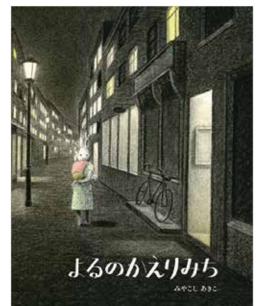




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Walking Home Through the Night

by Akiko Miyakoshi



★ A web of enchantment draws readers into this affecting story.

Publishers Weekly

★···this reflective, dreamy tale with its timeless art is a must for the bedtime shelf.

Kirkus Reviews



This is heart-warming tale of a young bunny rabbit discovering what happens at night. Shops close, dinners are taken out of the oven, people come home, little ones go to bed. Her illustrations capture the balance between the darkness of the night and the warm glow of indoor light, illuminating homes and families, in this quietly charming night-time narrative.

Ages 4up 27 x 21 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published April 2015

Rights sold: Canada, China, France, Italy, Korea, Mexico, Sweden & Taiwan

2016 - Bologna Ragazzi Award Mention — Bologna Book Fair

2017 - Best Illustrated Children's Book Award—The New York Times/New York Public Library (English Edition)

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2017 - Best Books for Kids — New York Public Library, Winner (English Edition)

2017 - Best Picture Books of 2017 for Animal Lovers — Kirkus Reviews, Winner (English Edition)

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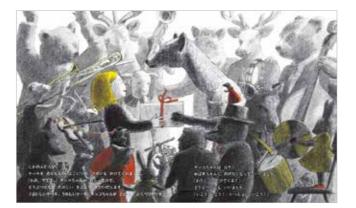
The Tea Party in the Woods

by Akiko Miyakoshi



One wintry morning, Kikko heads to her granny's house with a cake. On the way she comes across a house filled with the animals of the woods, all having a tea party together. This is a magical tale that will charm any generation.

Ages 4up 26 x 22 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published November 2010 Rights sold: Canada, China, France, Iran, Italy Korea, Mexico, Taiwan & Turkey



I'm an African Giraffe

by Megumi Iwasa illus. by Jun Takabatake



- ★ This Japanese import will charm beginning readers who enjoy a bit of witty humor with their animal adventures.

School Library Journal

★ The gentle friendship story will leave readers feeling warm and fuzzy, making this early chapter book a great addition to any collection.

Booklist Online

A lonely giraffe in Africa writes a letter, which it asks a pelican to take to someone living "on the other side of the horizon". Presently the pelican brings a reply from a penguin. In the correspondence that follows the giraffe and the penguin discuss their differences and try to imagine what it would feel like to be the other.

Ages 8up 22 x 16 cm, 102 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published June 2001

Rights sold: Brazil, China, Germany, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Russia, Taiwan & Turkey

2017 - Leipziger Lesekompass (Age 6-10) 2017 — Leipziger Book Fair (German Edition)

2017 - Best Middle-Grade Fantasy of 2017 — Kirkus Reviews, Winner (English Edition)

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Fur seal has

important news

to be delivered,

but on his first

Little Seal gets

the letters find

their way safely

lost! Will he and

task alone,

home?

Also available:

The Whale That Lived at Cape Whale



of letters. One day the pelican brings a reply from a penguin that was once his pupil. The whale and his friends decide to revive the Olympic Games of Cape Whale!

A retired whale

teacher writes lots

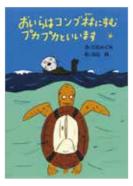
102 pages First published April 2003 Rights sold: China, Germany, Korea, New Zealand & Taiwan

How Are You, Fur Seal?



102 pages First published December 2005 Rights sold: China & Korea

My Name Is Drifter, from the Seaweed Forest



106 pages First published October 2009 Rights sold: China & Korea Otter thinks of himself as a 'lone otter' but somehow he ends up playing host to a travelling turtle. But is the turtle all that he seems?

Drifter the Sea

Make and Play! Masks

by Koji Ishikawa



Koji Ishikawa's best-selling picture book series, Masks has been reimagined as a craft book, enabling young readers to cut out and colour masks to wear and use in imaginative play. There are twelve masks to enjoy in total, from the magical fox to the mysterious kappa river imp.

Ages 2up 29 x 22 cm, 24 pages Full-colour and black-and white illustrations First published June 2017



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Also available:



Ages Oup 21 x 21 cm, 28 pages Full-colour illustrations First published June 2013



Masks 2

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21 x 21 cm, 28 pages Full-colour illustrations First published October 2014

PA-PE-Ra: The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Friends

by Junichi Yoshihara illus. by Eric Carle



The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Friends is a paper craft book featuring 13 universally recognised characters from Eric Carle's portfolio of classic picture books, including the timeless favourite The Very Hungry Caterpillar. The characters can all be built using the PA-PE-Ra technique, which doesn't use any tape or glue.





22 x 31 cm, 64 pages Full-colour illustrations First published July 2017

Play Books For Babies

Funny Faces Game

by Yuichi Kimura



Monster gets everyone together to play a funny faces game. Everyone loves the way that Monster can wiggle and smoosh his face into so many different funny faces. Kimura manages to give his simply illustrated characters the complexity of expression that will capture the attention of even tiny infants.

Ages Oup 22 x 19 cm, 28 pages Full-colour illustrations First published May 2017

Yum-yum

Also available:

Hello!



29 pages, First published December 1988 Rights sold: China, Korea & Taiwan

Let Me Hear

いいおくんじょう

You

Night-night



29 pages, First published April 1992 Rights sold: China, Korea & Taiwan

Tickling Games Squeeeze!



19 x 22 cm, 26 pages First published November Rights sold: China, Korea & Taiwan

Peekaboo!



29 pages, First published 29 pages, First published December 1988 Rights sold: China, Korea &



28 pages, First published November 1993 Rights sold: China, Korea &

I Love You



19 x 22 cm, 28 pages First published October 2009 Rights sold: China & Taiwan

Poo-poo



Rights sold: China, Korea &

Shampoo



29 pages, First published April 1996 Rights sold: China, Korea & Taiwan

Can You Say "Bye Bye"?



28 pages, First published March 2013 Rights sold: China & Taiwan

Moving Dolls



29 pages, First published Rights sold: China, Korea &

Cleaning Teeth

Getting Dressed

28 pages, First published

October 1991 Rights sold: Taiwan

36 pages, First published Rights sold: China, Korea &



19 x 22 cm, 36 pages First published October 2001 Rights sold: China, Korea & Taiwan

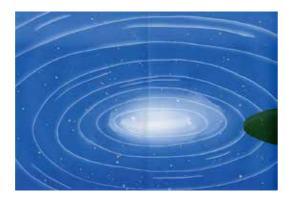
Night Sounds

by Shigeru Tamura



Ages 3up 30 x 22 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published July 2017

The simplest of scenes reveals an orchestra of sound in this delightful book, illustrated in beautiful jewel tones. A boy walks to his grandfather's house alongside a pond in the quiet of the nighttime. Each page reveals a new shift in the scene, creating a dynamic flow to the book that feels similar to watching an animation.





What Could It Be?

The Andersen Riddles

by Chihiro Ishizu illus. by Naoko Minamizuka





Ages 5up 27 x 21 cm, 23 pages Full-colour illustrations First published September 2017

Chihiro Ishizu takes on the classic tales of Hans Christian Anderson in her third book of riddles and mysteries. She asks five questions about ten tales, including The Ugly Duckling, The Little Mermaid, Thumbelina and more. Each set of questions is accompanied by the delicate, dream-like illustrations of Naoko Minamizuka.

Also available:

The World's Wonderful Secrets

by Chihiro Ishizu illus. by Koji Suzuki



Ages Sup 27 x 21 cm, 23 pages Full-colour illustrations First published May 2011

The Wonders of Shops

by Chihiro Ishizu illus. by Kumiko Nakazawa



Ages 5up 27×21 cm, 23 pages Full-colour illustrations First published September 2011 Rights sold: China, Korea & Taiwan

House of 100 Stories

A Sky House of 100 Stories

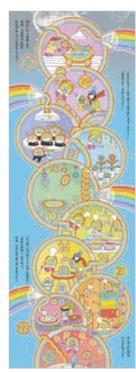
by Toshio Iwai



On a cold, snowy day, little Tsupi finds a single sunflower seed. But he is so very hungry that a single seed won't fill him up at all! "I'll have to spread my wings and make more seeds!", thinks Tsupi, and sets off into the skies to find a place to plant his seed.

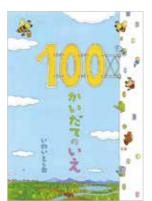
Ages 3up 22 x 31 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published August 2017 Rights sold: China, Korea, Taiwan & Thailand





Also available:

A House of 100 Stories



Tochi, a boy who likes watching stars, receives a letter from someone living at the top of a 100-storey house. While walking up the stairs, Tochi meets a variety of creatures living in the building. Turning the book sideways and reading up vertically, it is fun to follow the scenes happening in each storey.

First published May 2008 Rights sold: France, Germany, Spain, China, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand & Vietnam

An Underground House of 100 Stories



A mysterious home, stretching deep under the ground. Who on earth could be living there? This book follows on from the sellout success of A House of 100 Stories, only this time we are led underground to see what magical and mysterious secrets are waiting to be told!

First published November 2009 Rights sold: France, Germany, China, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand & Vietnam

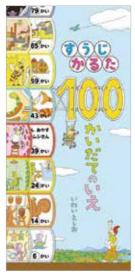
An Undersea House of 100 Stories



Ten, a much-loved dolly, falls into the ocean and loses all of the lovely clothes and accessories her little girl chose for her. Soon she discovers a mysterious house, with story after story of wonderful inhabitants, some of whom are wearing some very familiar items...

First published June 2014
Rights sold: France, Spain, China, Korea,
Taiwan, Thailand & Vietnam

A House of 100 Stories: Counting Cards



This set of cards is designed to encourage readers to learn their numbers through storytime and play, and feature numbers, illustrations, and text to read, too. This is the perfect playtime tool to help make learning fun.

Ages 3up 15 x 31 cm Full-colour illustrations First published December 2016 Rights sold: Korea & Taiwan

Master A and Master B, Master Makers of Anything and Everything

by Yutaka Nakagaki





30 x 22 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published April 2017

Master A and Master B are brothers living in MechCity. Their job is to make mechanical machines that will help the people of MechCity. This fun-filled, action-packed, colourful mangastyle book will entertain young readers over and over, not least because the detailed illustrations mean there is always something or someone new to notice on every read.

Also available:

The Queue

by Yutaka Nakagaki



27 x 23 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published February 2013 Rights sold: China & Taiwan

How to Build a UFO

by Yutaka Nakagaki



27 x 23 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published November 2013 Rights sold: China & Taiwan

The Polar Bear Shoe Store Series A Wonderful Summer Holiday

by Yukako Ohde



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29 x 21 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published July 2017 Rights sold: Korea

It's time for the polar bear family to shut up shop and head to the beach for their summer holiday, only to find a fantastic ice-cream shop that they just have to introduce to the rest of their friends from the wood. The only thing is that woodland creatures can't swim so they're not too keen on the beach. What might a family of shoemakers be able to do about that?

Also available:

The Polar Bear Shoe Store



First published November 2014 Rights sold: China, France,

The Tiniest Plimsolls



First published March 2016 Rights sold: France & Korea

Working Vehicles

Hurry Hurry! Ambulances

by Fumiko Takeshita illus. by Mamoru Suzuki



Everyone knows the familiar "nee-naw nee-naw" of an ambulance. It's a sound that means somebody, somewhere is in need of help. Ambulances and their technicians have to be ready day or night to help people who have been injured or become ill. This book also introduces another type of ambulance—the air ambulance, a specially adapted helicopter.

Ages 2up 21 x 26 cm. 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published October 2017 Rights sold: Taiwan

Also available:

Pin Pon Bus

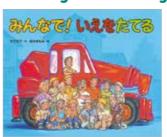


First published September 1996



First published April 2007 Rights sold: China, Taiwan & Vietnam

Building A Home Together



First published November 2011 Rights sold: China, Taiwan & Vietnam

Pin Pon Bus Goes to the Seaside



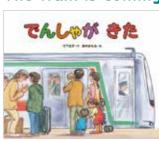
First published June 2004 Rights sold: China, Taiwan & Vietnam

Hurrah for the Police Car! Scoop Scoop! Digger



First published April 2008 Rights sold: China & Taiwan

The Train is Coming



First published September 2013 Rights sold: China, Taiwan & Vietnam

On the Road with the Home **Delivery Service**



First published December 2005 Rights sold: China & Taiwan

Fixing the Road Together



First published April 2010 Rights sold: China & Taiwan

Good Morning! Garbage Truck



First published October 2015 Rights sold: Taiwan

PICTURE BOOKS



Two Makes One

by Minako Kajiri





Ages 4up 27 x 19 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published November 2017

A little girl drops one of a pair of special mittens, knitted for her by her mother. She looks everywhere for her precious mitten, but it is nowhere to be found. Then, one day, she sees a cat pick up a fallen shoe and run off with it. She follows the cat to a house and plucks up the courage to go inside.

Also available:

Before the Snow Falls

by Minako Kajiri



Little Rabitta lives in the mountains, but she sets off to town to do errands for her mother.

After a hard day of chores, Rabitta settles down on a bench to take a break. Exhausted, she nods off, and by the time she wakes, the sun is almost setting!

Ages 3up 20 x 28 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published November 2016

Not Yet? How Much Longer!

by Masamichi Ito



An old man lives on a faraway planet. He plants seeds and waits patiently for them to grow. Soon, he is blessed with a garden filled with pudding trees, doughtnut trees, candy trees, and more—and animals from across the planet come to share in his bounty. This edition is a reissue in a new format.

Ages 3up 26 x 19 cm, 64 pages Full-colour illustrations First published March 2017

You Can Do Anything?

by Taro Gomi



In this book, a boy sets his horse a series of challenges. Can I ride on your head? Can you stand up straight? Can you run a bit faster? The horse rises to every challenge brilliantly—but what will happen when the horse has a challenge of his own?

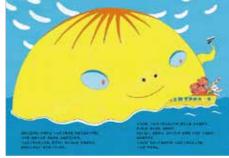
Ages 3up 25 x 23 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published May 2017 Rights sold: Taiwan

Octavius Octopus

Octavius Octopus and the Jellyfish King

ov Hiroshi Ito





Ages 5up 27 x 19 cm, 40 pages Full-colour illustrations First published April 2017

Captain Octavius is an octopus, so he should already know everything about the ocean, but one day he comes across something entirely unexpected. The Jellyfish King, twice the size of his boat, and a multitude of little jellyfish, enough to bring Octavius' boat to a standstill. What a wonderful place the ocean is!

Also available:

Octavius Octopus, Ship Captain



Octavius Octopus has a secret dream – to become a ship's captain and travel the world. Sure, he could swim around the world's oceans, but it's the life of a captain for Octavius. One day, he meets a ship's captain and begs for a chance to learn the ropes.

Ages 5up 26 x 19 cm, 40 pages Full-colour illustrations First published May 2011

Look and Find! Picture Book Playtime! The Helper Detective Pomme

by Etsuko Filliquet



Pomme and his dog Coco are here to help – equipped with their magnifying glass and their wit! A call from a customer sees them setting off to deliver a special parcel. Their journey takes them through mazes and puzzles, following clues and footprints to get where they need to go and find who they need to find.

Ages 3up 26 x 21cm, 24 pages Full-colour illustrations First published December 2017

Tug-of-Walk

by Haruka Miike



A boy and his grandmother enjoy going for walks together—but where will they go and who will be fastest? The two of them are constantly looking to outpace each other, enlisting the help of anyone they can: be a dog, an emu, Tarzan, or even a spaceship. Join them as they make their way through farms, fields, savannas, and cities.

Ages 3up 27 x 19 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published October 2017

Line Up Vegetables, All in the Line

by Saeko Hirokawa



Battered and bruised, crumbling and rotting, forgotten vegetables emerge from kitchen corners and sneak out to a meeting. They are angry at how people have ignored them, leaving them to rot instead of enjoying them while fresh.

Ages 5up 25 x 21 cm, 36 pages Full-colour illustrations First published September 2017

Tiny Flower Tales: The White Clover Crown

by Hiroshi Saito illus. by Tamiko Asakura



Just as each person has their own story, so too does each flower have a tale. This charming book features five delicately and delightfully illustrated stories of some of our most beloved flowers.

Ages 6up 22 x 19 cm, 48 pages Full-colour illustrations First published June 2017

A Call from a Hat

by Hiroshi Osada illus. by Shinta Cho



My First Cook Book
Twelve delicious months

with Coppe and Osaji

This book is focused on helping children build confidence in the kitchen by taking them through small, incremental steps designed to help them master the fundamental principles of cookery.

Ages 8up 21 x 19 cm, 64 pages Full-colour illustrations First published December 2017



Originally published in 1974, this is the tale of a boy who hates taking calls and his father's striped hat, which not only has a habit of getting lost but also has a habit of calling to let him know.

Ages 8up 18 x 16 cm, 39 pages Full-colour illustrations First published November 2017

Tiptoe Through the Tulips

by Yoko Yamamoto





Two young tulip bulbs are swept up by the Bulb Bird and carried away to the distant lands of Java and Turkey. On their travels, they encounter many wonders and discover why it is that tulips have such power to make people happy.

Ages 6up 27 x 22 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published October 2017

Taciturn Rabbit and the Yellow Umbrella

by Naoko Awa illus. by Chikara Higashi



Ages 6up 22 x 19 cm, 70 pages Full-colour and black-and-white illustrations First published May 2017

Naoko Awa was a teller of fairytales, and these two stories count among her most charming. In the first, Taciturn Rabbit hasn't seen his good friend Talkative Rabbit for days due to the rain. So he decides the best thing to do is to make himself a new umbrella. In the second, the two friends team up to harvest some delicious radishes.

Also available:

Taciturn Rabbit, Talkative Rabbit



Taciturn Rabbit lives all alone and wishes he had someone to talk to. Which is why he is so happy to meet Talkative Rabbit, who talks enough for both of them!

80 pages First published November 2015

Anthology of Tales from the Past The Ghost House

by Rimako Horikawa

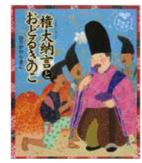


Ages 6up 26 x 22 cm, 32 pages Full-colour illustrations First published June 2017

In this tale, an important government official decides to buy a house that has long been abandoned due to its ghostly hauntings. Undeterred by warnings from locals, he moves in...and strange things start to happen almost immediately.

Also available:

The Assistant Major Counsellor and the Dancing Mushrooms



First published September 2009

The Country Beyond the Waterfall



First published February 2012

The Counsellor Has Disappeared!



First published September 2010

The Little Servant Boy



First published March 2015

The Rent-A-Ghost Store

07: A Tough Customer

by Rika Okabe



Whether it's home-sitting, baby-sitting, or something that only a ghost can do, no task is too great or small for his super-helpful, supernatural team. In this instalment, Tamotsu and his ghosts are faced with a formidable task: helping a seemingly scary someone to start enjoying life again.

Ages 6up 21 x 16 cm, 87 pages Full-colour and Black-and-white illustrations First published May 2017

Also available:

01: What Ghosts Do For a Living



First published May 2011

Rights sold: Taiwan

elementary school kid with a difference he also runs the local Rent-A-Ghost store!

Tamotsu is an

02: Trust Us with **Your Secret Tasks**



First published May 2012

Rights sold: Taiwan

03: It's Hard Work **Being Floaty**



First published May 2013

04: The Baby-Sitter



This time, they take on what they're sure is an easy taskchild-mindingonly to find that little girls aren't as sweet as they seem.

First published May 2014

05: Night School Mission



hand to help humans in the town whatever the task, big, small, or even impossible unless you're a qhost!

Ghosts are on

Tamotsu's

on any task-

nothing is too

small or too

big, and they

can be trusted

with secret

work, too!

First published May 2015

06: First Time In Charge



This time, they're asked to mind a store for the owner-meaning they'll be in charge! Can they save the day for a customer in need?

The Rent-A-

Ghost store has

received a new

request: a local

artist wants a

ghost to pose

as a model!

First published May 2016

The Cats of the Wind Factory

The Cats of the Wind Factory: The Secret of the Round Tank and Its Pipes

by Yoshie Mizuno illus. by Kaji Izuno



In the factory that stands on a small hill on the outskirts of town there is a large round tank. This is where the wind made by the cats is blown out across the town. In this third book of the series, we discover more about the work of these industrious cats, like the would-be wind mixers studying hard for their exams, or the playful tricks of a mischief-making cat who has joined the factory team.

Ages 8up 21 x 16 cm, 135 pages Full-colour and black-and-white illustrations First published October 2017

Also available:

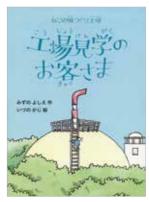
The Cats of the Wind Factory



Where does the wind come from? It turns out it is the work of cats, who gather materials and process them into wind, in those mysterious circular tanks found in the centre of every town. Depending on what the cats can find, the wind might be hot, or cold, or blustery, or even sweet-smelling.

86 pages First published April 2015 Rights sold: China

The Cats of the Wind Factory: A Factory Inspection



The three episodes here see these clever and creative cats spring clean their factory, greet some strange inspectors, and even try to cure a nasty cold going around.

130 pages First published October 2016 Rights sold: China



FICTION

Private Eye On Sundays, Private Eye

by Akira Sugiyama illus. by Daisuke Nakagawa



Three cases feature in these adventures of blundering private eye Milky Sugiyama: Super Star Benkei. The Tree-Climbing Mushroom Mystery, and Tutankhamun's Dribble. Join Milky as he tries yet again to apprehend his arch nemesis Monsieur and to outwit master pick-pocket Old Finger.

22 x 16 cm, 146 pages Full-colour and black-and-white illustrations First published September 2017

From Tomorrow. **Private Eye**



First published May 1995

Return of the **Private Eye**



First published May 2004

In Total Confusion. **Private Eye**



142 pages First published September 2012

I'm a Private Eye

First published April 1998

Private Eye

Private Eye

First published June 2014

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Whenever, Wherever, That's Why **Private Eye**



First published May 1997

After the Rain, **Private Eye**



First published December 2005 First published

Want, Private Eye



First published May 2013

Also available:

What If? Private Eye



146 pages First published April 1992

Before I Knew It, Private Eye



142 pages First published June 1994

Somehow I'm a Private Eye



150 pages First published March 1999

Hurrah For Great Private Eye



Private Eye

First published December 2000

Ready Steady Go! Morning and Night, The World's Best **Private Eye**



152 pages First published March 2008

First published January 2010

If It's Happiness You Something Special, Looking Back On It, Private Eye



First published May 2015

There's a Storm Brewing, Private Eye



First published June 2016

The Phantom Princess and the Rainbow Crystal

by Chihiro Nakagawa



Ages 8up 22 x 16 cm. 232 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published November 2017

The Phantom Princess can transform into anything she likes by putting a leaf on her head and saying the magic words. But the only people who know she can do that are the family of raccoons—disquised as humans—who live alongside her.

Also available:

The Phantom Princess and the Giant Goblin of Bukkira Mountain



First published November 2014

The Phantom Princess can transform into anything by putting a leaf on her head. The only catch is it has to be an oak leaf from Bukkira Mountain. So she decides to make her way to the mountain to stock up on these magical leaves.

The Hand Puppet Detectives

Case File 4: The Mysterious New Member of the Hand Puppet Detectives

by Kazusa Kisaragi illus. by Sho Shibamoto



19 x 13 cm, 214 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published April 2017 Rights sold: China

The fourth instalment in this series of short mysteries for young readers, featuring a team of crime-fighting hand puppets. They search for lost treasure, encounter a mysterious giant fluffy creature and conquer a demon dog, and have to rescue their newest member, who has been kidnapped!

Also available:



Case File 1: Leave It in the Hands of the Hand Puppet Detectives!

Shun's life takes a turn for the extraordinary when he meets the new kid in town, and his collection of magical hand puppets, the rabbit with a real knack for deduction.

198 pages First published November 2013, Rights sold: China

Case File 2: Meet the Hand Puppet Detectives!

This time, the focus is on Baron, the rather snooty wolf hand puppet with a real nose for solving crime. Somehow, Baron finds himself playing the part of the wolf in Little Red Riding Hood—an insult for a wolf of his pedigree!

198 pages First published December 2013, Rights sold: China



The Miracle Hand Puppet **Detective Show Must Go On!**

This time, the stories focus on Silk, the white cat hand puppet who is convinced she was born to be a star. Well, perhaps she might be a star, but is she any good as a detective?

206 pages First published February 2014, Rights sold: China

FICTION

The Supernatural Sweet Shop

The Supernatural Sweet Shop 8

by Reiko Hiroshima illus. by jyajya



Beniko, the mild-mannered yet magical sweet shop owner, once again faces her arch enemy Yodomi, who this time sends a young boy to try and destroy her shop. After this fails, Yodomi herself tries to ruin Beniko, by taking the form of a black cat who meddles with Beniko's miraculous offerings.

Ages 8up 19 x 13 cm, 190 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published October 2017

Also available:

The Supernatural Sweet Shop



150 pages First published May 2013 Rights sold: Taiwan & Vietnam

The Supernatural Sweet Shop 5



150 pages First published September 2015

The Supernatural Sweet Shop 2



160 pages First published January 2014 Rights sold: Taiwan & Vietnam

The Supernatural Sweet Shop 6



166 pages First published May 2016

The Supernatural Sweet Shop 3

The Supernatural

Sweet Shop 4

166 pages

First published May 2015

Rights sold: Vietnam



156 pages First published August 2014 Rights sold: Vietnam

The Supernatural Sweet Shop 7



182 pages First published February 2017

Fukumimi of Take It or Leave It: Gods in Training

by Michiko Ito illus. by Machiko Takaya



Ages 8up 22 x 16 cm, 158 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published November 2017

Fukumimi is working hard to become a fully-fledged goddess of fortune: her task is to get business booming at Take It or Leave It, the local lunchtime takeaway. Fukumimi's relentlessly positive attitude puts her in good stead for weathering the storm of trouble that is heading her way!

Also available:

クリーニング代をの 入しぎ各カレンダー の選をすった。 選出がようでは、

The Mysterious Calendar

by Michiko Ito illus. by Shun Sekiguchi
The owner of a cleaning shop finds a calendar in an old blanket. During the succeeding months, a number of strange and unexpected customers appear in his shop.

118 pages, First published July 2000

Che service

The Tengu's Noodle Bar

by Michiko Ito

illus. by Minako Yokoyama
The Tengu, a long-nosed goblin, loves noodles
so much that he has opened handmadenoodle shop. However, nobody turns up, even
at lunch time.

150 pages, First published May 2005



The Closing-Down Sale of Specter's Pharmacy

by Michiko Ito illus. by Kaji Izuno Miss Specter runs a pharmacy that's losing business to the big drugstore nearby. When she decides to close, her cat ornament suddenly comes alive, and all sorts of strange customers start to call in.

First published November 2010, Rights sold: China & Taiwan

Strange Encounters in the Sky

by Hiroshi Saito illus. by Jun Takabatake



Ages 10up 22 x 16 cm, 174 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published July 2017

Chaos. A state to be found somewhere in the vast sky, a place from which all manner of curiosities emerge. The singular mind of Hiroshi Saito brings us a collection of fantastical tales from the man whose job it is to manage Chaos and everything that comes tumbling out of it. The characters and worlds conjured by this laugh-out-loud funny author intertwine to create a book that will spark the imagination of everyone who reads it.

Also available:

Güle güle!

by Hiroshi Saito illus. by Tatsuno Higuchi



Ages 10up 22 x 16 cm, 198 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published September 2016

Abbas Ali Khan makes his entrance by trying to barge down my door—and that was only the beginning of our strange friendship. Somehow, this silver-tongued Turkish salesman had me buying all sorts of things, which, somehow, all turned out to be very useful indeed.

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Novel Freaks! series

Here Comes Haru!

by Mito Mahara illus. by Hirotaka Tanaka



"Hey, my name is Haru. It means Spring. That's when I was born". There's a new boy in school, in town with the circus, and there's something special about him – will he cast a spell on you too? This collection of five short stories travels across the country with Haru, changing the lives of the people he meets wherever he goes.

Ages 10up 19 x 13 cm, 214 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published October 2017

Also available:

Our Extra-Ordinary Families

by Iyoko Okada illus. by Yuko Uramoto



This is the stories of three girls from very different families. From divorced parents to half-siblings and being brought up by grandma instead of mum, the three girls find strength in their friendship to face the struggle and strain that extraordinary family life can entail.

214 pages First published July 2016

Ninomaru Investigates!

by Hirochika Ishikawa illus. by Sachiko Uguisu



One of the boy's in Kyota's class, Ninomaru, is a little bit odd. He's always investigating some creepy, scary urban legend or another. Four of them are introduced right here in this book: The Memory-Wipe Tunnel, the Reanimator Postbox, Miss Angelica, and The Me in Black.

188 pages First published October 2016

Band Girls!

by Kyoko Hamano illus. by Takako Shimura



Sara's just started to learn the drums so she can play in a band with her friends. Set in the near future, the book follows the girls as they grow—both as individuals and as a band—while also tackling some wider social questions, too.

199 pages First published July 2016

Head-on!

by Rin Asada illus. by Yojiro Arai



Narumi's father, who is working overseas, boasts that his daughter is a samurai. So somehow she has to get a picture of herself doing martial arts. She chooses kendo and only plans to do enough to get that photo. But it doesn't take long for her hobby to become a passion.

207 pages First published November 2016

Tasuke the Cobbler

by Eiko Kadono illus. by Tamaki Mori



Tokyo, 1942. Tasuke, a young cobbler, takes up shop in a backstreet. A young girl, often passes the cobbler, hard at work, and over time they become friends. But soon the realities of war take over and Tasuke leaves to fight.

Ages 8up 22 x 16 cm, 72 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published June 2017

Tsutomu Muraki A Story of Love and Friendship

by Satoru Fukui illus. by Eijiro Mori



Mari, the most beautiful girl at school, asks Tsutomu Muraki to be her boyfriend—but only for five seconds so she can break up with her actual boyfriend. Tsutomu agrees to her request—but becomes determined to make the most of those five seconds so she will really fall for him.

Ages 10up 22 x 14 cm, 134 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published November 2017

Illustrated Stories from the Record of Ancient Matters

by Yoko Tomiyasu, supervision by Sukeyuki Miura illus. by Koji Yamamura



"Record of Ancient Matters", was the first written record in Japan. Yoko Tomiyasu breathes new life into these ancient stories, which are richly illustrated by artist Koji Yamamura. This compelling new imagining of Japan's oldest chronicles is a delight to be shared across all generations of readers.

Ages 8up 22 x 15 cm, 255 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published November 2017

Welcome to Magic School

by Makiko Sato illus. by Yuiko Takahashi



Ten-year-old Keita is pretty down about things, but one day a moving arrow appears in front of him. Intrigued, he follows it, and it leads him to Magic School. Together with two other students, Keita has been chosen to study magic!

Ages 10up 22 x 16 cm, 184 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published December 2017

The Unswerving Horizon

by Izumi Morishima illus. by Taeko Hagino



Yusuke accompanies his father, a cameraman, on a location shoot to Beijing. There, he meets a lady called Ming Ming. Three years later, Yusuke and Ming Ming are reunited, this time in Japan. As time passes, he comes to know the secret from her past, and the two forge a bond that goes beyond borders.

Ages 10up 20 x 14 cm, 142 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published September 2017

Stories from the Corners of the Street

by Houko Takadono illus. by Iku Dekune



The cobbled streets of an old town bear witness to the lives of many people and the many stories that these lives create. This compelling collection of short stories weaves in and out of these lives, showing the colour and richness that resides in the town.

Ages 12up 19 x 13 cm, 167 pages Black-and-white illustrations First published September 2017

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Lost and Found

Search for the Lost Beetles!

by Kohei Yamashita supervision by Daizaburo Okumoto



Ages 4up 29 x 25 cm, 48 pages Full-colour photographs First published June 2017

There are more than 400 types of beetle worldwide, but many of them look so alike it's hard to tell one from the other. With a little attention, however, curious young readers should be able to tell these beetles—shown in life-size, life-like, full-colour illustrations—apart while learning their names and characteristics in this colourful, educational book.

Also available:

Lostosaurus!

by Kohei Yamashita supervision by Makoto Manabe



Ages 4up 29 x 25 cm, 48 pages Full-colour illustrations First published August 2015

228 dinosaur species are introduced here, including all those discovered in Japan. The second half gives detailed explanations of all these dinosaurs, making this a must-have book for any budding palaeontologist.

Ai's Classroom

3. Class One, Year Six

by Masaki Takakura



Ages 10up 22 x 16 cm, 48 pages Full-colour photographs First published June 201

This new instalment documents Ai's journey towards graduation from Year 6 of Elementary School. As school becomes harder, there are more things which present a challenge to Ai. But her attitude remains positive, as does that of her classmates.

Also available:

1: The Classroom with Ai



Ai Takeda, who has Down's syndrome. Her condition makes some things harder for her, but Ai is bubbly and determined and full of spark.

Ages 6up 22 x 16 cm, 48 pages Full-colour photographs First published April 2013

2: Class One, Year Three



The author returns to Ai's school, to see how school life has changed for her in this touching photo essay about the challenges and achievements all children go through at school.

Ages 8up 22 x 16 cm, 48 pages Full-colour photographs First published January 2015

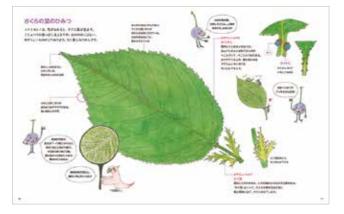
Field Notes: The Cherry Tree

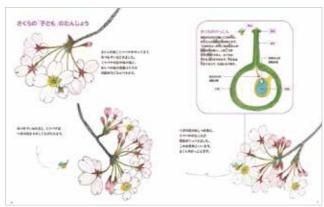
by Fumihiro Konta illus. by Yayoi Ohno



Ages 8up 26 x 21 cm, 48 pages Full-colour illustrations First published March 2017

From the roots to the buds and everything in between, discover everything there is to know about this quintessentially Japanese tree with this accessible and visually vibrant introduction. Follow the lifecycle of the cherry tree, guided by the knowledge of a seasoned researcher and charmingly realistic illustrations by a professional landscaper.





Teeny Tiny Bugs' Guide

by Tomoyuki Suzuki

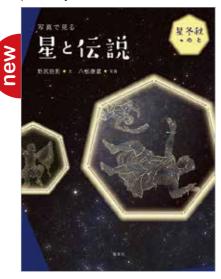


Ages 8up 22 x 16 cm, 144 pages Full-colour photographs First published December 2017

Did you know that most bugs are teeny tiny? In fact, the majority of the more than one million known types of bugs in the world are less than 5, 3, or even 2mm long? But being small doesn't stop these bugs from being smart, resourceful, and even incredibly beautiful.

The Stories Behind the Stars: A Visual Guide in Autumn & Winter

by Houei Nojiri photo by Yasumaro Yaita



Ages 8up 25 x 19 cm, 128 pages Full-colour photographs and illustrations First published September 2017

This book introduces some of these myths—focusing on stars seen in autumn and winter, including Orion, Canis Minor (Small Dog), and Eridanus (River of Hades)—through words by the late astronomer Houei Nojiri.



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BECOMING NAOMI LEON

by Pam Muñoz Ryan Originally published by Scholastic Inc./ US in 2004 June 2017



Jak zvířata spí

by Jiří Dvořák illus. by Marie Štumpfová Originally published by Baobab / Czech Republic in 2012 July 2017



MAD ABOUT MONKEYS

by Owen Davey
Originally published by Flying Eye Books / UK in 2015

July 2017





La tournée de Facteur Souris

Les vacances de Facteur Souris

by Marianne Dubuc Originally published by Casterman/ Belgium in 2015 & 2016 Sep. 2017



YOU ARE A LION! AND OTHER FUN YOGA POSES

by Taeeun Yoo

Originally published by Nancy Paulsen Books, a division of Penguin Young Readers Group/ US in 2012

Sep. 2017



EL DIA DE MANUEL

by Maria Jose Ferrada illus. by Patricio Mena

Originally published by Santillana del Pacifico S. A. Ediciones/ Chile in 2014

Oct. 2017



MISS TWIGGLEY'S TREE

by Dorothea Warren Fox Originally published by Purple House Press/ US in 1966 & 1994 Nov. 2017



MY SISTER LIVES ON THE MANTELPIECE

by Annabel Pitcher

Originally published by Orion Children's Books/ UK in 2011 Dec. 2017



SMART ABOUT SHARKS

by Owen Davey

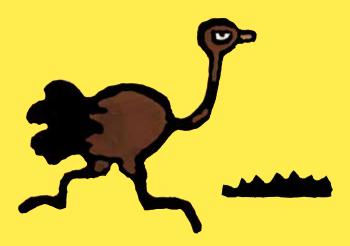
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