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won or been shortlisted for prestigious book awards

HOW MANY ANIMALS CAN FIT IN THIS BOOK?

Natalia Yaskina



3+ | 9781838740603 | 6th Jan | HC | 40pp
USD \$17.99 / CAN \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



A funny and colourful counting picture book with one very opinionated ant.

Just how many animals can fit in this book? Ant will tell you loud and clear: the answer is ONE. But will Ant mind if other animals join the pages, too? Two lions? Four zebras? How about eight penguins?



- Learn to count from one to ten with an ant with attitude.
- A funny, beautifully illustrated first book of numbers with a sassy twist.
- Animal spotting fun with great read aloud value.

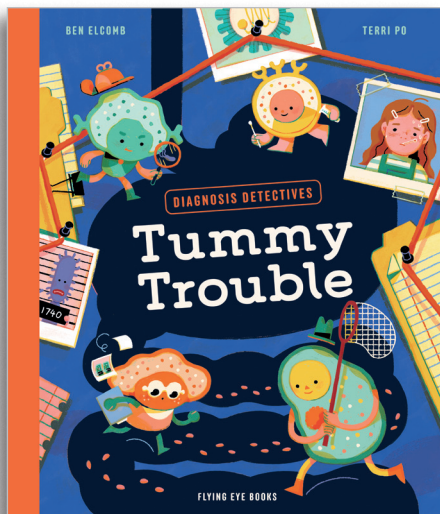


Natalia Yaskina is a picture book maker and illustrator based in New York, originally from Moscow, Russia. She studied illustration and book design in the Moscow State University of Printing Arts. Natalia has over 10 award-winning books, published in Russia, Germany, Austria and China.



DIAGNOSIS DETECTIVES: TUMMY TROUBLE

Ben Elcomb & Terri Po

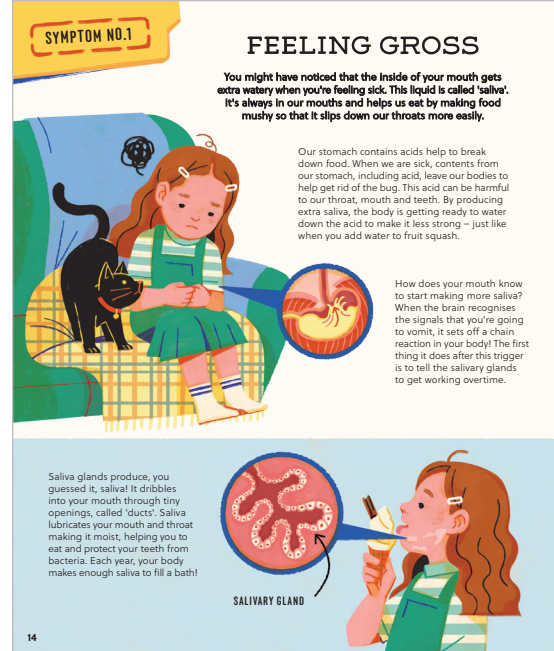


5+ | 9781838749163 | 6th Jan | HC | 48pp
USD \$17.99 / CAN \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



A non-fiction human body detective series about the microscopic crime solving team in all of our bodies.

Join a team of quirky characters that live in the human body as they investigate the clues behind mystery symptoms to find each culprit to illnesses and ailments.



- Offers an entertaining, playful look at biology, making science engaging and fun.
- Features DIY activities that relate to the content.
- Helps children to understand what's going on inside their body.
- First in a series looking at common ailments.



Ben Elcomb had a successful career working in television production on a variety of shows including ITV's *This Morning*, Britain's *Got Talent*, *Ministry of Mayhem* and the BBC's reboot of *The Basil Brush Show*.



Terri Po grew up in Hong Kong and studied illustration at the University of Edinburgh, and now lives and works from a wooden cabin in the countryside. She likes drawing anything blobby, including but not limited to: brains, intestines and liverworts.



SUNNY AND STORMY

Sarah Holliday



3+ | 97818387840863 | 17th Feb | HC | 40pp
USD \$17.99 / CAN \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



A bright and beautiful story about sibling rivalry, dealing with emotions and sisterly love.

In the sky above a little village, magical sisters Sunny and Stormy control the weather with their unique powers. But while Sunny is adored for her warmth and light, Stormy feels unloved for her wind and rain. When Stormy's jealousy causes chaos in the village, she flies away, believing she has ruined everything. Will the sisters reunite and restore balance to the village?



- A celebration of sisterhood, self-acceptance and the power of unity.
- A gentle introduction to weather, exploring the importance of sunshine and rain.
- A bright and beautiful debut from talented author and illustrator Sarah Holliday.



Sarah Holliday is an illustrator from Perthshire, Scotland. She studied Animation at Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art and Design in Dundee and worked as an Illustrations Editor for DC Thomson before becoming a freelance illustrator. She currently lives in San Francisco. When she's not drawing, she enjoys roaming through the woods and finding a little bit of magic in the everyday workings of life.

DETECTIVE STANLEY AND THE GREEN THUMBED THIEF

Hannah Tunnicliffe & Erica Harrison



5+ | 9781838742973 | 3rd Feb | PB | 64pp
USD \$12.99 / CAN \$17.99 | 225 x 163mm



A clever, funny comic about a dog detective and his latest case.

It's a botanical burglary! Who is swiping precious and priceless plants from the Narlybone Botanic Gardens? Barnaby Moss, Head of Horticulture, is flummoxed. Somebody is thieving very rare specimens from the wintergarden and they are worth a lot of money! The latest *Detective Stanley* mystery is curlier than a vine and full of twisty secrets.



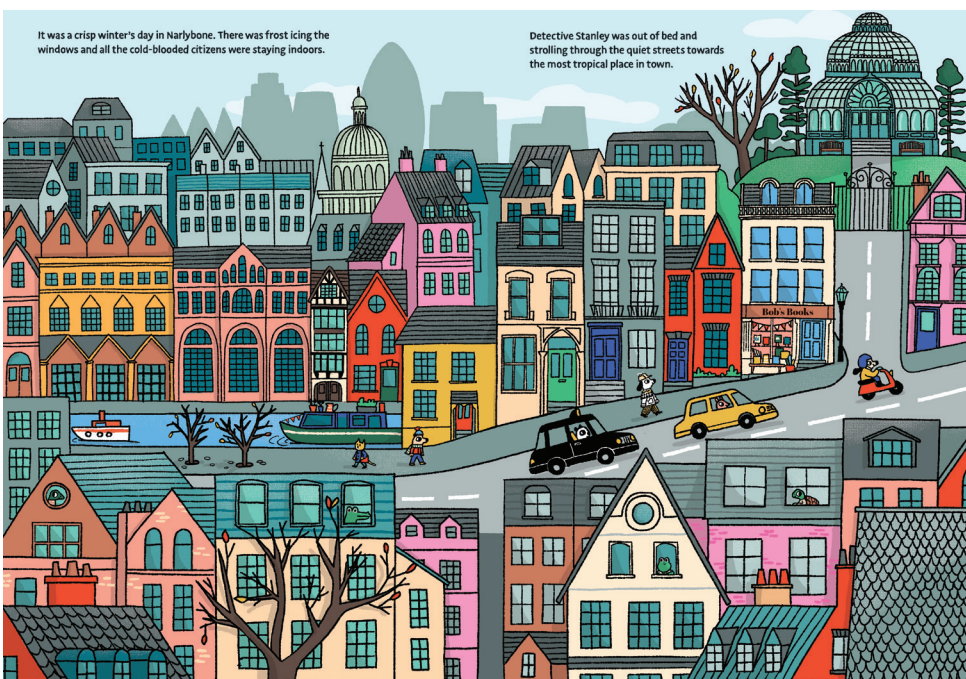
- A perfect comic for young readers moving on from picture books.
- Brilliant botanical facts alongside a friendship-saving mystery!
- Large panels and full page spreads with both narrative text and dialogue.



Hannah Tunnicliffe is the author of several books for kids and adults including Canadian bestseller, *The Colour of Tea* and trilingual picture book, *Marjory and the Mouse*. Her work has featured in the New York Times Book Review.



Erica Harrison is an illustrator and children's book designer from a small village in Norfolk. After her studies, she landed her first job at Usborne Publishing. Since then, she has continued her travels, working from creative studios in Brighton, New York and Auckland, where she currently lives with her partner and daughter.



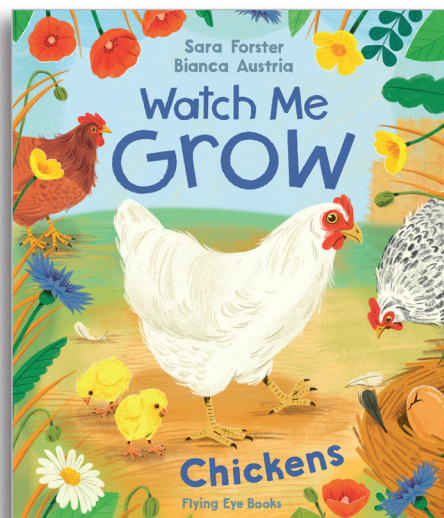
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9781838749644
\$22.99



PB | 9781838742119

WATCH ME GROW: CHICKENS

Sara Forster & Bianca Austria



3+ | 9781838748968 | 3rd Feb | HB | 32pp
USD \$15.99 / CAN \$21.99 | | 270 x 230mm



Learn about the life cycle of a chicken
in this illustrated non-fiction.

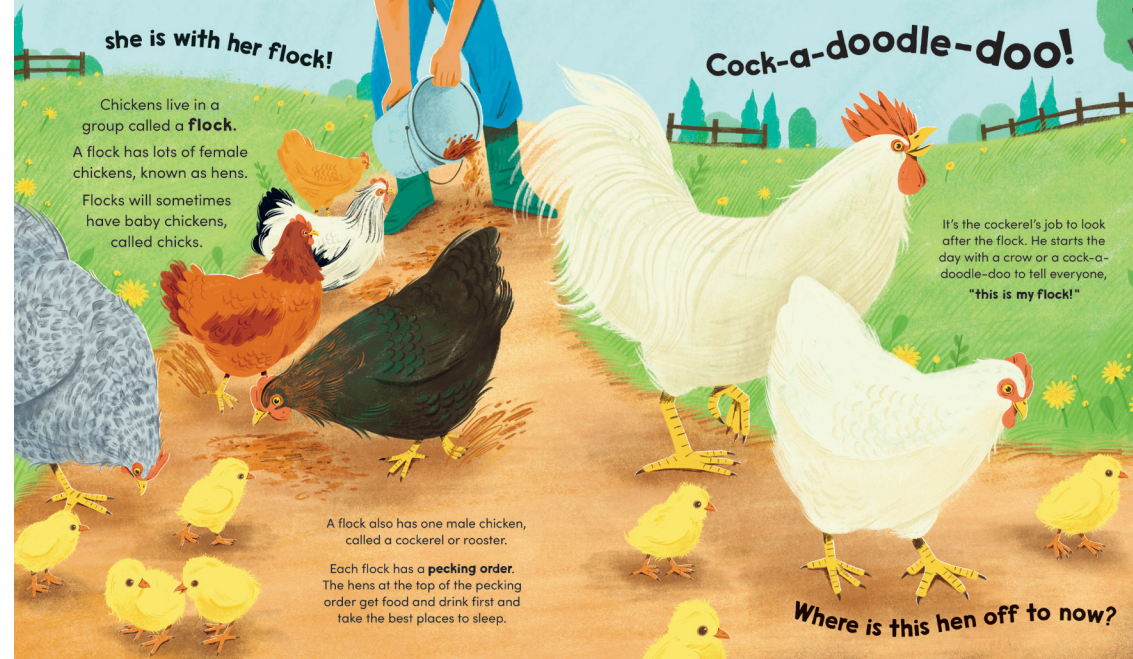
With colourful, engaging illustration and simple explanations, this is a fun and informative introduction to the life cycle of chickens. This book will take the reader on a journey from the hatching of a tiny chick, learning about how it grows, eats and the habitat it lives in.



Sara Forster is a children's book editor based in West Sussex. Having spent much of her childhood in the Middle East and South Africa, she developed a love of wildlife from a young age. Sara is a keen scuba diver and has a passion for teaching children about the environment and the natural world.

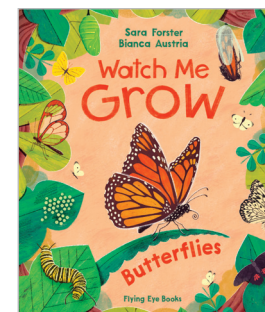


Bianca Austria is a painter, illustrator and designer. As an avid traveller, she loves to illustrate her experiences through a whimsical lens. Her work visually narrates her curious and wondrous exploration of the world. As a way of expressing her pride and joy of being a Filipina, she particularly enjoys subjects inspired by her own memories of the Philippines.

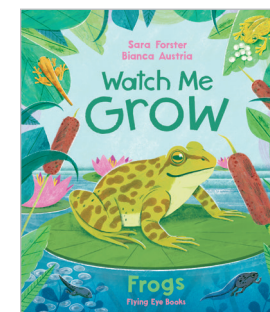


- The topic of life cycles aligns with the early years science curriculum.
- With two levels of text, this series is easy to follow for early readers while giving additional context for curious independent readers.
- Bright, colourful illustrations and expert consultant checked text.

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HB | 9781838741969



HB | 9781838741976

THE LOST ROBOT

Joe Todd-Stanton



3+ | 9781838740726 | 3rd Mar | HB | 40pp
USD \$17.99 / CAN \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



A lost, broken robot searching for their place in life, their family and their forever home.

Deep in the heart of a rubbish dump, a little broken robot woke up... Mio can't remember where they came from or how long it's been, but they know they're not meant to be there. They go in search of their memories and the home they once knew, only to discover that everything has changed.

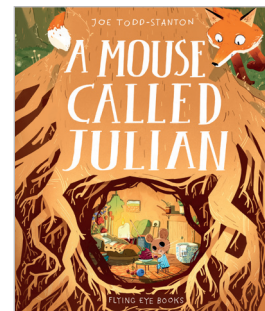


- A gorgeous story exploring lost objects, found family and a sense of belonging.
- Joe Todd-Stanton is a bestselling author and illustrator based in London.
- A tender tale exploring how we view objects in our fast-moving world.



Joe Todd-Stanton is from Brighton and grew up drawing with his mum. He studied Illustration at the University of the West of England, afterwards moving to London where he currently lives. His debut *The Secret of Black Rock*, won the 2018 Waterstones Children's Book Prize Illustrated category and *The Comet* won the Yoto Carnegie Shadows Choice Award 2023.

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PB | 9781912497478



PB | 9781911171744



SKATING WILDER

Brandon Dumais & AJ Dungo



YA | 9781913123208 | 3rd Mar | PB | 208pp
USD \$21.99 / CAN \$28.99 | 225 x 163mm



A graphic novel for any skaters or anyone who ever dreamed of skateboarding.

No one can tell you exactly who invented it, but it has inspired generations of brave warriors to hit the curbs. This book flies through skateboarding's weird history, and grinds through AJ and Brandon's best (and worst) skateboarding memories. They're not experts, but they know how much this sport means to the communities that have embraced it and made it their own.



EXCEPT THIS TIME, THEY TOOK TO THEM WITH A NEW INTENSITY, THANKS TO A SIMPLE, EARTH-SHATTERING LITTLE TRICK CALLED **THE OLLIE**.

BONDED IN PAIN AND GLORY, A GOOD CREW CAN MAKE THE IMPOSSIBLE HAPPEN.



- A poignant non-fiction comic that sheds light on the world of skateboarding.
- AJ Dungo's hotly anticipated follow up to the bestselling *In Waves*.
- The perfect mix of autobiography and skateboarding history.



Brandon Dumais was born and raised in Southern California and studied creative writing and English literature at California State University, Long Beach. He has work published in various small press poetry collections, as well as through his own independent art zine, Remedial Art Class.



AJ Dungo was born in Fort Myers, Florida. He then moved to Toronto, then settled in Los Angeles where he attended Art Center in Pasadena. When he's not making comics, he works as an illustrator and designer. And when he's not working on anything, he's working on his cutbacks on his surfboard and slappies on his skateboard.

SEE YOU LATER...

April Suddendorf



3+ | 9781838740795 | 7th Apr | HC | 40pp
USD \$17.99 / CAN \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



A funny cautionary tale about how the grass (or swamp) is not always greener!

See you later alligator... Gary the alligator grows tired of his small, soggy swamp and decides a nearby human house would be far more comfortable and luxurious. How wrong he turns out to be!



- An exploration into what makes a house your home.
- For fans of Edward Gorey and Brothers Grimm.
- Gloriously gothic and wickedly funny.



April Suddendorf is an illustrator and author from all over (but currently based in Dublin). She studied Communication Design and Media and graduated in 2022 with her diploma project "Wacky Witches". She completed her MA in Children's and Young Adult Literature in 2024, focusing on the fairytales of the Brothers Grimm.

Oh dear...



That was the steepest and bumpiest hill that Gary had ever had the absolute displeasure and misfortune of encountering.



JUNIPER MAE: JOURNEY TO THE LEVELS BELOW

Sarah Soh & Tim Fraser

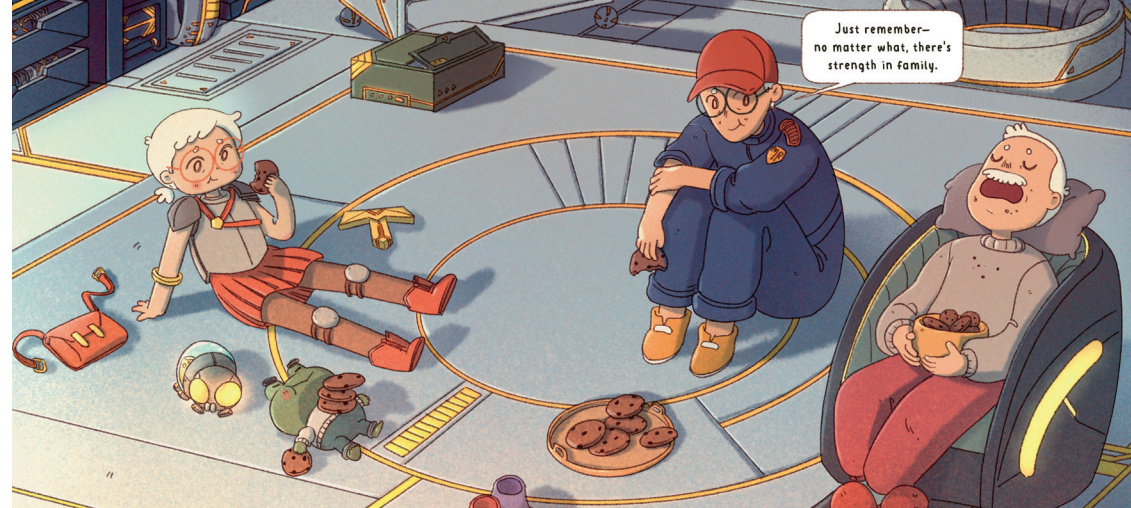


5+ | 9781838741716 | 7th Apr | PB | 64pp
USD\$12.99 / CAN\$17.99 | 225 x 163mm



Third in the sci-fi techno-adventure series, Juniper Mae.

Safe at home, Juniper Mae, Albie and BOT-L have no idea that the sinister President Onyx is about to turn their lives upside down in his quest for Juniper's powerful technology. Can the tiny inventor and her even tinier friends team up with an unlikely ally to break into Tykotech Tower itself, and save Juniper's family from danger?



- A great gift for inspiring girls to enjoy STEM topics... with a smart young engineer heroine.
- Earlier titles featured in the Blue Peter Book Club.
- The first title in the series was shortlisted by The Week Jr book awards for Children's Book of the Year in the category Graphic Novel.



Sarah Soh grew up in Virginia and was always encouraged to draw by her parents. She began her career in the animation industry as a storyboard artist at South Park Studios. Since then, she has worked at other studios such as Nickelodeon, Cartoon Network, Netflix and Atomic Cartoons.



Tim Fraser is an Earth-dweller from a humble town in the middle of nowhere called London, England. He spends his time writing books, plays, screenplays and shopping lists, for children and adults alike.



Knowing time was of the essence, Juni combined her scooter with Grandpa's chair to create the Supercharged Hoverchair! It was as fast as the Hoverscooter, but twice as comfy to sit in and check-full of secret compartments for gadgets, gizmos, and snacks.



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PB | 9781912497454



PB | 9781838741693

WHAT MAKES A BIRD?

Nadeem Perera & Montse Galbany



7+ | 9781838742065 | 7th Apr | HC | 80pp
USD \$20.99 / CAN 27.99 | 260 x 205mm



A beautifully illustrated non-fiction introduction to the world of birds.

A stunningly illustrated book detailing everything that makes a bird a bird. Featuring birds from all over the world, and peppered with clear case studies on different bird species and punchy fact files on all things beaks, feathers, migration, nesting and more, the book also closes with a chapter on connecting with birds and becoming a birder.



What Do Birds Do?

Birds have different lifestyles. Social flamingos live in flocks, while kingfishers are solitary birds. Some birds migrate over long distances, while others stay in the same area year-round.



- Written by wildlife TV presenter and bird watcher, Nadeem Perera.
- This book shows that birding can be accessible to all.
- Features birds from all over the world in every conceivable habitat.



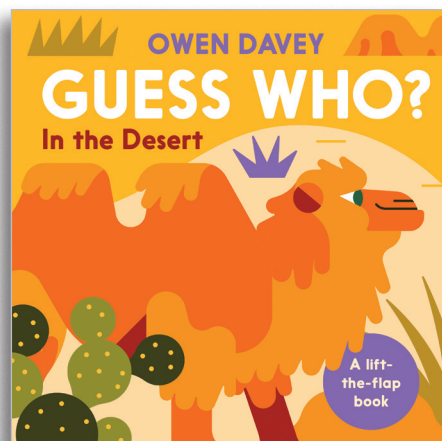
Nadeem Perera is a wildlife TV presenter, author, activist and co-founder of the birdwatching collective, Flock Together. Born and raised in London, Nadeem's love of nature expressed itself at an early age when it helped him to overcome mental roadblocks and trauma.



Montse Galbany started drawing as soon as she could hold a pencil, and has never stopped since then. She is an illustrator and graphic designer living in Granollers, a city close to Barcelona. She studied graphic design at ELISAVA University and started editorial freelancing in 2017. Montse works digitally with shapes and vibrant colours to tell stories.

GUESS WHO? IN THE DESERT

Owen Davey



2+ | 9781838742560 | 5th May | BB | 10pp
USD \$12.99 / CAN \$17.99 | 175 x 175mm



Come on an exciting adventure with this lift-the-flap board book!

Lift the flaps to reveal playful clues and then guess which animal is hiding behind them. Get ready for a journey filled with surprises and giggles! Can you guess who's waiting to say hello?

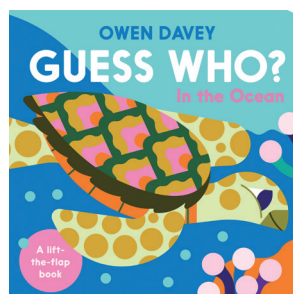
- A lift-the-flap guessing game series from award-winning illustrator Owen Davey.
- A first introduction to the natural world and different habitats.
- Brilliantly interactive with multiple flaps on every page.



Owen Davey is a freelance illustrator based in Worthing, UK. He graduated with a First Class degree in Illustration from Falmouth University and his work has since been published in every continent except Antarctica, including picture books in UK, America, Australia, Germany, France, Portugal, China and Korea.



BB | 9781838742492

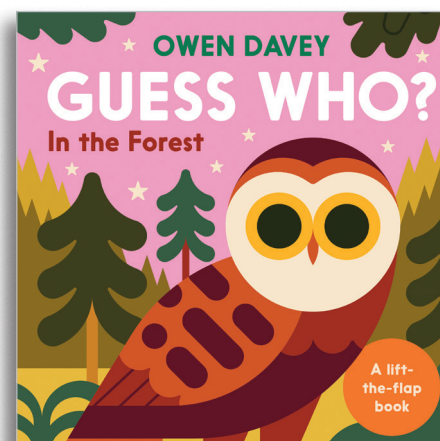


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GUESS WHO? IN THE FOREST

Owen Davey

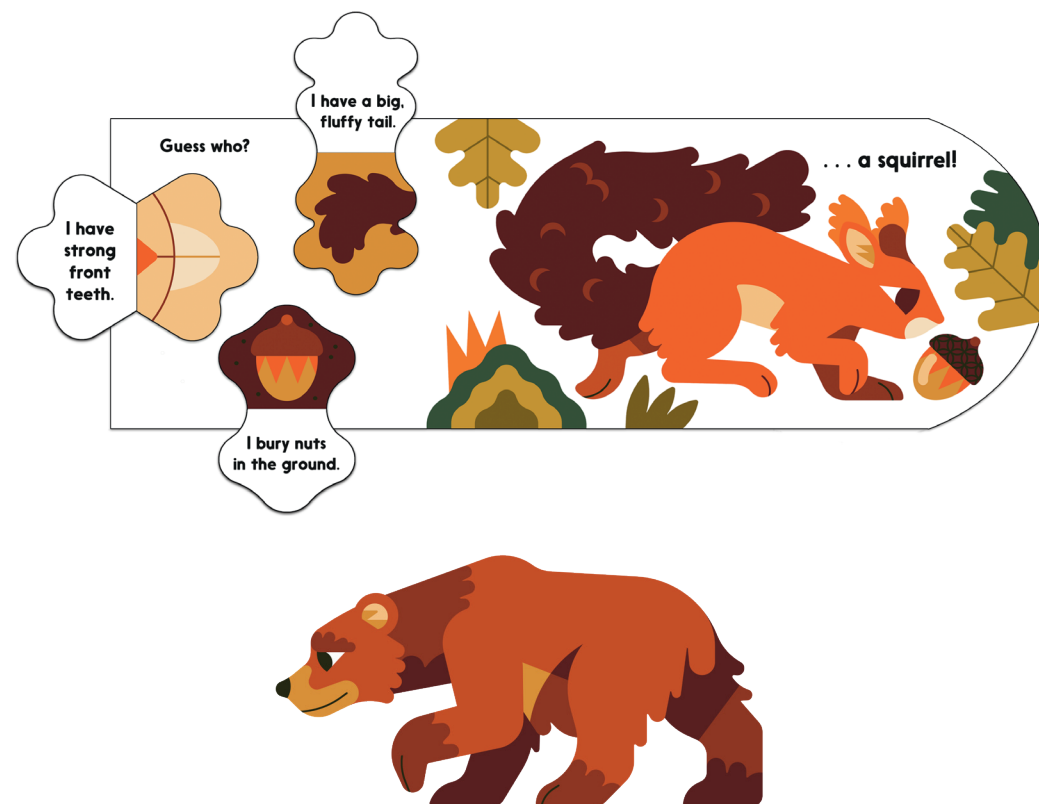


2+ | 9781838742553 | 5th May | BB | 10pp
USD \$12.99 / CAN \$17.99 | 175 x 175mm



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BABY KRAKEN

Ani Manzananas



3+ | 9781838740849 | 5th May | HC | 32pp
USD \$17.99 / CAN \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



Ollie overcomes his fear of the ocean
with the help of a baby... octopus?

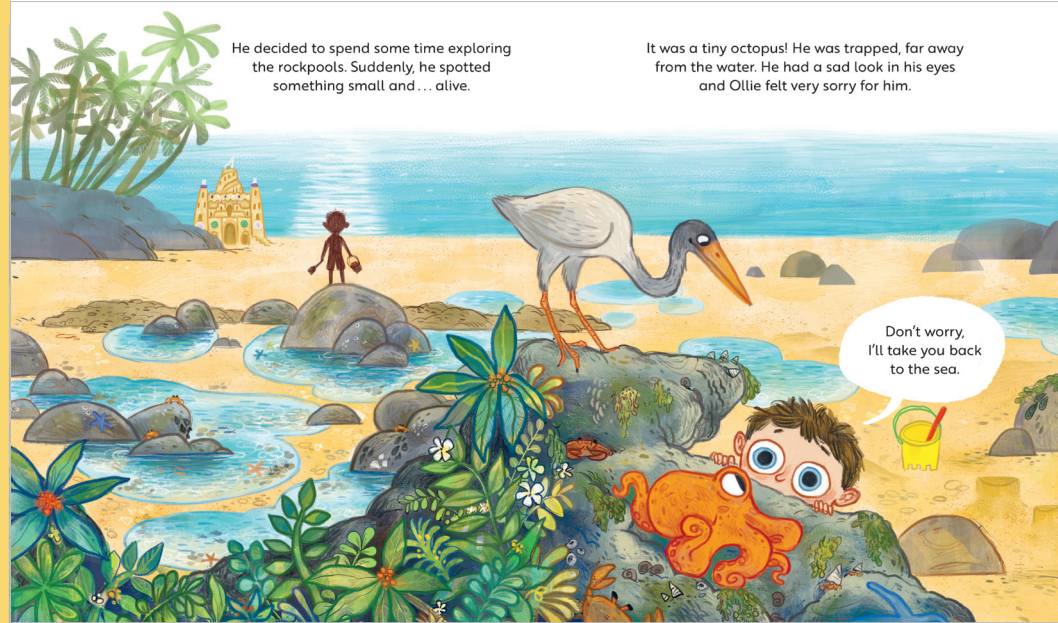
Ollie is afraid of the sea – he just KNOWS it's full of monsters! While playing in a little tide pool, he meets a baby octopus. They become friends, and Ollie slowly learns that there was nothing to be scared of. After all, there are no giant monsters under the sea... are there?



- A gorgeously illustrated summer story about a beach holiday with a twist!
- About friendship, conquering your fears, and trying new things.



Ani Manzananas (Ana Jimenez) grew up in Spain and has been drawing since she could hold a pencil. After studying Fine Arts and briefly wondering what on earth to do with her life, she had an epiphany: illustration was the answer. She moved to the English countryside to learn the language, collect stories and work on her illustrations.



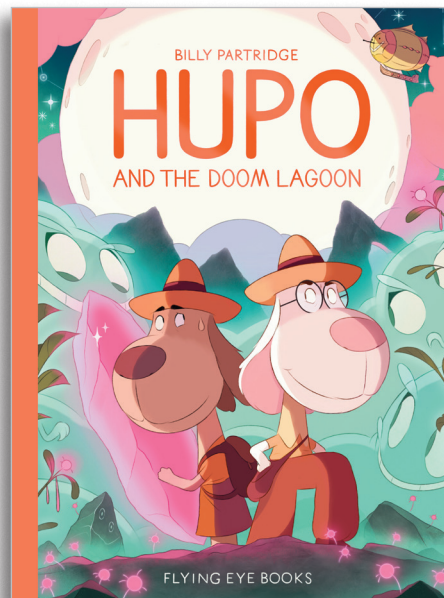
He decided to spend some time exploring the rockpools. Suddenly, he spotted something small and ... alive.

It was a tiny octopus! He was trapped, far away from the water. He had a sad look in his eyes and Ollie felt very sorry for him.

Don't worry,
I'll take you back
to the sea.

HUPO AND THE DOOM LAGOON

Billy Partridge



7+ | 9781838742706 | 5th May | PB | 64pp
USD \$12.99 / CAN 17.99 | 225 x 163mm



Join Hupo on his next adventure as he battles his very own worst fears...

Hupo is off on an airship adventure, but this time he's sharing the decks with Zimmy, a peculiar person who looks, sounds, and smells, just like Hupo! They make their way to the Doom Lagoon, a place where you can trap your worst fears below the waters so you never have to be scared again. But things don't go to plan...



- A debut who has been recognised by the V&A awards.
- Tackles topics such as jealousy between friends, facing your fears and accepting yourself... even if you're told you're 'too much'.



Without another thought, he grabbed the essentials, polished his spectacles, and crept past his snoring friends.



Outside, the scent only grew stronger. It had notes of adventure, an aroma of mischief, and the tiniest whiff of...



Billy Partridge grew up in Nottingham and studied Illustration at Leeds Arts University, where he graduated with a first class honours degree. He was the recipient of a merit in 3x3 magazine's 2022 illustration awards and has been nominated for a V&A illustration award. At the heart of his work is a fascination with the weird and wonderful, intriguing characters and mystical worlds.

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PB 9781838741624

BIGUANA

Michael Parkin



3+ | 9781838740955 | 2nd Jun | HC | 32pp
USD \$17.99 / \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



A hilarious story about jealousy, friendship and sharing the limelight.

Biguana and Pinto have been best, best friends since they were eggs! They grow up together and Biguana gets bigger... and bigger... and BIGGER! He gets so much attention from everyone because of how big he is that he forgets all about Pinto and what it's like to be a good friend. Will he learn his lesson and make friends with Pinto again?



- A great and funny lesson in what it means to be a good friend.
- Bright, colourful and engaging illustrations by author and illustrator Michael Parkin.



Michael Parkin grew up in the countryside around Hampshire and Surrey. He graduated from Kingston University with a first class degree in 2014 and has since been working as a freelance illustrator. He was shortlisted for the AOI Awards multiple times and winning 2nd prize in the Jonathan Cape/Observer/Comica graphic short story prize.



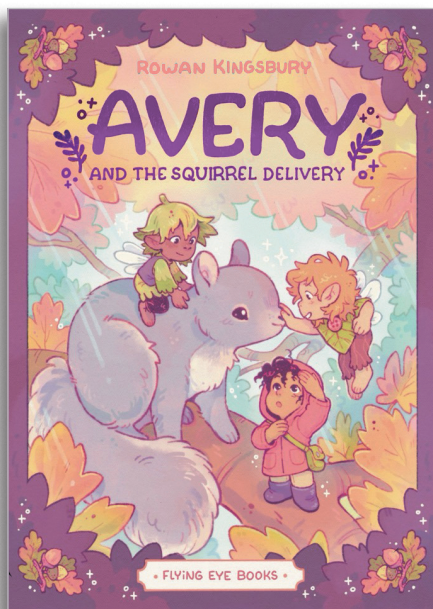
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PB | 9781838743383

AVERY AND THE SQUIRREL DELIVERY

Rowan Kingsbury



5+ | 9781838743529 | 2nd Jun | PB | 56pp
USD \$12.99 / CAN \$17.99 | 225 x 163mm



A charming and sweet fairy adventure comic.

Avery returns to the fairy world to see her friend Birch, but when she arrives on the first day of fall, it looks like the fairies are busy getting ready for the colder months ahead. With the animals they live alongside needing help in the harsher weather, it's up to Avery and Birch to deliver much-needed medicine to some local squirrels, and dodge any danger that pops up on their journey!

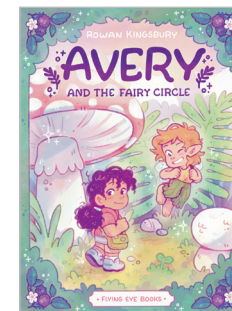


- Includes themes of protecting local forests, wildlife and the environment.
- Tackles important topics such as jealousy among friends and helping your community.



Rowan Kingsbury is a Portland, OR based illustrator and storyteller creating work full of wonder, warmth and whimsy. She has a BFA in Illustration from the Pacific Northwest College of Art and has always loved living and working in the rainy pacific northwest, letting her childhood running through it's forests influence her art.

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PB | 9781838741983

THE NIGHTLIGHTS COLLECTION: A TRILOGY OF TALES

Lorena Alvarez

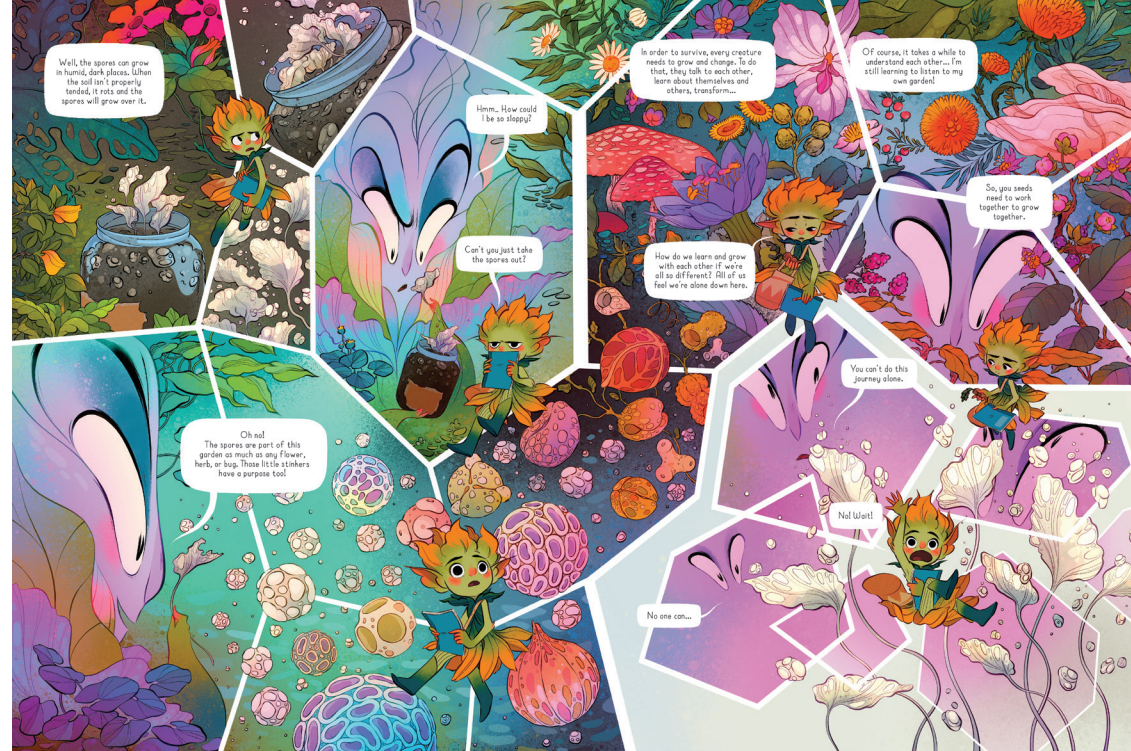


YA | 9781910620588 | 2nd Jun | HC | 188pp
USD \$30 / CAN \$35 | 297 x 220mm



A 10th anniversary edition with all three stories in one volume.

This trilogy of jaw-droppingly beautiful comics by Lorena Alvarez features the first two books in the *Nightlights* series (*Nightlights* and *Hicotea*), plus one brand-new story (*Sune*) and bonus material from the artist.



- Lorena Alvarez award-winning author and illustrator.
- *Nightlights* was nominated for two Eisner awards in 2017.

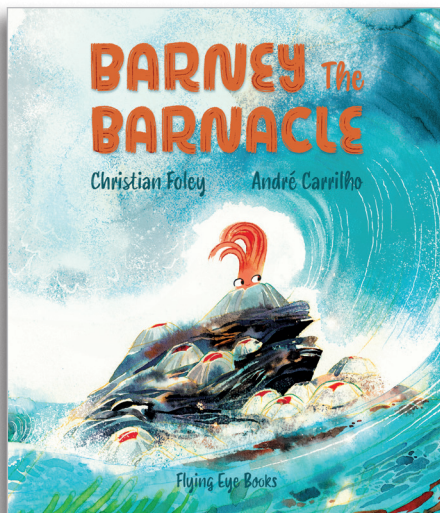


Lorena Alvarez is an Eisner Award-nominated illustrator and artist and winner of the Russ Manning Newcomer Award, born and raised in Bogotá, Colombia. She studied Graphic Design and Arts at the Universidad Nacional de Colombia.



BARNEY THE BARNACLE

Christian Foley & André Carrilho



3+ | 9781838740856 | 7th Jul | HC | 32pp
USD 17.99 / CAN \$23.99 | 270 x 230mm



A stunningly illustrated picture book
about how music makes us feel.

No matter what, no matter how, Barney will not be moved. Barney is completely unbothered by everything that happens around him. He will not play with the fish, he won't listen to the birds and he won't even move when the sea and the sky cause a big storm. He can't be moved. Until a shipwrecked band washes up onto his rock and they begin to play...

- Christian Foley is a teacher, poet and rapper for children of all ages.
- André Carrilho is an award-winning illustrator.
- A beautiful picture book for music lovers.



Christian Foley's work has taken him from school classrooms to Oprah's Television Networks, PMQ's at Westminster, festival circuits, TED talks and the Premier League. Over the last decade, Christian has worked with thousands of children, and hundreds of teachers every year.



André Carrilho has worked as a professional illustrator, editorial cartoonist, animator and caricature artist for over 30 years. In 2002 he was awarded the Gold Award for Illustrator's Portfolio by the Society for News Design, one of the more than 100 honours and awards he has received as an illustrator and cartoonist. He lives in Lisbon.



FROGGY: AUTUMN ANTICS!

Paige Walshe



7+ | 9781838743536 | 7th Jul | PB | 136pp
USD 12.99 / 17.99 | 225 x 163mm



This charming young comic is the second instalment of Froggy's adventures.

Winter is approaching at the pond, and Froggy is gearing up for all the fun that autumn and winter bring. Soup! Reading books in front of the fire! Snowball fights! Leaf fights! Mud fights! But he's noticed that his pond friends seem to be slowing down and getting ready to sleep through all the fun. Will he get lonely when they all go to sleep, or will he find more mischief to get into?



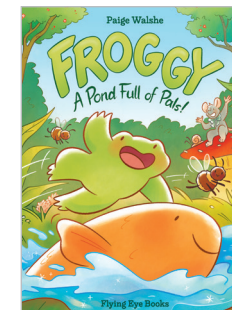
- Touches on feeling left out and having to say goodbye to friends.
- Froggy has 54,000 followers on Instagram and 3.9 million views on webtoon.
- A simple, easy-to-read comic for younger readers.



Paige Walshe has been voraciously reading and making comics since she was 14, whether they be the kind to leave you laughing out loud, yearning for a fantasy world or checking whether you still own a night light. She enjoys illustrating cute animals, creepy forests and everything in between.



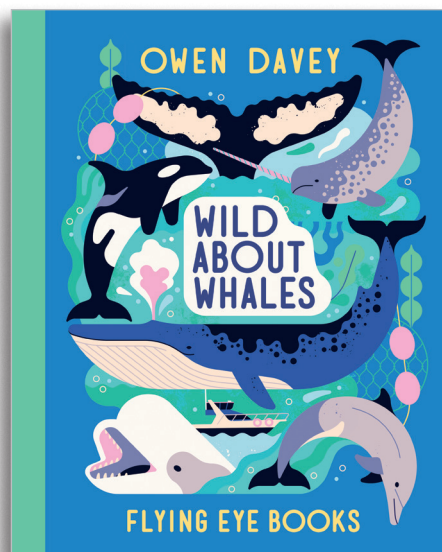
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PB | 9781838742195

WILD ABOUT WHALES

Owen Davey



7+ | 9781838742300 | 7th Jul | HC | 40pp
USD \$19.99 / CAN \$25.99 | 290 x 230mm



This popular non-fiction series continues with a captivating, illustrated guide to whales.

Did you know that whales are the loudest animals in the world? Or that blue whales aren't actually blue? Do you know the differences between a toothed whale and a baleen whale? Immerse yourself in this beautifully illustrated guide to some of the world's most largest mammals, full of facts about whales, their diets, habitats and how they communicate (and yes, dolphins too).

BY DESIGN

To better understand these remarkable creatures, take a closer look at the ... and ... below.

Eyes

A shiny layer at the back of their eyes called the 'tapetum lucidum' helps whales to see in dark or murky water.

Tongue

Baleen whale tongues help push water out through the baleen plates, leaving prey behind to swallow.

Blubber

Whales are covered in this thick layer of fat to help them float, keep warm and store energy.

Blowhole

A blowhole is a nostril, but unlike us, whales have their nostrils on the top of their heads. Baleen whales have two blowholes while toothed whales have only one. When they go underwater a 'nasal plug' seals the blowhole so water can't get in.

Tail fin

Fish have vertical tail fins that swish side to side, but whales have a tail fin called a fluke, which goes up and down to powerfully propel them through the water. The fluke is connected to the body by a strong muscle called the peduncle.

Dorsal fin

This stabilises the movement of the whale as it swims.

Ears

Whales have small ear openings filled with a waxy plug. They are well adapted to hear underwater.



Baleen plates

The Baleen whales have comb-like baleen plates instead of teeth. They are made of keratin similar to our fingernails, and work like a sieve, filtering out water and trapping prey.

Ventral pleats

Folds of skin, pleated like in a skirt, allowing it to grow and shrink to take in large amounts of water and food.

Pectoral fin

Also known as flippers, these help with balance, steering and turning in the water.

Melon

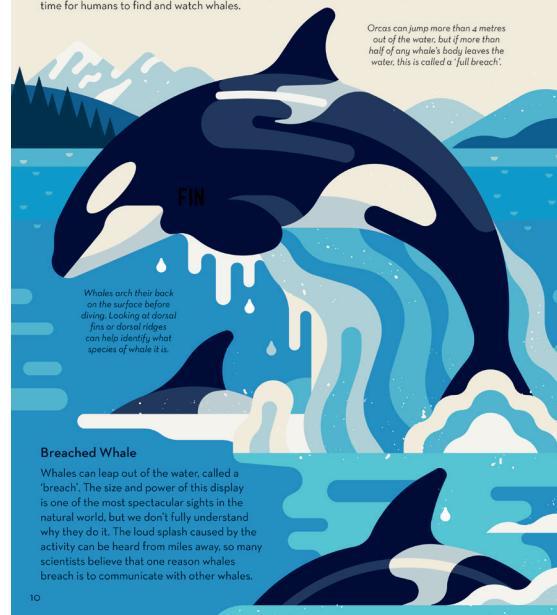
All toothed whales have this enlarged forehead, which helps focus sounds. The 'melon' is a key part of their echolocation abilities (see p.12).



Teeth
Sharp cone-shaped teeth are perfect for catching slippery fish and squid.

WHALE WATCHING

Eventually, whales have to come to the surface of the water to breathe. Some species can hold their breath for a few hours, while others can only last a few minutes. Naturally, this is the easiest time for humans to find and watch whales.



Orcas can jump more than 4 metres out of the water, but if more than half of any whale's body leaves the water, this is called a 'full breach'.

Whales arch their back on the surface before diving. Looking at dorsal fins or dorsal ridges can help identify what species of whale it is.

Breached Whale

Whales can leap out of the water, called a 'breach'. The size and power of this display is one of the most spectacular sights in the natural world, but we don't fully understand why they do it. The loud splash caused by the activity can be heard from miles away, so many scientists believe that one reason whales breach is to communicate with other whales.

Some species, especially the humpback whale, roll onto their sides and slap the water with their pectoral fins.



Whales may raise their flukes above the water before a deep dive. On some occasions, they may also slap the water with their tails, known as 'lobtailing', which could be a sign of communication.



Whales sometimes poke their head above the water to get a glimpse of their surroundings. This is known as spy-hopping.

Here's My Spout

When a whale surfaces, it's breath can look like a spray of water, known as a 'spout' or 'blow'. Spouts are the warm air from their lungs mixing with the cold air outside and condensing into a cloud – exactly like your breath does on a cold day. The shape of the spout can often help us identify the species of whale it belongs to – a blue whale's spout can be more than 10 metres tall!



This spout may also have some seawater droplets in it and a little bit of whale snot ... yuck!



What's the Porpoise?

Whales have powerful flukes to propel them through the water but many toothed whales can sprint so fast that they go airborne. This well-known dolphin movement, known as 'porpoising', lets these whales jump through the air, which has much less resistance than water. It requires less effort, keeps them moving fast and allows them to breathe without having to slow down.

- Tenth title in the ever-popular Owen Davey About Animals series.
- An educational resource for teachers and parents on wildlife.
- An ideal accompaniment to KS1 and KS2 learning.



Owen Davey is a freelance illustrator based in Worthing, UK. He graduated with a First Class degree in Illustration from Falmouth University and his work has since been published in every continent except Antarctica, including picture books in UK, America, Australia, Germany, France, Portugal, China and Korea.

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JAM IS FOR EATING!

Jess Mountfield



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A bat named Benny, his brilliant batch of jam and all sorts of sticky situations.

When Benny the bat rolls out his jam laden trolley loaded with the best batch he has ever made he is disappointed by his friends' reactions to his sweet treat. Each and every one of Benny's friends seems to have other (sometimes ingenious) uses for Benny's jam. But to Benny's annoyance, none of them involve eating it!



- A unique picture book jam-packed with laughs on every spread.
- Themes of friendship, teamwork, acceptance and jam-eating.
- Stunning and quirky illustrations make Jess Mountfield's debut a treat for the eyes.



Jessica Mountfield is an animator and illustrator with a love for all things squishy, character-filled and delicious. She has directed shorts for the BBC, MTV, FX, the ICA and plenty of scientists. She's won awards from the Royal Television Society, and lectures at the University of the Arts London.



RUNE: THE TALE OF THE WINGED SORCERESS

Carlos Sánchez



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- Characters have been created in discussion with two deaf consultants.
- The first title in the series was the first graphic novel to win a Waterstones Children's Book Prize category.



Carlos Sánchez grew up in Barcelona. He studied Design in EINA, and a master in Creative Illustration in Bau. He loves to draw, read comics, eat cereal and play video games. Nowadays, he works as a designer, illustrator and comic artist in Barcelona.



- 'Rune will draw you right into its intricately constructed fantasy world of magic, wonder and quirky characters. Come for the adventure, stay for the waffles.'
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Katie Knutton



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Wouldn't the world be boring if we were all the same?

Luna the foal has tiny hooves, a fluffy tail and she loves to play with her friends in the meadow. But Luna also has something special... Luna has wings. When Luna realises that she's different, her mother and friends help her realise that everyone is unique and that's what makes us special.



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A fluffy tail...



And loved to play all day with her friends in the meadow.



But, unlike her friends, Luna had something special...

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Katie Knutton graduated with a degree in Graphic Design from Camberwell College of Arts, London and has worked as a designer and Art Director of children's books for over 15 years, collaborating with top illustrators such as Quentin Blake, Sara Ogilvie and Jenni Desmond.

IN WAVES

AJ DUNGO

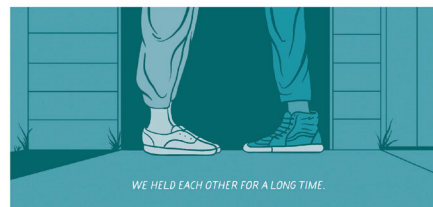


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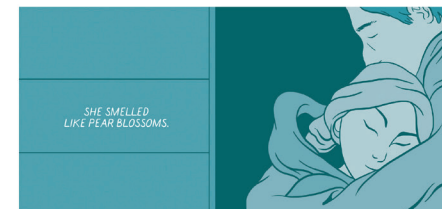


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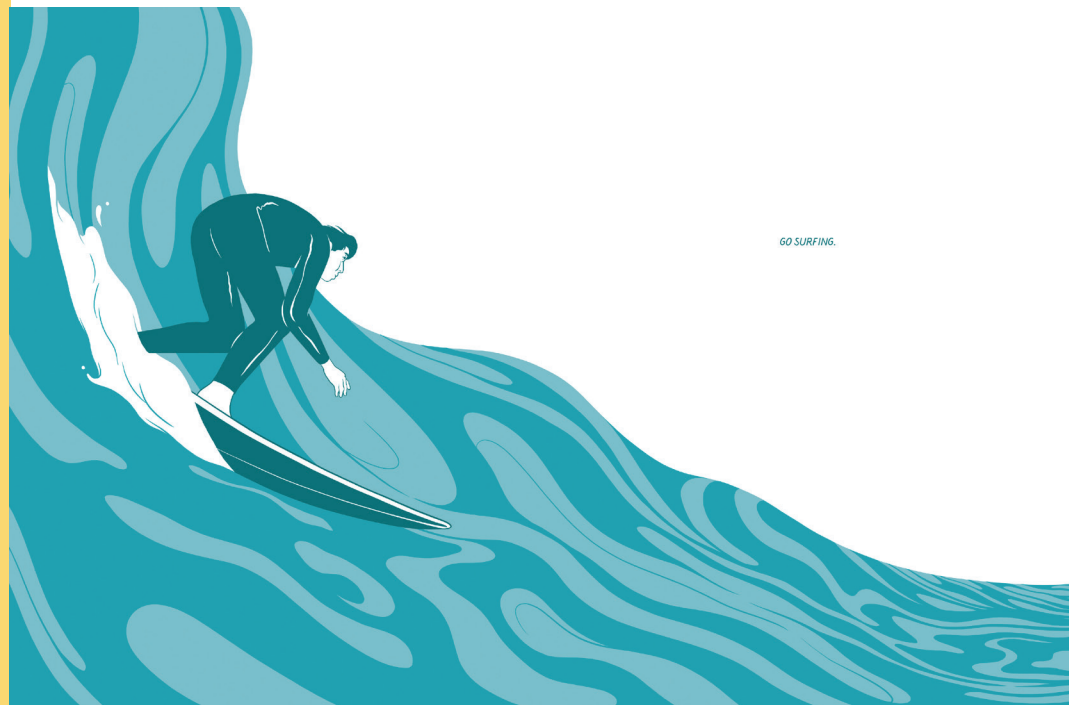
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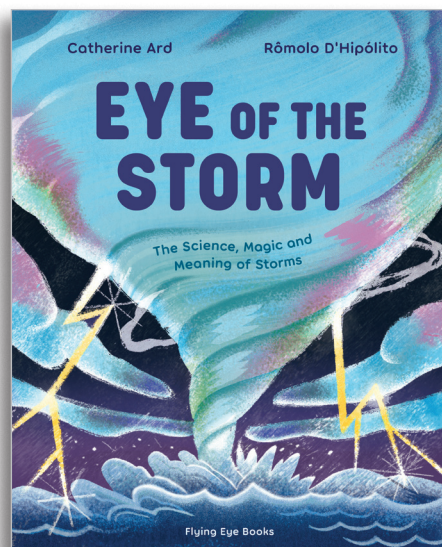
- A must-have for surfing aficionados and fans of beautiful illustration.
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AJ DUNGO is an illustrator from Florida. He studied at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, and his work has been shown in several group exhibitions in New York and LA. His work strives to create interesting atmospheres and feelings that viewers can have a reaction to. He Lives in LA.

EYE OF THE STORM

Catherine Ard & Rômolo D'Hipólito



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Exploring how storms begin, how meteorologists study them and the many different forms they take while discovering the myths, stories and art that storms have inspired across cultures and throughout history, this is the perfect book for budding scientists, artists and extreme weather enthusiasts.



- Covers a range of STEM topics.
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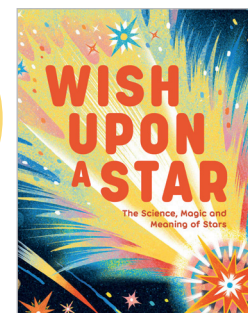
Catherine Ard spent her childhood in Yorkshire, Northern Ireland, then London and West Sussex, where she first discovered a love of reading and her talent for writing. After 15 years working in London and Bath editing children's non-fiction books, she has gone on to be commissioned to write for many publishers.



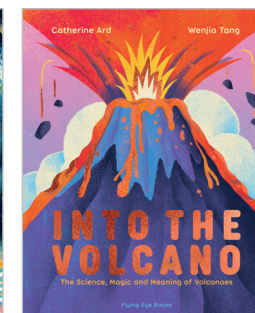
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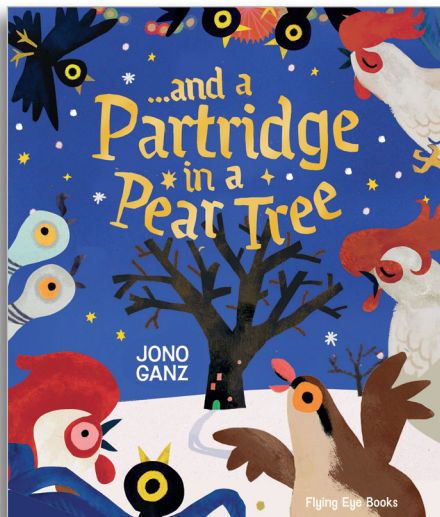
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...AND A PARTRIDGE IN A PEAR TREE

Jono Ganz



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For those who like their Christmas carols with a twist!

Join the Partridge from the classic carol as all these other guys (and those five gold rings) turn up at their pear tree this Christmas. A comical journey through the verses of the song ending in a little twist.



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- Brilliant read-along value!
- The perfect Christmas picture book.



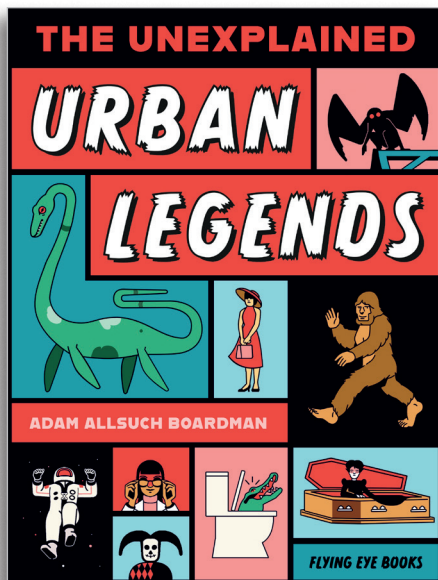
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Four calling birds,
three French hens,
two turtle doves
and a partridge in a pear tree.

THE UNEXPLAINED: URBAN LEGENDS

Adam Allsuch Boardman



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Footprints in the forest, footage of blurry beasts and rumours of the Bogeyman...

From the lost city of Atlantis, to Mothman and Bigfoot sightings, urban legends have fascinated people for centuries. Explore the mysteries of urban legends in this graphic guide and decide for yourself – is there anything lurking among us?



- A new series for younger readers by multi-award winning Adam Allsuch Boardman.
- A non-fiction graphic guide about the dark, mysterious tapestry of folktales.
- Covers the weird and wonderful from all corners of the world.

WHAT IS AN URBAN LEGEND?

American academic and folklorist Richard Dorson first coined the term 'urban legend' in the 1950s. He described them as folktales told in modern cities. Over time, this meaning has grown to become a mysterious, humorous or horrific story circulated as truth. In most cases these stories are found to be made up or exaggerated.

Legend

Legends are stories about people and places that may or may not be authentic but are often believed by an audience.

Myth

Myths are stories tied strongly to a belief system, such as the Bible or ancient Greek myths. Myths can take thousands of years to develop and are often used to explain mysterious phenomena.

Types of Stories

Writers group urban legends into categories based on the content of the stories. Below are several common themes:



Contamination
Alarmist paranoia about everyday products.



Animals
Amusing or horrid incidents with animals.



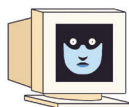
Bogeymen
Terrifying accounts of murderers and monsters.



Conspiracies
Mysterious plots and schemes.



Paranormal
Alleged encounters with the unknown.



Technology
Frustrations and misconceptions about common technology.

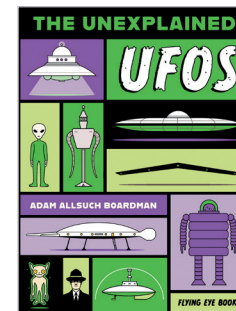


Road Rumours
Strange happenings in and around cars.



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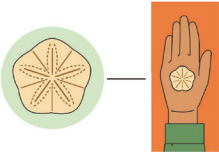
- Includes history, pop culture, sociology and more.
- Magic (or magik), fantasy and mysticism is always a popular subject.

THE FAE

Fairies, Fae, Hildafolk, the Gentry, Elves. Cultures around the world have names beyond count for magical beings that live just out of sight of human eyes.



Fairy Loaves
In Suffolk, UK, fossilised sea urchins were called Fairy Loaves due to their resemblance to bread. People placed Fairy Loaves by their hearth to magically ensure the home never knew hunger.



Fairy Places

As the original purpose of ancient structures like barrows and burials faded, folklore often re-imagined them as fairy dwellings that required respect.



Fairy Rock, UK



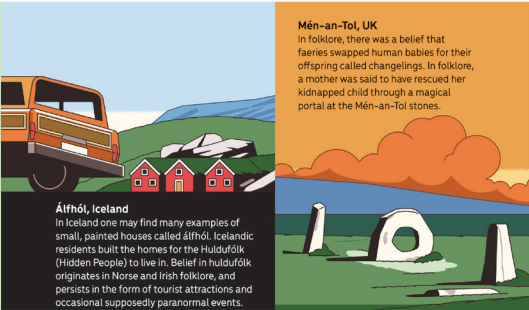
Fairy Fock, Ireland



Pierre De La Fee, France



Domus de Janas, Italy



Álfhól, Iceland
In Iceland one may find many examples of small, painted houses called Álfhól. Icelandic residents built the homes for the Huldafólk (Hidden People) to live in. Belief in huldafólk originates in Norse and Irish folklore, and persists in the form of tourist attractions and occasional supposedly paranormal events.

Mén-an-Tol, UK

In folklore, there was a belief that faeries swapped human babies for their offspring called changelings. In folklore, a mother was said to have rescued her kidnapped child through a magical portal at the Mén-an-Tol stones.



Fairy Paths

Tradition held that fairies had special roads between their dwellings, leading some people to avoid building on these invisible paths for fear of magical punishment. In the 20th century, British antiquarian Alfred Watkins developed a similar idea called 'Ley Lines', imagined magical links between ancient sites.



Fairy Investigation Society (FIS)

Catalysed by the popular interest in Spiritualism, FIS was a British organisation founded in 1927 to assemble evidence of fairies. In the mid 1950s, folklorist Alasdair MacGregor and 'fairy-seer' author Marjorie T. Johnson collaborated to create the first 'fairy Census', which catalogued letters from around the world about supposed fairy sightings. The census was not published until 2014 and has been followed up with more recent testimonies on the modern day FIS website.

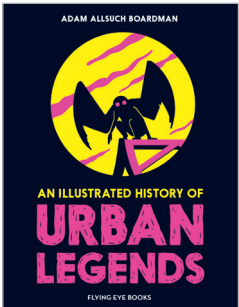


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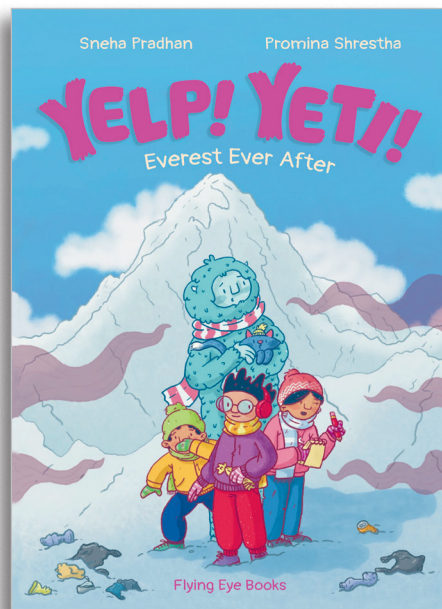
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YELP! YETI! EVEREST EVER AFTER

Sneha Pradhan & Promina Shrestha



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Bundle up! Dev, Tuna and Hiū are returning for another mischievous adventure!

When Dev's boredom lands him in some trouble, his parents banish him to Everest Base Camp for the summer to join his dad on a research trip. But when he reunites with his friend Hiū the Yeti, he's invited to Yetiville, which is plagued by a horrible smell. How did the stench reach the world's highest mountain? And can Dev help the Yetis clear it away while defeating boredom once and for all?

Dev was being banished to Everest Base Camp. His parents agreed that he needed to keep busy and learn some responsibility so he'd be accompanying Papa on his research field trip. Thankfully, Maa made some food to take with them.



He began to pack his bags, deciding whether he needed more comics than woolly socks.



*Yomari: Yuh-mar-ee = Delicious Newari fish-shaped dessert dumpling filled with sweet molasses or khunu (condensed milk)
*Baba = Term of endearment in Nepali. Like, dear

Since Papa was going to be busy doing work stuff, Dev knew he couldn't let boredom win again. Luckily, he'd been keeping in touch with Hiū the past year and couldn't wait to FINALLY see him again!



The day of the trip arrived. As Dev and Papa got in line to board the helicopter, Dev spotted a familiar face ahead.



- The second title in the series set in Nepal, by Newari creators.
- Includes footnotes and translations of Nepali words.
- Explores the damaging human impact of littering on Mount Everest.



Sneha Pradhan is a lover of all things story-related and is passionate about creating brave, whimsical characters that bring a smile to her audience. She was born and raised in Kathmandu and now lives in Chicago.



Promina Shrestha is an award-winning illustrator. She currently directs her creative energy towards personal projects while residing on a rural farm in Nepal. As the co-founder of Virangana Comics Collective, she annually spearheads a non-fiction comics workshop in Nepal.



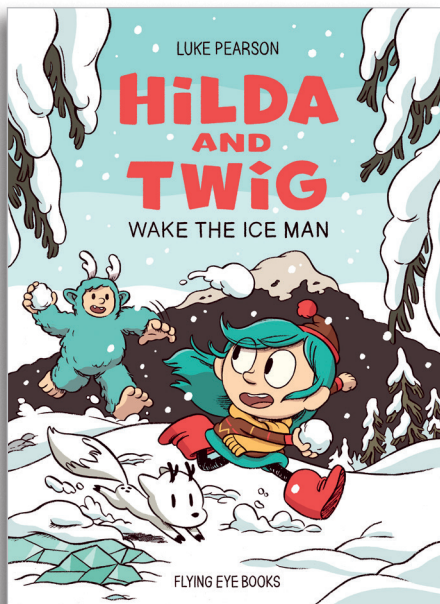
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HILDA AND TWIG: WAKE THE ICE MAN

Luke Pearson



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Join Twig and his best friend Hilda on their second adventure for young comic readers.

Hilda and her new friend, Burku the giant are enjoying playing together in the Wilderness. There is just one thing that would make everything more fun... snow! It just so happens that Twig has accidentally woken the Ice Man, unfortunately, that means there's a lot more than a snow flurry headed straight for Hilda!



Luke Pearson is the creator of the *Hilda* comic book series. He was also a writer and co-executive producer of the BAFTA and Emmy 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.

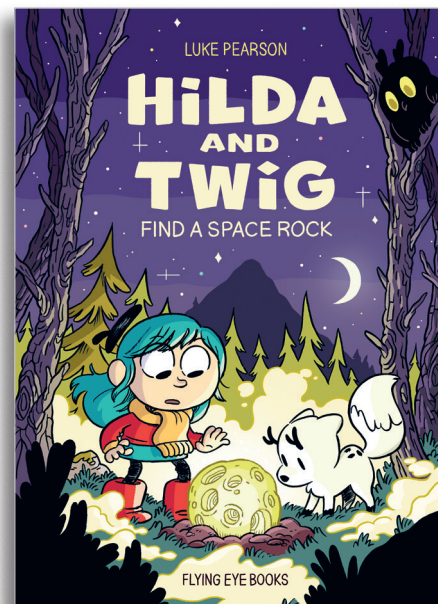
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Luke Pearson



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Tag along with Hilda and Twig as they try of solve a stellar mystery!

Hilda and Twig are enjoying a calm camping trip, spotting shooting stars. But when one of these shooting stars lands in the woods nearby and Hilda insists on taking a piece home, Twig's going to have to save Hilda from a bit of other-worldly danger...



