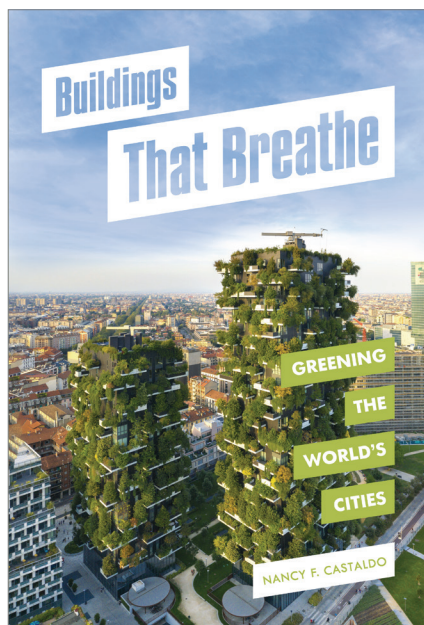
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Buildings That Breathe Greening the World's Cities

Nancy Castaldo

Urban planners, architects, and scientists are developing high-rise forests on apartment buildings that seek to balance human activity and natural regeneration. Discover how green infrastructure will transform the urban landscape and how we think about our future.

- Climate change with focus on environmentalism and human-driven sustainability
- STEAM content featuring a blend of botany, urban ecology, design, engineering, and architecture — opens up STEM to readers who might not be as interested in birds and animals, but might be more interested in engineering and architecture

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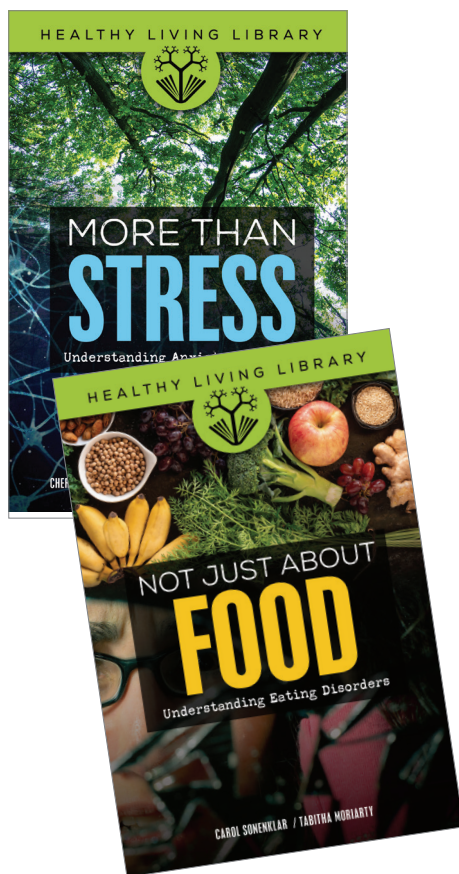
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This series examines some of the most prevalent health concerns for teens and young adults. Medical experts provide a comprehensive overview of topics using information from leading health organizations.

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- End-of-chapter questions to aid in comprehension
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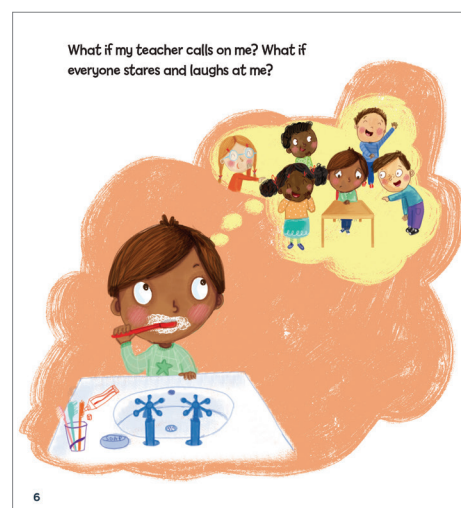
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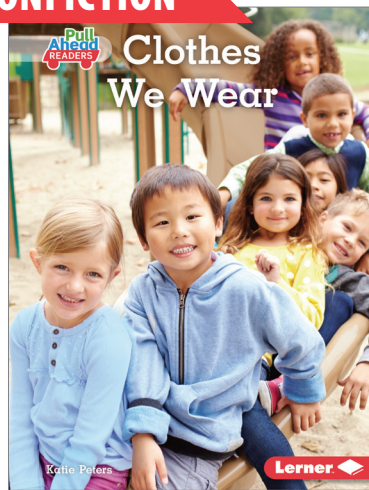
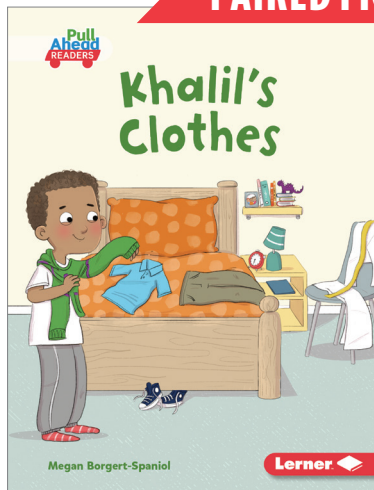
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My World (Pull Ahead Readers — Fiction)

Short fictional stories introduce beginning readers to basic vocabulary used to describe elements of everyday life: clothes, food, homes, holidays, food, and transportation. Each story features carefully leveled text and full-color illustrations to support children learning to read.

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- Strong photo-text matches help readers predict unfamiliar words
- Carefully leveled text for children just learning to read

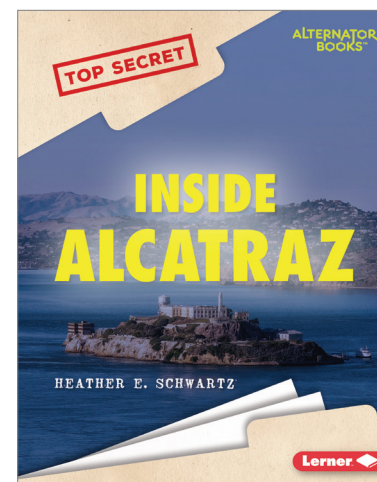
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The world is full of unanswered questions! Examine some of the top secrets and unsolved mysteries in history with this spooky series including Area 51 and the Bermuda Triangle. Features encourage critical thinking and engagement with the text.

- Mysterious and spooky high-interest topics
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Have you ever wondered what it's like to have one of the world's most dangerous jobs? Go to work with some of the people that risk their lives every day to do what they love in this engaging series.

- High-interest content keeps reluctant readers engaged
- Descriptions of real people working in these fields

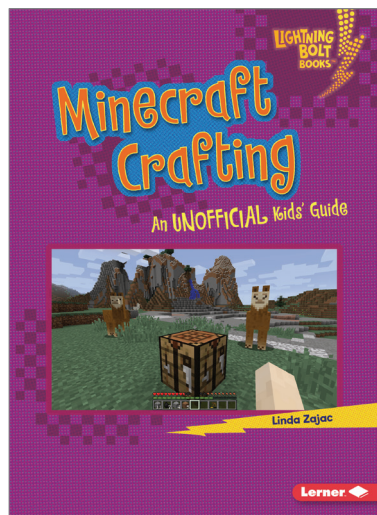
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Introduce young readers to the fun and educational aspects of Minecraft! Readers will be exposed to digital literacy and fundamental programming concepts alongside everything players love about the game.

- Presents Minecraft's creativity and learning opportunities
- High-interest topic
- Makes complex STEM and coding concepts accessible

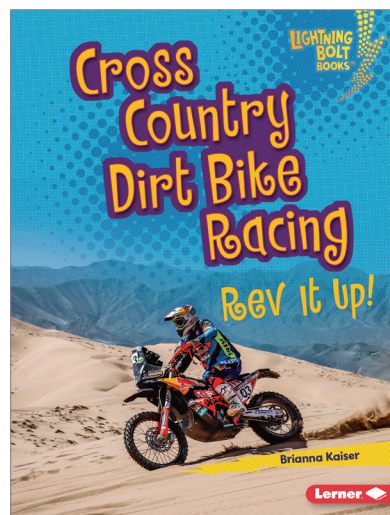
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Lightning Bolt Books® — Dirt Bike Zone

Zoom into the world of dirt bike racing! Readers will speed through this series as they learn about everything from the rules and bikes used to popular events and superstars of the sport.

- High-interest topic
- Introduces key content-related vocabulary
- Photo captions help readers understand images and add fun facts
- Back matter features include diagrams of bikes and discuss the science, engineering, or technology behind them

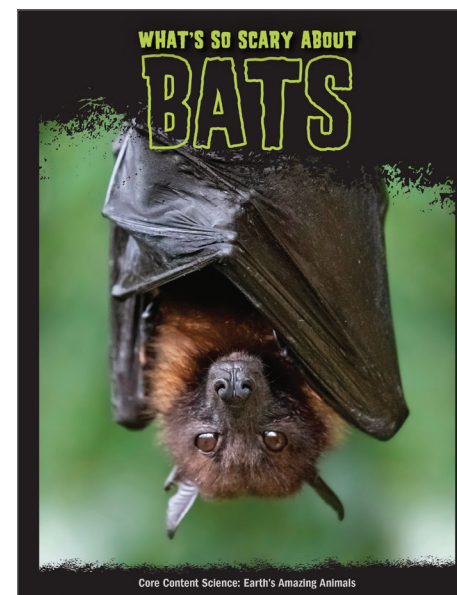
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Core Content Science — Earth's Amazing Animals

Many people are afraid of wild animals. But these animals are not scary at all! In fact, they are fascinating creatures that often help make the world a better place. Each book presents fun facts—and, yes, some warnings—as young readers learn why scary animals are often the most interesting.

- Vivid photographs help readers learn about some of the world's most "scary" animals
- Fun facts will appeal to young readers

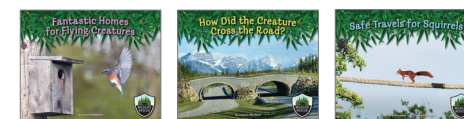
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Wildlife Rescue

This series looks at unusual ways people around the world have come to the rescue of endangered species by providing safe ways to adapt to their changing habitats. Rope bridges, tiny tunnels, and crossing guards for turtles are just some of the interesting solutions featured in this series.

- Children are naturally curious about animals and are often interested in ways to save disappearing species
- Each of these books shows simple yet innovative ways people have created safe spaces that make the world safer for animals and people too
- There are no similar books on the market, so this series will fill an important niche and please anyone who is curious about clever ways to help animals

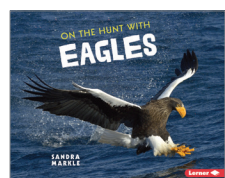
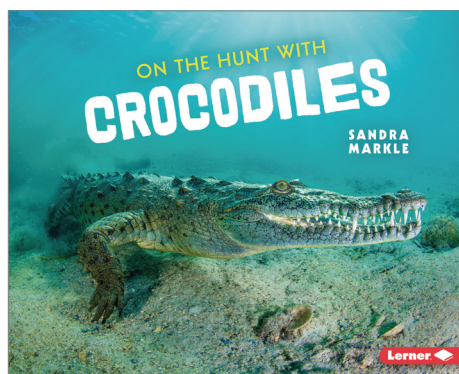
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Ultimate Predators

Discover some of the fiercest predators in the animal kingdom with remarkable photographs of animals hunting! Readers will be fascinated by how these animals hunt and train their young to track and kill prey.

- Incredible full-color photographs bring predators to life
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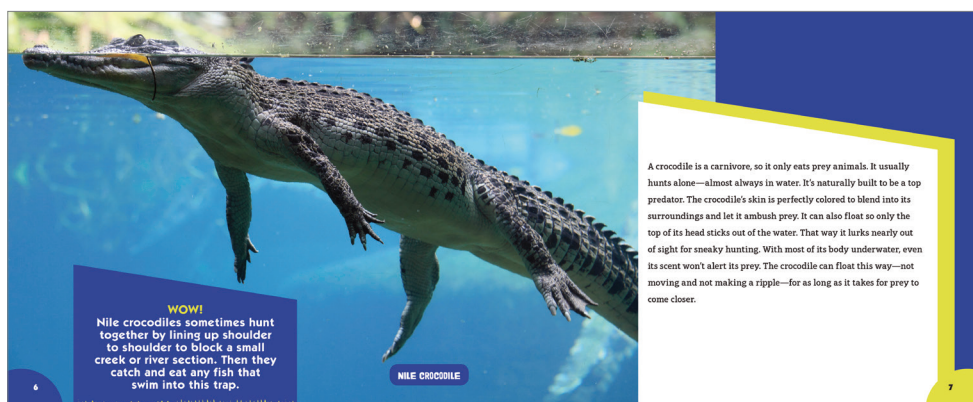
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Math isn't just something you learn in school! It's an important part of the world around you. Whether it's cooking in the kitchen, shopping for groceries, or enjoying a game of baseball, this series shows young readers important math concepts at work in the real world.

- Introduction to early math concepts for primary readers
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STEM to the Rescue

STEM to the Rescue shows off how science can save the world. Sidebars show off the hard work of scientists in the field, and an activity challenges readers to use their minds to think into the future.

- Innovations in science are highlighted in this STEM series
- Encourages readers to study the past, read about the present, and explore the future
- SEL benefit: Addresses fear of the future with positive action and outlook

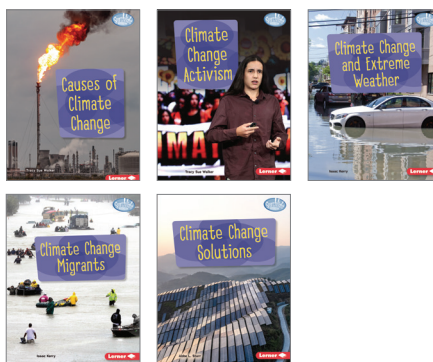
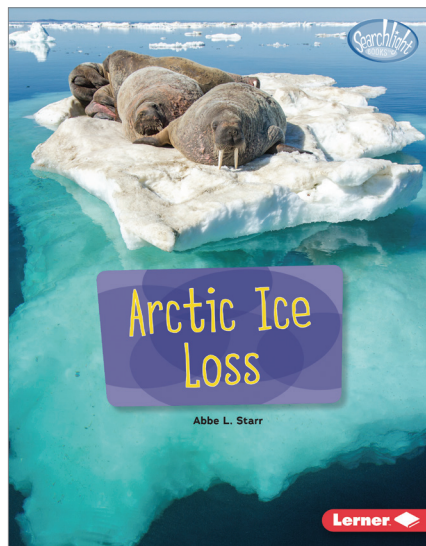
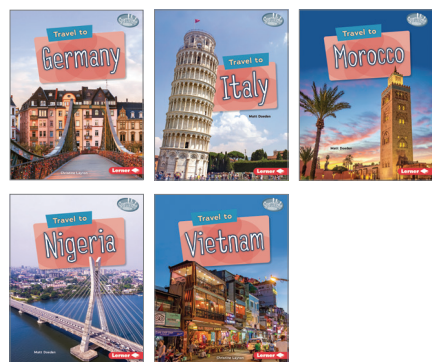
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Travel around the world to discover the peoples, cultures, histories, and landscapes of different countries. Sidebars highlight each country's must-see sights and biggest celebrations while a back matter feature points out key fast facts.

- Engaging features include fast facts and maps
- Sidebars highlight must-see sights and popular celebrations

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From causes and consequences to solutions and more, readers will learn up-to-date information about an important and evolving topic: climate change. A back-matter feature encourages kids to take action against climate change.

- Timely, high-interest topic
- Sidebars highlight STEM-related facts and key figures of climate change

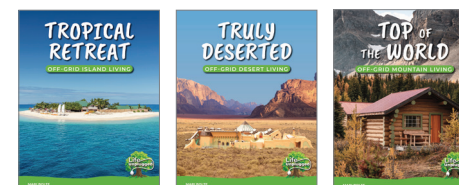
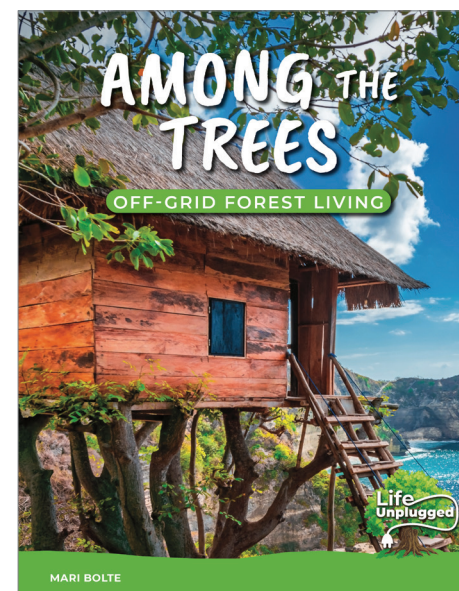
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Unplug, unwind, and live life on the wild side! Life Unplugged explores the different ways people have gone back to the green life, and hands-on activities challenge kids to live a little off the grid.

- Each book showcases a variety of off-grid homes, exploring pros and cons of each
- Explores various biomes and ecological environments and what they offer as livable space
- Highlights Indigenous knowledge and strategies for off-grid living

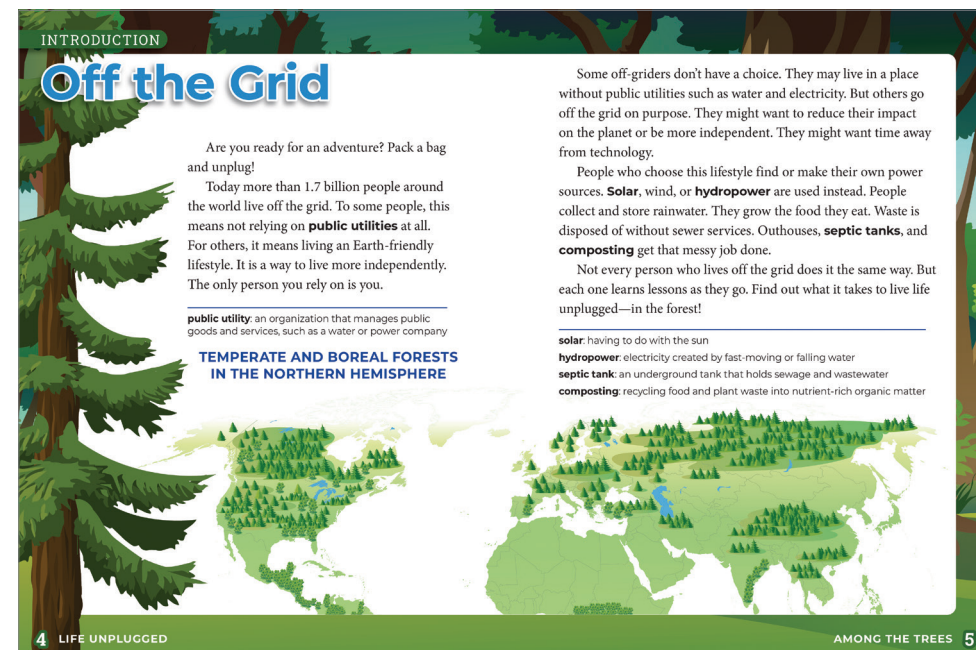
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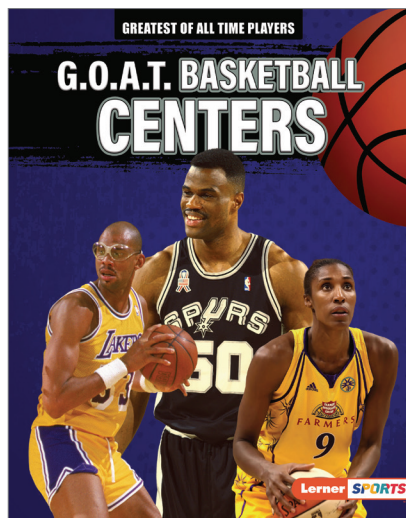
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Greatest of All Time Players (Lerner™ Sports)

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.

- Perfect for sports fans
- Action-packed text and photos
- Fun top-10 format

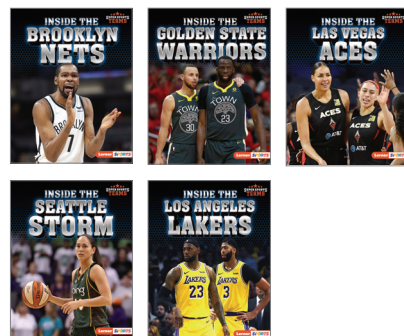
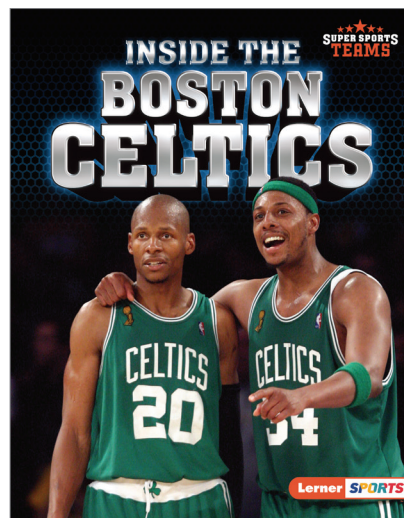
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Super Sports Teams (Lerner™ Sports)

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 athletes and moments in sports
- Appeals to sports fans with action-packed text and photos
- Filled with fascinating stats and amazing facts

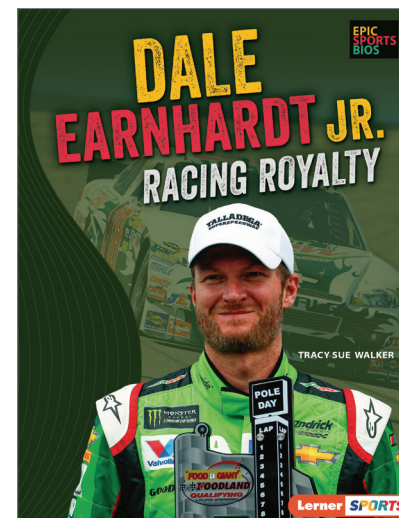
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Epic Sports Bios (Lerner™ Sports)

Some athletes' careers are so impressive that they become near-mythical figures! These biographies of the biggest superstars in sports history cover each athlete's rise to the top and the moments that cemented their status as sports legends.

- Engaging biographies about the most popular and legendary athletes
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Sports VIPs (Lerner™ Sports)

Explore the lives of the world's best and hottest sports superstars. From childhood to the present, find out how they rule their sports, prepare for big events, and help their communities.

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- Colorful, action-packed photos and lively text
- Engaging profiles of the world's most famous athletes

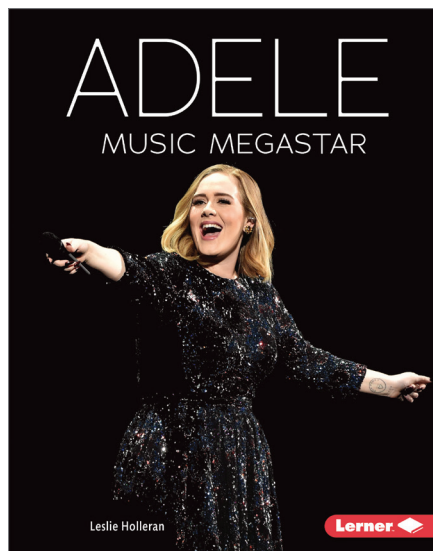
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Gateway Biographies

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 and historical public figures
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Read about Sports (Read for a Better World™)

Introduce young readers to popular sports! These accessible titles explain the equipment needed and the basic rules of eight sports. Social and emotional connections encourage readers to think about what it would be like to play on a team.

- Accessible introduction to a high-interest topic
- Full-color photos and a photo glossary

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Read about Holidays (Read for a Better World™)

Give young readers a peek inside various holidays we celebrate. With questions that encourage connection, and social and emotional supports for educators, this series brings holiday traditions to life for young learners.

- Accessible intro to a diverse set of holidays
- Critical thinking and connection questions engage learners

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They needed to spread the word about their ideas, so Lichtash wrote an article for *U.S. News & World Report* about their goals. He explained how investing in public transportation could help stop climate change if more people used it and if the energy sources were clean. He called Obama's plan "a step in the right direction" that they needed to build on.

"True climate leadership can only occur with the support of Congress. It is clear that politics is all that stands in our way—the technologies and policies exist to ensure a better future," he wrote.

Lichtash and Weber continued their activism in other ways too. Lichtash started working for the New York Power Authority and used his position to push for the use of electric vehicles. Weber waited tables and did bike deliveries, but he also networked with other activists and traveled to attend protests. In 2014 he went to the People's



Over 300,000 people attended the 2014 People's Climate March in New York City.

Climate March in New York City, where he met Jaye. The future founders of the Sunrise Movement were finding one another. They shared a passion for the same cause and their common goals drew them together.

WHAT IS CLIMATE CHANGE?

Climate change causes warmer weather. But the critical issues created by climate change include dangerous storms and other problems for the planet, including droughts, heat waves, and wildfires. Scientists believe human use of fossil fuels is to blame.



Mazal Bueno!

Sarah Aroeste, illus. Taia Morley

Parents celebrate baby's first grin to baby's first word, and all the milestones in between in this book featuring Ladino words, the language of the Sephardic Jewish community. Mazal bueno! Go, baby go!

- A sweet board book celebrating baby's first milestones
- Depicts parental love through fun rhymes
- Introduces the Sephardic/Ladino language

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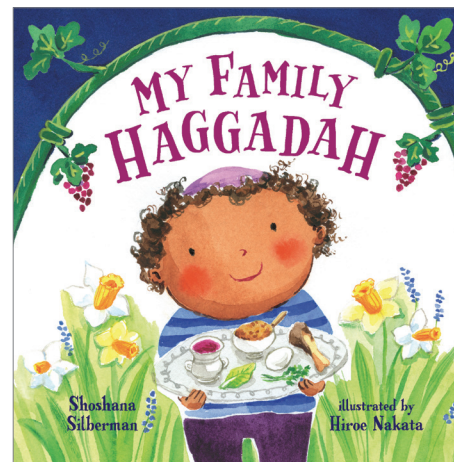
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My Family Haggadah

Shoshana Silberman, illus. Hiroe Nakata

The perfect haggadah for the littlest seder-goers, this colorful, kid-friendly board book is a companion to Kar-Ben's popular *A Family Haggadah II* for kids and adults.

- PagePlus link to Songs for a Family Seder

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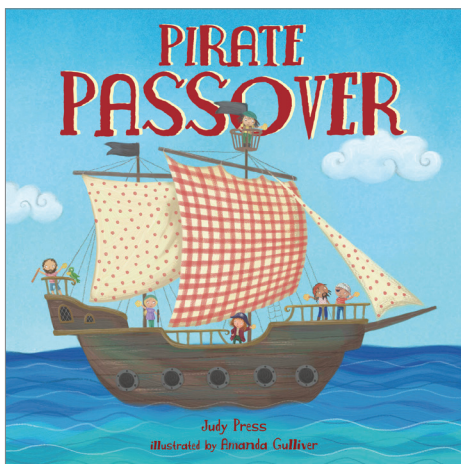
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Pirate Passover

Judy Press, illus. Amanda Gulliver

The pirates are getting ready for Passover, until their ship is washed ashore in a storm! What will they do? Luckily, they find a house with an open door, and everyone is invited in to enjoy the seder.

- A funny Passover story, told in rhyme
- Touches on the themes of Passover in an original way
- Features a group of brave pirates celebrating Passover, the holiday for everybody

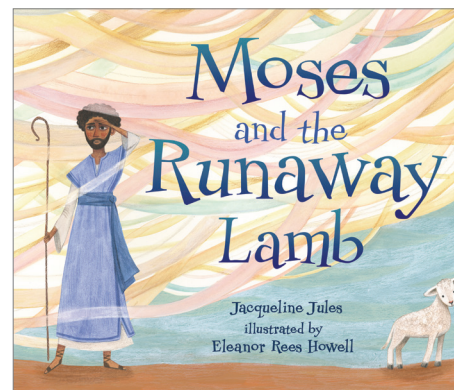
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Moses and the Runaway Lamb

Jacqueline Jules, illus. Eleanor Rees Howell

A young lamb wanders away from the flock, but Moses the shepherd brings her back to safety. On that day, God sees that Moses is the right person to lead the Israelites out of Egypt.

- Introduces readers to Moses as a young man
- Teaches the Jewish value of taking care of others

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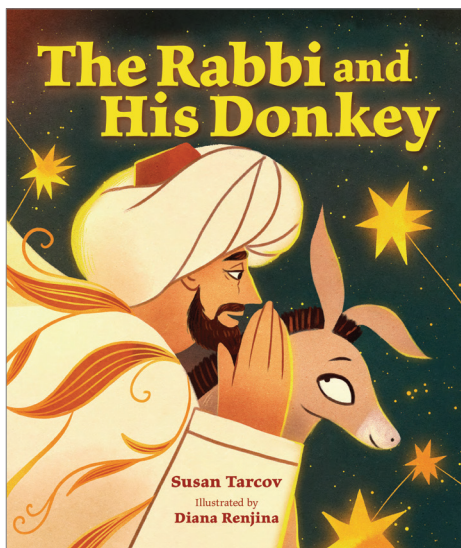
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The Rabbi and His Donkey

Susan Tarcov, illus. Diana Renjina

Hamor the donkey is proud to take Rabbi Moses Maimonides to the sultan's palace every day—until he is replaced by a faster horse. But Rabbi and donkey are soon reunited, as each learns a lesson from the other.

- An introduction to the great rabbi and scholar Maimonides
- Teaches the value of honoring all creatures for their true nature

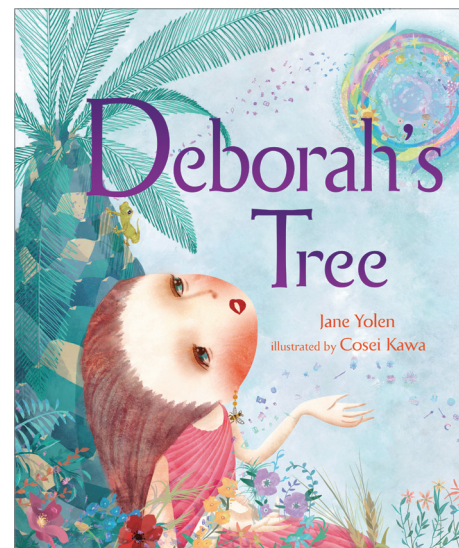
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Deborah's Tree

Jane Yolen, illus. Cosei Kawa

Deborah has a gift; she can see the future. People come from far and wide to seek guidance from the great prophetess. When Deborah foresees danger to the people of Israel, her moment of destiny has arrived.

- The third in Jane Yolen's "Women of the Bible" books, following the Sydney Taylor Award-winning *Miriam at the River* and *Mrs. Noah's Doves*
- Beautiful and unusual illustrations by Japanese illustrator Kosei Kawa

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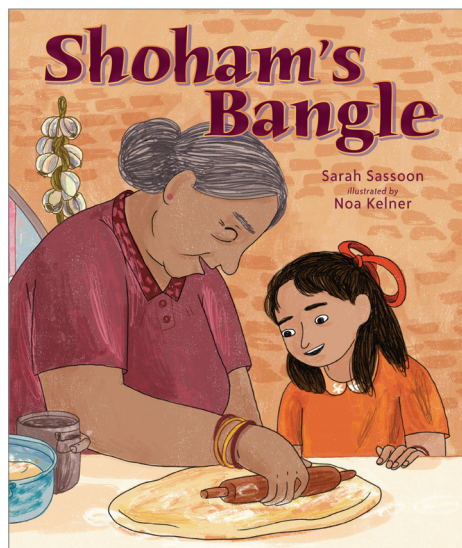
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Shoham's Bangle

Sarah Sassoon, illus. Noa Kelner

Shoham wears a golden bangle on her wrist, just like her Nana Aziza. When Shoham's family emigrates from Iraq to Israel, Nana Aziza gives Shoham a way to remember where she came from.

- The story of a Sephardic Jewish family, whose stories are much sought after in the both the Jewish and secular communities
- A timely and moving tale (based on a true story) of a refugee family that left their home under duress and made their way into a new world

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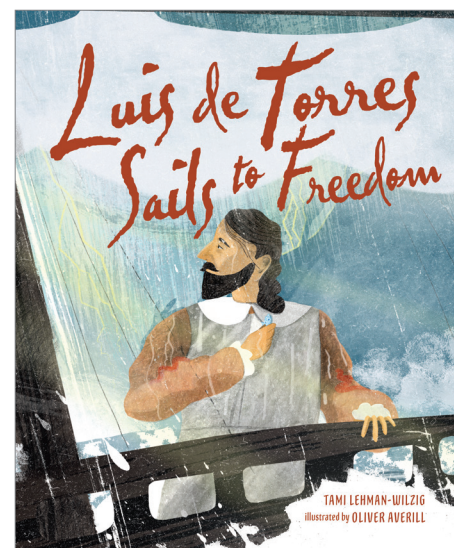
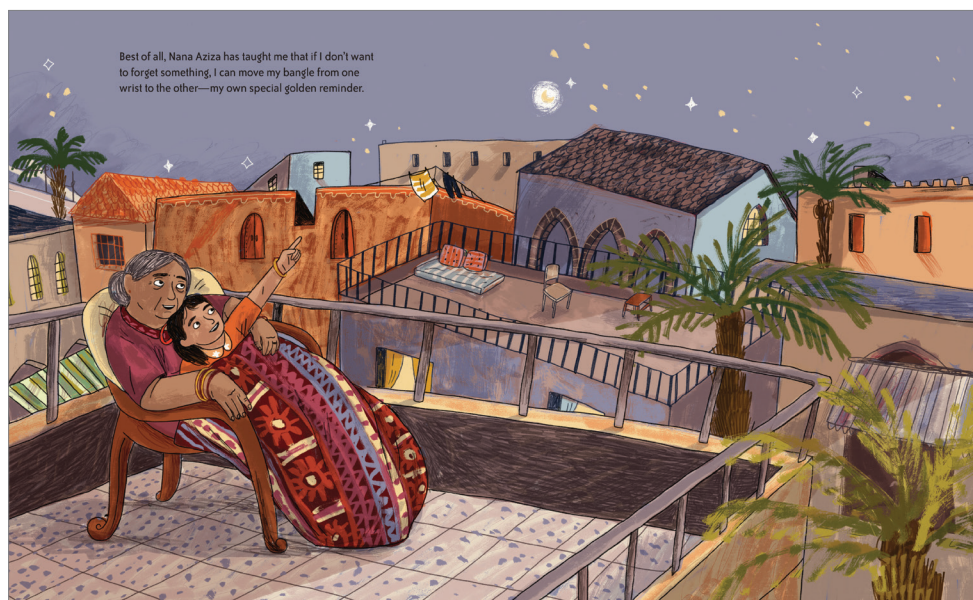
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"A moving and authentic story of love, family, and home."

—Kirkus Reviews



Luis de Torres Sails to Freedom

Tami Lehman-Wilzig, illus. Oliver Averill

When Jews are forced from Spain in 1492, Yosef ben HaLevi Halvri becomes Luis de Torres and sets sail for new lands with his faith, his wits, and a silver hamsa for protection.

- An introduction to the history of the Jewish experience in Inquisition-era Spain
- Explores themes of faith and hope
- Discusses Tisha B'Av, a day for Jews to mourn the destruction of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem

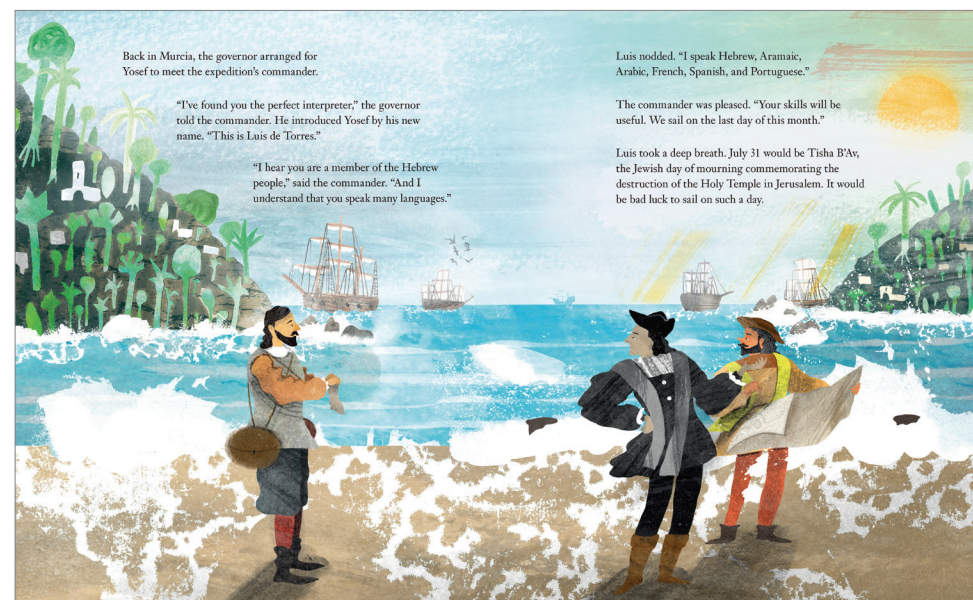
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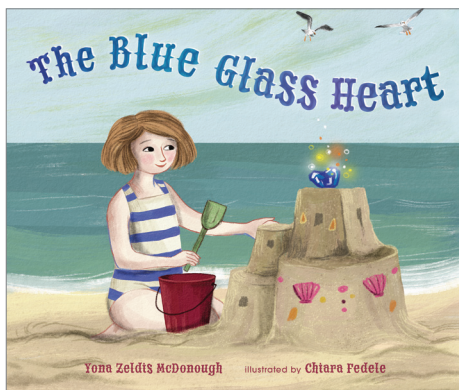
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The Blue Glass Heart

Yona Zeldis McDonough
illus. Chiara Fedele

When Sarah accidentally breaks Bubbe's beautiful blue glass bowl, she is heartbroken. But Bubbe comforts her, assuring her that it is Sarah—not the bowl—that is important. After sweeping up, Sarah finds a heart-shaped piece of glass in the corner, puts it in her pocket and, the next day, takes it to beach, where it begins a journey around the world. From New York to the South of France, South America to Israel, the blue glass heart travels the world, touching the lives of children, until it finally—and remarkably—makes its way back home.

- A beautiful, poignant story of a family heirloom that is lost—and then found
- A story that weaves together the lives of children around the world

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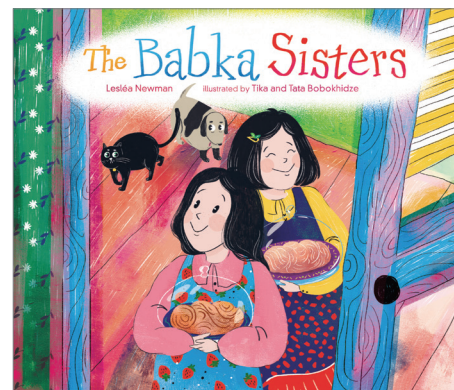
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The Babka Sisters

Lesléa Newman
illus. Tika and Tata Bobokhidze

Dueling baker sisters Esther and Hester meet their new neighbor Sylvester, who gladly becomes their babka tester, determining which shvester's (sister's) Babka is the best. With cat Lester and dog Chester, the new friends enjoy a delicious Shabbat. But whose Babka is the best?

- A fun rhyming story, interspersed with a few Yiddish words about sisters
- Introduces the Jewish food babka, a yummy cakelike bread, and includes a recipe for babka
- Demonstrates the Jewish value of hospitality and welcoming new people

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Nothing Could Stop Her

The Courageous Life of Ruth Gruber

Ruth Gruber, a Jewish American born in 1911, was drawn to adventure and driven to fight injustice. Her career as a renowned journalist spanned seven decades, reporting on places like Nazi Germany and remote Arctic regions of the Soviet Union.

- This biography, drawn from Ruth Gruber's memoirs, explores the early life and career of a courageous and groundbreaking journalist
- Highlights Ruth's commitment to fairness and the ways she used her journalism to raise awareness about human rights crises

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Not So Shy

Noa Nimrodi

Twelve-year-old Shai hates having to move to America. She's determined to find a way get back home to Israel—until she starts opening up to new experiences and friendships.

- A warmhearted fish-out-of water story about an Israeli girl finding community in America
- Relatable for any child who has moved or faced major, disruptive changes

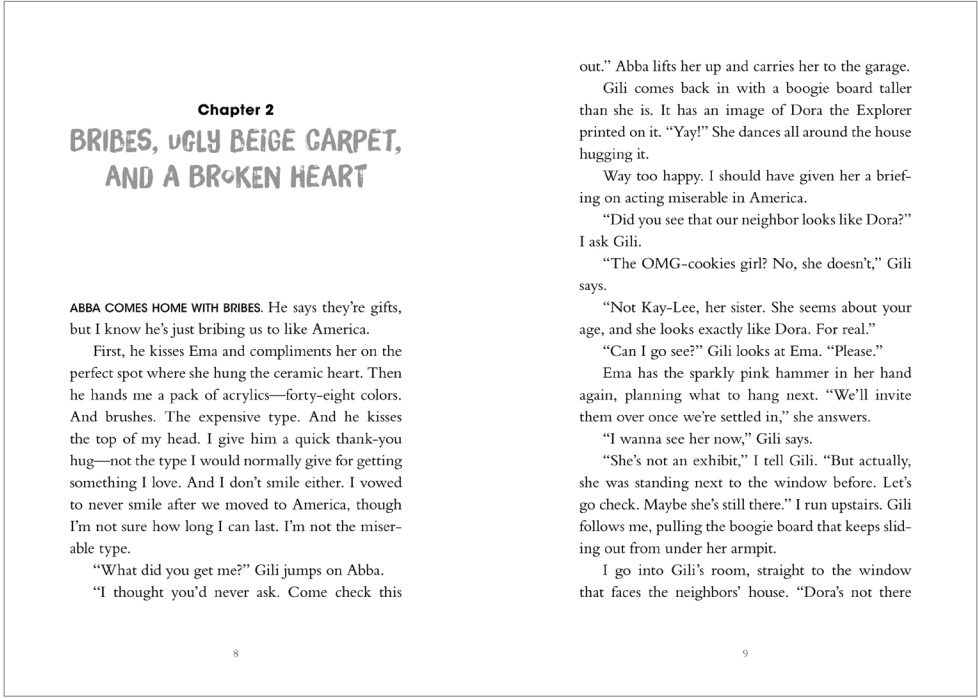
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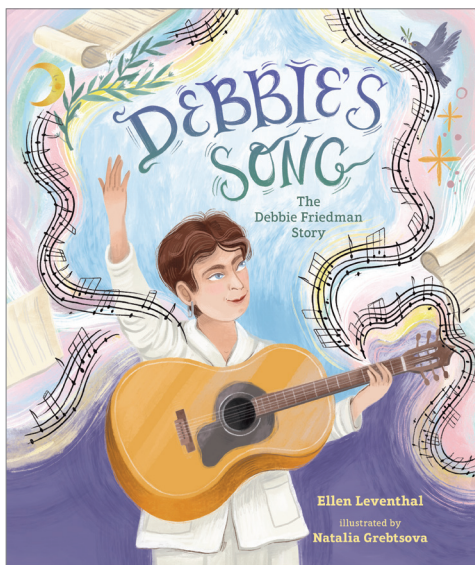
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Debbie's Song

Ellen Leventhal, illus. Natalia Grebtsova

Debbie Friedman always had music inside of her, and she had a dream. She thought music could heal the world and bring people closer. She did something radical and new—created Jewish music that brings the whole Jewish community together.

- An inspiring story about an artist with a vision
- A celebration of iconic Jewish singer-songwriter Debbie Friedman, a woman who changed the world of Jewish music

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Duct Tape Purim

Jill Colella Bloomfield

What do duct tape and Queen Esther have in common? Both are strong, flexible and can withstand very challenging circumstances! Create fun costumes and accessories with duct tape to celebrate the holiday of Purim.

- Projects feature a variety of Purim characters
- Material-specific titles make it easy to gather all the supplies you need, giving readers more time to explore

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