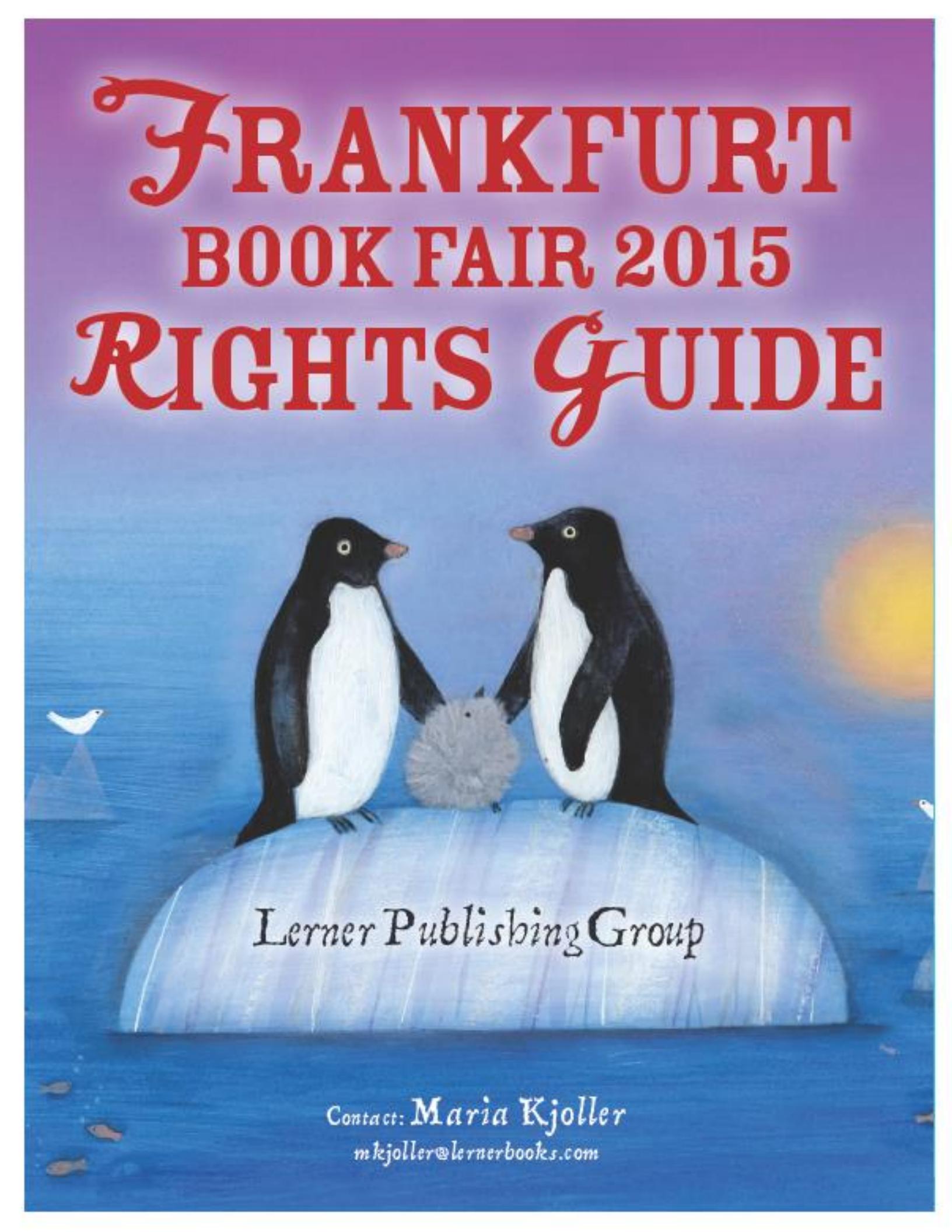


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Fall 2016 Sneak Peeks

Young Adult Fiction:

THE STAND-IN by Steve Bloom

Ages 13 and up

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When Brooks Rattigan, a cash-strapped high school senior, volunteers to be a stand-in for a classmate's cousin who's been dumped by her Homecoming date, little does he realize becoming a rent-a-date will soon turn into a thriving business. As platonic escort to the geeky, socially awkward daughters of The One-Percent, Brooks is introduced to a world of privilege and perks beyond his comprehension. And he wants it all. His carefully crafted façade comes crumbling down, however, when his working-class roots finally catch up with him and he discovers that the girl of his dreams has been standing in front of him all along. *The Stand-In* is a bawdy, comic romp with a heart.

•Steve Bloom is a screenwriter for TV and movies. Among his credits are the films "The Sure Thing," "James and the Giant Peach", and "Tall Tale". *The Stand-In* is his first novel.

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Nonfiction:

SACHIKO: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story by Caren Stelson

Ages 10 and up

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There are classic accounts of young children's very personal and intimate stories that bring history to life far more clearly --and more poignantly-- than thick volumes on the subject from historians. *Sachiko* is one such account of one of history's maddest moments. *Sachiko*, written by Caren B. Stelson through extensive interviews with the subject, is a riveting narrative of six-year-old Sachiko Yasui's miraculous survival of the Nagasaki atomic bomb on August 9, 1945 and its lifelong, excruciating aftermath. From that darker than dark day, Sachiko would spend the decades of her life seeking alternative means for humankind to settle its differences peacefully. Key inspirations to Sachiko during her lifetime would be the events, achievements, and philosophies of Helen Keller, Mahatma Gandhi, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Each of these figures impacts Sachiko as she finds her own voice and spends her life seeking her own path to peace and sharing the journey with youth worldwide.

•Caren B. Stelson holds a BA in History and Masters in Education from the University of Pennsylvania and has worked as a teacher, educational consultant, and freelance writer. In 2009, she earned an MFA in Writing for Children and Young Adults from Hamline University.

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Spring 2016

Picture Books:

TOOTH BY TOOTH: Comparing Fangs, Tusks, and Chompers by Sara Levine, illustrations by T.S. Spookytooth

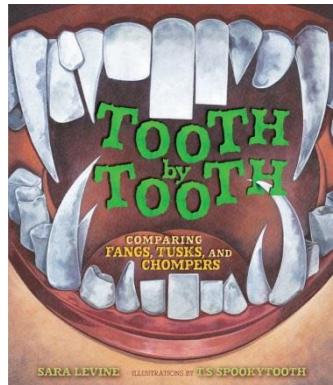
Ages 5-10

32 pages

Open wide! Find out why teeth come in so many different shapes and sizes. This picture book will keep you guessing as you read about how human teeth are like—and unlike—those of other animals.

- Sara Levine is an assistant professor of Biology at Wheelock College and a veterinarian. She is the author of *Bone by Bone*. •T.S Spookytooth has been illustrating for many years. He has explored the diverse fields of children's picture books, magazine and newspaper illustrations, and advertising. He is the illustrator of *Bone by Bone*.

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BUILD, BEAVER, BUILD! Life at the Longest Beaver Dam by Sandra Markle, illustrations by Deborah Hocking

Ages 5-9

32 pages

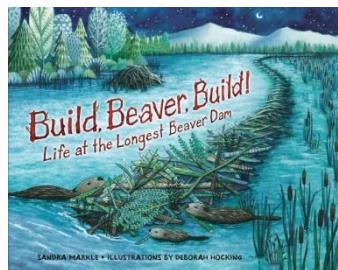
The most important lesson a beaver kit learns is how to take care of his family's home. As the kit grows up, he helps repair and add to the family dam—and begins to build a life for himself.

- Sandra Markle is the author of numerous award-winning books for children, including *The Case of the Vanishing Golden Frogs: A Scientific Mystery* and *The Case of the Vanishing Honeybees: A Scientific Mystery*. She lives in Lakewood Ranch, Florida, with her husband. •Deborah Hocking was born and raised in Portland, Oregon. In college she studied painting, illustration, graphic design, and Spanish. This is her first picture book.

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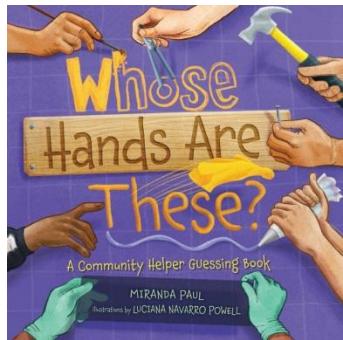


**WHOSE HANDS ARE THESE? A Community Helper Guessing Book by Miranda Paul,
illustrations by Luciana Navarro Powell**

Ages 4-9

32 pages

If your hands can mix and mash, what job might you have? What if your hands reach, wrench, yank, and crank? Hands do all sorts of helpful work. Can you guess all the jobs they do in this book?



•Miranda Paul is a freelance writer and children's author. Her most recent picture book for Lerner was *One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia*. She lives in Green Bay, Wisconsin, with her husband and two children. •Luciana Navarro Powell was born in Brazil and worked as a product and graphic designer before becoming an illustrator. She lives in San Diego, California.

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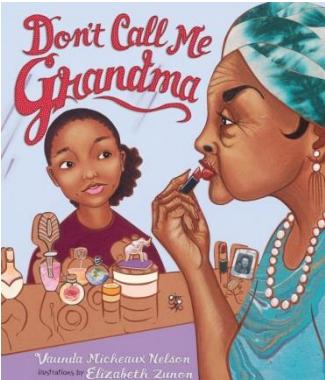
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DON'T CALL ME GRANDMA by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson, illustrations by Elizabeth Zunon

Ages 5-9

32 pages

Nell eats fish for breakfast, she doesn't hug or kiss, and she does NOT want to be called grandma. As her great-granddaughter slowly learns more about Nell's life, she finds ways to connect with her prickly, pearl-wearing great-grandmother.



•Vaunda Micheaux Nelson is the author of three Coretta Scott King Award-winning books: *No Crystal Stair*, *Bad News for Outlaws*, and *Almost to Freedom*. She is a youth services librarian in New Mexico. •Elizabeth Zunon grew up in Ivory Coast (Cote d'Ivoire) in West Africa. She graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration. She is the illustrator of Miranda Paul's *One Plastic Bag: Isatou Ceesay and the Recycling Women of the Gambia*.

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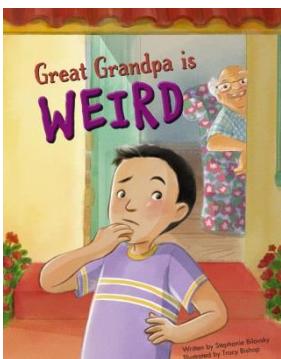
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GREAT GRANDPA IS WEIRD by Stephanie Bilovsky, illustrations by Tracy Bishop

Ages 5-8

32 pages

Children may love their older relatives, but it can be a difficult trip when visiting grandparents and older relatives. This book is a playful and touching spin on the anxiety young children feel when visiting elders.



•Stephanie Bilovsky is a public relations specialist by day, children's author by night, and mother around the clock. She currently lives in Columbia, South Carolina, with her family. •Tracy Bishop grew up in Japan and studied illustration and animation, planning to be an animator. But she loved telling stories with illustrations instead. Tracy now lives and works in San Jose, California.

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Luis Paints the World by Terry Farish, illustrations by Oliver Dominguez

Ages 5-10

32 pages

Luis wishes his brother Nico wasn't leaving for the Army. To show Nico he doesn't need to go, Luis begins a mural on the alleyway wall. But as Luis awaits Nico's return, his own world expands as well.

•Terry Farish has been writing about refugees and immigrants for many years, informed by her early work for the Red Cross in Vietnam. She is also the author of *Either the Beginning or the End of the World*, and she lives in Kittery, Maine. •Oliver Dominguez was born and raised in Miami. He has illustrated multiple picture books, including *Miracle Mud*. He lives in Florida.

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Graphic Novels:

Cici: A Fairy's Tale #1: BELIEVE YOUR EYES by Cori Doerrfeld, illustrations by Tyler Page

Ages 7-11

28 pages

Cici's new magical powers let her see people as they truly are. But what she learns about her loved ones isn't always easy to accept. She has one day to decide whether to keep her wings. What will she choose?

•Cori Doerrfeld has written and illustrated several picture books, including *Penny Loves Pink*, *Little Bunny Foo Foo: The Real Story* and *Matilda in the Middle*. She lives in Minneapolis with her comic artist husband, Tyler Page, and their two children. •Tyler Page is an Eisner-nominated and Xeric Grant-winning artist and educator. He illustrated *The Chicagoland Detective Agency* series by Trina Robbins.

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Hotel Strange #2: ON THE SAPPHIRE'S TRAIL by Katherine Ferrier and Florian Ferrier

Ages 7-11

40 pages

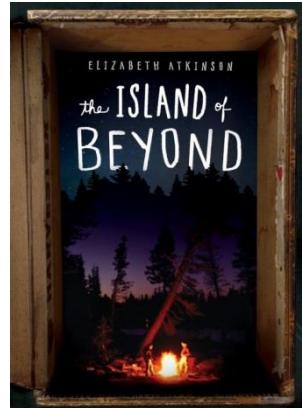
The quirky residents of Hotel Strange are busy planning a music festival, until thieves kidnap Marietta and Mr. Léclair. In order to save their friends (and the music festival), they must find a missing sapphire.

•Katherine Ferrier is a French graphic novel author and illustrator. •Florian Ferrier is a French producer of animated television programs.

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Middle Grade Fiction:



THE ISLAND OF BEYOND by Elizabeth Atkinson

Ages 9-13

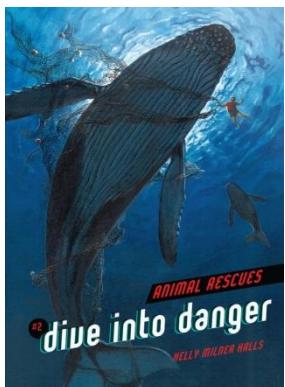
288 pages

Eleven-year-old Martin is a kid on the cusp of adolescence, a very ordinary boy, who is learning to be comfortable in his own skin. This summer challenges him to rely on his own judgment, and forces him to take an unusual path to self-discovery. Along the way, he encounters plenty of mysteries, crazy outdoor adventures, and an array of appealing underdog characters. It's part mystery, part how-to-survive-and-have-fun-in-the-wilderness story, and part coming of age novel. A wonderful new novel from the author of the acclaimed *I, Emma Freke*.

•Elizabeth Atkinson has been an editor, a children's librarian, an English teacher, and a newspaper columnist. She is the author of *From Alice to Zen and Everyone in Between* and *I, Emma Freke*. She lives in West Newbury, MA.

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Animal Rescues #2: DIVE INTO DANGER by Kelly Milner Halls

Ages 9-14

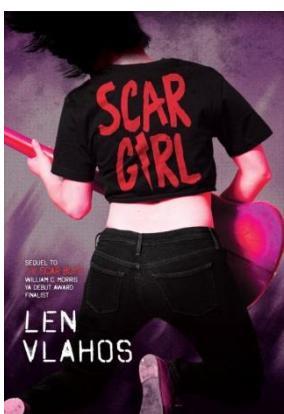
88 pages

Pudge gets caught playing World of Warcraft in school and is suspended. As punishment, he has to help his marine biologist father at work. When they spot a whale in trouble, Pudge puts his real-world survival skills to the test.

•Kelly Milner Halls is a full-time author with a passion for unearthing unusual facts about the creatures and the world around her. Previous books for Lerner include: *Tales of the Cryptids*, *Alien Investigation: Searching for the Truth about UFOs and Aliens*, and *Ghostly Evidence: Exploring the Paranormal*. She lives in Spokane, Washington.

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Young Adult Fiction:



SCAR GIRL by Len Vlahos

Ages 14 and up

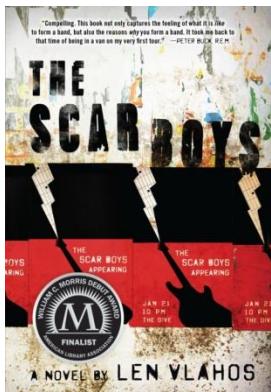
280 pages

The powerful sequel to Vlahos' William C. Morris Award-nominated *The Scar Boys*. Cheyanne, Harry, and Richie tell their own stories about the ups and downs of being successful rock musicians. As the band grows in fame, the friends grow more distant, and misunderstandings and emotional melt-downs begin to tear them apart. Chey has a miscarriage but can't tell Johnny she was even pregnant, turning to alcohol instead as a way to cope; Harry wants to leave the band; and Johnny slips into a depression. The band's refusal to be honest with each other leads to dire consequences. Music leads to healing, but all of the band members carry the scars of shattering events.

•Len Vlahos has held leadership positions with the American Booksellers Association and Book Industry Study Group (BISG) and co-owns The Tattered Cover bookstore in Denver, CO. His novel *The Scar Boys* was a finalist for the William C. Morris YA Debut Award.

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THE SCAR BOYS by Len Vlahos

January 2014 publication

Ages 14 and up

256 pages

Written as a college application essay, eighteen-year-old Harry Jones describes the horrible accident he suffered at the hands of bullies, the hideous scars he hides behind, and how forming a band brought him self-confidence, friendship, and a first kiss.

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TRIPPING BACK BLUE by Kara Storti

Ages 14 and up

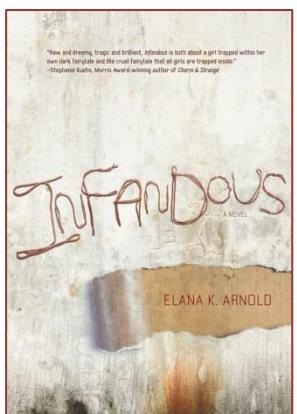
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Finn is a 17-year-old full of paradoxes. He's a drug dealer, but he's scoring money to send his twin sister to Harvard. He's desperate to shoot up even though he's the most popular kid in Dammertown, New York. He's a brilliant philosopher and orator, yet he's failing all his classes. When Finn's plan to get his sister out of D-Town falls apart, his life begins to spiral out of control. Then, he discovers a miracle drug he names *indigo*—a drug that causes users to relive a favorite memory from their past with an overwhelming sense of euphoria. *Indigo* is the answer to Finn's prayers. But is this drug really as magical as it seems? This powerful debut novel from Kara Storti is a riveting look at drug addiction through the eyes of its heart-breaking philosopher-narrator. A blend of "Breaking Bad" and *Catcher in the Rye* with a twist of magical realism thrown in.

•Kara Storti graduated from the University of Southern Maine with an MFA in Creative Writing, where she fell in love with writing novels for young adults. She lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts. *Tripping Back Blue* is her first book.

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INFANDOUS by Elana K. Arnold

Spring 2015 publication

Ages 13 and up

200 pages

Seventeen-year-old Sephora, a surfer and artist who loves fairy tales and mythology, struggles with a secret so horrible she cannot speak it aloud, especially not to her beautiful, single mother, although they have always been unusually close. This is a masterfully written work of contemporary fiction—dark and provocative.

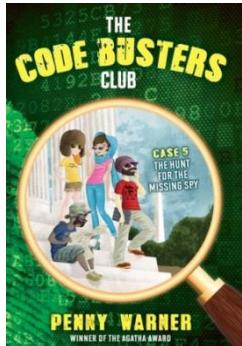
"A COMING-OF-AGE STORY CONSCIOUSLY REMINISCENT OF LOLITA, THIS MULTIFACETED PORTRAYAL OF FAMILY BONDS SURPRISES WITH ITS NUANCED AND SOMETIMES-SEARING EMOTIONAL GRAVITY." —**STARRED, KIRKUS REVIEWS**

•Elana K. Arnold completed her M.A. in Creative Writing/Fiction at the University of California, Davis. She is the author of the young adult novels, *Sacred*, *Splendor* and *Burning*. She lives in Long Beach, California.

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Series Fiction:



***The Code Busters Club #5: THE HUNT FOR THE MISSING SPY* by Penny Warner**

Ages 8-12

168 pages

The Code Busters can't wait for their trip to the International Spy Museum. But once they arrive, it seems as if someone is spying on them. When a classmate goes missing, the Code Busters set out to solve the mystery! Rights sold in: Japan (Kadokawa)

- Penny Warner has published more than 60 books for both adults and children. She teaches child development at a local college in California.

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***Mallory #25: ON THE ROAD WITH MALLORY* by Laurie Friedman, black & white illustrations by Jennifer Kalis**

Ages 7-11

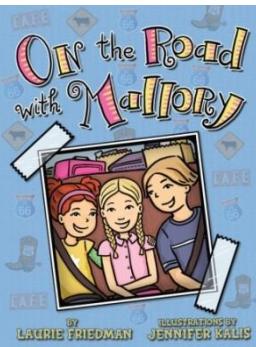
160 pages

Mallory can't wait for her family's road trip to the Grand Canyon—until it turns out that her not-so-fun cousin, Kate, is coming along. With everyone arguing and keeping secrets, can Mallory somehow save the trip?

- Laurie Friedman is the author of many award-winning books for children including her newest series, *The Mostly Miserable Life of April Sinclair*. She lives in Miami, Florida. • Jennifer Kalis is the illustrator of several *Mallory* books including *Mallory's Super Sleepover*, *Mallory in the Spotlight*, and *Mallory Goes Green!* She lives in Ohio.

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***The Mostly Miserable Life of April Sinclair #6: TOO MUCH DRAMA* by Laurie Friedman**

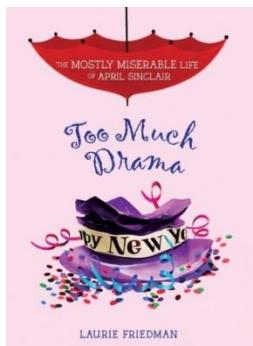
Ages 10-15

184 pages

Freshman year of high school is messy business. April's childhood BFF, Brynn, is blaming her for the breakup with Billy. Her maybe boyfriend, sixteen-year-old genius Leo, is leaving for college. Can April get the clean start she's hoping for?

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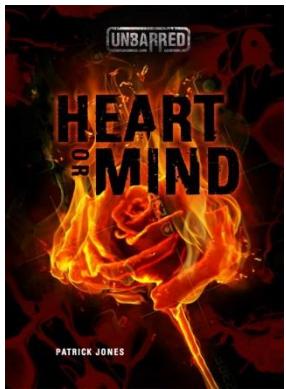
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Unbarred 4-book series by Patrick Jones

Ages 11 an up

112 – 120 pages



Once you've been in, it's tough to stay out of the juvenile corrections system. That's the hard fact that characters face in these gritty Shakespeare adaptations, reimagined with contemporary urban language, characters and settings.

DUTY OR DESIRE – This modern twist on Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra* takes a hard look at strategy, standing down, and fighting back for what you love.

FIGHT OR FLEE – This modern twist on Shakespeare's *Hamlet* takes a dark look at reform, revenge, and self-destruction.

FRIEND OR FOE – This modern twist on Shakespeare's *Othello* takes a gritty look at betrayal, revenge, and obsession.

HEART OR MIND - This modern twist on Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet* pits love against loyalty, with tragic consequences.

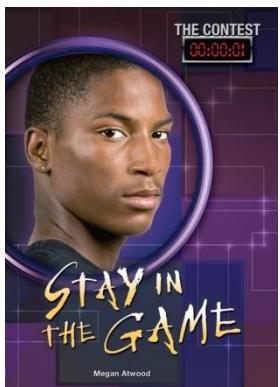
- Patrick Jones lives in Minneapolis and is the author of many novels including the *Support and Defend* series. A former librarian, Jones received lifetime achievement awards from the American Library Association and the Catholic Library Association.

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The Contest 5-book series by Megan Atwood

Ages 11 and up

104 pages



Four teenagers enter a mysterious "contest" with a \$10 million prize. To compete, they must do a series of high-stakes tasks—until they realize they're caught in an elaborate plot that's putting them in serious danger.

#1: STAY IN THE GAME - James's grandpa is dying. An experimental treatment might save him, but James's family can't afford it. Not unless he competes in and wins the Contest. Even though the tasks seem dangerous, James can't back out now, can he?

#2: BEAT THE ODDS - Ana has three choices: One, stay with abusive foster parents. Two, expose them and risk being separated from her sister. Or three, join the Contest, win the prize money, and escape together. No matter what, the odds are against her

#3: RAISE THE STAKES - Colin wants out of the Contest. But the prize money would help his transgender sister afford surgery. Can Colin find out what the Benefactor is really up to without ruining his chances to win the Contest?

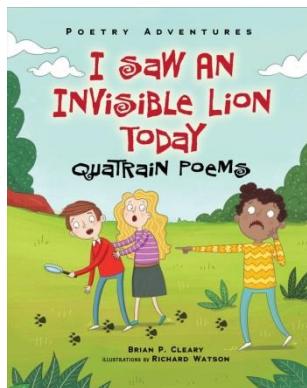
#4: BREAK THE CODE - Maiv is the responsible one. She's not someone who'd get mixed up in something as risky as the Contest. But Maiv is not what she seems, and she's determined to uncover the Benefactor's secrets—before it's too late.

#5: TURN THE TABLES - James, Ana, Colin, and Maiv are all competing in the Contest. Together, they may stand a chance of stopping the Benefactor's evil plot. But it's a race against the clock, and they have everything to lose.

- Megan Atwood lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she teaches creative writing at a local college and the Loft Literary Center. She has an M.F.A. in writing for children and young adults.

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Poetry:



I SAW AN INVISIBLE LION TODAY: *Quatrains* by Brian P. Cleary, illustrations by Richard Watson

Ages 7-11

32 pages

Quatrain? What kind of train is that? Actually, it's a poem! Award-winning author Brian P. Cleary explains how quatrains work with poems on subjects ranging from grandmothers to muzaloos that are sure to make you giggle and howl.

•Brian P. Cleary is the author of the best-selling *Words Are Categorical®* series, as well as the *Math Is Categorical®* series, among many other titles. He lives in Cleveland, OH. •Richard Watson spent many of his younger years drawing medieval knights, dragons, and entire comic books inspired by his love of reading. He studied illustration at Lincoln University and lives in the north of England.

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WHEN THE SUN SHINES ON ANTARCTICA And Other Poems About the Frozen Continent by Irene Latham, illustrations by Anna Wadham

Ages 8-12

32 pages

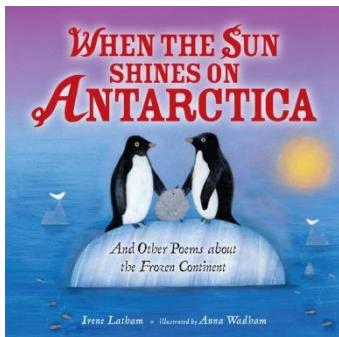
Experience summer like you've never experienced it before by traveling to Antarctica with evocative poetry. Whimsical illustrations and additional facts accompany each poem to provide further details about the animals and environment at the bottom of the world.

•Irene Latham is a Birmingham poet and novelist who writes heart-touching tales of unexpected adventure. Her most recent book for Lerner is *Dear Wandering Wildebeest and Other Poems From the Water Hole*. •Anna Wadham is a freelance Illustrator from Norwich, UK. She studied Surface Pattern Design before going on to receive an MA in Children's Book Illustration at Cambridge Anglia Ruskin University. She is the illustrator of Irene Latham's *Dear Wandering Wildebeest and Other Poems From the Water Hole*.

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Nonfiction:

THE EBOLA EPIDEMIC: *The Fight, The Future* by Connie Goldsmith

Ages 12 and up

112 pages

In 1976 researchers discovered a new virus, which they named the Ebola virus after a river in Central Africa. The virus killed two hundred eighty people before it seemingly disappeared into the jungle. No one suspected the virus would erupt in West Africa nearly four decades later to cause an unprecedented epidemic. Ebola has riveted—and terrified—the world since its reemergence from the jungle, killing more than eleven thousand people since December 2013. By using proper protective gear, safe burial protocols, cleansing techniques, and educational outreach, the disease has been slowed in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone. Hear from Ebola survivors and learn what experts say about this devastating disease.

•Connie Goldsmith writes books about history, health, and science for older children. An RN with a master's degree in health, Ms. Goldsmith lives near Sacramento, California. Her most recent books for Lerner are *Bombs Over Bikini: The World's First Nuclear Disaster*, *Traumatic Brain Injury: From Concussion to Coma*, and *Dietary Supplements: Harmless, Helpful or Hurtful?*

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MASTERS OF DISGUISE: *Amazing Animal Tricksters* by Rebecca L. Johnson

Ages 9-14

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In the animal kingdom, survival is the name of the game—and not everything is as it seems. Learn more about the animals that use tricks beyond your wildest imagination to stay safe—and stay alive!

•Rebecca L. Johnson is the author of many award-winning science books for children. Her Lerner titles include *Journey into the Deep: Discovering New Ocean Creatures*, *Zombie Makers: True Stories of Nature's Undead*, and *When Lunch Fights Back: Wickedly Clever Animal Defenses*.

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SPACE JUNK: *The Dangers of Polluting Earth's Orbit* by Karen Romano Young

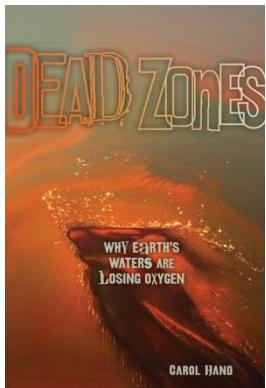
Ages 12 and up

64 pages

Scientists have identified at least 100 million pieces of space debris—from paint chips to nonoperational zombie satellites—floating in Earth's orbit. And over 100 tons of those pieces enter Earth's atmosphere each year! Journey into outer space and learn about the dangers of space junk collisions, how scientists track them, and how space agencies are working to develop new technologies to clean up the space junk. Along the way, you'll hear from the scientists who are working to ensure that outer space remains a safe place to travel and explore. If we don't tackle the space junk problem, it might be impossible to travel into space; it could even trap us on Earth.

•Karen Romano has written and/or illustrated more than thirty books for young readers. Her next title for Lerner will be a book on whales. She lives with her family in the Connecticut woods.

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DEAD ZONES: *Why Earth's Waters Are Losing Oxygen* by Carol Hand

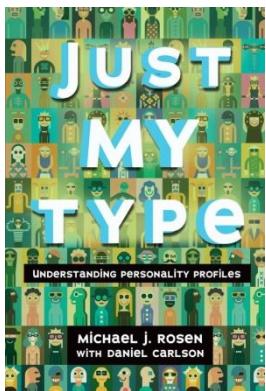
Ages 12 and up

80 pages

Every summer a dead zone—a region of low oxygen—emerges in Gulf Coast waters. Fish and other animals cannot survive in these areas. What causes dead zones? Can they be eliminated? Can we restore the health of our waters?

•Carol Hand has a PhD in zoology with a specialization in marine ecology from the University of Georgia. She has written more than twenty science books for young people on topics ranging from glaciers to genetics to environmental engineering. This is her first YA title for Lerner.

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JUST MY TYPE: *Understanding Personality Profiles* by Michael J. Rosen, with Daniel Carson

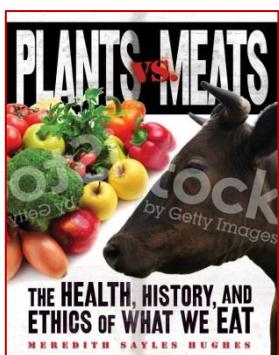
Ages 12 and up

80 pages

For thousands of years, philosophers and scientists have searched for the keys to human personality. Today, personality testing is a multibillion-dollar business. Many people take personality tests online just for fun. Whether silly or serious, personality testing can be an eye-opening way to better understand yourself, your family, and your friends. *Just My Type* introduces readers to the history of personality profiling, ranging from ancient Chinese astrology, to Freud and Jung, to the modern-day Myers-Briggs. Examine the world of online personality assessments through mini self-administered quizzes. Learn how to distinguish useful applications from biased typecasting.

•Michael J. Rosen is the author or editor, and sometimes illustrator, of some 100 books for kids and adults. His most recent book for Lerner is *Girls vs. Guys: Surprising Differences Between the Sexes*. He lives on 100 acres in rural Ohio.

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PLANTS VS. MEATS: *The Health, History, and Ethics of What We Eat* by Meredith Sayles Hughes

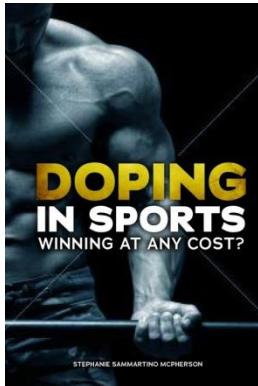
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What you eat is a personal decision. Today many people choose to eat more vegetables and fruits and less meat. But is meat bad for you? Learn about nutritional, religious, cultural, and economic concerns that influence food choices.

•Meredith Sayles Hughes is a co-founder of The Potato Museum, and its offshoot, The FOOD Museum. She has worked on three major exhibitions about food, including “Seeds of Change”, for the Smithsonian Institution. The author of several books about food, Meredith has also written a food book about France with her husband Tom Hughes. Titled *Gastronomie! Food Museums and Heritage Sites of France*, it’s a guide to the food-related museums/sites/and shrines of France.

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DOPING IN SPORTS: *Winning at Any Cost?* By Stephanie Sammartino McPherson

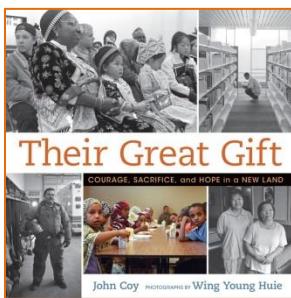
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Behind the fame of big-time sports lies a complex web of controversy and deceit surrounding performance-enhancing drugs. Uncover the shadowy world of athletes who dope, the people that help them, and the scientists and officials committed to stopping them.

- Stephanie Sammartino McPherson is a former teacher and freelance newspaper writer. She has written many books for Lerner including: *Iceberg, Right Ahead: The Tragedy of the Titanic* and *Arctic Thaw*.

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THEIR GREAT GIFT: *Courage, Sacrifice, and Hope in a New Land* by John Coy,

photographs by Wing Young Huie

Ages 5 and up

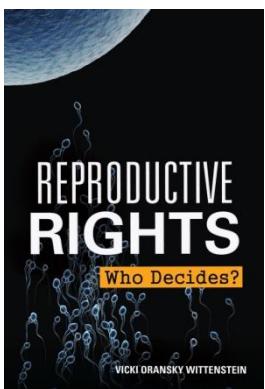
32 pages

Lyrical text and thought-provoking photographs offer a distinctive look at the lives of immigrants in the twenty-first century, focusing on the lives of children. Celebrate the United States' diversity with images of families from different backgrounds.

- John Coy is the author of the picture books *Strong to the Hoop*, *Around the World*, *Hoop Genius*, and *Game Changer*. He lives in Minneapolis and visits schools nationally and internationally.

- Wing Young Huie photographs the dizzying socioeconomic and cultural realities of American society, much of it centered on the urban cores of his home state of Minnesota. His work has been exhibited nationally and internationally.

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REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS: *Who Decides?* By Vicki Oransky Wittenstein

Ages 12 and up

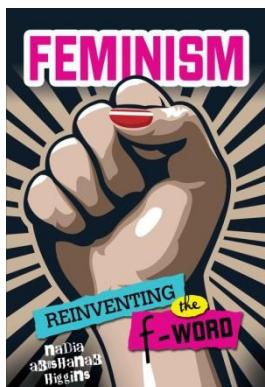
160 pages

Examine reproductive rights through a historical lens, from early history's methods for family planning to the introduction of the Pill in the 1960s and the Roe v Wade decision of the 1970s, to contemporary legal and societal battlegrounds.

- Brooklyn-based writer Vicki Oransky Wittenstein has an MFA in writing for children and young adults from Vermont College of Fine Arts. She has written a number of science articles for the juvenile market. Her most recent book for Lerner is *For the Good of Mankind? The Shameful History of Human Medical Experimentation*.

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FEMINISM: *Reinventing the F-Word* by Nadia Abushanab Higgins

Ages 12 and up 112 pages

While most people believe in equal rights, the word feminism—America's new F-word—makes people uncomfortable. Explore the history of US feminism and learn from modern leaders what it means to be a feminist—and why some criticize it.

- Nadia Higgins is the author of more than fifty books. Many of her books are science-focused, though she's also written about pop stars, car art, and zombies. She lives in Minneapolis with her family.

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Fall 2015 Picture Books

DINO-SWIMMING by Lisa Wheeler, illustrations by Barry Gott

Ages 5-9

32 pages

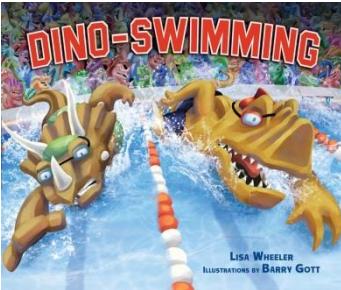
"THE DINOSAURS BEHAVE JUST LIKE KIDS. . . . BRIGHT ILLUSTRATIONS FULL OF MOVEMENT AND A BOUNCY RHYMING TEXT CONVEY THE BASICS OF A SWIM MEET IN A FUN WAY."—SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL

•Lisa Wheeler is the award-winning author of the *Dino-Sports* books. When she isn't running around the country visiting schools, standing at podiums, and eating airport snacks, she resides in Michigan. •Barry Gott lives in Ohio and has illustrated many children's books, including all of the *Dino-Sports* books and *What DO Teachers Do (After YOU Leave School)?*

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THE BOOK ITCH: Freedom, Truth & Harlem's Greatest Bookstore by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson, illustrations by R. Gregory Christie

Ages 7-10

32 pages

"THIS COMPANION TO *NO CRYSTAL STAIR* INTRODUCES YOUNGER READERS TO NELSON'S GREAT UNCLE, LEWIS MICHAUX SR., OWNER OF HARLEM'S NATIONAL MEMORIAL AFRICAN BOOKSTORE. . . . [T]HIS MOVING TRIBUTE SHOULD BE A WELCOME ADDITION TO ALMOST ANY COLLECTION."—STARRED, BOOKLIST
Rights sold in: Korea (BookOn)

•Vaunda Micheaux Nelson is the author of three Coretta Scott King Award-winning books: *No Crystal Stair*, *Bad News for Outlaws*, and *Almost to Freedom*. She is a youth services librarian in New Mexico. •R. Gregory Christie's illustrations have earned him three Coretta Scott King Honors and two spots on the New York Times' annual Best Illustrated Children's Books lists. He lives in Georgia.

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THE CHRISTMAS COAL MAN by Joe Kulka

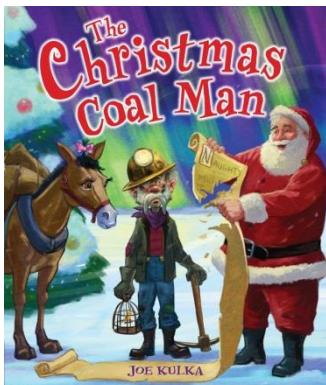
Ages 5-9

32 pages

"IT'S HARD TO DIG UP A NEW ANGLE ON SANTA'S CAST OF HELPERS, BUT THE COAL MAN IS A NUGGET OF ORIGINALITY."—KIRKUS REVIEWS

•**Joe Kulka** has written and illustrated *My Crocodile Does Not Bite*, *Vacation's Over! Return of the Dinosaurs*, and the award-winning book *Wolf's Coming!*. Joe lives in Quakertown, Pennsylvania.

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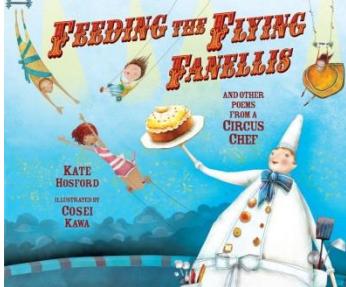


FEEDING THE FLYING FANELLIS *And Other Circus Poems* by Kate Hosford,
illustrations by Cosei Kawa

Ages 6-9

32 pages

"ENJOY A RINGSIDE SEAT AND BE ENTHRALLED BY A CIRCUS THAT'S LIKE NO OTHER."—KIRKUS REVIEWS



•Kate Hosford is the author of several picture books, including *Infinity and Me*, which won the New York Times Best Illustrated Children's Book award and was named an ALA Notable Children's Book. She lives in Brooklyn. •Cosei Kawa was awarded the Macmillan Prize for Children's Books in 2007. He lives in Kyoto, Japan.

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SHEHEWE: A Three Story Book by Lee Nordling, illustrations by Meritxell Bosch

Ages 5-9

32 pages

"READERS WILL ENJOY TRYING TO MAKE SENSE OF THIS STORY WHILE THEY APPRECIATE JUST HOW DIFFERENTLY BOYS AND GIRLS PLAY. . . . [T]HERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE IN THIS THRICE-TOLD TALE."—KIRKUS REVIEWS

•Lee Nordling is an award-winning writer who has worked at Disney Publishing, DC Comics, and *Nickelodeon Magazine*. His book, *The Bramble*, won the 2013 Moonbeam Gold Medal for Picture Books. He lives in Pennsylvania. • Meritxell Bosch is a graphic novel artist and writer, character designer, and teacher living in Barcelona, Spain.

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STICKIEST, FLUFFIEST, CRUNCHIEST: Super Superlatives by Jane Brocket

Ages 4-8

32 pages

Is frosting the fluffiest food? Are pineapples the prickliest? Fun words meet tasty treats in this book of superlatives. Combining simple text with gorgeous photos, the latest addition to the *Jane Brocket's Clever Concepts* series presents superlatives, all related to foods. Readers will be inspired to come up with superlative foods of their very own.

•Jane Brocket is the author of seven other *Clever Concepts* titles. She enjoys knitting, quilting, sewing, baking, growing flowers, and taking photographs of the things she makes as well as details of the world around her.

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A SPECTACULAR SELECTION OF SEA CREATURES: *Concrete Poems* by Betsy Franco, illustrations by Michael Wertz

Ages 7-11

32 pages

"A DAZZLING COMPILATION OF CONCRETE POETRY THAT HIGHLIGHTS MARINE LIFE, THIS BOOK LIVES UP TO ITS TITLE. . . . A GREAT ADDITION."—SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL

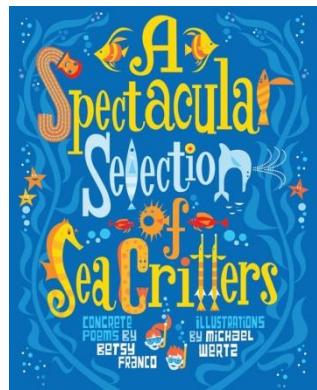
●Betsy Franco is the author of many books, including *Zero Is the Leaves on the Tree* and *A Dazzling Display of Dogs*. She lives in northern California. ●Michael Wertz is a commercial artist who creates images for books, products, ads, CDs, and movie trailers. He lives in Oakland, California, and teaches at the California College of the Arts in the illustration department.

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HOWARD B. WIGGLEBOTTOM LISTENS TO A FRIEND: *A Fable About Loss and Healing* by Howard Binkow and Reverend Ana, illustrations by David A. Cutting

Ages 4-8

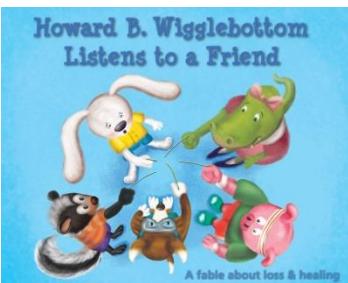
32 pages

The 15th book in the award-winning Howard B. Wigglebottom series teaches young children what to expect and how to help out when friends and loved ones experience loss. Tips and lessons are included in this educator-approved and counselor-approved picture book.

●Howard Binkow and Reverend Ana live in Florida and are the authors of the Howard B. Wigglebottom series. ●David A. Cutting is from New York City. He is a full-time illustrator.

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Middle Grade Fiction:

***Animal Rescues #1: BLAZING COURAGE* by Kelly Milner Halls**

Ages 9-14

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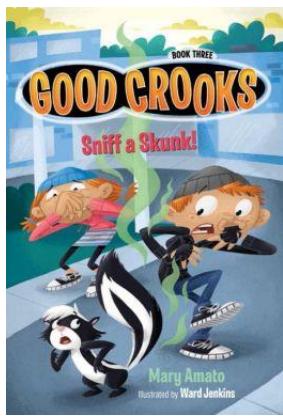
Who doesn't love a good horse story?

Since getting a job at Top Tier stables, Annie has had her mind set on just one thing: earning enough money to buy a horse of her own. When she reaches her savings goal, she bids on a horse at an auction and buys Poco, a buckskin mare that Annie couldn't love more. But she has plenty of challenges teaching the skittish Poco to trust her while working hard at the stable to pay for his room and board. Then, tragedy strikes when someone sets fire to the stable in an act of sabotage. Annie must summon all of her courage to save the horses in an act of heroism she didn't know she was capable of doing. This short, fast-paced story is inspired by the true story of fifteen-year-old Madison Wallraf who saved twenty-five horses from a burning barn in McHenry, IL back in 2012.

"HALLS WRITES IN A BRISK, STYLE, AND . . . THE STORY WRAPS UP SATISFYINGLY, WITH A BIT OF A TWIST."—KIRKUS REVIEWS

●Kelly Milner Halls is a full-time children's writer, specializing in quirky topics for reluctant readers. She lives in Washington.

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Good Crooks Book Three: SNIFF A SKUNK by Mary Amato, black & white illustrations by Ward Jenkins
Ages 7-9

128 pages

Spring 2015 publication (formerly an Egmont US title)

Mary Amato returns to the age category of her popular *Riot Brothers* chapter book series with this new venture. *SNIFF A SKUNK!* brings back our favorite pair of do-gooder crooks in a hilarious adventure about an odiferous encounter with a skunk. A funny, silly series perfect for fans of Dav Pilkey, Tony Abbott, and Nancy Krulik.

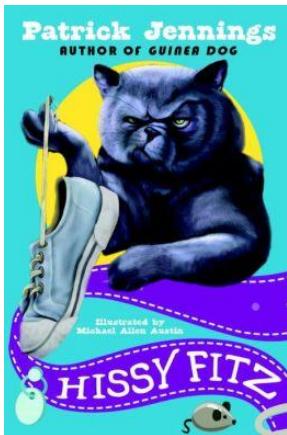
"WITH YOUTHFUL LANGUAGE AND HUMOROUS DRAWINGS, READERS WILL ENJOY THE ADVENTURES OF BILLY AND JILLIAN, TWO OF THE NICEST CROOKS YOU WILL EVER MEET." —LIBRARY MEDIA CONNECTION

- Mary Amato is an award-winning children's book author, poet, playwright, and songwriter. She lives in Maryland.

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HISSY FITZ by Patrick Jennings, black & white illustrations by Michael Allen Austin

Ages 7-9

112 pages

Spring 2015 publication (formerly an Egmont US title)

Popular middle-grade writer, Patrick Jennings, moves to chapter books with this humorous tale about a cat that makes Grumpy Cat seem cheerful. Perfect for fans of *Geronimo Stilton* and *Dog Diaries*.

"HISSEY'S DRILY DELIVERED COMPLAINTS AND OBSERVATIONS...ENTERTAIN, WHILE HISSEY'S FRUSTRATION AT HIS DEPENDENCE ON LARGE HUMANS WHO ANNOY HIM WILL LIKELY RESONATE WITH MANY A READER." —PUBLISHERS WEEKLY

- Patrick Jennings is the author of the middle grade series, *Guinea Dog*, and *My Homework Ate My Homework*, among many other titles. He lives in Washington State.

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Mallory #24: CHANGE IS IN THE AIR, MALLORY by Laurie Friedman, black & white illustrations by Jennifer Kalis

Ages 7-11

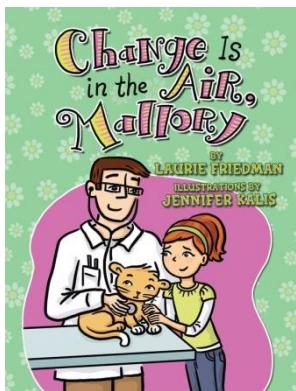
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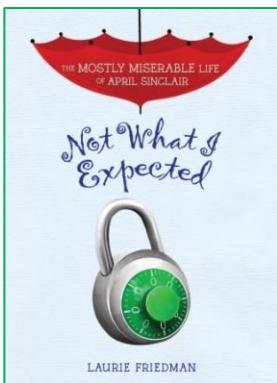
Mallory's summer isn't starting out well—everything in her life is changing! Her best friends, who live next door, are moving and her other close friend will be gone for the whole summer. On top of all this, her cat, Cheeseburger, gets sick! Things seems like they will never get better. But thanks to a job helping with a neighbor's flower garden and a summer art class, Mallory starts to see the positive side of trying new things, even without her best friends.

- Laurie Friedman is the author of many award-winning books for children including her newest series, *The Mostly Miserable Life of April Sinclair*. ● Jennifer Kalis is the illustrator of several *Mallory* books.

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The Mostly Miserable Life of April Sinclair #5: NOT WHAT I EXPECTED by Laurie Friedman

Ages 10-15

176 pages

April Sinclair has always looked forward to high school. But with a jealous BFF, fighting parents, and self-doubt about romance, ninth grade may be more than April bargained for. A humorous, irreverent look at the perils of ninth grade.

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Young Adult Fiction:

OUT OF DARKNESS by Ashley Hope Perez

Ages 13 and up

Set against the backdrop of one of the worst school tragedies in American history, *Out of Darkness* is a brutal and gripping novel about race, segregation, love, and the forces that destroy people.

"THIS BOOK PRESENTS A RANGE OF HUMAN NATURE, FROM KINDNESS AND LOVE TO ACTS OF RACIAL AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE. THE WORK RESONATES WITH FEAR, HOPE, LOVE, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF MEMORY." - **STARRED, SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL**

- Ashley Hope Pérez is the author of *The Knife and the Butterfly* and *What Can't Wait*, which was named to YALSA's Best Fiction for Young Adults list in 2012, and lives in Ohio.

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THE WAY BACK FROM BROKEN by Amber J. Keyser

Ages 11 and up

216 pages

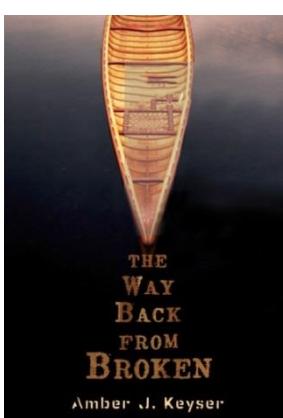
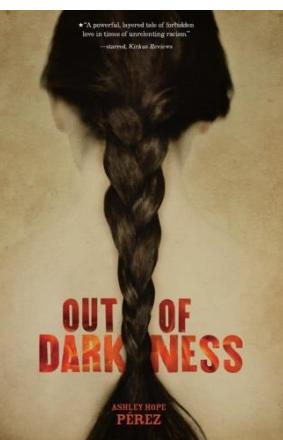
In her debut novel, Amber Keyser crafts a story that blends the adventure of a survival tale with the heart-wrenching difficulties of a family caught in the throes of grief. After Rakmen's baby sister dies, his parents convince themselves it's a good idea for him to go on a wilderness trip with another grieving family. Eight weeks of canoeing is not what Rakmen had in mind for his summer. But the unforgiving Canadian backcountry may give Rakmen a chance to find the way back from broken...if he's brave enough to grab it. A deeply moving and brutally honest story of adversity and hope.

"WITH A CAST OF DIVERSE WELL-ROUNDED CHARACTERS, POIGNANT RELATIONSHIPS THAT NEVER BECOME SCHMALTZY, AND A COMPELLING HIGH-STAKES ADVENTURE, THIS VIVID, MOVING EXPLORATION OF GRIEF AND RECOVERY HITS ALL THE RIGHT NOTES." -**STARRED, BOOKLIST**

- Amber J. Keyser writes both fiction and nonfiction for tweens and teens. She lives on a farm in Portland, Oregon with her husband, two children, and a flock of charismatic chickens.

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A 52-HERTZ WHALE by Bill Sommer and Natalie Haney Tilghman

Ages 13 and up

200 pages

Fourteen-year-old James is worried that the young humpback whale he tracks online has separated from its pod, so he emails Darren, the twenty-something would-be filmmaker who once volunteered in James's special education program. Of course, Darren is useless on the subject of whales, but he's got nothing but time, given that the only girl he could ever love dumped him. Told through a series of email exchanges, this quirky, heartbreak, and ultimately illuminating debut explores the rich tapestry of human loneliness and the things that bind even the most unlikely of people together.

"A COHESIVE, EMOTIONALLY INTIMATE STORY THAT
SENSITIVELY HANDLES LOSS, GRIEF,
ACCOMPLISHMENT, AND THE NOT-SO-SIMPLE ACT OF
GROWING UP."—PUBLISHERS WEEKLY

•Bill Sommer holds an MFA in Creative Writing from the Rainier Writers Workshop and a bachelor's in jazz performance from the University of Miami. Born and raised in St. Louis, he now lives in Atlanta.

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Burn Out Book 2: STRANGE SKIES by Kristi Helvig

Ages 12 and up

272 pages

Spring 2015 publication (formerly an Egmont US title)

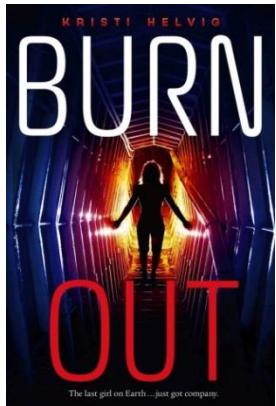
Action, adventure, and romance are heating up in this sequel to the futuristic science fiction thriller *Burn Out*. Caelia is the new Earth. That's what The Consulate has told everyone and, against all odds, Tora has finally made it there...but as a prisoner of The Consulate. As she attempts her escape, she runs into the last person she ever expected to see—her dad. The Consulate has held him prisoner in a complicated plot designed to lure Tora out of hiding. Now her mission is to break free, save her father and destroy the weapons he developed before The Consulate can get the chance to seize them. Perfect for fans of *Across the Universe* and *The Memory of After*.

"EVER INCREASING STAKES AND A SOLID CLIFF-HANGER ENDING WILL HAVE THRILLER FANS HANGING ON EVERY WORD."—BOOKLIST

•Kristi Helvig is a Ph.D. clinical psychologist turned sci-fi/fantasy author. She lives in Colorado with her family.

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Audio / Film & TV Rights: Jean V. Naggar



Burn Out Book 1: BURN OUT by Kristi Helvig

Ages 12 and up

272 pages

April 2014 publication (formerly an Egmont US title)

Most people want to save the world; seventeen-year-old Tora Reynolds just wants to get the hell off of it. One of the last survivors in Earth's final years, Tora yearns to escape the wasteland her planet has become after the sun turns "red giant," but discovers her fellow survivors are even deadlier than the hostile environment. Helvig's debut novel is a thrilling story of survival, intrigue, and adventure.

"A SCORCHING SERIES OPENER NOT TO BE MISSED."

— KIRKUS REVIEWS

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SEE NO COLOR by Shannon Gibney

Ages 12 and up

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Being a biracial girl adopted by a white family didn't use to bother Alex. All that mattered was being her father's baseball star—until that status started to slip. Now she's questioning her identity. Can she really play pro baseball just like her father? Does she truly fit in with her white family? Who were her biological parents? What does it mean to be black? If she's going to find answers, Alex has to come to terms with her adoption, her race, and the dreams she thought would always guide her. Gibney paints a raw and authentic story of self-discovery and racial identity that draws on her own personal experiences.

"TRANSRACIAL ADOPTION IS NEVER OVERSIMPLIFIED, AIRBRUSHED, OR SENTIMENTALIZED, BUT INSTEAD, IT'S PORTRAYED WITH BRACING HONESTY AS THE MESSY INSTITUTION IT IS: REARRANGING FAMILIES, BLENDING CULTURAL AND BIOLOGICAL DNA, LOSS AND JOY. AN EXCEPTIONALLY ACCOMPLISHED DEBUT." —**STARRED, KIRKUS REVIEWS**

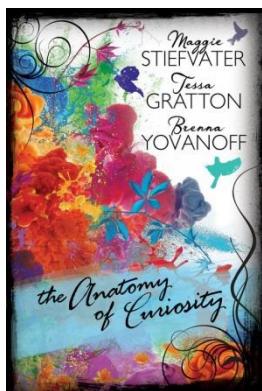
•Shannon Gibney is a professor of English and African diaspora studies at Minneapolis Community and Technical College. She lives in Minneapolis with her husband and son. *See No Color* is her second novel.

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THE ANATOMY OF CURIOSITY by Brenna Yovanoff , Tessa Gratton and Maggie Stiefvater

Ages 13 and up

296 pages



This exciting collaboration contains three never-before-published novellas by bestselling YA authors Maggie Stiefvater, Tessa Gratton, and Brenna Yovanoff. Haunting, heartbreaking, and uniquely charming, this collection includes extensive commentary on the authors' processes of critique and collaboration. The follow-up to the acclaimed collection *The Curiosities: A Collection of Stories*.

"FOR THESE AUTHORS' MANY FANS, THE TRUE-TO-FORM STORIES WILL DELIVER AND DELIGHT. FOR BUDDING WRITERS, THE INSIGHT INTO THE CREATION AND EDITING PROCESSES IS EVEN MORE VALUABLE. . . . EACH OF THESE AUTHORS DRAWS A CROWD ON HER OWN; TOGETHER THEY ARE UNSTOPPABLE."—
BOOKLIST

•Brenna Yovanoff is the [New York Times](#) bestselling author of four young adult novels. She holds an MFA in Fiction from Colorado State University. She currently lives in Denver with her husband. •Tessa Gratton is the acclaimed author of four young adult novels. She currently lives in Kansas with her partner, two cats, and her mutant mutt named Grendel. • Maggie Stiefvater is the [New York Times](#) bestselling author of more than ten books for young readers. She lives in Virginia with her husband and their two children.

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Nonfiction:

EBOLA: Fears and Facts by Patricia Newman

Ages 9-14

48 pages

Ebola is a deadly contagious disease. From 1975 to 2013, the virus killed about 1,500 people. But a 2014 epidemic killed more than 9,500 people and many feared a worldwide pandemic. Could it actually happen? *Ebola: Fears and Facts* takes you behind the sensational headlines and in clear, simple terms, delivers essential information about the history of the disease, its symptoms, and how it spreads, leaving readers with a better understanding of this feared disease. An extremely timely and important book.

"BREAKING NEW GROUND, NEWMAN HAS WRITTEN A TRULY EXCELLENT BOOK FOR MIDDLE GRADE STUDENTS THAT TACKLES THE TERRIFYING SPECTER OF EBOLA. AS THE TITLE SUGGESTS, READERS WILL COME AWAY WITH MORE FACTS AND LESS FEARS."—
SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL

•Patricia Newman is the author of several books, including *Plastic, Ahoy!* and *Nugget on the Flight Deck*, a California Reading Association Eureka! Silver Honor Book for Nonfiction.

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Film & TV Rights: East West Literary Agency

BIOLUMINESCENCE: Nature and Science at Work by Marc Zimmer

Ages 12 and up

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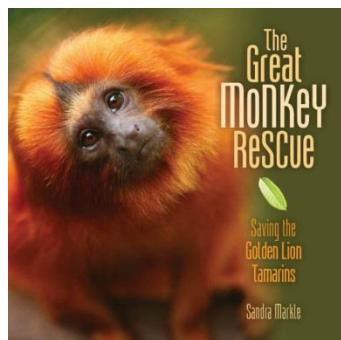
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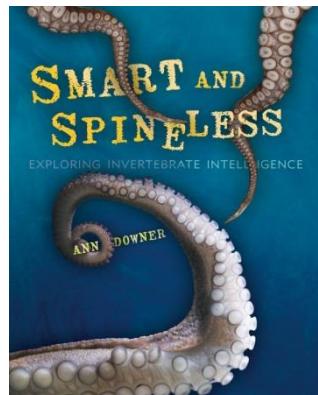
- Sandra Markle is the author of numerous award-winning books for children, including *The Case of the Vanishing Golden Frogs: A Scientific Mystery* and *The Case of the Vanishing Honeybees: A Scientific Mystery*. She lives in Lakewood Ranch, Florida, with her husband.

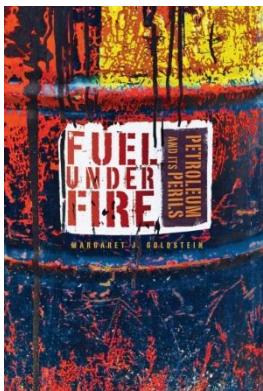
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- Ann Downer is the author of five fantasy novels for young readers and three previous books about science, including the award-winning *Elephant Talk: The Surprising Science of Elephant Communication*. She lives outside Boston, Massachusetts, with her husband and son.

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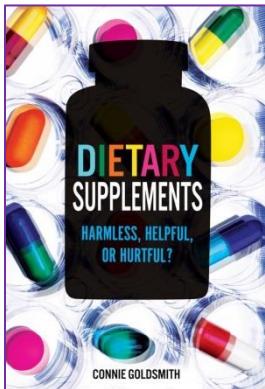
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