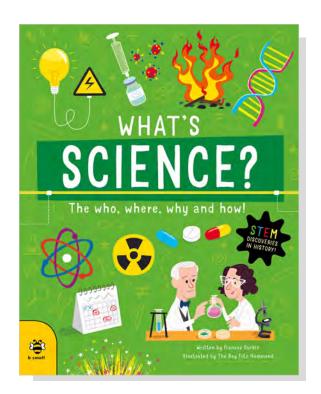
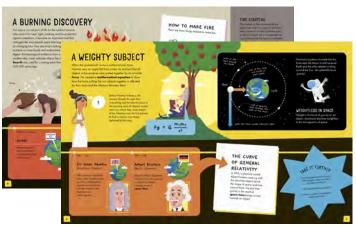
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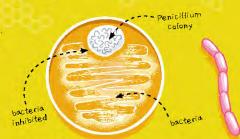
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# MARVELLOUS MEDICINES

In 1928, a scientist called Alexander Fleming was researching a type of bacteria called staphylococcus. He went away without cleaning up and returned two weeks later to find a strange mould developing on one of his Petri dishes. He realised that this mould had stopped the bacteria from growing. He named his discovery 'penicillin' and it became a very important medicine that could be used to treat all kinds of bacterial infections, including pneumonia and tonsilitis.

The idea that bacteria can cause illnesses was proposed by a French biologist named Louis Pasteur in the 1860s. He was investigating disease in silkworms and proved that bacterial **microbes** were causing the sickness. His idea came to be known as 'germ theory'.





The study of germ theory inspired a surgeon called Joseph Lister to apply the ideas to his work. He was the first person to use **antiseptics** to clean his surgical equipment and he was careful to protect his patients from infection.

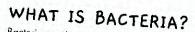


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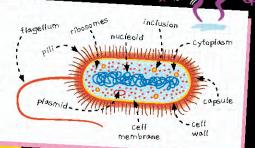
one kind of antibiotic

are called 'superbugs'

In 1945, Fleming warned that bacteria were able to **evolve** and that they could become resistant to antibiotics. He was right and, although many new antibiotics have been developed since the 1920s, some bacteria are unaffected by them. Bacteria that are resistant to more than



Bacteria are tiny, single-celled organisms that live everywhere. Most of them are completely harmless but some do cause illnesses and infections.





#### Louis Pasteur Strasbourg, France

Pasteur realised that tiny microbes including bacteria could cause diseases.





1827 - 1912

# Joseph Lister Glasgow, Scotland

Lister protected his patients from infection by using antiseptic.



1881 - 1955

## Alexander Fleming

London, England

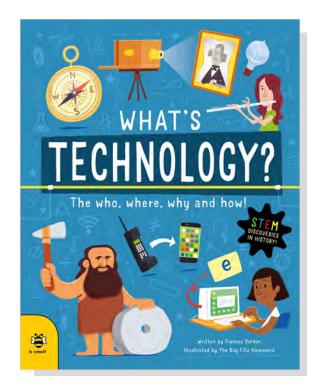
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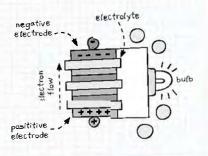
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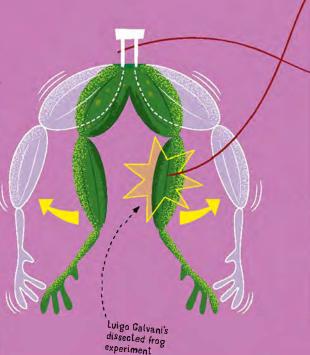
# PACKS OF POWER

In 1800. Alessandro Volta invented the first battery. His friend Luigo Galvani saw the muscles of a dissected frog move when he prodded them with two different pieces of metal. Galyani thought that the reaction came from the tissue of the animal, but Volta believed it was caused by the different metals and the liquid on the frog's legs. To test his idea, he placed cardboard soaked in salt water between stacked disks of copper and zinc. When the two types of metal were connected, the pile of disks created a steady electric current. The invention became known as the 'voltaic pile', or the first electric battery.

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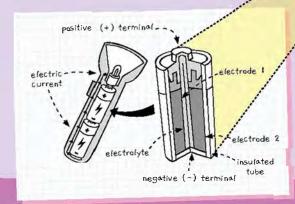
A voltaic pile, as with other batteries, contains chemical energy that can become electrical energy. The first batteries were made of a liquid substance called an electrolyte stacked together with positive and negative metal electrodes. The electrolyte reacted with the positive electrode to create electrons. The negative electrode attracted those electrons, allowing the electrons to flow and creating an electrical current.





#### POWERING INTO THE FUTURE

Following Volta's invention, many scientists improved upon his idea and the battery became a practical and convenient source of power. In the 1990s, research on lithium led Akira Yoshino to create the first lithium-ion battery. These rechargeable energy packs can be found in mobile phones, games consoles and modern electric cars.





1745 - 1827

#### Alessandro Volta Italy

Volta invented the first battery by combining different metals with a liquid to create an electric current A 'yolt' is now the word for a unit of electric potential.



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### Akira Yoshino

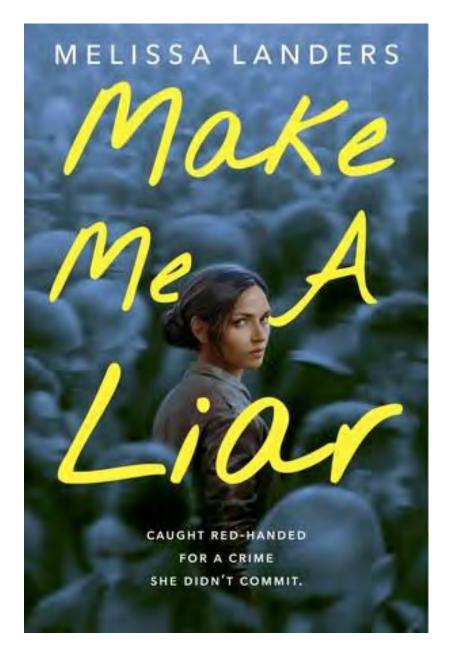
Kawasaki, Japan

Yoshino developed the first prototype lithium-ion battery which could be widely produced. It is now used in laptops, mobile phones and electric cars.





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# Make Me a Liar Melissa Landers



Veronica Mars gets a fantastical twist in this novel about a girl with a transferrable consciousness, who uses her power for good, only to have it turned on her when someone uses her body to commit murder. Now she must solve the crime before the killer comes after her.

Caught red handed... for a crime she didn't commit.

Within the secret circles of Harvey Davis High School, everyone knows Tia Dante is worth her weight in hall passes. Using her genetic gift of transferable consciousness, she can slip inside your mind and do your dirty work—humiliate your cheating boyfriend, bring a bully to his knees, tell your boss where to stick it—and then return your body with no one the wiser. No task is too awkward, and unlike the competition, she takes care of business without peeking at your goods.

But while Tia is occupied during a routine payback mission, someone uses her body for a few dirty deeds of their own...like murdering the town prosecutor. With the crime caught on camera and no concrete alibi, Tia is forced to ask her infuriatingly gorgeous ex—Nash Brock—to help unravel the mystery. The heat is on, in more ways than one, and a few stray bullets later, Tia is in a frantic race against the clock to find the killer before they find her.

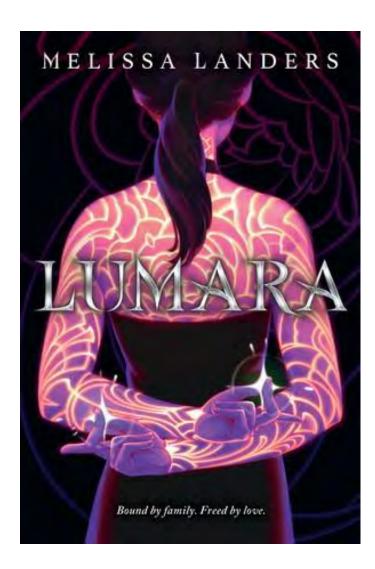
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**FEMINIST VIBES:** Tia is a girl with no fear and an acute sense of justice who most often uses her powers to help others find their power and get their revenge. Who doesn't want this generation's Veronica Mars on their side?

LOVERS TO EXES TO LOVERS ROMANCE: Tia's ex-boyfriend, Nash, is also an immersionist, and, though she claims to hate him, she needs his help to solve the crime, and we all know what happens on overnight stakeouts....

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# Lumara Melissa Landers



#### The answers lie within.

Boarding school student Talia Morris has no idea her boyfriend, Nathaniel, is a Mystic, let alone second in line to the throne of a secretive, aspirational magical community—one no mortal has ever been allowed to step inside. Until now.

Nathanial's cousin is about to be married in the biggest wedding the magical world has ever seen, and Nathaniel is allowed to bring a date. Even though Talia thinks Mystic worship unnecessarily aggrandizes people for being born a certain way, she loves Nathaniel. So when he begs her to give his family and their community a shot, she reluctantly agrees.

Enter the most fantastical world any mortal has ever seen, and a magical wedding straight out of a dream. After a few days of bonding with Nathaniel's family on the island, of seeing how beautiful their magic is and how peaceful their community, Talia's about to be won over—until the entire wedding party suddenly falls into an unexplainable coma and the community goes on lockdown. Talia, the outsider, is pegged as the culprit and has to do everything in her meager *non*-power to prove her innocence. As she embarks on a journey to find the truth, Talia soon discovers reality is not all it seems, and her past may put her in more danger than she ever imagined.

In this captivating YA fantasy, Talia must solve a multi- generational mystery and break a curse, all while being torn between making her family proud and regaining the trust of the boy she loves.

**A WHOLE NEW WORLD**: With masterfully detailed world-building, this story creates an alternate version of our world, complete with magical warring families. This all-new landscape will delight readers as they find a world hidden within their own!

**ASPIRATIONAL MAGICAL ELEMENTS**: Witches are perennially popular, and the entire magical realm will appeal to readers looking for the next fantasy story to transport them from their everyday lives.

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# A Ruinous Fate Kaylie Smith



A YA novel with a fantasy world, swoon-worthy romance, and compelling ensemble cast, perfect for fans of Leigh Bardugo and Holly Black.

Enter a world on the brink of war where one more Roll from a magical dice may set a witch with a secret down a dangerous path.

Fate does not choose the weak. Fate chooses the ready.

Illustros is a cursed realm ruled by the ruthless Gods of Fate, and no one understands the Fates' wrath more than Calliope Rosewood. Blessed with unspeakable powers that terrify even the most dangerous witches and fae, Calla hides her forbidden magic in shame and fear that one wrong touch could send her to her death. With only her two best friends in tow, Calla deserted her coven and has been on the run ever since.

Worse, Calla is concealing an even darker secret: fate has chosen her as the final prophesied Blood Warrior, the being destined to start the Fates' War, which will decimate her people and eradicate their magic.

After a betrayal from her infuriating ex Ezra leads her one step closer to fulfilling that age-old prophecy, Calla is desperate to do whatever it takes to reset her fate. So when a mysterious and charming witch offers to help Calla do just that, she immediately agrees to his plan. Only catch? That plan includes journeying into the deadly Neverending Forest with Ezra and said witch, who just so happens to be Ezra's tempting older brother. Torn between her past desires and alluring new possibilities, Calla brings along her best friends to fight what lies ahead.

As the group ventures into the enchanted woods together, they'll all soon learn that choosing your destiny comes with dire consequences . . . and the Fates are not to be tested. Calla believes the Fates have it out for her, while others believe they have chosen her for a reason. But in the end, Calla will have to fight to forge her own destiny and decide if the risk of choosing herself is worth the possibility of damning everyone else.

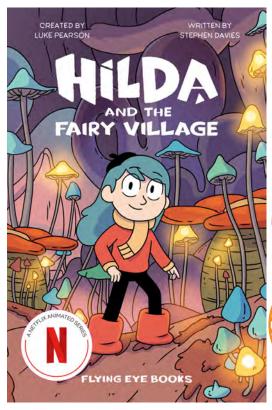
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**QUEER AND BODY POSITIVE REPRESENTATION:** From a gender-queer and bisexual author, *A Ruinous Fate* features authentic queer characters who are never asked to come to terms with their identities, but rather embrace being undeniably themselves from the very first page to the last

"A spellbinding debut brimming with adventure, romance, and loveable characters you'll gladly follow into the shadows of their vivid world. The stakes couldn't be higher, and the twists are as unpredictable as a roll of the dice."—Alexandra Bracken, #1 New York Times best-selling author of Lore

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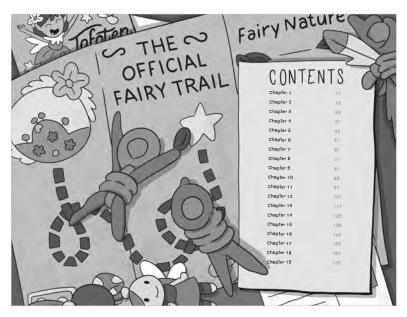


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#### SAMPLE SPREADS



#### HILDA AND THE FAIRY VILLAGE

A veil of hot gas crept across the jagged windows. Wonky shapes swirled and shimmered in the steam, then formed themselves into recognizable images, like pictures from an old black-and-white film projector. Through one window, Hilda saw a girl lying on a bed, being spoon-fed by an old woman.

"That's Frida!" she cried. "Why is Astrid feeding her? Is she sick?"

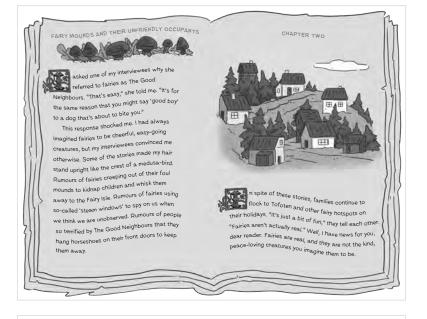
The background of the steamy picture popped into focus, and Hilda recognized the turret room at the top of Aunt Astrid's house. David was sitting on Hilda's bed, head in hands, and Twig moped nearby.

"Twig!" cried Hilda. "Aww, I've never seen him looking so miserable. Twig! Twig! Look over here, boy! Frida! David! It's me! I'm in Fairy Country!"

"They can't hear you," said Grandma softly.
"But if I turn this dial here, you should be able to hear them."

She turned the dial, and Astrid's voice filled the room.





#### HILDA AND THE FAIRY VILLAGE

a pond.

"GRANDPA!" Hilda screamed.

The fairy bobbed to the surface, his blue hair plastered across his forehead. "I'm fine!" he called. "Keep going!"

Hilda and Mum scrambled out of the bush and set off once more across the hostile countryside. They ducked and dived, darted and dodged, as they moved closer and closer to the deerfox bridge. But the island was not done yet. A colossal, bloodred flytrap plant reared up in front of them and flexed its stalk, preparing to strike.



#### CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

Hilda reacted quickly. She rolled under the flower's snapping jaws, then staggered to her feet and carried on running. Mum tried to leap over the carnivorous plant, but succeeded only in performing a graceful dive into its open mouth. Hilda turned just in time to see the flytrap close its petals gratefully around the delicious and unexpected snack.

"MUM!" Hilda yelled.

This time it was Grandma who came to the rescue. She flitted down, seized the flytrop's stalk in her left hand and chopped it hard with her right hand, severing the stem. The petals sprang open, and Mum tumbled out onto the ground, slimy but unhurt.

"I'll be fine!" cried Grandma, still grappling with the flailing flower. "Bye for now, my dears!"

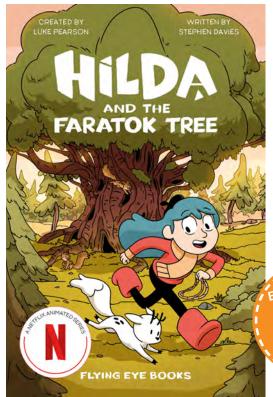
Hilda and Mum set off again, but they were tiring now, and the ground underfoot was getting softer. It seemed to clutch at their boots and ankles, a sucking, slurping morass. Hilda glanced back anxiously and saw a cloud of Eyes careering

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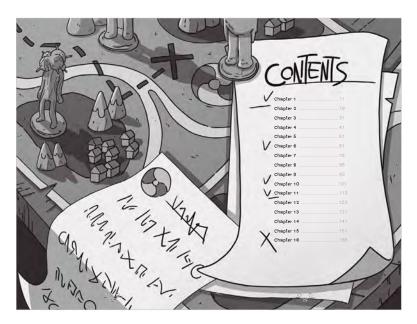


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#### SAMPLE SPREADS





#### HILDA AND THE AGE OF GIANTS

But as she walked on into the forest, the source of the tapping soon became obvious. At the foot of a gnarled old tree stood a little wooden man with a coconut-shaped head. He seemed to be hammering a piece of wood onto the tree trunk.

"Wood Man!" Hilda ran towards him.

Hilda had known Wood Man ever since she and Mum lived out in the wilderness. He often used to wander into their house uninvited and lie down by the fire to read. At first Hilda had thought him very rude, but once she got to know him, she realized he was merely impolite.

"Good to see you!" cried Hilda. "How long has it been?"

"I haven't been keeping track," Wood Man replied tonelessly.

"Aren't you going to turn around?"

"I would," said Wood Man, "but your greeting startled me and I accidentally nailed my hand to this faratok tree."

"Oh, I'm sorry!" Hilda grabbed Wood Man's hammer and used the claw side to free his hand.





#### HILDA AND THE AGE OF GIANTS

of gnarly passageways and glowing portals.

Wood Man led the way. He occasionally paused at a fork in the roots and cocked his head in thought, but he never seemed completely lost, and before long they were tumbling out of the tree onto a bed of soft leaves. The setting sun slanted low through the trees, bathing the forest in glorious, golden light.

They were home, and not a single minute had passed since they first left.

#### CHAPTER THIRTEEN

"Wood Man?" Hilda looked up at the charred, stunted faratok tree. "You said that whatever we did in the past would not affect the present."

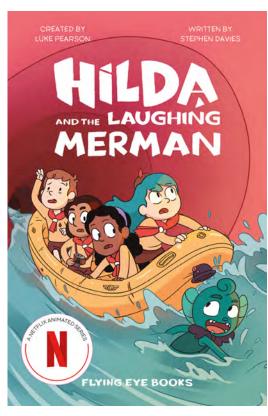
"Did I say that?" Wood Man gazed at the blackened trunk. "Well, maybe the tree itself is a pan-dimensional constant."

Hilda stared at him blankly.

"Or maybe I was thinking of a different magical tree," said Wood Man. "Goodbye."

And with that, he wandered away into the forest.







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#### **ABOUT THE CREATOR**

Luke Pearson is the creator of the Hildafolk comic series. He is also a writer and co-executive producer of the Bafta award-winning animated series of the same name. Outside of his work on Hilda, Luke has been an illustrator, a storyboard artist, and has drawn a range of other comics.

Luke currently lives with his family in Nottingham.





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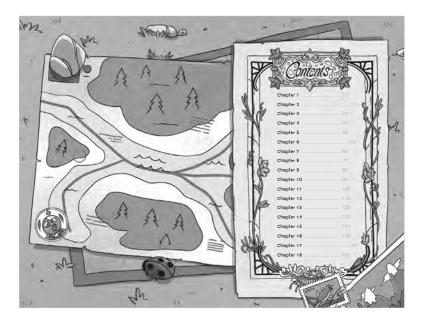


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#### HILDA AND THE LAUGHING MERMAN

know that your campsite is about one mile downriver from here. And, also, that I'm sorry. For everything."

"Apology accepted."

"I suppose I'll have to go back to performing for dingalings and troll-faced gudgeons. You wouldn't believe what a boring audience they are. They just stare at you like this." Eugene stuck out his lower lip and goggled goofily at the children.

"Why don't you go back to the sea?" asked Frida.

"You heard my story!" the merman cried. "I'm stuck here in this cursed maze of waterways."

A silvery peal of laughter rang out from the back

#### CHAPTER EIGHT

of the boat. It was the first time that Louise had laughed all day.

"You're joking, right?" said Louise. "This cursed maze is just a river, and all rivers lead to the sea. If you head south from here right now, you'll be home by this time tomorrow.

"Louise, that's incredible!" The delighted merman did three backflips and a double twist. "How can I ever repay you?"

Louise beckoned the merman close and whispered in his ear. He nodded, tipped his hat and swam off down the river.





#### HILDA AND THE LAUGHING MERMAN

The sunglasses nisse pointed at the nisse sitting right in front of him. "She stole my egg timer,"

The egg timer nisse snatched the talking stick and jumped up onto her chair. "I was told there would be Bloops!" she yelled. "But all I've seen so far is Jorts, Jorts, Jorts!"

She did not have a chance to pass the talking stick to anyone else, because at that moment five of her neighbours piled on top of her, trying to grab the stick out of her hand.

"Give me the talking stick!"

"Only if you give me back my empty marmalade jar!"

"You'll have to kill me first!"

"Challenge accepted!"

The scuffle turned into a fight, and the fight turned into an all-out brawl. Frida gaped at the chaotic scene in front of her. She looked at David for backup, but he was busy fighting off an angry mob of Bloop-craving house spirits. As for Louise, she was fully occupied taking photos of the

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#### CHAPTER FIFTEEN

Hilda would know what to do, thought Frida. skills. Hilda had once confronted a whole crowd of angry weather spirits and brought them all to peaceful agreement.

"Hilda," whispered Frida. "Where on earth



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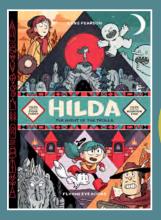
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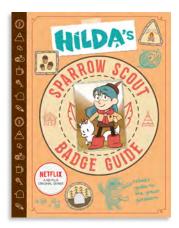
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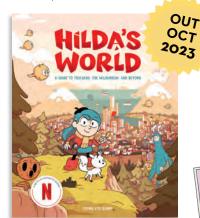
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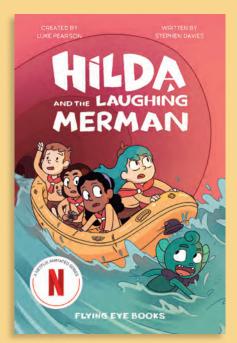
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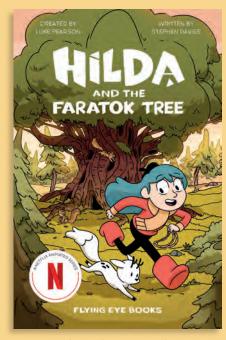


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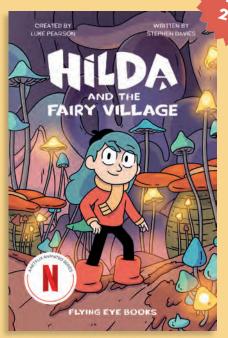
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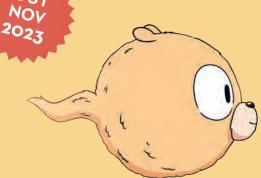
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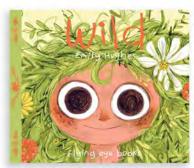




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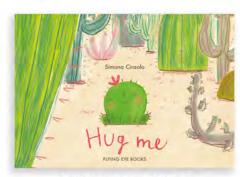
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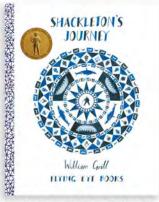
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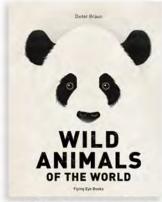
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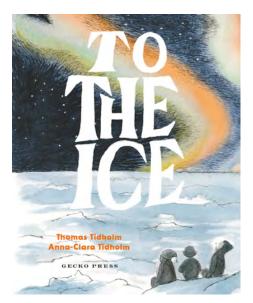
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Jack said he thought a boat would come along. We'd wave, and they'd pick us up and we'd sit on deck, wrapped in blankets and drinking hot chocolate. But we didn't see a boat.

Then it started snowing. Now no one would be able to see us anyway.

When it stopped snowing, we realized that we were far out in the middle of nowhere. All around us was just ice and water. But then the sun came out from behind a cloud and everything was washed in bright soft light, like a painting. It was changing constantly. It was quite beautiful, even though we were scared.

Max tasted the water. It was a little bit salty.

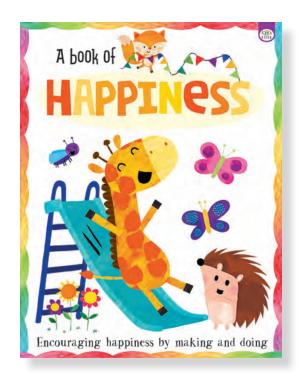
"We're at sea now," said Jack. "The Ice Sea, maybe. I've read about it. It's very big."

"The Ice Sea, that's a long way away," I said.

"Well, it's a sea with ice in it, anyway," said Jack.



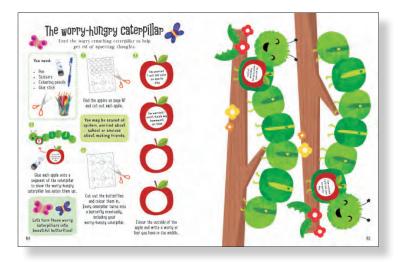
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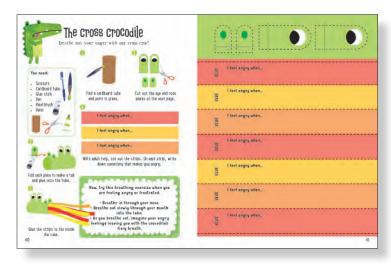


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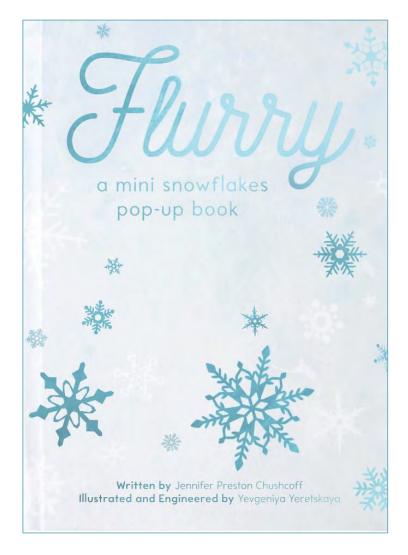
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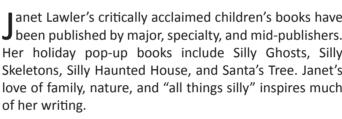


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Polly Ho-Yen used to be a primary school teacher in London and while she was teaching there, she would get up very early in the morning to write stories. She lives in Bristol with her husband and daughter.



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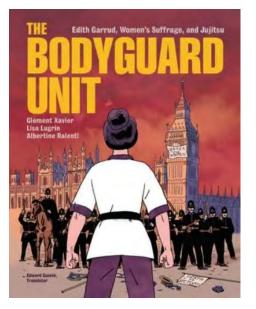




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Sara Levine is an author, educator, and veterinarian. Her science books for children include the Animal by Animal series, Germs Up Close, and A Peek at Beaks: Tools Birds Use. Her books have received a number of awards including AAAS/Subaru SB&F Prize, Utah Beehive Book Award, Cook Prize finalist, Monarch Award master list, and Bank Street College Best Children's Book of the Year.

Mehrdokht Amini is an Iranian-born children's book illustrator. She has been nominated for a Kate Greenaway Medal and been invited to participate in the prestigious Bratislava Biennial of Illustrations. She lives in the UK.



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# The Bodyguard Unit - Edith Garrud, Women's Suffrage, and Jujitsu Clément Xavier, Lisa Lugrin



A graphic exploration of a fascinating dimension in the battle for voting rights, with ongoing cultural relevance

#### **Key Selling Points**

- Spotlight on a little-known but influential figure in social and women's history Resonance with a current moment of protest and social upheaval
- Appealing art from an acclaimed graphic novel team
- A lively depiction of the spread of self-defense techniques

#### **Summary**

In the early 20th century, women in England were demanding the right to vote—and often faced violent retaliation. Rather than back down, the suffragist group the Women's Social and Political Union formed an all-women security unit. Activist leader Emmeline Pankhurst asked Edith Garrud to train them. These "jujitsuffragettes" fought against abuse and arrest while pursuing long overdue rights.

Edith Garrud was a pioneering instructor of women's self-defense and a pivotal figure in British women's suffrage. This graphic retelling of Garrud's life reveals the resilience and (sometimes physical) resistance of her era's voting-rights activists.

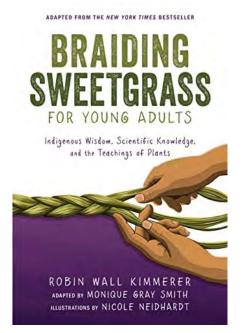




#### **Contributor Bio**

Clement Xavier is a writer based in France. In 2015, Xavier and illustrator Lisa Lugrin jointly received the prestigious Prix Révélation (Debut Prize) at the Angoulême International Comics Festival for their first French-language graphic novel, des arènes.

Lisa Lugrin is a comic book artist and author based in France. In 2015, Lugrin and Clement Xavier jointly received the prestigious Prix Révélation (Debut Prize) at the Angoulême International Comics Festival. She is co-founder of Na editions.



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## **Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults**

Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants Monique Gray Smith, Robin Wall Kimmerer, Nicole Neidhardt

A meditative approach for teens to the acclaimed New York Times bestseller

#### **Key Selling Points**

- Sensitive adaptation of Robin Wall Kimmerer's best-selling book for adults: Kimmerer is a Citizen Potawatomi Nation member
- Text was adapted for young readers by award-winning author Monique Gray Smith (Cree)
- Original artwork created by Nicole Neidhardt (Navajo)
- Reflection questions help tie teachings to curricular concepts

#### **Summary**

Drawing from her experiences as an Indigenous scientist, botanist Robin Wall Kimmerer demonstrated how all living things—from strawberries and witch hazel to water lilies and lichen—provide us with gifts and lessons every day in her best-selling book Braiding Sweetgrass. Adapted for young adults by Monique Gray Smith, this new edition reinforces how wider ecological understanding stems from listening to the earth's oldest teachers: the plants around us. With informative sidebars, reflection questions, and art from illustrator Nicole Neidhardt, Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults brings Indigenous wisdom, scientific knowledge, and the lessons of plant life to a new generation.

#### **Contributor Bio**

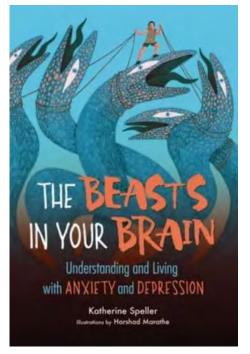
Monique Gray Smith is an award-winning, best-selling author and professional consultant. She has written eight books including Speaking our Truth: A Journey of Reconciliation, My Heart Fills with Happiness, You Hold Me Up, Lucy and Lola, Tilly: A Story of Hope and Resilience, and When We Are Kind. Monique's most recent novel, Tilly and the Crazy Eights was long listed for Canada Reads 2021. Monique is Cree, Lakota, and Scottish. She lives in British Columbia, Canada with her teenage twins.

Robin Wall Kimmerer is an author, scientist, decorated professor, and enrolled member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Her work includes Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants, and Gathering Moss: A Natural and Cultural History of Mosses, which was awarded the John Burroughs Medal for outstanding nature writing. Kimmerer is a SUNY Distinguished Teaching Professor of Environmental Biology, and the founder and director of the Center for Native Peoples and the Environment. She lives in upstate New York.

Nicole Neidhardt is an artist and a Diné (Navajo) of Kiiyaa'áanii clan. She received her MFA from OCAD University in Toronto, ON and my Bachelor of Fine Arts and Business minor from the University of Victoria. She is the co-founder of the Innovative Young Indigenous Leaders Symposium, alongside Gina Mowatt, and the co-founder of Groundswell Climate Collective, a group that is fighting the climate crisis through resiliency and artwork. She is currently based in Santa Fe, New Mexico.







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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 teaches the science of mental illness and empowers those experiencing symptoms to quell the brain beasts of depression and anxiety

#### **Key Selling Points**

- Author's voice features prominently as a caring narrator and authority on mental illness, providing both anecdotes and research to back up her points
- Features scientific information and facts on mental illness as well as relatable narratives and advice from those who struggled in their teens
- Inclusive approach acknowledges how culture, race, gender, and sexuality influence stigma and treatment
- Approaches technology, social media, and the internet in a realistic way; avoids giving the outdated advice that digital natives should unplug from their online lives and communities

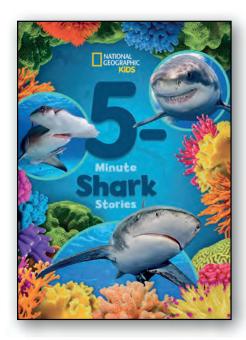
#### **Summary**

It can be hard to find the words to describe the icky feelings that seem to come from nowhere and sap all your joy and energy. You can tell that your brain just isn't pulling off the same tasks as others, and you're constantly bouncing between feeling nothing and feeling the weight of everything. It's hard enough to admit that you're struggling, but how do you even begin to navigate getting help when it feels like there's an enormous gap between you, your peers, and the adults in your life who keep saying they want to support you but just don't seem to get it?

This is not your doctor's dry health pamphlet or a preachy self-care listicle. The Beasts in Your Brain is a guide and companion equally for you and your loved ones, here to provide that essential first dose of information, understanding, and validation about mental illness and how it affects the young people of today. This book knows how much harder things are for you and your generation, how out-of-touch much of the advice out there is (after all, how are you supposed to "just unplug" when more than half your social life is conducted online?), and how identity, circumstances, and stigma can affect your experiences.

#### **Contributor Bio**

Katherine Speller is an editor, writer, researcher and journalist based in Brewster, New York. She is also the Health & Sex Editor at SheKnows. Her work covering health, wellness, reproductive rights, social issues, politics, technology, sex and relationships, astrology and pop culture have appeared in MTV News, Women's Health, Bitch, The Daily Dot, WNYC, Public Radio International (PRI), Bustle, and more.



#### 9781426375651

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Age Range: 6-8 years Author: Gerry, Lisa M.

# 5-Minute Shark Stories



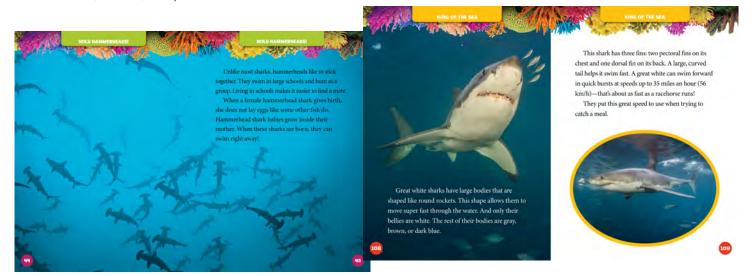
Dive into amazing true tales about baby sharks, surprising shark friendships, daring shark rescues, swimming with sharks, and more about these fierce and fascinating fish.

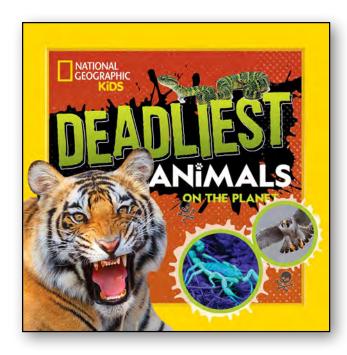
These 12 fin-tastic true tales about sharks are all the ideal length to be read aloud in five minutes, making them perfect for bedtime, story time, or any time. Kids come face-to-face with great white sharks, hammerhead sharks, whale sharks, and more as each 5-minute story takes them into the wild world of these incredible creatures. Join National Geographic underwater photographer Brian Skerry as he meets sharks with surprising personalities, and learn all about the king of the sea—the great white shark! Illustrated with colorful photographs of one of the planet's top predators, these awe-inspiring true stories are perfect for any time you're ready for a jaw-some reading adventure.

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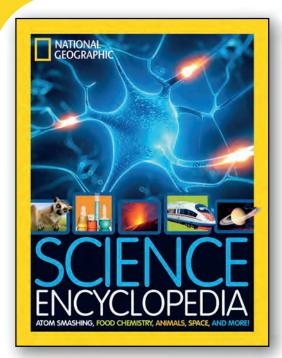
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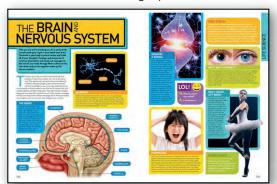
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Author: National Geographic Kids



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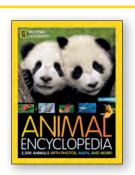
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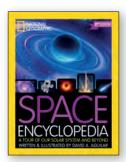
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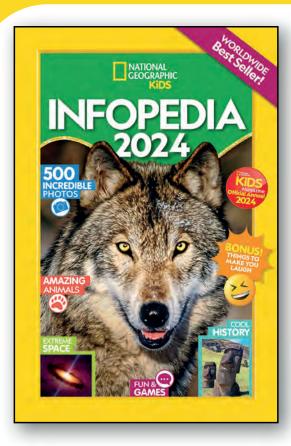
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Extent: 368 pages

Size: 228.35 x 152.4 x 19.3mm

Age Range: 8-12 years

Author: National Geographic Kids

# National Geographic Kids Infopedia 2024



Our New York Times best-selling Almanac is packed with incredible photos, tons of fun facts, National Geographic exclusives, games, activities, and fascinating features about animals, science, nature, technology, and more.

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## **ADVANCE INFORMATION September 2023**



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Former Children's Laureate Anne Fine has written over seventy books for children, including *Madam Doubtfire* and *Goggle Eyes. She was the second Children's Laureate* and has won many prizes and accolades, including twice winning the Carnegie Medal. Her writing very often tackles series social issues but can also be laugh-out-loud funny.

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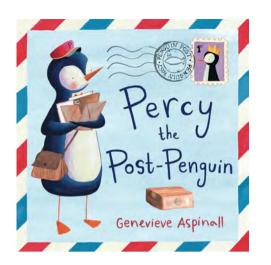


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#### THE AUTHOR

Genevieve recently graduated with a first class honours degree in illustration at UCLan, and is pursuing her passion of children's book illustration with an MA. She has had work displayed at the RBA exhibition in London and loves making stories come to life with playful and charming illustrations. She has a love for creating characters through animals. Her first published book, Cheesed Off! written by Jake Hope, was longlisted for the prestigious Klaus Flugg Prize.







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Fiery friendships, forgotten family and the struggle for power collide as Milla's fight to save the dragons leads her to discover her own hidden past.

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#### THE AUTHOR

Liz Flanagan is an award-winning author who writes for children and young adults. Her books include the *Wildsmith* series, illustrated by Joe Todd-Stanton; *Legends of the Sky* series, and *Eden Summer* (nominated for the Carnegie Medal).





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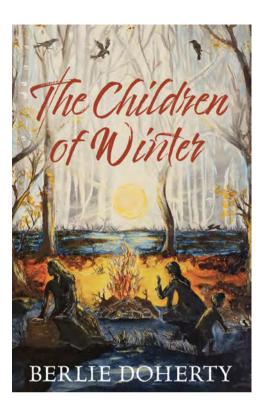
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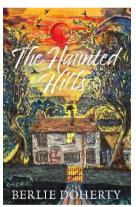
Catherine and her family set out for her grandmother's house deep in the Derbyshire hills. Sheltering from a storm in an old cruck barn with her younger sister and brother, it becomes strangely familiar to her, and she is drawn back to a time when three children sheltered all winter away from a terrible plague that was devastating their village.

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Cover Art by Tamsin Rosewell.

#### THE AUTHOR

Berlie Doherty is the author of the best-selling novel, *Street Child*, and over 60 more books for children, teenagers and adults, and has written many plays for radio, theatre and television. She has been translated into over twenty languages and has won many awards, including the Carnegie medal for both *Granny Was a Buffer Girl* and *Dear Nobody*, and the Writers' Guild Award for both *Daughter of the Sea* and the theatre version of *Dear Nobody*. She has three children and seven grandchildren, and lives in the Derbyshire Peak District.



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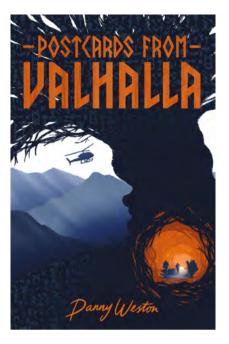
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Extent: 256 pp

Dimensions: 129 x 198 mm

# POSTCARDS FROM VALHALLA

#### **DANNY WESTON**

#### THE BOOK

Viggo is fifteen years old, living in Edinburgh with his mum. He has no plans for the future other than to watch the new Thor movie at his local multiplex. But one morning, he wakes to the news that his older brother, Magnus, has gone missing on Shetland. Mum has already booked tickets to go and search for him.

There's good reason to be worried. Five years ago, Viggo's dad, Jonathan, went 'off grid' in the same location and disappeared. He is now 'missing presumed dead.'

Viggo has no option but to go to Shetland with Mum - but from the moment they set off, he's troubled by strange visions: images of armed warriors, mythical creatures and Viking longships. And then they encounter Leon, a mysterious wandering musician who attaches himself to them and proves impossible to shake off.

Once on Shetland, the search for Magnus begins in earnest and Viggo's troubling visions start to intensify. Soon he is finding it difficult to separate fact from fantasy... and who knows what terrors lie in wait for him deep beneath the ground?

#### THE AUTHOR

Philip Caveney was born in North Wales in 1951 and now lives in Edinburgh.

His first novel for younger readers, **Sebastian Darke: Prince of Fools** was released in 2007 and was published all around the world. Since then, he has concentrated on writing exclusively for younger readers.

He also writes under the pseudonym Danny Weston. Danny's debut novel *The Piper* won the Scottish Children's Book Award in 2016 and in 2018, *The Haunting of Jessop Rise* was shortlisted for the Scottish Teenage Book prize and nominated for a Carnegie Medal.





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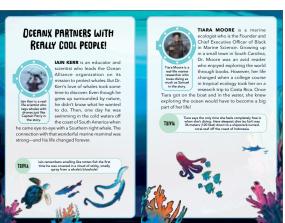
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A baby sea otter and a dolphin need Marena and Samuel's help, but when the team investigates strange sounds under the ocean, they become the ones in need of rescue. Trapped and in trouble, can Marena and Samuel escape on their own? Or will they need a little help from a sea mammal friend?

Daring Dolphin Rescue is the third book in the OceanX Adventures series.

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Publisher	Weldon Owen Children's Books
ISBN	9781915588234
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Price	£6.99 (no VAT)
Age	8 years and up
Extent	120 pages
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Illustrations	8 pages full colour
Author	Kate Jerome
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#### **Key Selling Points**

#### Perfect for independent readers -

Exciting stories with engaging characters, age-appropriate social-emotional behaviour and fascinating ocean facts.

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#### Who's Behind the Book?

**Author:** Kate Jerome is an award-winning author who has written more than 100 science books for children, including a New York Times best-seller.

**Illustrator:** Francesca Risoldi has a Masters in Visual Development, and specialises in character design.

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#### FROG · RABBIT · DOG · BEAR

Baby's first pull-and-shake animal friend! Pull the string to watch them shake.

Hug and squeeze them to hear a squeaky sound. The colourful soft book attached to each animal's tummy has crinkly pages and cute illustrations to make it extra fun.

A sensory treasure for babies and toddlers!

Publication NOVEMBER 2023

**Price** £14.99

Format Cloth book

**Size (box)** 140 x 200 x 90mm

**Size (book)** 110 x 90 mm

**Extent** 8 pages

BIC code YB

Age 6 months+

**Features** Pull-and-shake device,

squeaker, crinkly page.

#### **KEY SELLING POINTS:**

- · A soft animal that shakes: attracts baby's attention.
- · Bonus: a squeaky sound and soft book with crinkly pages.
- · Stimulates sensory development.

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# The Joy of Christmas All I need for Christmas...

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#### **KEY SELLING POINTS:**

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The fairy lights, the garlands, the biscuits... there is nothing our little fox friend loves more than Christmas.

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Hardback

32 pages

3+

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250 x 250mm

This merry tale tells a story of that one special thing that's missing during the holidays for Fox...

The perfect book for the festive season.

**Publication** 

**ISBN** 

Price

Size

Age

**Format** 

Extent

BIC code

**ARE MY FRIENDS!** 

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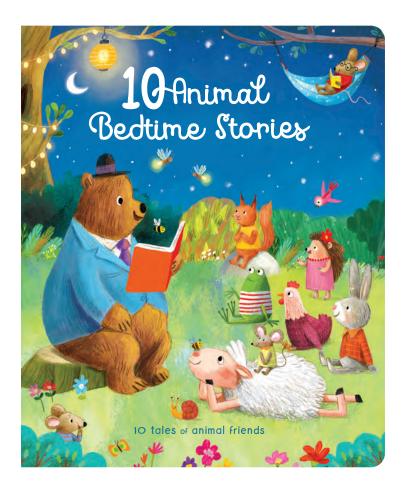
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# 10 Animal Bedtime Stories



**10 Animal Bedtime Stories** 9789464761122

#### 10 Animal Bedtime Stories

Ten heartwarming stories to read and love about friendships in the forest and on the farm. From Rooster, who has lost his voice, to finding a new house for Beaver: in each story different animals come together to help their friend.

A must-have story book for every bedtime library.

Publication NOVEMBER 2023

**Price** £12.99

Format Hardback

**Size** 248 x 208mm

Extent 248 pages

BIC code YB

Age 3+

#### **KEY SELLING POINTS:**

- · Colourful and cute characters to delight young readers.
- $\cdot$  10 touching stories for young and old.
- The perfect bedtime stories.

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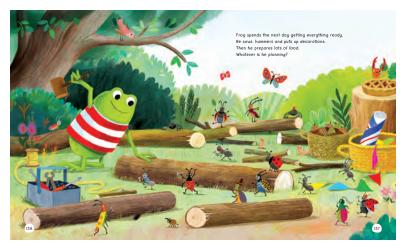
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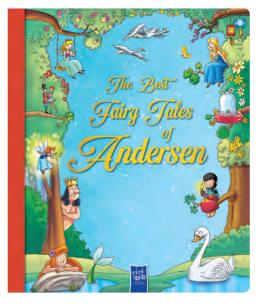
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# The Best Fairy Tales of...



The Best Fairy Tales of Grimm 9789464761504



The Best Fairy Tales of Andersen 9789464761498





#### GRIMM • ANDERSEN

This wonderful series collects fairy tales by the Brothers Grimm and Hans Christian Andersen.

The Grimm stories include Cinderella, Snow White and Mother Hulda. Among the tales by Andersen are such classics as The Little Mermaid, The Ugly Duckling and The Emperor's New Clothes. These stories have been told for generations and will continue to stir the imaginations of young and old alike.

Publication NOVEMBER 2023

**Price** £12.99

Format Hardback

**Size** 248 x 208 mm

Extent 248 pages

BIC code YB

**Age** 3+

#### **KEY SELLING POINTS:**

- · Timeless collection.
- Generation proof: told from generation to generation.
- · Classic illustrations.

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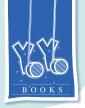
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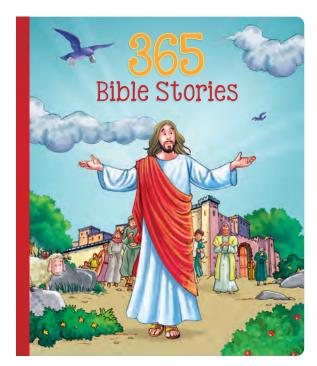
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# 365 Bible Stories



**365 Bible Stories** 9789464761481



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All the captivating, traditional Bible stories, colourfully illustrated and ready to inspire both younger and older readers. From the beginning of the world to the Revelations: a fascinating tale for each day of the year.

Publication NOVEMBER 2023

**Price** £12.99

Format Hardback

**Size** 248 x 208 mm

**Extent** 256 pages

BIC code YB

Age 4+

#### **KEY SELLING POINTS:**

- · A spiritual introduction for children.
- · Every day brings a new story.
- · Timeless illustrations.

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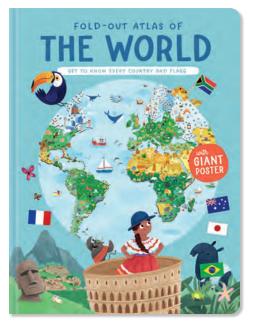
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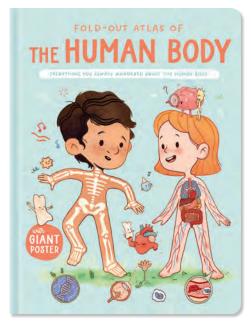
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# Fold-Out Atlas of...



**The World** 9789464761115



**The Human Body** 9789464761108





#### Fold-Out Atlas of...

An educational series filled with fun and informative facts! The explanatory illustrations, giant tear-out poster and six large fold-out pages will inspire young learners to discover the intricate workings of the human body, as well as the many wonderful places of the world.

A one-of-a-kind series that will keep youngsters engrossed for hours on end.

Publication NOVEMBER 2023

**Price** £12.99

Format Hardback

**Size** 280 x 210mm

Extent 40 pages

BIC code YB

**Age** 6+

**Features** 6 fold-out pages, 1 tear-out poster

#### **KEY SELLING POINTS:**

- · An abundance of knowledge to discover!
- Graspable information, fun facts and short quizzes catch the young reader's attention.
- Six large fold-out pages and giant tear-out poster included.

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