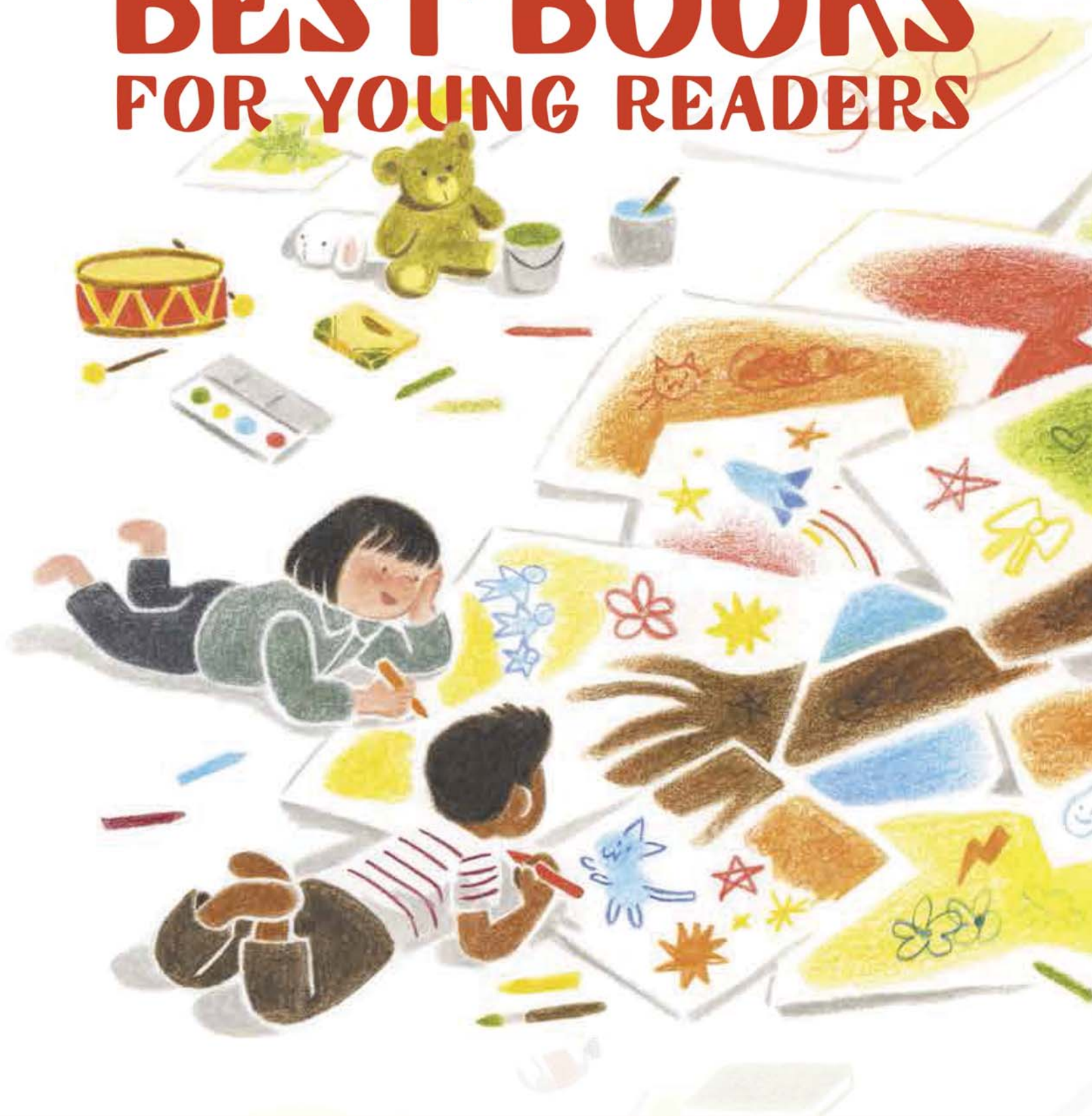


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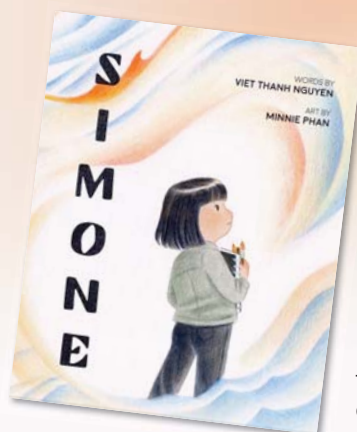
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OUR CATALOG COVER FEATURES



Simone
 Viet Thanh Nguyen,
 Illustrated by Minnie Phan
 Ages 4-8 (9781662651199)
 Minerva (HC) \$18.99



As a boy in San Jose, California, I fell in love with books, their stories transporting me to a world far removed from the struggles of my refugee parents. Hoping to capture some of storytelling's magic, I wrote and drew

my first book when I was eight. The titular hero of *Lester the Cat* was a bored feline who fled to the countryside, where he found love with a country cat. Playful, yes, but with a serious undertone, for did I not realize that Lester, yearning to escape, might stand in for me?

I forgot how to play as I grew into adulthood, but becoming a writer reminded me that writing can be quite playful. Revisiting children's literature as a new father, I was impressed by how children's authors, in that spirit of play,

could break any rules they wished, which seemed harder to do in my world of Very Important Literature. My five-year-old son Ellison then challenged me when he came up with the story for our book *Chicken of the Sea* (bored chickens flee the farm to become pirates!): if I envied children and children's writers because they could do whatever they wanted, was I not the only one holding me back?

Now I have *Simone*, inspired by my irrepressible daughter of the same name. In *Simone*, it turns out that playing—with friends and art, imagination and storytelling—can be very crucial work. Perhaps even world-saving. I hope the story shows that in the light of a world on fire, sometimes it is children, not yet bound by adulthood, who can see a truth and feel a freedom that some of us have forgotten.

Viet Thanh Nguyen

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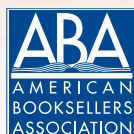
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PB Paperback **BB** Board Book
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I Can Say Goodnight!

Stephanie Cohen

Help babies and toddlers master the building blocks of speech with a book written by an early speech expert! By using rhyming text, simple exclamatory words and sounds, and engaging

photographs, this book offers caregivers a new tool to help children think, repeat, react, and babble—the vital skills they need to learn to talk! Ages 0-4 (9781728291550)

Sourcebooks Explore (BB) \$9.99

Picture Books

Aiko and the Planet of Dogs

Ainhoa Cayuso,
Translated by Irene Vázquez,
Illustrated by Christoffer Ellegaard

A brave astronaut crash-lands on a planet filled with talking space dogs. These canines, descendants of Earth's first astronauts, have no desire to return home. Now, Aiko must outsmart the clever canines to escape this new world and return to Earth. A hilarious adventure awaits! Ages 4-8 (9781646144648) **Levine Querido (HC) \$18.99**



Animal Countdown

Laura Vaccaro Seeger

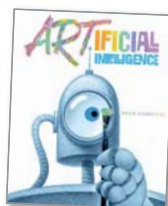
Count backwards with endangered animals in this new lift-the-flap book from two-time Caldecott honoree Laura Vaccaro Seeger. Ages 4-8

(9780823448678) **Neal Porter Books (HC) \$19.99**

ARTificial Intelligence

David Biedrzycki

Ever since he was a little chip, Robot knew he was different. When he's sent for reprogramming, Robot takes a wrong turn and ends up... outside. A heartwarming picture book about self-expression, creativity, and being true to who you are. Ages 4-8 (9781623543747) **Charlesbridge (HC) \$18.99**



Baby Dunks-a-Lot

Jayson Tatum, Sam Apple,
Illustrated by Parker-Nia Gordon

NBA champion Jayson Tatum scores with this hilarious tale of a baby turned basketball superstar! *Baby Dunks-a-Lot* is poised to become a basketball legend—that is until he misses his bedtime. *The Boss Baby* meets *Space Jam* in this debut picture book. Ages 4-8 (9781419771460)

Abrams Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99

The Bakery Dragon

Devin Elle Kurtz

Ember has always been different. He fears he'll never collect a hoard of gold, but when a baker changes his fortunes, Ember learns that shared gold is the best. A feel-good picture book celebrating baked goods, dragons, and generosity. Ages 4-8 (9780593710968)

Knopf Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99



My Busy Noisy Day: Play and Pretend with 26 Sound Buttons

Sophie Aggett, Illustrated by Malgorzata Detner

Young readers can dive into an engaging rhyming story and pretend play adventure with this interactive board book featuring fun illustrations and 26 sound buttons. Kids can hear a cell phone ringing, keys jingling, and more for endless imaginative play. Includes an on/off switch. Ages 2-5 (9781664351219) **Tiger Tales (HC) \$14.99**



Barnaby Unboxed!

The Fan Brothers

Follow perfect pet Barnaby on his perilous journey home, through bustling streets, mysterious alleyways, and the untamed wilds of city parks. This is a gorgeously illustrated tale of friendship, unconditional love, and belonging. Ages 5-9 (9781774882436)

Tundra (HC) \$19.99



Be Careful, Xiao Xin!

Alice Pung,
Illustrated by Sher Rill Ng

Xiao Xin believes he's a fearless Red Fire Warrior, but his family thinks he's too little and the world is too

dangerous. Can he prove his bravery and inspire his sister? This bilingual story explores courage and self-confidence across generations, in both English and Chinese. Ages 4-8 (9780593812907) **Crown Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99**

Bubbly Beautiful Kitty-Corn

Shannon Hale,
Illustrated by LeUyen Pham

Celebrate the most meow-gical time of year with everyone's favorite Kitty-Corn duo! The purrfect gift for unicorn, kitten, and mermaid lovers, from bestselling superstar duo Shannon Hale and LeUyen Pham! Ages 4-8 (9781419768774) **Abrams Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99**



Buffalo Fluffalo

Bess Kalb,
Illustrated by Erin Kraan

Meet Buffalo Fluffalo! When a sweet, gentle buffalo tries to bluff and fluff his way into being bigger than he really is, he finds

out it's okay to be himself! Ages 4-8 (9780593564530)

Random House Studio (HC) \$18.99

Bye Land, Bye Sea

René Spencer and Rodolfo Montalvo

In this powerful picture book about connection and friendship, a boy and a girl lost at sea run into each other on an island but quickly realize they speak different languages. If they want to find a way home, they must figure out how to connect despite their differences. Ages 4-8 (9781250246721)

Roaring Brook Press (HC) \$19.99



We Are Grateful Otsaliheliga: Seasons

Traci Sorell,
Illustrated by Frané Lessac

A contemporary classic is now a boxed set for the littlest readers. This giftable collection of four mini board books

celebrates the Cherokee community's gratitude for blessings in fall, winter, spring, and summer. Ages 0-3 (9781623544904) **Charlesbridge (BB) \$16.99**



The Carrot Who Was Too Big for His Bed: Plantable Children's Book

Tom Lines, Tom Willday,
Illustrated by Tom Ward

Never before have you been able to read a story, plant the pages, and grow the main character! The first of its kind, this completely biodegradable book features 500 non-GMO carrot seeds embedded in the pages but remains readable after the seeded pages are removed. Ages 3-6 (9781916253506) **Willow (HC) \$15.99**



Climb On!

Baptiste Paul, Illustrated by Jacqueline Alcántara

Climb to the tippy top? Let's go! Baptiste Paul's humorous and tender text, including a sprinkling of Creole words, and Jacqueline Alcántara's vibrant

illustrations capture the wonder and emotions experienced on the trail and the special relationship between a parent and a child as they hike the Pitons of St. Lucia. Ages 4-8 (9780735844810)

NorthSouth Books (HC) \$19.95

¡Sigamos subiendo!

Baptiste Paul,
Translated by Roque Raquel Salas Rivera, Illustrated by Jacqueline Alcántara

¡Una aventura que te inspirará a salir al aire libre! Ages 4-8 (9780735845664) **Ediciones NorteSur (HC) \$19.95**

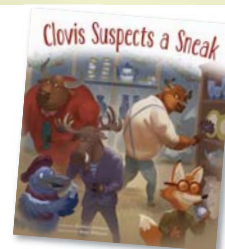


Clovis Suspects a Sneak

Katelyn Aronson

In this ultra-cozy, festive follow-up to *Clovis Keeps His Cool*, Clovis the bull (not "bully") learns to trust in friends and act generously as he solves the mystery of his china shop's missing items. Ages 4-8 (9781645678991)

Page Street Kids (HC) \$18.99



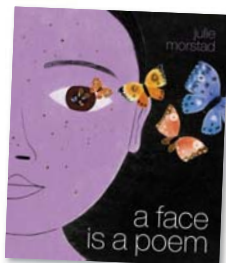


The Dictionary Story
Oliver Jeffers, Sam Winston

Dictionary wishes she could tell a story like other books, so she decides to bring her words to life in this much-anticipated new picture book from the bestselling, award-winning creators of *A Child of Books*. Oliver Jeffers and Sam Winston. Ages 3-7 (9781536235500) **Candlewick (HC) \$18.99**

A Face Is a Poem
Julie Morstad

Look through the one-of-a-kind eyes of acclaimed author-illustrator Julie Morstad and explore the beauty, diversity, and wonder of faces. Ages 3-7 (9780735267565) **Tundra (HC) \$18.99**



Gina Kaminski Saves the Wolf
Craig Barr-Green, Illustrated by Francis Martin

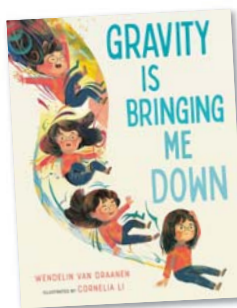
Gina enters into the world of "Little Red Riding Hood" to fix what she's decided are the Wolf's three big mistakes. With lively illustrations and clever use of emojis, this

adventure with the plucky, neurodivergent Gina makes for an irresistible read. Ages 4+ (9781684647866) **Kane Miller Books (HC) \$17.99**

Gravity Is Bringing Me Down
Wendelin Van Draanen, Illustrated by Cornelia Li

In this STEM-powered picture book, gravity becomes a very personal subject for a girl as she stumbles and tumbles through a long day. Ages 4-8 (9780593375921)

Knopf Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99



HaiCuba/HaiKuba: Haikus About Cuba in Spanish and English

Carlos Pintado, Lawrence Schimel, Illustrated by Juan José Colsa

Celebrate Cuba's people, culture, and natural world in haikus written in Spanish and English! Discover the red, white, and blue tocororo bird (whose feathers resemble the flag of Cuba), the crowded guagua, a Havana neighborhood, salsa, and guayaberas through poetry that captures the rhythm of life in Cuba. Ages 4-8 (9780735845688) **Ediciones NorteSur (HC) \$19.95**



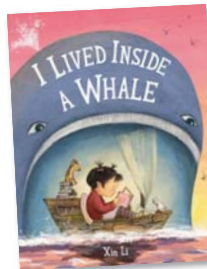
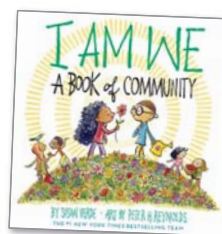
Hank Goes Honk
Maudie Powell-Tuck, Illustrated by Duncan Beedie

Hank is one rude goose. He's loud, he interrupts others, and he takes things that don't belong to him! This is the humorous story of Hank's journey of self-improvement and learning how to be considerate of his friends. Ages 3-7 (9781664300507) **Tiger Tales (HC) \$18.99**



I Am We: A Book of Community
Susan Verde, Illustrated by Peter H. Reynolds

From the #1 *New York Times*-bestselling team behind the beloved *I Am* book series comes a celebration of kindness and community—the perfect gift for every family's library. Ages 4-8 (9781419771941) **Abrams Books for Young Readers (HC) \$15.99**

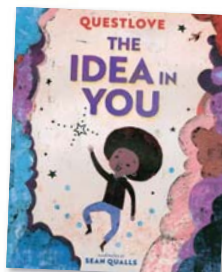


I Lived Inside a Whale
Xin Li

For fans of Oliver Jeffers, this stunningly illustrated, whimsical picture book is about finding your own voice and learning how to connect with others through storytelling. Ages 3-8 (9780316492270) **Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99**

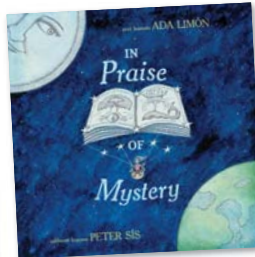
The Idea in You
Questlove, Illustrated by Sean Qualls

A joyous exploration of imagination and finding inspiration from *New York Times*-bestselling and award-winning team Questlove and Sean Qualls. This uplifting story about passion, creativity, and joy will inspire kids to find their own beat! Ages 4-8 (9781419738265) **Abrams Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99**



In Praise of Mystery
Ada Limón, Illustrated by Peter Sis

From U.S. Poet Laureate Ada Limón and Caldecott honoree Peter Sis comes a transcendent picture book celebrating humankind's endless curiosity and featuring the poem traveling to space aboard NASA's Europa Clipper spacecraft. Ages 4-8 (9781324054009) **Spanish Edition (9781324082590) Norton Young Readers (HC) \$18.99**



Into the Goblin Market
Vikki VanSickle, Illustrated by Jensine Eckwall

When the Goblin Market comes to town, Millie knows it's a bad idea to go but Mina can't resist. The sisters have been told stories their whole lives about the dangers of the Goblin Market. When Mina doesn't come back, it's Millie's turn to brave the market to bring her home. Ages 4-8 (9780735268562) **Tundra (HC) \$18.99**



Just Like My Family
Ashley Moleso and Chess Nedham

Celebrate all types of families in this inclusive picture book that breaks down gender stereotypes while offering aspirational messages to readers.

Delight in all that makes a family unique—including what makes you *you!*—in this picture book. Ages 4-8 (9780762484508) **Running Press Kids (HC) \$18.99**



Knight Owl and Early Bird
Christopher Denise

In this exciting adventure and follow-up to the *New York Times*-bestselling and Caldecott Honor award-winning classic, Knight Owl makes an unlikely friend in the overzealous Early Bird, who hopes to be a brave knight, too. Ages 3-8 (9780316564526) **Christy Ottaviano Books (HC) \$18.99**



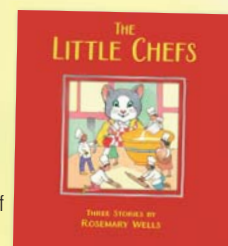
Let's Go!
Julie Flett

An extraordinary book that celebrates skateboarding, family, and community, from beloved artist and author Julie Flett, winner of the *New York Times*/*New York*

Public Library Best Illustrated Children's Book Award. Ages 3-8 (9781771646109) **Greystone Kids (HC) \$19.95**

The Little Chefs
Rosemary Wells

In three magical stories of recipes gone awry, acclaimed children's book creator Rosemary Wells introduces a small troupe of chefs who come to the rescue of hapless young cooks. The pages feature silver ink that appears whenever the Little Chefs arrive on the scene in their zeppelin. A compact trim size, festive settings, and a message of helping others make this the perfect holiday gift. Ages 4-8 (9781662640711) **Hippo Park (HC) \$18.99**



Little People, BIG DREAMS: Taylor Swift
Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara, Illustrated by Borghild Fallberg

From the bestselling biography series *Little People, BIG DREAMS*, discover the glittering story of Taylor Swift, the talented singer-songwriter who dreamed of sharing her talent with the world. Ages 3-7 (9780711295094) **Frances Lincoln Children's Books (HC) \$15.99**

Luigi, the Spider Who Wanted to Be a Kitten
Michelle Knudsen,
Illustrated by
Kevin Hawkes

The award-winning duo behind *Library Lion* delivers another classic in the making marked by humor, warmth, and depth, with endearing (and delightfully fuzzy) characters and the assurance that the right people will accept and adore us unconditionally, just as we are. Ages 4-8 (9781536219111) **Candlewick (HC) \$18.99**



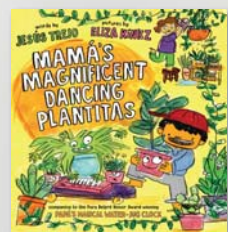
Miss MacDonald Has a Farm
Kalee Gwarjanski,
Illustrated by
Elizabeth Vukovik

Join Miss MacDonald on her vibrant vegetable farm in this female-forward twist on "Old MacDonald Had a Farm." With a weed-weed here and a pick-pick there, young readers will celebrate gardening, plant-based meals, healthy eating, and female empowerment. This rhyming read-aloud ends in a joyful community feast. Ages 3-7 (9780593568163) **Doubleday Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99**



Open Me...I'm a Dog
Art Spiegelman

Through the power of a wizard's magic comes a book that isn't a book—it's a DOG! We promise. Pulitzer Prize-winner Art Spiegelman, author of *Maus* and *Jack and the Box*, has conjured up a winning mix of dog and hardcover picture book, complete with a sturdy cotton leash, a tail, and fuzzy, cuddly pages. Bring this lovable pooch into your family and he's sure to become a kid's—or reader's—best friend! Ages 5-7 (9781662665486) **TOON Books (HC) \$18.99**



Mamá's Dancing Plantitas
Jesús Trejo,
Illustrated by
Eliza Kinkz

In this highly anticipated companion to *Papá's Magical Water-Jug Clock*, little Jesús gets a new and very important job: caring for Mamá's beloved houseplants. Jesús does an excellent job until an unfortunate accident throws him into crisis mode! Another irresistible laugh-out-loud family misadventure starring a beloved picture book hero. Ages 4-8 (9781662651069) **Minerva (HC) \$18.99**

Mermaids' Song to the Sea
Dianna Hutts Aston,
Illustrated by Renée Kurilla

Dive into *Mermaids' Song to the Sea*, illustrated by #1 *New York Times*-bestselling illustrator Renée Kurilla. In this pitch-perfect picture book that brims with a gentle spirit of kindness and environmental awareness, three little mermaids share their rhyming bedtime blessings with the sweet creatures of the coral reef. Ages 4-8 (9781662640285) **Hippo Park (HC) \$18.99**



My Daddy Is a Cowboy
Stephanie Seales,
Illustrated by
C. G. Esperanza

A young girl and her father share an early morning horseback ride around their city in this portrayal of "just-us time." A beautiful picture book celebrating Black joy, outdoor play, and quality time spent between child and parent. Ages 4-8 (9781419760815) **Abrams Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99**



My Friend LeVar
Ezra Edmond, Illustrated
by Jenna Nahyun Chung

Celebrate the joy of reading and imagination! Ezra loves discovering new picture books with his friend LeVar, whom he knows from TV. Based on the author's real-life admiration of LeVar Burton—and his chance meeting with his childhood hero.

Ages 3-7 (9781623543174) **Charlesbridge (HC) \$17.99**

My Olive Tree
Hazar Elbayya

Grow the seeds of peace. In this simple, touching picture book about the healing power of a loving community, a girl's grandpa and her neighbors help her grow an olive tree in a war-torn land. Ages 4-8 (9780593810224) **Anne Schwartz Books (HC) \$18.99**



No More Señora Mimí
Meg Medina,
Illustrated by
Brittany Cicchese

A picture book that serves as a poignant salute to caregivers with a reassuring tale that celebrates them, their community, and their special role in children's lives. Words by Newbery Medalist and National Ambassador for Young People's Literature Meg Medina are paired with warm, expressive illustrations by Brittany Cicchese. Ages 5-7 (9781536219449) **Candlewick (HC) \$17.99**

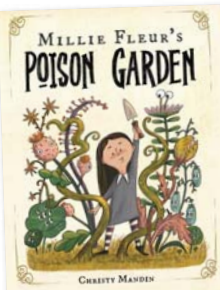


Saturday Magic: A Hoodoo Story
Nyasha Williams and
Kenda Bell-Spruill,
Illustrated by
Sawyer Cloud

An ode to family, friendship, and the beautiful tradition of Hoodoo, this book from bestselling author Nyasha Williams celebrates the magic and symbolism to be found in the everyday. Ages 4-8 (9780762485369) **Running Press Kids (HC) \$18.99**

School of Monsters and Beyond! Wheels and Springs and Moving Things!
Sally Rippin,
Illustrated by Chris Kennett

Featuring her *School of Monsters* characters, this new picture book from Australian Children's Laureate Sally Rippin expands on the monster world—introducing jobs, vehicles, and places around town—and includes counting and look-and-find games on every page! Ages 3+ (9781684649211) **Kane Miller Books (HC) \$12.99**



Millie Fleur's Poison Garden
Christy Mandin

Garden Glen is a very bland place. That is until Millie Fleur La Fae comes to town. Millie Fleur plants her marvelously strange garden and the townspeople call it poison! But Millie Fleur reminds us to embrace what makes us wonderfully weird.

Ages 2-6 (9781339023274) **Cartwheel Books (HC) \$18.99**



Simone
Viet Thanh Nguyen,
Illustrated by
Minnie Phan

From Pulitzer Prize-winning author Viet Thanh Nguyen and illustrator Minnie Phan comes an unforgettable story of a Vietnamese American girl whose life is transformed by a wildfire. This powerful tale introduces an unforgettable young heroine who awakens to a new role: fighting for her community and for the future of the planet. Ages 4-8 (9781662651199) **Minerva (HC) \$18.99**



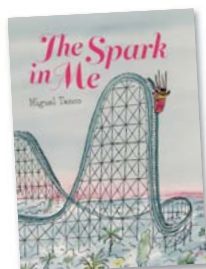
Sometimes We Fall
Randall de Sève,
Illustrated by Kate Gardiner

Climbing a tree isn't easy, especially when you're a bear cub just learning how to climb. An uplifting story that offers a reassuring message about finding the courage to take a small risk—and the sweet

reward that may follow. Ages 4-8 (9780593645499) **Random House Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99**

The Spark in Me
Miguel Tanco

Everyone has their thing. Some people are dreamers. Some people are practical. Some people like to invent things. Our heroine isn't sure what her thing is, but she knows she has a lot of questions. Eventually, she learns that all her questions have to do with one thing:



physics! Ages 4-7 (9781774885802) **Tundra (HC) \$18.99**



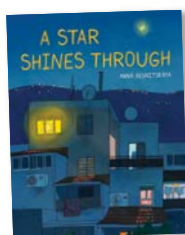
The Spell of a Story
Mariajo Ilustrado

From the award-winning creator of *Flooded* and *Lost* comes a magical story about the joy of discovering a connection with books for the very first time. This charming and engaging picture book shows children how wonderful books can really be, leaving them with a

lifelong affinity for reading. Ages 3-6 (9780711278011) **Frances Lincoln Children's Books (HC) \$18.99**

A Star Shines Through
Anna Desnitskaya

Narrated by a young refugee, *A Star Shines Through* illustrates the long process of healing with an evocative palette of blues and yellows. This resonant book shows how making art can create a sense of hope and belonging, even in a new and different place. Ages 5-9 (9780802856319)



Eerdmans Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99



The Strangest Fish
Katherine Arden,
Illustrated by Zahra Marwan

In this bewitching picture book debut from bestselling fantasy author Katherine Arden, a girl wins an odd-looking goldfish at a county fair and the fish ends up being magical. With lyrical writing and stunning illustrations,

this enchanting story about a girl and her goldfish reveals—with a touch of magic—the transformative power of unconditional love and care. Ages 4-8 (978166260782) **Astra Young Readers (HC) \$18.99**



Tales from Muggleswick Wood: A Magical Bedtime Treasury
Vicky Cowie,
Illustrated by Charlie Mackesy

This illustrated treasury of timeless and delightful rhyming stories about a magical wood and its charming inhabitants is the perfect gift for cozy bedtime reading. Ages 0-5 (9781547616008) **Bloomsbury Children's Books (HC) \$19.99**



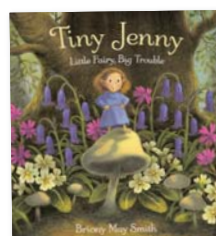
Teeny Weeny Unicorn
Shawn Harris

Meet the Teeny-Weeny Unicorn. After being picked on by his siblings for being small, he runs away only to find he's not so small after all. A funny, modern fairy tale about perception and self-confidence from Caldecott

Honor-winner Shawn Harris. Ages 3-7 (9780593571880) **Knopf Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99**

This Table
Alex Killian,
Illustrated by Brooke Smart

For fans of Sophie Blackall's *Farmhouse* comes a gorgeous story of one table and the life that grows around it and inspires conversations about the ordinary objects in our lives. Ages 4-8 (9781771645829) **Greystone Kids (HC) \$18.95**



Tiny Jenny
Briony May Smith

When a mischievous fairy born to a family of wrens starts to feel out of place, she sets out on a quest to find her "real" fairy family. Ages 4-8 (9780593650479) **Anne Schwartz Books (HC) \$18.99**

Touch the Sky
Stephanie V. W. Lucianovic,
Illustrated by Chris Park

Both heartfelt and hilarious, this picture book captures the unforgettable moment when a child learns how to pump their legs to make a swing move. It's a story for every kid on the cusp of learning something new, who just needs a little push to get there. Ages 5-9 (9781728460451) **Carolrhoda Books (HC) \$18.99**



We Are Definitely Human
X. Fang

A hilarious alien invasion story with a feel-good message about what it means to be human. Perfect for Earthlings of all ages. Ages 4-8 (9781774882023) **Tundra (HC) \$18.99**

Where to Hide a Star
Oliver Jeffers

World-renowned artist and picture book creator Oliver Jeffers brings to life an endearing story about the magic of friendship and sharing what brings us joy. The out-of-this-world, long-awaited sequel to the much-loved *Boy* stories that are loved all around the world—now introducing a brand-new character! Ages 4-8 (9780593622247) **Philomel Books (HC) \$22.99**



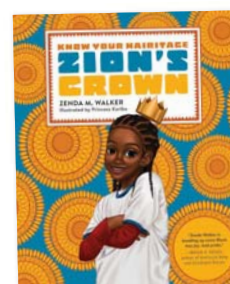
Wild Greens, Beautiful Girl
Erica Lee Schlaikjer,
Illustrated by Cinyee Chiu

An Amis girl in Taiwan finds an ugly weed in her garden and doesn't think it belongs. But it's not a weed. Her mother encourages her to look not just at the plant, but at the

goodness it provides in delicious meals and as medicine. Ages 4-8 (9781534113152) **Sleeping Bear Press (HC) \$18.99**

Yours, Befana: A Letter from the Winter Witch
Barbara Cuoghi,
Illustrated by Elenia Beretta

A perfect holiday read, this beautiful book shares a letter from the winter witch Befana, a remarkable character from Italian folklore. Ages 5-8 (9781778401466) **Greystone Kids (HC) \$18.96**



Zion's Crown
Zenda Walker,
Illustrated by Princess Karibo

Two young Black boys learn to be proud of their textured hair and the way they wear it in this empowering picture book by award-winning author Zenda Walker. Includes hair

tutorials and a glossary in the back, plus a blurb from Dr. Ibram X. Kendi. Ages 4-8 (9780762485543) **Running Press Kids (HC) \$17.99**

The Yellow Bus
Loren Long

A forgotten school bus finds happiness and purpose in the most unexpected places—and in the journey along the way—in this tender and hopeful new classic from #1 *New York Times*-bestselling author Loren Long. Ages 3-6 (9781250903136) **Roaring Brook Press (HC) \$19.99**



Early Reader - Graphic Novels



Buns Gone Bad (Fluffle Bunnies, Book #1)
Anna Humphrey, Illustrated by Irma Kniivila

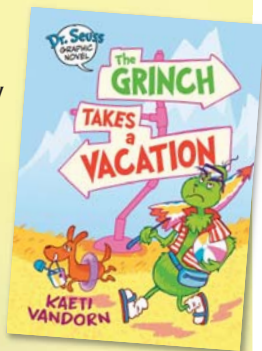
For fans of The Bad Guys series, this brand-new graphic novel chapter book

series shares the origin story of the three terrifying bad-bunny kingpins known as The Fluffle. Ages 6-9 (9781774881262) **Tundra (POB) \$13.99**

The Grinch Takes a Vacation: A Grinch Story
Kaeti Vandorn

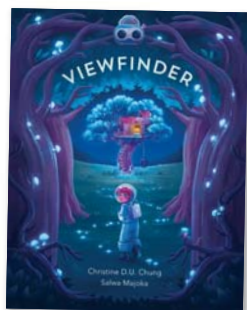
He's a little mean, definitely green, and now Dr. Seuss's beloved and iconic character the Grinch is starring in his very own graphic novel chapter book!

Ages 5-8 (9780593703069) **Random House Graphic (HC) \$10.99**



Kitten Ninja
Colleen AF Venable, Marcie Colleen, Illustrated by Ellen Stubbings

Before Cat Ninja grew up and became Metro City's greatest defender, he was a tiny, adorable Kitten Ninja and he battled...much tinier foes. (Hey, everybody has to start somewhere, right?) Ages 6-8 (9781524888190) **Andrews McMeel Publishing (POB) \$11.99**



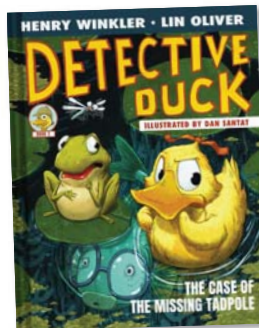
Viewfinder
Christine D.U. Chung, Salwa Majoka

A young space traveler happens upon Earth in the future in this gorgeous wordless adventure. A transportive graphic novel,

perfect for Earth Day and for fans of Shaun Tan. Ages 6-9 (9780735268753) **Tundra (HC) \$18.99**

Adventuremice: Otter Chaos!
Philip Reeve, Illustrated by Sarah McIntyre

Young Pedro is thrilled to join the brave Adventuremice in their exciting high-seas escapades as they head into danger to help those in distress. A heartwarming, witty, action-packed illustrated series for early chapter book readers. Ages 5+ (9781684648535) **Kane Miller Books (PB) \$7.99**



case wide open, from bestselling and award-winning creators Henry Winkler, Lin Oliver, and Dan Santat. Ages 6-9 (9781419766817) **Amulet (POB) \$14.99**

Detective Duck: The Case of the Missing Tadpole
Henry Winkler, Lin Oliver, Illustrated by Dan Santat

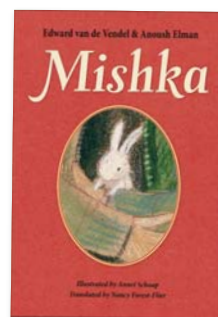
A smart and funny full-color chapter book series about a young duck who dreams about being a detective and gets her chance to quack a



make life truly meaningful. Ages 5-8 (9781525313035) **Kids Can Press (HC) \$19.99**

Little Shrew
Akiko Miyakoshi

Akiko Miyakoshi returns with a charming book for emerging readers. Little Shrew is a hard worker who follows a strict schedule every day. But even a life that runs like clockwork can be filled with unexpected pockets of joy. A celebration of the small moments that



Mishka
Edward van de Vendel, Anoush Elman, Translated by Nancy Forest-Flier, Illustrated by Annet Schaap

An Afghan refugee finds solace and strength in her new home with the help of a beloved bunny. Told through the eyes of the family members, this award-winning book is a heartwarming tale of hope and resilience. Ages 7-10 (9781646144587) **Levine Querido (HC) \$15.99**

Orris and Timble: The Beginning
Kate DiCamillo, Illustrated by Carmen Mok

From beloved storyteller Kate DiCamillo comes the first book in a warm and funny early-reader trilogy about a misanthropic rat and a naive owl—and the beginning of a beautiful friendship. A soon-to-be classic brought to expressive life by the full-color illustrations of Carmen Mok. Ages 5-8 (9781536222791) **Candlewick (HC) \$16.99**



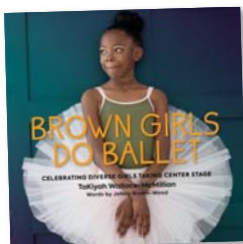
The Princess in Black and the Kitty Catastrophe
Shannon Hale, Dean Hale, Illustrated by LeUyen Pham

The Princess in Black may know how to handle all kinds of monsters, but a kitten set on destruction? Me-OW! Ten years after she first donned her cape, the Princess in Black returns for a purrfectly hilarious entry in the *New York Times*-bestselling series. Ages 5-8 (9781536234091) **Candlewick (HC) \$14.99**

The Princess in Black and the Prince in Pink
Shannon Hale, Dean Hale, Illustrated by LeUyen Pham

Disaster at the flower festival! Princess Magnolia isn't prepared to fight a monster...or a grumpy emu! Luckily, the gallant Prince Valerian has his own secret identity—the Prince in Pink! Expect the unexpected from this sparkling new entry in the *New York Times*-bestselling series. Ages 5-8 (9781536232493) **Candlewick (PB) \$6.99**





Brown Girls Do Ballet: Celebrating Diverse Girls Taking Center Stage
TaKiyah Wallace-McMillian and Ja'Nay Brown-Wood

This stunning children's book from the photographer behind the Instagram sensation *Brown Girls Do Ballet* combines photos of young ballerinas of color with text that empowers all children to express their true selves through movement and music. Ages 4-8 (9780762487592) **Black Dog & Leventhal (HC) \$18.99**

Find the Kind: The Biggest Day in Kindness History
Samantha Berger, Illustrated by Marina Verola



This immersive, oversized picture book is packed with hilarious details, larger-than-life characters, and endless amounts of kindness. This storybook reimagines classic search-and-find books and makes a perfect gift. Ages 4-8 (9781644724552) **Highlights Press (HC) \$17.99**

Gifts from the Garbage Truck: A True Story About the Things We (Don't) Throw Away
Andrew Larsen, Illustrated by Oriol Vidal



Nelson Molina, a former employee for the New York City sanitation department, saved over 45,000 objects from the garbage. With themes of upcycling, anti-consumerism, love for community, and finding joy, *Gifts from the Garbage Truck* inspires kids to think creatively and curiously

about what they do (and don't) throw away! Ages 4-8 (9781728283517) **Sourcebooks Explore (HC) \$18.99**

The Girl Who Figured It Out: The Inspiring True Story of Wheelchair Athlete Minda Dentler Becoming an Ironman World Champion
Minda Dentler, Illustrated by Stephanie Dehennin

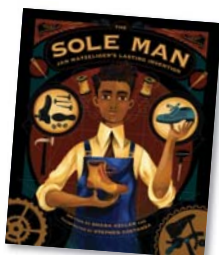
Minda Dentler made history when she became the first female wheelchair athlete to complete the world's toughest triathlon. Despite the obstacles and failures she experienced along the way, Minda's persistence and determination in the face of setbacks helped her to make sports history and inspire people around the world! Ages 4-8 (9781728276533) **Sourcebooks Explore (HC) \$18.99**



Mega Super Cute Hidden Pictures Puzzles
Highlights



Solve 300+ pages of *Highlights*'s fan-favorite puzzles filled with adorable animals, funny foods, magical creatures, and more. With two levels of difficulty, this book is perfect for beginner puzzlers, puzzling experts, and everyone in between. Ages 6-9 (9781639623013) **Highlights Press (PB) \$19.99**



The Sole Man: Jan Matzeliger's Lasting Invention
Shana Keller, Illustrated by Stephen Costanza

In 1873, Jan Ernst Matzeliger immigrated to the United States from South America. No one wanted to hire a Black immigrant, but that didn't deter him. Jan went on to learn the process of shoemaking and invent a machine that would change the shoe industry forever. Ages 6-10 (9781534113008) **Sleeping Bear Press (HC) \$18.99**

50 True Tales from Our Great National Parks
Stephanie Pearson, Illustrated by Madeline Kloepper

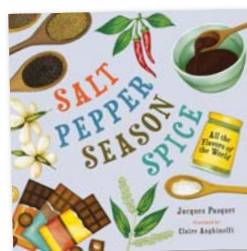


Featuring 50 stories inspired by and set in U.S. national parks, this stunning gift treasury will immerse readers in some of the parks' greatest adventures, fascinating characters, and wondrous flora and fauna. Ages 7-11 (9780711285828) **Wide Eyed Editions (HC) \$24.99**



A Kids' Guide to the National Baseball Hall of Fame: The Greatest Players from Hank Aaron to Derek Jeter to Cy Young
James Buckley Jr.

Officially licensed with the National Baseball Hall of Fame, *A Kids' Guide to the National Baseball Hall of Fame* is the young readers' guide to all things baseball. Ages 8-12 (9780760388365) **becker&mayer! kids (POB) \$19.99**



Salt, Pepper, Season, Spice: All the Flavors of the World
Jacques Pasquet, Translated by Ann Marie Boulanger, Illustrated by Claire Anghinolfi

Salt, pepper, coffee, tea—the spices, condiments, and confections we love are steeped in history and culture from around the world. Did you know that salt has been around for 5,000 years? Or that that two billion cups of coffee are consumed every day? Guaranteed to get your mouth watering! Ages 9-12 (9781459839984) **Orca (HC) \$24.95**

Spooky Lakes: 25 Strange and Mysterious Lakes that Dot Our Planet
Geo Rutherford



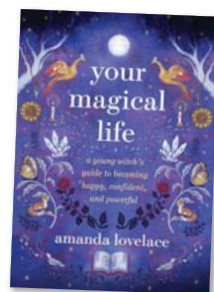
Dive into the most mysterious waters around the world (if you dare)! From Geo Rutherford, the creator of the hit TikTok series *Spooky Lake Month*, comes this thrilling nonfiction book that plumbs the depths of 25 unusual lakes around the world. Ages 8-11 (9781419770531) **Abrams Books for Young Readers (HC) \$24.99**



Something About the Sky
Rachel Carson, Illustrated by Nikki McClure

Pioneering environmentalist Nikki McClure brings the soft edges of clouds and the natural world to vivid life with a new, more fluid approach to her signature cut-paper technique. This art-meets-science tribute to curiosity and wonder is a gift for daydreamers and nature lovers of all ages. Ages 5-8 (9781536228700) **Candlewick (HC) \$19.99**

Your Magical Life: A Young Witch's Guide to Becoming Happy, Confident, and Powerful
Amanda Lovelace



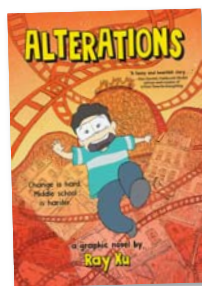
From the bestselling author of *the princess saves herself in this one* comes an accessible guide to incorporating magic into your life completely from scratch, welcoming beginner witches with arms wide open. Ages 8-12 (9780762484157) **Running Press Kids \$16.99**



A Deathly Compendium of Poisonous Plants: Wicked Weeds and Sinister Seeds
Rebecca E. Hirsch, Illustrated by Eugenia Nobati

A must-have for fans of science and history—and armchair detectives. This entertaining and informative illustrated compendium delves into nature's deadliest plants and their fascinating histories as implements of medicine, warfare, and foul play. Ages 12+ (9798765625248) **Zest Books (PB) \$18.99**

Tweens - Graphic Novels



Alterations Ray Xu

For fans of Gene Luen Yang's *American Born Chinese* and Svetlana Chmakova's *Awkward*, this funny yet poignant middle-grade coming-of-age story highlights the struggle of feeling invisible while yearning to be seen by all.

Ages 8-12 (9781454945857) **Union Square Kids (PB) \$14.99**

Amulet: Waverider Kazu Kibuishi

The highly anticipated, thrilling conclusion to Kazu Kibuishi's #1 *New York Times*-bestselling series! Emily finally understands the stone's power, but the threat of darkness follows all Stonekeepers closely. It will take the strength of both new friends and old foes to conquer it and survive. Ages 8-12 (9780545828659)

Graphix (PB) \$14.99



Continental Drifter Kathy MacLeod

A charming and relatable graphic memoir about a girl searching for a place where she truly belongs while growing up in two different worlds—Bangkok and coastal Maine. Ages 8-12 (9781250813749)

First Second (PB) \$14.99



Detective Beans and the Case of the Missing Hat Li Chen

Detective Beans and the Case of the Missing Hat is the debut graphic novel from comic artist Li Chen, creator of the beloved *Extra Ordinary Comics*. Detective Beans is a young cat sleuth dedicated to doing whatever it takes to solve the case. Ages 7-10 (9781524882587)

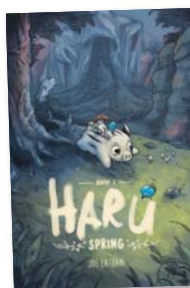
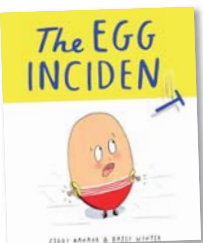
Andrews McMeel Publishing (PB) \$12.99



The Egg Incident Ziggy Hanaor, Illustrated by Daisy Wynter

Humphrey is an egg with overprotective parents (and a very famous uncle). He lives a cautious life until the day he meets adventurous Princess Jean in the park and is forced to face his darkest fears. A laugh-out-loud, heartfelt tale of finding a balance between caution and independence. Ages 8-12 (9781800660434)

Cicada Books (HC) \$19.99



Haru Book 1: Spring Joe Latham

Haru, a small bird, and their best friend Yama, a talkative boar, are used to being in the shadows. When Yama finds a strange artifact that causes sinister effects, the two are swept into an epic journey to destroy the artifact and save the world. Ages 8-12 (9781524884734)

Andrews McMeel Publishing (PB) \$14.99

Table Titans Club Scott Kurtz

Growing pains, game-play adventure, and 20-sided dice abound in this new graphic novel series about a middle-school *Dungeons & Dragons* club, from an Eisner and Harvey award-winning cartoonist. Ages 8-12 (9780823453160)

Holiday House (HC) \$22.99



Taxi Ghost Sophie Escabasse

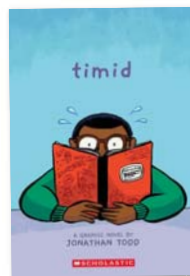
When Adèle's first period makes her start seeing ghosts, she learns she comes from a family of mediums that help ghosts with their problems. A hilarious graphic novel about standing up for your beliefs, from the creator of the *Witches of Brooklyn* series. Ages 8-12 (9780593565971)

Random House Graphic (PB) \$13.99

Timid Jonathan Todd

A semi-autobiographical middle-grade graphic novel about frenemies, fitting in, and finding your voice. Cecil is anxious about making friends after his family moves. When one of his drawings is misused and gets him in trouble, can Cecil stand up for himself and figure out who his real friends are? Ages 8-12 (9781338305708)

Graphix (PB) \$12.99



Unico: Awakening (Volume 1): An Original Manga Samuel Sattin

The groundbreaking manga reboot of a beloved story by *Astro Boy* creator Osamu Tezuka, *Unico* tells the adventure of a young unicorn who, after enraging the evil goddess Venus, is banished from the heavens and forgets all he once was. Ages 8-12 (9781339036335)

Graphix (PB) \$12.99



We Are Big Time Hena Khan, Illustrated by Safiya Zerrougui

Cheer courtside for a Muslim teen in this graphic novel inspired by a true story. Aliya joins an all-girls, hijab-wearing basketball team. Dribble along as she and her teammates discover that teamwork and self-confidence define true success. Ages 8-12 (9780593430477)

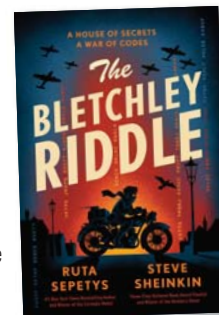
Knopf Books for Young Readers (PB) \$13.99



The Bletchley Riddle Ruta Sepetys, Steve Sheinkin

A stunning collaboration between award-winning and bestselling authors Ruta Sepetys and Steve Sheinkin, this middle-grade historical adventure follows two siblings at Bletchley Park, the home of WWII code-breakers, as they try to unravel a mystery surrounding their mother's disappearance. Ages 10+ (9780593527542)

Viking Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99



Breaking into Sunlight John Cochran

This powerful and compassionate book follows a family's journey through the turbulence of parental addiction—and the moments of connection and healing that break through the dark days. Ages 10-13 (9781523527298)

Algonquin Young Readers (HC) \$17.99

Bye Forever, I Guess Jodi Meadows

Bye Forever, I Guess is the fresh, funny, and vibrant middle-grade and contemporary debut from *New York Times*-bestselling author Jodi Meadows, author of the YA novels *Nightreder* and *Dawnbreaker*. Ages 10-14 (9780823456383)

Peachtree (HC) \$18.99



Daughters of the Lamp Nedda Lewers

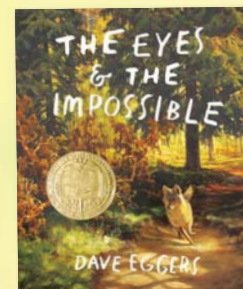
Percy Jackson meets Arabian fairy tales in this stunning middle-grade fantasy debut about a girl who becomes the guardian of Ali Baba's legendary treasure. Can the girl who's never believed in magic trust the unknown and claim her legacy as the treasure's keeper? Ages 8-12 (9780593619308)

G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers (HC) \$18.99

The Eyes and the Impossible Dave Eggers, Illustrated by Shawn Harris

The 2024 Newbery Medal-winning masterpiece from beloved storyteller Dave Eggers about a dog who unwittingly becomes a hero to a park full of animals. Ages 8-12 (9781524764203)

Knopf Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99





Ferris
Kate DiCamillo

As Ferris Wilkey's grandmother Charisse likes to say, "Every good story is a love story," and Kate DiCamillo has written one for the ages—emotionally resonant and healing, with a hilarious and achingly real

love story about a girl, a ghost, a grandmother, and growing up. Ages 8-12 (9781536231052) **Candlewick (HC) \$18.99**

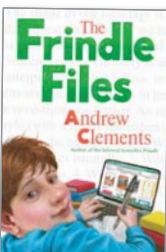
The Hotel Balzaar
Kate DiCamillo, Illustrated by Júlia Sardà

In a magical follow-up to *The Puppets of Spelhorst*, Kate DiCamillo revisits the land of Norendy, where tales swirl within tales and every moment is a story in the making. With Júlia Sardà's elegant line art, *The Hotel Balzaar* masterfully juggles yearning and belief, shining light into every dark corner. Ages 7-10 (9781536223316) **Candlewick (HC) \$17.99**



The Puppets of Spelhorst
Kate DiCamillo, Illustrated by Julie Morstad

Kate DiCamillo draws on her most moving themes with humor, heart, and wisdom in the first of the Norendy Tales, a projected trio of novellas linked by place and mood, each illustrated in black and white. This first tale promises to soothe and strengthen us on our journey. Ages 7-10 (9781536239874) **Candlewick (PB) \$8.99**



The Frindle Files
Andrew Clements

One last gift to teachers and readers from Andrew Clements: a sequel to his most beloved, landmark book, *Frindle*. Featuring art from award-winning illustrator Brian Selznick, pick up your frindle and make a change! Ages 8-12 (9780399557637) **Random House Books for Young Readers (HC) \$17.99**

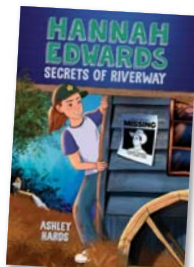
The Graveyard Gift
Fern Forgettable, Piper CJ

Fern's School for Wayward Fae is where part-human, part-magical students like Rosemary, who foresees deaths, learn about their powers. When a classmate disappears, she and her friends use their curious gifts to find their missing friend. Ages 8-12 (9780593810477) **Random House Books for Young Readers (HC) \$14.99**



The Gray City
Torben Kuhlmann, Translated by David Henry Wilson

There is something off about Robin's city. Everything is gray—houses, people, and even flowers. Where are all the colors? She sets out in search of color and uncovers a plot by a faceless gray corporation. Can Robin make the world colorful again? Ages 6-10 (9780735845541) **NorthSouth Books (HC) \$22.95**



Hannah Edwards Secrets of Riverway
Ashley Hards

Hannah's father, the Canola King, is missing! With her best friend Sam, she talks to a ghost, uncovers small-town secrets to write in her journal, and learns the true value of determination. Readers will cheer on Hannah Edwards in this relatable mystery and coming-of-age story

about family, friendship, school, and ADHD. Ages 9-12 (9781944020910) **Fabled Films Press (HC) \$16.99**

Hot Mess (Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Book #19)
Jeff Kinney

Don't let your holiday shopping turn into a hot mess! Grab the newest and funniest *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* book ever from #1 international bestselling author Jeff Kinney! Ages 8-12 (9781419766954) **Amulet (POB) \$14.99**



Impossible Creatures
Katherine Rundell, Illustrated by Ashley Mackenzie

Two kids embark on an urgent quest to save the last magical place on earth in the captivating start of this stunning new fantasy series from bestselling author Katherine Rundell. Ages 12+ (9780593809860) **Knopf Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99**



It Happened to Anna
Tehlor Kay Mejia

Sadie Rivera is haunted by a vengeful ghost that sabotages her friendships. When cool girl Mal arrives and the ghost stays silent, Sadie's life takes a chilling turn. From the bestselling author of the Paola Santiago series, this spine-tingling

ghost story explores toxic friendships, anxiety, and the power of resilience. Ages 8-12 (9780593647035) **Delacorte Press (HC) \$17.99**



The Liars Society
Alyson Gerber

The Inheritance Games and *One of Us Is Lying* for middle-grade readers, beloved author Alyson Gerber's new series is an unforgettable mystery featuring a secret society, a mysterious island, and dangerous family secrets. Ages 9-12 (9781338859218) **Scholastic (HC) \$14.99**

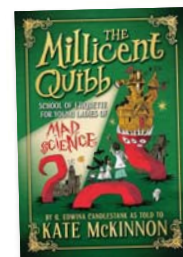


The Lonely Below
g. haron davis

Fifty years ago part of Eva's new school collapsed, killing several students and a teacher. Things haven't been the same since. Now, Eva is having terrifying run-ins with ghosts and unnerving visions that seem to predict yet another collapse. Ages 8-12 (9781338825121) **Scholastic (HC) \$14.99**

The Millicent Quibb School of Etiquette for Young Ladies of Mad Science
Kate McKinnon

From beloved *Saturday Night Live* alum Kate McKinnon comes a madcap new adventure about three sisters, a ravenous worm, and a mysterious mad scientist. Ages 8-12 (9780316554732) **Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (HC) \$17.99**



The Misfits: A Royal Conundrum
Lisa Yee, Illustrated by Dan Santat

Who are the Misfits? An elite team of crime-fighting underdogs who are on the case in this hilarious illustrated series from Newbery honoree Lisa Yee and Caldecott Medalist Dan Santat! Ages 8-12 (9781984830296) **Random House Books for Young Readers (HC) \$14.99**



My Vampire vs. Your Werewolf
Paul Tobin

The Last Kids on Earth meets Goosebumps in this monster mash series featuring your favorite creatures going head-to-head in epic battles. Ages 8-12 (9781547615643) **Bloomsbury Children's Books (PB) \$9.99**



Nightmares in Paradise
Aden Polydoros

In the world-bending second installment to the middle-grade Ring of Solomon trilogy, Zach and his friends journey to the Garden of Eden to save his sister's life in a magical adventure where Jewish mythology meets growing up. Ages 8-12 (9781335009975) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$18.99**

The Not-So-Simple Question

Christina Matula

Return to Hong Kong in the third book of this charming middle-grade series starring Holly-Mei, a girl navigating her new city, new school, and new friendships. Ages 8-12 (9781335009999) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$18.99**



Queer Mythology: Epic Legends from Around the World

Guido A. Sanchez

Spanning the globe and thousands of years, *Queer Mythology* highlights the legends and tales of LGBTQIA+ gods, heroes, spirits, and more. The 20 myths told in this collection capture one irrefutable fact—even as labels, language, and definitions have changed, LGBTQIA+ people have always existed. Ages 11+ (9780762487202) **Running Press Kids (POB) \$19.99**



Ultraviolet

In the spirit of Judy Blume, award-winning author Aida Salazar tells it like it is about puberty, hormones, and first love in this hilarious, heartwarming, and highly relatable coming-of-age story. Ages 10+ (9781338775655) **Scholastic (HC) \$18.99**

When We Flew Away: A Novel of Anne Frank Before the Diary

Bestselling and beloved author Alice Hoffman delivers a stunning novel about one of contemporary history's most acclaimed figures, exploring the little-known details of Anne Frank's life before she went into hiding. Ages 8-12 (9781338856941) **Scholastic (HC) \$19.99**



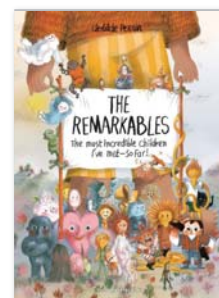
Olivetti

A heartfelt middle-grade novel about family, memory, and resilience, as told by a shy boy and his family's almost-forgotten typewriter. Ages 8-12 (9781250326935) **Feiwel & Friends (HC) \$17.99**



One Big Open Sky

Three women narrate a perilous wagon journey westward that could set them free—or cost them everything they have—in this intergenerational verse novel that explores the history of the Black homesteader movement. Lesa Cline-Ransome's striking verse masterfully portrays an underrepresented historical era. Ages 8-12 (9780823450169) **Holiday House (HC) \$18.99**



The Remarkables: The Most Incredible Children I've Met—So Far!

Meet 40 remarkable children in this imaginative encyclopedia of superpowers. An electric child, a flying child, a stone child, a cake child—each spread celebrates uniqueness and individuality. What superpower would you wish for? Ages 6-11 (9781776575046) **Gecko Press (HC) \$24.99**

The Secret Library

Travel through time with National Book Award–finalist Kekla Magoon in a page-turning fantasy that's equal parts mystery and adventure, with a biracial child puzzling out her identity alongside the legacy of the past. This masterful middle-grade fantasy rivets with crackling prose, playful plot twists, and timeless themes. Ages 8-12 (9781536230888) **Candlewick (HC) \$18.99**



The Wishkeeper's Apprentice

This sweet, adventure-packed novel bubbles with charm, hope, and heart. Featuring Rachel Chivers Khoo's engaging text and Rachel Sanson's lively illustrations, this magical adventure shows readers wishes do come true! Even if they are as unimaginable as Felix's wish for his 16-year-old sister to like him again. Ages 7-10 (9781536231205) **Candlewick (HC) \$16.99**

The Witching Wind

From Natalie Lloyd, bestselling author of *A Snicker of Magic* and *Hummingbird*, comes a heartfelt adventure about the magic of family, friendship, and the lengths we go for the people we love. Ages 8-12 (9781338858600) **Scholastic (HC) \$17.99**



The Pumpkin Princess and the Forever Night

A spooky yet heartwarming adventure about one girl's journey into the land of the undead, and the unexpected family she finds along the way. Perfect for fans of *Nevermoor* and the hit series *Wednesday*. Ages 8-12 (9780316572996) **Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (PB) \$8.99**

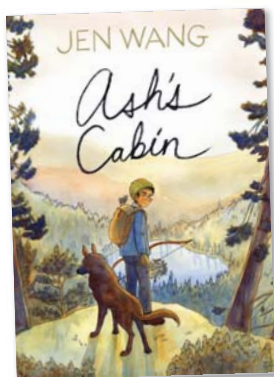


The Spindle of Fate

When Evie Mei discovers that her recently passed mother was the head of a guild of magical weavers, she enters the Chinese netherworld to try to bring her back in this stand to middle-grade fantasy duology. Ages 8-12 (9781250886194) **Feiwel & Friends (HC) \$17.99**



Teens - Graphic Novels


Ash's Cabin
Jen Wang

An unforgettable graphic novel about self-discovery, self-reliance, and finding your place in the world, from the bestselling creator of *Stargazing* and *The Prince and the Dressmaker*. Ages 14+ (9781250754066) **First Second (PB) \$17.99**


Clockstriker, Volume 2:
The Sharing Society
Issaka Galadima, Frederick L. Jones

Clock Striker, Volume 2 is the exciting follow-up to the acclaimed first volume, featuring shonen manga's first Black female lead character! Ages 13+ (9780760389232) **Rockport (PB) \$13.99**


The Ghostkeeper
Johanna Taylor

Perfect for fans of *Lockwood & Co.* and *The Haunting of Hill House*, this gothic graphic novel follows a young medium with the gift—or curse, as some might say—of being able to communicate with the dead. This ghost story “empathetically examines death, grief, and the afterlife,” raved *Kirkus* in a starred review! Ages 12+ (9780593526668) **G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers (PB) \$17.99**

Lunar New Year Love Story
Gene Luen Yang, Illustrated by LeUyen Pham

Val is destined for heartbreak...but she has one year to change her fate. Graphic novel superstars Gene Luen Yang and LeUyen Pham join forces in this heartwarming rom-com about fate, family, and falling in love. Ages 14+ (9781250908261) **First Second (PB) \$17.99**


Mismatched
Anne Camlin, Illustrated by Isadora Zeferino

A teen social media star learns he can't control everything in this delicious, queer graphic novel adaptation that relocates Jane Austen's *Emma* to a modern-day high school in Queens, New York. Ages 12+ (9780316704106) **Little, Brown Ink (PB) \$17.99**



Teens


Bad Like Us
Gabriella Lepore

Two friend groups collide when someone turns up dead over spring break in this heart-thumping young adult thriller for fans of *One of Us Is Lying* and *We Were Liars*. Ages 13+ (9781335453877) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$19.99**

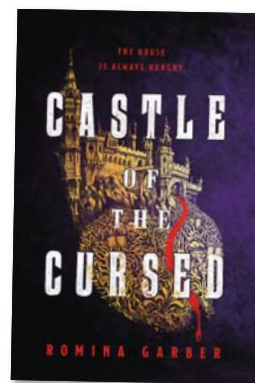
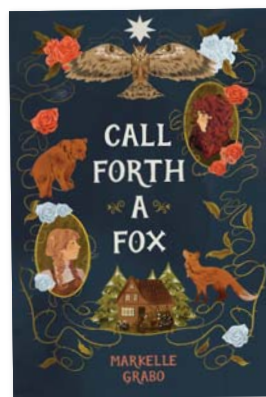
Blood at the Root
LaDarrion Williams

A teenager running from his past finds the family he never knew existed and the community he never knew he needed at a university for the young, Black, and magical. Ages 14+ (9780593711927) **Labyrinth Road (HC) \$20.99**


Call Forth a Fox
Markelle Garbo

A cozy, sapphic twist on “Snow-White and Rose-Red.” Though the western wood is rumored to be home to wicked faeries, 15-year-old Ro forages without fear until she saves a red fox from a bear and

finds herself questioning the fairy tales she was raised on. Ages 14+ (9798890039705) **Page Street YA (HC) \$18.99**


Castle of the Cursed
Romina Garber

The house is always hungry. A delicious and dark gothic romance from bestselling author Romina Garber! Ages 13+ (9781250863898) **Wednesday Books (HC) \$21**


Children of Anguish and Anarchy
Tomi Adeyemi

New allies rise, the Blood Moon nears, and Zélie faces her final enemy in the earth-shaking conclusion to the groundbreaking *Legacy of Orisha* series, from #1 *New York Times*—bestselling author Tomi Adeyemi. Ages 14+ (9781250171016) **Henry Holt and Co. Books for Young Readers (HC) \$24.99**

City Girls
Loretta Lopez

Readers of *Lucky Broken Girl*, *Hurricane Child*, and *The House on Mango Street*, will love this debut middle grade novel about finding sanctuary with friends who understand the enormous changes life can throw at you when you're 11. Ages 11-14 (9781644213421) **Triangle Square (HC) \$17.95**





Compass and Blade Rachel Greenlaw

For fans of *Fable* by Adrienne Young or *To Kill a Kingdom* by Alexandra Christo, this romantasy debut is filled with sirens and mysterious magic, swoony romance and cutthroat betrayal. Ages 13+ (9781335012326) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$19.99**



The Great Cool Ranch Dorito in the Sky Josh Galarza

A teen boy attempts to keep everything under control while life has other plans in this fiercely funny and hopeful story perfect for fans of Mark Oshiro and Adam Silvera. Ages 14+ (9781250907714) **Henry Holt and Co. Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99**

Heartless Hunter Kristen Ciccarelli

Enemies-to-lovers doesn't get more high-stakes than a witch and a witch hunter falling in love in *New York Times*—bestselling author Kristen Ciccarelli's latest romantic fantasy. Ages 13+ (9781250866905) **Wednesday Books (HC) \$20**



Daniel, Deconstructed James Ramos

A nerdy high-schooler learns to embrace his main character energy in this witty and heart-healing ode to movie tropes, meet-cutes, and LGBTQ+ love. Ages 13+ (9781335010025) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$19.99**



Darkly Marisha Pessl

A seemingly ordinary high school student. A mysterious summer internship. And a legendary game designer—now dead and leaving a dark legacy. The *New York Times*—bestselling author of *Night Film* spins a twisted

web in this YA psychological thriller. Ages 12+ (9780593706558) **Delacorte Press (HC) \$19.99**



Heir Sabaa Tahir

An orphan. An outcast. A prince. And a killer who will bring an empire to its knees. Prepare for the action-packed, ruthless, and romantic new fantasy from the #1 *New York Times*—bestselling and National Book Award—winning author Sabaa Tahir about love, legacy, and vengeance. Ruby is

terrified to cave to her feelings for Sean and risk him crushing her heart. Ages 14+ (9780593616949) **G.P. Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers (HC) \$21.99**

Immortal Dark Tigist Girma

The Cruel Prince meets *Ninth House* in this dangerously romantic dark academia fantasy, where a lost heiress must infiltrate an arcane society and live with the vampire she suspects killed her family and kidnapped her sister. Ages 14+ (9780316581448)

Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99



For She Is Wrath Emily Varga

A sweeping, Pakistani romantic fantasy retelling of *The Count of Monte Cristo* in which a girl seeks revenge against those who betrayed her—including the boy she used to love. Ages 13+ (9781250877383) **Wednesday Books (HC) \$20**



Lightlark: Collector's Edition (The Lightlark Saga Book 1) Alex Aster

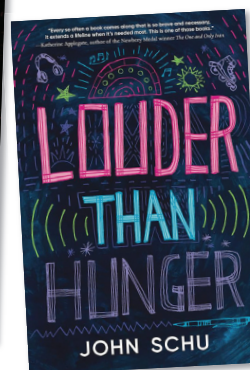
Love on the island of Lightlark is a dangerous game. The Lightlark Saga romantasy sensation now includes the pulse-pounding third novel, *Skyshade*; the paperback edition of the seductive second novel, *Nightbane*; and, now, the stunning collector's edition of *Lightlark*, book one in the series, featuring a premium metallic slipcase, a satin cover with foil stamping, stained edges with crown stenciling, a full-color art insert with character and scene illustrations, an eight-page bonus romance scene written from the point of view of Isla's love interest, and map-illustrated endpapers. The international bestselling series from Alex Aster, with nearly 1 million copies sold, is soon to be a major motion picture. Ages 14+ (9781419778797) **Amulet (HC) \$34.99**

Nightbane (The Lightlark Saga Book 2) Alex Aster

Ages 14+ (9781419760914) **Amulet (PB) \$13.99**

Skyshade (The Lightlark Saga Book 3) Alex Aster

Ages 14+ (9781419773785) **Amulet (HC) \$22.99**



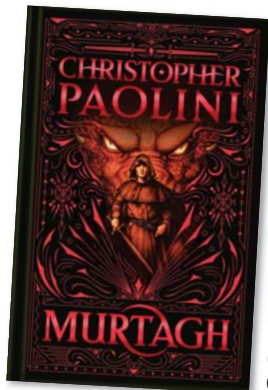
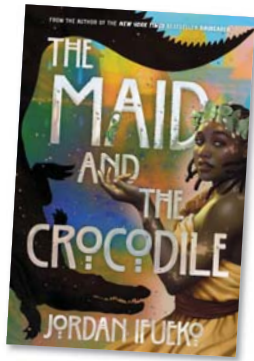
Louder Than Hunger John Schu

This instant *New York Times* bestseller from the revered teacher, librarian, and story ambassador John Schu explores anorexia—and self-expression as an act of survival. This much-anticipated verse novel is a powerful model for

muffling the destructive voices inside, managing and articulating pain, and embracing self-acceptance, support, and love. Ages 10-14 (9781536229097) **Candlewick (HC) \$18.99**

The Maid and the Crocodile: A Novel in the World Raybearer

Jordan Ifueko
The smallest spark can bind two hearts...or start a revolution. Don't miss this sweeping romantic fantasy from *New York Times*-bestselling author Jordan Ifueko. Ages 12+ (9781419764356) **Amulet (HC) \$19.99**



Murtagh: Deluxe Edition

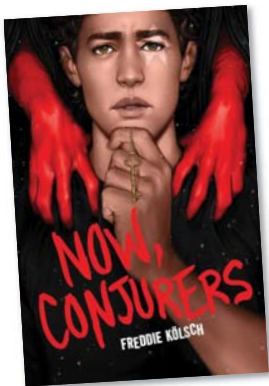
Christopher Paolini
A stunning deluxe edition of Christopher Paolini's instant #1 *New York Times* bestseller set in the World of Eragon—with exclusive features, stained edges, a foil-stamped cover, and new content! Ages 12+

(9780593898000) **Knopf Books for Young Readers (HC) \$35.99**

Now, Conjurers

Freddie Kölsch
Following the murder of their leader and friend, a tight-knit coven of queer teens takes on a wish-granting demon lurking in their town, weaving together murder mystery with the occult in this YA horror novel perfect for fans of V. E. Schwab and Leigh Bardugo books. Ages 14+ (9781454951599)

Union Square Kids (HC) \$19.99



Old Wounds

Logan-Ashley Kisner
Two transgender teens end up in a small, isolated town, where they must escape the locals who plan to sacrifice one of them to an ancient monster that only eats girls. A pulse-

pounding thriller perfect for fans of *Midsommar* and *Hell Followed with Us!* Ages 14+ (9780593814741) **Delacorte Press (HC) \$19.99**

Practical Rules for Cursed Witches

Kayla Cottingham

In this cozy fantasy romance, a teen witch must complete her magical training by breaking a powerful family's curse. But her own fate, to never find true love, gets in the way when she falls for the girl she's trying to save. Ages 12+ (9780593813973)

Delacorte Press (HC) \$19.99



Relit: 16 Latinx Remixes of Classic Stories

Edited by Sandra Proudman
These 16 stories by award-winning and bestselling YA authors center a Latinx point of view in an empowering anthology that

reimagines classics through fantasy and science fiction, with a dash of magic. Ages 13+ (9781335010018) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$20.99**

Repeat After Me (Deluxe Limited Edition)

Jessica Warman

She's about to have a serious temporal tantrum. Emma thought an immortal octopus was the strangest part of her rite-of-passage senior trip—until Friday starts replaying on a *Groundhog Day*-style loop in this hormone-fueled, heartfelt, and hilarious mature YA satire perfect for fans of *Palm Springs* and *Booksmart*. Ages 17+ (9781649375384)

Entangled: Teen (HC) \$24.99



Road Home

Rex Ogle

The summer after graduating high school, Rex was outed to his family and no longer welcome at home. Rex left, driving toward the only other gay man he knew and the toxic relationship that would leave him homeless and desperate on the streets of New Orleans. Here, Rex tells the story of his coming out and his father's rejection of his identity, navigating abuse and survival on the streets. *Road Home* is a devastating and incandescent reflection on Rex's hunger—for food, for love, and for a place to call home—completing the trilogy of memoirs that began with the award-winning *Free Lunch*. Ages 14+ (9781324019923)

Norton Young Readers (HC) \$18.99

Free Lunch

Rex Ogle

Ages 10-14 (9781324016946)
Norton Young Readers (PB) \$9.95

Punching Bag

Rex Ogle

Ages 12+ (9781324052210)
Norton Young Readers (PB) \$9.95



SIX MORE MONTHS OF JUNE



Six More Months of June
Daisy Garrison

A romantic debut about the exhilarating highs and messy lows that swirl together when high school ends—perfect for fans of Carley Fortune and Jenny Han. Ages 12+ (9781250348678) **Flatiron Books (PB) \$13.99**

Sky's End
Marc J Gregson

Plummet into a kill-or-be-killed competition, where a scrappy underdog hell-bent on revenge must battle colossal monstrosities and claw his way to the top, in this fast-paced, breakout sensation from YA fantasy author Marc J Gregson. Ages 14+ (9781682635766) **Peachtree Teen (HC) \$18.99**



Snowglobe
Soyoung Park,
Translated by
Joungmin
Lee Comfort

In a world of constant winter, only the citizens of the climate-controlled city Snowglobe can escape the bitter cold—but this perfect society is hiding dark and dangerous secrets within its frozen heart.

A groundbreaking Korean novel translated into English for the first time! Ages 12+ (9780593484975) **Delacorte Press (HC) \$20.99**



Stay with My Heart
Tashie Bhuiyan

From the author of *Counting Down with You* and *A Show for Two* comes a new YA contemporary novel about a girl who accidentally sabotages an up-and-coming local band and falls for its enigmatic leader while secretly trying to make up for her mistake. Ages 13+ (9781335010032) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$19.99**

Storm: Dawn of a Goddess: Marvel
Tiffany D. Jackson

Before she was the superhero Storm of Marvel's X-Men, she was a teenaged thief on the streets of Egypt, until her growing powers caught the eye of a villain who steals people's souls. An epic origin story that will blow you away! Ages 12+ (9780593308851)

Random House Books for Young Readers (HC) \$20.99



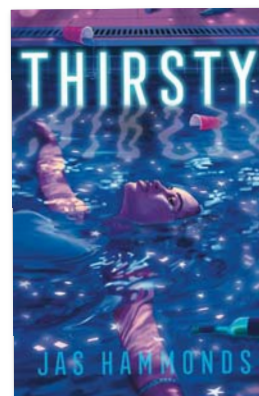
Tangleroot
Kalela Williams

A teen must face hard truths about blood and family, history and mystery after moving to Tangleroot, a plantation built by her enslaved ancestors that still holds secrets that could change everything. Ages 14+ (9781250880666) **Feiwel & Friends (HC) \$19.99**



Teenage Dirtbags
James Acker

From the author of *The Long Run* comes another unflinchingly raw and boldly hilarious novel about an unlikely group of teens coming together to exact revenge on the person who wronged them. Ages 14+ (9781335009968) **Inkyard Press (HC) \$19.99**



Thirsty: A Novel
Jas Hammonds

From Jas Hammonds, award-winning author of *We Deserve Monuments*, comes a gripping read about a girl willing to risk it all for the chance to join an underground sorority with her wealthy best friends—perfect for fans of the show

Euphoria and the novel *Girl in Pieces*. Ages 14+ (9781250816597) **Roaring Brook Press (HC) \$19.99**

The White Guy Dies First: 13 Scary Stories of Fear and Power
Edited by
Terry J. Benton-Walker

A horror collection you'll be dying to talk about...if you survive it. *The White Guy Dies First* includes 13 scary stories by all-star contributors, including Terry J. Benton-Walker, Chloe Gong, Kendare Blake, Tiffany D. Jackson, and more—and this time, the white guy dies first. Ages 13+ (9781250861269) **Tor Teen (HC) \$20.99**



The Wild Huntress
Emily Lloyd-Jones

From the bestselling author of *The Bone Houses* and *The Drowned Woods* comes a thrilling fantasy about three unlikely allies bound together in a deadly, magical competition—perfect for fans

of Holly Black and Erin A. Craig. Ages 12+ (9780316568142) **Little, Brown Books for Young Readers (HC) \$19.99**



