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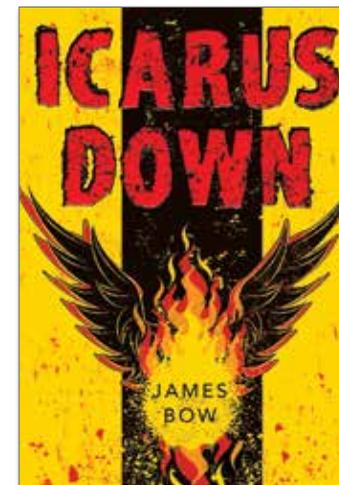
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# ICARUS DOWN

By James Bow



**Only one person survived the crash of the *Icarus* and he was called a hero. Now Simon has unearthed his cruel secret.**

The city of lapyx hangs suspended off deep chasms on a planet where the sun burns ruthlessly and monsters lurk in fog forests. The colonists were stranded years ago when the *Icarus* crash-landed on the way to a new home when life on Earth became impossible. Simon always believed the tale that the captains of the *Icarus* were heroes and saved humanity. But when his brother, Isaac, dies in what should have been a routine test flight, Simon starts to question the so-called truths he has been told his whole life. He discovers that the sabotage wreaking havoc on the city is not due to a fringe group, but from the very top levels of the city's leadership. Mayor Nathaniel Tal retaliates, forcing Simon to run for his life, straight into the deadly forest.

There, in the land of monsters, he meets a formidable ally who leads him to a devastating revelation. Simon knows he must get back to the city and confront Tal. But will it be too late to right the wrongs of the past?

**JAMES BOW** is the author of three novels and many non-fiction books. He currently works as a consulting writer and is a columnist for the *Kitchener Post* newspaper. He lives in Kitchener, Ontario, with his wife, young-adult author Erin Bow, and their two children.

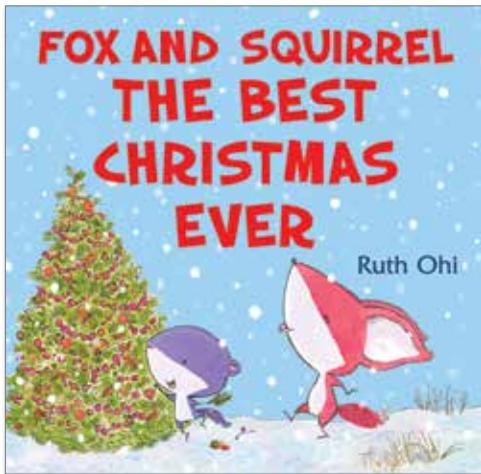
Ages: 12 to 15  
Young-Adult Fiction

**SELLING POINTS**

- Exceptionally riveting and action-packed story.
- Science-fiction novels have new momentum thanks to big screen movie franchises.
- James Bow is an author from whom we can expect more great books.

- \$14.99
- Paperback
- 978-1-4431-3913-7
- Pages: 352
- Size: 5 3/16" x 8 3/8"

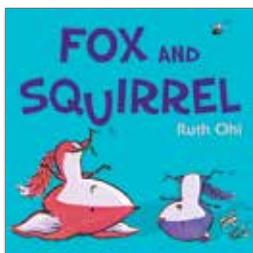
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## FOX AND SQUIRREL THE BEST CHRISTMAS EVER

Coming Fall 2016

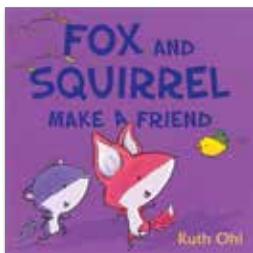
Fox and Squirrel both want this Christmas to be the best one ever. But they don't always agree on the right way to get there. It's only when everything seems to fall apart that they see that all they really needed was to celebrate this special time together!



### FOX AND SQUIRREL

- ★ Shortlist, Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award
- ★ Shortlist, Shining Willow Award

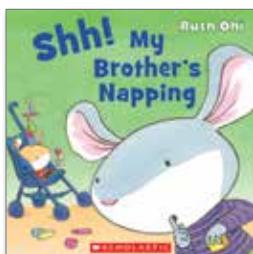
**Picture Book • Full-colour illustrations • Ages: 3-7**  
 \$14.99 Paper over board • 978-1-4431-1914-6 • Pages: 32 • Size: 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"  
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### FOX AND SQUIRREL MAKE A FRIEND

- ★ Toronto Public Library, "First and Best" Booklist

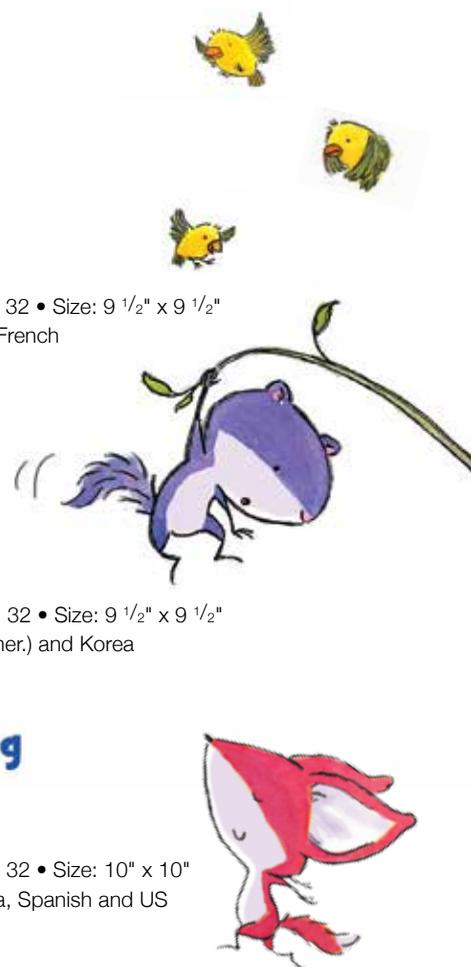
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 \$14.99 Paper over board • 978-1-4431-3320-3 • Pages: 32 • Size: 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"  
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### Shh! My Brother's Napping

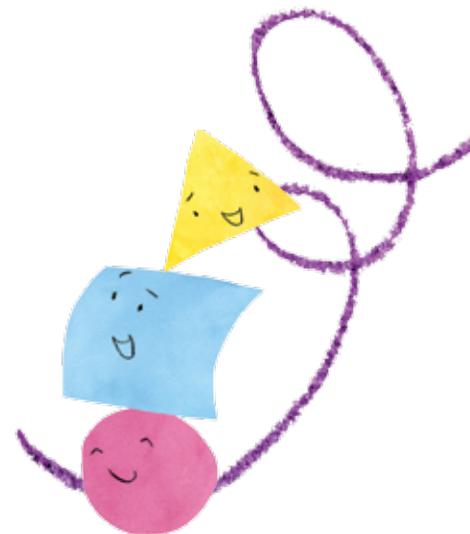
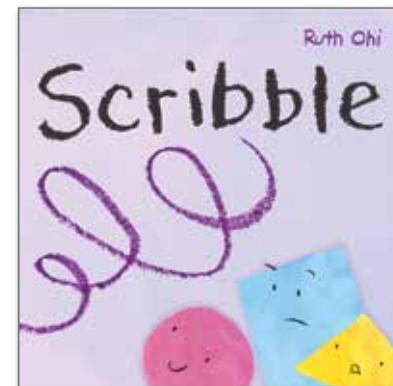
- ★ OLA Best Bets – Top 10 Picture Book

**Picture Book • Full-colour illustrations • Ages: 3-7**  
 \$14.99 Paper over board • 978-1-4431-1993-1 • Pages: 32 • Size: 10" x 10"  
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# Scribble

By Ruth Ohi



**Circle, Square and Triangle are doing just fine — but when Scribble draws them together, their imaginations soar!**

Circle loves to roll around and around. Square likes to sit still and strong. Triangle can celebrate all her good points and always knows which direction to go. But when Scribble suddenly dashes through their ordered world — all messy lines and energy — Circle, Square and Triangle don't know what to think! A zigzag here and a wavy line there are all that's needed to stir imaginations, and soon the shapes are working as a team, on a course for adventure!

Young readers will see that anything is possible with a splash of colour and the most basic shapes. This picture book will spark creativity and encourage young minds to identify and draw the Circle-Square-Triangle-Scribbles in their worlds too!

**RUTH OHI** has written and illustrated over fifty children's books, including *Fox and Squirrel*, *Fox and Squirrel Make a Friend* and *Shh! My Brother's Napping*. Her books have been nominated for many prestigious awards, including the Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award, the Mr. Christie's Book Award, and the Governor General's Award. Ruth's talent lies in creating books that feel both profound and effortless at the same time. She lives with her family in Toronto.  
[www.ruthohi.com](http://www.ruthohi.com)

Ages: 3 to 8  
 Picture Book

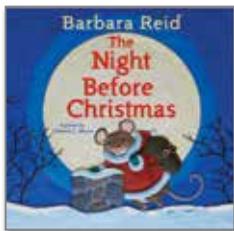
**SELLING POINTS**

- Ohi is one of Canada's premier children's-book creators.
- Encourages creativity in a fun, down-to-earth way.
- Themes of individuality, friendship, empathy and playing together.
- Adorable endpapers offer an invitation to play!

- \$16.99
- Paper over board
- 978-1-4431-4665-4
- Full-colour illustrations
- Pages: 32
- Size: 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"

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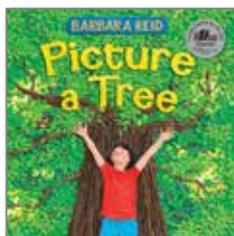
**The Night Before Christmas**

\$19.99 • Hardcover • 978-1-4431-2471-3

- ★ Winner, CBA Libris Award, Picture Book of the Year

**“Never mind that shelves are jammed with versions of this classic: make room for Reid’s innovative interpretation.”**  
— Publishers Weekly

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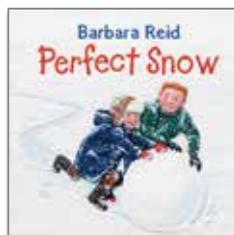


**Picture a Tree**

\$19.99 • Hardcover • 978-1-4431-0761-7

- ★ Winner, CBA Libris Award, Picture Book of the Year
- ★ Toronto Public Library “First & Best” Booklist
- ★ Finalist, Governor General’s Award for Illustration
- ★ Finalist, Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award
- ★ Shortlist, Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Award
- ★ Shortlist, Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Illustrator’s Award

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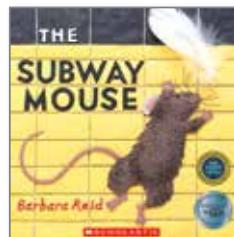


**Perfect Snow**

\$19.99 • Hardcover • 978-0-545-98577-2

- ★ Winner, Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Illustrator’s Award
- ★ Finalist, OLA Blue Spruce Award
- ★ Shortlist, Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Award
- ★ Shortlist, CBA Libris Award, Picture Book of the Year
- ★ Quill & Quire selection: “15 Books That Mattered”
- ★ Toronto Public Library “First & Best” Booklist

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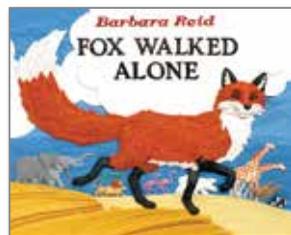


**The Subway Mouse**

\$8.99 • Paperback • 978-0-439-95223-1

- ★ Winner, Ruth Schwartz Award
- ★ Finalist, Governor General’s Award for Illustration
- ★ IRA Children’s Choices Award
- ★ Ontario Library Association Best Bet
- ★ Shortlist, Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Illustrator’s Award

**Rights available:** World, excluding Denmark, French (N. Amer.), Indonesia, Brazil (Portuguese), Korea and Lithuania



**Fox Walked Alone**

\$8.99 • Paperback • 978-0-545-98998-5

- ★ IBBY International Honour List, Illustration
- ★ Ontario Library Association Best Bet
- ★ Finalist, Marilyn Baillie Picture Book Award
- ★ Shortlist, Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Illustrator’s Award
- ★ Shortlist, Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Award

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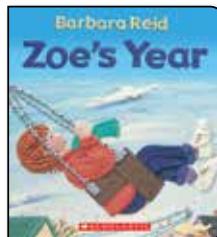


**Welcome, Baby**

\$9.99 • Board book  
978-1-4431-1960-3

- ★ Toronto Public Library “First & Best” Booklist

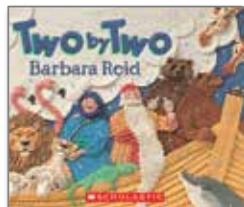
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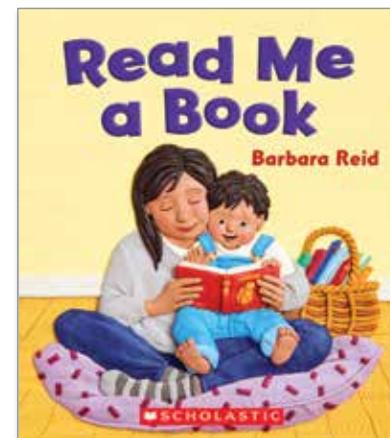
**Two by Two**

\$9.99 • Board book  
978-1-4431-3304-3

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# Read Me a Book

By Barbara Reid



**A celebration of reading and sharing!**

Barbara Reid has created a colourful celebration of the pleasures of reading to babies and young children, any time and anywhere. Warm and detailed Plasticine illustrations of adults and children reading together join with bouncy, rhythmic verse to invite children and parents to share the joy of reading, indoors and out, at any time of day!

*Read Me a Book* reminds us that reading to young children is key to the development of literacy and the enjoyment of learning.

**BARBARA REID** is one of Canada’s premier picture book authors and illustrators. Her brilliant Plasticine art has graced the pages of over a dozen picture books, including the Governor General’s Award-winning *The Party*, *The Night Before Christmas*, *Picture a Tree* and *Welcome, Baby*. Barbara is a member of the Order of Canada, the recipient of the Vicky Metcalf Award for Body of Work, and is honorary chair of Family Literacy Day 2016. She lives in Toronto with her husband. Visit her at [www.barbarareid.ca](http://www.barbarareid.ca).

**ALSO BY BARBARA REID**



**Sing a Song of Bedtime**  
\$19.99 • Hardcover • 978-1-4431-4684-5

**Sing a Song of Mother Goose**  
\$19.99 • Hardcover • 978-0-545-99028-8  
\$9.99 • Board • 978-0-545-99724-9

Ages: 0 to 3  
Board Book

**SELLING POINTS**

- Reid’s three-dimensional Plasticine illustrations are instantly recognizable.
- Like Rosemary Wells’s *Read to Your Bunny*, this title has become a classic first book to share with a young child.
- Learning to read is a topic close to the hearts of parents and teachers.

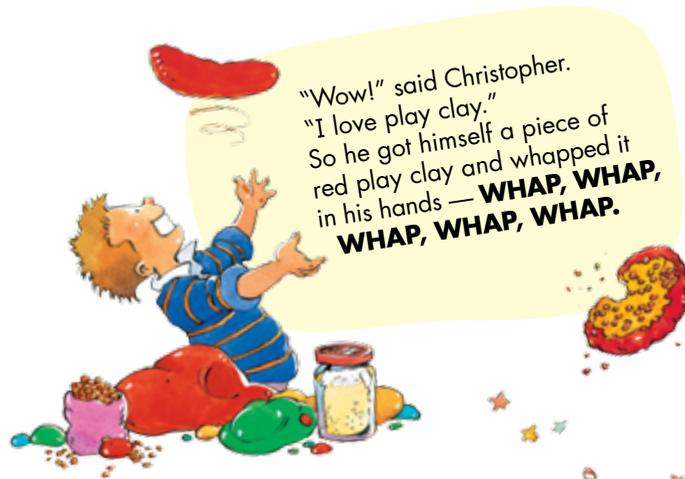
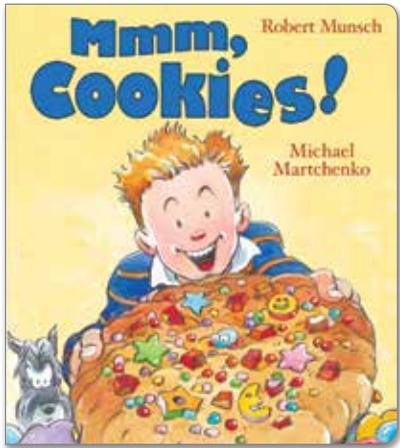
- \$9.99
- Board book
- 978-1-4431-4849-8
- Full-colour illustrations
- Pages: 26
- Size: 6" x 6 3/4"

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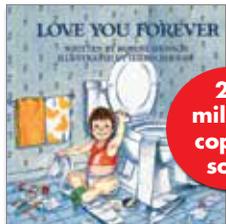
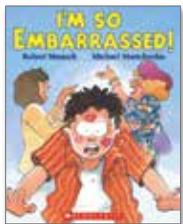
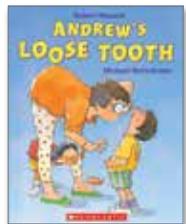
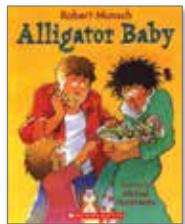


# Meet Canada's bestselling author, Robert Munsch

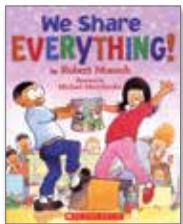
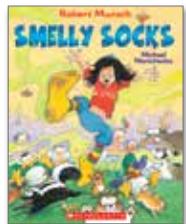
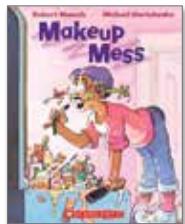
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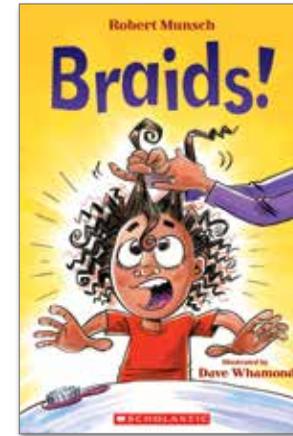
**ROBERT MUNSCH** is Canada's bestselling author of more than fifty picture books for young readers. He receives about 10,000 letters a year, and his books have been translated into over 30 languages, from Arabic to Swedish. His heartwarming and hilarious stories are dearly loved by children, parents, teachers and booksellers alike. He lives in Guelph, Ontario. His website is [www.robertmunsch.com](http://www.robertmunsch.com).

**MICHAEL MARTCHENKO's** illustrations are as instantly identifiable and lovable as Robert Munsch's stories. His wild and colourful pictures add depth and even more hilarity to these picture book tales. Michael lives in Toronto, Ontario.

To see the over 30 Munsch titles available from Scholastic Canada, visit [www.scholastic.ca/munsch](http://www.scholastic.ca/munsch)

# Braids!

By Robert Munsch | Illustrations by Dave Whamond



**Ashley never gets to do anything fun because it takes all day for her mother to braid her hair!**

Ashley can't figure out why her mom always insists on putting her hair in braids. Her hair might look beautiful in braids, but it takes all day and Ashley never has time to do anything fun. But one day, Grandma comes for a visit and they decide it's time to braid Mom's hair!

**DAVE WHAMOND** has illustrated over 35 children's books, including the Oddrey series, *AlphaBest* and *My Think-a-ma-jink*. He is also the creator of the internationally syndicated daily newspaper comic panel *Reality Check*, now in its twentieth year worldwide. His books and comics have won numerous awards. Dave lives in Calgary with his wife and two kids.



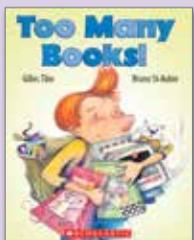
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Picture Book/Reader

**SELLING POINTS**

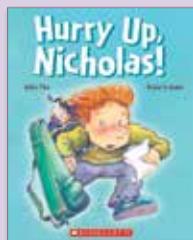
- New Munsch title featuring illustrations from a new artist.
- Most kids will relate to Ashley's frustrations with her hair!
- The illustrations will keep kids laughing.

- \$5.99
- Paperback
- 978-1-4431-4859-7
- Full-colour illustrations
- Pages: 32
- Size: 6" x 9"

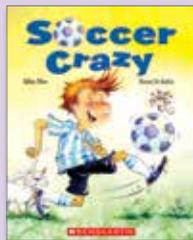
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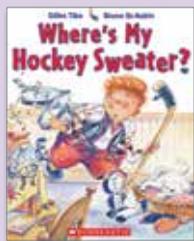
**Too Many Books!**  
\$7.99 PB • 978-0-439-96753-2  
★ Finalist, OLA Blue Spruce Award  
★ TD Grade 1 Giveaway



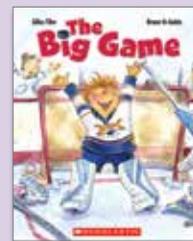
**Hurry Up, Nicholas!**  
\$6.99 PB • 978-0-545-98946-6  
★ Best Books for Kids and Teens



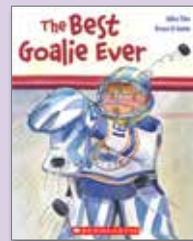
**Soccer Crazy**  
\$7.99 PB • 978-1-4431-1371-7  
★ Nominee, OLA Prix Peuplier



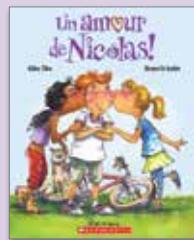
**Where's My Hockey Sweater?**  
\$7.99 PB • 978-0-439-95677-2  
★ Finalist, OLA Blue Spruce Award



**The Big Game**  
\$7.99 PB • 978-1-4431-1943-6



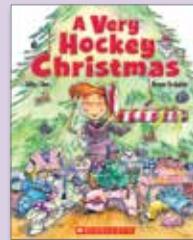
**The Best Goalie Ever**  
\$7.99 PB • 978-0-545-98072-2  
★ Best Books for Kids and Teens



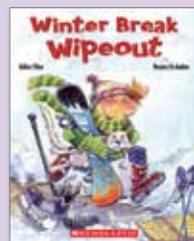
**Un amour de Nicolas!**  
\$9.99 PB • 978-0-545-99571-9  
★ Top 3, Communication-Jeunesse



**La surprise de Nicolas!**  
\$8.99 PB • 978-1-4431-0380-0



**A Very Hockey Christmas**  
\$7.99 PB • 978-1-4431-2860-5

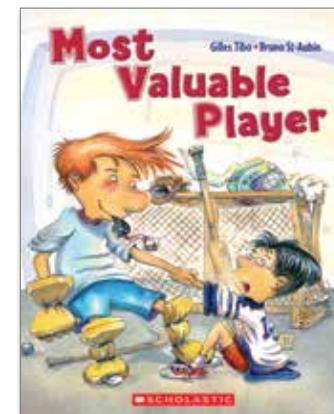


**Winter Break Wipeout**  
\$7.99 PB • 978-1-4431-3688-4



# Most Valuable Player

By Gilles Tibo | Illustrations by Bruno St-Aubin

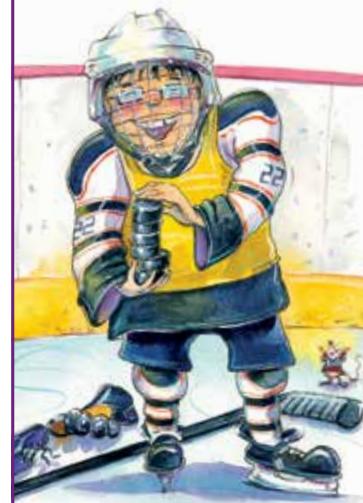


## Can Nicholas turn his friend into an athlete?

Nicholas and Jeremy, a new student, have a lot in common. But Jeremy does not excel in sports. He tries hard, but he's always last to be chosen for a team. Nicholas decides to help his friend, and with some coaching, and a lot of secret training, he knows Jeremy will be able to play the sport he loves best: hockey! After weeks of practice, is Jeremy ready to play with Nicholas's team? A practice game puts all their hard work to the test.

**GILLES TIBO** has written and illustrated more than a hundred children's books. He is a two-time winner of the Governor General's Award and the Mr. Christie's Book Award, and a two-time nominee for the Hans Christian Andersen Award. He lives in Montréal, Quebec.

**BRUNO ST-AUBIN** has illustrated over sixty children's books. His favourite activities when he is not illustrating include soccer, cross-country skiing, cycling, jogging and playing hockey. Bruno lives in Montréal, Quebec.



Ages: 3 to 8  
Picture Book

### SELLING POINTS

- Charm, humour and energy fill each page.
- Story highlights, in a fun way, lessons about sportsmanship, encouragement and inclusivity.
- Nicholas is a good role model for taking action to solve a problem.

- \$7.99
- Paperback
- 978-1-4431-4598-5
- Full-colour illustrations
- Pages: 32
- Size: 8" x 10"

**Rights available:** World, excluding French (N. Amer.)

Ages: 3 to 8  
Picture Book

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Picture Book

**SELLING POINTS**

- Features an adorable, chocolate-loving little knight.
- Funny captions in the illustrations add an extra level of interest and interactivity.
- The resourceful knight will appeal to girls and boys.
- The charming stories convey themes of sharing and helping others.

**For both:**

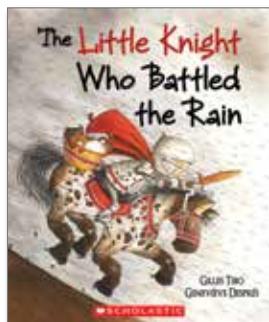
- \$8.99
- Paperback
- Full-colour illustrations
- Pages: 32
- Size: 8 1/4" x 10"

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# The Little Knight

By Gilles Tibo | Illustrations by Geneviève Després

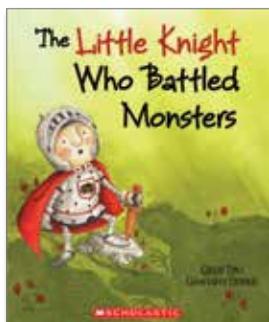
The little knight shows that with a little bit of kindness, and a lot of chocolate cake, any obstacle can be overcome.



978-1-4431-3382-1

## The Little Knight Who Battled the Rain

In a funny little kingdom atop a forest lives a little knight. He loves cats and chocolate cake... but he is terrified of rain! When a huge storm descends on the village, the little knight takes refuge in his fortress, and stays there for long, long time. Finally, he realizes that for the sake of his subjects, he must find the courage to confront his fears.



978-1-4431-3384-5

## The Little Knight Who Battled Monsters

With no enemies around, the little knight never has to fight. He reads all day and dreams all night. But when he learns that three of his young subjects have been kidnapped by monsters, he rushes into the forest to save them. Thanks to his wits and a touch of kindness, he brings the children back home safely. As for the monsters, they settle into village life surprisingly well!

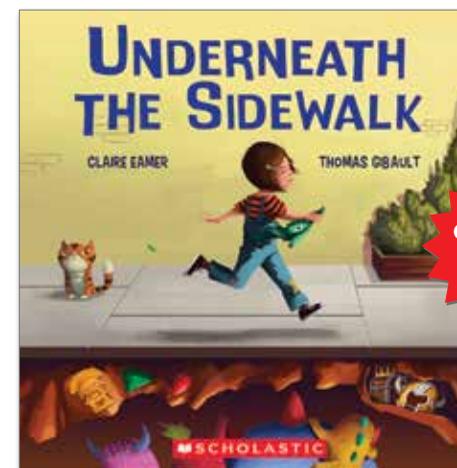
**GILLES TIBO** has written and illustrated more than a hundred children's books. He is a two-time winner of the Governor General's Award and the Mr. Christie's Book Award, and a two-time nominee for the Hans Christian Andersen Award. He lives in Montréal, Quebec.

**GENEVIÈVE DESPRÉS** is a graduate of industrial design, but turned to illustration in 1997. In 2003, she moved to Paris and then to Italy, where she completed an internship. Since her return to Canada in 2006, she mainly illustrates children's books. Geneviève is a four-time Applied Arts Illustration Award winner. Her website is [www.genevievedespres.ca](http://www.genevievedespres.ca).



# UNDERNEATH THE SIDEWALK

By Claire Eamer | Illustrations by Thomas Gibault



## What lurks beneath the sidewalk cracks . . . ?

*"Skip hop, jump stop,  
Crack in the sidewalk.  
Dark crack, deep crack,  
Down-below-the-street crack.*

It's an age-old question: What would happen if you stepped on a sidewalk crack? This book explores that question with humour, joy and just the right dose of spine-tingling fear. As in *Where the Wild Things Are*, children will delight in the opportunity to face fears and overcome them, while making interesting new friends along the way. This book reminds us that fears, once faced, are never as bad as initially imagined.

**CLAIRE EAMER** has been a radio copywriter, a newspaper and radio reporter, a book editor and a university instructor. Now she spends much of her time writing for children and young adults. Her books have won the Red Cedar Award, the Information Book Award and the Science in Society Book Award. After living in the Yukon for many years, Claire now calls Vancouver Island home. Visit her at [www.claireeamer.com](http://www.claireeamer.com).

**THOMAS GIBAULT** was born in Paris. Hoping to be an underwater archaeologist, he accidentally signed up for an art class in high school. Suddenly, Thomas saw his future: instead of digging art out of the ocean floor, he would create it himself! After studying at l'École des Arts Décoratifs in Strasbourg, Thomas has worked on advertising, magazines and children's illustration.

**SELLING POINTS**

- Books are a great way for kids to explore their fears in a controlled and safe setting.
- Most young readers delight in "scary" when they're ready.
- Engaging and rhythmic writing conveys the dramatic pacing.
- A fantastic read-aloud!

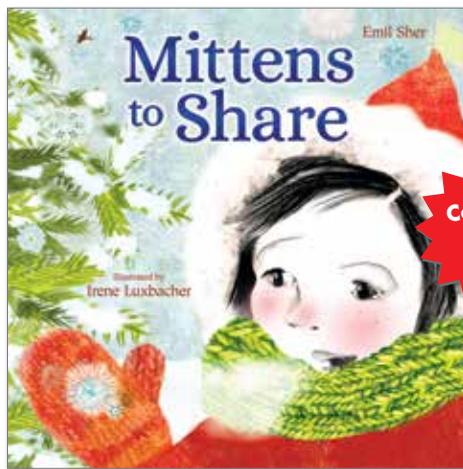
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- Full-colour illustrations
- Pages: 32
- Size: 10" x 10"

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Ages: 3 to 8  
Picture Book

## Mittens to Share

By Emil Sher | Illustrations by Irene Luxbacher



**A quiet time becomes a most-treasured family moment.**

A child and parent are playing outside, when the little one loses a favourite mitten. The happiness is temporarily shattered, and they go back inside. The child looks through a chest for a replacement pair and finally discovers a mitten that will do. Outside again, they find the lost mitten and also see that it has been discovered by a bird (seen at the beginning of the story), which is now incorporating a piece of the colourful yarn into its nest. With the lost mitten and lost smiles found again, and mittens shared in novel ways, joy is restored to a perfect winter day.

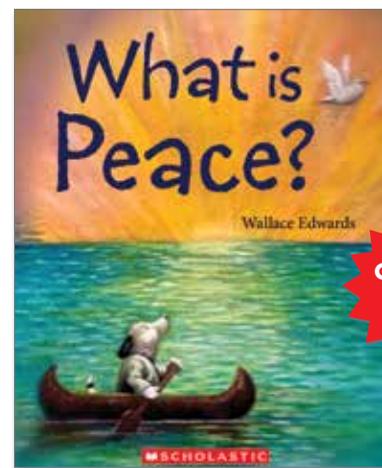
Poetic and spare, but deceptive in its simplicity, this story extends deeper than the few moments it poignantly describes. Stunning multimedia art by Irene Luxbacher gives young readers detailed worlds to explore.

**EMIL SHER** writes in a variety of genres for all ages. He adapted the bestselling book *Hana's Suitcase* for stage and has written two picture books. His first novel, *Young Man with Camera*, received stellar reviews and was shortlisted for both the Governor General's Award for Children's Literature and the Ontario Library Association Red Maple Award. He lives in Toronto. Visit Emil at [www.emilsher.com](http://www.emilsher.com).

**IRENE LUXBACHER** is a children's book author, illustrator and artist who has received numerous prestigious awards and nominations for her many art activity books and picture books. Irene was nominated for a Governor General's Award for Illustration for her work on Andrew Larsen's *Imaginary Garden*, and her own *Mr. Frank* was listed on the USSBY Outstanding International Book List. Irene lives in Toronto, where she is currently working on new paintings, illustrations and picture books. Visit Irene at [www.ireneluxbacher.com](http://www.ireneluxbacher.com).

## What is Peace?

By Wallace Edwards



**A stunning, thought-provoking look at the idea of peace.**

Peace is a familiar word, yet its meaning is both simple and complex. In this beautifully illustrated book, Edwards explores peace and invites young readers to think about what that means to them.

In a series of linked questions combined with Edwards's singular art, the concept of peace is picked up, shaken, turned all around and carefully examined from every angle. The impact is engaging, delightful, thoughtful and powerful — in the perfect blend of whimsy and sophistication for which Edwards is known — and it allows young readers to venture in, knowing there is no one answer, and no wrong answer.

There are many books on war for children; far fewer that examine peace. *What Is Peace?* engages readers to think about peace in their day-to-day lives, and around the world.

**WALLACE EDWARDS** was born in Ottawa and graduated from the Ontario College of Art. His first book, *Alphabeasts*, won the Governor General's Award for Children's Illustration in 2002. Since then he has written and illustrated nine more books, winning many national and international awards. Edwards works primarily in watercolour and pencil, using a variety of styles. His recent picture books include *Mixed Beasts*, *Uncle Wally's Old Brown Shoe* and *Once Upon a Line*.

Ages: 4 to 10  
Picture Book

### SELLING POINTS

- A book about peace complements the many offerings on war.
- Perfect for use in discussions around bullying and other social issues.
- Edwards's artistic approach is a great impetus for creativity and expression, as well as discussion, whether at school or home.

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Chapter Book

**SELLING POINTS**

- A new addition to a successful series!
- Appeals to boy and girl readers, with relatable situations and interests.
- Explores issues of responsibility, empathy and positivity, as well as character education.

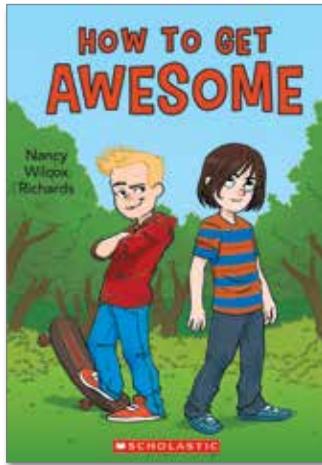
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**NANCY WILCOX RICHARDS** was an elementary school teacher for many years. She is the author of the books in the "How to" series as well as the Farmer Joe series. Her recent picture book, *We're All Friends Here*, was shortlisted for the Ontario Library Association Blue Spruce Award. Nancy lives in Nova Scotia.

# HOW TO GET AWESOME

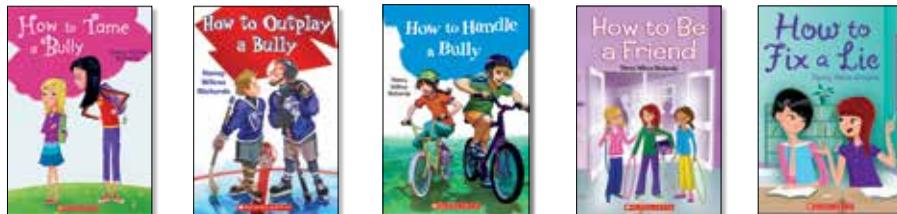
By Nancy Wilcox Richards



**Owen fears his big plans for grade three are ruined. This year is shaping up to be anything but awesome . . .**

On the first day of school, Owen's teacher assigns a year-long writing activity called Project Awesome. Every week, the students need to write about something awesome in their everyday lives. It doesn't sound so great to Owen. He hates writing and would rather be skateboarding, playing soccer with his best friend Max or spending time with Copper, the neighbour's dog. But things don't always go according to plan. When Max stops hanging around and Copper goes away for vacation, Owen turns to his journal as an outlet for his thoughts. Maybe Project Awesome isn't as lame as he thought.

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Kat and her friends are dog crazy! At Aunt Jenn's grooming salon and kennel, they get to know many puppies that they add to their scrapbook, "The Puppy Collection."

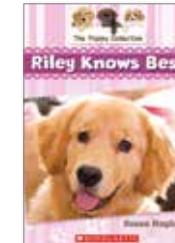
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**LEANNE FRANSON** has illustrated over eighty picture books and novels. Her illustrations have also appeared in educational texts, magazine articles and in a TV commercial. She lives with her son and two cats in Saskatchewan. Her website is [www.leannefranson.com](http://www.leannefranson.com).

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Middle-Grade Fiction

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# SURVIVAL

By Frieda Wishinsky



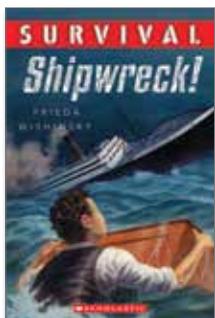
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As Hurricane Hazel tears through the Caribbean, Michael, who is fascinated by natural disasters, follows its progress closely. After days of heavy rain, he's worried that the hurricane might head north, close to home. Could a hurricane strike Toronto when it's so far inland? On October 15, 1954, the rain and wind intensify — Michael's home is flooded, and Michael finds himself alone in the storm!



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Alex has just moved to a new town. He's having a hard time making friends and is teased for his lack of skill on the ski slopes. But when a new boy, Ben, joins the class, the two bond over their love of building and make plans to construct an epic snow fort. When a freak avalanche strikes and traps Alex, Ben and Owen in deep snow, it's Alex who keeps it together enough to free himself and save the other boys.

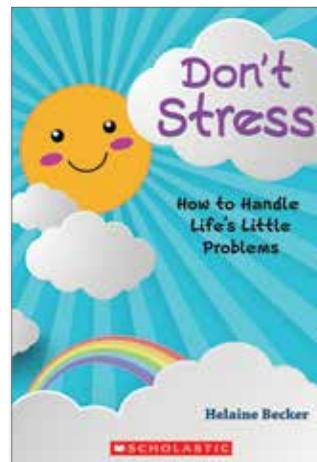


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In the wee hours of May 29, 1914, two young friends, Grace and Albert, stand in awe on the deck of the *Empress of Ireland*, a ship sailing from Canada to Liverpool, England. But excitement soon turns to terror as the friends feel a sharp jolt. The ship begins to tilt. People scream. Stewards direct passengers to the lifeboats. It is a full-on nautical disaster, and the two friends must take risks to make it through alive.

# Don't Stress

By Helaine Becker



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Being a kid can be stressful. With so little control over schedules and surroundings, it's easy to feel overwhelmed and out of control. With this in mind, award-winning author Helaine Becker has created a wonderful playbook for dealing with stress — in a stress-free format!

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**HELAIN BECKER** is the author of many picture books, novels and non-fiction books. Her acclaimed science titles include *The Big Green Book of the Big Blue Sea* and *Science on the Loose*. Her books have won multiple awards, including the Lane Anderson Award for Science Writing for Children, the Information Book Award, the Science in Society Children's Book Award, a Red Cedar Award and two Silver Birch Awards. Helaine lives in Toronto with her family. Visit her at [www.helainebecker.com](http://www.helainebecker.com).

Ages: 8 to 13  
Non-Fiction

### SELLING POINTS

- A light-hearted approach to dealing with stress.
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Middle-Grade Fiction

**SELLING POINTS**

- Fresh, distinctive voice that is imbued with humour.
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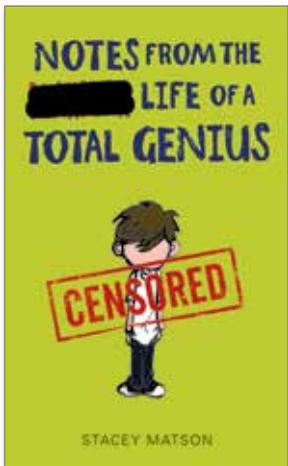
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**STACEY MATSON** is the author of *A Year in the Life of a Total and Complete Genius* and its equally funny sequel, *Scenes from the Epic Life of a Total Genius*. She has worked at several theatres, as well scripted pieces for various museums. She holds a Masters degree in Children's Literature from the University of British Columbia. This is the third and final book in her Arthur Bean trilogy.

# NOTES FROM THE [REDACTED] LIFE OF A TOTAL GENIUS

By Stacey Matson

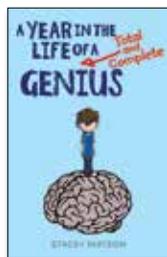


**A new year, a new controversy for this genius in the making.**

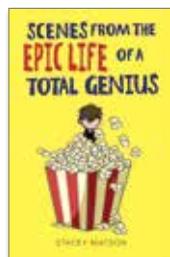
With his best friend Robbie now living in another city, and his former crush Kennedy as his co-editor on the school newspaper, Arthur's final year at junior high is off to a rocky start. A chance to produce his own play gives him some hope, but it's dashed when the new principal challenges the final scene. Not one to take "no" for an answer, Arthur strikes back with an editorial, and now the grad dance is in danger of being cancelled! In typical egotistic style, Arthur won't back down, citing artistic integrity.

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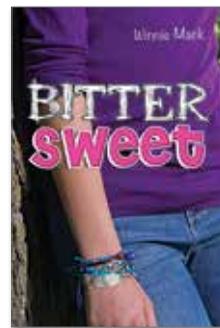
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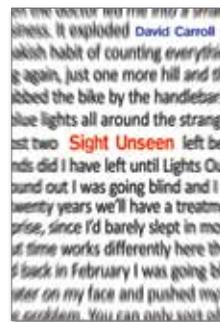


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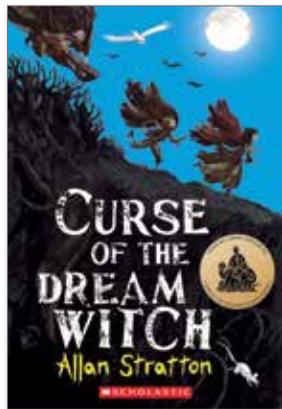
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## CURSE OF THE DREAM WITCH



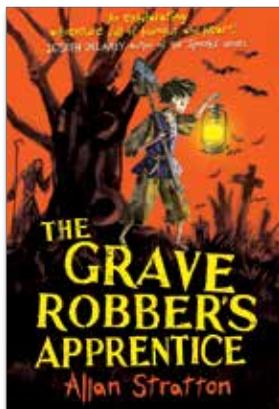
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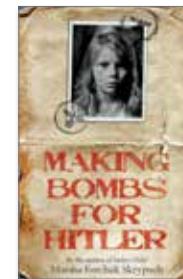


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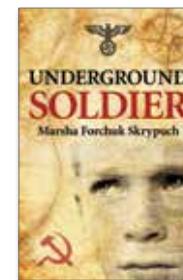
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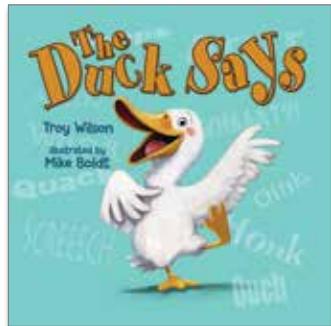
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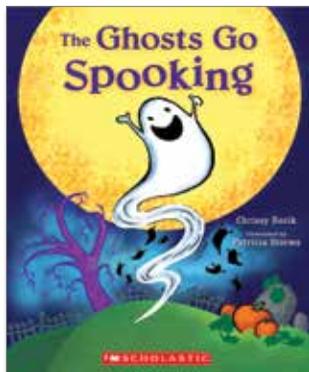
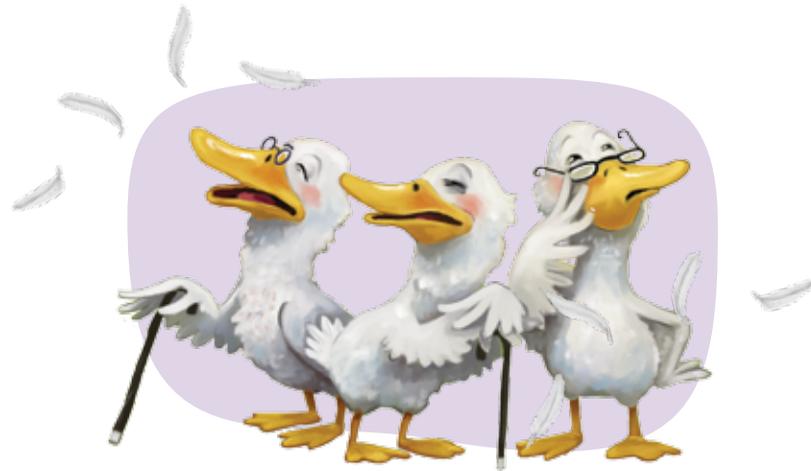
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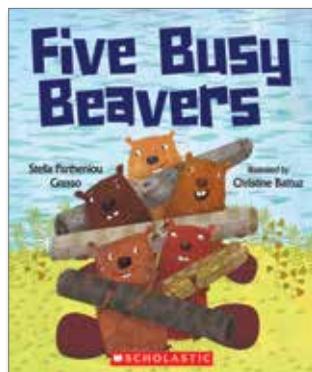
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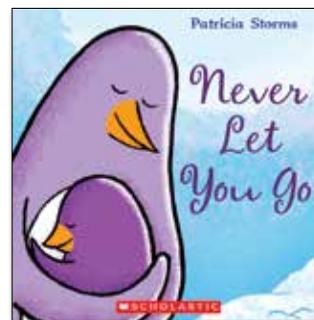
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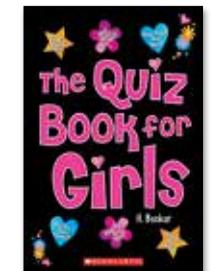
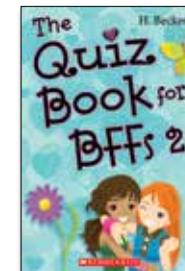
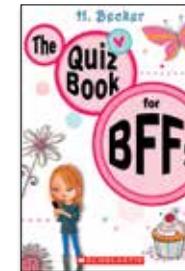
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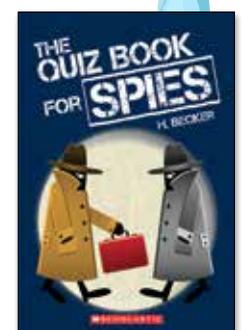
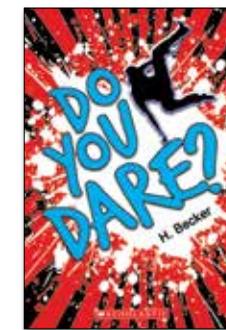
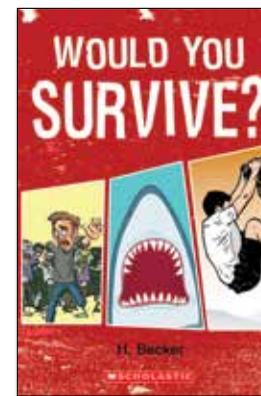
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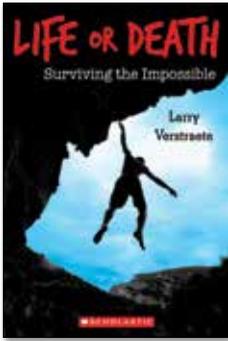
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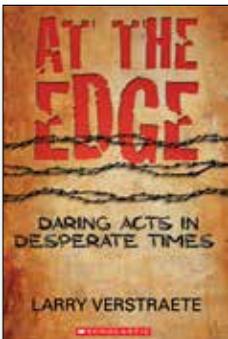
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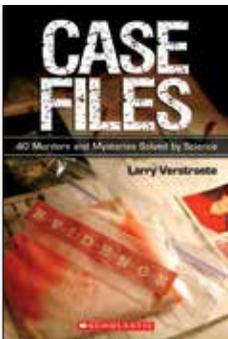
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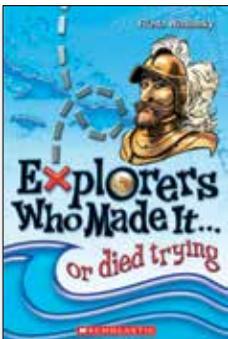
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