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# The Knight of Little Import

Hannah Batsel

Charlie is a young knight who can't find a single beast to slay--until she discovers there are monsters all around! Only she knows what to do to save her little town.

- A fresh and charming tale told with lots of humor
- Follow Hannah on TikTok, where she shares fun peeks at her process creating this book on TikTok
- Pair this with Knight Owl by Christopher Denise

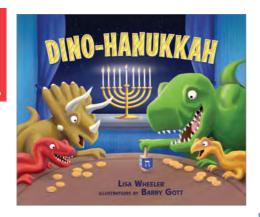
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### Dino-Hanukkah

Lisa Wheeler, illus. Barry Gott

Light the menorah! Enjoy the eight days of Hanukkah in this dino-sized celebration from Lisa Wheeler and Barry Gott.

- A fun and festive Hanukkah-themed addition to the beloved Dino-Holidays series
- · Hilarious and detailed art for readers to pore over
- Wheeler's easy-to-read verse incorporates lots of dinosaur names and creates a fun readaloud experience

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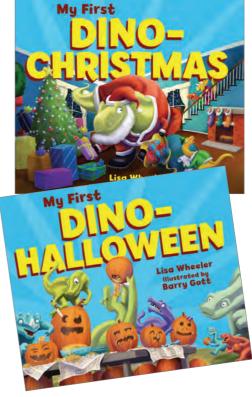
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### **Dino Board Books**

Lisa Wheeler, illus. Barry Gott

There's tons of dino-fun for everyone in these high-energy board books, whether it's going trick-or-treating or waiting for the arrival of Santa Claws, Celebrate these holidays in epic Dino fashion!

- All-new text is accompanied by the art from the original Dino-Christmas and Dino-Halloween books
- Bouncy rhyme appeals to babies and toddlers
- · Bright illustrations feature dinosaurs enthusiastically enjoying holiday activities

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Pages: 12 • Trim: 7 x 6 • Ages: 1-4

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### Sensitive

Sara Levine, illus. Mehrdokht Amini

A young girl hears messages that she's too sensitive and needs to change. In a slightly surreal moment, the messages travel inside her body and won't leave her alone. It is only when she gets time to herself that she finds a solution she transforms the negative comments into a poem affirming that being sensitive is her strength. A unique and thoughtful picture book that builds empathy and compassion.

- The text is both a narrative and a word puzzle
- Visually striking art from Mehrdokht Amini
- Author's note includes tips for sensitive kids and their caregivers

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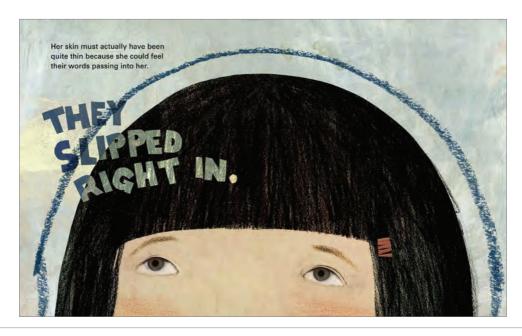
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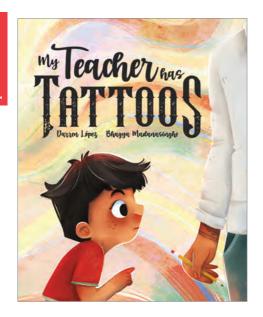
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# My Teacher Has Tattoos

Darren Lopez, illus. Bhagya Madanasinghe

In Xavier's neighborhood, tattoos represent gang membership. After Xavier catches an unexpected glimpse of his new teacher's tattoos, he learns that there's more than meets the eye when it comes to the cultural significance of tattoos.

- Addresses biases and stereotyping
- #OwnVoices: Based on a true story about the author who is a Latinx male elementary school teacher with previously hidden tattoos
- Includes discussion questions

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# The Lunar New Year **Surprise**

Jade Wang, illus. Tammy Do

"It's the first day of the Lunar New Year—the biggest, yummiest, NOISIEST celebration of the year!" During the festivities, can Gege find the perfect moment to present his handcrafted surprise to his little sister?

- A lively introduction to the Lunar New Year and the food and traditions surrounding it
- #OwnVoices: Both author and illustrator are of Asian descent and grew up celebrating Lunar New Year

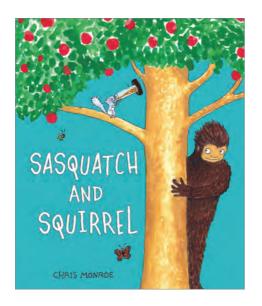
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# Sasquatch and Squirrel

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

#### Carolrhoda Books®

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Pages: 32 • Trim: 91/4 x 11 • Ages: 4-8

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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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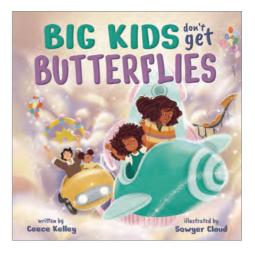
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"A nighttime poem rooted in a city landscape, encouragement to be compassionate, and, of course, moonlight.... The palette of blues, reds, greens, and black is expertly shaded, conveying a dreamy mood appropriate to the subject."

- Kirkus Reviews



# 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

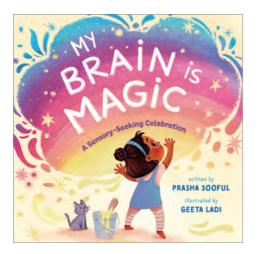
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"The text is pithy but lively, good for reading aloud. The art is expressive and colorful, with lots of warm pinks and oranges. A sweet, energetic book that can help neurodivergent kids understand their brains better."

- Kirkus Reviews

# 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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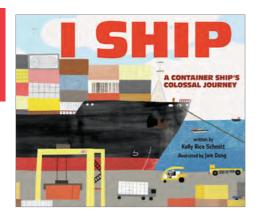
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# I Ship

### A Container Ship's Colossal Journey

Kelly Rice Schmitt, illus. Jam Dong

Engines ahead! Come aboard a container ship and voyage across oceans to deliver goods to people who need them.

- Highly engaging first-person narrative from the ship's perspective will appeal to fans of books like Earth! My First 4.54 Billion Years
- Back matter includes a glossary of shipping terms, descriptions of jobs related to shipping and trade, and an activity to find imported goods at home or school
- Seek and find element: endpages depict objects that can be found throughout the interior artwork

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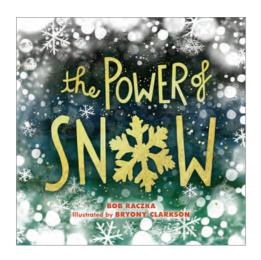
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### The Power of Snow

Bob Raczka, illus. Bryony Clarkson

Experience a snowstorm through playful verse and the power of exponential growth! Clever rhymes and dynamic illustrations combine in a fun winter readaloud in this snow-tastic exploration of exponents.

- Picture books that incorporate math concepts are rare
- Incorporates multiplication and exponents throughout the book
- Includes s a comprehensive and accessible explanation of exponents and exponential growth

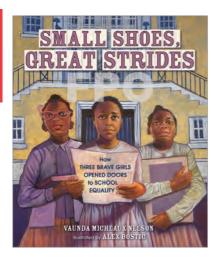
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### Small Shoes. Great Strides How Three Brave Girls Opened **Doors to School Equality**

Vaunda Micheaux Nelson illus, Alex Bostic

A powerful true story about three Black girls—Leona Tate, Gail Etienne, and Tessie Prevost—who courageously integrated a New Orleans school on November 14, 1960. Award-winning author Vaunda Micheaux Nelson brings this little-known event in the Civil Rights Movement to light.

- Encompasses both the day of integration and the challenges the girls faced well after that first day
- · Leona, Tessie, and Gail were involved in the making of the book and are eager to help promote it
- Back matter includes information about school desegregation in New Orleans, Norman Rockwell's famous painting The Problem We All Live With, and what happened to the girls in the following years

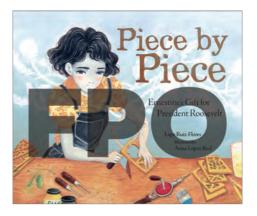
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### Piece by Piece Ernestine's Gift for President Roosevelt

Lupe Ruiz-Flores, illus. Anna López Real

During the Great Depression, Ernestine Guerrero's family didn't have much. This is the true story of a resourceful Mexican American teen who made a remarkable gift to thank President Roosevelt for the food aid that helped them survive!

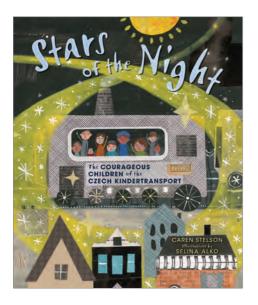
- This true story has themes of resourcefulness, ingenuity, and gratitude
- Celebrates the accomplishments of Ernestine Guerrero, a Mexican American girl living in Texas during the Great Depression
- Will appeal to fans of *The Floating Field* and other books about young people accomplishing remarkable things

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★"A not-to-be-missed, inspirational book about courage, heart, and the necessity of caring for others."

— starred, Kirkus Reviews

# 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 Sís
- Author's note and Illustrator's note

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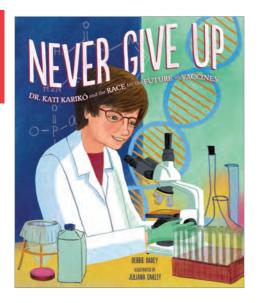
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★"Bright, beautiful illustrations are rendered in pencil and finished digitally.... Informative as well as inspiring, this book shows how Karikó's tenacity is proof to never give up. A first purchase for all biography collections."

— starred, School Library Journal

### Never Give Up Dr. Kati Karikó and the Race for

the Future of Vaccines

Debbie Dadey, illus. Juliana Oakley

This picture book biography introduces Hungarian American biochemist Katalin Karikó, who played a critical role in developing the mRNA vaccine for COVID-19. Follow the journey of Katalin (Kati) Karikó from her childhood in rural Hungary.

- A timely story about a key scientist behind the mRNA vaccine for COVID-19
- · Highlights how Dr. Karikó's curiosity as a child paved the way for her career as a scientist
- Text reviewed by Dr. Karikó and her daughter

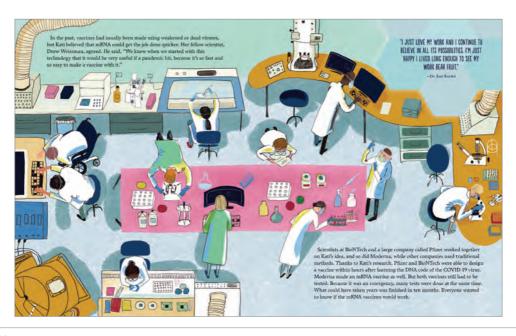
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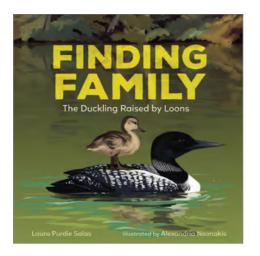
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"Engaging natural science for the very young."

Kirkus Reviews

# **Finding Family** The Duckling Raised by Loons

Laura Purdie Salas illus. Alexandria Neonakis

Discover the true story of an unlikely family—an orphaned mallard duckling being raised by a pair of loons. Intriguing verse and striking illustrations combine in this heartwarming tale of unexpected animal cooperation.

- Presents information about loop and mallard behavior and life cycles through a heartwarming true story
- An accurate retelling vetted by researchers
- Includes a photo of the loon-duckling family on which this picture book is based

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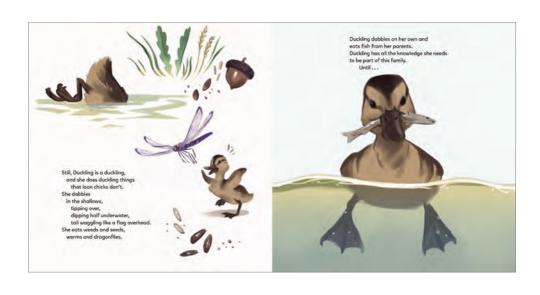
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# **Poop for Breakfast** Why Some Animals Eat It

Sara Levine, illus. Florence Weiser

Eating poop is gross! So why do some animals do it? Get the scoop on the surprisingly good reasons animals such as elephants, butterflies, rabbits, robins, and dogs devour disgusting doo-doo!

- · Combines gross-out kid appeal with great science info
- Packed with information that will surprise kids and adults alike
- A clever way to talk about the digestive system (both in humans and in other animals)

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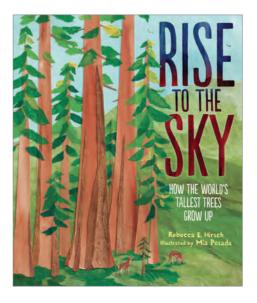
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"Levine knows how to grab young readers" attention and explain science topics simply but effectively. And while Weiser's illustrations are entertaining, they're also enlightening ... Irresistible science."

-Kirkus Reviews



### Rise to the Sky How the World's Tallest Trees **Grow Up**

Rebecca E. Hirsch, illus, Mia Posada

Trees are the tallest living things on Earth. But how do they grow to be so tall? Science writer Rebecca E. Hirsch presents a poetic introduction to the tree life cycle in Rise to the Sky. Accompanied by Mia Posada's detailed collage illustrations, this book features the tallest tree species from around the world.

- Presents key concepts about trees in a fresh and engaging way
- · Accessibly introduces the concepts of photosynthesis and capillary action

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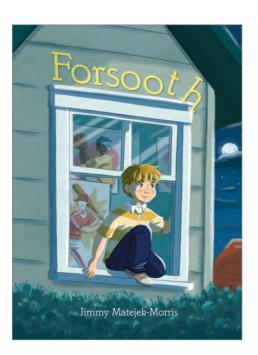
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★"A well-focused, beautiful, and informative introduction to the arboreal world."

— starred, Kirkus Reviews



### **Forsooth**

Jimmy Matejek-Morris

When thirteen-year-old theater kid Calvin sets out to make a movie with his friends. drama ensues, forcing him to sort through his first crushes, face family tensions, and learn how to be true to himself.

- A hilarious and heartfelt story of a boy discovering his orientation, his personal strengths and flaws, and his voice
- · Sensitive portrayals of real-life issues—anxiety, internalized homophobia, unconscious bias/ racism—with a focus on character growth and kindness
- Ode to youthful creativity and to the ways performance can express truth

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#### Chapter I

"Promise me," Kennedy says as she snaps the cap back onto her purple gel pen, "that you won't read this until you get home." She blows on the signature and swishes her pale hand back and forth over the text in an attempt to dry my final have a nice summer before we actually go out and do so. She gently closes the flimsy paperback yearbook and hands it to me.

"Okay." I shrug.

"You gushing your heart out to him or something?" Jonah teases Kennedy. His curly hair swishes as he shoots her a questioning glance.

I laugh, because everyone knows that Kennedy and Jonah belong together. Or at least, everyone would know that if they actually cared about my friends and me, but drama kid drama is not high on the list of things our seventh-grade classmates care about. Unless, of course, you fall off the stage. Then it's all anybody can talk about for the past seventythree days.

It wasn't so bad at first-everyone in the audience rising to their feet and shouting "Call 9-1-1!" because suddenly, I was the star. And Miss H. didn't think I could play a lead. A pair of hands yanked my shoulder, and I opened my eyes with a gasp. The room erupted into applause. My first standing ovation.

The ambulance came next:

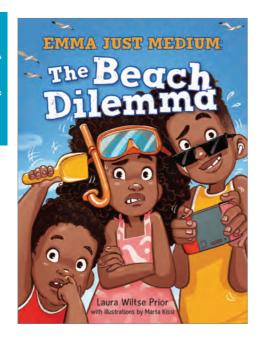
I texted Kennedy as Mom and Dad whispered buzzwords with the doctors: Nothing broken. Ice packs. Therapy,

Don't sweat it, Kennedy's message said. People make careers of falling off the stage all the time. Ever hear of The Play that Goes Wrong?

Uh. I just starred in it, I replied.

After I was sent home with nothing but a bruised elbow and damaged pride, the whispered conversations began. Once everyone sees you aren't actually hurt, the "poor kid"s turn into "loser" and "Forsooth!" and-

BRRRRRRINGINGGGINGING. The school bell rings, and with that, the worst year of



### Emma Just Medium The Beach Dilemma

Laura Wiltse Prior, illus. Marta Kissi

Even though her family calls her Emma Bemma, Emma knows she is really a dilEmma. The middle kid between her two brothers, whom everyone calls Big and Little, Emma is just Medium. Big thinks he's the coolest kid on the planet now that he's 10. And everyone thinks Little is just adorable even when he picks his nose and eats it! What if she could get out of being the middle by taking on a new role? What if she acted BIG. Will things go as planned? Or will she have another huge dilEmma?

- A charming laugh-out-loud romp starring a goofy, well-intentioned, and one hundred percent relatable main character
- Will appeal to fans of Clementine, Judy Moody, and Sharon Draper's Sassy

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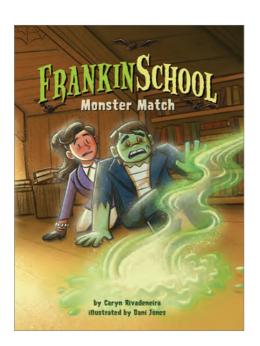
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### Frankinschool Monster Match: Book 1

Caryn Rivadeneira, illus. Dani Jones

Fred is working on his "What-If" writing assignment when a mist fills the room, and the words on his page come to life. Suddenly Fred—now Frankinschool must save the school from a mysterious potion and a ghost in the attic!

- Demonstrates how imagination and creativity can lead to forgiveness, acceptance, and a better understanding of one another
- For fans of the best-selling Junior Monster Scouts series

#### **Red Chair Press**

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Pages: 112 • Trim: 6 x 8 • Ages: 7-11

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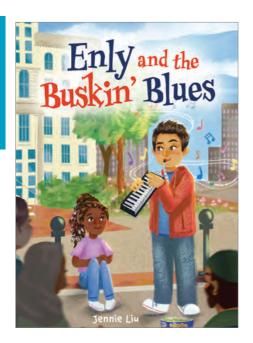
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# A MONSTER ON THE LOOSE

Frankinschool dragged heavy, booted feet across the carpeted classroom toward Ms. Martinez. He rested his wrinkled green fingers on the base of her neck, like he'd seen done in movies. Frankinschool wasn't quite sure what he was feeling for, but when a tha-thump, tha-thump, tha-thump rumbled below his fingers, he knew she was all right. Ms. Martinez was alive. As were his classmates. Frankinschool could



# 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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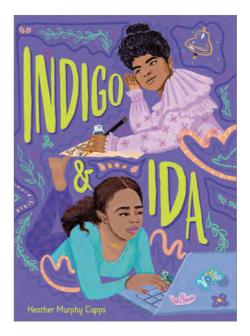
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"A quick-paced coming-of-age story exploring music and family expectations."

— Kirkus Reviews



# 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

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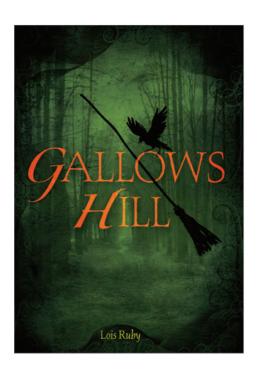
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"This lively middle-grade novel successfully captures the turmoil of finding one's place while navigating the various demands of growing up. A satisfying story that demonstrates how the past can shed light on the present."

— Kirkus Reviews



### **Gallows Hill**

Lois Ruby

In 1692 Salem, Puritan Patience and Quaker Thomas are caught up in a community panic over witchcraft. As the list of accusers and accused grows, they question their faiths and fight to protect their families.

- A fresh take on the Salem Witch Trials--what it means to live in a climate of fear and what it means to seek truth and justice
- Themes relevant to the present: the effects of rigid social norms, suspicion of anyone different, and the consequences of failing to stand up for one's neighbors
- Danger, suspense, a dash of attraction between the leads, and a hopeful ending

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#### Thomas

The rich people from the upper decks saunter down the gangplank in fancy dress they've saved for this very moment. We of the lower decks stumble off the ship, filthy and exhausted, half-blinded by the unexpected sunlight as a blast of frosty air assaults us. Some of us are barely alive, but we are here, in New England.

Passengers scatter to waiting family. Three ladies on our deck have come to be matched with husbands they've never met. Everyone has someplace to go except Grace and me. We've alone.

The wharf is crowded with residents horrying here and there, most wearing humble linen and wool. We're scruffy after our weeks on the ship, but the Salem folk take no notice of us amid the hogs and chickens and goats and sows sauntering through the town. The smell is horrid and at the same time intoxicating: rotting vegetables, unwashed bodies, horse manure, salt-water fish, and smoke rising from nearby chimneys promising warmth and roasted meat. We haven't tasted meat in months. I've no idea where we'll come by a morsel to fill our stomuchs, which are inside-out with hunger.

I pull Grace along toward a craggy man perched on a rock. "Pardon me, sir, but can you tell me where I might find Eberly the shipwright?"

The man claps me on the shoulder. "I'm no sir, boy. Sirs are the landed gentry, or at least the rich, like that fine fellow yonder with the fancy boot buckles. Sawtucket, at yer service." He doffs his hat and bows broadly like a man I once saw in a street performance, acting the part of a court jester. Though we Friends hold that all theater is deceitful and therefore sinful, Father let me tarry a few moments to watch the spectacle.

Father. Gone from us. A wave of grief washes through me again.

"Pleased to meet you, Goodman Sawtucket"-for that's how to address the next caste of New Englanders properly.

"No goodman, neither. Just Sawtucket."

"Sawtucket, can you kindly direct us to Eberly?"

"Hmm." He thrusts his palm toward me and flexes his fingers in a come-forth way.

Am I to pay him in exchange for information about the shipbuilder? I pluck a coin out of my pocker. There are so few.

"Dead in the water," Sawtucket says, snapping his stubby fingers around the coin. "That's life on ye. Shipbuilder, dead in the water. Yes, me boy, he went down with one of his faulty. boats. Look for him at the bottom of the boy."

Grace stares at Sawtucket. "But he's our last hope, Eberly is. There's no one else, and we're orphans,"

"Sawrucket," I say, "do you know of any other Friends-Quakers like ourselves-who might take us in?"

"Few enough Quakers hereabouts, fewer still could afford to feed two more munths-and with suspicion already on their



# 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.

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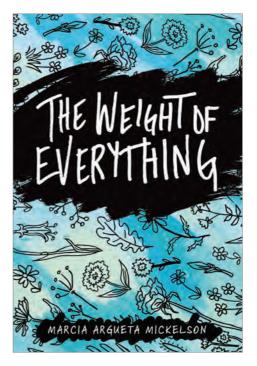
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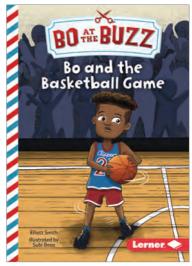
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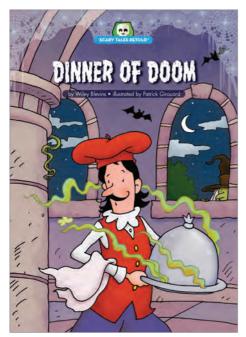
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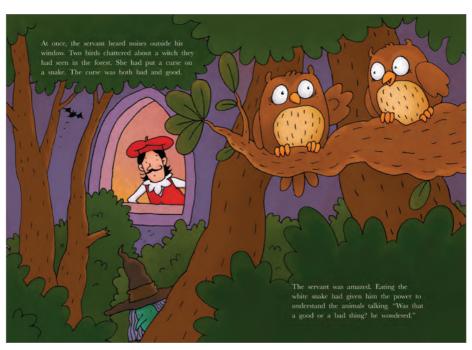
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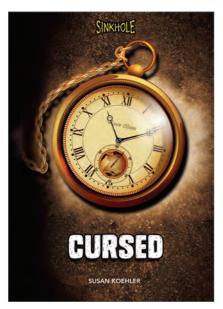
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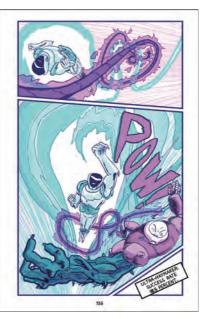
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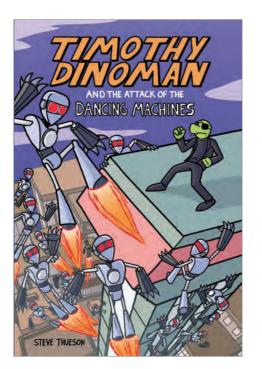
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Book 2

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- Outstanding action scenes and non-stop humor
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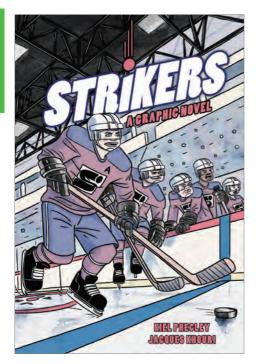
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# Strikers A Graphic Novel

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- Plenty of sports action to keep readers in suspense
- Thoughtful themes that go beyond the average underdog story

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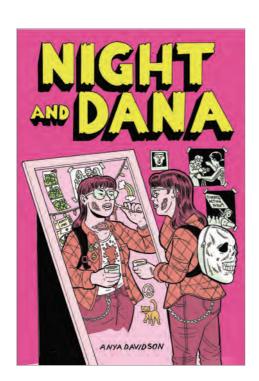
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# Night and Dana

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A creative coming-of-age story for the climate-change era, as a horror fanatic and aspiring special-effects maker finds inspiration as an activist.

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- A fresh, funny voice with environmental awareness

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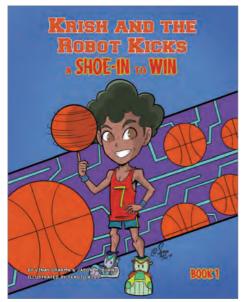
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Follow in the footsteps of Krish Banerjee, a young basketball player with one thing that sets him apart from the competition—a pair of robot sneakers.

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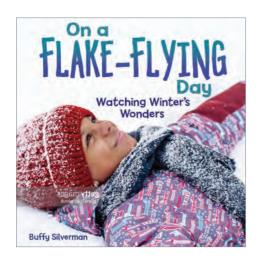
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# On a Flake-Flying Day Watching Winter's Wonders

**Buffy Silverman** 

With winter's arrival, plants and animals hunker down for the cold season. Eye-catching photos and rhyming text sparkle in this exploration of how creatures survive the snow.

- Familiar animals bring the book to life for young readers
- Beautifully photographed companion to On a Snow-Melting Day and On a Gold-Blooming Day

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### Nature Is a Sculptor Weathering and Erosion

Heather Ferranti Kinser

With wind and water, nature shapes our planet in amazing ways. Stunning photos of North America's geological marvels accompany lyrical verse in this exploration of the forces of weathering and erosion.

- Lyrical, expository text encourages a sense of wonder
- Back matter provides more in-depth explanations of weathering, erosion, and deposition and gives examples of how these forces shape the natural world

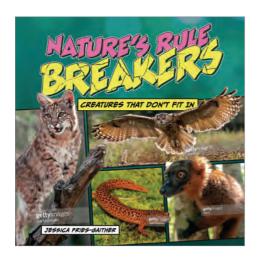
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### Nature's Rule Breakers Creatures That Don't Fit In

Jessica Fries-Gaither

Scientists often organize animals into categories based on similar traits and behaviors. But what if an animal doesn't fit in? Author Jessica Fries-Gaither introduces seven common categories and the animals that break those rules.

- · Features twenty-two animals including sharks, owls, tardigrades, and sea slugs
- Expository nonfiction text structure with a fun reveal with each page turn
- Encourages readers to think beyond binary categories

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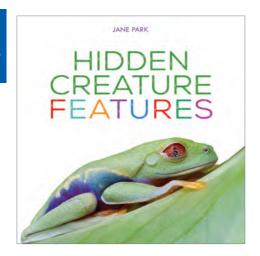
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# Hidden Creature **Features**

Jane Park

Animals have adaptations to help them survive. But some of those traits can be hard to spot at first glance. Engaging text and eye-catching photos introduce eight creatures with hidden features.

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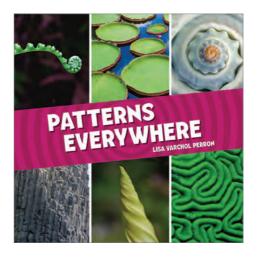
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# **Patterns Everywhere**

Lisa Varchol Perron

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- Encourages close observation of the natural world
- Gorgeous photographs draw readers in
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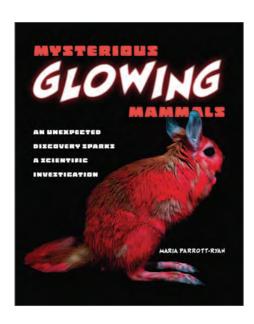
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### **Mysterious Glowing Mammals**

### An Unexpected Discovery Sparks a **Scientific Investigation**

Maria Parrott-Ryan

One night a scientist discovered something surprising in his own backyard: a flying squirrel that glowed bright pink! Follow along on an investigation into flying squirrels and other mammals that glow when exposed to ultraviolet light.

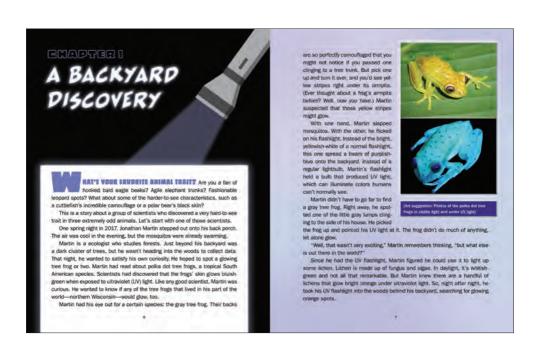
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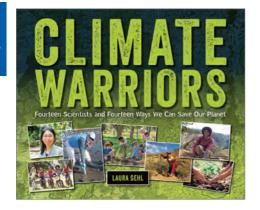
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### **Climate Warriors**

Fourteen Scientists and Fourteen Ways We Can Save Our Planet

Laura Gehl

Meet fourteen different scientists who are working to solve the climate crisis and the surprising ways they are doing it. This book informs young readers and gives them the tools they need to make a difference.

- Appeals to young activists with many ideas for how readers can participate in stopping climate change
- Explains many aspects of climate change that readers may not be familiar with in an approachable and engaging way
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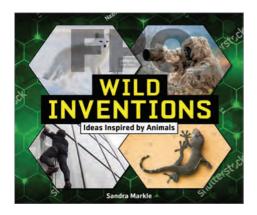
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### Wild Inventions **Ideas Inspired by Animals**

Sandra Markle

Where do inventors find inspiration? Sometimes they look to animals! Author Sandra Markle presents twelve animal adaptations and the amazing inventions they've inspired.

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- · Amazing photographs of animals and the inventions they inspired

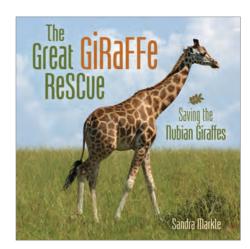
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# The Great Giraffe Rescue Saving the Nubian Giraffes

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

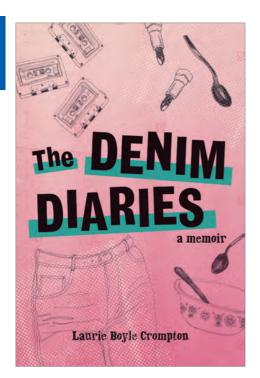
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### The Denim Diaries A Memoir

Laurie Boyle Crompton

From relationships and makeup to divorce and disordered eating, Laurie Boyle Crompton recounts the humor and heartbreak of her coming of age in rural Pennsylvania and New York City during the 1970s and '80s.

- A memoir written in free verse poems
- Hand-drawn spot illustrations by the author brings imagery of the '70s and '80s to life
- Written by young adult author Laurie Boyle Crompton

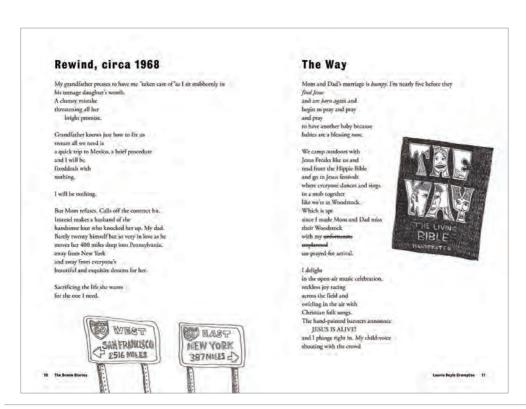
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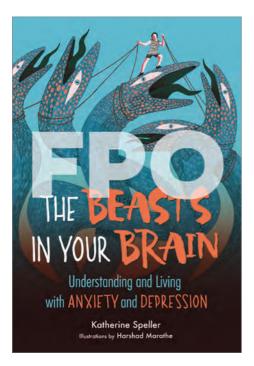
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### The Beasts in Your Brain Understanding and Living with **Anxiety and Depression**

Katherine Speller

A clever, fun, and empathetic read that reminds readers they are not alone in their feelings, teaches them the science of mental illness, and empowers them to quell the brain beasts of depression and anxiety.

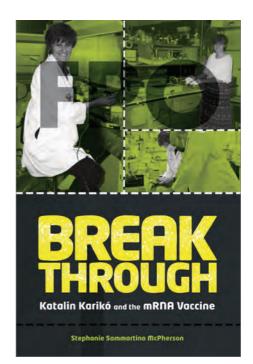
- Author's voice features prominently as a caring narrator and authority on mental illness. providing both anecdotes and research to back up her points
- Inclusive approach acknowledges how culture, race, gender, and sexuality influence stigma and treatment
- Features facts and information on mental illness as well as relatable narratives and advice from those who struggled in their teens

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### Breakthrough Katalin Karikó and the mRNA Vaccine

Stephanie Sammartino McPherson

Breakthrough chronicles the life, hard work, and accomplishments of Katalin Karikó, one of the pioneering mRNA researchers whose work led to COVID-19 vaccines, depicting her as an inspirational figure for readers interested in science.

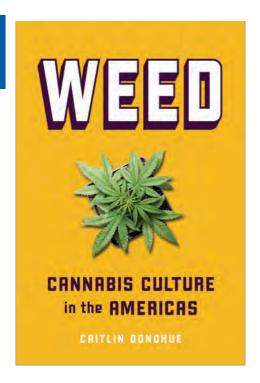
- Thoroughly details the early life and career of a significant, topical medical researcher
- Strong narrative chronology, beginning with Karikó's childhood and ending with the future potential of mRNA vaccines and research. makes this an accessible biography
- Encourages young girls and women to pursue their passions, work hard, and keep pushing in the face of adversity

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#### Cannabis Culture in the Americas

Caitlin Donohue

Culture writer Caitlin Donohue uses interviews with medical researchers. educators, activists, artists, business leaders, and other experts to craft an inclusive and comprehensive overview of cannabis in the Western Hemisphere for young adults.

- Features perspectives from experts across the Western Hemisphere, from Canada to Argentina
- Explores the various ways cannabis impacts society, from recreational weed to fashion to social justice

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# Chapter 1: A Drug We Have to Talk About Emily Jenkins, Registered Nurse and Associate Professor

at have you learned in school about drugs and the people who consume them? Have your teachers taught you about why people do drugs or how to have a healthy relationship with psychoactive substances? If you're reading this book, you probably know that something's not quite right about the way most educational systems cover cannabis. Abstinence-based curriculums-whose lessons are focused on the frightening consequences of casual drug use-can come across as more of a threat than an opportunity to learn

Many of the most popular antidrug educational programs were inspired by Just Say No. a motto popularized in the 1980s by Nancy Reagan, then the US First Lady. She sought to present drug use as the moral failure of individuals without addressing its soc context. The prohibition-minded Drug Abuse Resistance Educa tion (D.A.R.E.) program takes Just Say No as its jumping-off point, and it is still popular in US schools. The program was created in the early '80s by LA police chief Daryl Gates, who was later forced to resign because of accusations of racism among his officers, and the Los Angeles Unified School District. But police officers continued to deliver D.A.R.E. lectures in schools, relaying firsthand accounts of locking up drug consumers and workers. Despite its

popularity, D.A.R.E. has been found to have zero long-term effect on keeping kids away from drugs.

Just Say No-inspired policies often lead schools to criminalize students who use cannable by suspending or expelling them - or even referring them to law enforcement. These policies are driven by the same racism and other biases that studies find in the policing of adult cannabis use. Statistics show that Black, Latino, disabled, and LGBTQIA+ students all experience school punishment at elevated rates

Smart people such as

Emily Jenkins are working on new forms of youth drug education. An associate professor at Canada's University of British Columbia's School of Nursing, Jenkins lives in the second country in the world to legalize recreational marijuana. (Canada is also the headquarters of many of the planet's largest transnational cannabis corporations.) To understand how best to educate young people about drugs in a rapidly shifting legal landscape, Jenkins oversees scientific studies based on interviews with teens about their relationship with cannabis and other psychoactive substances. She believes that young people know best about what kinds of educational messages will keep them safe, educated, and healthy.

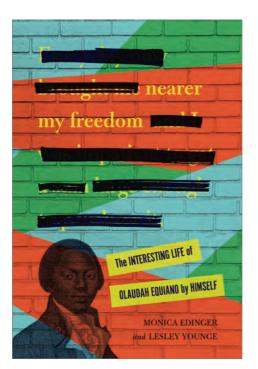


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★"In this unique work of nonfiction, Edinger and Younge transform the words of Olaudah Equiano's 1789 autobiographical slavery narrative into found-verse poetry....[An] absorbing, singular creation."

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### Nearer My Freedom The Interesting Life of Olaudah Equiano by Himself

Monica Edinger; Lesley Younge

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 voung adult readers
- · Annotations provide key historical and cultural context
- The narrative is centered on Black resilience to enslavement

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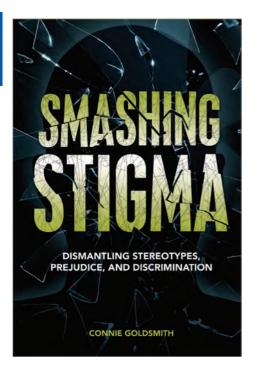
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### Smashing Stigma Dismantling Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Discrimination

Connie Goldsmith

Stigma is everywhere, from mistrust of unhoused people to discrimination based on weight. Discover how to identify and confront stigma and stop the spread of stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination. Informational text is paired with personal stories.

- Addresses key stigmatized experiences including mental health, relationship abuse, addiction, PTSD, and homelessness
- Includes personal stories from people who have dealt with stigma
- Timely and important topic

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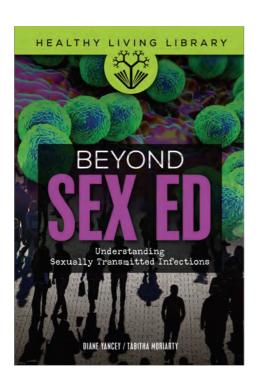


of it," they might say. "Stop feeling sorry for yourself." Or stigma could be directed at people who used to take drugs. They're in recovery, but other people's incorrect belief that "once an addict, always an addict" has made people with addictions feel too ashamed to talk about their experiences. Or it's directed at a girl whose boyfriend abuses her. Stigma prevents her friends and family from understanding that she needs their help, and they may even blame her for him angry." And don't stop and talk to that unhoused man—he's probably dangerous!

Stigma can be directed at anyone. Even if you're a highly paid guard in the National Football League (NFL). Brandon Brooks, formerly of the Philadelphia Eagles and the Houston Texans, has been open about his mental illness since 2016. At times, Brooks experiences severe anxiety. The stomach pain, nausea, and vomiting that go along with his anxiety have kept Brooks from playing several football games during his career. In 2019 he had to leave an important game against the Seattle Seahawks just before Thanksgiving.

"Make no mistake, I'm NOT ashamed or embarrassed by this nor what I go through daily," Brooks said in an intervie after the game. "I've had this under control for a couple of years and had a setback yesterday. The only thing I'm upset about is that when my team needed me, I wasn't able to be out there with and for them." Like so many people, Brooks faces stigma because of his anxiety. People may say things like, "Stomach pain is going to keep him from playing in an important football game? He's being so dramatic! He should just push through it and play the game."

People may be most familiar with the stigma associated with mental health issues, but it also can arise for other reasons. Addiction, being unhoused, intimate partner violence, race, and even body weight carry their own



## **Beyond Sex Ed**

### **Understanding Sexually** Transmitted Infections

Diane Yancey; Tabitha Moriarty

Young people account for almost half of the 26 million new sexually transmitted infections reported in the US each year. This timely and informative book outlines symptoms, treatment, and risk reduction practices for common STIs.

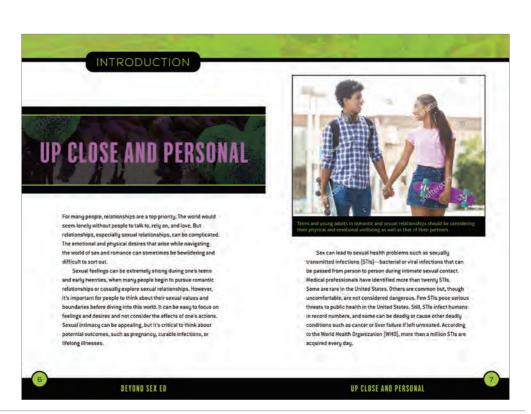
- Experts provide a thoughtful approach to sensitive and complicated topics
- Up-to-date data and statistics
- · Resources for identifying, managing, and treating health conditions

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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.

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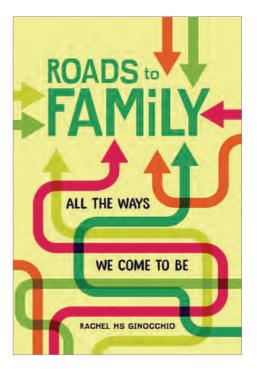
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### Roads to Family All the Ways We Come To Be

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
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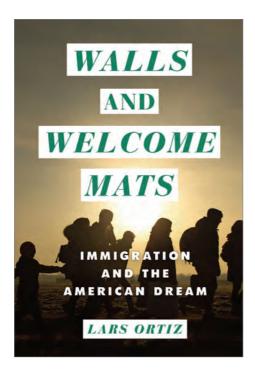
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### Walls and Welcome Mats Immigration and the American Dream

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

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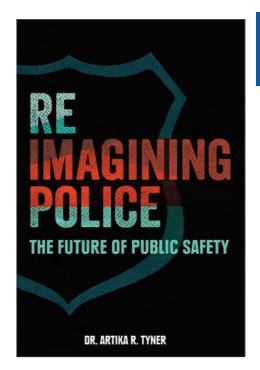
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### Reimagining Police The Future of Public Safety

Dr. Artika R. Tvner

Readers will learn about the history of law enforcement, approaches to public safety, and strategies for building a more just and inclusive society in this survey of policing and reform in the United States.

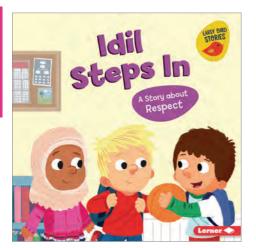
- A comprehensive overview for teenagers and young adults looking to learn more about current issues, police, and reform effort
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- · Includes case studies and legal precedent regarding law enforcement in the United States

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Engaging, story-driven titles follow diverse characters through ageappropriate situations in which they need to draw on character values, such as learning to listen and treating others fairly.

- End-of-chapter questions to aid in comprehension
- · Critical-thinking questions encourage further reading of the materials
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# PAIRED FICTION/NONFICTION













## Let's Look at Fall (Pull Ahead Readers — Fiction)

Learn all about fall in this fictional series about our most colorful season. Each story features carefully leveled text and full-color illustrations to support children learning to read.

- Narrative stories pair with nonfiction titles to cover key topics
- Bright, full-color illustrations throughout
- Carefully leveled for children just learning to read

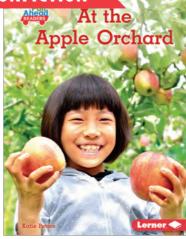
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# Let's Look at Fall (Pull Ahead Readers — Nonfiction)

Explore how the season of fall changes the animals, the plants, the people, and the world around us in this nonfiction series. Simple text and full-color photos support young children learning to read.

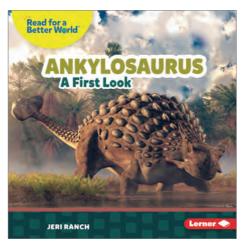
- Each nonfiction title is paired with a fiction title of the same topic
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- · Carefully leveled text for children just learning to read

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# Read about Dinosaurs (Read for a Better World<sup>™</sup>)

Go back millions of years in time to meet the dinosaurs that used to walk the Earth. Detailed images, diagrams, and STEM snapshots help bring these animals to life for beginning readers.

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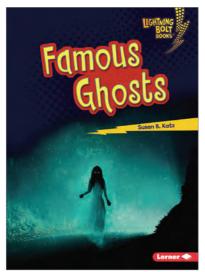
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# Lightning Bolt Books® — That's Scary!

Treat young readers to this delightfully scary yet fun and kid-friendly series about ghosts, haunted places, mummies, and more. Each book takes a nonfiction approach to these spooky, high-interest topics.

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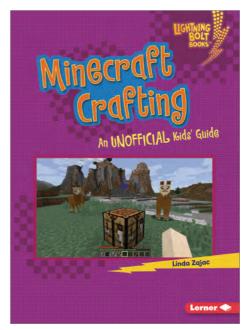
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### Lightning Bolt Books® — Minecraft 101

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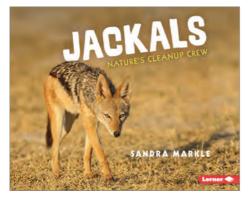
- · Presents Minecraft's creativity and learning opportunities
- · High-interest topic
- Makes complex STEM and coding concepts accessible

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### **Animal Scavengers** in Action

Scavengers come alive in bloody detail through amazing photographs and thrilling narrative text! Explore the ways they find food and raise their young to be the next generation of scavengers.

- Incredible full-color photos bring scavengers
- Familiar and ferocious scavengers have the bloody thrill factor that kids enjoy and will love to tell their friends about

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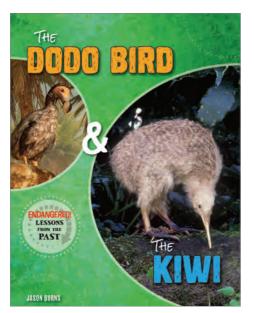
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What can the past teach us about today's endangered animals? Learn more about why ancient beasts disappeared, and find out what efforts are happening now to save their contemporary counterparts.

- Connects the modern issue of conservation and endangered animals with prehistoric animals of the past
- Eye-catching photos and illustrations engage reluctant readers in learning about history and protecting today's wildlife from extinction

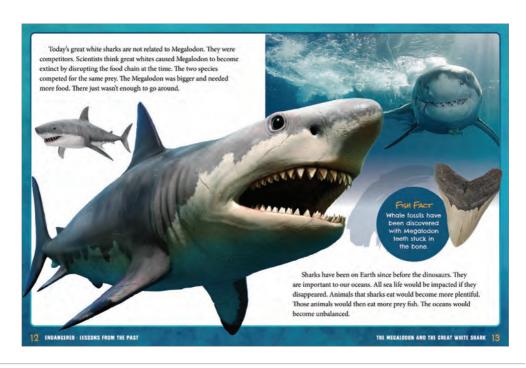
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Explore the world's most influential countries and how they became economic, military, and political powers. Chapters focus on the country's history, economy, government, and leaders. The conclusion of each title looks at current events and the country's future.

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Explore the high-interest and evolving topic of robots. From how robots are designed and created to the future of space, military, and other kinds of robots, readers will learn up-to-date information about modern robotics.

- Discusses up-to-date information and future possibilities of robotics
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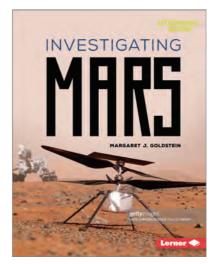
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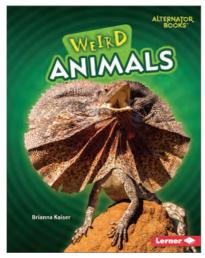
- · High-interest topic
- Appeals to young people's natural curiosity about our world and space

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# Wonderfully Weird (Alternator Books®)

Celebrate all things weird! This series centers on unusual and eye-catching places, animals, sports, and more. Additional features offer fun facts and further examples, and encourage readers to explore the topic in-depth.

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- Striking design and photos encourage reader engagement

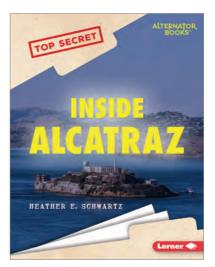
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The world is full of unanswered questions! Examine some of the top secrets and unsolved mysteries in history with this spooky series including Area 51 and the Bermuda Triangle. Features encourage critical thinking and engagement with the text.

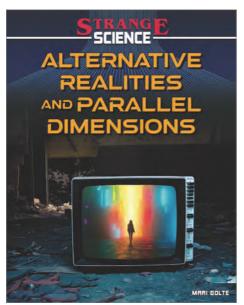
- Mysterious and spooky high-interest topics
- Covers the past, present, and potential future of the topic's secrets
- Encourages readers to think of ways to solve mysteries

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Reality is a harsh mistress—so why not jump to a new one? Is that even possible? Explore some of the most popular sci-fi tropes from books, shows, and movies. Then, learn how they're grounded in reality.

- · Connects real concepts such as astrophysics and artificial intelligence with high-interest topics like cyborgs and time travel
- Readers will learn about the real-life scientific concepts behind their favorite sci-fi movies and TV shows

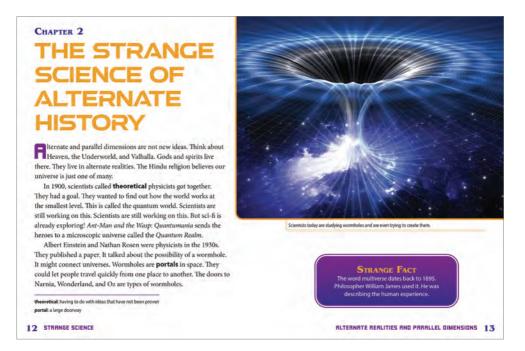
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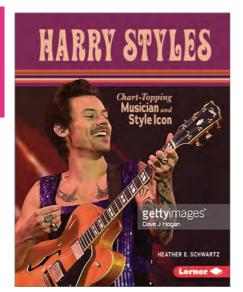
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le accepts her award for Best Female Pop Vocal Performance in 2009.

On February 8, 2009, Adele attended the Grammy Awards for the first time. She had been nominated for four Grammys. She won Best New Artist and Best Female Pop Vocal Performance. The Jonas Brothers were expected to win Best New Artist, but she beat them. In her acceptance speech, she thanked several people: her manager, Jonathan Dickins; her mom, friends, and family; and her US and UK record labels, XL and Columbia. She sang "Chasing Pavements," the song that had earned her the Best Female Pop Vocal Performance Grammy.

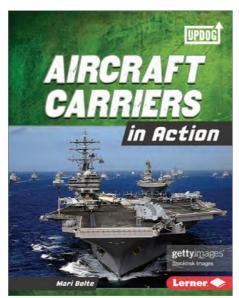
Back at her hotel after the Grammys, she met Ryan Tedder, a singer and songwriter. Tedder has his own group, OneRepublic, and has also helped create hits for other well-known pop stars, including Taylor Swift and Ariana Grande, Tedder saw Adele get into an elevator and joined her. The two began talking and promised to be in touch soon. They made plans to work together on Adele's next allorm

#### On a Roll

Adele's tour for 19 ran from 2008 to 2009. The shows, An Evening with Adele, were in North America and Europe. She canceled summer tour dates in the US to spend time with a boyfriend. She later regretted the decision. But their relationship and breakup provided a lot of material for her next album. She began working on it once the tour ended,

Explaining why she writes songs, Adele said, "Songs are how I feel, and that is the only way I do get it out of me. It's for me, for my own peace of mind. In reality I can't really admit things to myself so I have to put it in a song,"

Adele first worked on a few new songs with London producer and songwriter Paul Epworth. They cowrote "Rolling in the Deep" in one day. The track they recorded ended up on the album. Epworth said, "She had had her heart broken, and she was in pieces, and you can really hear that-her anger and her sadness. Sometimes I just don't think you can re-create that or fake it." Epworth and Adele wrote two other songs for her album. She thought about naming the album after "Rolling in the Deep" but decided on 21. It was her age when she made

















# **Military Machines** (UpDog Books<sup>™</sup>)

US military technology is among the best in the world. Some of the strongest machines are on the front lines. Learn more about the high-tech military equipment that supports our troops.

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- Includes the names and descriptions of real hi-tech machines used by the US military

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# Searchlight Books<sup>™</sup> **Hunting and Fishing**

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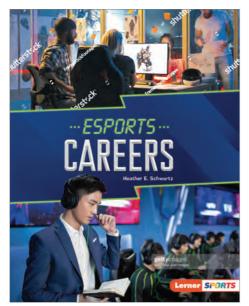
- Accessible approach to a high-interest topic
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- · Back matter feature gives readers tips for hunting and fishing

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- A fascinating look inside an industry that is exploding in popularity
- · High-interest topics will appeal to gamers and reluctant readers

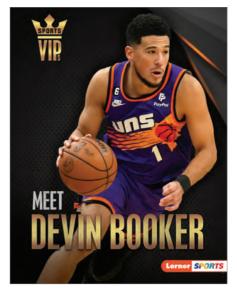
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# **Sports VIPs** (Lerner<sup>™</sup> Sports)

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.

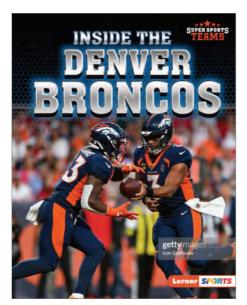
- Perfect for sports fans and reluctant readers
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Learn about the history, greatest players, and most iconic moments of the world's most popular sports teams. Chock-full of stats and shareable information, sports fans will love the action-packed, highinterest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

- Includes some of the most iconic athletes and moments in sports
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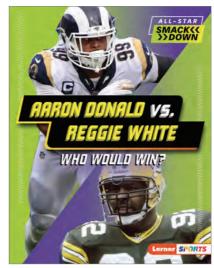
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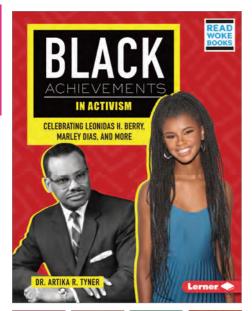
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# Black Excellence Project (Read Woke™ Books)

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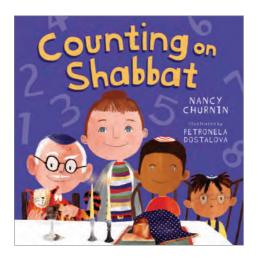
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# **Counting on Shabbat**

Nancy Churnin, illus. Petronela Dostalova

Shabbat brings 1 table, 2 candles, 3 braids in the challah, and more. Count from 1 to 10 as you get ready for Shabbat.

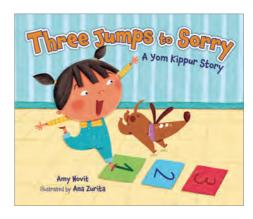
- · A concept board book, teaching kids to count from 1 to 10 in the context of a story that comes together through the numbers
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### Three Jumps to Sorry A Yom Kippur Story

Amy Novit, illus. Ana Zurita

The day before Yom Kippur, Hannah kicks a soccer ball in the living room and breaks her mother's glass apple. Will she learn to apologize and promise to never kick her ball in the house again?

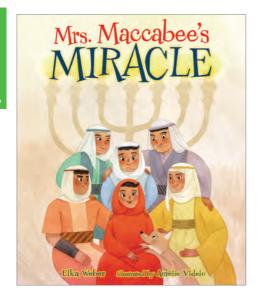
- Explores concepts of repentance and forgiveness, the keystone themes to the holiday of Yom Kippur
- Teaches a three-step approach to a true apology in a kid-friendly telling
- Features a relatable kid character, who is mostly good, but also sometimes does bad things

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### Mrs. Maccabee's Miracle

Elka Weber, illus, Amélie Videlo

The five Maccabee sons are always losing things. A spear. A traveling cloak. A scroll. Good thing their mom is always there to remind them where to look. After defeating the Greek army, they can't find oil to light the Temple menorah, until they remember their mom's words.

- A new spin on the Hanukkah story in which Mom is the hero of the story of the Maccabees
- · A funny relatable story about kids who are always losing their things and need their mom's help to find them

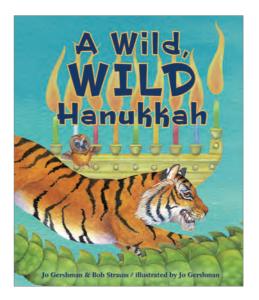
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### A Wild, Wild Hanukkah

Jo Gershman and Bob Strauss illus. Jo Gershman

On the first night of Hanukkah, a polar bear comes to the party. Every night, more wild animals join the party singing, making latkes, and spinning dreidels—before Hanukkah comes to an end and it's time for bed

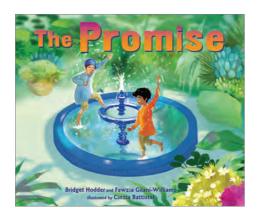
- A funny story, told in rhyme, about a group of rowdy animals crashing a Hanukkah celebration
- Captures the fun and exciting spirit of Hanukkah

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### The Promise

Fawzia Gilani-Williams; Bridget Hodder illus. Cinzia Battistel

In a Moroccan village, a Jewish boy, Jacob, and a Muslim boy, Hassan, are best friends who care for a beautiful garden. When war comes, and it's time for Jacob's family to leave, his friend promises to care for their garden.

- Inspired by a true story of a friendship between a Jewish boy and a Muslim boy in Morocco
- Shows commonalities between faiths, and how people can live harmoniously together
- Explores the themes of connectedness to the earth and caring for plants

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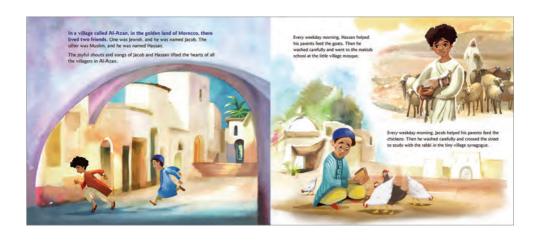
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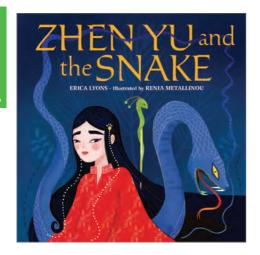
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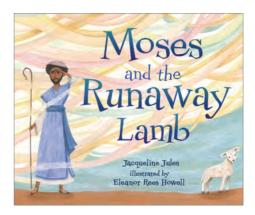
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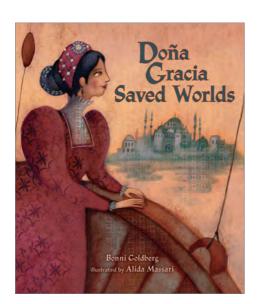
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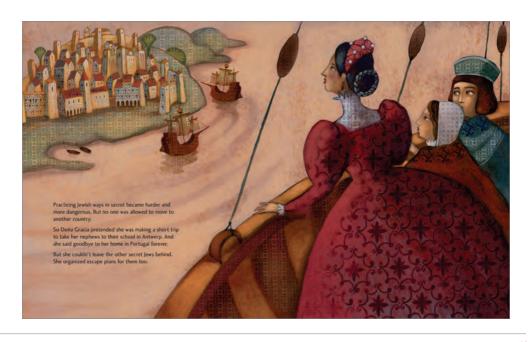
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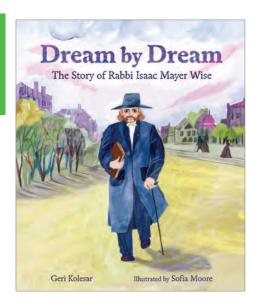
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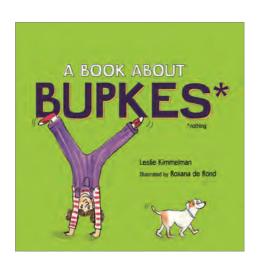
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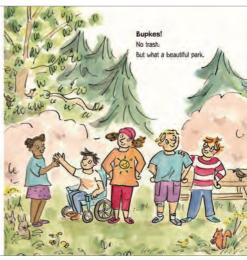
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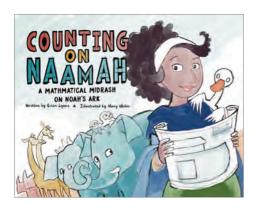
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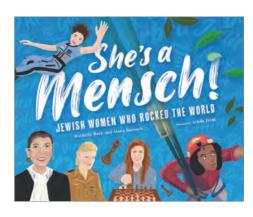
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