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Small Stories' Series







Cruïlla, 2021, Barcelona, 40pp. Text and Illustrations by Núria Albesa



Cruïlla, 2020, Barcelona, 40pp. Text and Illustrations by Maria Guitart





A series of simple adventures for pre-readers and readers + 4 that will make them discover the world through colourfull, expressive illustrations and short but funny texts.

Cruïlla, 2020, Barcelona, 40pp. Text by Anna Manso, illustrations by Fabiola Correas









The Adventure of eating on your own

Text by Clara Mas Bassas Illustrations by Judi Abbot

Duomo, 2021, Barcelona, 26 pp.

Petra is five years old and loves to always be with her family. Well, always ... Not always. When it is time to eat, she is distracted and there is no way she will sit through dessert or reach for her fork. What she doesn't know is that eating alone is an adventure!

""*The Adventure of eating on your own*" is a story to help young and old in this very important routine. A special moment in our day to day life that sometimes becomes a nightmare for the whole family. A simple story accompanied by the advice of a specialist in emotional education to work on issues such as good habits or autonomy at the table.



After the success of **"Sleeping on your own"** with 4 editions and 10.000 copies sold, now on the adventure to eat

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The Adventure of sleeping on your own

Text by Clara Mas Bassas Illustrations by Judi Abbot

Duomo, 2019, Barcelona, 26 pp.

Today Matilda will sleep for the first time on her own in her room and in her new and big bed.

She is so excited! But at the same time she is a bit scared.

Luckily her parents calm her and teach her that sleeping on ones' own is...a great adventure!

"The Adventure of sleeping on your own" is a story that will help both the small ones and the adults in an important moment for the family.

It is a simple story that counts with tips by a specialist in emotional education, so that we can learn how to work on routines, relaxation, the fear of darkness and nightmares.



An essential book to help your kids sleep on their own



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The Baby's Book

By Gala Pont and Aleix Font

Duomo, 20121 Barcelona, 48 pp.

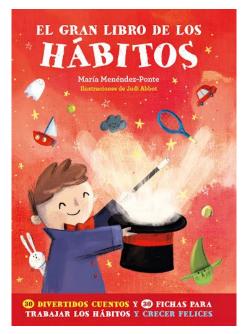
We all know that 365 days go by very fast. Without realizing it, time flies and when the baby begins to take its first steps, it seems that it was yesterday when we were amazed at that first ultrasound.

Luckily, the memories last a lifetime.



Gala Pont is a rising 'star' in the illustration's panaroma in Spain





The Big Book of Habits

Text by María Menéndez-Ponte Illustrations by Judi Abbot

Duomo, 2020 Barcelona, 216 pp.

To help the small ones in their daily life is not always easy. We usually feel unsure and have doubts and insecurities and it might be diffucult to find the words or the gestures and the appropriate way to deal with specific situations.

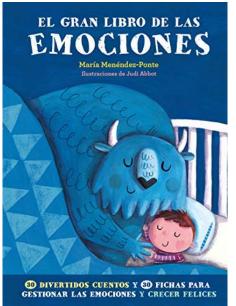
Nevertheless, working correctly on the habits and routines is a necessary step to grow in authonomy, security and thus to be happier.

The 30 stories by María Menéndez-Ponte will help to cope with these key situations. Their funny characters will help make of this difficult task of acquiring habits and routines, something really entertaining.

These stories are supported by the technical cards elaborated by La Nau Espacial, a center specialized in emotional education.

"From going to bed to washing your teeth, to carry out domestic tasks, reading books, the rutine of bathing or getting dressed, all of these habits and more are approached from a perspective, where emotions play a main part." - Magazine Ser Padres

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The Big Book of Emotions

Text by María Menéndez-Ponte Illustrations by Judi Abbot

Duomo, 2018, Barcelona, 197 pp.

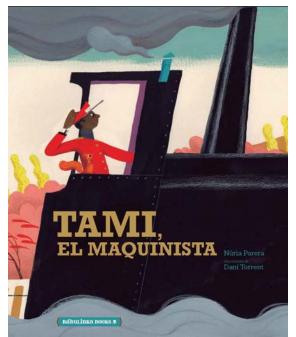
Sometimes adults do understand how they feel, but we do not know how to explain that to them, so that they are able to understand themselves much better. However that represents a necessary step to grow up and doing it happy.

These 30 stories by María Menéndez-Ponte will help them recognizing and handle all kind of emotions. The adventures of their nice characters will help in the task of understanding our feelings and it will be fun. These adventures will be completed by informative forms developed by "La Nau Espacial", a centre specialized in emotional education.



Being able to recognize and express emotions and feelings is a basic skill in the development of small children





Tammi the Train Driver

Text by Núria Parera illustrations by Dani Torrent

Babulinka, 2021, Barecelona, 40pp..

Tami is the most impeccable train driver on the rail network. Until one day, unfortunately or not — his train derails. What if other paths were possible? What life and landscapes would you discover by looking up over the tracks?













A Lioness is on the Loose

Text by Irene Verdú and illustrations by Mr. Danga

Lóguez, 2020, Salamanca 32 pp.

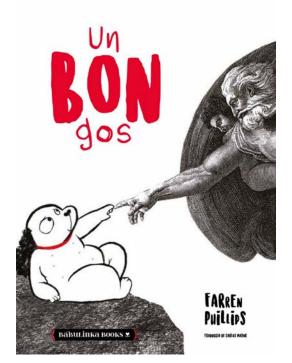
Irene Verdú pays tribute to the power of reading, food to turn today's children into tomorrow's critical citizens and an indispensable tool to grow and be happy by expanding our imagination.

The album plays with plans and fantasy to show the benefits of literature spinning verses that play with consonant rhymes and make readers smile



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The Good Dog

Text and illustrations by Farren Phillips Babulinka Books, 2020, Barcelona, 46 pp.

This is an album that opens endless dialogues, because with the dwarves, and with the right vehicle, you can go all the way.

Don't miss it! You will laugh, you will think, you will doubt, you will enjoy! More often than it may seem we wonder about the good, the truth, about who we are and what we should be; and so do children if they are given the space and time to do so.

Think to grow, think to be freer. Think about the good and the bad with HUMOR, because humor provides an ideal framework for dealing with complex issues.



A book to ask a lot of questions and burst out laughing

Rights sold to: Spanish · Catalan





With" Lili", **Wen Dee Tan'**s debut work, the author won the third Macmillan Price Award in 2013.

Lili

Text and illustrations by Wen Dee Tan

Babulinka Books, 2020, Barcelona, 46 pp.

Once upon a time, in a village, there lived a normal girl named Lili. Well, it was normal except for one thing... Lili had red HAIR like FIRE, they burned everything they touched. Lili had a hard time making friends, being different brought her a lot of problems. But... What if in the end being different was an advantage?

A wonderful illustrated album that explains that everyone is unique, different and special.





Lili found it hard to make friends.





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The Rollettes

Text by Laia Soler Illustrated by Mili Koey

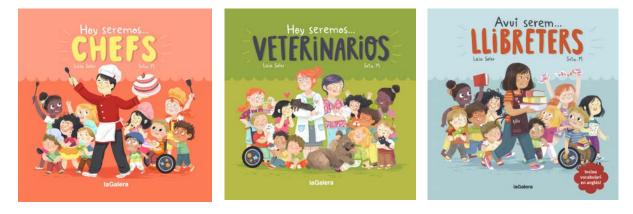
Destino 202, Barcelona, 240pp.

Starting high school is not easy, but Lira has it all planned. The problem is that nothing turns out as you expect: her best friend is not speaking to her and on her first day she ends up in the principal's office.

But to her surprise, it's the best thing that could have happened. There she meets Jimena, and Lira wastes no time in helping her to set up a new after-school activity: an artistic skating club which will change their lives.

A *middle grade* series for girls fond of sport and staring high-school with all possible expectations! **A 4th volume is coming soon**







Today we'll be...

Text by Laia Soler Illustrations by Srta. M.

La Galera, 2019, Barcelona, 32pp.

A boardbook series for **readers 3+**, to get to know closer different professions in a very entertaining way with the Chamaleon Class!

5 titles in the series so far: Chefs, Vets, Booksellers, Mechanics, Firemen

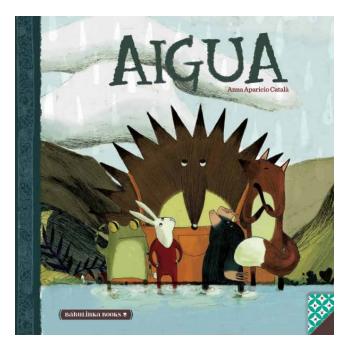




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Water

Text and illustrations by Anna Aparicio Català

Babulinka Books, 2017, Barcelona, 46 pp.

A small village at the heart of a valley, where everyone is busy with their own life, without caring much about the rest of the neighbours.

Until one day something strange happens... And they have to start communicating and understanting each other in order to find a solution.

This is a coral story where the strenght and great expressevity of the illustrations remark the magic of **Anna Aparicio Català**'s style.

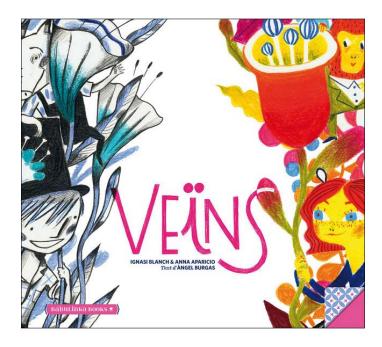




An enjoyable book that will make us discover that together, as a team, we can manage much better

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Neighbours

Text by Àngel Burgas Illustrations by Anna Aparicio Català and Ignasi Blanch

Babulinka Books, 2017, Barcelona, 46 pp.

The album, written and illustrated by four hands, is **a celebration of individuality and cohabitation**, that is built around the duel between the illustrators that live in confronted pages.

Everything goes well while every character draws in its space, at one or other side of the back of the book.

But the creative euphoria, the desire to grow, ends up leading each one to intervene in each other's territory. Then, the conflict burst amongst invaded neighbours; colours and shapes attack each other and intertwine.

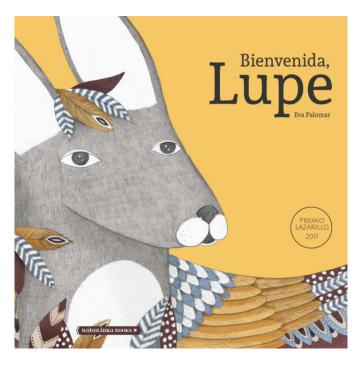
Exhausted after the intensity of the battle, both protagonists will discover, in the harmonious composition of the ruins, the attractive beauty of difference and diversity.

selected by IBBY Spain 2018





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Welcome, Lupe!

Text and Illustrations by Eva Palomar

Babulinka Books, 2019, Barcelona, 46 pp.

Lupe's family is new in the forest. All the hares are really happy, all, but Lupe...She is embarrassed to show up: and if noone likes her?She will work hard sewing disguises, she will try to look like other animals, but without success.But her grandpa gives her a very wise tip: what if the solution resides in you?

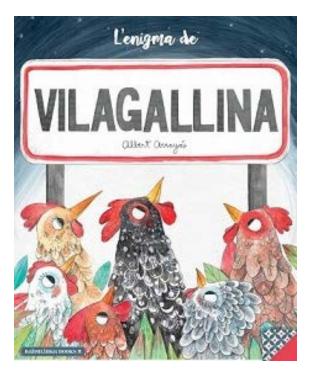
Lupe tell us about the importance of showing ourselves to the world, the way we are



Lazarillo Award 2017 · Núvol 'Sa Il.lustríssima' Award 2019

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The Enigma of Henntown

Text and illustrations by Albert Arrayás

Babulinka Books, 2017, Barcelona, 46 pp.

The competition to designate *"The best Henn of the Year*" is in danger!A few days before the famous competition "The Golden Feather" starts, the henns of Henntown start disappearing.

After each new disappearence, a new clue is found... Who can be the responsible? Watch out! Sometimes they might want us to belive certain things that are not true

Albert Arrayás has created a funny and original picturebook that talks about envies and tricks that not always end up well.

This is an 'enigma picturebook' that does not end, when you read the last page of the book, but that forces you to reread it and find the traces and clues that have been inteligently and subtle inserted.

Arrayás' illustrations are simply a gift to the senses.



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The Blue Bench

Text and illustrations by Albert Asensio

Babulinka Books, 2017, Barcelona, 46 pp.

Around a blue bench, we see a number of persons coming and going: some of them fall in love, some other become friends, some say goodbye for ever... The only thing that remains unshakable is the bench.

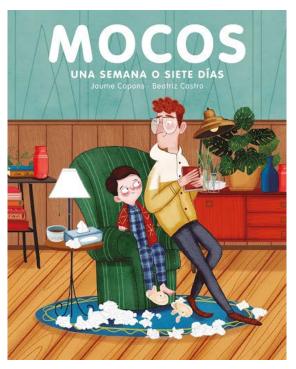
This marvelous work tells us about the cycles of life, of circular stories, and of the great feeling of knowing, that we will always have the chance of a new start.



Winner of the *Llibreter Award* 2017







Snot: a Week or Seven Days

Text by Jaume Copons Rustrations By Beatriz Castro

Children use to get a cold between five and twelve times a year.

When you start sneezing and caughing my tip is to have a good book besides you.

But this is what the doctor said to uncle Oscar:

- 1- Rest (to rest a lot and sleep good)
- 2- Drinking a lot of water and liquids (soups, juices,...)
- 3- Having a lot of tissues besides you
- 4- If you have temperature or you feel bad, then take ibuprofen or paracetamol

And patience. Lots of patience.



"No kid resists to any scatological issue, even less if it comes from this author, who is a master in humor and knows how to connect with kids" - Club Peques Lectores.

Translation aid from:





A Bench in the Square By Raquel Díaz Reguera

Lóguez, 2018, Salamanca, 44 pp.

Manuel, a man who every afternoon sits on a bench in the town square with his fishing rod waiting for the salmon to bite, begins to find himself joined by others who also come with their particular wishes:

Margarita, a lady who wants to catch clouds, Serafin, the town postman who wants to trap beautiful words to embellish the letters he carries in his bag, Pedro, who wants to spot birds from tropical zones... Each one of them contributes something to the group and they all enjoy each other's company afternoon after afternoon.



Full English translation available







Rights sold to: Catalan

Duck Pank and Duck Punk

Text by Bernardo Atxaga **Illustrated by Puño**

SM, 2020, Barcelona, 144 pp.

Duck Pank and Duck Punk go to the hairdresser to freshen up their crests because they have a mission: they want to go to the zoo and disturb the lion.

Everyone prevent them to do so but they do not want to listen. So they go calmly to the area where the king of the jungle lives.

And then happens, what it had to happen...

-Puede ser peligroso -les dijo el peluquero-.

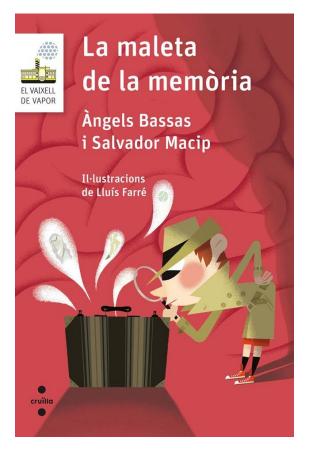
-Puede ser pengross - ses an - ser an - ser Muy peligroso. -, jPeligroso para quién? - preguntaron Pata Pank y Pato Punky a la vez-, jPara el león? --No para vosotros dos --dijo el peluquero-. Os podéis quedar sin cresta.

– Y sin plumas –añadió un joven de patillas largas que estaba esperando su turno para cor-tarse el pelo. -Mira qué gracioso el patillas este -dijo Pata Pank

Sample translation available!







The Suitcase of Memories

Text by Àngels Bassas & Salvador Macip Illustrated by Lluís Farré

Cruïlla, 2019, Barcelona, 56pp.

Sebastian has lost all his memories. Someone has put them into a suitcase and taken them a long way away. Jonas, the best detective in the universe, together with the eccentric Doctor Caroline Coriolana, will

set out on a journey into Sebastian's brain to get them back.

Will they manage it?

A passionate and warm-hearted adventure which may also help to explain what Alzheimer is to young children









Translation aid from:



Dr.Bombard's Boat

Text by Oriol Canosa Illustrations by Jordi Sunyent

Babulinka, 2020, Barcelona, 60pp.

After a wreck with no incidents, Dr. Bombard floats in a boat in the middle of the ocean. Is that a tragedy os is it the opportunity to experiment a great adventure? He doesn't know. But he will have all the time to discover it.

This is a **poetic text** full of thrilling moments.

The illustrations by Jordi Sunyer convey the reader to the inmensity, the beauty, the solitude and also to the infinite of the ocean.

Might we get into difficult situations, sometimes you just have to let yourself go and trust.

Dr. Alain Bombard existed and he has a very curious story. He was doctor in a small fishermen village in the North of France and he had to experience the deaths of shipwreck survivors that died because they did not have the knowledge and the temper to try to survive.

So one day in 1952 he decided to get out to the ocean in a plastic boat and become a volunteer shipwreck survivor during a few months, in order to convince the fishermen that, despite all the difficulties, surviving in the sea could be possible and they just had to learn how to do it.

He managed to survive and his books are inspiration to all of those who cross the waters of the ocean. This story is dedicated to him





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The Story of the Postwoman

Text by Anna Manso Illustrated by Africa Fanlo

Animallibres, 2020, Barcelona, 64pp.

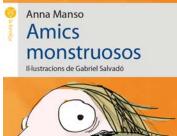
Martha dreams of becoming a painter, although she is happy going up and down with her bicycle delivering parcels.

Lately, she has noticed that noone is happy with the parcels they get, until one day everything gets upside-down: the princess is delighted with the new sword, St.Jorge enjoys his wand and Red Riding Hood is amazed with the spellbook. On the contrary, the wizzard is very very upset...



A funny story for first readers on the importance of defending what you really like, also if that means breaking with stereotypes











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Monstrous Friends

Illustrations by Gabriel Salvadó

Animallibres, Barcelona, 2014,120 pp.

Rights sold to: Spanish Russia

Sandra's parents are a million times younger than the parents of other boys and girls of her own age. They need a lot of practice to become 'professional parents' and they always need her to help them. But Sandra has her own problems too: She is the shyest and most fearful girl in the universe. That's why she got the fright of her life when one night a deep monstrous voice wakes her up.

Sandra begins to get visits from a whole string of monsteranimals and little by little, she's able to establish friendships with them, which she's never been able to manage with anyone from the 'non-monstrous' world. And through these new, special friendships she is somehow being filled with a special energy that gives her the courage to overcome her fears and insecurities and that lead her to get closer to and even make less montrous friends with a boy from school.

The Last Violin

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Illustrations by Gabriel Salvadó

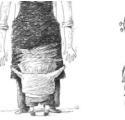
Arcàdia, Barcelona, 2014, 56 pp.

Octavi's father is a luthier; he makes violins, the best violins in the world. He is a true master of his craft. Octavi loves going to the workshop to watch his father work. But one day the luthier's hands begin to shake and he must make a decision. It is when a very odd couple – the 'Pigtails' – come to commission the last violin, not to play it, but because they are collectors of 'last things'. Curious, don't you think? And when he begins carry out the assignment the father realises that the idea of a violin that is not to be played is a nonsense. And in a sudden change of heart, he takes a final and wise decision. L'últim violí



Anna Manso Il·lustracions de Gabriel Salvadó

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Stories for Boys who dreamt in changing the world G.L.Marvel

Duomo, Barcelona, 2018,147 pp.

"Stories for boys who dream of changing the world" is a beautiful illustrated children's book packed with 50 bedtime stories about the lives of 50 extraordinary man from the past and the present and from all over the world.

Alan Turing, Albert Einstein, Andre Agassi, Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, Charles Darwin, Dalái Lama, Félix Rodríguez de la Fuente, Haile Gebrselassie, Harvey Milk, Iqbal Masih, Jacques-Yves Cousteau, Jamie Oliver, John Lennon, Julio Verne, Kilian Jornet, Leonardo da Vinci, Lili Elbe, Louis Braille, Mahatma Gandhi, Pedro Duque, Roald Amundsen, Sebastião Salgado, Stephen Hawking, and many more!



Stories of Animals that changed the World G.L.Marvel

Duomo, Barcelona, 2019, 160 pp.

"Stories of Animals that changed the world" is a children's book packed with 50, beautifully illustrated bedtime stories about the lives of 50 extraordinary animals from the past and the present and from all over the world.

The first animal that was cloned, the chimpanzee communicating through the language of signs, the first living being that explored space, the indefatigable companion of Tarzan, the freest whale in the world or the dog that did not forget its owner.

Discover some of the most beasty heroes in history! Dolly, Lucy, Laika, Chita, Keiko, Hachiko are some of the protagonists of these 50 stories about animals that have changed the course of history or highlighted by their audacity courage or service







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You can save the World

38 inspiring heroes and 12 challenges to stop the climate change

By Angela Green

Duomo, 2020, Barcelona, 152 pp.

The earth is wise, it breaths life and is anxious to offer many more marvels besides of the ones it brings us every day. Our duty is taking care of it so that it keeps on doing that.

Get together with Greta Thunber and milions of girls and boys.

Your mission: to save the world.

Learn from these **38 inspiring persons** and become an earth-heroe you too. In this book you will also find **12 challenges** that you can do yourself in order to cooperate and do something for the earth too.







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Cover of the Catalan edition

Frei's Stories

Text & Illustrations by Mikel Valverde

La Galera, 2019, Barcelona, 144 pp.

"*Frei's Stories*" relate the comic adventures of a boy who doesn't go looking for problems (and neither wants any), but who attracts them like a magnet.

This year at school, Frei's mission is clear: to win the love of the beautiful Mireia López, the new girl. But to achieve this, he must first gain the approval of Marta Fernández, her friend and a real expert in getting him into trouble.

Before long, Frei's friends meet The Professor, an elderly man who is tired of living in a nursing home and wants to go back to the school.

He proposes a surrealistic pact, and who gets to be the volunteer? Well...poor old Frei!

A new series written and illustrated by Mikel Valverde, in classic Manolito Gafotas style.

Funny, irreverent and witty!

Sample translation available!









Dune - Diary of a Summer

Text by Muriel Villanueva Illustrations by Ferrán Orta Terré

Babulinka Books, 2015, Barcelona, 170 pp.



Hi. My name's Duna and this is my summer diary. I'm here with my two sisters in our grumpy grandfather's house. Mum left us in this white and blue village facing the sea and my teacher has set as homework the job of writing everything that happens to me before I begin high school. I can't deny it, it looked like it was going to be the most boring summer of my life.

But now, between the daredevil gang, my grandfather's secrets, and a super interesting boy I met in the woods, it seems that things are livening up. All indications are that this is going to be a special summer – a summer of discoveries, the kind that make you grow up.

Nominated to Atrapallibres Award 2016 · Spanish representantive at the Children Bookfair in Rio de Janeiro 2016 · Sellected one of the best books of the year 2015 by IBBY Catalonia

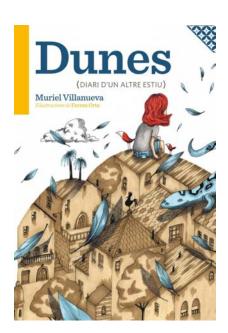
Dune - Diary of another

Summer

Text by Muriel Villanueva Illustrations by Ferrán Orta Terré

Babulinka Books, 2019, Barcelona, 175 pp.

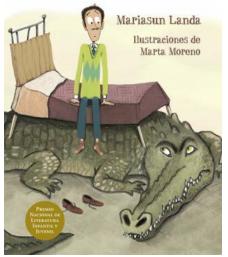
I wrote this diary two years ago and it seems to have become my secondbest friend. My first continues to be Max. Now that we're fourteen, our friendship has matured, but the love I feel for him is getting interesting and... a little complicated too. What's more, there's no way to separate mum from Manel who on top of everything, has a little boy. Moreover, grandpa Ignasi has fallen in love. And if this was not enough, the village is in danger: a real estate developer has proposed transforming the beautiful landscape of Dunes. Our gang has a lot to say about this.





The new edition of a modern classic in Spanish and Basque Literature!

Un cocodrilo bajo la **Cama**



A Crocodile under the bed

Text by Mariasun Landa Illustrations by Marta Moreno

Rights sold to: Catalan

La Galera, 2019, Barcelona, 144 pp.

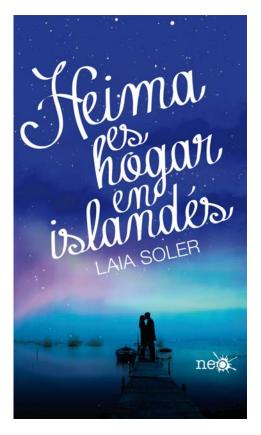
"J.J. works in an office in a city and lives a monotonous and routined life, until one morning, he discover a crocodile under his bed that eats up his shoes. Confused, he goes to tell the butcher about it, who attributes his discovery-vision to working too much. It would also not hurt to get to know somebody...

Listening to the butcher, J.J. becomes aware of his situation and realises that he can't go around proclaiming that a crocodile lives under his bed. "Admitting to a crocodile in your life is not easy. That is to say, there are many small and large changes one is forced to face." That is indeed quite true, but above all J.J. wants to find a solution to his problem. He goes to see a doctor who, without flinching, listens to his ailment and prescribes the pertinent medicine: Cocodrifil tablets, suppositories Cocodritalidon and effervescent cocodritamine.

With direct language and drops of humor, the author narrates the vital anguish of a man to whom something happens that he simply cannot explain. The crocodile could be the distress that accompanies it, the loneliness, the depression and the lack of dreams. The change that occurs in the protagonist at the end, is no other than the acceptance of the crocodile, his crocodile. Because, just like Elena, the spontaneous young trainee from his office, tells him: "At this point, I would talk to him. That'd be the best. Either you make friends or he eats you."

The result is, which is what happens with good children's texts, that this story admits and holds a wonderful second reading for adults.

National Childrenbook Award 2003! · Honour List of the IBBY (International Board on Books for Young People), 2006 · Antonio M^a Labaien Award 2002



Heima is Home in Icelandic

By Laia Soler

Neo, 2014, Barcelona, 356 pp.

Can you feel at home hundreds of kilometres away from it?

It's not a lot of fun seeing life in black and white.

Laura has to endure a strange illness that prevents her from appreciating colours, but if life has been grey lately it's not just because she suffers from achromatopsia.

She's just broken up with her boyfriend and her parents haven't stopped fighting since their divorce.

Because of this, she decides to get away from everything and jumps on the first plane leaving the airport.

Fate takes her to Reykjavik, Iceland. There she meets a nice guy called Orri, who suggests that she set out on a journey around the country with him and his not so nice-friend Guðjon. It might not be the greatest idea, but it's not like Iceland has a lot of other options for a girl who's just run away from home.

What Laura would never have been to able to guess is that these Icelanders are hiding a secret, one that even for someone like her is scarcely believable, and that this trip is going to change her forever.

> Laia Soler is one of the best voices in Spanish juvenile literature. "Heima" is her great and unforgettable *classic*.



The Suitcase

Text by Núria Parera Illustrations by María Huergueta Babulinka, 2018, Barcelona, 84pp. **Rights sold to:** Italy · Slovenia

Interesting collection of mini narrations, only eight lines each, that have as a common thread a banal object: a suitcase.

It will pass through many hands for more than a century (from 1890 until 2011). It will be the silent witness of all the events humanity has experienced as well as sociocultural changes – industrialisation, migration waves, wars, rock & roll, vintage design...- without being a part of them.

With a concise prose, objective illustrations and a flawless edition (each page is accompanied directly by the year), the book offers a convincing overview of the cultural evolution to whoever reads it, without lecturing or moral judgments. It does nonetheless contain an explanatory chronology in the end, in the form of an appendix.



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