

Animal Journeys, A Shine-a-Light Book

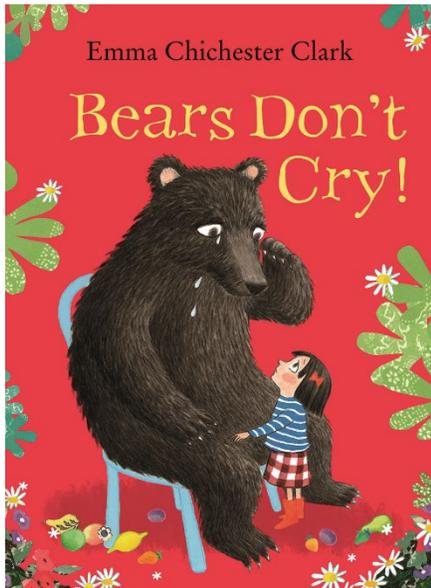
By Carron Brown, illustrated by Carrie May

Little Cub Literacy

"[H]ighly informative, engaging, and awe-inspiring."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"Recommended for classroom science tables and libraries, as well as personal collections of budding biologists and naturalists."

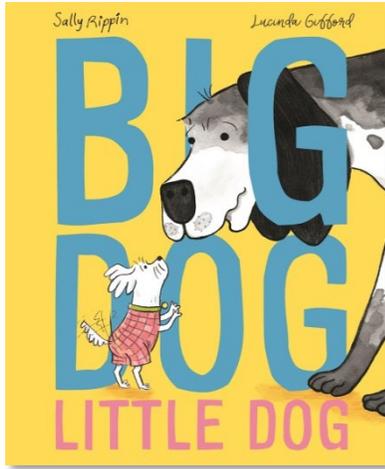


Bears Don't Cry!

by Emma Chichester Clark

Booklist (February 15, 2023)

"Both the text and the art encourage empathy for the bighearted but vulnerable bear, while suggesting the importance of speaking up for someone in distress. The story unfolds in a smooth-flowing narrative, while the lively illustrations make the most of the contrast between small, feisty Clementine and her large but insecure friend. A heartening picture book."



Big Dog, Little Dog

by Sally Rippin, illustrated by Lucinda Gifford

School Library Journal

"This brilliant Australian import offers children an opportunity to develop important social-emotional skills; it's especially needed for those who are adjusting to new changes."

Horn Book Magazine

"Rippin's brief but amusing text lets the expressive illustrations fill in gaps and extend the story's humor, as the pups soon become besties in this lighthearted Australian import about blended families."

Booklist

"[O]ffers a winsomely doggy slant on the ever-popular "that brand-new family member has got to go!" theme. Gifford's bright, relaxed pictures tell most of the story while clearly tracking the emotional ups and downs through expressions and body language ... Readers tempted by new arrivals at home to resort to similar strategies can draw comfort from the cozy resolution."

Jamie Bills

"This story makes me laugh. It is perfect for little dog-lovers."

Kirkus Reviews

"[W]ill particularly resonate with children grappling with feelings of displacement at, say, a new sibling's arrival. The colorful illustrations are energetic ... Sweet, reassuring fun, especially for dog lovers."

Book Reviews, ILA CL/R SIG "Independent Reading for Drop Everything and Read Month"

"This story of struggling to adapt to changes at home is effectively communicated through Sally Rippin's simple text and Lucinda Gifford's colorful illustrations."



The Blossoming Bibliophiles

"Full of silly dog antics, this charming story can also be used to help children adjust to the arrival of a new sibling and show them that jealousy is a normal emotion for both humans and their canine companions."

Pennsylvania School Librarians Association (PSLA) Literature Review

"Big Dog, Little Dog is great for a lesson on how friends can have big differences. Hand this title to a child who is getting a new sibling or going through a change in family situation. Highly recommended for elementary collections."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"An all around good purchase for libraries wanting to add to their picture book collections as pets are always popular additions, and Big Dog's adjustment issues will be relatable for younger children and their caregivers. Try pairing this one with other dog picture book stories for a pawsitively fun story time."



Big Words for Little People

Being Healthy	Bravery
Calmness	Celebrate
Doing Your Best	Friendship
Happiness	Kindness *
Learning	Love
Our World	Respect

by Helen Mortimer,
illustrated by Cristina Trapanese

The Blossoming Bibliophiles

"The illustrations are fun, colorful and charming and do a wonderful job of bringing what it means to be brave and happy to life!"

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: School Friends and Behavior Books"

"[O]utstanding series ..."



Books Grow Minds

"The best tool we can give our kids are ways to effectively manage their emotions. We all get sad, mad, upset, but it's how we learn to handle them that make all the difference. This series is a great start."

The Blossoming Bibliophiles

"Oftentimes we'll tell our children to "be kind" or "calm down" without giving them a deeper understanding of what those things actually mean. I love that this series gives actionable ways in which we can show kindness (sharing, listening, helping) and ways in which we can find calmness (breathe, focus, imagine)."

Big Books for Little Hands "Practical Strategies"

"[T]his series is my newest favorite!"

Homeschooling by Abhi

"These board books are interactive, fun, empowering with age-appropriate language for littles."

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Books for Mother and for Grads"

"[A] wonderful series helping youngsters, ages three to seven, navigate through feelings and helping to understand the world around them."

Kadhaisaurus

"Very kid friendly series and great conversation starters on wide variety of topics."



Busy Day
Astronaut
Athlete
Chef
Firefighter
Vet
by Dan Green

Always a Storybook

"We totally love how this book introduces your child to the world and how it boosts motor skills."



Dark Unicorns

The Midnight Unicorn
The Darkest Unicorn
The Cursed Unicorn
The Blazing Unicorn

by Alice Hemming

Charlotte's Library

The Midnight Unicorn

"Here's one that will please the younger end of middle grade fantasy who are capable of reading, skill-wise, just about anything, but whose imaginations are still best served by simpler, more fairy-tale stories ... Transforming into a unicorn is something sure to delight many young readers ... It is also the first book in a series, which is a plus if you have a unicorn loving bibliophile to find books for!"

Kirkus Reviews

The Cursed Unicorn

"An enticing story for readers interested in spells and magical creatures."

Log Cabin Library

The Midnight Unicorn

"Overall, this was a very satisfying story, it ticked off all the things I enjoy in a good fairytale, the two sisters reuniting and learning about each other was super fun and I liked how the story resolved."

Books YA Love

The Midnight Unicorn

"Danger and secrets are everywhere ..."



Don't Forget

by Jane Godwin, illustrated by Anna Walker

Kirkus Reviews

"Kids will easily relate to the numerous illustrated examples, the wise words offered, and the overall uplifting message. A tableau of realistic advice on the importance of a positive attitude."

Books Grow Minds

"This poetic book is a peaceful read, perfect for winding down for bedtime or a calming read. It shows kids that they can find something special in even the smallest moments and teaches them how to feel gratitude for the little things."

Little Cub Literacy

"This gorgeously illustrated read is a reminder to our children to focus on the little joys in life."

Mom Read It

"Soft watercolors add to this gently profound meditation on living a meaningful life. ... will soothe readers with its upbeat look at the day-to-day. A nice additional purchase for storytime collections."

Oh the Books We Love

"[A] lovely read full of sweet reminders for all ages."

Nanny Miss Monique

"In our day and age of screens and plastic, it's good for children to remember how fun it can feel to live outside for a change, while continuing to look inside for what matters most. The diverse characters share, grow, and frolic against forest and landscapes of green, gorgeously illustrated by artist Anna Walker."

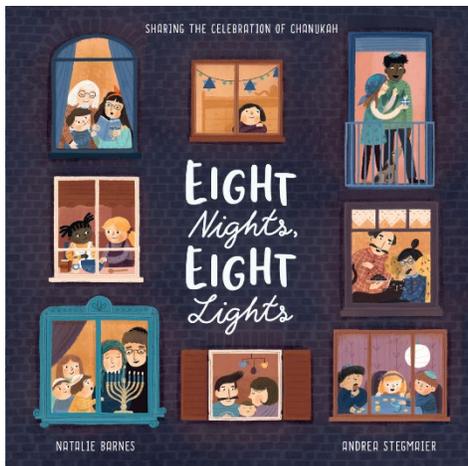


Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"This book is a dreamlike celebration of common childhood experiences. ... a good book to share with one child or a small group of children so that the details in the illustrations can be explored and conversation can encourage them to add other things they like to remember."

Always a Storybook

"We love the soft expressive watercolor illustrations and overall character diversity."



Eight Nights, Eight Lights

by Natalie Barnes, illustrated by Andrea Stegmaier

Kirkus Reviews

"A simple, contemporary introduction to the holiday focused on the children's point of view."

Horn Book Magazine

"As the families in one diverse city neighborhood celebrate Chanukah, readers get a night-by-night glimpse into their homes and practices. ... A warm and welcoming tale, with colorful illustrations in subdued hues that reflect an array of Jewish experiences and representation."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"Barnes doesn't miss a Chanukah tradition as readers learn about Chanukah in this impressive addition to holiday collections. ... Stegmaier's illustrations radiate the feeling of cold nights outside (snow and rain can be seen) and then warmth from the menorah candles in many windows. ... Non-Jewish readers will learn about Chanukah and traditions while gazing at beautiful illustrations. But even as important, all readers will come away knowing that while we may be different, we can all coexist happily as the story concludes with a reminder of how our differences can create a beautiful community. Barnes and Stegmaier achieve magic with the representation of different ages and races so no reader feels left out of the story. Highly recommended for all libraries and homes."



Stories with Jojo

"This is a heartwarming story that celebrates family and togetherness, all while embracing diversity and uniqueness within a community. What a beautiful way to remember Jewish history!"

Jamie Bills

"The illustrations are beautiful, warm, and inviting."

Books Grow Minds

"[B]eautiful read ... detailed, colorful pages illustrate diverse characters ..."

Picture Book Recommendations

"[A] stunning new book that is a perfect introduction to Hanukkah and way to kick off the holiday. It shows how different families celebrate over eight nights and is complete with warm cozy illustrations!"

Shelves of Color

"This lovely book shares the traditions of Hanukkah / Chanukah over 8 nights. It's a time for family, food, fun, friendship, and togetherness. I love how this story weaves through celebrations in different households. ... And when the neighborhood comes together at the synagogue, the Rabbi shares the history of the festival—the story of the Maccabees."

AJL News and Reviews

"In this attractive, over-size picture book, Chanukah rituals and traditions are described and illustrated in brief text and richly colored pictures of eight different family celebrations. The families are noticeably diverse ..."

Pennsylvania School Librarians Association (PSLA) Literature Review

"I recommend this book for any library looking for a loving story about modern families celebrating Chanukah... and the meaning of Chanukah within families and communities."



Everything Changes

by Clare Helen Welsh, illustrated by Åsa Gilland

Kirkus Reviews

"This book deftly compares emotions to nature and conveys the message that life goes on, ever changing and ever growing. The text and illustrations work harmoniously to provide examples and extend the metaphors. This one is ideal for young ones processing a big life change. ... Tenderly nuanced."

School Library Journal

"Illustrations feature a family and community that have many different backgrounds and cultures; the emotions of the young child are warmly evoked, inviting readers to connect with the changes that they see in the world around them and the emotional world inside them. ... Affirming, without being saccharine, this title honors the emotional journey of young children facing such separations."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"A child experiences the change of seasons as well as the change of divorce in this symbolic picture book. ... The text is especially poetic, with the child's feelings compared to the swirling sea or the blowing wind. The depiction of the seasons also serves as an apt metaphor for the changes ... The illustrations complement the story beautifully ... This is an incredibly thoughtful book about the often painful subject of divorce, and it is one that approaches the topic in a way that's respectful of children's feelings, while also conveying a sense of hope."



Everything Under the Sun

by Molly Oldfield, illustrated by 12 different illustrators

Oh the Books We Love

"[A] beautifully illustrated book full of questions that young readers will likely have asked aloud or wondered to themselves before. ... I love the idea of reading aloud a question each evening and letting everyone have a go at answering the question before revealing the true answer."

Nanny Miss Monique

"[A]s comprehensive as it is jaw-dropping, with seemingly endless fun facts and opinions to some of kids most common and amazing questions."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"The book is a fantastic impetus of inquiry for elementary-aged children. It can serve as an example of questioning, but also allows for deeper wonderings. Kids can also take the questions further into research with teacher guidance. ... This book is a fun daily read aloud for classes or individual students."

Always a Storybook

"[E]ncourages your ability to think and reason why. It also lets you imagine things from a different perspective. ... a perfect combo to intrigue your child's curiosity."

Little Cub Literacy

"This is such a fun way to learn about things you'd likely not talk about otherwise, and could be a fun way to guide homeschool lessons! Each day is only about a paragraph long, but you could extend the learning by adding books on the same topic."

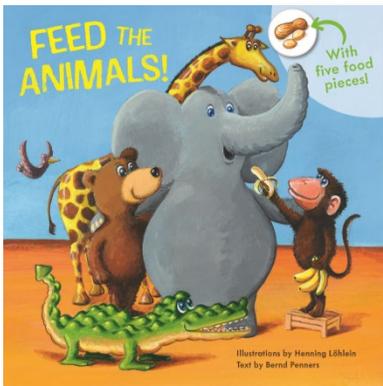


Reading with Red and the Magpie

"This book would be the coolest addition to a daily home education routine or a morning circle in an early childhood or elementary school classroom. ... sure to dazzle, inspire and amuse the inquisitive young scientists in your life."

Stories with Jojo

"[A] heartwarming yet educational read that is sure to make any child and adult smile. The illustrations are incredibly done- the collaboration of 12 different artists allows for a colorful and diverse representation of varying artistic styles, making this book truly a labor of love and heart."



Feed the Animals

by Bernd Penners, illustrated by Henning Löhlein

Homeschooling with Abhi

"A good book to start a conversation. Learn about different kinds of animals, their habitats, food they eat."



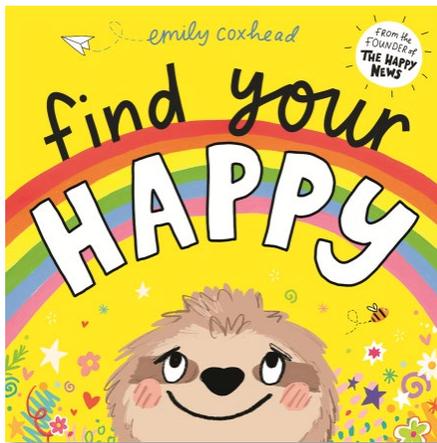
Find & Speak Spanish
Los animales/Animals
Los colores/ Colors
Los números/Numbers
Las palabras de casa/At home

by Sam Hutchinson, illustrated by Vicky Barker

Stories with Jojo

Find & Speak: Los colores/ Colors

"The simple text in this board book is a great way for readers to learn the colors in Spanish...all while building vocabulary relating to everyday nouns and objects."



Find Your Happy

by Emily Coxhead

Jamie Bills

"[P]acked with joyful, vibrant illustrations, plus simple tips to help kids work through hard feelings ... It is hard to glance at this book without instantly feeling a POSITIVE BOOST."

Storymamas

"This book is a wonderful read aloud to share with a younger audience to help them learn their different emotions, as well as easy ways to try and self regulate."



Bookish Burnsss

"This book is ABSOLUTELY amazing ... the SEL focus is something to rave about! Check this one out!"

Mom Read It

"[A] cheerfully positive readaloud that will work well with storytimes and with social-emotional collections that focus on working through tough emotions."

Stories with Jojo

"This vibrant and cheery picture book is a wonderful resource for introducing emotions to young readers. ... Such a cute, sweet, and encouraging read that validates having all the different emotions!"

Little Cub Literacy

"[E]xplains a range of emotions kiddos might be feeling and how to work through each to get back to a calm state. ... ideal for stashing in a calm down corner, and for letting children know it's okay to feel ALL SORTS of feelings!!"

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"[T]he choice of an ungendered animal in the lead role makes this story relatable for a wide variety of children with a range of backgrounds and allows the focus to stay on social-emotional learning for everyone. ... a good book to share, especially with young children."



First Steps in Coding

What's an Algorithm? A Splash Park Adventure!

What's Branching? A Birthday Adventure!

What's Decomposition? A Rock-and-Roll Adventure!

What's a Loop? A Tree House Adventure!

What's Sequencing? A School Day Adventure!

What's a Variable? A Story Time Adventure!

by Kaitlyn Siu, illustrated by Marcelo Badari

Our World of Words

"As a computer science engineer, these books excite me so so much!"

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Ideas and Advice Books for the Graduate"

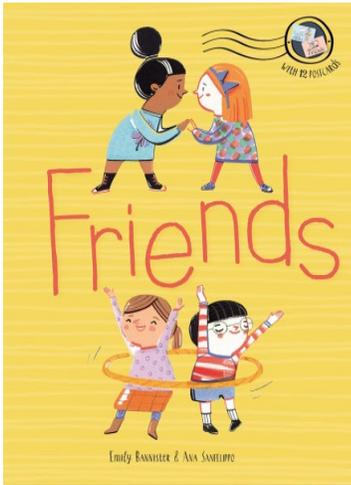
"[O]utstanding books for beginners in computer language. ...wonderfully illustrated ..."



Archimedes' Notebook

What's Branching?: A Birthday Adventure!

"The graphics make it easy to understand the coding concepts introduced: branching, debugging a program. ... I also like that this book is part of a series ..."



Friends

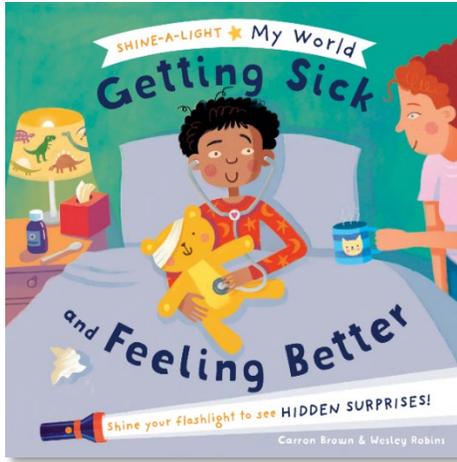
by Emily Bannister, illustrated by Ana Sanfelippo

Little Cub Literacy

"Gentle rhyming text and precious, beautiful illustrations capture the warmth of a good friend. Postcards are included for readers to send to their friends, and I think this is such a phenomenal touch."

Miss Bailey's Bookworms

"This book is extra special because it even comes with POSTCARDS that you can send to your friends!"



**Getting Sick and Feeling Better,
A Shine-a-Light My World Book**

By Carron Brown, illustrated by Wesley Robins

Oh the Books We Love

"[D]oes a great job at explaining what "sick" actually means. It reminds readers the importance of disposing used tissues and washing hands frequently. I appreciate the mention of getting rest because we all know a kid or two who dislikes having to take naps."

Kid Lit Brain

"I love the interactive nature of this book. ... I love the back matter that explains the signs of sickness and things that we can do to feel better."

Pennsylvania School Librarians Association (PSLA) Literature Review

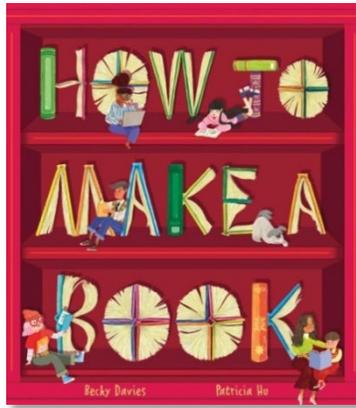
"[V]ery relatable and child-friendly. ... This would be a welcome addition to any health or science collection that serves young children."

I Am Sueann Hall

"An important aspect of this book is the element of community care -how we can protect and help others- which is so vital these days."

My Literacy Space

"This picture book also provides excellent info about how to prevent germs from spreading and is a perfect read aloud during the flu season."



How to Make a Book

by Becky Davies, illustrated by Patricia Hu

Kirkus Reviews

"The spreads are busy, with irregularly shaped, colorful panels helping to make the stages of the publishing process clear; many are festooned with arrows to assist in focus, and well-placed speech bubbles further help to delineate the action. ... For detail-oriented future publishers."

Raising a Legacy

"This is the most adorable book ever! It has taken the genre of How-To books to a new level. ... The fun illustrations, added humor, and incidental diversity turns this from a good book to a great one. I loved how simple the process was explained while keeping it intriguing and engaging for the reader."

Stories with Jojo

"[A] stunningly creative and thoughtfully crafted book- definitely one of its kind and one we will treasure for a long time! We definitely gained a newfound appreciation of all the hard work that goes into creating a book!"

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Books for Mother and for Grads"

"The illustrations are terrific with the visual step-by-step process making it easy to understand. Be sure to check out the wonderful end-pages!"

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"This picture book leaves out no detail about the long and often daunting bookmaking process. Children curious about the process will likely have many questions while reading this informational walk-through, encouraging conversation. Davies and Hu present the process of bookmaking with colorful illustrations and realistic characters."



Bookishly Bailey

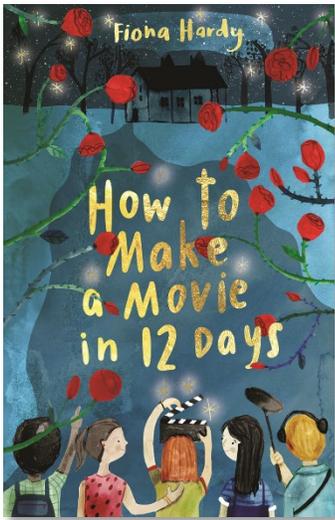
"[A] wonderful display of information, art, and overall a great book that you wouldn't even think about making but you're glad it exists! ... I would definitely read this with older kids and maybe even act out a book publishing process with them in the classroom!"

Jamie Bills

"[A] fun, colorful, and informative read. ... Perfect for little book worms."

Storymamas

"The style of the book, with its speech bubbles and engaging pictures, makes this read both fun and informational."

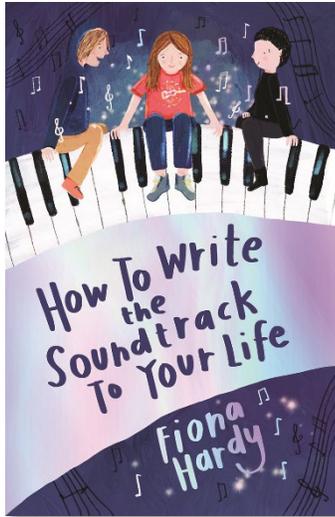


How to Make a Movie in 12 Days

by Fiona Hardy

Kirkus Reviews, STARRED

"Order up plenty of popcorn and settle back for a tense, intense, delightful ride."

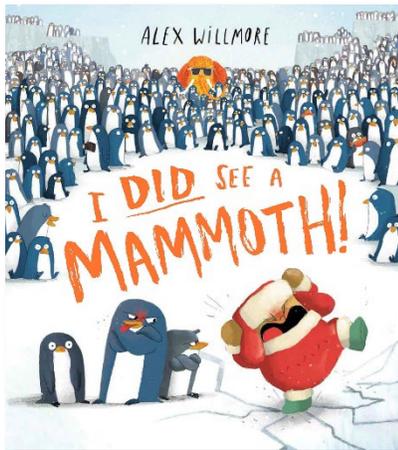


How to Write the Soundtrack to Your Life

by Fiona Hardy

Kirkus Reviews

"Upbeat, light in tone, and both deft and respectful in its exploration of characters and issues."



I Did See a Mammoth!

by Alex Willmore

Kirkus Reviews

"[A] funny tale and one that storytellers will have a lot of fun telling—the child's wild declarations and outraged indignation are supported by colorful and zany illustrations. Savvy educators and caregivers might see this as a humorous introduction to heavier themes of extinction, conservation, and climate change. ... Delightful and fun!"

Booklist

"An easy add to storytimes on cold- climate themes, scary monsters, or small, noisy creatures in general."

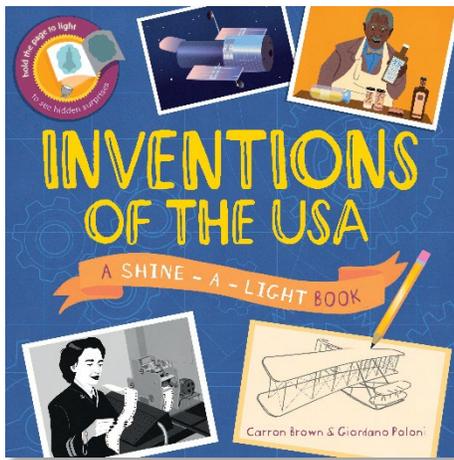


Stories with Jojo

"The hilariously exasperated narrative voice in this book makes for a great read aloud, and the comical, animated illustrations make it one kids will want to read over and over again."

Jamie Bills

"This book surprised me and made me laugh. Super delightful read."



Inventions of the USA, A Shine-a-Light Book

By Carron Brown, illustrated by Giordano Poloni

Little Cub Literacy

"[H]ighly informative, engaging, and awe-inspiring."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database (January 2023)

"This is a good introduction to the concept of inventions and may spark creative ideas for young readers. An excellent companion to jumpstart thinking before any school's Invention Convention."

Stories with Jojo

"[M]ay spark an interest for those with curious minds!"



It's Mine!

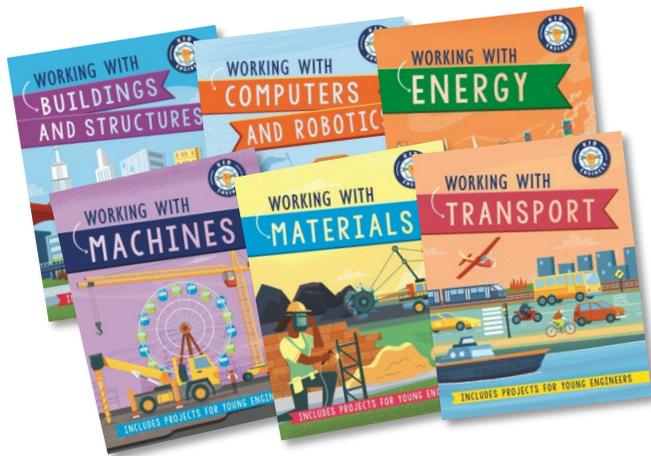
by Emma Yarlett

Little Cub Literacy

"Perfect for a lesson on ownership and sharing!"

Stories with Jojo

"[F]ull of quirky charm and detail. We love the repetitive phrases and how they allow the reader to actively engage and participate in the text. Such a fun read!"



Kid Engineer

Working with Buildings and Structures

Working with Energy

Working with Materials

by Izzi Howell, illustrated by Daniel Vaisberg

Working with Computers and Robotics

Working with Machines

Working with Transport

by Sonya Newland, illustrated by Diego Vaisberg

Meridian Magazine, "Newton's Book News: Ideas and Advice for the Graduate"

"All of these books include projects to build as well as successful examples. The other author involved in writing these outstanding books is Sonya Newland."

Archimedes' Notebook

Kid Engineer: Working with Buildings and Structures

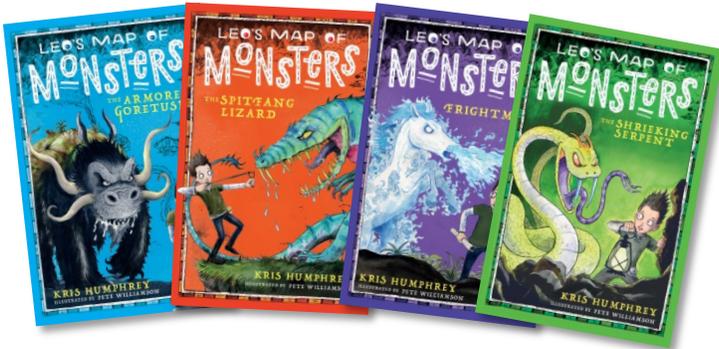
"With plenty of hands-on activities, this is a perfect book for the kid who wants to explore engineering and architecture."



Archimedes' Notebook

Kid Engineer: Working with Machines

"[I]ntroduces young readers to the concepts of work, force, and movement and the idea that they could be an engineer. Then it explains how simple machines work (levers, pulleys, axles, etc.) and includes a hands-on activity to explore each type of machine."



Leo's Map of Monsters
The Armored Goretusk
The Spiffang Lizard
The Nightmare
The Shrieking Serpent

by Kris Humphrey, illustrated by
Pete Williamson

Book Reviews, ILA CL/R SIG "More Fantasy and Science Fiction"

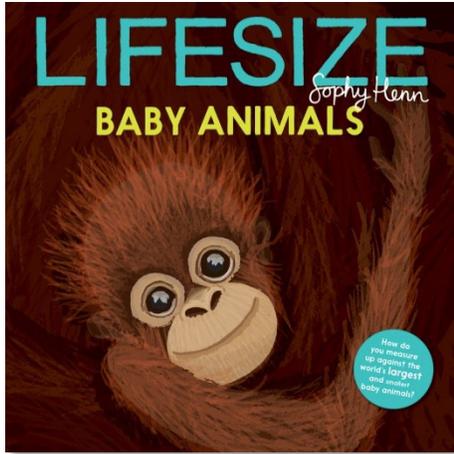
"An abundance of grayscale illustrations and the fast-paced, first-person narration of this easy-to-read chapter book will leave young readers wanting to join Leo on his next assignment."

Mom Read It

"Black and white fantasy artwork with an Edward Gorey-bent features on almost every page; antiquing elements give the appearance of reading an ancient tome. The adventure is light and fun, with a buddy-cop partnership between Leo and Starla, one of the forest residents; the promise of more fantastic beasts to come will keep readers coming back. A map lets readers follow Leo's adventures; back matter includes stats and descriptions of the creatures he encounters in this first book and a look at the different stones he uses. This one is a fun fantasy series to add to your chapter book/intermediate shelves. ... All four books are available in the States and fantasy fans will want them all, posthaste!"

Log Cabin Library

"[A] fun new to me series that would make for an exciting read-aloud."



Lifesize Baby Animals

by Sophy Henn

Little Cub Literacy

"As wonderful as this read is for science lessons, it's also perfect for math. ... Sophy Henn's illustrations are always super bright and engaging, and as much as I love this new release, I can't pick a favorite among the three in the series. They're all SO good."

Kids Lit Is Lit

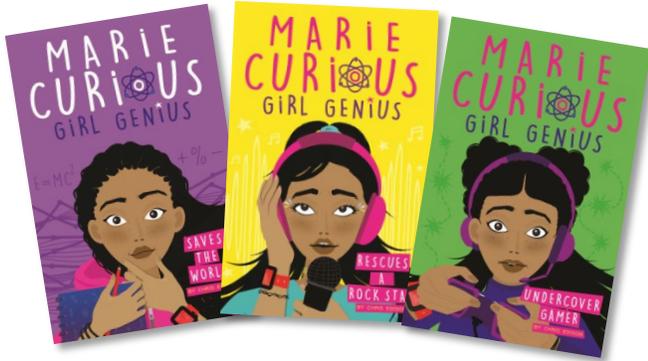
"[T]hese are so cool while also being educational and a guaranteed hit with my children. Hooray for engaging nonfiction!"

Nanny Miss Monique

"[A] timeless, interactive mini-encyclopedia of Earth's youngest furry, scaly, and feathery friends."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"The educational possibilities of this book are many. A perfect read before any trip to the zoo."



**Marie Curious, Girl Genius
Saves the World
Rescues a Rock Star
Undercover Gamer**

by Chris Edison

Kirkus Reviews

"STEM-centric sleuthing, with cooperation and girl power getting brisk thematic boosts."

School Library Journal

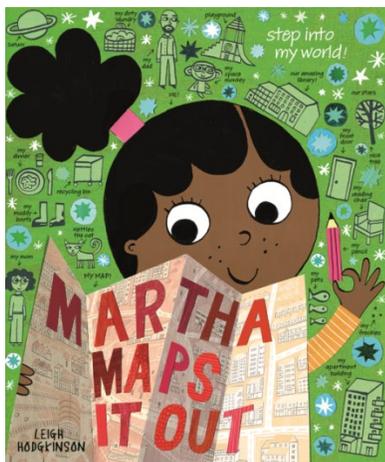
"A solid addition to intermediate collections with a need for quick, but compelling, stories."

Always in the Middle

"[I]maginative ... A great start for this series ..."

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Great Fiction for Upper Elementary Age"

"These intriguing books are written for ages seven through ten and celebrate girls and their extraordinary abilities in math and sciences. ... fast-paced adventure with highly intelligent protagonists."



Martha Maps It Out

by Leigh Hodgkinson

Booklist, STARRED

"This works as an engaging introduction for units on communities, and Martha's upbeat final message ("Good night, universe! I can't WAIT to see you tomorrow!") enhances the positive



vibe. Aspiring cartographers will enjoy poring over the different orientations, and the busy pages with their myriad details will require multiple perusals. This is pure inspiration for Maker/STEAM mapmaking exploration."

Books Grow Minds

"The illustrations vibrantly display how different maps are helpful and even shows a concept map of ideas that makes my writing-teacher heart so happy! I love that this book is packed with notes, facts and fun details, reminding children that they can write about and map out just about anything their heart desires!"

Homeschooling with Abhi

"Step into Martha's world, packed with notes, witty humor, facts, and fun details. ... Such a clever book introduces kids to maps and compass and teaches them how or where they belong in this universe. Like Martha, we decided to make our community map and brushed up on our directions."

Oh the Books We Love

"[C]ould be used as a mentor text with many different lessons - an intro to graphic organizers, how to make a map of yourself, how to make a map & identify landmarks in your city,"

Little Cub Literacy

"If you only want one book for your map unit, this is definitely the one to grab."

Nanny Miss Monique

"[F]antastic for speech, early reading, and building self-confidence."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"[P]rovides a connection between geography and social-emotional learning to introduce the concepts of maps and map reading. A perfect read-aloud text for kindergarten, first, and second grade students, teachers can utilize this text to promote the idea of perspective. allows readers to consider how their simple and complex thoughts and questions lead to dreams and discoveries. As an interdisciplinary text, teachers can utilize this story to formally introduce a geography unit. ... Overall, this text excitedly promotes a cross-curricular experience to encourage creativity and adventure."

Pennsylvania School Librarians Association (PSLA) Literature Review

"The weaving of Martha's fictional story with nonfiction text features is perfect for teaching about these devices. The mind-mapping sequence is particularly intriguing, and is an element not often included in typical books about maps and nonfiction illustrations. A great STEAM resource."



Always a Storybook

"There are so many reasons to love this book, here are just a few... The illustrations ... It shows how mapping things out can help us feel calm and focused ... It smashes gender stereotypes and shows girls interested in STEM ... It's diverse and inclusive ... It looks like Martha made the book herself! ... Even the endpapers promote creativity."



Maven and Reeve Mysteries

The Fire Star

The Wolf's Howl

by A. L. Tait

Kirkus Reviews

The Fire Star

"[L]ets an appealing chemistry develop between her dual narrators (who change person and even tense in the alternating chapters) as she pitches them into an investigation that is positively hung about with side challenges that range from nipping a scandal involving the local overlord's spoiled daughter in the bud to helping that same overlord fend off an arrest for treason. ... Smart, lively fun"

Kirkus Reviews

The Wolf's Howl

"As before, the young sleuths' quick wits and complementary temperaments come into play—as does Maven's membership in a secret society dedicated to educating women and helping them improve their lives—as the duo solve mysteries, effect rescues, and neutralize a mysterious ring of spies who may or may not be working for the realm's wastrel king. ... More feudal finagling, with feminist strains running through a round of clever clue gathering."

Log Cabin Library

"[A] fast-paced mystery, spanning three days, with lots of action, humor, and a duo that you can't help but root for. ... Intricate plotting with a little palace intrigue."

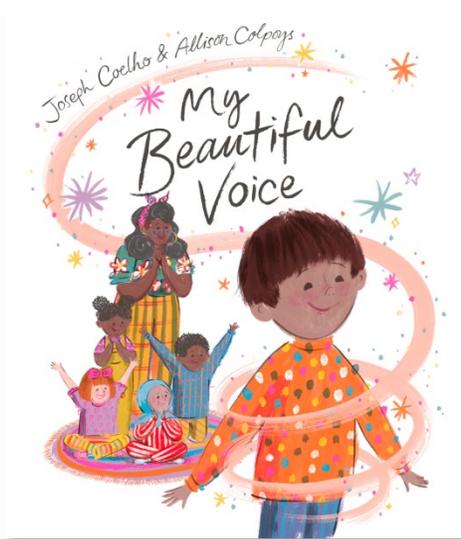


Always in the Middle

"The emphasis is on friendship rather than romance ... Perfect for good readers who love a great mystery. ... will have you longing for a book 3."

Charlotte's Library

"[L]ikeable, smart main characters who are clearly the good guys being brave and having adventures and solving mysteries in an alternate medieval Europe-ish sort of place. ... The Wolf's Howl ends up setting the next book up beautifully, and I hope I get to read it sooner rather than later."



My Beautiful Voice

by Joseph Coelho, illustrated by Allison Colpoys

Kirkus Reviews

"A patient and gentle reminder of the importance of each voice, no matter how small."

Booklist

"This lovely book will delight and inspire."

Books Grow Minds

"[A] testament to inspirational teachers. ... This book is a beautiful reminder that we all turn into our best selves with time. Pressuring kids to be a certain way almost never works, but being a kind, gentle and constant stream of support helps us all blossom into the best versions of ourselves."



Kid Lit Is Magic

"This book right here will most definitely be one of my favorites of 2022. ... It's the perfect book to encourage empathy in young children and show children who are shy how they can be brave."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"Uniting the wonderful gifts of poetry and storytelling, Coelho elegantly portrays a very relatable experience. This story will capture readers' hearts and motivate them to conquer their fears. It is brilliantly matched with the illustrations, which are delightful, cheery, colorful, magical, and warm. Through vibrant swirls, Colpoys captures the essence of the triumphant creative writer, student, and child. Her phosphorescent colors are refreshing and inviting. A beautiful read!"

Library Mom Books

"This stunning story is beautiful in every way! The descriptive language is divine and the vibrant illustrations with pops of color eloquently capture the girl's emotional journey to gain the confidence to share her words."

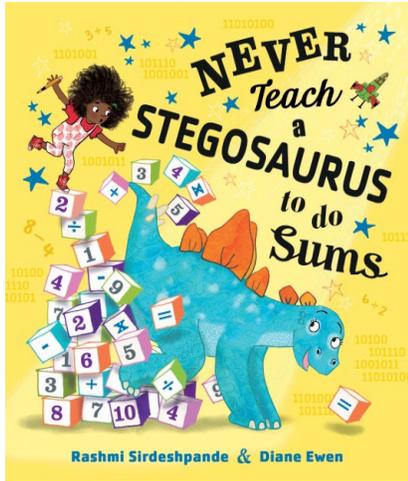


My First Sports
Go, Team!
Get Set!

by Laura Baker, illustrated by Siski Kalla

The Blossoming Bibliophiles

"[A]wesome little board books that provide little readers with a great introduction to a wide variety of sports!"



Never Teach a Stegosaurus to Do Sums

by Rashmi Sirdeshpande, illustrated by Diane Ewen

Mom Read It

"[A] celebration of all things mathematics, with fun illustration details ... The light, fun storytelling inspires kids to love math by illustrating its presence in our everyday lives."

Future Bookworms

"I absolutely adore this book! It is fun and silly all while showcasing the importance of math. ... Definitely a book that everyone can enjoy no matter their age."

Kadhaisaurus

"Kids will love exploring the numbers, robots and space along with the genius stegosaurus. A treat for dinosaur lovers"

Oh the Books We Love

"[T]his is one adorable series that we cannot get enough of!"

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"This book is destined to be read and loved by dinosaur-lovers of all ages for many years to come."

Amma's Magical Bookshelf

"What a great way to introduce the wonders of math, how integrated it is in our daily lives, and what lengths you can achieve in this field. ... If you have a child who struggles with math, or doesn't understand why we have to learn ANYTHING about numbers or computations - then this story might help shift their view just a bit!"

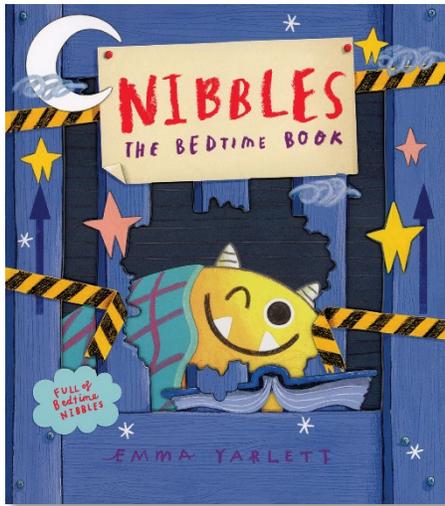
Nanny Miss Monique

"The mind-blowing adventures of the main characters will excite children about the possibilities of coding, engineering, space exploration, robotics, and artificial intelligence. This www.kanemiller.com



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is all made possible by appreciating the magic of numbers, and discovering that anywhere you go in the universe, math can open worlds and solve problems."



Nibbles: The Bedtime Book

by Emma Yarlett

Stories with Jojo

"Emma Yarlett does an amazing job ... Her clever approach to creating a 'fractured fairy tale' is both imaginative and brilliant, and her illustrations are full of carefully executed details and expressive faces that capture the playful nature of the book so well. ... What a satisfying read!"

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"If a child's collection can have only one "Nibbles" title, it should be this one. (But, rest assured, there are several other yellow-monstered books available.) Highly recommended for families that wish to read, enjoy, repeat!"

Little Cub Literacy

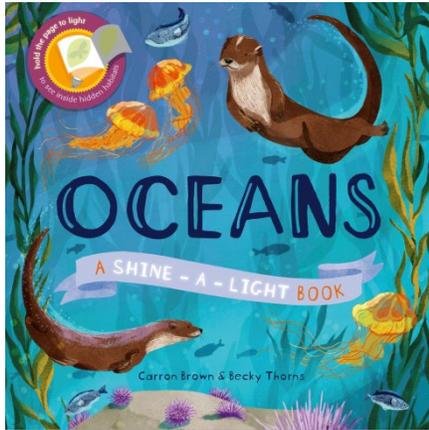
"Any book in the Nibbles series is sure to be a hit with young readers, especially when accompanied with the adorable plush!"

Nanny Miss Monique

"This pitch perfect nighttime iteration is a great addition to her ever-growing collection about this yellow book-munching fellow. His wild antics help shake up storytime and present kids with a wild, welcomed break from traditional children's books."

Jamie Bills

"What do we love about Nibbles? ... He is interactive, unpredictable, monsterly-adorable, and he always makes us laugh."



Oceans, A Shine-a-Light Book

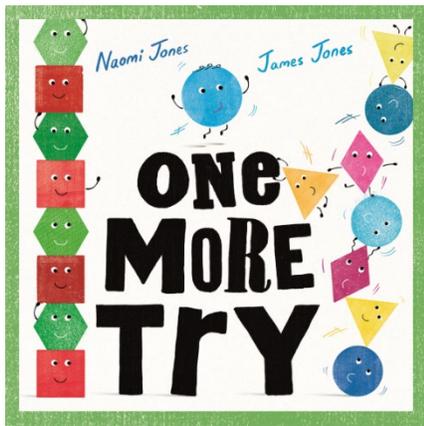
by Carron Brown, illustrated by Becky Thorns

Kirkus Reviews

"Glimpses of a teeming, colorful world just beneath the surface, enhanced by a bit of cleverly designed hide-and-seek."

Archimedes Notebook

"What I like about this book: Each page presents a mystery ... A map at the back shows a map of the world's oceans and tells a bit more about them."



One More Try

by Naomi and James Jones

Little Cub Literacy

"[S]uper cute, highlights all the 2D shapes necessary for common core standards, and shows problem solving."

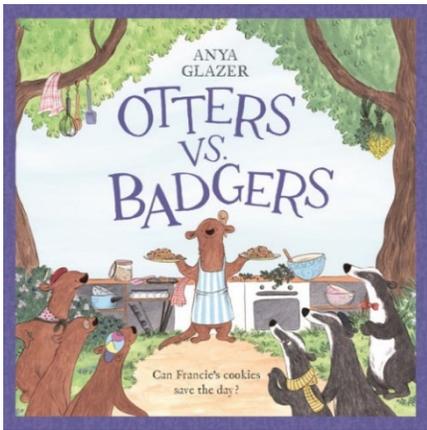
Nanny Miss Monique

"Kids will learn that there's nothing wrong with being knocked down every once in awhile. If you continue to get back up and keep trying, and with the help of those around you, you'll find a way to make it to the top!"



Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"By giving the shapes body parts and feelings, this book makes early math concepts accessible and enjoyable for young children. Classroom and home libraries alike will benefit from adding this book to their collections as a way to entertain young children while supporting and encouraging their tenacity as they face inevitable challenges in their daily lives."



Otters vs. Badgers

by Anya Glazer

Nanny Miss Monique

"Underneath this adorable and humorous tale lies a lesson about finding the good in us all despite our differences. Glazer does an incredible job creating this world for the reader and laying out the emotional conflict that is keeping these very similar groups apart."

Jamie Bills

"This delightful book addresses conflict resolution, friendship, and compromise in a sweet and humorous way."

Mom Read It

"Glazer spins an amusing tale of sharing and finding common ground that readers will appreciate. ... A good book to read as kids head back to the classroom, or enter classrooms for the first time."

Book Reviews, ILA CL/R SIG "Picture Books from Across the Pond"

"Anya Glazer's conversational style of writing and creative use of speech bubbles in her watercolor cartoon illustrations provide additional comedic layers to this entertaining picture book."



School of Monsters series

- Bat-Boy Tim Says Boo!**
- Hairy Sam Loves Bread and Jam**
- Jamie Lee's Birthday Treat**
- Mary Has the Best Pet**
- Pete's Big Feet**
- Frank Is a Big Help**
- Jess Makes a Mess**
- Luna Boo Has Feelings Too**
- William Is a Star**

by Sally Rippin, illustrated by Chris Kennett

Kids Lit is Lit

"These are a perfect pick for not so scary story times and practice with independent reading."

The Momma Spot

"These books are phenomenal! ... great early reader books that should be in every household."

Picture Book Recommendations

"[A] fabulous new early reader series. ... Highly recommend ..."

Homeschooling with Abhi

"These books are perfect for emerging readers. Short, funny, silly, rhyming and easy to read by young readers."

Mai Storybook Library

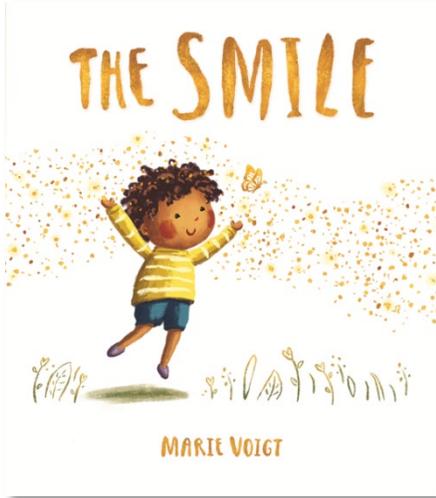
"[P]erfect blend of simple text with colorful, engaging illustrations!"

Nanny Miss Monique

"[N]ine adorable stories in a frightfully fun series ..."

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Halloween is in the Air"

"[A] perfect beginning reading for kids ages six to eight."



The Smile

by Marie Voigt

Books Grow Minds

"It's the perfect book to read in a classroom reminding children that a small act of kindness can change everything."

Booklist

"[T]he book leaves message bearing to the words, while the continuous narrative unfolds visually, even on double-page spreads with no text at all. A pleasing picture book depicting the continuous passage of a smile from one person to another."

Little Cub Literacy

"I love how this book explains that if you can't see someone in person, you could still send them a smile with a note in the mail!"

Mom Read It

"The story asks readers where their smiles will go, inviting children to start their own kindness chains. ... Great for social-emotional collections, great for storytimes."

Nanny Miss Monique

"From the time you lay your eyes on the beautiful cover highlighted by gold foil print, you'll be grinning ear to ear. This book also celebrates global diversity, music, education, and community, with intentional mindful wordplay and sweet, gorgeous illustrations."

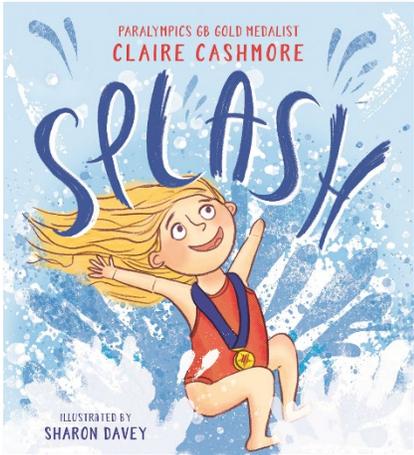
Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Books to Encourage Uplifting Feelings About School"

"When meeting others for the first time, by just having a smile on your face shows acceptance, friendship, and happiness. ... This book gives a great tip to start your school year."



Bookishly Bailey

"The illustrations in this book are my favorite. They're so colorful and bright and perfectly fit the story of the warmth of a SMILE."



Splash

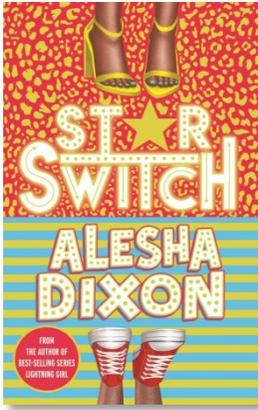
by Claire Cashmore, illustrated by Sharon Davey

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"[F]ull of heart and vulnerability. ... The book includes great descriptive words such as "silky" and "shimmering," as well as similes such as "proud as a lion" and "heart pounding like drums," which make the story more interesting and engaging. Davey's illustrations beautifully radiate the emotion Claire feels on each page. I would without a doubt recommend this book as a new addition to any household or classroom."

Storymamas

"[P]ositive and inspirational."

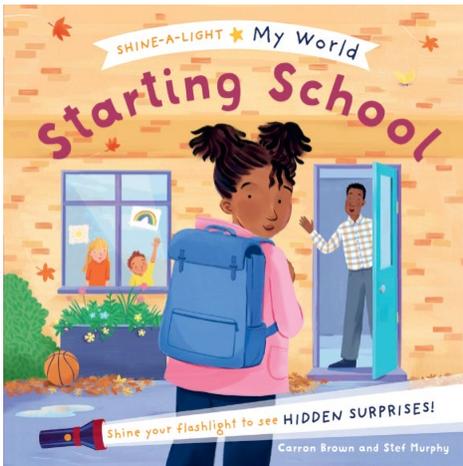


Star Switch

by Alesha Dixon with Katy Birchall

Always in the Middle

"[A]nother British import I'm sure will find a welcome audience in North America. ... Told in alternating viewpoints, the story moves along at a brisk pace ... Now my copy is being circulated in the neighborhood, where you'll find the target audience in numerous households. The reactions have been a hearty thumbs up."



Starting School, A My World Shine-a-Light Book

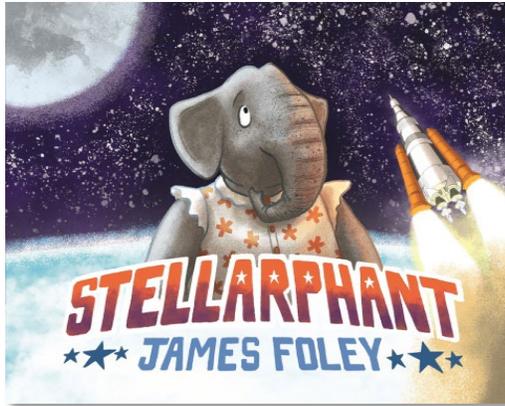
by Carron Brown, illustrated by Stef Murphy

School Library Journal

"The text is simple and accessible, the illustrations warm and friendly. The overall tone is gentle and inviting. ... [W]ould enhance any school readiness collection."

Our World of Words

"This would be perfect for the little ones to get them excited about new school and adventures that they would have."



Stellarphant
by James Foley

Booklist

"Children will pore over the appended portrait galleries, one depicting animal astronauts at Stellarphant Aerospace and the other honoring actual animals sent into space, beginning with fruit flies (1947). With its well-told story, sympathetic heroine, and detailed, engaging illustrations, this picture book will easily win over kids who have their own big dreams and can-do attitudes."

Jamie Bills

"I love this book."

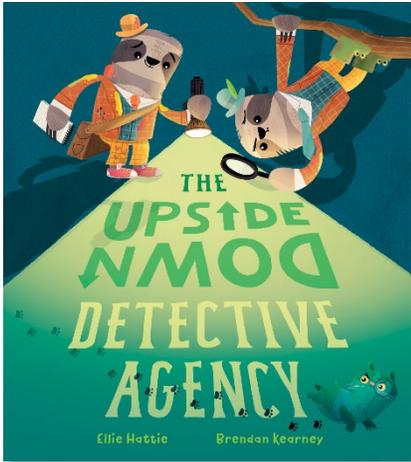


This Boy Can Be Anything
This Girl Can Do Anything

by Stephanie Stansbie, illustrated by
Hazel Quintanilla

Our World of Words

"[B]uilds confidence in children and shows them that they can get up and try again if they get down. ... very positive and encouraging ..."



The Upside Down Detective Agency

by Ellie Hattie, illustrated by Brendan Kearney

Stories with Jojo

"Readers engage with the text and help the sloths by looking for hidden pictures and poring through the beautifully illustrated, busy pages in search for clues. The detailed maps and diagrams are incredibly fun to explore, and the speech bubbles make the experience lively and exciting. ... Definitely the perfect book for the sleuthing mind!"

Storymamas

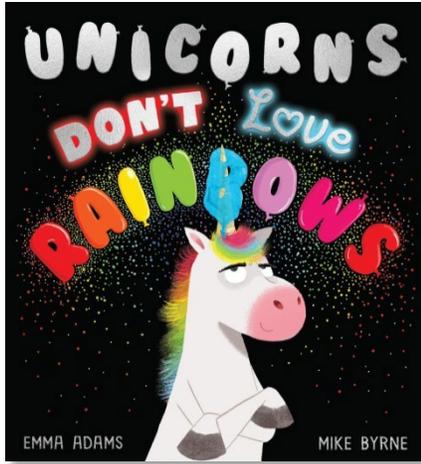
"[A] fun and adorable book that had so much to see and do. We highly recommend this picture book!"

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Books to Encourage Uplifting Feelings About School"

"[A]n interactive story that will help youngsters problem solve by spotting clues and locating items described in the text. ... This book is great fun and will be examined over again and again."

Meridian Magazine, "Newton's Book News: The Best Picture Books of 2022, Part 1"

"[A] delightful interactive book that invites the reader to participate. There is much to see and discover ... Every open page is full of intricate illustrations and clues to discover each time you open this book."



Unicorns Don't Love Rainbows

by Emma Adams, illustrated by Mike Byrne

Little Cub Literacy

"I think a lot of high schoolers can see themselves in this one— whether you're the sparkly unicorn or the grunge one. Despite their differences, the unicorns realize they don't all have to like the same thing to be friends."

Shelves of Color

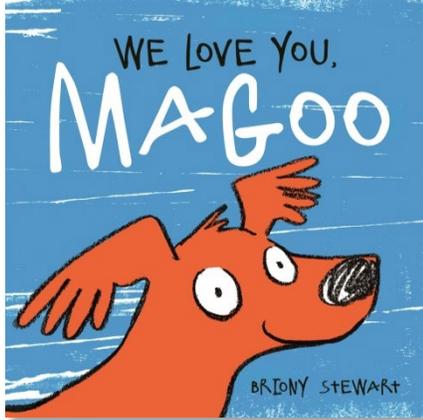
"A humorous but heartfelt story ... A sweet message of loving your friends for who they are!"

Stories with Jojo

"There's rhythm and rhyme. There's brightly-colored pictures (oh the irony!) that are juxtaposed with nearly pitch black pages. It's hilarious and just so darn fun to read out loud!"

Miss Bailey's Bookworms

"[A]n adorably funny story about embracing what makes you different!"



We Love You, Magoo

by Briony Stewart

Little Cub Literacy

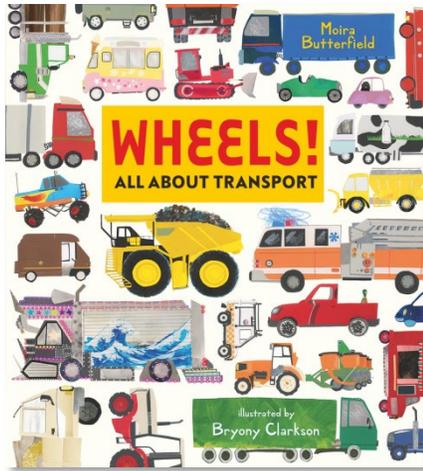
"So when I read this I felt like I saw my own dog in Magoo. Incredibly loved, but perhaps often feeling like all I do is get onto him."

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Celebrating April Poetry Month"

"[W]hat is most enjoyable is the humor in both the sparse text and the antics and expressions of this delightful dog. ... The pages are sturdy and perfect for the continual reread to your youngsters; ages three to six will love."

The Blossoming Bibliophiles

"[P]erfect for any little dog lover!"



Wheels! All About Transport

by Moira Butterfield, illustrated by Bryony Clarkson

Kirkus Reviews

"The book is admirable in its worldwide scope, as when it surveys the different designs to be found on trucks in India, Pakistan, Japan, and Peru. ... The book that'll give Richard Scarry's venerable *Cars and Trucks and Things That Go* a run for its money."

Our World of Words

"A very fun book to keep the reader engaged and also a great one to play 'I Spy' with."

Little Cub Literacy

"Transportation enthusiasts will be OBSESSED with this large book full of poems, facts, and detailed illustrations about all kinds of vehicles!"

Homeschooling with Abhi

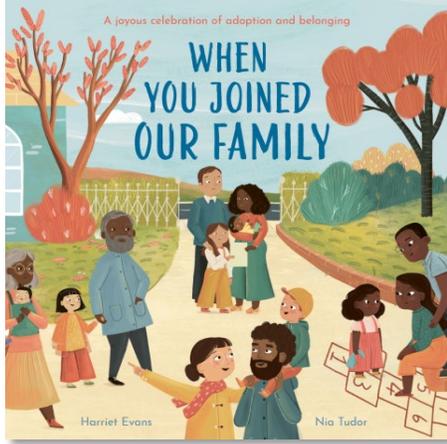
"I love this book, and it is one of the best books about vehicles we have come across."

Books Grow Minds

"We literally study this amazing book every night and I could not recommend this more for truck loving kiddos. ... The illustrations are phenomenal!"

Storymamas

"[B]eautifully illustrated, and has a lot of different and engaging styles of writing throughout."



When You Joined Our Family

by Harriet Evans, illustrated by Nia Tudor

Booklist

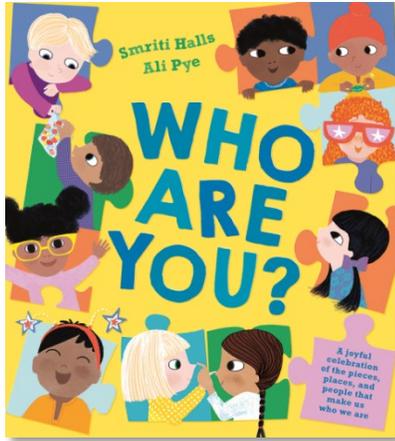
"[E]xtols the excitement of a child merging with the family, the many new experiences for both parent and child, and the permanence and security that adoption affords. ... With endpapers depicting many of the families portrayed, this makes a reassuring introduction for young adoptees."

Nanny Miss Monique

"[W]hether the reader is the latest addition to his or her non-biological family, or a curious kid who has their biological parents at home, there is much to learn and appreciate in Evans' sweet and poignant children's book."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"[A] realistic yet reassuring story. ... celebrates love, acceptance, and family with a diverse cast of characters. There is a family for every child of adoption to connect with."



Who Are You?

by Smriti Halls, illustrated by Ali Pye

Nanny Miss Monique

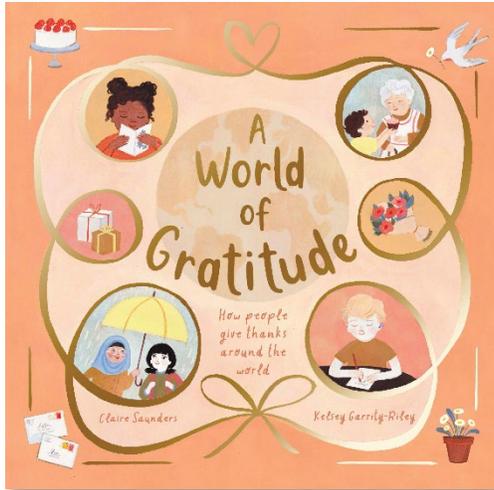
"The book is full of diversity, inclusion, and mindfulness, energized by the playful and fun illustrations by Ali Pye. Each character, activity, and setting is unique, and they come together with brilliant cohesion."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"[P]romotes the beauty of diversity for early learners. A perfect read for social-emotional learning, this text is a resourceful tool in building a positive classroom culture amongst children in preschool through third grade. ... a good selection for interactive reading in the classroom. ... As an interdisciplinary resource, teachers can also utilize this text to introduce a social studies or art project where younger students create self-portraits or family trees. Overall, this text is excellent for building self-esteem and acceptance within the community of early childhood learning environments."

Mom Read It

"[G]reat for preschool and kindergarten classes and for family project reading. Colorful digital artwork illustrates an inclusive, diverse group of people, assuring that kids will see themselves and their families in this fun story."



A World of Gratitude

by Claire Saunders, illustrated by Kelsey Garrity-Riley

Booklist

"The text and illustrations work together well, presenting a good deal of information in an enjoyable way while raising awareness of expressing gratitude. This attractive book will add a welcome global dimension to Thanksgiving book displays."

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Thankful for Books"

"[A] wonderful exhibit of this godly attribute throughout the world."

Stories with Jojo

"This beautiful book (check out that foiled cover!!) is thoughtfully put together, providing a delightfully insightful peek into cultural customs and traditions around the world. It is a perfect book for Thanksgiving, but also a great #ifkidshadcoffeetables title for all year round!"

A Book Barber

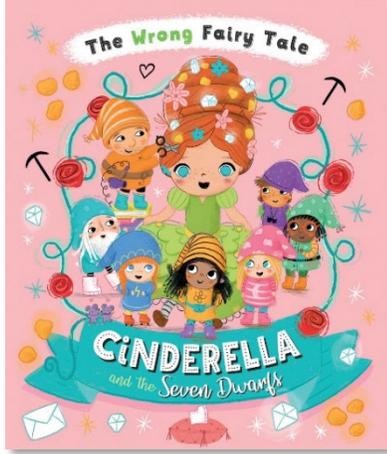
"Overall a lovely little handbook with charming illustrations and layout that pairs nicely with the heart attitude of Thanksgiving."

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"School and public libraries should have this book on hand for the holidays, for a rainy day that needs to be brightened, and for any child who needs a quiet restful read and happy pictures."

School Library Journal

"A good additional purchase to collections, with activities that easily translate to libraries and classrooms."



**The Wrong Fairy Tale:
Cinderella and the Seven Dwarfs**
by Tracey Turner, illustrated by Summer Macon

Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

"[T]hick pages and hardcover binding make these books a high quality selection for library shelves. Charming, friendly, and fun, this series is sure to delight young readers, and it is a welcome addition to fractured fairy tale curricula for elementary school aged readers."

Meridian Magazine "Newton's Book News: Bedtime Stories for Earlier Bedtimes"-
"[A] a fun and hilarious tale ... great fun to read out loud."



**The Wrong Fairy Tale:
Red Riding Hood and the Three Billy Goats
Gruff**
by Tracey Turner, illustrated by Summer Macon

Nanny Miss Monique

"[A] clever re-telling full of gut-splitting humor, and beautiful artwork which will easily make it a favorite among early readers."



Children's Literature Comprehensive Database

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Stories with Jojo

"Filled with head-butting action, animated dialogue, and silly illustrations, this one is a fun addition to any fairy tale collection!"