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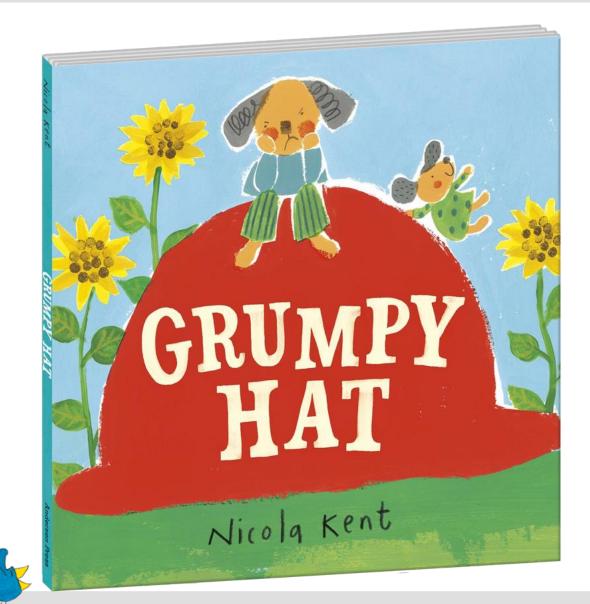


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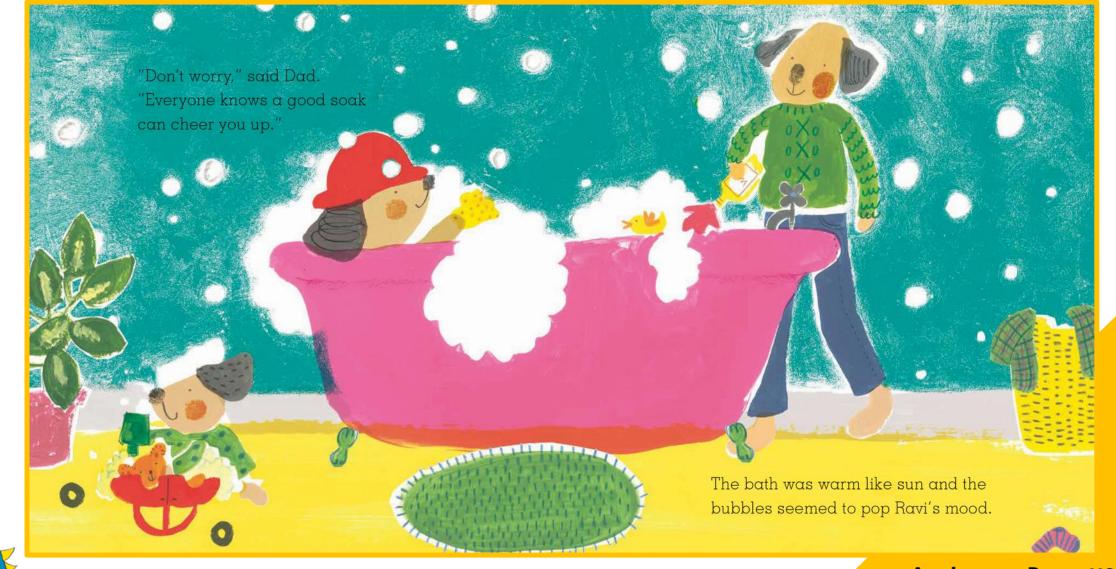
One morning, Ravi wakes up with a grumpy hat stuck on his head . . . and he can't get it off, no matter what he tries!

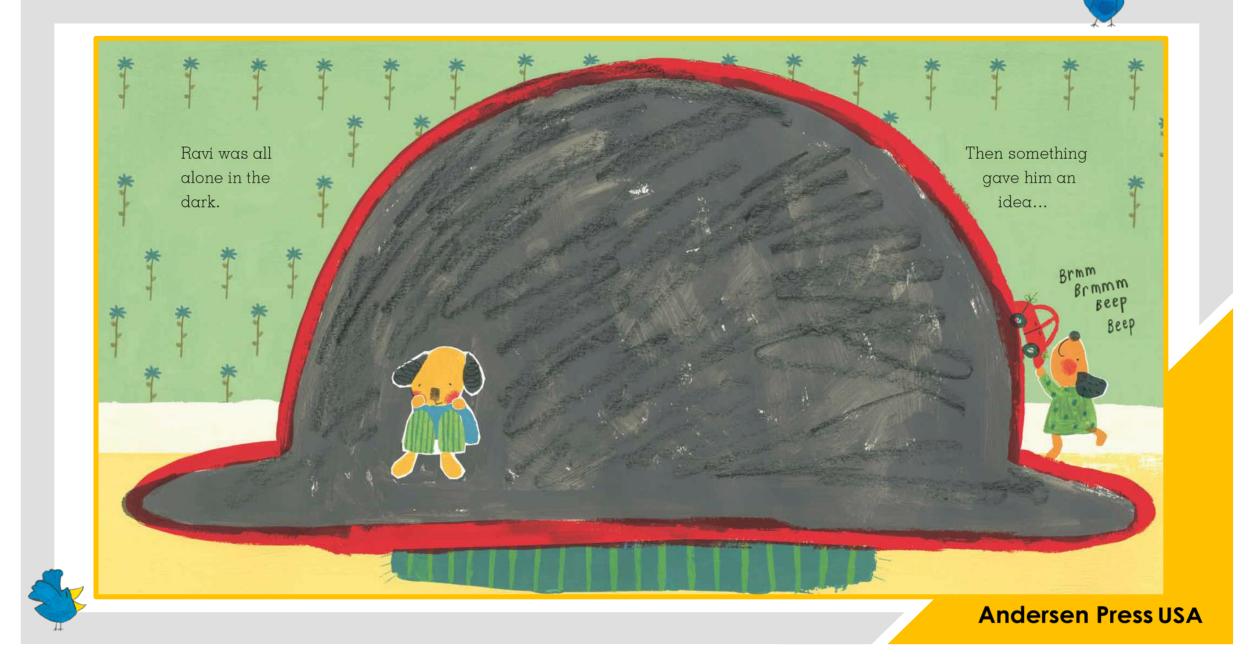
- Explores techniques children can use to get rid of a bad mood.
- Nicola Kent was the 2019 winner of the Independent Booksellers' Best New Illustrator Award.

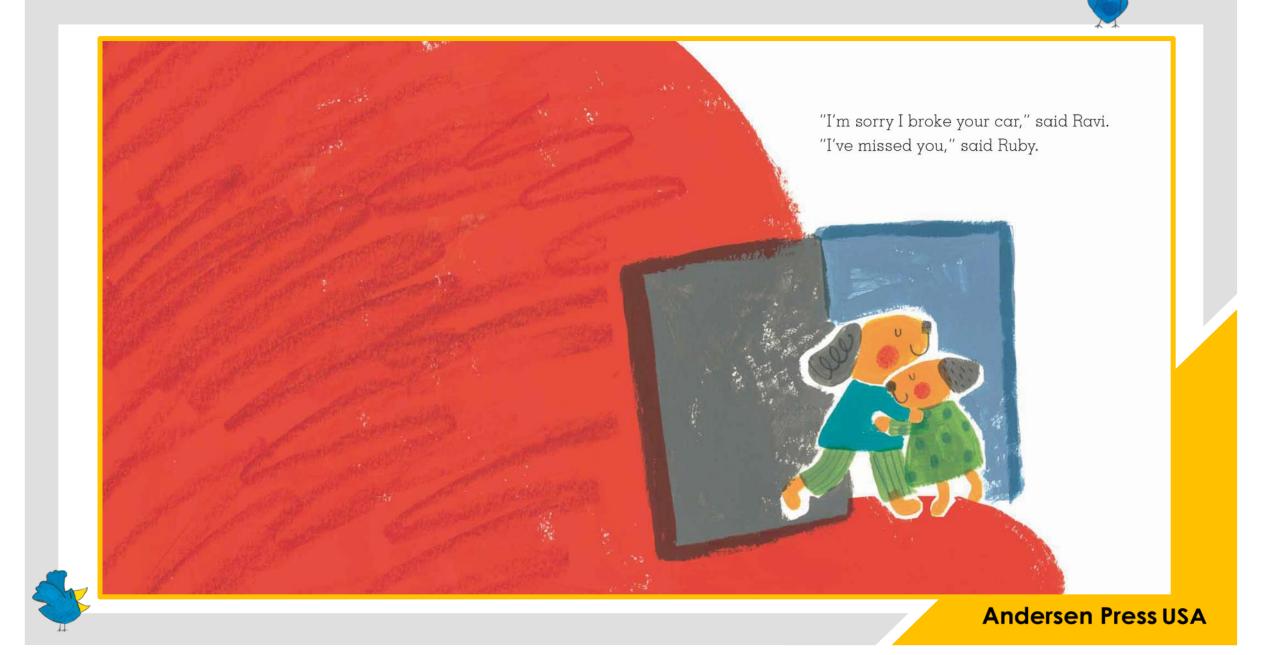
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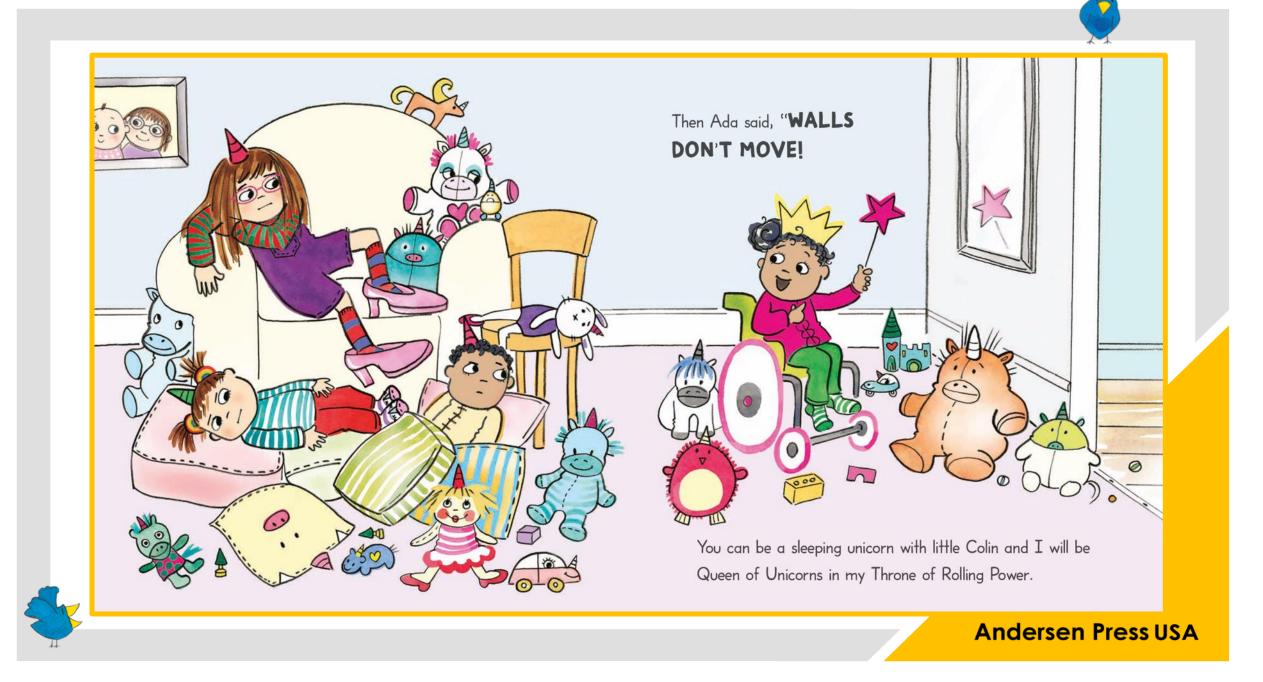
When Frankie and her sister's bossy friend Ada takes over their favorite unicorn game and takes over Frankie's wheelchair—there is only one thing to do. It's time to be bad unicorns!

- Explores how play can feel for wheelchair users.
- Rebecca Patterson draws on her own experience of growing up with her sister: wheelchair-user.

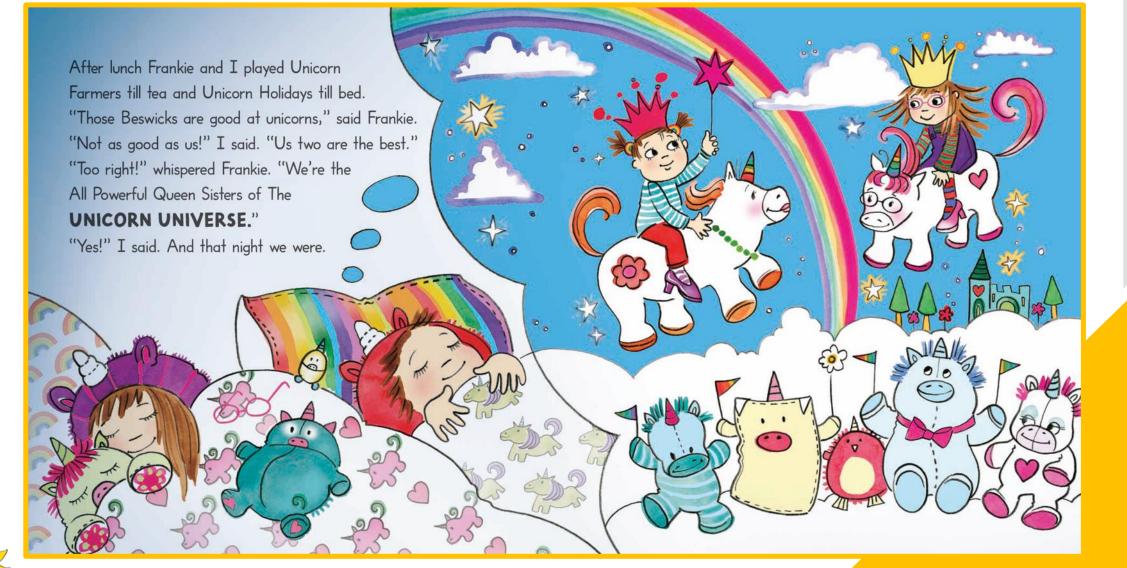
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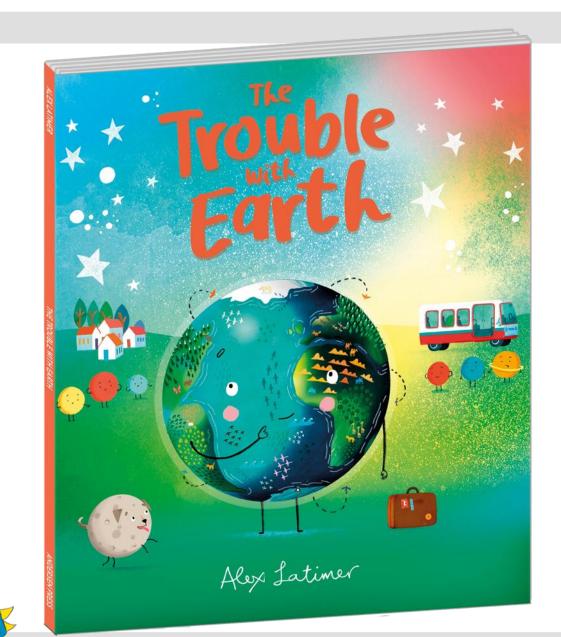












Why didn't the other planets invite Earth on their vacation? Soon Earth figures it out: it looks like she has FLEAS! Earth asks everyone to look inside her atmosphere, and they're amazed by what they see . . .

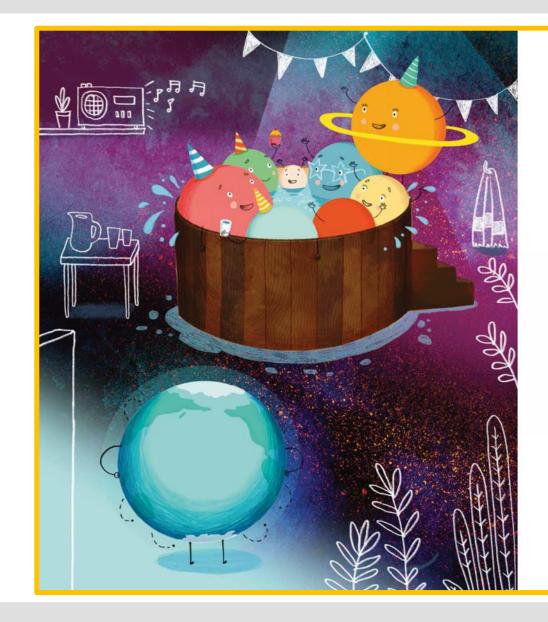
- Learn not to judge a book by its cover in this antibullying book with a non-fiction twist.
- Celebrating the incredible beauty of life on Earth.

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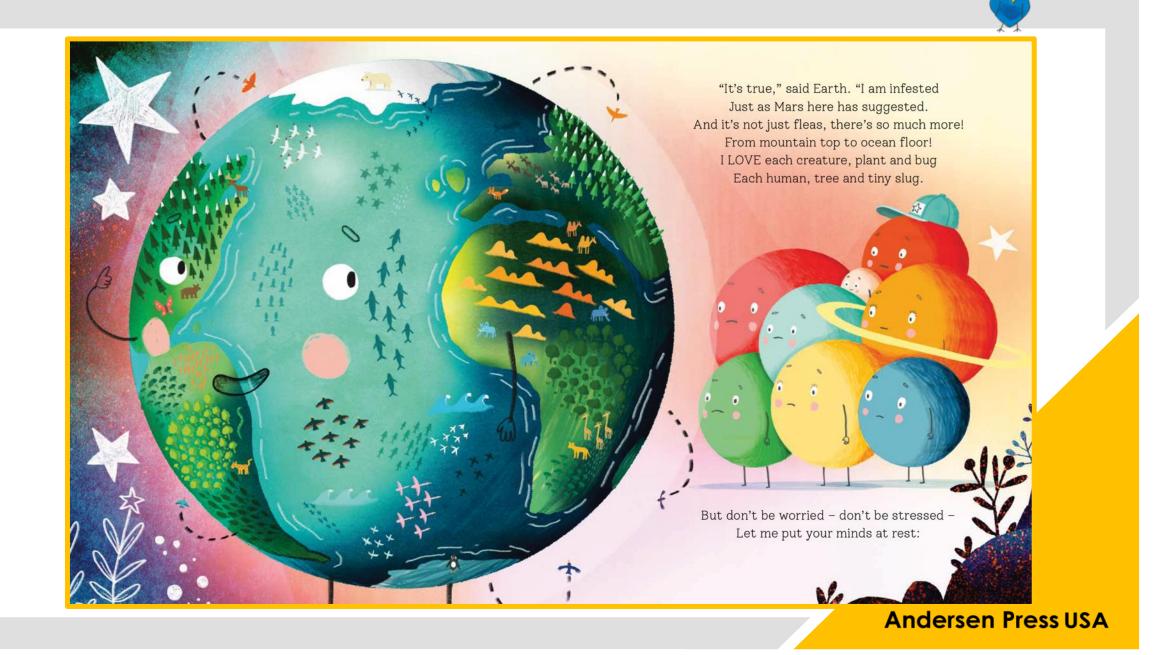
She found eight planets in the tub! (Pluto had since joined the club.)

> She heard them laugh, she heard them whoop She saw Saturn with her hula hoop.



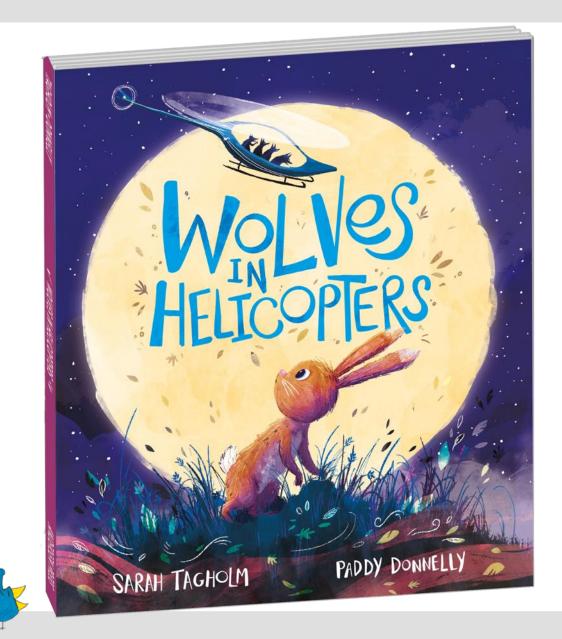
Earth's eyes were wet, her heart was sore, "Why don't you like me any more?"











Every night, Hop has nightmares filled with big, scary, hungry-eyed wolves. She knows they only exist in her dreams, but they seem very real. Can Hop find the courage to conquer the wolves, even if they chase her in helicopters?

- Children learn practical ways of helping with nightmares.
- Beautiful illustrations by Irish artist Paddy Donnelly, multi-award-winning artist and picture book maker.

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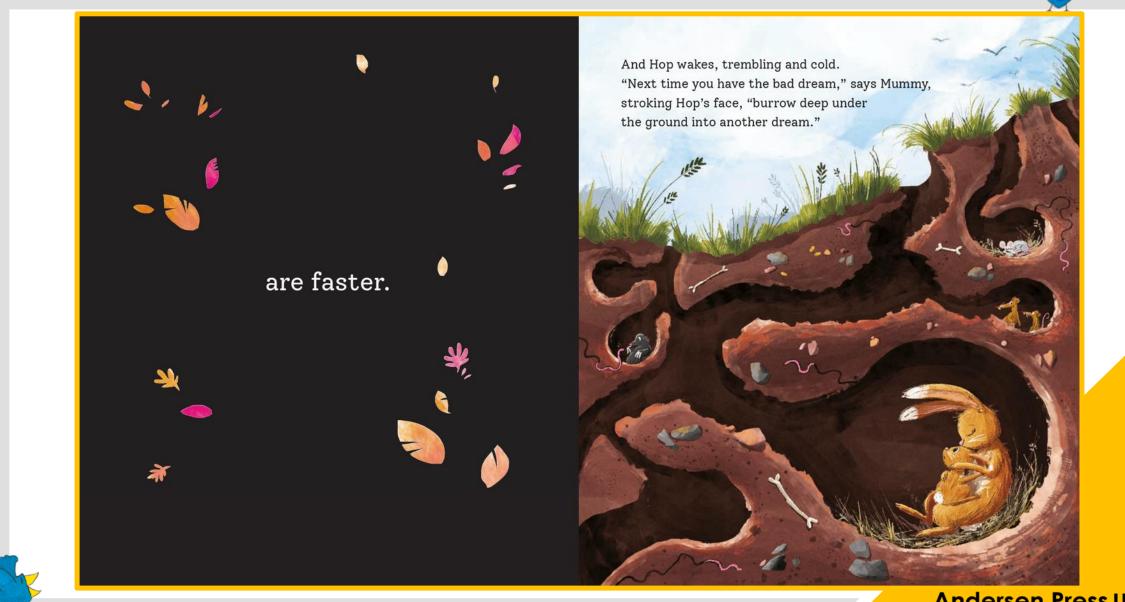




Hop shivers in a dark wood.

One hundred, hungry-eyed wolves watch her through twisted trees.













Hop grows fangs and horns and sharp yellow claws.



The wolves look at her fangs and horns and sharp yellow claws and grin. And move... closer.



Hop's cheeks burn red. She roars and growls. And the wolves snigger. And move... closer.



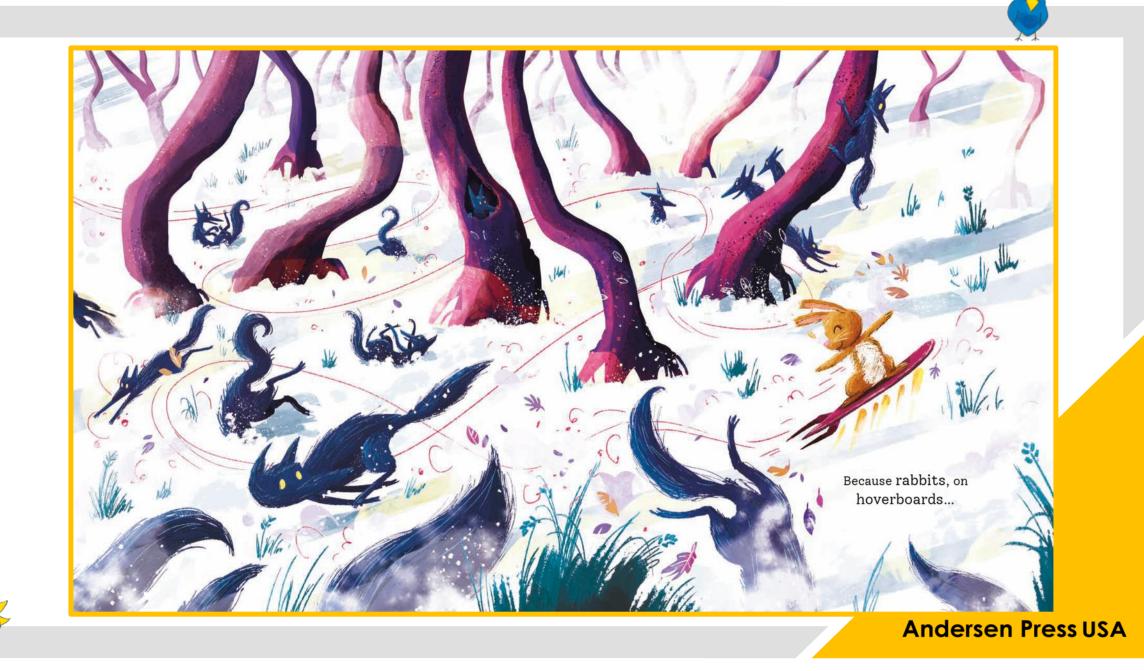
She gnashes her fangs, and jabs her horns and slashes the air with her sharp yellow claws. And the wolves laugh. And move... Closer. And then Hop remembers: 'You are in control of the dream AND the wolves.' I am in control? Hop narrows her eyes.















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The Great Henna Party Humera Malik and Sonali Zohra

A celebration of the age-old South Asian tradition of painting with henna.

- Introduces young readers to South Asian, North African and Middle Eastern wedding traditions and their meanings.
- Showcases an array of diverse cultures and religions through clothing, accessories and hairstyles.
 - A celebration of multigenerational families.





Humera Malik

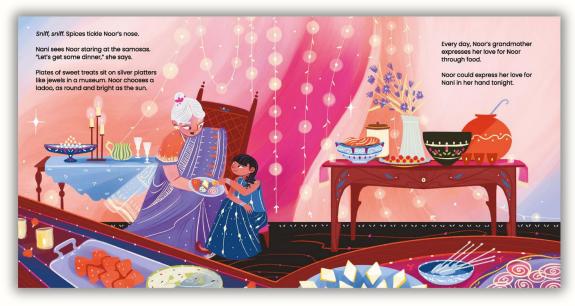
Sonali Zohra

"The book's vivid, whimsical illustrations beautifully accompany the tender, well-paced text. Clear explanations of the henna party make this title a good window for children unfamiliar with the tradition. A sweet, gentle tale about tradition, family, and celebration."

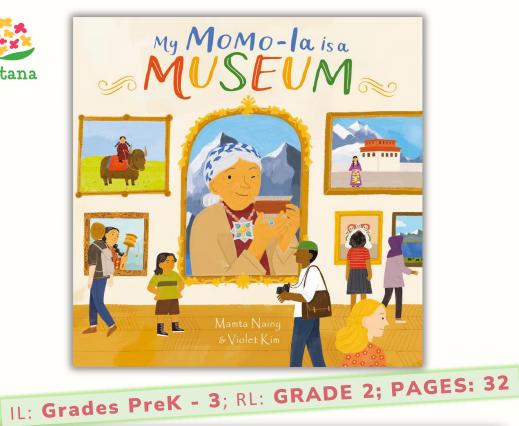
—Kirkus Reviews













My Momo-la is a Museum

Mamta Nainy and Violet Kim

A powerful story of generational wisdom and grandmotherly love.

- A meditation on the precious memories we carry and the treasures we keep in the hope of passing them down to the next generation.

- A celebration of museums, keepsakes and objects that help us communicate cultural values.





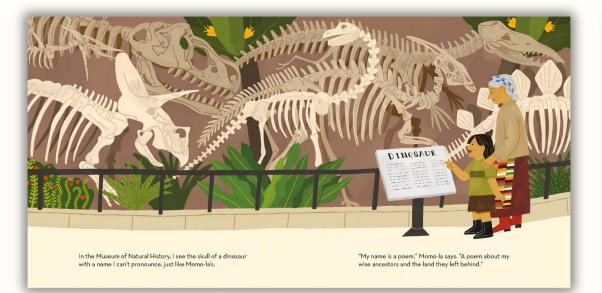
Mamta Nainy

Violet Kim

"This charming story features a clever premise and delicately tender illustrations. The lyrical language, child-friendly examples, and relevant message about the importance of honoring family bonds and history make for a meaningful read."

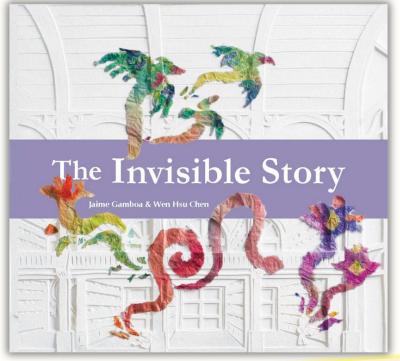


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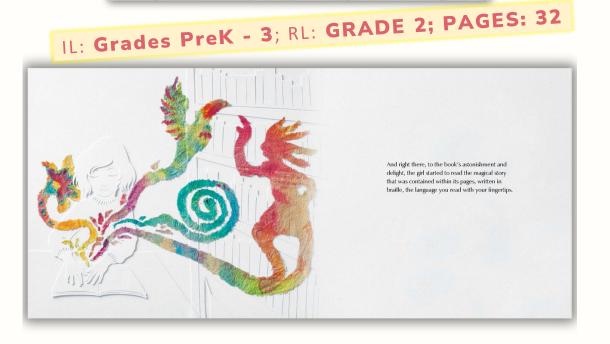


The Invisible Story

Jaime Gamboa; Wen Hsu Chen & trans. Daniel Hahn

An empowering story about sight-loss and reading in braille.

- A story with a disabled child as the protagonist, uniquely told from the perspective of the braille book itself.
- A conversation-starter about inclusive modes of communication with an information section about braille at the back.
 - Winner of multiple awards in the original Spanish.









Jaime Gamboa

Wen Hsu Chen

Daniel Hahn

"The Invisible Story is a quiet campaigning story. It gently raises young readers' awareness to a visually-impaired person's perspective, and to the braille system, which can act as a visuallyimpaired person's access to a colorful world of reading and imagination."

-World Kid Lit

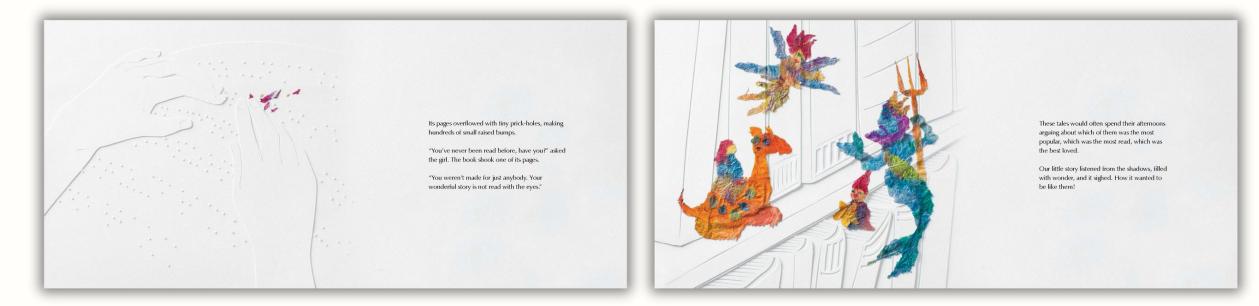


But then the girl placed her fingers on the cover and began, with great care, to open it.

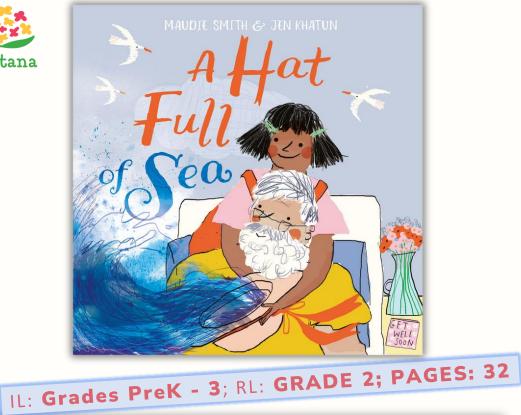
"May I?"

And the story, soothed by the girl's crystal voice, allowed her to open its hard cover.

It was true, there were no words written in ink on its pages, nor any shining pictures. The story believed that it was empty — but it was not!









A Hat Full of Sea Maudie Smith and Jen Khatun

A story about a young girl's determination to cheer up her grandpa when he goes into hospital.

- A sensitive conversation-starter about hospital visits and grandparents' ill-health.
- A focus on the power of imagination to overcome fear and build bridges between people.
 - Follow up to popular title My Must-Have Mom.

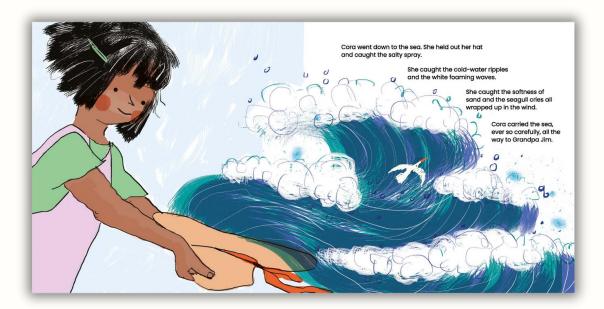




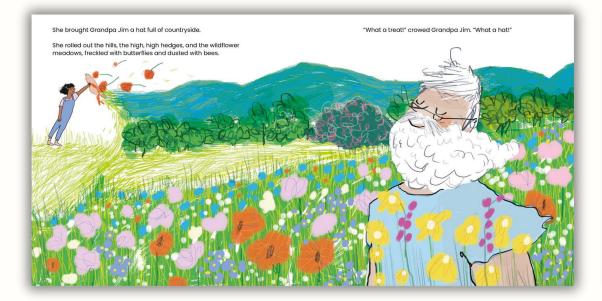
Maudie Smith

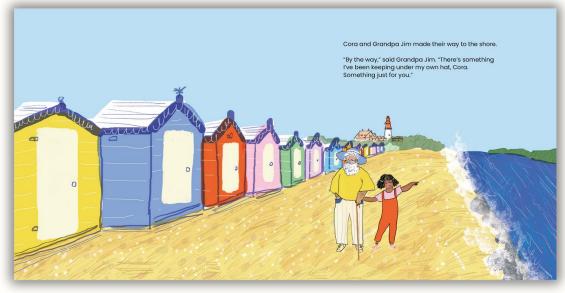
Jen Khatun

"The art is as playful as the concept, with images made up of loose lines and filled with solidly bold colors. Grandpa's ailment is not discussed, though his stay is only temporary; children visiting relatives in the hospital will find the tale relatable and reassuring. Tackles a potentially tough topic with a blend of whimsy and warmth."

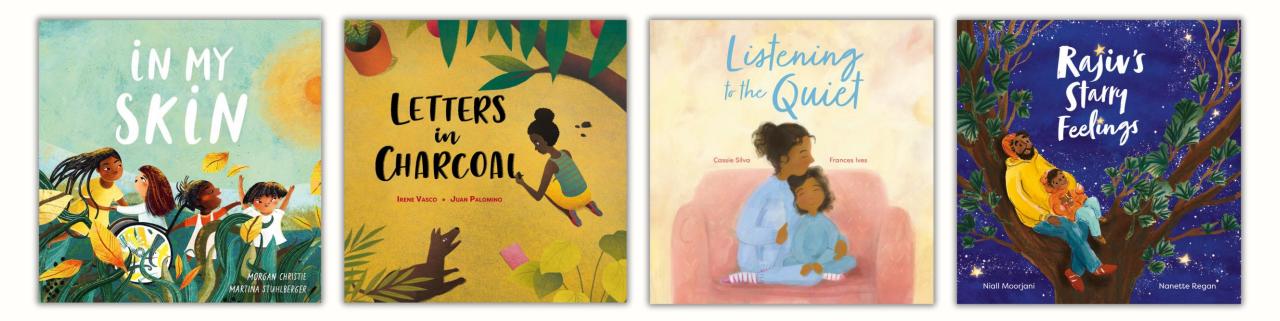


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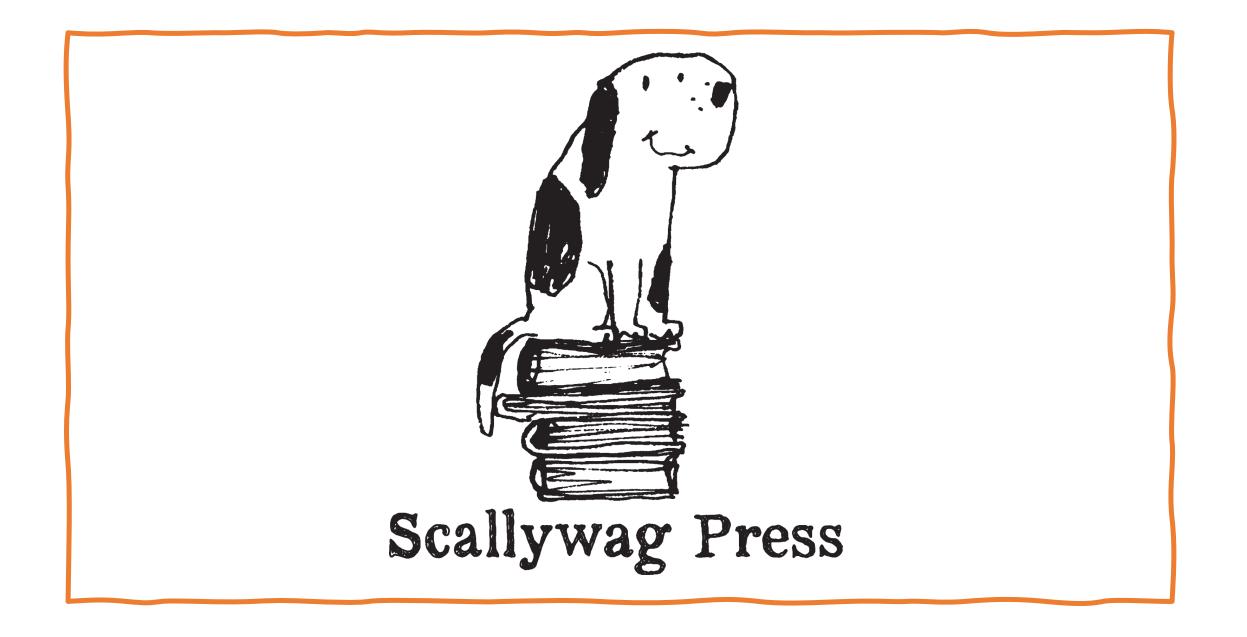


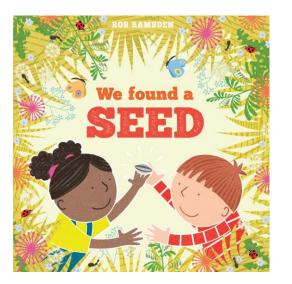
A quick look back at Fall 2023...



A quick look ahead to Fall 2024...











Highlights

- Share the emotions of two young children as they observe the life cycle of a sunflower plant
- Simple and joyous, with rhythmic text that's good to read aloud
- Part of a collection of 4 titles

"The story touches on themes of nature's rebirth and caring for the Earth in a tender, child-friendly manner...A satisfying read that's just right for spring." - **Kirkus**



We Found a Seed







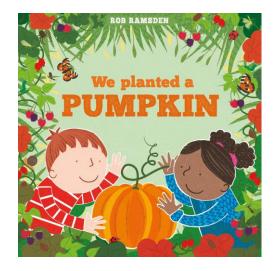








We Planted a Pumpkin / I Heard a Bird / I Saw a Bee

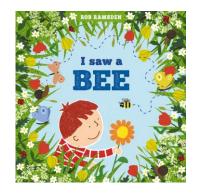


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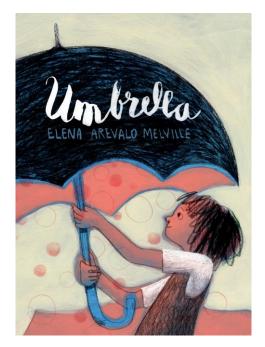
Highlights

- Explore the emotions experienced by young gardeners growing a pumpkin from seed.
- An exploration of the sights and sounds of the natural world
- Coming Spring 2025: I saw a Bee

"In a sweetly seasonal picture book from Ramsden... this In the Garden series starter depicts a parent-free project in the works alongside the delayed gratification that gardening can represent, all leading up to the protagonists' breathless delight around holiday harvest."- *Publishers Weekly*



Umbrella





Highlights

- Every child will love the idea of finding a magical umbrella in the park
- A surreal and magical tale of empathy, kindness and community.
- Invites the reader to interact by choosing what sort of wish they would make

"Lovely bold, expressive drawing conjures a magical story" SUNDAY TIMES

"Forges its own eccentric and appealing path through a landscape that feels fresh and new." BOOKS FOR KEEPS



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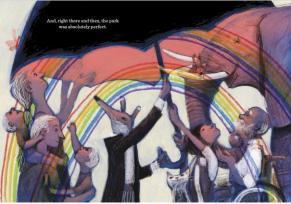




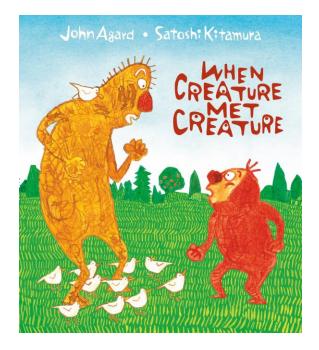


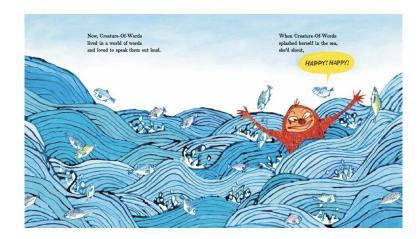






When Creature Met Creature





Highlights

- An origin story about language, communication and emotion
- Verse that's wonderful to read aloud
- Full of metaphor and rhythm, from an exciting contemporary poet
 - "This tender tale illustrates the ways in which creatures, and humans, are alike and different from one another, especially in communication styles." – Horn Book

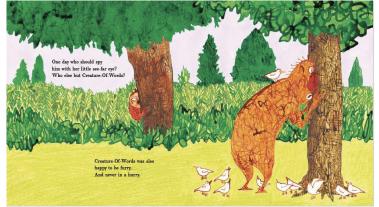


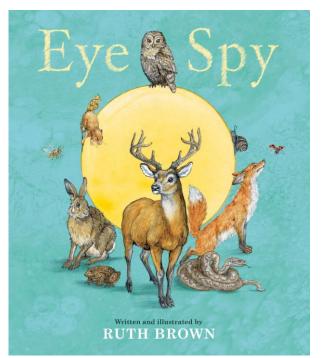
When Creature Met Creature













And now the moon is in the sky. The sun has gone, it's time for bed...

> Goodnight, my darling sleepyhead.



Highlights

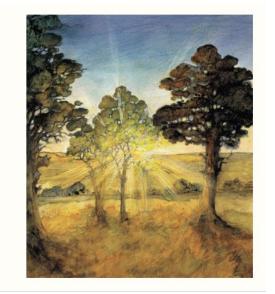
- Guess, listen, search and find in this twist on the favorite childhood game
- Good value will provide hours of entertainment.
- Use of rhyme and riddles supports teaching of English and comprehension
- Intricate pictures support visual literacy

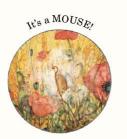
"A picture book with just the right mix of challenge and ease." – **The Wall Street Journal** "An artful spin on the popular childhood game ... with lush, multi-layered nature paintings in which animals are concealed." - **New York Times**





I spy with my little eye, something beginning with S It comes up in the East, it goes down in the West. It fills our days with warmth and light. It rhymes with fun ...





I spy with my little eye, something beginning with H Its ears are soft. Its legs are long. It runs so fast it's almost gone! It rhymes with dare ...





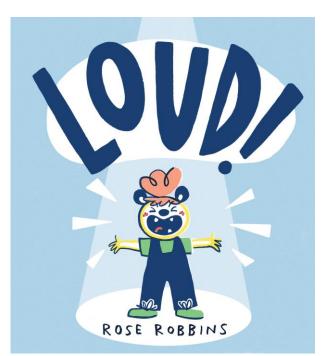
I spy with my little eye, something beginning with

It curls its tail around the stalk and eats the wheat at Harvest. It **rhymes** with **house** . . .





Loud!





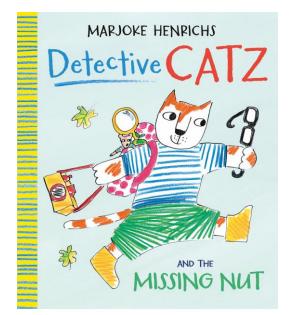
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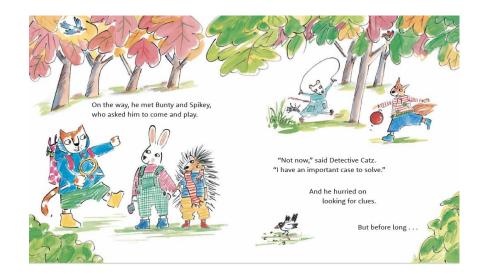
- An imaginative teacher shows how to engage a neuro-diverse child in their schoolwork.
- A mainstream book that celebrates Special Needs
- A QR code at the bac to listen to the song that Abigail writes and performs

"A restless student channels energy into collaboration ... Everything falls into place as the students form a band and Abi discovers that songwriting is an ideal outlet" - **Publishers Weekly**



Detective Catz and the Missing Nut

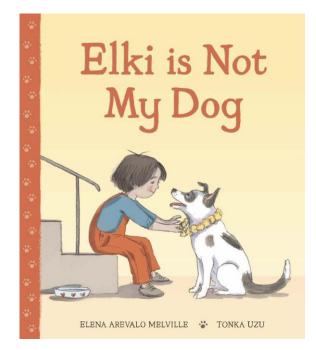


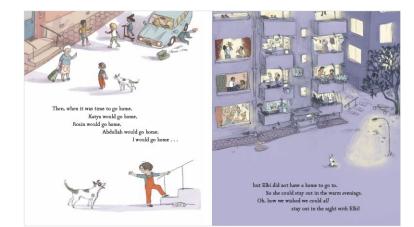


Highlights

- A cat detective triumphantly solves his first case (even if by accident!)
- All the fun of being a detective with magnifying glasses, searching for clues, hiding, and mystery solving
- Visual literacy: as we follow the missing objects
- Empathy: as Catz returns the objects to the rightful owners







Highlights

- A small group of children inspire the community to be kind
- An example of how good citizenship should work, where the duty of caring is owned by everybody
- Elena wrote the story for her fellow artist and friend Tonka Uzu whose childhood memory this is.

"This is a beautifully subtle tale of community, with Elki representing the outsider, lonely and unable to communicate. Despite this, she is welcomed into the community of the children and she is taken care of."

- Children's Books Ireland



Thank you for coming!



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