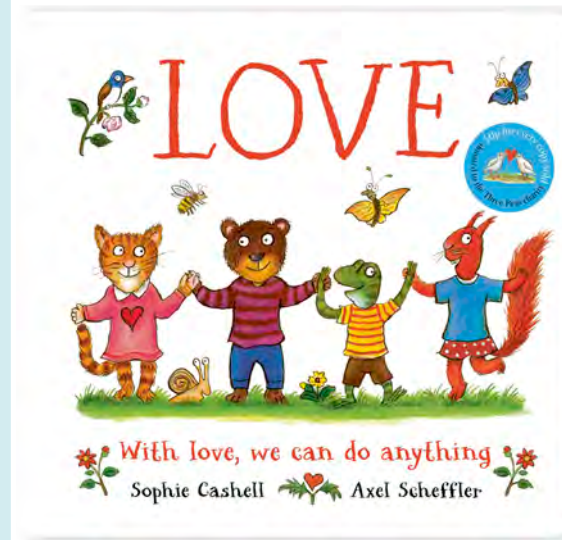
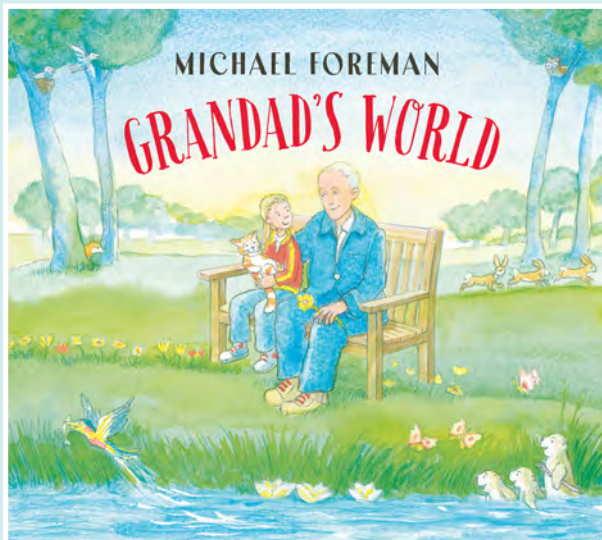
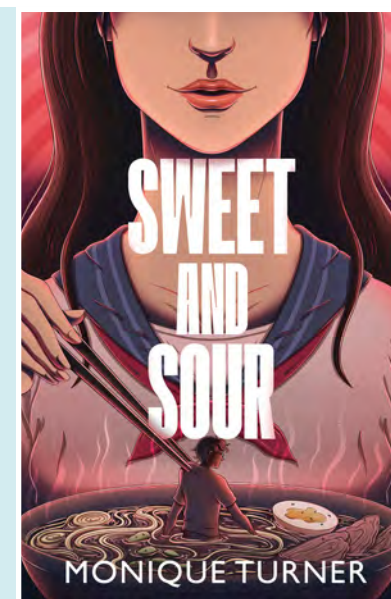
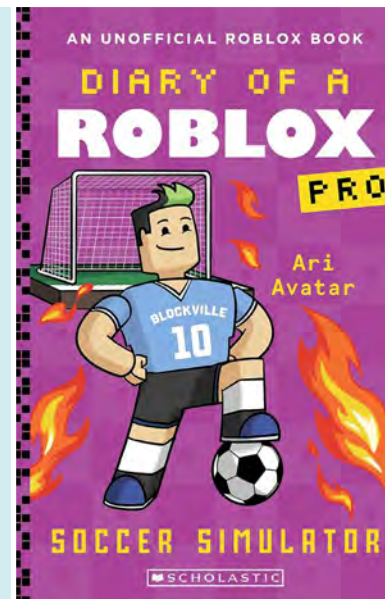




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SWEET AND SOUR

Monique Turner



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FRIENDSHIP • MUKBANG • DRAMA

With AI influencer robots taking the internet by storm, Mikah and his friends team up to make their own content. No robots, no AI, just human beings in all their fallible glory. Mikah's mukbang channel where he stuffs his face with food soars to great heights, but what will happen when his body can no longer fly?

- Monique Turner, author of *Island of Influencers*, returns with another on-trend YA thriller.
- Drawing on her experience of working with influencers, the story explores internet culture and the encroaching use of AI in creative spheres.
- Funny, dramatic and with a deliciously dark ending, *Sweet and Sour* is perfect for those who love a *Black Mirror* twist.



BY THE SAME AUTHOR

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MONIQUE TURNER

Monique was born and raised in the cold north of England on a diet of strong brews and thick gravy. Whilst growing up, she struggled to find her place in the world, so she vowed to create stories where those who don't fit in can finally feel like they belong. When Monique isn't writing, she can be found roaming the southern coast.

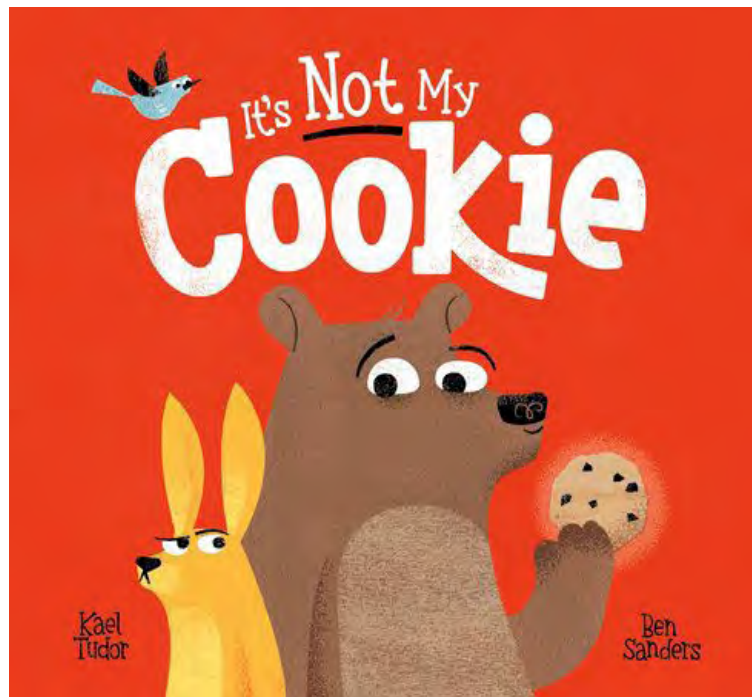
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PICTURE & NOVELTY

IT'S (NOT) MY COOKIE (PB)

KAEL TUDOR Illustrated by BEN SANDERS



When a bear finds a cookie just **sitting there**, all alone, what is he to do? Should he pass up this tasty treat, or **will he give in to temptation?** Or is there **someone else** who wants the cookie even more?!

Key selling points

- *Oh No, George!* by Chris Haughton meets Steve Antony's *Please Mr Panda* in this fabulous treat of a story by Kael Tudor.
- Perfect for any readers who have ever wrestled with temptation...
- Ben Sanders is the wonderfully talented illustrator behind *Agent Harrier*, *Bad Apple*, and *Clive Penguin*.

About the author: Kael Tudor began writing his own stories at a young age, often inspired by the books that he bought at school fairs and jumble sales. When he's not writing picture books, Kael loves reading, drinking at least 15 cups of tea a day, and exploring the Welsh countryside with his family. @KaelTudor

About the illustrator: Award-winning illustrator Ben Sanders has never stopped drawing since he was a child. He used to live in Bolivia, but is now based in Australia, where he continues to write and illustrate fantastic books for children, including *I've an Uncle Ivan* and his *Lento & Fox* books. Ben has recently published the first volume in his debut graphic novel series, *Agent Harrier*. He has a strong dislike for beetroot! @ben.sanders.illustrator

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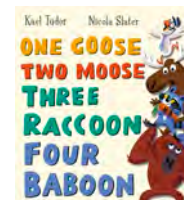
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PICTURE & NOVELTY

IT'S (NOT) MY COOKIE (PB)

KAEL TUDOR Illustrated by BEN SANDERS

Poor, lonely
cookie.



Poor, lonely,
yummy
cookie.



No!
Snap out of it!
It's **not** my
cookie.

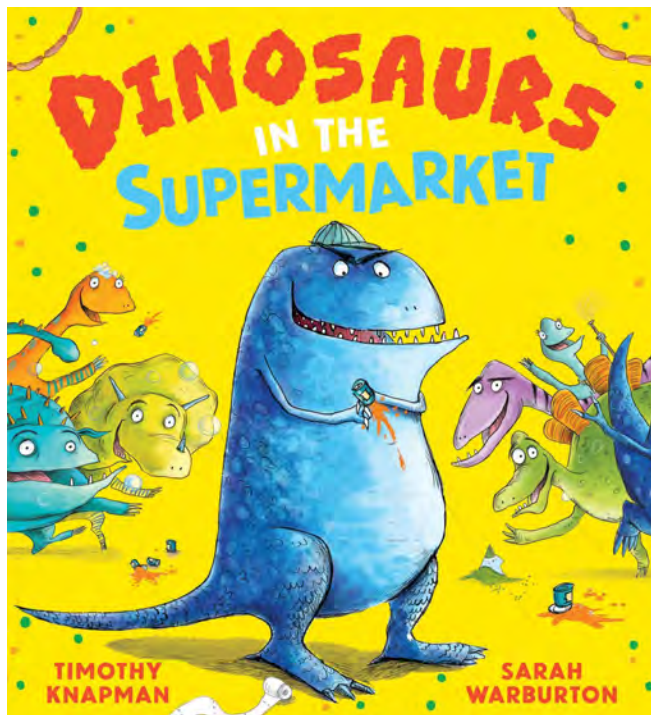


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PICTURE & NOVELTY

DINOSAURS IN THE SUPERMARKET NE (PB)

TIMOTHY KNAPMAN Illustrated by SARAH WARBURTON



A ROARINGLY fun dinosaur picture book from a bestselling duo - now with a bold new cover!

Going to the supermarket can be SO BORING. But do you know what makes it fun? DINOSAURS, that's what!

Except, if mischievous dinosaurs are busy making mess, then who on earth is going to clear everything up?!

Key selling points

- The brilliant picture book from bestselling author and illustrator team Timothy Knapman and Sarah Warburton is back with a brand new cover!
- With a rhyming story, bright, engaging illustrations and dinosaurs galore, children will love this super fun book
- Also available: *Dinosaurs in My School*

About the author: Timothy Knapman is the author of DINOSAURS IN THE SUPERMARKET and MY ADVENTURE ISLAND. His other picture book titles include GUESS WHAT I FOUND IN DRAGON WOOD (Puffin) and LITTLE OGRE'S SURPRISE SUPPER (Macmillan). Timothy lives in Surrey. www.timothyknapman.co.uk @TimothyKnapman

About the illustrator: Sarah Warburton is the illustrator of DINOSAURS IN THE SUPERMARKET. She is best known for her work on the PRINCESS series by Nosy Crow and has most recently worked on counting book TEN DELICIOUS TEACHERS with Ross Montgomery. Sarah lives in Bristol. www.sarahwarburton.blogspot.com @SarahWarbie

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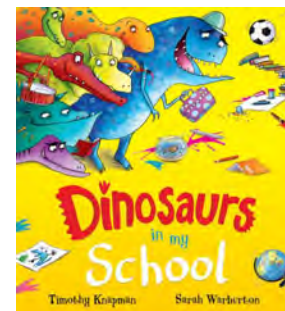
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DINOSAURS IN THE SUPERMARKET NE (PB)

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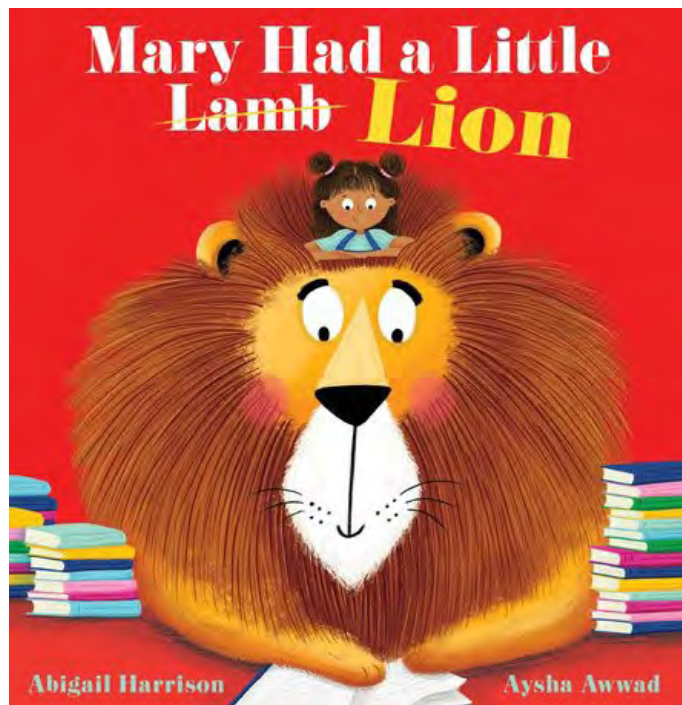
There are dinosaurs in the supermarket!
But when I tell my mum
They hide until she looks away...



PICTURE & NOVELTY

MARY HAD A LITTLE LION (PB)

ABIGAIL HARRISON Illustrated by AYSHA AWWAD



Mary brings her pet lion EVERYWHERE. But when she smuggles him into school, Mary's teacher isn't exactly pleased! She banishes him from school immediately. But before he leaves, he discovers the school library, and curls up to listen to the children read.

When two thieves sneak into the library to steal the books, can Mary's lion save the day and earn his spot in school?

Key selling points

- An exciting new twist on a classic nursery rhyme, with a fabulously feisty heroine
- Abigail Harrison's playful rhyming text makes this the perfect story to read aloud
- Aysha Awwad is the illustrator of *Worry Boots*, and *Whose Dog is This?* which was shortlisted for the **2024 Waterstones Children's Book Prize**

About the author: Abigail Harrison is originally from Dublin, Ireland and now lives in London with her husband and two children. *Mary Had a Little Lion* is her first picture book.

About the illustrator: Aysha Awwad studied graphic design at University of the Arts London and is now an illustrator and graphic designer. She's passionate about storytelling through both words and pictures, and loves creating new characters and the little worlds they live in. When she's not writing, drawing or designing you can find Aysha knitting a jumper, whittling up a spoon or researching new crafts she can try her hand at. @ayshaillustrates

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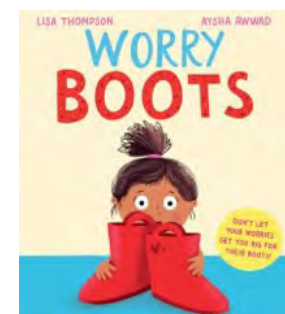
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MARY HAD A LITTLE LION (PB)

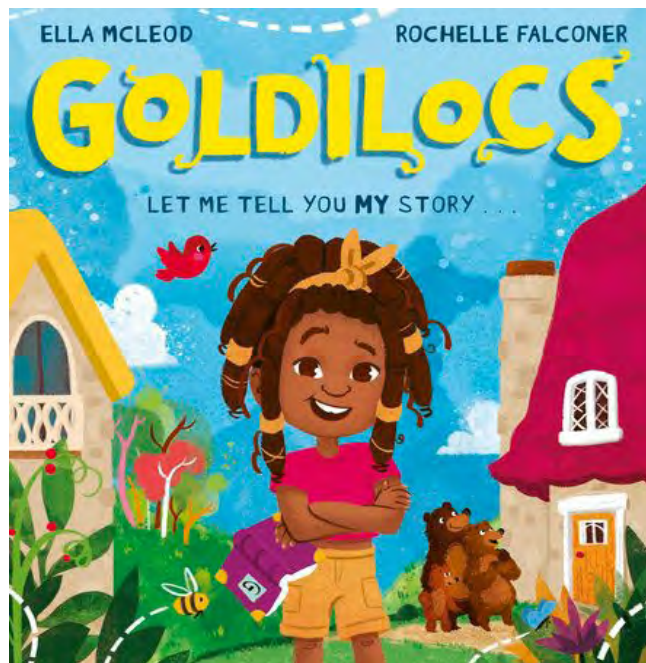
ABIGAIL HARRISON Illustrated by AYSHA AWWAD



PICTURE & NOVELTY

GOLDILOCS (PB)

ELLA MCLEOD Illustrated by ROCHELLE FALCONER



There are just three things that a girl can be...

A Witch should brew potions, but Goldilocs would rather make porridge. Plus, an Evil Queen doesn't build her own throne. As for a Princess waiting for a prince...that just sounds BORING!

When Goldilocs tries to be the things she's told a girl should be, she finds that none of them quite fit. But with help from some unexpected friends, Goldilocs learns that being herself is what matters most.

Key selling points

- Retold with rhythm and rhyme, Ella McLeod's retelling breathes new life into the classic story.
- Rochelle Falconer's cheeky illustrations will both empower and delight little readers.
- Older readers will love Rapunzella and The Map That Led To You by Ella McLeod.

About the author: Ella McLeod is a writer/performer and graduate of Warwick University, where she was awarded a 1st class BA in English Literature with Theatre and Performance Studies. She has worked as a spoken word poet and actress, notably in Bible John. Ella has worked as a podcast producer and researcher for Somethin' Else. @mcleodmouth.

About the illustrator: Originally from Jamaica and now based in London, Rochelle Falconer is an illustrator and graphic designer. She loves picture books and the magic and mayhem that can be found within them, and spends her time dreaming up characters she would want to see represented. Rochelle is the illustrator of *The Best Me!* and *The Council of Good Friends*. @rochellefalconer

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PICTURE & NOVELTY

GOLDILOCS (PB)

ELLA MCLEOD Illustrated by ROCHELLE FALCONER



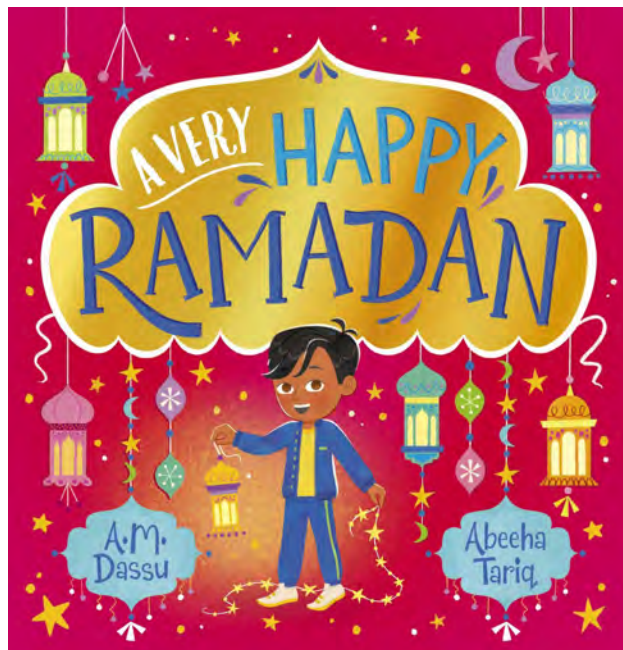
For a start, I do not have golden hair,
as you can see it's dark, not fair.



PICTURE & NOVELTY

A VERY HAPPY RAMADAN (PB)

A. M. DASSU Illustrated by ABEEHA TARIQ



It's Ramadan, so Rayhan decides to FAST. Hooray!

But fasting is harder than it looks, and soon Rayhan's tummy is rumbling REALLY LOUD.

Can Rayhan make it until sunset for iftar? Or will he learn that he doesn't need to do EVERYTHING that grown-ups do?

Key selling points

- A gentle introduction to the idea of fasting, perfect for little ones who aren't quite ready yet but want to join in
- Award-winning author A.M. Dassu's heartfelt story is full of humour and celebration, making this a wonderful gift
- Abeeha Tariq's gorgeous illustrations bring the story to life with vibrant colour and warmth
- Featuring a non-fiction spread with a description of Ramadan and a delicious iftar spread!

About the author: AM DASSU is the internationally acclaimed author of *Boy, Everywhere* and *Fight Back*, which have collectively been listed for forty-six awards, including the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, the Carnegie Medal, The Little Rebels Award for Radical Fiction, the American Library Association Notable Book List and Jane Addams Peace Book Award.

About the illustrator: Abeeha Tariq is a Pakistani-Irish freelance illustrator, currently based in the UK. She has been drawing since she could hold a crayon, and in 2020 she was shortlisted for the FAB Prize in illustration. A teacher by day, Abeeha loves glitter, biryani and all things pop culture.

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That night, when it was time for everyone to break their fast, Rayhan brought the dates and placed them on the table.

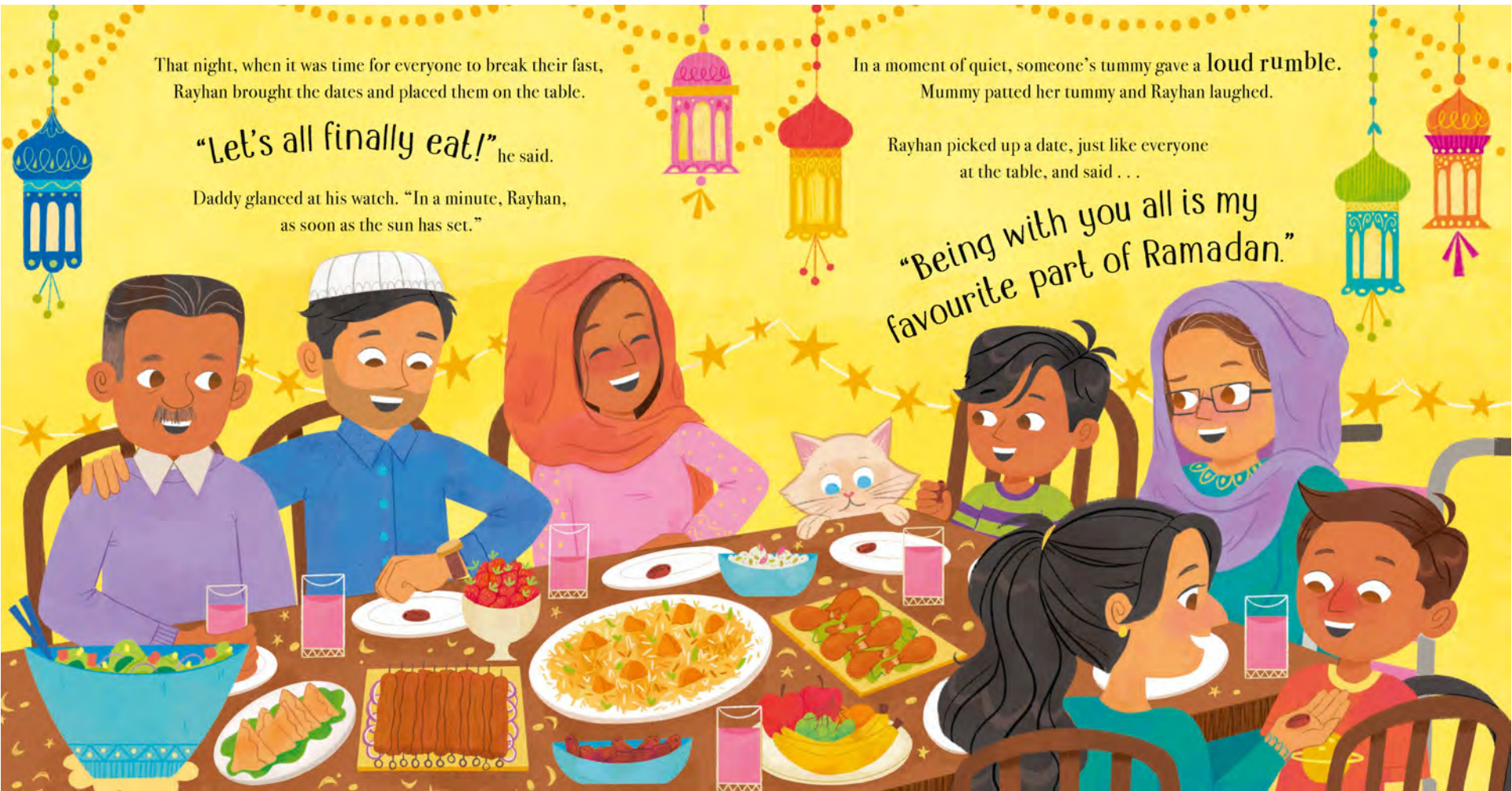
“Let’s all finally eat!” he said.

Daddy glanced at his watch. “In a minute, Rayhan, as soon as the sun has set.”

In a moment of quiet, someone’s tummy gave a loud rumble. Mummy patted her tummy and Rayhan laughed.

Rayhan picked up a date, just like everyone at the table, and said . . .

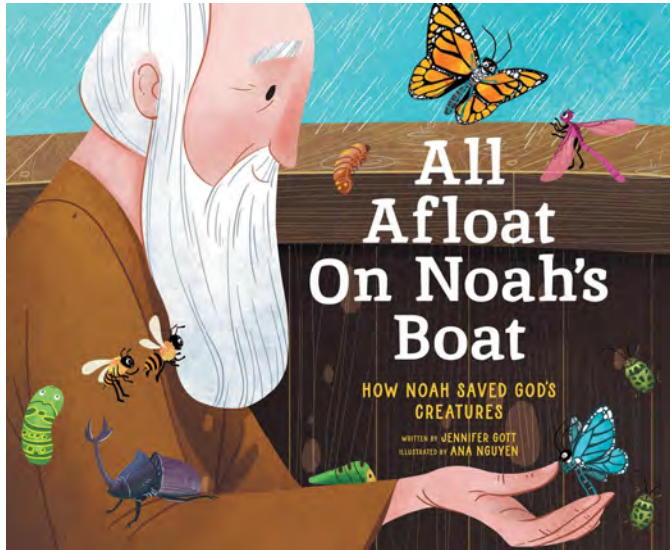
“Being with you all is my favourite part of Ramadan.”



PICTURE & NOVELTY

ALL AFLOAT ON NOAH'S BOAT (HB)

JENNIFER GOTT Illustrated by ANA NGUYEN



After the largest thunderstorm the world had ever seen, God called upon Noah to build an ark.

From the waddling penguins and the tall giraffes to the noisy birds, kids will love learning about and spotting all the animals that were aboard Noah's boat.

Key selling points

- Little readers will join Noah on his journey to save the animals
- Jennifer Gott's lyrical retelling of this favourite story is perfect for bedtime!
- Ana Nguyen's lush illustrations bring all the animals of Noah's Ark to life

About the author: Jennifer Gott has worked in book publishing for 25 years on a wide variety of genres. She loves dreaming up new ideas -- whether for other authors and writers or to explore on her own. Jennifer lives outside Nashville, Tennessee, where she loves to garden and volunteer in animal rescue.

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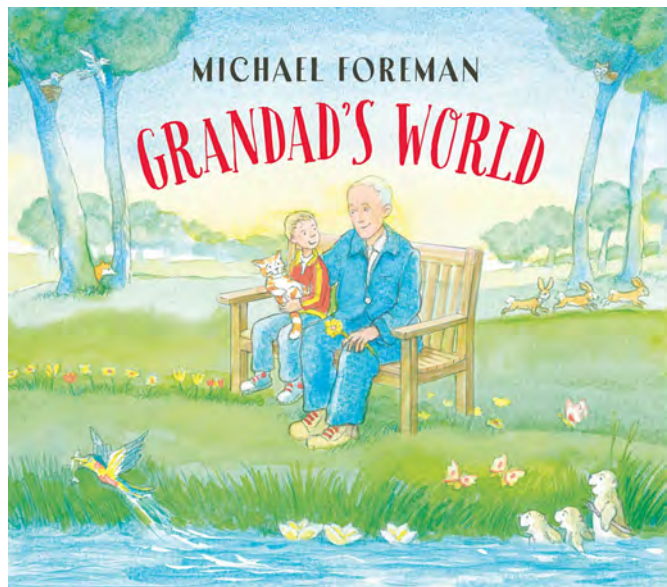
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PICTURE & NOVELTY

GRANDAD'S WORLD (HB)

MICHAEL FOREMAN



Key selling points

- Michael Foreman OBE has established himself as one of the most beloved picture book creators in the UK over his 60-year career.
- This wonderful tale shows the beautiful connection between two generations and how, working together, they can protect our natural spaces and change the world for the better.
- A tale of wonder and wisdom, perfect for fans of Charles Mackesy, Raymond Briggs, and Chris Van Allsburg!

About the author & illustrator: Michael Foreman OBE grew up during the Second World War, an experience that has had a lasting and creative influence on his work. He studied painting at Lowestoft School of Art and won a travelling scholarship from the Royal College of Art. He has had solo exhibitions in London, Paris, New York, Japan and Santiago. As both an author and illustrator, he has won many prestigious award including the Kate Greenaway Medal twice.

Jack's favourite place to be is with his grandad: walking in the woods, looking after the village pond, listening as Grandpa shows him all the magic of the countryside.

Together they watch Mr Fox prowling for mice, owls nesting in the trees and badgers sleeping peacefully in their setts.

But one night, that peace is shattered with a screech of tyres as a monstrous heap of rubbish is emptied into the village pond. Can Jack and his grandad rally the village and clear the pond before it's too late?

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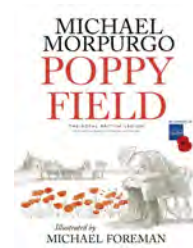
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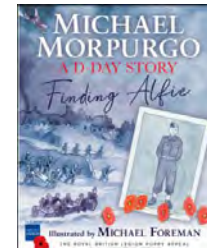
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PICTURE & NOVELTY

GRANDAD'S WORLD

MICHAEL FOREMAN



Jack loved going to Grandad's cottage and, most of all,
he loved walking with Grandad in the woods.

"Look, Jack!" said Grandad.
"That's where the badgers live.

They build tunnels underground
where they sleep all day.

And, that's where the rabbits
hide from Mr Fox."

"Grandad, what's that?" asked Jack,
pointing to a little house in the trees.

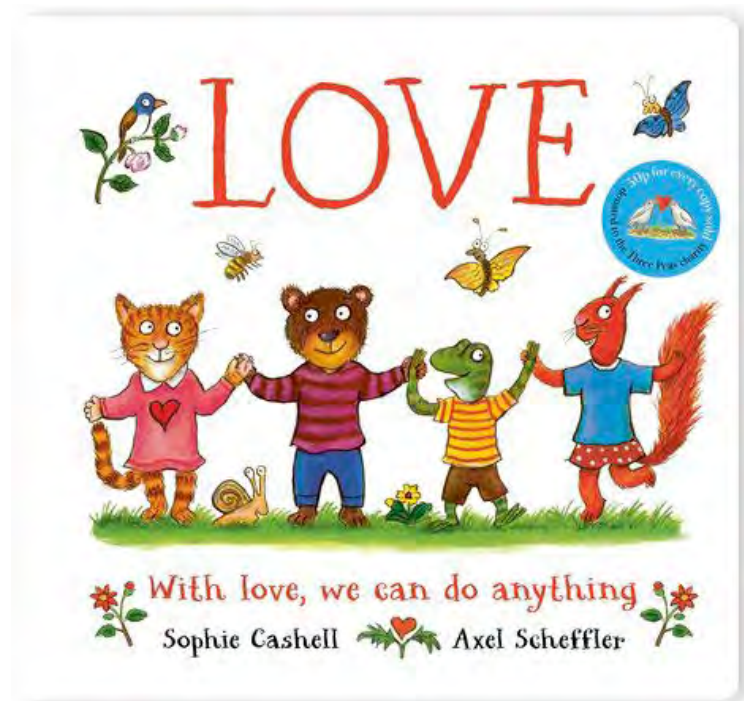


"That's a nesting box I made for the owls.
Shhh! Their babies will be sleeping."

ALISON GREEN BOOKS

LOVE (CBB)

SOPHIE CASHELL Illustrated by AXEL SCHEFFLER



A joyful picture book about love and kindness, from international bestselling illustrator, Axel Scheffler.

With its warm text and playful animal characters, *Love* shows us that sharing love and kindness is easy and fun - and makes our world a better place.

Key selling points

- Axel Scheffler's fabulous, endearing animals are the perfect ambassadors to share his message of kindness
- Axel is much-loved for his characters such as the Gruffalo, Stick Man and Zog
- A donation from every copy of *Love* sold goes to Three Peas, a charity which supports refugees who have had to flee their homes.
- *Love* follows Axel's picture books *Kind* and *Welcome* which have enjoyed huge critical and international success.
- *Kind* has been translated into 22 languages

About the illustrator: Axel Scheffler is one of the most celebrated illustrators in the world. He has brought to life a huge variety of characters, from dragons to gruffalos. Axel lives in London.

www.axelscheffler.com

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LOVE (CBB)

SOPHIE CASHILL Illustrated by AXEL SCHEFFLER

Love can be given
With a smile or a look,
Or by helping a friend
Read their favourite book.



GRAPHIC NOVEL

THICK AS THIEVES: A GRAPHIC NOVEL (SIDEKICKS)

DAN SANTAT



There's trouble at the Society of Superheroes!

Captain Amazing, the longtime hero of Metro City, has retired, and he's enjoying a much-needed vacation at the World's Biggest Ball of Yarn. But while he's away, there's trouble at home! A massive data breach disrupts the Society of Superheroes, and a flash drive containing sensitive information about Captain Amazing and other heroes winds up in reckless hands.

Meanwhile, an unannounced visitor named Whiplee arrives at the captain's house, and his pet sidekicks - Manny, Roscoe, and Fluffy - are skeptical of the stranger's intentions. The only sidekick excited by the visit is Shifty.

Could Whiplee be Shifty's loving, long-lost brother as he claims? Or is he framing the sidekicks for his own personal gain and vengeance?

Key selling points

- The second title in the hilarious, action-packed adventure.
- Full colour graphic novel from the New York Times bestselling author, Dan Santat.
- Perfect for fans of The Incredibles and Dog Man.

 SCHOLASTIC

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About the author: Dan Santat is the Caldecott Medal-winning and *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator of *The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend*, *Are We There Yet?*, and *After the Fall* as well as the illustrator of many other picture books, including *Crankenstein* by Samantha Berger. Dan lives in Southern California with his wife, two kids, and various pets. He invites you to visit him online at dantat.com.

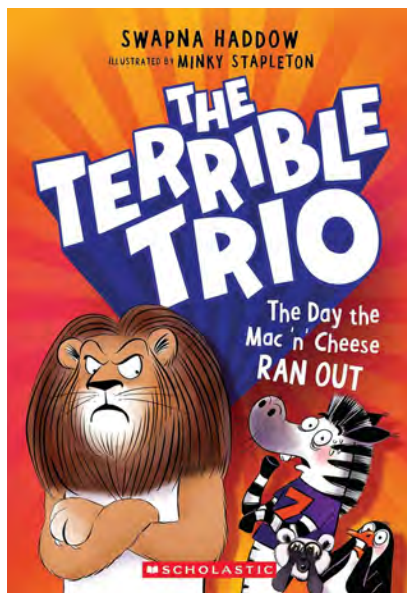
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FICTION

THE DAY THE MAC 'N' CHEESE RAN OUT (THE TERRIBLE TRIO #2)

SWAPNA HADDOW Illustrated by MINKY STAPLETON



COVER NOT FINAL

The Terrible Trio are back for more hilarious mayhem!

When Zeb the zebra, Barry the lemur and Margarine the penguin found out they had the worst superpowers in the world, Zeb was sure they would never ever have another day as terrible again.

But when Zeb turns up for his shift at the Superhero Cafe and finds it closed, it's about to get a whole lot worse!

Key selling points

- Written by the award-winning children's author, Swapna Haddow and illustrated by multi-faceted illustrator and designer, Minky Stapleton
- The second book in The Terrible Trio fun black-and-white illustrated series!
- 'The Bad Guys' meets 'Madagascar'!

About the Author: Swapna Haddow lives in New Zealand with her karate-chopping, swash-buckling son and her thirty-something, age-sensitive husband. She spends her time writing, eating cake and making sure her son doesn't flatten her husband as he attempts to master his human cannonball trick. Sometimes she does all three at the same time.

About the Illustrator: Minky Stapleton is a multi-faceted illustrator with a range of styles, all with a heavy dash of humour. She spent her formative years as an award-winning Art Director and later Creative Director in Johannesburg, working in some of South Africa's best advertising agencies. After many years of corporate life, she threw it all in to follow her first love, illustration.

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CAPYBARA KINGDOM: CARA AND THE SHIMMER WINGS CAPYBARA

EMMA YOUNG



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Cara the Capybara can't help but get herself into trouble. So when Cara is helping Dad collect some veg for supper, it's no surprise when she wonders off and disappears down a magical hole.

When she wakes up, Cara discovers she's landed in Capybara Kingdom. And it's AMAZING. There's upside-down forests and magic all around. And, Cara has ... WINGS! There's so much to explore and so many new creatures to meet in the Kingdom.

Key selling points

- This is the first story in the wonderfully magical new Capybara Kingdom series by Emma Young, for ages 5-7.
- Perfect for young readers who are just starting to read independently.
- Accessible and filled with beautiful illustrations on every page.
- Short chapters, perfect for reluctant readers.

About the author: Emma Young lives in London, England with two chatty boys and one chatty cat. She loves writing books for children, because they laugh louder at the funny bits than a grown-up would. In her spare time Emma enjoys watching silly stuff on TV, being in nature and eating halloumi wraps. She would love to meet a real-life capybara one day.

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FICTION

PERFECT PUPPIES 3: CHARLIE THE LOST PUPPY

JULIE SYKES



Chloe is nervous about her upcoming sports day relay race. *What if she drops the baton and everyone laughs at her?*

While out shopping for new trainers, Chloe meets a mysterious dog, Lucky, who leads her and her mum to **a magical dog shelter!** The Paw Pad pairs children with their perfect puppy and Chloe is paired with timid Charlie, a golden cocker spaniel. Chloe and Charlie attend a birthday party, but Charlie is scared of the fireworks and runs off into the woods before anyone can catch her!

Key selling points

- The third story in a gorgeous, cosy puppy series for readers ages 5-7
- Perfect for animal-loving children and fans of Holly Webb
- By Julie Sykes, award-winning author of over one hundred books for children including the Unicorn Academy series, now a Netflix animated series

About the author: Julie Sykes is an award winning author of over one hundred books for children, including the *Unicorn academy* series which is now a Netflix animation. She loves to collaborate with other writers, especially her magical friend, Linda Chapman. Julie lives in the UK with her family and their pet wolf. Julie also writes as Summer Waters and Skye Waters. You can find out more about her at www.juliesykes.co.uk

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FICTION

NICE WORK FOR THE CAT AND THE KING (NE)

NICK SHARRATT



When the coins in the Royal Money Box start running low, the king is forced to get a job. But what kind of job would be fit for a king?

It takes many comical disasters, and a visit from a pesky old dragon, before both cat and king find their perfect careers. There's a feast of fun and fabulous pictures in this follow-up to THE CAT AND THE KING.

Key selling points

- Humour, friendship, silly jokes and plenty of cake - job hunting has never been this funny
- Spectacular two-colour illustrations throughout - a visual feast
- Praise for THE CAT AND THE KING: 'A majestic treat', Sunday Times Children's Book of the Week

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About the author: Nick Sharratt is one of the country's favourite and most acclaimed illustrators, with over 100 books to his name. He is the illustrator of the bestselling novels by Jacqueline Wilson and has won every major award for his illustration. He has even been presented with a gold Blue Peter badge! Nick lives close to the seaside in Hove. You can find more information about Nick on his website www.nicksharratt.com.

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FICTION

THE DAD TRAP

IAN EAGLETON



Instant enemies William and Florence are horrified to find out their dads are dating each other - and are forced to work together to split them up!

When William and Florence meet on the first day of Year Six, they instantly dislike each other. William is impulsive, chatty and struggles in school. His home life is safe and predictable - just him and Dad, the way William likes it.

Meanwhile Florence is sullen, cold and finds school easy. She's moved after her parents' divorce, but she's convinced she won't be staying long: they'll *definitely* get back together...

Key selling points

- Fun, energetic and commercial, with the celebratory attitude of *Glitter Boy*, which received a shoutout from Mariah Carey
- Instant-enemies-to-friends (or siblings) arc via forced proximity
- Sensitive, empathy-building talking points and representation: adoption, divorce, homophobia, neurodivergence, mental health, blended families, same-sex parent figures
- "Poignant, defiantly fabulous story" *Guardian* on *Glitter Boy*

About the author: Ian is a content creator and resource writer for various educational organisations, including The Literacy Shed and Authorfy. He has taught in primary schools for 13 years and during this time has been a member of the senior management team, a phase leader, and literacy co-ordinator. He has an NQPSL, which focused on improving reading. Ian has also run staff training and writing workshops for children. He won the Polari Prize with James Mayhew for their picture book *Nen and the Lonely Fisherman*, and *Glitter Boy* was his middle-grade debut. You can follow Ian on Twitter at @MrEagletonlan

Content includes central LGBTQ+ characters

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FICTION

THE LAST RESORT 2: THE CLAIMING

JASMINE WARGA



Teddy will do anything to protect his friends, but trouble follows him wherever he goes, and he's *terrified* of repeating the worst mistake of his life.

But Teddy might be the key to uncovering the fire maiden's evil plans, and in order to stop her, he'll have to face his greatest fears – **the ones he's spent his whole life running from.**

Key selling points

- The second installment in a spooky upper middle grade series that literally comes to life with a groundbreaking augmented reality element: you can talk to the ghosts!
- Includes a subversively educational element that parents and educators will love.
- Authored by Newbery Medal winner and *New York Times* bestseller, Jasmine Warga.

About the author: Jasmine Warga is the #1 *New York Times*-bestselling author of middle grade novels *Other Words For Home*, *The Shape of Thunder*, *A Rover's Story*, and *A Strange Thing Happened in Cherry Hall*. Her books have won numerous awards, including a Newbery Honor, been named to many state award reading lists, and listed as best books of the year by publications such as *NPR*, *The Washington Post*, *Publishers Weekly* and others. Originally from Cincinnati, she now lives in the Chicago-area with her family in a house filled with books.

Content includes ghosts, mentions of murder and an augmented reality element.

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FICTION

BETH IS DEAD

KATIE BERNET



Beth March has been murdered, and all her sisters are suspects...

But the March girls aren't the only ones with a story to tell. After a New Years Eve party, Beth is found dead with a deep wound to the forehead. All the March sisters see Beth's body and wonder how - and who - could have killed their sweet, little sister. And what was their motive?

Key selling points

- A contemporary YA-debut retelling of *LITTLE WOMEN* where Beth March is found dead in chapter one, and the March sisters must find out who the killer is
- Perfect for fans of Karen M. McManus' *One of Us is Lying* and Holly Jackson's *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder*.
- Each chapter told from each March sister's alternating Povs, including Beth's.

About the Author: Katie Bernet is an author living in Dallas, Texas. She's an award-winning creative director, a long-standing member of the DFW Writer's Workshop, and the director of the 2025 DFW Writer's Conference. The oldest of three sisters, she's a diehard fan of *Little Women*. *Beth is Dead* is her debut novel.

Content includes discussions of murder and a scene with a pistol.

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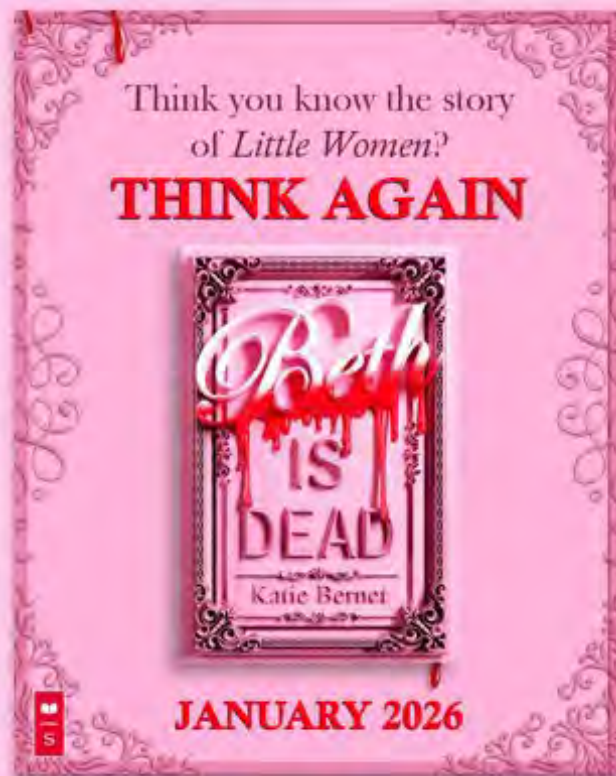
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NON FICTION

BEST FRIENDS STICKER BOOK: CAPYBARA AND AXOLOTL

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Illustrations: Colour

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Meet everyone's favourite animals of the moment, best friends capybara and axolotl.

This sticker activity book is packed full of the cutest capybaras, axolotls and other animal friends. Create adorable scenes with the hundreds of stickers provided as well as solve puzzling games to try with your best friends.

Key selling points

- Explore the cutest world in this best friends sticker activity book!
- Over 300 stickers
- Perfect for fans of all things capybara and axolotl
- ALL NEW CONTENT, from search-and-find fun to adorable sticker scenes, this amazing activity title is full to the brim with animal best friends
- Gorgeous illustrations and interactive content for ages 6+
- The capybara trend is going strong!

About the trend: From capybara cafés to the smiley faces of baby pink axolotls, we love these best friends! These cute animals have exploded in popularity, and with good reason. There's nothing quite as adorable as the fluffy capybaras who are friends to all, and axolotls with their cute pink gills – and this book provides the perfect introduction for younger readers.

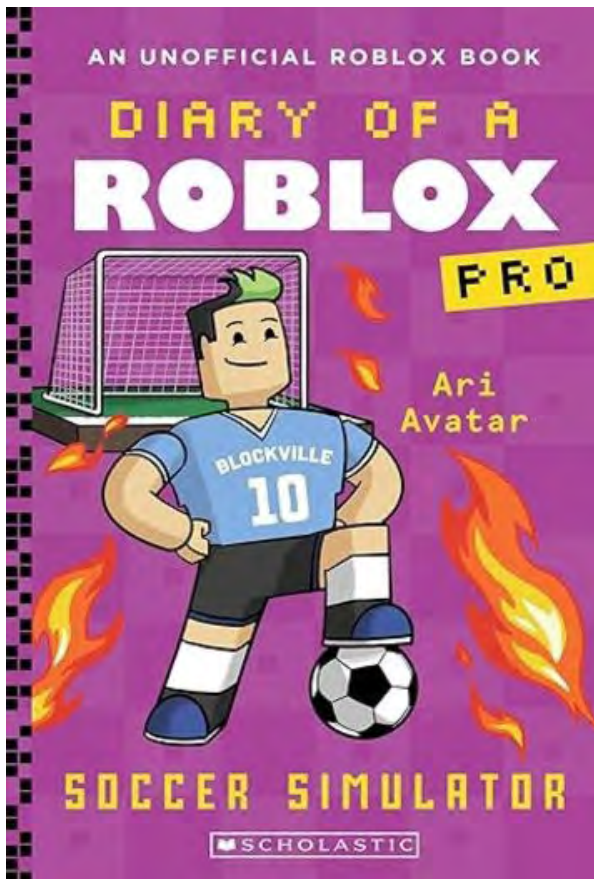
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NON FICTION

DIARY OF A ROBLOX PRO: FOOTBALL SIMULATOR

ARI AVATAR



Ari is just a regular avatar from Blockville who loves hanging out with his two best friends – Zeke, an obby and parkour pro, and Jez, the ultimate hacker and Queen of Tech.

Ari is not excited. He's accidentally made it onto the Blockville obby soccer team. He doesn't know how to play normal soccer, let alone obby soccer! As training starts and the first game looms, Ari thinks of a way to get an advantage in the game. **But is it a fair way to play? And what happens if his secret is discovered?**

Key selling points

- A must-read for gamers
- Perfect for kids who love Roblox
- Filled with action, adventure and fun!

About the game: Roblox is a collection of more than 50 million games, all created by its community of players. In the UK, 1.5 million children regularly play Roblox.

Roblox is ranked as one of the top online entertainment platforms for audiences under the age of 18 based on average monthly visits and time spent.

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NON FICTION

FOOTBALL LEGENDS: DECLAN RICE

GEORGE MAUDSLEY Illustrated by STANLEY CHOW



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Known for his stamina and tackling, Rice has become an essential player for England and Arsenal. Read all about the start of his career proving himself at West Ham after being dropped by Chelsea, his success on and off the court and his standout goals in major championship games.

Key selling points

- Fascinating facts and inspirational details from the lives and careers of beloved players
- An addictive biography series for young football fans
- A great alternative for emerging readers who prefer fact to fiction
- Illustrated by Manchester-based artist, Stanley Chow, whose iconic work has found worldwide acclaim

About the series: An addictive biography series for young football fans everywhere. Filled with fascinating facts and inspirational details from the lives and careers of some of the world's best-loved players.

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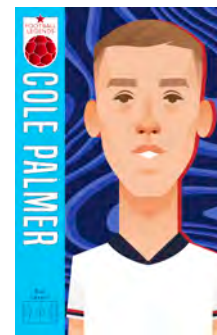
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FOOTBALL LEGENDS 15: MO SALAH

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Football Legends: Mo Salah describes the story of one of the world's top football players and playmakers.

Young readers will love finding out all about the life of one of their favourite superstars in this captivating biography series.

Key selling points

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NON FICTION

FOOTBALL LEGENDS: FOOTBALL LEGENDS QUIZ BOOK

GEORGE MAUDSLEY Illustrated by STANLEY CHOW



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NON FICTION

ALL ACCESS ARIANA GRANDE 100% UNOFFICIAL

JANE KENT



A crash course in all things Ariana Grande!

Ariana Grande: All Access offers an in-depth look at Ariana's journey from a teenage performer on Broadway to Nickelodeon TV star and then to the record-breaking singer and movie star she is now.

Packed with fun facts, top tens, an 8-page insert of full-colour photographs and more, this book offers a well-rounded view of Ariana Grande's world.

Key selling points

- Includes eight pages of full-colour photos, capturing key moments in Ariana's career and personal life
- Covers Ariana's life, from teenage performer on Broadway to the record-breaking singer and movie star she is now
- Packed full of fun facts and snippets of details about Ariana Grande
- The perfect gift for Arianators

About the series: *All Access* is a fun, unofficial, factual biography series, covering the lives of popular superstars around the world for children. Each book in the series covers a different star, giving children the chance to discover interesting facts about their favourite idol from early life to current stardom.

About the author: Jane Kent is a writer and editor with over 15 years of experience. She has written many brand projects for publishers, including annuals and activity books.

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NON FICTION

PERIODS: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW

DR EMILY MACDONAGH



***Periods: Everything You Need to Know* is the go-to guide for modern tweens, teens and beyond about all things period.** From Dr Emily MacDonagh, practising NHS doctor and children's book author.

In *Periods: Everything You Need to Know*, discover:

What happens during each cycle
Which days readers might be feeling energised, and which days they might be feeling a little low
What period products are on the market right now, and which ones are eco-friendly.

Key selling points

- A reassuring, fact-packed book for girls on what to expect when growing up
- Dr Emily is a practising NHS doctor
- Talks about what actually happens during each cycle, how the hormones change each month and how to harness those hormones to work for you
- This is Dr Emily's fifth children's book

About the author: Dr Emily lives with her husband Peter Andre and children in Surrey. Dr Emily is a practising NHS doctor who worked throughout the pandemic. She speaks regularly in the media about physical and mental health matters, particularly those affecting young people. This is Dr Emily's fifth children's book. @dr_emily_official

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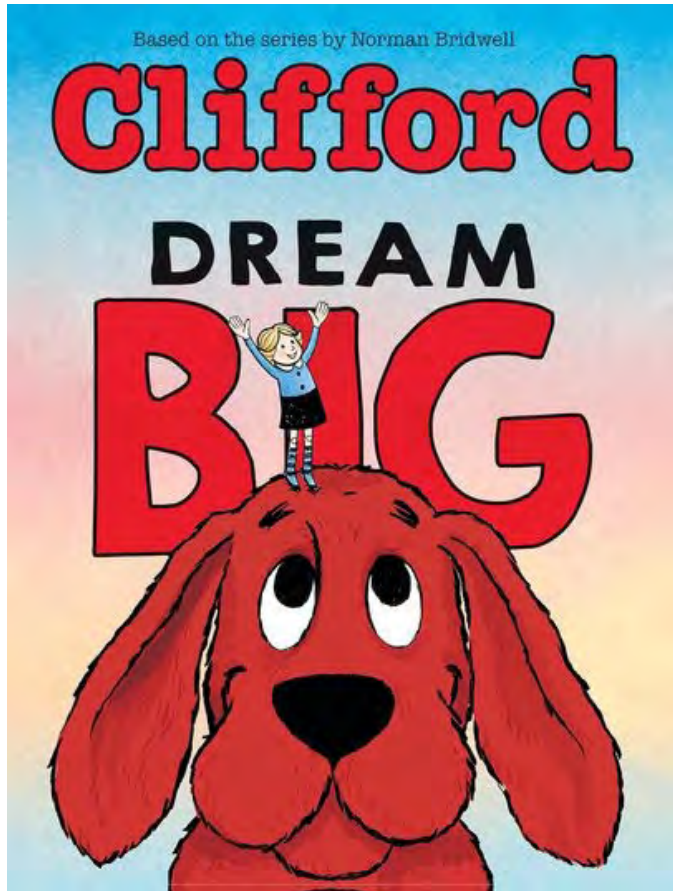
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MEDIA

CLIFFORD THE BIG RED DOG: DREAM BIG

MEREDITH RUSU



About the author: Norman Bridwell was the author and illustrator of numerous children's books, including the beloved Clifford series. The delightful stories about a big red dog named Clifford and his friend, Emily Elizabeth, have sold over 126 million copies in 13 languages!

No one loves Clifford more than his best friend, Emily Elizabeth! Celebrate the people you love in this sweet book starring the Big Red Dog.

Everyone knows that Clifford grew to be so big because of how much Emily Elizabeth loved him when he was a tiny puppy. But just what does she love about Clifford? This adorable story is all about these two best friends' love for each other.

Key selling points

- After many years, *Clifford the Big Red Dog* has returned to the UK
- With beautiful, timeless illustrations by the late Norman Bridwell
- A perfect storybook for Clifford fans big and small
- A heartwarming story of family, friendship and celebrations

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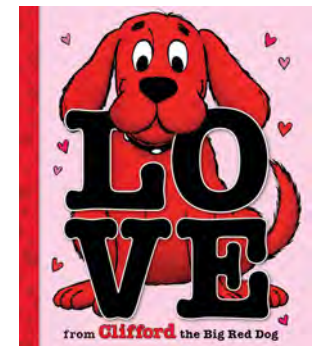
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MEDIA

PET SIMULATOR CHAPTER BOOK #2

SCHOLASTIC



Readers will join fan-favourite Roblox pets in two, fun-filled original Pet Simulator stories!

Explore the delightful world of collecting coins, snatching up rare eggs and raising the cutest pets around in this totally original chapter book with TWO stories! Join Whiskers the Cat, Ruffles the Dog and Penny the Unicorn as they try to solve the Riddle of Rainbow Ravine and win the Great Pet Race in this hilarious chapter book.

Key selling points

- Filled with tons of laughs, action and exciting artwork.
- This book is sure to delight fans of Pet Simulator.
- Perfect for gamer fans!

About the game: Pet Simulator is a game made by BIG Games Pets, a group owned by Roblox. A player starts the game with a Cat or Dog as a pet. After choosing their pet, players collect coins and chests throughout the map to buy new areas to venture or buy new eggs to get more pets for trading or collecting.

Roblox is ranked as one of the top online entertainment platforms for audiences under the age of 18 based on average monthly visits and time spent.

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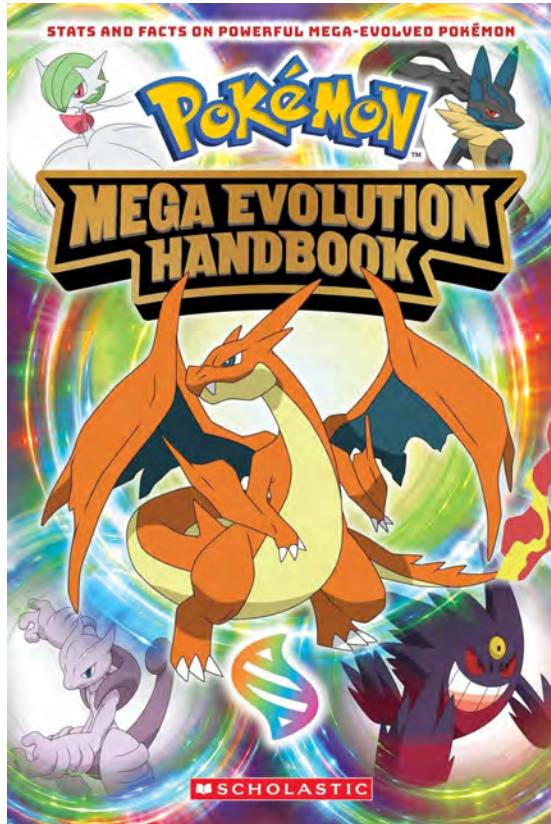
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About the brand: Pokémon was launched in Japan in 1996 and today is one of the most popular children's entertainment properties in the world. Pokémon are creatures of all shapes and sizes who live in the wild or alongside humans. For the most part, Pokémon do not speak except to utter their names. Pokémon are raised and commanded by their owners (called 'Trainers').

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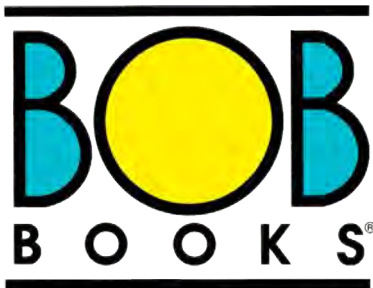
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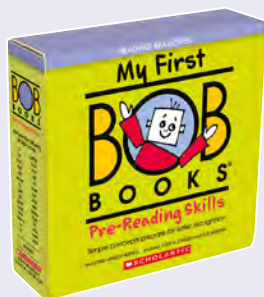
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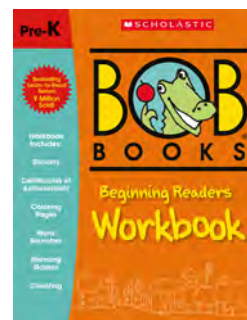
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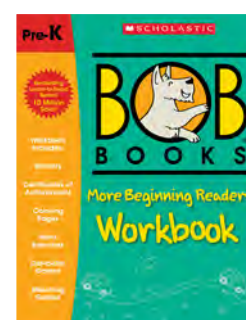
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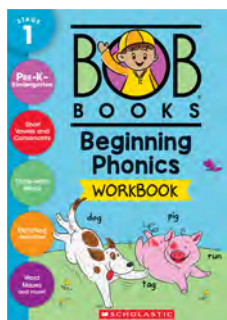


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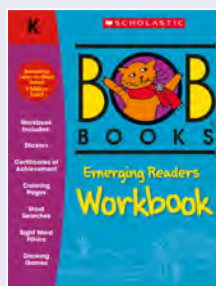
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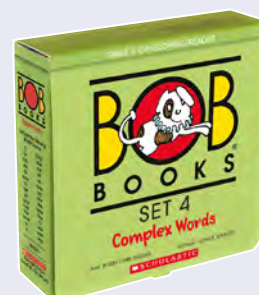
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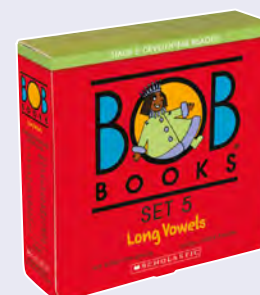
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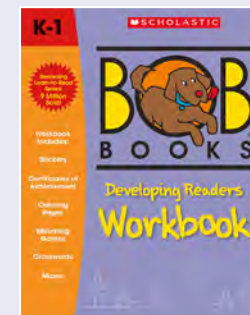
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