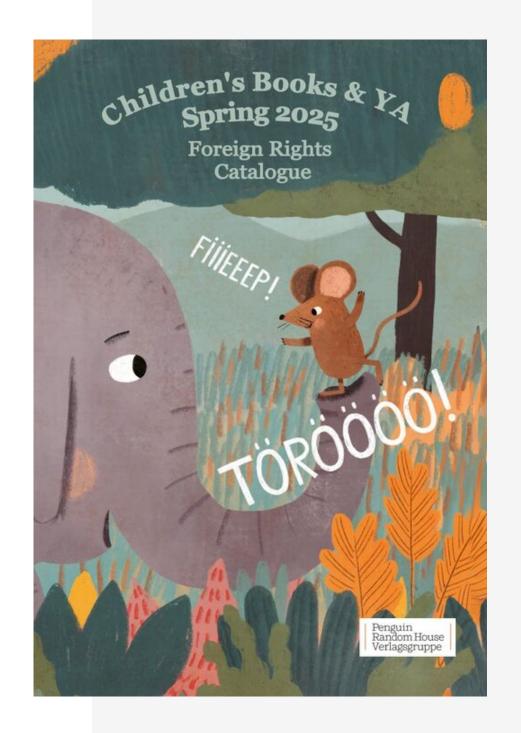
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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Nico Sternbaum Pages & Size: 22 | 19,0x19,0 cm Recommended age group: 1+ Original title: Tröste den Tiger - Ein Fühl-Mitmachbuch

NICO STERNBAUM

Comfort the Tiger

AN ACTIVITY + TOUCH & FEEL BOOK

Date of publication: January 22, 2025

18 months+

A book you can pet, knock and stroke - with lots to feel!

What on earth has happened? Tiger looks really upset. She has hurt her leg, and needs help urgently. Why don't you carefully stroke her soft fur? Ah, she already feels much better!

This book allows the little ones to get involved and help animals out of all kinds of situations.

- •The popular activity concept by this bestselling author now as a board picture book
- •Fantastic fresh ideas for developing empathy
- •The perfect package: activity book + touch & feel book in one



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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Nico Sternbaum Pages & Size: 22 | 19,0x19,0 cm Recommended age group: 1+ Original title: Weck die Bauernhoftiere – Ein Fühl-Mitmachbuch

NICO STERNBAUM

Wake the Farm Animals

AN ACTIVITY + TOUCH & FEEL BOOK

Date of publication: January 22, 2025

18 months+

Can you help wake everyone up?

Gustav the cockerel is sick and unable to wake the other animals in the yard. Can you help? Maybe if you pet, prod or tickle them, they'll wake up and won't miss breakfast on the pasture! With all that help, Gustav will be right as rain in no time. •The popular activity concept by this bestselling author – now as a board picture

- book
- •A fresh twist on farmyard tales
- •The perfect package: activity book + touch & feel book in one

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Publishing House: Bassermann Format: Hardcover Pages & Size: 40 | 21,0x21,0 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Such den Osterhasen, Ein Oster-Mitmachbuch. Zum Schütteln, Schaukeln, Pusten, Klopfen und sehen, was dann passiert. Von 2 bis 4 Jahren

NICO STERNBAUM

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Where's the Easter Bunny? An Easter activity book: Shake it, rock it, blow on it, knock it

Date of publication: January 29, 2025

2+ colour illustrations throughout

The Easter Bunny is super busy, and everything seems to be going wrong. The hens won't let him into their coop, he doesn't have any paintbrushes or paint, and the Easter eggs are about to fall off the cart... Easter is right around the corner! Can you help?

Little ones can get sucked in by turning the book upside down, shaking it, blowing on it, and clucking like a hen. Packed with Easter surprises, it promises a whole lot of play, fun and excitement.

- •Easter is just around the corner! The first Easter activity book by this bestselling author
- •Lots of Easter fun: a stressed-out bunny, hens that can't hear, a distracted Mrs Badger, and other cute animals who help make sure there are plenty of colourful eggs to find in the end
- •Shake it, blow on it, put your hands on your head or cluck like a hen

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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover Pages & Size: 12 | 18,0x18,0 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Der kleine Hase

Upsala – Ich bin noch gar nicht

müde – Ein Gute-Nacht-Klappenbuch

NICO STERNBAUM

Little Rabbit Upsala: I'm Not Tired!

A BEDTIME BOARD BOOK

Date of publication: January 22, 2025

2+

I don't want to go to bed!

Little rabbit Upsala finds it hard to go to sleep. He just isn't tired yet. He wonders what his friends are doing and visits them one by one. As it turns out, they're still up too! But just as they're about to start a ball game, something gets in the way... •A fun picture book with 'before/after' features for kids who simply don't want to go to sleep

- •A fantastic activity book by this bestselling author
- •Extra-fat and extra-large boards make it especially fun

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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Nico Sternbaum Pages & Size: 12 | 18,0x18,0 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Der kleine Hase Upsala – Komm, wir bauen was! – Ein

Baustellen-Klappenbuch

NICO STERNBAUM

Little Rabbit Upsala: Let's Build!

A BEDTIME BOARD BOOK

Date of publication: January 22, 2025

2+

Join us on the construction site!

Little rabbit Upsala and his friends want to create a new playground, with the help of a digger, dump truck and other tools and vehicles. But just as they've finished the playground, Upsala trips over his big feet and brings the whole thing down... Luckily, his friends know just what to do!

- •A fun picture book with 'before/after' features for all kids who love building sites and machinery
- •A fantastic activity book by this bestselling author



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ANN-KATRIN HEGER

Oh no! I Need the Loo!

BOARD BOOK WITH FOUR FUN LOO SOUNDS

Date of publication: July 30, 2025

2+

Rerelease of the 2022 edition

Picture Books

Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Katja Schmiedeskamp Pages & Size: 10 | 19,0x19,0 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Oh! Ich muss aufs Klo!

Who farted? A fun loo book with sound effects

Oh no, Greta needs the loo! But she has to wait a while, because there's a queue. And then it's her turn: wee, flush, wash your hands. That's the way to do it! A board book with 4 fun sound effects – a playful way to toilet-train your child. With batteries and an on/off switch at the back.

- Four fun sound effects: farting, weeing, flushing and washing your hands
- An important everyday topic conveyed with a great sense of humour
- An interactive book that helps children navigate everyday life

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A BEDTIME BOARD BOOK

Date of publication: February 19, 2025

2+

Picture Books

Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Yvonne Sundag Pages & Size: 14 | 23,0x17,0 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Ein Stachelschwein will kuschelig sein

Porcupine Lou can't get to sleep

If only Lou had someone to snuggle up with! But her spikes are far too prickly for anyone to get even close. Lou hopes her friends can help. Will balloons, candyfloss or feathers help make her less prickly?

When Lou is finally able to snuggle up with her friends, it isn't long before she's fast asleep.

•A delightful, magical bedtime book that'll help kids go to sleep

How Do Porcupines Get Cosy?

- •Makes you feel loved and safe, and fires up the imagination
- •Deals with an important parenting topic
- •Lovingly told by Christine Kugler and wonderfully illustrated by Yvonne Sundag

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Christine Kugler was born in Bavaria in 1982 and grew up in the countryside. Ever since she was little, she has spent all her spare time painting and sketching. She has a degree from the Academy of Fine Art in Nuremberg and has worked as a freelance children's illustrator, and is now also an author.

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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Sarah Garbers Pages & Size: 10 | 19,0x17,0 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Hurra, ein Zauber-Osterei!

ANNETTE MOSER

Hooray, A Magic Easter Egg!

Date of publication: February 19, 2025

2+

Have a magical Easter!

The little chick is out and about looking for Easter Eggs. But hey! What's that? Every egg has a lovely surprise hidden inside! To make the eggs crack, just pull the tabs. There's a fantastic surprise waiting for you at the end...

- •Egg hunt fun with the little chick
- •With cracking sound effects and moveable tabs on every page
- •Perfect for little kids, with delicate pictures and recurring rhymes



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Annette Moser loves elves, fairies and squirrels (including the cheeky ones), monsters, witches and ghosts (particularly the friendly ones) and children (all of them), and can't think of anything better than immersing herself in an exciting story (with a happy ending). So being a children's author is definitely the perfect job for her!

ILLUSTRATOR

Sarah Garbers



Sarah Garbers worked as a graphic designer for many years before turning to her real passion, illustration. She now creates cheerful, cheeky, colourful, enchanting and detailed image worlds in her Berlin studio.



Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Julia Reyelt Pages & Size: 10 | 20,3x20,3 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Rundherum! Mein Drehspaß-Buch -Unterwegs mit dem Bus

LINDA STURM

Round and Round We Go! On the Bus

WHEEL BOOK

Date of publication: February 19, 2025

2+

Let's go into town!

The bus takes the kids to school, picks workers up from the factory, and in the evening takes everyone home again after the concert.

The colourful wheel and plenty of hidden objects give little ones lots to do and discover.

- •Search & find pictures that follow the bus's journey all the way from morning till night
- •Colourful illustrations by Julia Reyelt, teeming with details and offering lots to discover

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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Julia Reyelt Pages & Size: 10 | 20,3x20,3 cm Recommended age group: 2+ Original title: Rundherum! Mein Drehspaß-Buch -Unterwegs mit dem Traktor

Round and Round We Go! On the **Tractor**

Date of publication: February 19, 2025

2+

Let's go to the farm!

The tractor brings fresh hay to the cowshed, takes apples from the orchard to the farm shop, and looks after the animals on the pasture.

The colourful wheel and plenty of hidden objects give little ones lots to do and discover.

- •Follow the tractor's route from barnyard to the fields and back
- •Search & find pictures that follow the farmer at work from dawn till dusk
- •Colourful illustrations by Julia Reyelt, teeming with details and offering lots to discover



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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Nikolai Renger Pages & Size: 16 | 23,0x17,0 cm

Recommended age group: 2+

Illustrations: 7 color illustrations

Original title: Gemeinsam? Na

klar!

Together? Of Course!

BOARD PICTURE BOOK ABOUT MAKING JOINT DECISIONS

Date of publication: February 12, 2025

2+

with colour illustrations

The choice is ours! A colourful picture book about voting and consent

How do you make the very best decisions? Together, of course! Because fairness is much better than strife. Each picture features animals doing something together and whether they're planning an excursion or a meal, they always know that a joint decision is a fair decision.

A playful book about living in a diverse and fair society. Fosters social skills, shows how fun togetherness is, and promotes diversity, tolerance and democracy

- •Straightforward examples show how to create a peaceful community
- •Fosters emotional awareness and helps with socialisation
- •Witty rhymes by a hugely popular author
- •Smartly illustrated by Nikolai Renger
- •Published to coincide with the 2025 parliamentary elections

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Publishing House: Bassermann Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 96 | 21,0x26,0 cm Recommended age group: 4+ Original title: Meine erste Malund Zeichenschule - Tiere. Ab 4 Jahren

NICO STERNBAUM



My Very First Art Book: Animals

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

4+

colour illustrations throughout

A hamster, a squirrel, a flamingo, a squid, a crocodile... This playful learning book for kids aged 4+ features more than 100 animals for them to copy. And it couldn't be easier: first, follow the step-by-step guide to drawing the creature's basic shapes, then fill in the details. A circle plus an oval, for example, will turn into a little dog. The best thing about it is that working with basic geometric shapes doesn't take as much planning and precision as drawing freeform outlines. That way, your little artist will feel like they have really achieved something, and discover the joy of drawing.

- •Featuring more than 100 common and uncommon animals living in all kinds of habitats: in homes and gardens, on farmyards and meadows, in the woods and in the sea
- •Learn how to draw the fun and easy way, using basic geometric shapes: first, recreate the shapes using coloured pencils, pens or watercolour – then fill in the details in black pen or pencil
- •Draw all your favourite animals: quinea pigs, bats, horses, whales, seals, monkeys, meerkats, parrots, lions – and many, many more
- •Makes drawing and painting accessible to children whose fine motor skills are still developing – feeling they've achieved something will give them a huge boost, and help them learn to love making art

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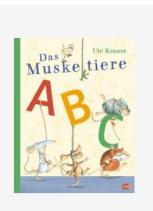
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UTE KRAUSE



The Muscleteer ABC

PICTURE BOOK

Date of publication: May 01, 2025

Alphabet fun with the Muscleteers

"The Muscleteers are all asleep. Suddenly, an almighty noise wakes them. Bertram's snoring like a broken buffalo! 'Silence!' someone cries crankily. 'Damn your eyes, you fiend,' groans someone else. 'How am I ever supposed to get back to sleep?"

The Muscleteers cheerfully march through the entire alphabet and help your little one learn to read. Who knew words and language can be so much fun!

- •An alphabetical Muscleteer adventure: learn all about letters and words while having fun!
- •An entertaining play & learn picture book
- •Funny stories, wittily illustrated by the author

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Pages & Size: 128 | 17,0x24,0

Recommended age group: 4+ Original title: Die Muskeltiere

- Tierisch gute

5-Minuten-Geschichten

UTE KRAUSE



The Muscleteers: Fantastic **Five-Minute Tales**

SHORT STORIES

Date of publication: March 26, 2025

4+

Storytelling with the Muscleteers

Oh no! There's been a terrible mishap, and the Muscleteers have ended up as a four-course dinner in Moritz the cat's food bowl. Moritz is already licking his lips – but the pals quickly discover that he likes one thing even more than food: stories! So they take turns keeping him entertained with stories about a baby seagull who always says no, a tortoise looking for a new home, what happened at Gruyère's birthday party, and Frieda the duck, whose duckling looks nothing like her... Can their tales convince Moritz to let his dinner go free?

- •10 wonderful and exciting 5-minute stories by and about the Muscleteers
- •Witty, funny and thoughtful, lovingly created and illustrated by the author
- •Perfect for family time

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Ute Krause





Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Ute Pages & Size: 40 | 27,0x23,0 cm Recommended age group: 4+ Original title: Oskar und der sehr hungrige Drache

UTE KRAUSE



Oskar and the Starving Dragon

A NEW EDITION OF THIS CHILDREN'S CLASSIC

Date of publication: February 19, 2025

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With colour illustrations All rights available except English

*Rights available again

A four-star dinner for a dragon

What's a dragon's favourite food? Princesses, of course! Unfortunately, all this dragon has on his plate is little Oskar. Who's half a portion of practically nothing. A snack, really. Still, Oskar may be puny, but he's no fool. He is also an amazing chef. His dishes smell so delicious that the starving dragon can't help salivating – and soon decides that this little star chef is far too good to eat.

A delightful and funny dragon tale for young and old

- •Fun for young and old: how Oskar outfoxes the starving dragon with his cooking skills
- •Exciting, smart and hilarious
- •With fantastic illustrations by the author

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Publishing House: Penguin Junior

Format: Hardcover With illustrations from:

Winona Kieslich Pages & Size: 128 | 17,0x24,0

Recommended age group: 4+ Original title: Meine liebsten Vorlesegeschichten für 3, 5 und 10 Minuten - Luna Libella

- Zauber auf der Feenwiese

Luna Dragonfly: Magic in the Fairy Meadow - My Favourite Stories, Told in 3, 5 or 10 Minutes

Date of publication: April 23, 2025

4+

A big adventure for a little fairy! Stories of different lengths, for all occasions

Do you want to know a secret? Once in a while, when the night is clear and there's a full moon, a very special fairy is born: a teensy-weensy, light-as-a-feather insect fairy with a sparkle in her eye, glittering wings and a heart of gold. The latest arrival is dragonfly fairy Luna Libella. She and her friends have exciting adventures all day long: they help the local animals, explore the world around them, have magical parties and lots more. No matter what adventure awaits the five special fairies, one thing is certain: it's always more fun when you're not alone!

- •Magical adventures with little fairy Luna Libella and friends
- •15 entertaining short stories 3, 5 or 10 minutes long
- •Colourful, detailed illustrations on every page
- •A Penguin Junior and reading charity Stiftung Lesen collaboration

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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Sarah Garbers Pages & Size: 32 | 21,0x27,0 cm Recommended age group: 4+

Schnucki – Me(e)hr-Abenteuer

Original title: Zisch und

geht immer!

Pacey and Stacey: Adventures Welcome!

Date of publication: May 21, 2025

They're totally different, but always up for an adventure - fun tales for little heroes

Pacey and Stacey are best friends. They are also very different: Pacey is a wild child, while Stacey prefers things quiet and snuggly. But one day, the two guinea pigs bump right into a big adventure – and if they agree on anything, it's this: They want to see the ocean! It doesn't take long before they find out whether they'll have a calm and magical adventure, or a wild and stormy one...

- •At turns wild and calm: guinea pigs Pacey and Stacey couldn't be more different, but are BFFs anyway
- •Hilarious, fast-paced and heartwarming with loveable, relatable characters
- •Adventurous and lively illustrations by Sarah Garbers

YOUR CONTACT

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AUTHOR

Ann-Katrin Heger



Ann-Katrin Heger spent many years as an editor at various children's and YA publishers before becoming a freelance author. She lives in Fürth with her family and lots of books.

ILLUSTRATOR

Sarah Garbers



Sarah Garbers worked as a graphic designer for many years before turning to her real passion, illustration. She now creates cheerful, cheeky, colourful, enchanting and detailed image worlds in her Berlin studio.



Publishing House: Penguin Junior

Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Andrea Stegmaier

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Pages & Size: 32 | 21,0x27,0 cm Recommended age group: 4+ Original title: TÖRÖÖÖÖ! FIIIEEEP! Klein und Groß

EVA HIERTEIS

Boom and Trumpet, Let's Cause a **Ruckus!**

A PICTURE BOOK ABOUT SELF-CONFIDENCE

Date of publication: February 26, 2025

4+

I can be loud, too!

Elephant and Mouse have a problem. They can't seem to make their voices heard among all the big, noisy elephants! What can Mouse do about his tiny, squeaky voice? And what about Elephant? She's not a baby anymore, but doesn't dare get too loud... Luckily, the two friends can help each other find their voices! •An insightful children's book that helps you stand up for yourself and others •A story about squeaks, thumps and trumpets – and learning to speak up

•Featuring popular illustrator Andrea Stegmaier



YOUR CONTACT

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AUTHOR

Eva Hierteis



Eva Hierteis, born in 1972, studied German, English and education before doing training with a publisher of children's and young-adult literature and spending several years working as an editor. She started freelancing as a writer and translator in 2005. She now lives in Nuremberg with her family.

ILLUSTRATOR

Andrea Stegmaier



Andrea Stegmaier, born in Freiburg in 1979, first studied art history, German language and literature, and then architecture. It was not until late that she turned her passion for picture books and children's books, which she discovered at an early age, into a career. Since 2018, she has been illustrating books for publishers in Germany and abroad. She lives with her family in Stuttgart.



Publishing House: Penguin Junior

Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Igor

Pages & Size: 32 | 21,0x27,0 cm Recommended age group: 4+ Original title: Känguru Knickohr – Huhu, Känguru! Was hörst denn du?

BRITTA SABBAG

Big Ears the Kangaroo: Yoo-hoo!

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

4+

Let's hop away into a fantastic rhyming adventure!

'Wake up, pet!' says Mummy Roo. And what does Big Ears do? He snuggles up and stays in bed. When he's done playing in the afternoon, he never tidies up his room. He listens only when he wants to – and gets his own way... just like you!

- •The new picture book by the author of the bestselling Bumble the Bee series
- •Big Ears always causes mayhem he never listens... or does he?
- •A witty activity book with puzzles and rhymes



YOUR CONTACT

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AUTHOR

Britta Sabbag



Britta Sabbag's debut novel was an instant bestseller. She has since written more than 70 popular books, and two titles are in the process of being adapted for the screen. Her bestselling Bumble the Bee series has become a children's classic. She also writes scripts and songs, and teaches creative writing. Her books have sold more than 1.7m copies so far.

ILLUSTRATOR

Igor Lange

Igor Lange has a degree in design with illustration. When he was little, he used to love drawing on tables and walls. Today, he has left walls and tables behind and turned to print and audio. His dream has become his profession, but he is still a little bit of a kid.



Publishing House: Penguin Junior

Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Dan

Pages & Size: 112 | 17,0x24,0

Recommended age group: 4+

Illustrations: 50 color illustrations

Original title: Selmas wundersame Abenteuer im

Tapetenwald

ANU STOHNER

Selma's Amazing Adventures in Wallpaper Wood

MAGICAL STORIES

Date of publication: March 12, 2025

50 colour illustrations Illustration rights are with Curtis Brown

There's a hidden forest behind the bedroom wallpaper...

Sometimes, Selma thinks she can see the animals on her woodland-print wallpaper wag their ears or twitch their wings. Of course, she knows it's impossible... But then, one day, she somehow finds herself in the midst of magical Wallpaper Wood! There, Selma has lots of exciting adventures with the woodland animals: she helps the mole find his sweets, negotiates peace between the elk and the bear, sets off with the squirrel to apprehend some apple thieves, meets a disgruntled badger, and much more.

- •Selma steps right through her magical wallpaper into a woodland alive with animals
- •Perfect 10-minute reads for bedtime or anytime
- •Stunning illustrations by New York Times bestseller Dan Tavis
- •A Penguin Junior and reading charity Stiftung Lesen collaboration
- •With useful tips for how to get the most out of reading with kids

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Anu Stohner was born in Helsinki in 1952 and works as a freelance writer and translator. She has been awarded many prizes for her translations from English, Swedish and Finnish, including the Finnish State Prize, and is a highly regarded and popular children's author.

ILLUSTRATOR

Dan Tavis



Dan Tavis started drawing in his first maths lesson at primary school, and never stopped. He is particularly gifted at illustrations that convey the characters' stories without any need for words, and creating an emotional bond with the observer. He chiefly works with watercolour and Indian ink, and with the graphics app Procreate. His book "Noodle and the No Bones Day" was a no. 1 New York Times bestseller.





Publishing House: Prestel junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Annabelle von Sperber Pages & Size: 32 | 27,0x37,5 cm Recommended age group: 5+ Illustrations: 80 color illustrations

Original title: Das große

Wimmelbuch der Kunst

Where's the Artist? From Cave Paintings to Modern Art: A Search and Find Book

NEW EDITION OF THIS NON-FICTION PICTURE BOOK FOR CHILDREN

Date of publication: January 29, 2025

80 colour illustrations

An extra-large search & find book packed with details

Welcome to the busy world of art! Have you ever wondered how painting and sculpture are created? This wonderful search & find book offers a playful way for young children to learn a little about the history of art. On the book's extra-large spreads, they will discover paintings in an Ice Age cave, find out about art in ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome, explore a medieval convent, and visit Bauhaus and a twentieth-century artist's workshop. Teeming with detail, it includes little images hidden inside each tableau, telling the story of specific works of art, artists and artistic processes. You'll never tire of looking at this stunning book. For anyone who wants to know more, there is an appendix with fascinating facts about the different eras. Via a closer look at some of the details in the spreads, you will learn even more about how artists used to work.

- •More than 10k copies sold so far of the original book now published in a handsome new edition
- •12 extra-large spreads offer a fascinating introduction to the history of art



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AUTHOR

Susanne Rebscher



After studying American and English literature and history of art in Kiel and Bonn, Susanne Rebscher landed her first dream job as an editor. Then, about ten years ago, she swapped it for her second dream job, which is writing children's and YA books. Her books take you on exciting journeys back in time, where you can learn all about history and art.

ILLUSTRATOR

Annabelle von Sperber



Annabelle von Sperber has illustrated more than 100 books of all kinds. Her most recent titles for children include "Where's the Artist?" (Prestel). She lives in Berlin.







Date of publication: March 19, 2025

6+



Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover Pages & Size: 48 | 17,0x24,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 45 color illustrations Original title: Minus Drei und die wilde Lucy – Magma und die Lavas

Magma's big night

Welcome to the colourful little town of Farnheim, inhabited by dinosaurs and other weird and wonderful prehistoric creatures! Among them are the genius Minus Three and his pet Lucy, a wild and cheeky prehistoric girl. Together, they're unbeatable, and no adventure is too crazy for the pair... like when they help their best friend Magma make it as a pop star. Encore!

•With the help of brainiac Minus Three and wild child Lucy, learning to read can be loads of fun

YOUR CONTACT

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AUTHOR

Ute Krause



AUTHOR

Gabriele Würdinger



First Readers

Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover Pages & Size: 48 | 17,0x24,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 45 color illustrations Original title: Minus Drei und die wilde Lucy – Super-Flint

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Minus Three and Wild Lucy: Superflint

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

6+

Flint the superhero

Welcome to the colourful little town of Farnheim, inhabited by dinosaurs and other weird and wonderful prehistoric creatures! Among them are the genius Minus Three and his pet Lucy, a wild and cheeky prehistoric girl. Together, they're unbeatable, and no adventure is too crazy for the pair... like when they make a film featuring their mate Flint as the hero – and make Superman look like Averageman!

•With the help of brainiac Minus Three and wild child Lucy, learning to read can be loads of fun

YOUR CONTACT

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AUTHOR

Ute Krause





First Readers

Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover Pages & Size: 48 | 17,0x24,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 45 color illustrations Original title: Minus Drei und die wilde Lucy – Lucysaurus Rex

UTE KRAUSE



Minus Three and Wild Lucy: Lucysaurus Rex

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

6+

Watch out, Rexie's about!

Welcome to the colourful little town of Farnheim, inhabited by dinosaurs and other weird and wonderful prehistoric creatures! Among them are the genius Minus Three and his pet Lucy, a wild and cheeky prehistoric girl. Together, they're unbeatable, and no adventure is too crazy for the pair... like when Lucy and Tyrannosaurus Rexie bring chaos to Farnheim – and Minus Three has to think fast to fix the mess!

•With the help of brainiac Minus Three and wild child Lucy, learning to read can be loads of fun

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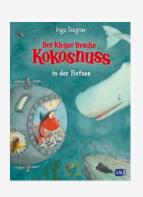
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AUTHOR

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INGO SIEGNER

Little Dragon Coconut Underwater

BOOK 33 IN THE ADVENTURES OF THE LITTLE DRAGON COCONUT SERIES

Date of publication: May 28, 2025

with colour illustrations

First Readers

Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Ingo Siegner Pages & Size: 80 | 15,5x21,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Original title: Der kleine Drache Kokosnuss in der Tiefsee

Deep-sea adventure

Coconut, Oskar and Matilda receive a message in a bottle from their friend Shallot. The little green dragon has been shipwrecked! He was busy cooking in the galley when the ship went down. The sailors have made it out, but Shallot is sitting all alone in an air bubble. Luckily, the wreck is stuck on a cliff – and Shallot is sure his friends will come and save him. Coconut, Matilda and Oskar run straight over to Junk's shop to sort out the necessary equipment... Can they save their friend?

- •An exciting deep-sea adventure
- •"Coconut and the Search for Atlantis" is one of the bestselling books in the series, with 250k copies sold so far
- •Every new Coconut adventure is a guaranteed success!



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AUTHOR / ILLUSTRATOR

Ingo Siegner



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Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Ingo Pages & Size: 64 | 15,5x21,0 cm Recommended age group: 4+ Original title: Der kleine Drache Kokosnuss - Meine Kindergartenfreunde

INGO SIEGNER



Little Dragon Coconut: Me and My **Pre-School Friends**

A KEEPSAKE SCRAPBOOK

Date of publication: May 21, 2025

4+

with colour illustrations

A Coconut scrapbook for you & your friends

This colourful Coconut scrapbook has space enough for 17 kids to fill a spread each: add your birthday, favourite animal, favourite book, and lots more info about yourself, and draw a picture for your friend to remember you by! Each page has fun pictures of Coconut and his pals, and there's room for group photos, postcards from excursions, and photos taken at school festivities – a wonderful keepsake for you and your friends.

- •Each child can fill a whole spread
- •With lots of colourful pictures of Coconut and his friends
- Padded cover
- •Includes a flipbook featuring fire-breathing Coconut

YOUR CONTACT

Joseph Polsky



AUTHOR / ILLUSTRATOR

Ingo Siegner



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Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Paperback With illustrations from: Ingo Pages & Size: 50 | 10,5x14,8 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Original title: Der kleine Drache Kokosnuss -Postkarten-Buch

INGO SIEGNER



The Little Dragon Coconut Book of **Postcards**

24 POSTCARDS WITH LOVELY PICTURES OF LITTLE DRAGON COCONUT

Date of publication: February 26, 2025

6+

with colour illustrations

The Coconut post has come!

The German Post Office is issuing a commemorative Coconut stamp in March 2025, and we are celebrating the event with this book of Coconut postcards. There'll be 24 colourful cards for all occasions featuring your favourite illustrations from Coconut's adventures. Your friends and family will love them!

- •24 fantastic postcards for Coconut fans
- •Lovely pictures for any occasion birthdays, Christmas...
- •Send them, collect them or stick them on your wall

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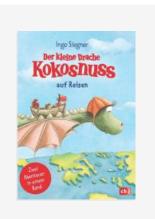


AUTHOR / ILLUSTRATOR

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First Readers

Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Ingo Pages & Size: 176 | 15,5x21,0

Recommended age group: 6+

Drache Kokosnuss auf Reisen

Original title: Der kleine

INGO SIEGNER



Little Dragon Coconut on the Road

TWO STORIES IN ONE BOOK

Date of publication: February 26, 2025

with colour illustrations

Celebrating the release of a special new Coconut stamp

The stories of Coconut and his friends' exciting adventures have become true children's classics. Ingo Siegner's tales are all about friendship and bravery, and are illustrated by the author himself.

To celebrate the German Post Office's issue of a special Coconut stamp in March 2025, we are publishing a double volume with two stories in which letters play an important role:

"Coconut Travels the World"

Oskar has been abducted by nasty Murk. Luckily, the all-devouring little dragon has left behind a letter with clues to help Coconut find him. First stop: London – from where Oskar sends Coconut a second letter, to let him know they're going to Paris next. There are more letters, from Italy and as far away as China... will Coconut ever catch up with them and save his friend?

"Coconut in the Savannah"

Matilda is in South Africa on an exchange trip. When she sends Coconut and Oskar a letter saying she's planning to interview all the big animals, they are really worried. After all – lions, rhinos, buffalos and the like are pretty dangerous! •Mysterious letters take you on a voyage around the world

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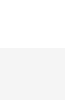
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Penguin Junior - Books for Early Readers: The Treehouse Thieves

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

6+



Baumhaus-Klau

Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Michael Mantel Pages & Size: 48 | 17,0x24,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 25 color illustrations Original title: Der

Adventures in deep space

Samu and Sara are planning to sleep in the treehouse tonight. But someone's already made themselves comfortable there... say hello to alien A-L and his pet Glibby! When the aliens make off with their treehouse, Samu and Sara set off to chase them and embark on a fantastic adventure in space....

- •Treehouses are popular subject, and this book offers a fresh take by combining it with entertaining aliens and madcap space adventure
- •Printed in a large, easy-to-read typeface, with short chapters and sentences; includes a fun quiz
- •Every spread contains detailed 4c illustrations by Michael Mantel

YOUR CONTACT

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AUTHOR

Sandra Grimm



Sandra Grimm studied pedagogy, then worked as an editor at a children's book publishing house. She has been writing books for both young and older children for many years, and her head is always filled with fun and exciting new stories that are just dying to be told...

ILLUSTRATOR

Michael Mantel



Michael Mantel started his career working as a storyboard artist on animated movies, and has since then made a name for himself – nationally and internationally - in the advertising and publishing spaces. He is particularly passionate about creating illustrations for children's books, and loves telling stories.





Penguin Junior - Books for Early Readers: Inspector Popcorn and the **Biscuit Thief**

Date of publication: May 01, 2025

6+

First Readers

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Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Eleni Livanios Pages & Size: 48 | 17,0x24,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 25 color illustrations Original title: Kommissar Pony

Popcorn the pony is on the case

Who has taken all the biscuits? It definitely wasn't Popcorn – even if everyone on the farm thinks it was, because he eats so much. Even his best friend Niko, the farmer's son, is sure it was him!

Outraged, Popcorn takes over the investigation. Thief, be warned: Inspector Popcorn is on your tail!

- •A thief is at large on the farm luckily, Popcorn is on the case
- •Crime is a popular children's genre
- •Divided into several chapters, with simple sentences, printed in a large, easy-to-read typeface
- •With playful reading comprehension questions and an exciting quiz

YOUR CONTACT

Joseph Polsky



AUTHOR

Annette Moser



Annette Moser loves elves, fairies and squirrels (including the cheeky ones), monsters, witches and ghosts (particularly the friendly ones) and children (all of them), and can't think of anything better than immersing herself in an exciting story (with a happy ending). So being a children's author is definitely the perfect job for her!

ILLUSTRATOR

Eleni Livanios



Eleni Livanios, born in 1975, writes and illustrates for numerous German children's book publishers. She studied art history and has afterwards fulfilled her childhood dream: to draw and make up stories. She loves wide meadows, Greek islands and the sea.





First Readers

Einsatz

Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Alina Spiekermann Pages & Size: 48 | 17,0x24,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 25 color illustrations Original title: Eine himmlische Schule. Schutz-Agent im

Penguin Junior – Books for Early Readers: A Heavenly School: Guardian Angel Reporting for Duty

Date of publication: May 01, 2025

6+

A thrilling heavenly tale

Angel Raffi – guardian angel in the making – is nervous about the final exam. If only he was as cool as his friend Serafina! Here at the heavenly school, they're learning how to identify their protégés, how best to comfort and encourage them, and how to administer first aid. Only then, when they're ready, are they allowed to go out into the human world. When Raffi prevents a terrible tragedy, he not only aces his exam but is praised as a true hero!

- •Books set in schools are a perennial favourite, and "A Heavenly School" offers a fresh, action-packed twist: guardian angel meets bodyguard
- •With playful reading comprehension questions and a fun quiz
- •Divided into several chapters, with simple sentences, printed in a large, easy-to-read typeface
- •Lively colour illustrations throughout by Alina Spiekermann

YOUR CONTACT

Joseph Polsky



AUTHOR

Katja Reider



Since graduating with a degree in German and Communication, Katja Reider has among other things been publicity officer for the Jugend Forscht competition for young researchers. She started writing children's and YA books during a rainy holiday and hasn't stopped since. She is also a very active children's reading campaigner.

ILLUSTRATOR

Alina Spiekermann



Alina Spiekermann is a qualified interior designer and created film sets before illustrating her first children's book in 2021. Now, she can't think of anything she'd rather do.



First Readers

Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Angela Glökler Pages & Size: 48 | 17,0x24,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 25 color illustrations

Original title: Milli

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LINDA STURM

Penguin Junior – Books for Early Readers: Milli the Mermaid Is on the Go

FARLY READER BOOK WITH SHORT SENTENCES.

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

30 colour illustrations

Mermaid Milli becomes a fairy

Milli the mermaid doesn't want to do boring water-dance lessons anymore. She wants some excitement! Maybe an actual adventure! When she gets given a fairy kit – water resistant to a thousand metres – she's ready to go. Milli is now a merfairy, and doesn't waste time taking on her first wish-fulfilment case. But being a merfairy isn't as easy as it looks...

- •Two popular topics in one: a little mermaid bored of water-dancing switches careers and becomes a fairy
- •A great introduction explaining how to make the most out of reading with children
- Adorable colour illustrations throughout by Angela Glökler
- •With a fun reading comprehension quiz at the end

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AUTHOR

Linda Sturm



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Linda Sturm (b. 1975) loves children's books – even now that she's no longer a child. After graduating, she worked at a children's and YA publisher before becoming a freelance author and editor. She lives in Regensburg with her family.

ILLUSTRATOR

Angela Glökler



© Angela Glöker

Angela Glökler was born in southern Germany but moved to Hamburg to study illustration at the HAW. She has now fulfilled her dream of becoming a professional artist, and still lives in the North, where she creates pictures for both young and old.



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Penguin Junior – Books for Early Readers: Zlonk and Larla - My **Real-Life Virtual Friends**

Date of publication: May 21, 2025

6+

First Readers

Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Vera Kiegeland Pages & Size: 64 | 15,5x21,0 cm Recommended age group: 6+ Illustrations: 40 color illustrations Original title: Zlonk und Larla -Freunde aus dem Computerspiel

From URL to IRL: an unforgettable day with Zlonk and Larla

When Jannik stumbles on a secret level in his video game, virtual characters Zlonk and Larla suddenly turn real! The crazy-looking pair have all sorts of awesome superpowers. Nothing is beyond them, whether it's climbing onto the school roof, jumping through the classroom window or racing up the spire of the local church. It's an action-packed day to remember!

- •A lively book for beginners, featuring virtual characters that come to life when Jannik stumbles on a secret level in his video game; and his super-friends give him a day he'll never forget
- ·Large print, ideal for early readers
- •Divided into logical sections with plenty of breaks built in
- •Cool 4c illustrations throughout by Vera Kiegeland

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AUTHOR

THILO



THiLO spent most of his childhood hanging out with Emil and the detectives and Pippi Longstocking in his parents' bookshop. After finishing school, he travelled through Africa, Asia and Central America before doing a degree in Communication Studies. He has also worked in radio and TV. He now lives in Mainz, and is a successful author of children's and YA stories and screenplays.

ILLUSTRATOR

Vera Kiegeland



Vera Kiegeland is a freelance illustrator from Berlin. After working as an architect for a few years, she decided to pursue her real passion of becoming an illustrator. Even as a kid, she always had a pen in hand, and would draw anything that came to mind – and in that regard, she hasn't changed one bit.





First Readers

Publishing House: Penguin Junior Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Stefanie Klaßen Pages & Size: 80 | 15,5x21,0 cm Recommended age group: 7+ Illustrations: 30 color illustrations Original title: Frida und Filu -Die unsichtbaren Detektive -

Der schaurige Spielplatz-Spuk

Penguin Junior – Books for Early Readers: Frida and Filou, the **Invisible Detectives – The Creepy Playground Ghost**

Date of publication: May 01, 2025

7+

30 colour illustrations

A thrilling tale featuring an invisible detective and her talking rabbit

Someone's been dropping litter all over the neighbourhood playground. But who? Don't worry, detective Frida is on the case! As always, talking rabbit Filou is by her side – and the invisibility cylinder definitely helps too! When they unmask the perpetrator, Frida and Filou give them such a fright that they'll never dare come back...

- •Large, easy-to-read print, perfect for improving readers
- •Detective stories are an ever-popular genre, here mixed with a hint of magic the perfect combination for the target readership
- •Gerhardt's stories are always funny, exciting and entertaining
- •4c colour illustrations by Stefanie Klaßen



YOUR CONTACT

Joseph Polsky



AUTHOR

Sven Gerhardt



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Sven Gerhardt graduated with a degree in media design, and spent several years working as a graphic designer and illustrator. It was his passion for drawing which eventually led him to discover his inner storyteller. Today, he is a freelance writer and the author of the bestselling "Heuhaufen-Halunken" ('Haystack rascals') adventures.

ILLUSTRATOR

Stefanie Klaßen



Stefanie Klaßen started drawing and painting when she was little, and hasn't stopped since. She studied illustration at the Münster Academy of Design, and decided to remain in the city after graduating from her MA. She now illustrates books for various publishers.



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Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Monika Parciak Pages & Size: 208 | 15,5x21,0 Recommended age group: 8+ Illustrations: 20 b/w illustrations Original title: Die Geisterhelfer - Ein Knochen kommt selten

TINA BLASE



The Ghost Helpers: Bones Are Rarely Alone

THE SECOND BOOK IN THIS CREEPY NEW SERIES

Date of publication: March 26, 2025

8+

20 b/w illustrations

A new case for the ghost helpers

After solving his first case. Leo expected never to be scared of ghosts again. But the vaporous female phantom that's just appeared out of nowhere is more terrifying than anything he's ever seen. Luckily, she seems harmless. In fact, she very politely asks Leo and Antonia to find her dog Rex, who is still among the living. The pair say yes right away. There's nothing creepy about living dogs, after all. But they have problems tracking it down, and not just that: Leo has overdone things, and agreed to take on a second case requiring some scary night-time work. Just as well Antonia's around – as everyone knows, chills shared are half as chilling! "Bones Are Rarely Alone" is the second book in this funnily creepy series featuring odd couple Leo and Antonia

- •Original, charming and hilarious
- •Wonderfully multi-layered and quirky characters
- •With b/w illustrations by Monika Parciak

YOUR CONTACT

Joseph Polsky



AUTHOR

Tina Blase



Tina Blase worked as a freelance editor in children's publishing and has been writing children's and YA stories and novels for some time now. She is the recipient of the 2020/21 Academy for Children's Media stipend. "The Ghost Helpers: I Dare You!" was named Best Children's Book by the Hamburg Book Prize.

ILLUSTRATOR

Monika Parciak



Monika Parciak studied Communication Design at the Düsseldorf University of Applied Sciences, and is a popular freelance children's illustrator and graphic designer.



Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Dominik Rupp

Pages & Size: 144 | 15,5x21,0

Recommended age group: 8+

Illustrations: 20 b/w illustrations

Original title: Die Football-Freunde -

Touchdown für die Grasdorf

Rebels

ANDREAS HÜGING



The Gridiron Gang: Touchdown for the Rebels

THE FIRST BOOK IN AN EXCITING NEW AMERICAN FOOTBALL SERIES

Date of publication: January 22, 2025

8+

15 b/w illustrations

'Champions forever!'

The Grassbridge Rebels all share one thing: They love American football! When the Condors from the neighbouring village challenge the boys to a match, the Rebels decide to prove they're the best. But to beat the opposition they first have to show they can stick together – on and off the pitch. For example when cornerback Jimmy fails his maths test and is grounded, or when Artem is pursued by an angry store detective, or when a stinky dog chases off the Rebels' allergy-prone coach.

- •The first-ever German children's series about American football
- •A diverse cast that reflects real life, deals with differences, and shows that sport can bring kids together
- •With a football glossary and a foreword by two-time Patriots player and Super Bowl winner Sebastian Vollmer

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illustrations

Original title: Die

Superschlamassel

Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Dominik Rupp Pages & Size: 160 | 15,5x21,0 Recommended age group: 8+ Illustrations: 20 b/w

Football-Freunde – Rebels im

ANDREAS HÜGING



The Gridiron Gang: Rebels in Trouble

THE SECOND BOOK IN AN EXCITING NEW AMERICAN FOOTBALL SERIES

Date of publication: May 28, 2025

All trouble and no touchdowns

After their victory over the Condors, the Rebels are facing a fresh challenge: they want to join the under 13s league, but their allergy-prone coach has moved away and is now doing their coaching sessions online. What's worse: Artem has run off to get their mascot Stinker out of jail (a.k.a. the animal shelter), and a rainstorm threatens to flood the field. With all that chaos, how's cornerback Jimmy meant to focus on training? If the Rebels can't fix things – and quickly – they'll never be able to join the league...

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- •A diverse cast that reflects real life, deals with differences, and shows that sport can bring kids together
- •This team sticks together!

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Sommerfest mit

Schmierigkeiten

Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover With illustrations from: Martina Schachenhuber Pages & Size: 160 | 15,5x21,0 Recommended age group: 8+ Original title: Schwapp, der Geheimschleim - Ein

TINA SCHILP



Ick the Sticky Slime and the Summer **Party Mess**

BOOK 3 IN THE SLIMIEST CHILDREN'S SERIES EVER

Date of publication: May 01, 2025

8+

b/w illustrations

A very slimy party

Hooray! There's a big summer do happening – but it's at Dad's new boss's house... unfortunately, Lou and Lucas haven't exactly hit it off with the boss's son Marek. And whose fault is that? Ick's, of course! The secret slime has discovered how to make himself explode – and was enjoying his new hobby so much that Marek got covered head to toe in glitterslime in front of the whole class. At the party, Marek wastes no opportunity to embarrass Lou and Lukas. Meanwhile, the siblings have their hands full trying to keep Ick hidden. But then Ick demands that everyone sing Happy Birthday, and chaos ensues...

- •Delightfully slimy: the third adventure featuring Ick the sticky slime
- •Troublemaker Ick attends a party, and chaotic fun and adventures ensure
- •Witty and spirited age-appropriate stories
- •Includes simple slime-making recipes and witty illustrations

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Martina Schachenhuber is a freelance illustrator. After a few very exciting years in logistics and supply chain management, she swapped mouse and computer for pen and paper in 2017. It was time to realise her dream as a children's book illustrator. The colourful everyday life with her three children Luise, Oskar and Egon is her greatest inspiration.



Publishing House: Penguin Junior

Format: Hardcover

With illustrations from: Horst Hellmeier

Pages & Size: 128 | 15,5x21,0

Recommended age group: 9+

Illustrations: 20 b/w

illustrations

Original title: Vom Rauchzeichen zum Smartphone

CHRISTIAN HOLST

From Smoke Signals to **Smartphones**

A FUN NON-FICTION BOOK ABOUT COMMUNICATION

Date of publication: June 11, 2025

9+

From the Stone Age to the Metaverse

Computers, smartphones and the internet enable us to communicate across huge distances and in real time. It has taken thousands of years to get to this point. Without our complex social structures, we would never have achieved it. "From Smoke Signals to Smartphones" is an informative, accessible and witty account of how inventive human communication can be: packed with fun facts, it ranges from smoke signals and beating drums to the telegraph all the way into the digital era. With interactive features including experiments, crafting ideas and puzzles, "From Smoke Signals to Smartphones" conveys an abstract topic in an age-appropriate, exciting way.

- •The history of human communication, from the Stone Age to the digital era
- •Explains the fascinating opportunities and also the risks of modern communication
- •An activity book with experiments, crafting ideas and puzzles
- •With witty illustrations by Horst Hellmeier



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Christian Holst has loved astronomy and sci-fi ever since he was a kid. He studied philosophy in Bremen and Marburg, with a focus on the philosophy of science; he also studied German and media, specialising in the history of film and literature. As a journalist, he has been able to combine these two passions: he is now a magazine editor specialising in science and media, and has written dozens of articles on astronomy, space travel and aliens.

ILLUSTRATOR

Horst Hellmeier

Artist Horst Hellmeier grew up in Austria before moving to Germany in 2009 to study illustration at the HAW in Hamburg. A few years later, he returned to his home country with an aquarium full of goldfish in his bag. He now lives in the Alpine wilderness, surrounded by mountains of books and piles of paint tubes.



Publishing House: cbj Kinderbücher Format: Hardcover Pages & Size: 288 | 15,5x21,0 Recommended age group: 10+

Original title: Artemis -Abenteuer auf dem Meer der

Wünsche

FABIOLA TURAN



Artemis: Adventure on the Sea of Wishes

Date of publication: March 26, 2025

10+

If you want to fulfil your potential, you must believe in yourself: welcome to the Sea of Wishes - a world as limitless as your imagination...

Artemis never thought she's travel on board a flying ship! "The Dreamcatcher" is crewed by children with magical powers, who are protecting the Sea of Wishes from a power-hungry baron. To do her bit, Artemis needs to awaken the cloud magic inside her and go on a perilous journey. But she finds it harder than expected, and her adventure soon threatens to get out of hand. Can the kids stand up to evil?

- •Discover the land of your dreams, where the Sea of Clouds touches the Sea of Fog
- •Dream magic, fantastical creatures, and adventure in a mysterious, imaginative world
- •Atmospheric, sensitive and powerful it'll be hard to resist this story as light as a cloud

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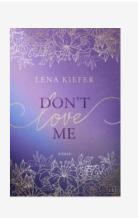
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Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 432 | 13,5x21,5

Recommended age group: 14+ Original title: Don't LOVE Me

LENA KIEFER



Don't LOVE Me

THE FANTASTIC FIRST BOOK IN THIS NEW ADULT ROMANCE TRILOGY BY THE **BESTSELLING AUTHOR NOW IN A NEW EDITION!**

Date of publication: January 15, 2025

14+

He has a dark secret. She's out of bounds. Do they have a future?

Kenzie isn't exactly happy to be doing her design school placement in the Scottish highlands. But during her very first assignment she meets the young heir to a luxury hotel chain, and everything changes. She's instantly enchanted by handsome Lyall. But what secret is he hiding behind his cool exterior? Lyall has just one summer to prove himself worthy of running his family's ancestral home. If he fails, his whole future is at risk. When he meets the design student Kenzie, he begins to waver – he finds her irresistible, but knows better than anyone that a relationship could have fateful consequences for her.

- •The first New Adult trilogy by this bestselling author
- •Lena Kiefer is the new star of the NA scene
- •Two passionate souls and a forbidden love
- •For fans of Mona Kasten's "Maxton Hall" series

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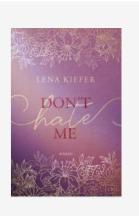
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Even as a child, Lena Kiefer, born in 1984, was a keen reader and loved making up stories. At first, it never occurred to her to turn her hobby into a career. After school, she strayed into the world of paragraphs; she found her way back to literature just in time, and studied German. She soon realised that reading other people's stories wasn't enough - she simply had to start writing her own. Her books regularly race up the bestseller lists, and she writes all the time, even when she should really be doing something else.



Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 432 | 13,5x21,5

Recommended age group: 14+ Original title: Don't HATE Me

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THE THRILLING SECOND INSTALMENT IN THE NEW ADULT ROMANCE TRILOGY BY THIS BESTSELLING AUTHOR NOW IN A NEW EDITION!

Date of publication: January 15, 2025

14+

He lied to her. She wants to forget all about him. But fate has other plans.

Kenzie has sworn never to return to Scotland, and never to have anything to do with the Henderson clan again. The handsome hotel heir Lyall has broken her heart, and from now on she'll focus only on her design course. But then she's offered a unique, career-making chance to help create a new Henderson resort on Corfu.

Lyall has been trying hard to forget Kenzie ever since she exposed him as an unscrupulous liar. All he cares about now are his plans to take over the family business. But then his mother unexpectedly needs help with a new hotel project in Greece. Little does he suspect that his heart is about to face its biggest test...

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Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 432 | 13,5x21,5

Recommended age group: 14+ Original title: Don't LEAVE Me LENA KIEFER



Don't LEAVE Me

THE MOVING FINALE IN THE NEW ADULT ROMANCE TRILOGY BY THIS **BESTSELLING AUTHOR NOW IN A NEW EDITION!**

Date of publication: January 15, 2025

14+

Is he a murderer? Should she believe him? Does their love stand a chance?

Kenzie and Lyall have finally confessed their love. But their hard-won happiness is threatened when Lyall is suspected of a monstrous crime. But Kenzie finds it hard to believe that the love of her life could be a killer. Even though all the evidence seems to say otherwise...

Lyall is desperate. He's been accused of murder, and the evidence is stacked against him. Kenzie does everything she can to prove his innocence, but Lyall's enemies are always one step ahead. Soon, Lyall can't help but wonder if he and Kenzie will ever stand a chance...

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Fantasy, Romance

Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 576 | 13,5x21,5

Recommended age group: 14+

Original title: A Curse so Divine – Die Nacht, die uns verschlingt

FMILY BÄHR



A Curse so Divine: The Darkness that **Devours**

THE BREATHTAKING START TO A DIVINE ROMANTASY SERIES

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

14+

A billion worlds, and somehow you still found me...

When Ligeia stumbles across an amnesiac god among the ruins of her world, she senses a big opportunity. She has been searching all her life for a way to free her homeland from the curse of everlasting night – and Apsinthion just might be the answer to her prayers. Unfortunately, he has forgotten his divine powers. To retrieve his memory of them, the pair sign up to the Academy of Old Arts, a storehouse of all past knowledge. Ever since she was exiled following her father's death, Ligeia has yearned to return home. Once she gets there, however, she finds things have changed, and she encounters nothing but animosity. When the only one she can trust disappears shortly after, Ligeia realises she's made a huge mistake. And that her future now lies in the hands of a condescending god... The fantastic first book in a new romantasy trilogy which combines star-crossed lovers, fake dating and forced proximity in a spellbinding academy setting – and a cursed world where night never ends

- •Moving and breathtaking: divine romantasy meets dark academia
- •A kingdom shrouded in all-consuming darkness, a wish that becomes a curse, and an odd couple bound to each other across time
- •For fans of "Divine Rivals" and "Air Awakens"

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Fantasy

Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 400 | 13,5x21,5 Recommended age group: 14+

Original title: Everlasting Fate

- Ein Reich aus Feuer und Wind

AMELIA CADAN



Everlasting Fate: Kingdom of Wind and Fire

Date of publication: March 19, 2025

14+

The stunning conclusion in the exciting high fantasy duology

Young thief Ilya has returned to Shams after a years-long absence. With him is Leianna, whose magic powers are so strong that Ilya long hesitated to take her back with him. But for one thing, she could be his country's best defence against the enemies amassed on its borders – and for another, Ilya can't imagine a life without Leianna ...

When they arrive in rough but beautiful Shams, the situation turns out to be more dire than expected, and their enemies more numerous. Pursued by a powerful demon and the Shadow Riders' assassin, they are in a race against time to save Shams – and each other...

- •An innocent girl who has the power to awaken the dead, and a charming master thief – united in the fight against tyranny
- •A world as opulent as anything in Sarah J. Maas, two protagonists as witty and loveable as in Jonathan Stroud's books, and a setting as magical as Tahereh Mafi's

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Literary Fiction

Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 336 | 11,8x18,7

Recommended age group: 14+

Illustrations: 11 b/w

illustrations

Original title: Die Schuld

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REINER ENGELMANN



The Guilt Next Door

A PROFOUNDLY MOVING STORY ABOUT COMING TO TERMS WITH THE PAST

Date of publication: January 15, 2025

14+

11 b/w images

Never again

16-year-old Matthias has lived next door to Friedrich Schmidt his whole life. He knew the old man well – at least, he thought he did. But after Schmidt's death, Matthias discovers that he was a member of the SS back in the day, and stayed in touch with right-wing extremists. No one in the small town had the faintest idea about any of it.

Matthias always thought the Nazis were elsewhere, not right here in his home town. He decides to find out more, and travels to Ascq in France with best friend Philipp. There, they encounter families who suffered at the hands of Schmidt's SS-unit – and are resolved that it must never happen again.

Inspired by a true story, "The Guilt Next Door" is a sensitively written novel about guilt, forgetting, and the threat of right-wing extremism

- •A moving tale of a boy's encounter with Germany's Nazi past
- •Engelmann has been awarded the national medal of honour for services to remembrance
- •For readers of "The Wave" and "The Girl in the Blue Coat"

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Reiner Engelmann was born in Völkenroth in 1952. After studying Social Pedagogy, he worked in secondary education, with a special interest in encouraging children to read, the prevention of violence, and children's and human rights. He regularly organises study trips to Auschwitz for schoolchildren as well as adults. He is the author and editor of numerous anthologies and books on important social topics and he was awarded the German Order of Merit for his deep involvement in memorial and remembrance activities.



Thriller

Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 288 | 11,8x18,7

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Recommended age group: 14+ Original title: Was hast du nur getan?

ALEXANDRA KUI



What Have You Done?

A GRIPPING HIGH SCHOOL THRILLER

Date of publication: March 12, 2025

14+

A dead star pupil, a clique with a shady past, and a headmistress with her own agenda

Arthur Otto Falkenberg is dead. His body is lying in the schoolyard, covered with a blanket so that you can't see all the blood.

The police assume it's suicide, and the headmistress asks Cassidy and her clique to look out for the other pupils, and keep their eyes and ears open. The last thing she wants is a scandal. But soon there's mounting evidence that there may be something else behind Arthur's death. How do the drugs he bought fit in with his image as a diligent pupil? And how many of the tears shed by his classmates are just crocodile tears? Cassidy decides to do her own investigating. But then the police start questioning her and her friends: It turns out that one of them was closer to the dead boy than they'd care to admit...

- •'[Alexandra Kui] captures reality straightforward, clear-eyed, ruthless, painful and direct, with few words and lots of meaning' LovelyBooks.de review of "Die Welt ist eine Scheibe"
- •For fans of Karen M. McManus and Holly Jackson

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Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 400 | 13,5x20,6

Recommended age group: 14+ Original title: Der Sommer mit

dir

ADRIANA POPESCU

A Summer With You

A ROAD TRIP TO FALL IN LOVE WITH, BY A BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Date of publication: May 21, 2025

14+

How I found love - and my place in the world

When Cleo boards a night train to the south on a beautiful summer's evening with her backpack, she doesn't know what the future holds. What she does know, however, is that she wants to leave the past behind.

College student Gabriel knows exactly where he's heading: to Budapest, where he's picking up the VW bus he's inherited from his grandad, and which he's planning to sell for a big sum asap.

Cleo and Gabriel find themselves in the same compartment, and as they travel together through the night, their original plans suddenly no longer matter. All that matters is where fate takes them next. So begins an unforgettable road trip across Europe – and at the end of it, the world will look very different ...

- •Two strangers on a train travelling through Europe
- •The perfect summer read sweet and addictive as lemon sorbet
- •How travelling can open your eyes to love, and to what home really means
- •For fans of Adam Silvera, Ali Hazelwood and Laura Nowlin



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Adriana Popescu loves writing stories in all shapes and sizes – whether as a TV writer or as a novelist for several prestigious publishers. When she isn't typing away, she dreams of having a house on the shores of Lake Garda and loses at cards to make sure she stays lucky in love. She, her husband and her dog live in their beloved city of Stuttgart.



Publishing House: cbj Jugendbücher Format: Paperback Pages & Size: 368 | 13,5x20,6

Recommended age group: 16+ Original title: Ocean Hearts -Embrace the Storms

ISABEL CLIVIA



Ocean Hearts: Embrace the Storms

THE BREATHLESS CONCLUSION TO THIS MAJOR NEW ADULT TRILOGY SET ON THE LUXURY CRUISER "OCEAN HEART"

Date of publication: July 16, 2025

16+

'You can't avoid the storm forever. At some point it'll catch up with you. But together, we can face it'

Isla's life is perfect: she's part of London's fashionable elite, is a popular baking influencer, and her boyfriend's a sexy athlete. But then her relationship turns into a nightmare – and suddenly, she's become the target not just of the tabloids but of her ex's fans. When the insults and threats get too much, she changes her look and joins the luxury cruiser "Ocean Heart" as a kitchen hand. She's well and truly done with love.

But she hasn't counted on irresistible bar staff Leo, who puts the smile back on her face. Finally, she can forget the past. But on the high seas, old secrets are never far away – and Isla isn't the only one to bring her problems on board...

- •A unique setting on a cruise that takes in Europe's stunning ports
- •The highly anticipated finale in the NA trilogy about three women who find a glamorous world, true love and themselves on the high seas
- •This glittering cruise liner and two lovers afraid to admit their true feelings take you on an emotional rollercoaster ride

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