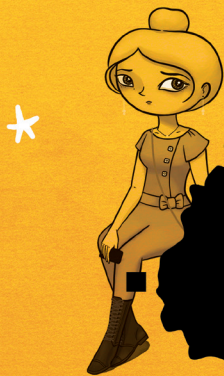




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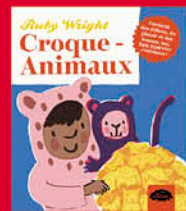
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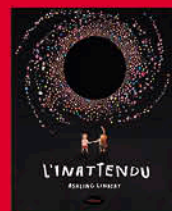
Can I come too?



Animal crackers



Lost



The unexpected

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**HIGHLIGHTS
2023**



**PICTURE
BOOKS**

WAPI LEWAPITI



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Word count: 1,700
Pages: 36
Size: 25 x 25 cm

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Wapi is an adorable and funny wapiti living all sorts of adventures with his furry friends. Set in the Northern Forest, the world of Wapi and his friends will surely become a bed time favourite for young readers!



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Spot the Difference

Wapi and his friends go on a trip around the forests of the world! Will Serge Lelièvre save Wapi from the piranhas of the Amazon? Will madame Kipik like Japanese tea? Will Ti-Pic LePicBois become friends with an eagle in Czech Republic? Help them find the items they lost along the way!



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About the author / illustrator:

Chloé Baillargeon started drawing at age three (mostly Ninja Turtles for her friends) and never stopped since then. Even if she had many different jobs not related to drawing her pencils were never far away. She started the adventures of *Wapi Le wapiti* as bed time stories for her young children.



**MIDDLE
GRADE
SERIES**

Bine



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Word count: 68,000

**OVER 210,000 COPIES OF THE SERIES
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Bine is a hilarious series with a hero who has no super powers whatsoever: Benoit-Olivier, "Bine," the tallest, oldest and funniest kid at his school. He likes to give old Miss Béliveau, his grumpy teacher, a hard time. With his friend, Maxim (whom he loves secretly and who's the only girl able to burp the entire alphabet) and Tristan, the awkward French student who is always following

them, they experience all sorts of adventures, from getting trapped inside their school for a night to carrying out a commando operation in the basement of Bine's neighbour to spending the summer at a horrible camp in the woods.

185,000 copies of the series have been sold in Quebec and Europe.



About the author:

Daniel Brouillette was once an elementary school teacher but, tired of correcting student tests, he decided to go for a career in humorous writing and studied at the École nationale de l'humour.



In 2014, the series was adapted into a comic book series by two Belgian comic books artists, Didier Alcante and Steven Dupré. Three volumes are available and have been well received in Europe and Quebec.

NEW



Comic books





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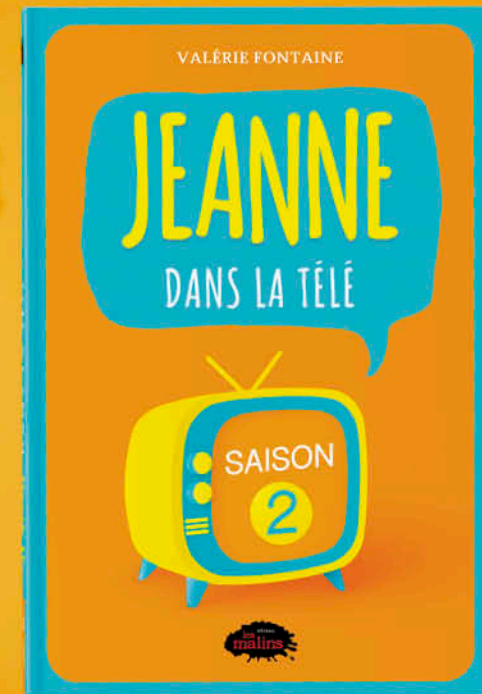
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Jeanne on TV: Season 1

Ever since she was little, 14-year-old Jeanne Leclerc has been lending her voice to movie characters as a dubbing artist. Despite her shyness, she loves her work because it allows her to act while staying out of the spotlight.

Noticing her talent, a colleague suggests that she auditions for the main role in a TV series for teenagers. Overcoming her uncertainty, she gives it a try - and lands the part. Trying her best to juggle her new acting role, her growing popularity at school, and a difficult rivalry with a colleague on set, as well as pressure from her parents and managing the image she wants to project, Jeanne discovers that the life of an actress isn't always as magical as it seems!

A new series written by the prolific and talented Valérie Fontaine taking place within the captivating world of television! *Jeanne dans la télé*, demystifies the ups and downs of the life of a working actor, a job coveted by many young people.



NEW

Jeanne on TV: Season 2

After the grueling shooting of the first season of the *The Centre*, Jeanne thought she would make the most of her summer. However, this is not what her agent planned for her! The young actress finds herself accumulating destabilizing casting offers that will force her to try on new roles. As for her personal life, her complicity with Elouan grows stronger every day. Throughout their meetings, she learns to cope with her friend's serious illness. However, the TV series advertising campaign puts Jeanne in the spotlight while Elouan's disease slowly fades into the background. It is a difficult contrast for the teenager to deal with...



About the author:

As a child, **Valérie Fontaine** dreamed of being a teacher and an author. She made her sisters play school and wrote a ton of not-very-interesting stories. Now she's grown up, she's been able to flourish in her two dream jobs - for real! At Les Malins, Valérie brings us the series *Les surdouées* and *Ta vie de youtubeuse*, as well as her latest addition, *Jeanne on TV*.

She was terrorized of writing a longer book with a lot of words. She decided to face her fears and join strengths with Les Malins. In addition to being a teacher and preparing educational activities, she is now proud to add "novel writer" to her list of passions.



**EARLY
READING
SERIES**

CHARLOTTE QUI ZOZOTE



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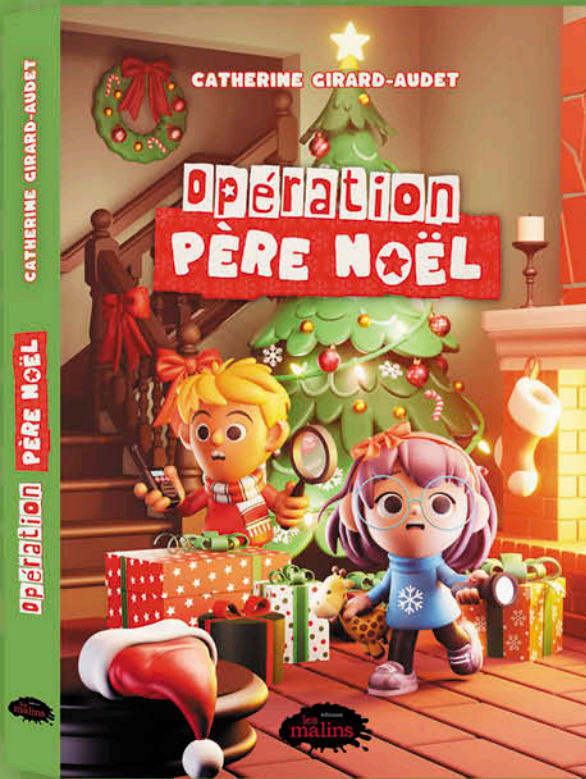
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Charlotte is a curious and creative little girl. With her overflowing imagination, Charlotte tries so save her village, St-Merlin, from of all manners of threats. Whether it's a vampire who roams the local cemetery or a dragon living in madame l'Écuyer's barn, Charlotte tries to solve each exciting investigation she comes across, accompanied by Watson, her trusty detective hat and Alexandre, her secret best friend.



About the author:

Mélo die Heuser seems calm and collected, but she's a real firecracker! A warrior of modern times and fighter of injustices, she loves comparing herself to Mulan and Hermione, whom she admires for their passion and courage. When she was younger, Mélo die dreamed of becoming a vampire hunter, the first woman Musketeer or a great witch. Or all three at the same time. Mélo die is now a Pokémon trainer, a crazy cat lady and the co-founder of three companies.



Operation North Pole

When Margaux realizes that the Christmas elf hasn't come to play tricks either at her house or at her friends', she figures that something isn't quite right. The surprising objects she finds in the woods behind her house confirm her doubts: the Christmas Eve festivities are in danger! These clues are surely the key to the mystery, and Margaux will have to follow them to save her favourite party of the year. Her mission is to convince Maël, her cousin and neighbour, that Santa Claus exists and that he needs their help!

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Word count: 12,000



Operation North Pole

As cousins Margaux and Maël are impatiently awaiting their family's Christmas Eve celebration, including an array of delicious baked goods and gifts under the tree, Farfouille the elf informs them that a terrible curse has befallen the North Pole: the snow is melting as far as the eye can see, the other elves have lost their sense of fun and are grumbling non-stop, the reindeer are refusing to budge—and Santa Claus has changed beyond recognition!

The two cousins have no choice: they must travel to the North Pole, investigate what's going on and try to save Christmas—before it's too late!



About the author:

Catherine Girard-Audet is a very popular writer, known for her bestselling series, *The Complicated Life of Lea Olivier*, and *ABC des filles*, an annual guide for young girls published since 2008. She has 12.8k followers on Instagram and over 57k followers on Facebook.

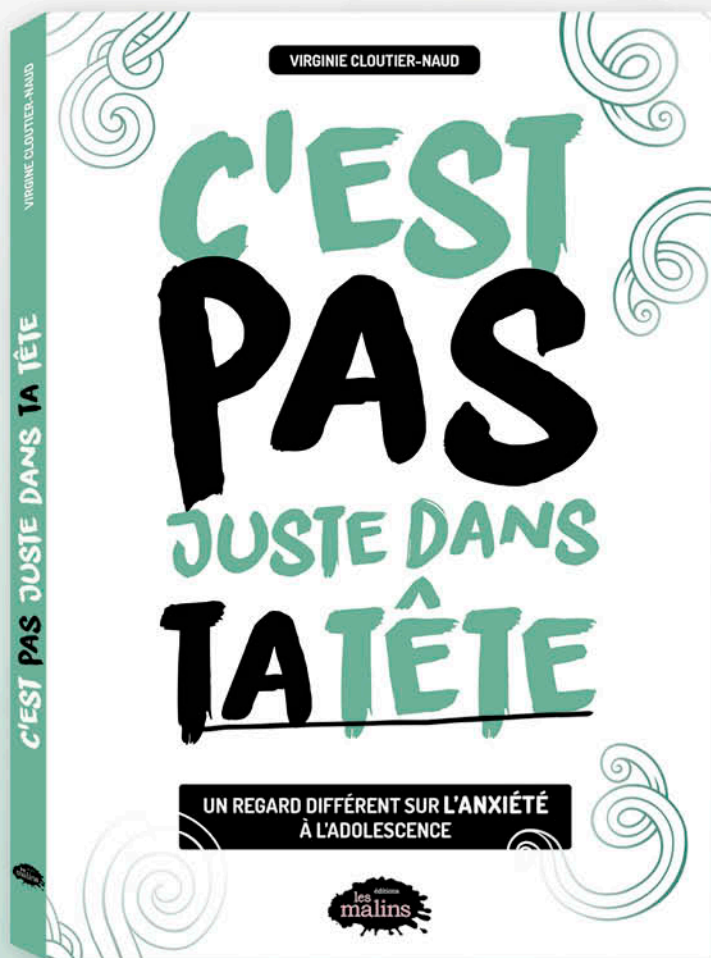


**YOUNG
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**COMIC
BOOKS**

NON FICTION




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It's Not Just in Your Head: A Different Perspective on Anxiety in Adolescence

Does the term “anxiety” ring a bell? If you’ve never heard of it, it’s because you live in a cave! Everyone experiences anxiety on a regular basis, to a greater or lesser extent. It’s just a part of life. So why do we keep hearing about the anxiety epidemic in young people if this is a normal state? How can this anxiety be managed? When should you worry about your mental health? What are the positive sides of anxiety (because yes, there are positive aspects)? That’s what this book explores in simple terms, with just the right dose of humour. Performance anxiety, social anxiety, eco-anxiety, anxiety disorders, introversion and extroversion, fear of missing out on life, emotions, artistic creativity, physical activity... Designed to teach you how to better manage your anxiety in our fast-paced world, this guide addresses all the topics that affect you on a daily basis along with the solutions that are within your reach.

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About the author:

Virginie Naud-Cloutier is an author and professional musician with degrees in communication and in classical music performance from the Université de Montréal, as well as a degree in comedy writing from the École nationale de l’humour. For nearly 15 years, she has worked as a journalist and writer for a wide range of magazines and has also written children’s books. Virginie divides her time between writing, musical composition, and teaching piano.

Her gift for making the toughest of subjects both accessible and approachable makes her the perfect author for this book, designed to guide teenage girls through the maze of puberty and on their way to adulthood.



MASTURBATION WON'T MAKE YOU GO BLIND!



Why should puberty and sexuality be such sensitive, serious subjects?

Finally, a book written with a sense of humour, for guys... by a guy!

Based on his experience, research, and advice from parents and teachers, Daniel tries to answer all the questions that guys ask themselves on a daily basis. Whether they're just heading into puberty or already wading through its midst, readers will find a goldmine of useful and entertaining information, all validated by a doctor and clinical nurse working in schools.

Through the author's light-hearted approach and his ability to dive deep into the many aspects of adolescence, this book will be sure to help parents start (and continue) important conversations with their teenagers.

The author has big dreams for this book: that it will become THE essential title that all parents buy and all teenagers want to read.

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About the author:

Daniel Brouillette spent many years teaching primary-school students. Now a full-time author, he splits his time between writing and school visits, where he gives talks and workshops. Young readers will know him for his humorous series *Bine*, as well as for *Mon gros livre épais* and *La masturbation ne rend pas sourd* (*Masturbation Won't Make You Go Deaf*). Who better to turn a serious subject into a fun read?

CLITORIS IS NOT THE NAME OF A PLANET!



Around what age do girls start their periods? Why do we get spots? What are the most common complexes? Is it normal to have mood swings all the time? Does it hurt the first time you have sex? Do girls masturbate? Should you shave everywhere? What's sexting? What different sexual orientations are there? What if you've never even heard of an STI? Is Shawn Mendes single?

These are just some of the questions that this guide attempts to answer, with a light touch. Because with all the off-limits subjects that are explored in this book, a little laughter goes a long way!

After the huge success of *Masturbation Won't Make You Go Deaf*, Daniel Brouillette goes all-in with this version for girls. Joined by his long-time friend author Virginie C. Naud, along with a doctor and a gynaecologist (because we weren't going to let him do this one alone!), he dives head-first into the project... and comes out a little wiser!

With tact and humour, Virginie and Daniel try to answer all the questions that girls might have on puberty and sexuality. This book is a goldmine of useful information, all validated by health professionals.

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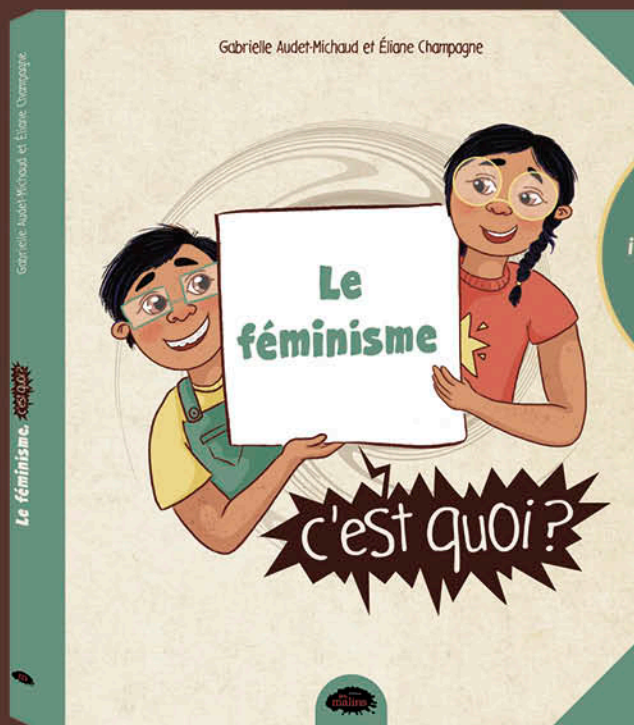
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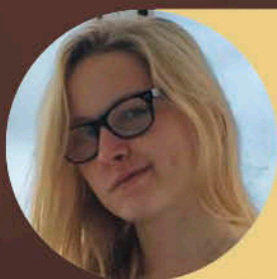


A new illustrated series that delves into serious topics in simple and playful ways!

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Discover the different gender equality issues through the simple words of Anaïs and Sam. Learn to deconstruct sexist prejudice and understand the importance of feminist activism.



About the author:

Gabrielle Audet-Michaud is very passionate (too passionate?) about things: trips, the outdoors, school, her green houseplants, and many more. Sensitive to injustice, she completed her training in journalism with a specialization in feminist studies. She is now trying to complete her master's degree in creative writing, but often pauses to play guitar, water her plants and . . . write books!



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Discover significant events in the history of racism through the simple words of Rose and Nico. Learn to identify different forms of racism that still exist today and learn how to become better allies!



About the illustrator:

Éliane Champagne works at Éditions les Malins as a junior graphic designer. Half-woman, half-rainbow, this artist with overflowing creativity can't help but lend her colors and her talent to picture books and text-led books for children with a few magic tricks on InDesign.



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