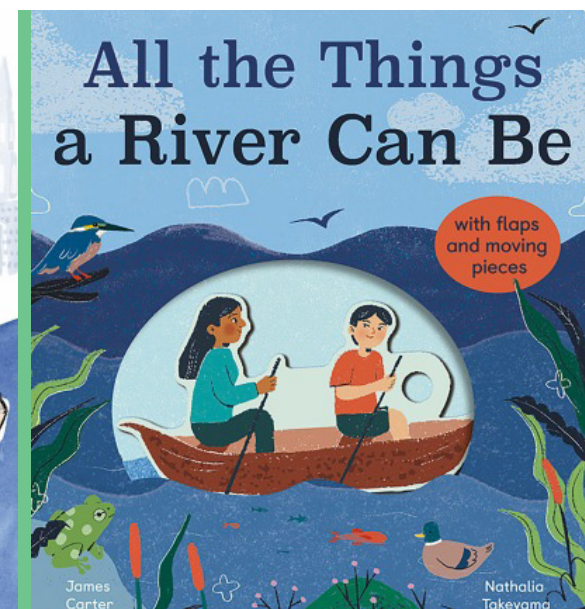
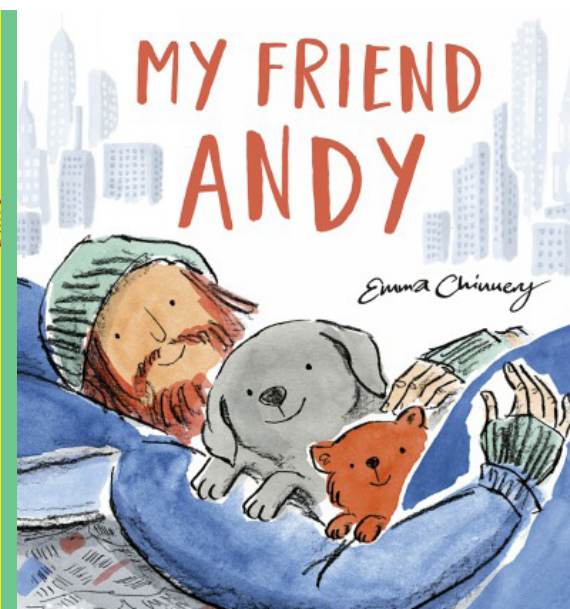
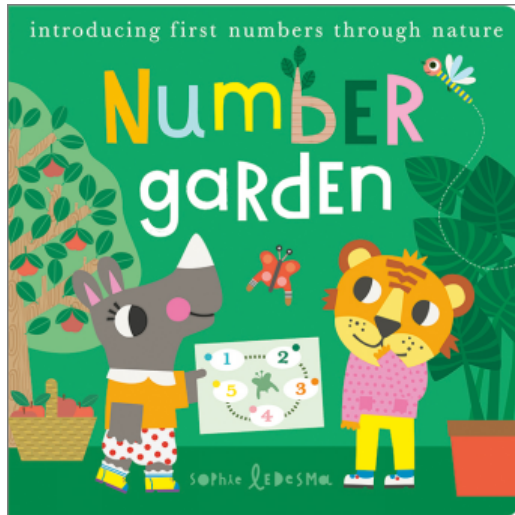


MARCH 2024 NEW TITLES

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Number Garden

Isabel Otter

Illustrated by Sophie Ledesma

Welcome to the Number Garden!

Explore the outdoors with Marigold the Tortoise and a little group of nature lovers. How many pieces of fruit can you find in the orchard? Can you count all the dragonflies in the rockery? This joyful board book takes readers on an exciting tour of a variety of outdoors spaces. Discover all sorts of different gardens and learn to count to ten along the way!

A unique counting book filled with peek-through gatefolds and questions for curious minds.

Series: First Concepts Through Culture CBMC Code: A2J79

Number in Series: 3 BIC Code: YBGT

Format: 216 x 216mm Age: 1 – 3 years

Binding: Board book Carton Quantity: 1

Extent: 14

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £8.99
ISBN: 9781838915995

Sales Points

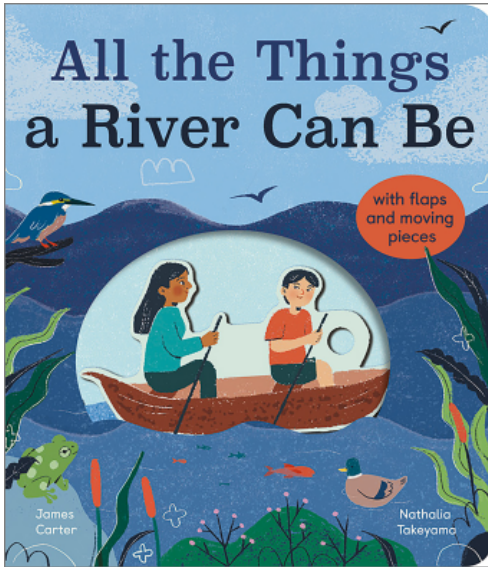
- The perfect introduction to numbers, with busy scenes and engaging counting questions.
- Readers will explore an orchard, veg patch, hothouse, rockery and meadow with plenty of creatures to spot along the way.
- Kids will love the interactive peek-through gatefolds and humorous details.

About the Author

Isabel Otter is a children's book editor and writer. When not writing, you can find her climbing mountains in muddy boots, squirrelled into an armchair with a novel and a cup of tea or tending to her potted plants.

About the Illustrator

Graduate of l'ESAG Penninghen in Paris, Sophie Ledesma is currently working as an illustrator, creating children's books and games, greeting cards and posters. Her customers include Ikea, De la Martiniere Jeunesse, Nathan, Auzo, Djeco, Poppik, Papyrus and AM Greeting. She imagines fun and colourful worlds to brighten our daily lives.



All the Things a River Can Be

James Carter

Illustrated by Nathalia Takeyama

Explore all of the amazing things that a river can be with this fantastic interactive book. From travelling by boat and the role rivers play in the environment to providing a home for animals and humans alike, there is so much to explore and learn! Spin the pieces and lift the flaps to reveal the river's wonders.

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £8.99
ISBN: 9781838915018

Format: 216 x 196mm
Binding: Board book
Extent: 14

CBMC Code: A5J79
BIC Code: YBGT
Age: 1 – 5 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- A fascinating and exciting introduction to rivers, the role they play in the environment and their many uses.
- Features lift-the-flaps and moving pieces, making this book the perfect interactive read for little hands.
- Gorgeous artwork and engaging text teach little learners about this popular early-learning topic.

About the Author

James Carter is an award-winning poet, non-fiction writer and ambassador for National Poetry Day. James travels all over the UK with his melodica (that's Steve) to give lively performances and workshops. In the last twenty years he has visited over 1400 schools, and performed at various prestigious literary festivals. He lives with his family in Oxfordshire and offers global virtual poetry sessions.

About the Illustrator

Nathalia Takeyama was born in 1996, São Paulo, Brazil. Being half Japanese, half Brazilian she grew up surrounded by two beautiful cultures that inspire her every day. She loved to draw since she was a little kid so she went to college to pursue her dreams and majored in Animation Design in 2017. The world and nature inspire her to be a better version of herself and evolve her illustration so she can bring joy to as many people as she can. Nathalia works mainly in digital media,



Sisters

Harriet Evans

Andrés Landazábal

Sisters share all your hopes
and they soothe all your fears,
As days drift to months
and float into years.

This heartfelt board book evokes the joy of having a sister with its sweet illustrations and engaging poetry.

Format: 186 x 186mm CBMC Code: B3K79
Binding: Board book BIC Code: YXFM
Extent: 24

Age: 3 – 6 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £6.99
ISBN: 9781838916169

A heart-warming book that reinforces the love between siblings

Beautiful illustrations showing the companionship and friendship between sisters

Chunky board pages make this a great book for sharing with your little ones.

Also available: Brothers

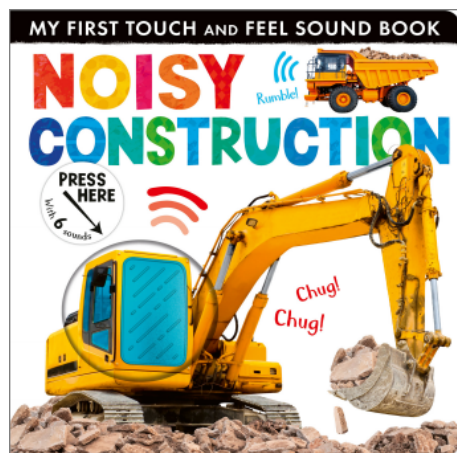
Also available as a picture book.

About the Author

Harriet Evans works in children's publishing and spends her days researching cool animal facts, imagining awesome adventures and drinking copious amounts of tea.

About the Author

Andrés Landazábal is an illustrator and art-director based in Colombia. His work has appeared in animation films, tv shows and print companies. Andrés' love for drawing and painting was instilled at a young age reading classic illustrated children's books.



Noisy Construction

Lauren Crisp

Touch, feel and hear the sounds on every page of this interactive, chunky board book, packed with appealing photographs, tactile textures and the sounds of the construction site.

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £14.99
ISBN: 9781801045940

Series: My First Touch and
Feel Sound Book
Format: 216 x 216mm
Depth: 26mm
Binding: Board book
Extent: 12

CBMC Code: A5J79

BIC Code: YBGT1

Age: 1 – 5 years

Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- Featuring a touch-and-feel texture and sound button on every spread.
- Full of bright, engaging photographs.
- A new title to add to the successful range of noisy touch and feels. Other titles in the series: *Noisy Farm*, *Noisy Dinosaurs*, *Noisy Trucks*, *Noisy Animals*, *Noisy Things That Go*, *Noisy Baby Animals*, *Noisy First Words* and *Noisy Babies*.

About the Author

Lauren Crisp is a children's book editor who is lucky enough to make beautiful books every day. She lives in London but grew up in Yorkshire, and loves long country walks with her dog, Ludo. She enjoys reading, writing and dreaming up fun rhymes for the books she works on.



All the Wonderful Ways to Read

Laura Baker

Illustrated by Sandra de la Prada

Books take us on journeys that we can all share, And give us the power to go anywhere!

A joyful celebration of books that encourages you to read whatever, however and wherever YOU choose.

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £7.99

ISBN: 9781801044165

Format: 280 x 245mm

Depth: 4mm

Binding: Paperback

Extent: 32

CBMC Code: A3M79

BIC Code: YBC

Age: 3 – 6 years

Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

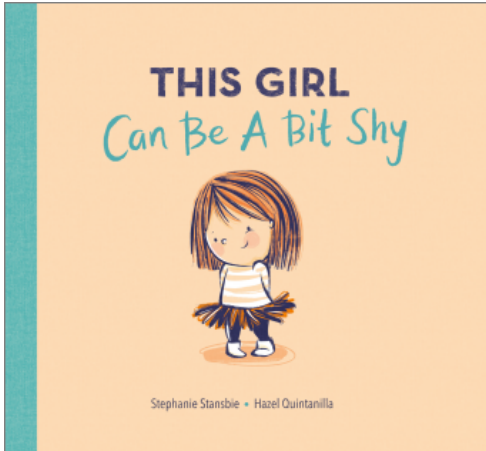
- A delight for any book-lover, this is a story that celebrates reading in every form. Now out in paperback!
- Inspires children to read however they feel most comfortable.
- Sandra de la Prada's stylish illustrations are packed with humorous details for eagle-eyed readers to spot.
- Little bookworms who love *A Child of Books* by Oliver Jeffers and Sam Winston, *Wolves* by Emily Gravett and *Books Always Everywhere* by Jane Blatt and Sarah Massini will adore *All the Wonderful Ways to Read*.

About the Author

Laura Baker is the author of all sorts of books for children. She has written about feelings, farms, the magic of books . . . and even talking onions! Laura grew up in Canada but now lives in a lovely town on the coast of Wales with her husband, two boys and a big basset hound.

About the Illustrator

Sandra de la Prada has loved drawing since she was a child, but she's also loved watching films, reading books and having fun. She is sure all these things, as well as studying photography and graphic design, and working on several different jobs, have helped her to become an illustrator. She published her first illustrated book in 2010 and hasn't stopped since then. She lives in Barcelona and still does all the things that she loves.



This Girl Can Be a Bit Shy

Stephanie Stansbie

Illustrated by Hazel Quintanilla

Meet Ruby. Some days she is brave, bouncy and chat-chat-chatty. Other days, she is not – and that's OK! She knows what she wants, and she does things her own way.

This funny, heartwarming book celebrates the power of listening to your emotions and speaking up.

Format: 230 x 265mm

Depth: 4mm

Binding: Paperback

Extent: 32

CBMC Code: A3M79

BIC Code: YBCS

Age: 3 – 6 years

Carton Quantity: 1

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £7.99

ISBN: 9781801046312

Sales Points

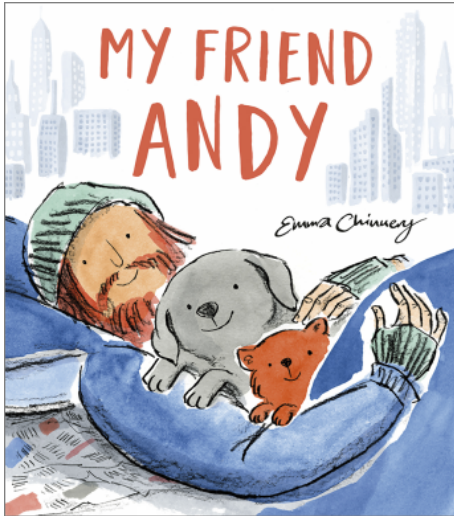
- The bold and brilliant Ruby is a fantastic role model for young girls, introducing the concept of setting boundaries and consent.
- An empowering book that encourages readers to embrace their feelings.
- Sequel to This Girl Can Do Anything, with cool, retro illustrations from exciting talent, Hazel Quintanilla.

About the Author

Stephanie Stansbie has been a children's books editor since the 90s and an author since the noughties. She adores editing and writing in equal measure and has always worked on illustrated books, where the art is as important as the word. The books she has written have been translated into over 15 different languages. Stephanie lives in Oxford and enjoys yomping about with her family and friends, and playing capoeira.

About the Illustrator

Hazel Quintanilla has been drawing since she was a little girl, when she used to carry a pencil and a small notebook around in a cute furry bear face bag bought for her by her mum. She also carried cheese strings in it! She really loves dogs and illustrating with bold colours and cute shapes.



My Friend Andy

Emma Chinnery

Every morning on the way to the park, Fluffy walks past Andy and his owner, who are homeless. But Fluffy is never allowed to play with Andy. Until one day, this changes forever...

A beautifully observed story that challenges us to re-evaluate perceptions of homelessness.

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £12.99
ISBN: 9781801045803

Format: 286 x 251mm CBMC Code: A3M79
Depth: 9mm BIC Code: YBCS
Binding: Hardback Age: 3 – 6 years
Extent: 32 Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- Told through Fluffy's eyes, this story brilliantly captures a child-like naivety that questions what is and encourages us to imagine what should be.
- At heart, this is a story of blossoming friendship between two dogs that will be enjoyed by dog-lovers everywhere.
- Debut illustrator, Emma Chinnery, is a master at capturing the nuances of everyday life in her stunning watercolour artwork.
- Alongside *Way Home* by Libby Hathorn and Gregory Rogers, *Milo Imagines the World* by Matt de la Peña and Christian Robinson, and *King of the Sky* by Nicola Davies and Laura Carlin, *My Friend Andy* is the ideal book to help children build empathy and understanding for those around us.

About the Author

Emma Chinnery is a British children's author and illustrator. Emma worked for several years as a graphic artist before her passion for children's books led her to study on the MA Children's Book Illustration course at the Cambridge School of Art. When she's not drawing or writing, you'll find her on a bike, cycling the country lanes of Suffolk.



Help! We Need a Story

James Harris

Illustrated by Mariajo Ilustrajo

It's a dull day in the jungle.
But with paper, pens, and ink,
a splash of inspiration,
and a pinch of imagination . . .
Artie the macaque has made
something magical . . .
He's created a book!

CBMC Code: A3M79	Format: 286 x 251mm
BIC Code: YBCS	Depth: 9mm
Age: 3 – 6 years	Binding: Hardback
Carton Quantity: 1	Extent: 32

A beautifully illustrated tale about storytelling and the art of creativity.

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £12.99

ISBN: 9781801045780

Sales Points

- With an inspiring rhyming text from James Harris, *Help! We Need a Story* celebrates creativity and the power of imagination.
- With a clever book-inside-a-book concept, this is the perfect tale for book-lovers and any child who enjoys writing their own stories.
- Beautiful, characterful illustrations from Mariajo Ilustrajo (*Flooded*).
- Just like *The Dot* by Peter H. Reynolds, *Beautiful Oops!* by Barney Salzberg and *What Do You Do With an Idea?* by Kobi Yamada and Mae Besom, *Help! We Need a Story* is the ideal tale to inspire children to unleash their creativity.

About the Author

James Harris is one of Middlesbrough's tallest authors. He writes children's books, shopping lists and sentences that end with unexpected rabbits. In his spare time he enjoys making stuff with his friends: homemade comics, music, comedy shows, zines, daft little films and some truly awesome sandwiches.

About the Illustrator

Mariajo Ilustrajo is a Spanish illustrator and designer based in the UK. After 15 years working as an illustrator, she earned her master's degree in Children's Book Illustration at Anglia Ruskin University and chose to focus her career as a children's book illustrator/author. She loves cooking, travelling and drawing (of course!).



Magic Torch: Explore the Rainforest

Stephanie Stansbie

Illustrated by Fabrizio Di Baldo

Light up and explore the rainforest! Children will love using their very own UV torch to discover hidden animals as they journey through the jungle. This beautiful book features simple facts and engaging characters for young wildlife fans.

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 **Price: £14.99**
ISBN: 9781801044493

Series: Magic Torch

Format: 286 x 251mm
Depth: 12mm
Binding: Hardback
Extent: 28

CBMC Code: A5M79

BIC Code: YBGT

Age: 3 – 6 years

Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- A magical new non-fiction series, led by a fictional narrator and her dog for a narrative feel.
- With a UV torch and hidden animals to discover!
- An informative and inspiring introduction to the rainforest, with a focus on the part we all play in the ecosystem of our planet.

About the Author

Stephanie Stansbie has been a children's books editor since the 90s and an author since the noughties. She adores editing and writing in equal measure and has always worked on illustrated books, where the art is as important as the word. The books she has written have been translated into over 15 different languages. Stephanie lives in Oxford and enjoys yomping about with her family and friends, and playing capoeira.

About the Illustrator

Fabrizio Di Baldo lives in Italy. He graduated in 2001 with a degree in fine art and semiotics, before earning a PhD in illustration at the Comics International School and a PhD in graphic design at the European Design Institute. Fabrizio works as an Art Director and illustrator in Rome.



Once Upon a Big Idea

James Carter

Illustrated by Margaux Carpentier

From rockets and robots to homes and bridges, this fantastic book takes readers on a wacky adventure through the history of inventions.

Jaunty poetry by James Carter and vibrant, quirky artwork from Margaux Carpentier bring to life this fun and exciting area of science. This is an excellent introduction to the world of science, invention and discovery and engages young readers in this fascinating topic, while being the perfect gift for budding scientists.

Also available: *Once Upon an Atom*, *Once Upon a Rhythm*, *Once Upon a Raindrop*, *Once Upon a Star*.

Format: 280 x 245mm

CBMC Code: B1M79

Depth:

BIC Code: YDP

Binding: Paperback

Age: 5 – 7 years

Extent: 32

Carton Quantity: 1

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £7.99

ISBN: 9781838915513

Sales Points

- This is poetry at its best - playful, rhythmic, entertaining and informative
- Inventions and technology is an interesting and inspiring topic.
- Brilliant for reading aloud
- Breathtaking illustrations by Margaux Carpentier bring the words to life
- Poet James Carter has previously been shortlisted for the CLIPPA award

About the Author

James Carter is an award-winning poet, non-fiction writer and ambassador for National Poetry Day. James travels all over the UK with his melodica (that's Steve) to give lively performances and workshops. In the last twenty years he has visited over 1400 schools, and performed at various prestigious literary festivals. He lives with his family in Oxfordshire and offers global virtual poetry sessions.



Amazing Women

Lula Bridgeport
Illustrated by Sarah Green

Discover the stories of 100 extraordinary women of our time.

Featuring an international selection of female figures, this carefully curated collection highlights those who have achieved significantly in their fields, ranging from science and politics to sport and the arts.

Empowering and inspiring accounts of female pioneers include the likes of Rosalind Franklin, Beyoncé Knowles, Marie Curie, Malala Yousafzai, Tu Youyou, Angela Merkel and Serena Williams.

Format: 215 x 270mm
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 96

CBMC Code: E5N79
BIC Code: JFSJ1
Age: 12+ years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £12.99
ISBN: 9781788956819

- Empowering, moving and inspirational accounts of 100 women and their extraordinary achievements
- Divided into accessible categories that highlight their remarkable contribution to society as pioneers, leaders, creators, trailblazers and inspiring voices
- Celebrates international successes in every sphere, from science, sport and business to the arts, activism and politics
- Beautifully illustrated gift format with attractive layout to inspire and engage children aged 12+

About the Author

Lula Bridgeport is an experienced editor and children's author. She has worked on hundreds of titles during her career — from sharks to superheroes and everything in between! — and has written several non-fiction books for leading children's publishers in both the UK and USA.

About the Illustrator

Sarah Green studied at the Rhode Island School of Design, and is an illustrator and designer based in San Francisco. Visit sarahgreenillustration.com

ADVANCE INFORMATION



Dirty Bertie: Wild!

Alan MacDonald

Illustrated by David Roberts

Bertie is back for another helping of comic chaos! With his madcap plans and hilarious escapades, it won't be long before he's up to his neck in trouble again!

Join Bertie in *Wild!* his 36th adventure as he looks after stick-in-the-mud Mr Weakly on an awesome activity day, joins Gran for her driving lessons and renders Mum speechless with a bedroom makeover to remember.

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £5.99
ISBN: 9781788956451

Series: Dirty Bertie
Number in Series: 36

Format: 198 x 129mm
Depth: 7mm
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 96

CBMC Code: B3N79
BIC Code: YFQ
Age: 6 – 8 years
Carton Quantity: 1

Sales Points

- Hugely successful series from an award-winning partnership – UK trade sales for the series are over 800,000 copies
- For fans of HORRID HENRY, DAISY AND THE TROUBLE WITH... and WRIGGLESBOTTOM PRIMARY
- Three stories in each book, perfect for building reading confidence
- Praise for PANTS!: “Lots of grime. Plenty of chaos. Strong illustrations. Great fun!” – Books for Keeps
- Award-winning illustrator, David Roberts, has been nominated for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal three times for LITTLE RED, THE DUNDERHEADS and TINDER

About the Author

Alan MacDonald dreamed of becoming a professional footballer, but when he won a pen in a writing competition his fate was sealed. Alan has written over eighty children's books, which have been translated into many languages and won several awards. Alan also writes for TV.

About the Illustrator

David Roberts is one of the UK's foremost children's illustrators, known for works such as DIRTY BERTIE, THE BOLDS and SUFFRAGETTE: THE BATTLE FOR EQUALITY. He was the winner of the Nestlé Children's Book Prize in 2006 and was shortlisted for the CILIP Kate Greenaway Medal four times. He lives in London.



Puppy Club: Minnie Home Alone

Catherine Jacob

Illustrated by Rachael Saunders

Harper adores her puppy Minnie, but the pup hates being home alone and it's stressing out the whole family. They realize that Minnie is suffering from separation anxiety, and with Harper's school residential trip coming up, she feels really guilty about leaving Minnie for five whole days. Luckily, the Puppy Clubbers are on hand to help – it's time for Operation Home Alone!

But with lots of adjustments to be made, can Harper help Minnie become more independent before the school trip?

Series: Puppy Club

Number in Series: 4

Format: 198 x 129mm

Binding: Paperback

Extent: 160

CBMC Code: B3N79

BIC Code: YFP

Age: 6 – 8 years

Carton Quantity: 1

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £6.99

ISBN: 9781788954723

Sales Points

- A fun and heart-warming new series perfect for readers who love animal and friendship-based stories
- With a huge growth in families getting puppies, Puppy Club responsibly taps into the joys of getting a puppy and caring for them in the first few months
- For fans of ZOE'S RESCUE ZOO, LIZZIE & LUCKY, LITTLE ANIMAL RESCUE, Holly Webb and Helen Peters
- Illustrated throughout with beautiful black and white illustrations by Rachael Saunders
- Catherine Jacob is the author of BETSY BUGLOVE SAVES THE BEES and THERE'S A TROLL ON MY TOILET. This is her first fiction series. She is also an award-winning TV correspondent

About the Author

Catherine Jacob lives in a very old, noisy house in York where she tries to squeeze in as much story writing time as possible, in between looking after her three lovely (ever so slightly mischievous) children and occasionally appearing on TV reporting the news. She loves singing, drawing, and writing in rhyme while drinking mugs of steaming hot tea. (Not all at the same time!)

About the Illustrator

From a young age Rachael Saunders has always loved to draw, so she feels extremely blessed to now have her hobby become a career. With a strong interest in the rich printed aesthetic of 1960's children's books, her work explores colour, shape and texture in a vibrant and humorous manner.



Dreamweavers: Roar of the Hungry Beast

Annabelle Sami

Illustrated by Forrest Burdett

Tito LOVES spending his nights dreamweaving with Neena! Not only is it fun seeing his dreams come to life but he is also getting stronger. But with Darkweavers on a mission to break down the barrier between the dream and waking worlds, the Dream Team are on high alert! Then a mysterious creature starts hounding their teacher's dreams – making them cranky (to say the least) and turning school into an ACTUAL nightmare. Will Tito be ready to put his skills to the test and face the beast?

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £6.99
ISBN: 9781788956246

Series: Dreamweavers
Number in Series: 2
Format: 198 x 129mm

CBMC Code: C3N79
BIC Code: YFH Age:
7 – 9 years
Binding: Paperback
Extent: 192

Sales Points

- Spirited, witty and adventurous main characters. Tito is a sensitive and empathetic character, which is celebrated as a strength throughout the series
- A series of creative and engaging adventures, with influences from Pakistani culture
- For readers of Laura Ellen Anderson, Star Friends, Peanut Jones and Witch for a Week
- Packed with illustrations to engage younger readers
- Featuring a Pakistani protagonist and an LGBTQ family, this series has a diverse ensemble cast that readers everywhere can relate to
- Great reviews for Annabelle's other series, which also promote similar themes: 'Annabelle Sami has created three wildly intelligent and unique characters who when combined make one superb team. Highlighting the importance of teamwork, courage and encouragement, young readers will enjoy navigating hidden staircases and mysterious mazes in this well-crafted narrative.' Fern Tolley, Blue Bird Reviews on AGENT ZAIBA

About the Author

Annabelle Sami is a writer and performer. She grew up next to the sea on the south coast of the UK and then moved to London, where she now lives. She studied English Literature and Drama and undertook an MA in English Literature at Queen Mary University. When she isn't writing she enjoys playing saxophone in a band with her friends, performing live art and swimming in the sea.

About the Illustrator

Forrest is a queer illustrator from New Jersey with an eye for whimsy, a heart full of magic, and a passion for vibrant colours. He studied Illustration at the Fashion Institute of Technology and now lives in Portland, Oregon.



Tourmaline and the Museum of Marvels

Ruth Lauren

Ever since she fell into the Source of all magic, Tourmaline seems to have developed strange new powers that are causing chaos. She can't work out how to control them and it's exhausting hiding them from everyone (except her best friends George and Mai). Then Tourmaline receives a mysterious postcard, promising her solutions and sending her on quests to amazing places. But who has sent Tourmaline the card? And will the adventure be worth the price for answers?

The second book in a fun, feminist fantasy adventure series, with a protagonist that flies off the page and into readers' imaginations. Perfect for fans of Katherine Rundell, Vashti Hardy and Abi Elphinstone.

Series: Tourmaline	CBMC Code: D3N79
Number in Series: 2	BIC Code: YFH
Format: 198 x 129mm	Age: 9 – 12 years
Binding: Paperback	
Extent: 368	

Pub Date: 14 March 2024 Price: £7.99
ISBN: 9781788955928

Sales Points

- The second in a fun, feminist fantasy adventure series with a protagonist that flies off the page and into readers' imaginations
- With sparky and stylish writing and lots of twists and turns, Tourmaline's story will have readers clamouring for more
- Tourmaline's first adventure received strong reviews and support from readers and retailers. Sold in a pre-empt to Germany.
- Ruth Lauren's debut *Prisoner of Ice and Snow* and its sequel *Seeker of the Crown* went to auction in the US and were published by Bloomsbury US and UK. Ruth is UK based.
- Perfect for fans of Katherine Rundell, Vashti Hardy and Abi Elphinstone

About the Author

Ruth Lauren has been a teacher and worked in lots of different offices, but she likes writing best, as well as walking in the woods, cheese, orchids, going to the movies, and reading as many books as she can. She is the author of *Prisoner of Ice and Snow* and its sequel *Seeker of the Crown* and currently lives in a Victorian house in the West Midlands in England with her partner and a lot of children and cats.