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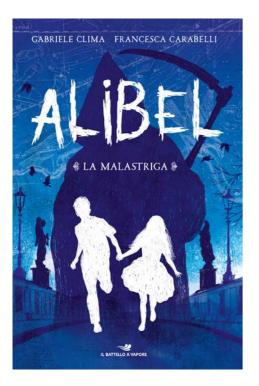
#### **GUIDO SGARDOLI**

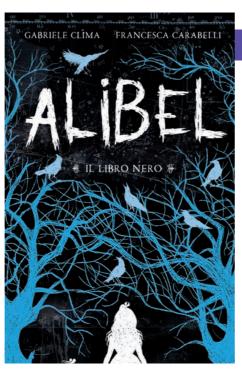
A thrilling and unbelievable biography that retraces the history of the twentieth century.

It's January 1, 2000. The sky is white as a shroud and Unlucky Strong has just died (at the age of 100!). A motley group of characters gather at his countryside mansion to get their hands on his inheritance. But the Old One has left something different to the world of the living: the memory of an extraordinary life, almost entirely secret, and full of incredible stories. From travels to wars to loves to illegitimate children to an unspecified number of unlikely jobs, Unlucky's life is a mystery to be discovered. And that's just what the guests at his funeral party do. Trapped in his villa by an epic snowstorm, between toasts and accusations of murder, they find themselves reliving the life of the mean old man, who perhaps was not so mean after all.

GUIDO SGARDOLI is a former veterinarian and one of the most popular Italian writers for children, appreciated both by critics and the public. He is the winner of the Premio Strega Ragazze e Ragazzi with *The Stone* (Piemme), a three-time winner of the Premio Andersen. His books have been translated into numerous languages.

AN EXPLOSION OF SURPRISES, EXTRAVAGANT CHARACTERS AND PLOT-TWISTS.





## SERIES

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#### ALIBEL 2. THE BLACK BOOK.

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ALCHEMICAL TRANSFORMATIONS, ANCIENT LOVE AND CRIMES LEAD THROUGH ENDLESS TWISTS AND TURNS TO OVERCOMING APPEARANCES AND SELF-DISCOVERY.



# ALIBEL 1. THE MALASTRIGA

#### GABRIELE CLIMA, FRANCESCA CARABELLI

A timeless adventure with gothic and noir touches signed by a great author.

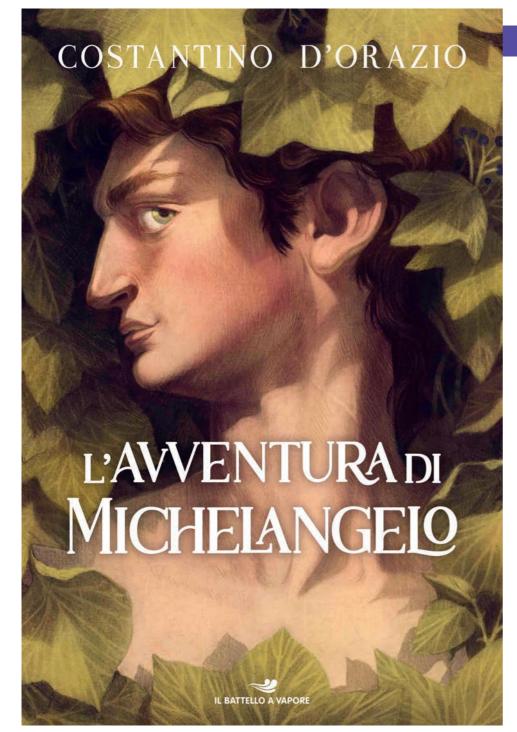
Ben is 11 years old and is autistic. He loves crows and milk and chocolate. He just moved to the historical Testaccio district of Rome, near the hospital where his mother is being treated. On the fourth floor of their old apartment building lives Alibel, a strange girl who doesn't go to school, eats almost nothing, and knows some very eccentric people. One of them is the Malastriga, who has the power to see past appearances and understand the invisible forces making up the world, both past and present. Ben and Alibel soon find themselves sucked into a mystery that comes from far away. One hundred and fifty years ago, in corrupt Papal Rome, a little girl was unjustly accused of impiety and sentenced to death. But what is the thin thread that binds that little girl with Alibel?

GABRIELE CLIMA is a highly regarded children's writer and illustrator. His stories often touch on social issues. *The Sun Between Your Fingers* won the 2017 Andersen Award for Best Book Over 15, and made it into the IBBY selection of the world's 50 best books about disability. www. gabrieleclima.com/alibel

FRANCESCA CARABELLI studied art and literature. She has published many books as an illustrator, she wrote and illustrated for Mondadori *Diario spaventossissimo di prima media*.

HALF NOVEL, HALF GRAPHIC NOVEL.





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### MICHELANGELO'S ADVENTURE

#### **CONSTANTINO D'ORAZIO**

A biographical novel that combines history, art and adventure.

Restless, hot-blooded, fearless. Michelangelo Buonarroti, painter, sculptor, architect, poet, and protagonist of the Italian Renaissance, comes to life in this pyrotechnic adventure that shows him in all of his thousand contradictions. The book traces Michelangelo's entire career, from the Vatican's Pietà to the sculpture David, from the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel to Moses, from the Last Judgment to his last sculptures, which the artist worked on up until a few days before his death. Michelangelo speaks in the first person of his creative processes and reveals how he got the ideas for his work, bringing to light the emotions and torments that coursed through his private life, and telling stories about his family, clients, and friends, his eternal competition with rivals, and his relationship to his era.

COSTANTINO D'ORAZIO is an art historian and essayist and curator for MACRO (Museum of Contemporary Art in Rome). An author and public figure, he frequently speaks about art for radio and network television. He has published numerous exhibition catalogs and several books for adults. *Caravaggio's Mystery* and *The Adventure of Michelangelo* are his first books for children.

AN INTENSE, RESTLESS, IMPETUOUS LIFE STUDDED WITH WORKS THAT HAVE IMPRESSED THE WORLD.



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# CARAVAGGIO'S MYSTERY

CONSTANTINO D'ORAZIO

Between novel and biography, a deep-dive into the life of one of the most mysterious and beloved artists in the world.

As a child, Caravaggio discovers that every painting hides a spell. From that point on, he keeps only two companions by his side: the brush and the sword. With the brush, he builds emotions and creates incredible objects. With the sword, he makes his way through the world. His problem is that he has a strong character that often gets him into trouble. He can't stand injustice and he knows what his talent is worth, but in order to use it, he has to watch his back for jealous colleagues and meet the challenges posed by his clients. Cardinals, nobles, and popes compete for his extraordinary works, which he paints in between evenings at the tavern, afternoons with Lena his beloved, and mornings spent in court. But one day in 1606 he makes a fatal mistake, which will force him to escape for four years. Will he ever be able to return home safely?



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# GRAPHIC NOVEL

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A BEAUTIFULLY
ILLUSTRATED
RETELLING
OF THE
CLASSIC "ANNA
WITH RED HAIR".

#### ANNA WITH GREEN HAIR

### MICOL BELTRAMINI AGNESE INNOCENTE

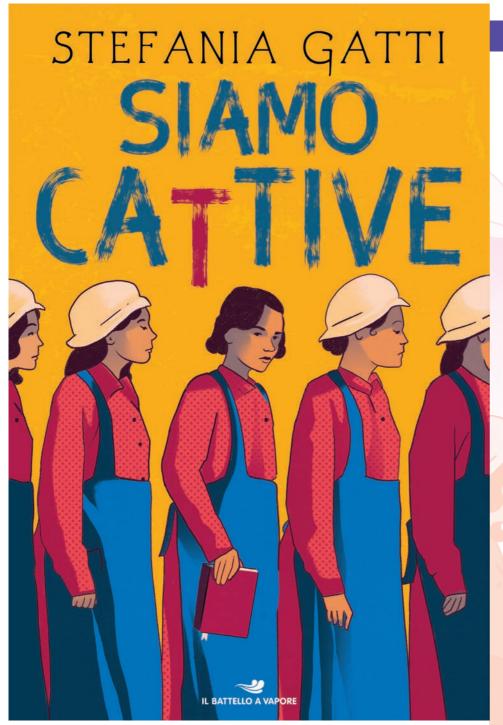
What would happen if red-haired Anna lived in Sardinia today?

Anna has been orphaned and has to change her life completely: she moves from Ireland to a small village in Sardinia, where her mother's brother lives. Suddenly leaving behind a precarious and even slightly punk life (one of her father's girlfriends had dyed her hair green), the talkative, curious Anna must now settle in a bucolic world, inhabited by fairies, witches and dwarf horses.

MICOL BELTRAMINI, author of the bestseller 101 things to do in Milan at least once in your life, writes novels and screenplays for comics.

AGNESE INNOCENTE studied at the International School of Comics in Florence, where she graduated last year. She has worked for Disney and Schockdom. She won the Andersen Award 2021, and her books are translated in Spain, France and other countries.





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#### THE BAD GIRLS

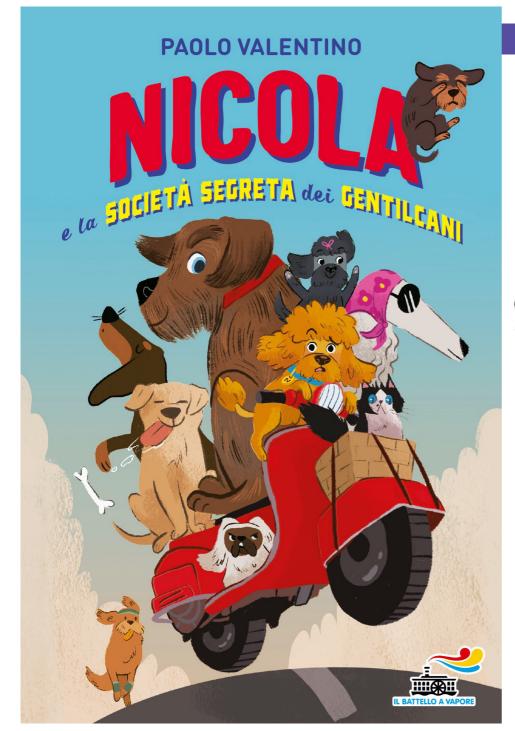
#### STEFANIA GATTI

A tale in dark colors that recalls the atmosphere of Margaret Atwood's books.

Ophelia's life seems straight out of a dark fairy tale: her mother has just died and her father has remarried an evil stepmother who wants her to stop going to school so that she can work. Ophelia tries to rebel, but when she gets in a fight with one of her stepmother's beloved sons, she is sent to an awful boarding school, populated with other "bad girls" like her, and from which, with each passing day, it seems more and more difficult to escape.

STEFANIA GATTI works as a teacher and continues to write stories. In 2014, she was a finalist in the Battello a Vapore prize.

A BLACK FAIRY TALE
THAT TELLS A TRUE STORY
OF REDEMPTION AND FREEDOM.



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# NICOLA AND THE SECRET SOCIETY OF GENTLEDOGS

#### **PAOLO VALENTINO**

Baby Boss meets Pets in a story of friendship, mystery, and lots of adorable little dogs.

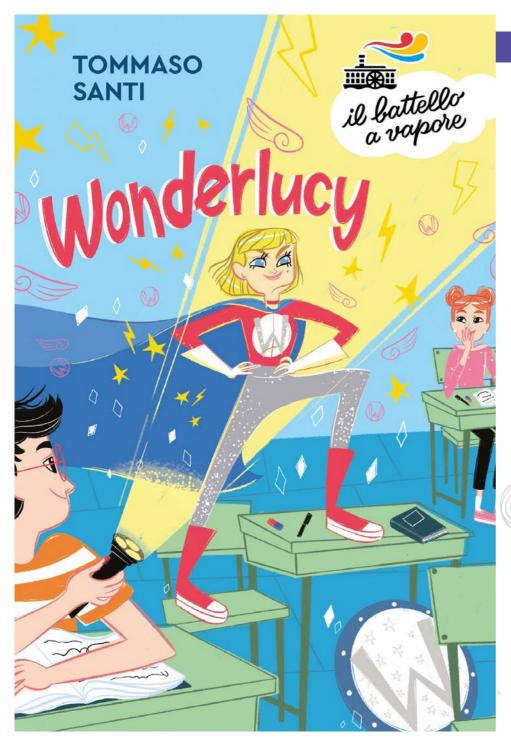
Nicola is not a dog like the others, he is a Gentledog: he is behaved, calm, intelligent, he is always next to his beloved and lonely master Chicco and... he also understands human language! Nicola always thought he was the only one, until he meets Roccia, a big dog with a wise face who introduces him to the Secret Society of Gentledogs, the friends who are even more friendly to man. When some puppies suddenly disappear into thin air, the Gentledogs take to the streets to solve this very dangerous case!

PAOLO VALENTINO is a writer and ghostwriter who works in publishing. He published *The Catfulness Method. Happiness taught by a cat* and *Dogfulness Lessons. The joy of living taught by a dog*, novels for adults and books for children.



### GENTLEDOGS ARE READY TO INVESTIGATE!





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A HUMOROUS STORY TO TALK ABOUT BULLYING AND SHYNESS.

### WONDERLUCY

#### **TOMMASO SANTI**

What happens if you find out your parents are undercover superheroes?

Lucy is in fifth grade and doesn't have many friends at school. The only one who wants to spend time with her is her desk-mate, Leo, who is an actual genius in math and science. Lucy is a kid just like any other, and that's the part that she can't stand! What's fun about having a normal life and normal parents who have normal jobs? Although Lucy's life is just as boring as that of her parents, two cellists in a large and well-known orchestra, in her fantasies it's wonderful: in her fantasies, she can live like the protagonist of a Marvel movie! But one day, boring real life turns out to be more amazing than the imagination. Lucy finds two capes and a pair of dazzling red T-shirts with the words "Wonder" on them in the darkness of the basement. It can only mean that her parents are two undercover superheroes and that Lucy has inherited superpowers! But how will she activate them? Now that's a mission for Wonderlucy!

TOMMASO SANTI is an author, screenwriter and director.

He won the Golden Globe for Foreign Press in

Italy, twice the Solinas Award and the Best

Screenplay Award at the Venice Film Festival





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### I'M GOING TO BE A FOOTBALL PLAYER

#### FRANCESCA MARIA GARGIULO GAIA MISSAGLIA

Two young authors, active at high levels in the promotion of women's sports, tell a story of sports that fights gender stereotypes.

Leti has one passion above all others: the soccer ball! At school and on the playground, she'll find any excuse to kick it and to fight the stereotypes that would turn her into a spectator of male games or, at best, a goalie. When Leti joins a girls' soccer team she's in heaven, but there are still many obstacles to overcome before she can reach the famous Spring Tournament...

**FRANCESCA MARIA GARGIULO** has a master's degree in Sports Psychology. She coaches the Under 11 girls of the A.C. Milan soccer team.

**GAIA MISSAGLIA** has a degree in Science, Technique and Didactics of Sport. She coaches the Under 10 girls of the A.C. Milan soccer team.

A NOVEL AND A HANDBOOK WRITTEN BY TWO SPORTS PROFESSIONALS.



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# DAD...I'M A GAMER

#### **EDOARDO MATURO**

A hilarious comedy about social and virtual reality.

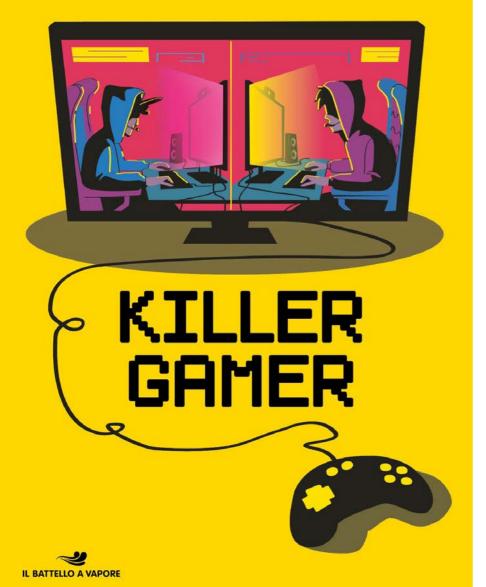
At 11 years old, Kasper only has a few friends, and they're all in the virtual world of Minecraft. When he finds unexpected success on the internet as a gaming expert and with the nickname of Kryptonite, his life—just like Superman's—becomes double. In real life, he's a transparent and unlucky nerd, but in his virtual one, he's a widely-followed idol. Too bad that his parents' allergy to new technologies prevents him from revealing to the world that Kasper and Kryptonite are actually the same person!

**EDOARDO MATURO** studied economics and then worked for years for the NGO Action Aid. He was a correspondent for "Quelli che il calcio," following A.C. Milan and creating a community that now has more than 50,000 participants.

A FUNNY COMPARISON BETWEEN THE MINECRAFT GENERATION AND THE ADULT GENERATION.



### SIMONE LAUDIERO



## FICTION

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### KILLER GAMER

#### SIMONE LAUDIERO

The detective story for all video game fans.

Pietro is obsessed with video games, but is a total failure as a YouTuber. His YouTube channel only has three subscribers (and OK, for the record, it's him from three different accounts). This is why he never plays live and only admires his idol, Anton, the top gamer of the moment. But when Anton is murdered, Pietro gets involved and decides to investigate. A native of the internet, he searches for clues online while also embedding himself in the outskirts of Naples to find a link between the gamer's real and virtual life. That is, until Pietro guesses the truth and the killer elects him as the next enemy to be eliminated...

SIMONE LAUDIERO, writer and screenwriter, is the founder of Vice, a group of television writers who have signed numerous cult series. For Battello a Vapore, he published the trilogy *The Superhero Academy*. With his writing collective, he co-wrote the YA sci-fi *Millennials* [Mondadori, 2018].

LIFE IS NOT A VIDEO GAME, BUT A VIDEO GAME CAN COST YOU YOUR LIFE.



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### THE ROSE OF JUSTICE

#### **CINZIA CAPITANIO**

A novel that explains what the Mafia is, and who the people are that fight it.

Marco is a difficult kid. At only thirteen, he's already gone down the dangerous path of joining a baby gang where the members take drugs and alcohol and are known for their violent and illegal activities. To get him away from this reality, his parents decide to let him spend the summer with his grandfather who lives in the Sicilian countryside. This choice unleashes an anger in Marco so intense that it shows the lack of awareness of how serious the actions of his group of friends are. After an initial phase of rebellion and refusal, Marco gets to know his grandfather better and reveals his past. Through his grandfather's stories, he discovers what the Mafia is and, above all, the role played by courageous and tenacious men like Judge Rocco Chinnici, (who used to spend his summer vacations in the very same San Ciro) who fought it.

**CINZIA CAPITANIO** is a writer and elementary school teacher. She wrote *Scintilla* for Il Battello a Vapore.

ROCCO CHINNICI WAS THE FOUNDER OF THE ANTI-MAFIA POOL WHICH INCLUDED GIOVANNI FALCONE AND PAOLO BORSELLINO.







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### LIKE FLOWERS IN SAND

#### **ELIANA CANOVA**

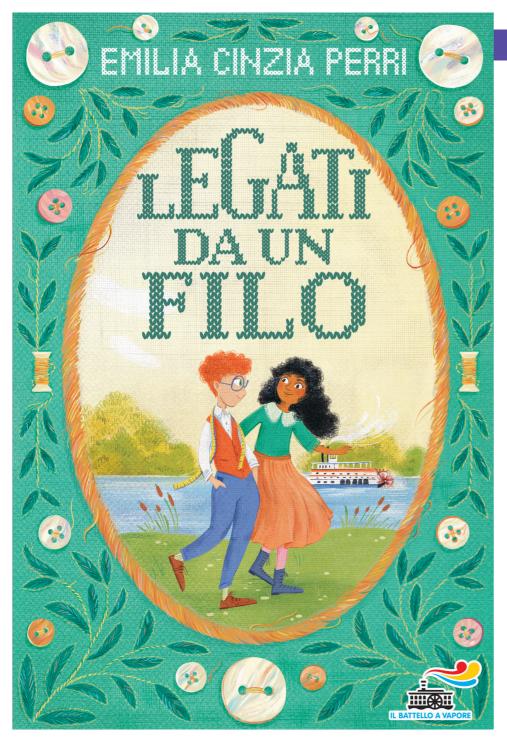
A deep friendship, a hymn to freedom and identity against the backdrop of the Second World War.

Stella is ten years old and has been living in Libya since she was six with her mother and her mother's new husband. It is 1940 and, like her, many other Italian-Libyan children, children of the Italian settlers convinced by the Fascist regime to move to the "fourth shore of Italy" to work the land and live immersed in Arab culture. Forced to leave her home to spend the summer in the Fascist colony of Cesenatico, Stella will not only have to say goodbye to her mother, but also to her best friend, an Arab boy named Alì, and his very fast pet camel. Stella, however, did not expect the war and its harsh consequences, which leave her stranded on the Adriatic Sea without news of her loved ones.

**ELIANA CANOVA**, a professional journalist, collaborates with local and national newspapers, holds courses in journalism and creative writing in schools. With "Ho visto i lupi da vicino" she won the literary prize Il Battello a Vapore in 2018.

TWO FRIENDS: AN ITALIAN-LIBYAN GIRL
FORCED BY EVENTS
TO GO TO CESENATICO
AND A VERY YOUNG MEMBER
OF THE LIBYAN RESISTANCE

THE STORY OF SUMMERS IN THE FASCIST COLONIES.



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WINNER
OF THE BATTELLO
A VAPORE
PRIZE 2021

### **BOUND BY A THREAD**

#### **EMILIA CINZIA PERRI**

A poetic historical novel about gender identity.

Louisiana, early 20th Century. In a society where segregation and racism are the order of the day, 11-year-old Fred, who dreams of becoming an embroiderer, become friends with Diana, a young black girl. The obstacles Fred has to face in order to realise his dream, considered "female" ambition and to defend his friendship, seem never-ending.

A LIVELY STORY LIKE A RIBBON APPLIED TO A WOMAN'S HAT.

EMILIA CINZIA PERRI TEACHES LITERARY SUBJECTS IN HIGH SCHOOLS. SHE WRITES SHORT STORIES, NOVELS AND COMICS. LEGATI DA UN FILO WON THE 2021 IL BATTELLO A VAPORE PRIZE.



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### THE SECRET HOUSE

#### **ERMINIA DELL'ORO**

A true story and a plunge into history to keep these memories alive.

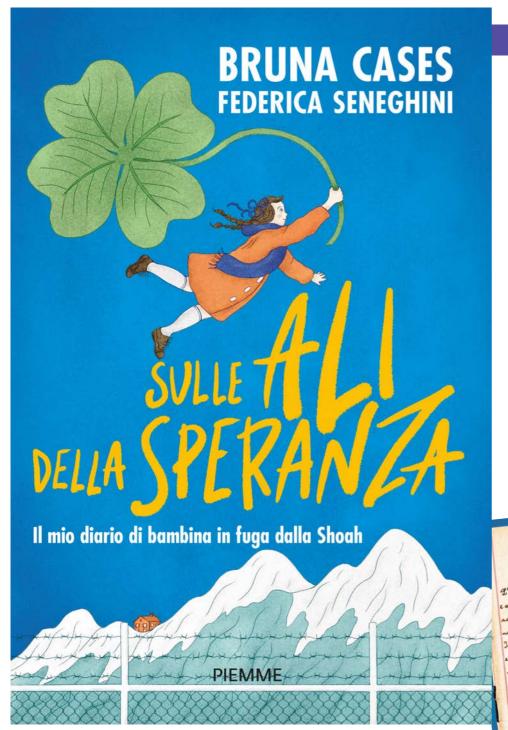
The Fascist racial laws force Dino Molho to say goodbye to his house in Milan, to his schoolmates, and to carefree afternoons playing games. He takes refuge with his sister and parents in the small attic of a factory, hidden from everything and everyone. From this vantage point, the Molho family helplessly witnesses the tragedy overturning the world and struggles not to give up hope for returning to a normal life.





**ERMINIA DELL'ORO** was born in Asmara (Eritrea) where her paternal grandfather settled in 1896. In early adulthood, she left Africa and moved to Italy. Since then she has lived and worked in Milan while maintaining deep ties with Eritrea, whose affairs she covers in articles and reportage.





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INSIDE,
THE ORIGINAL
DIARY PAGES,
ILLUSTRATED
BY BRUNA
HERSELF.

### ON THE WINGS OF HOPE

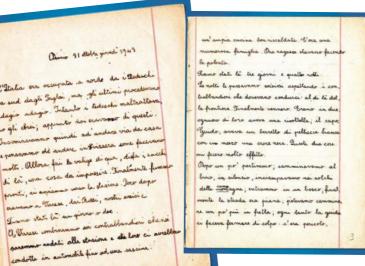
### FEDERICA SENEGHINI, BRUNA CASES

This is the unpublished diary of a little girl escaping from the Shoah.

In 1943, Bruna Cases was only nine years old when she and her family managed to find refuge in Switzerland, thanks to some "smugglers", men who, for money, accompanied Jewish refugees and persecuted people to the border. In those anguished days, little Bruna took notes so as not to forget anything, and transformed them into her personal diary of escape. Out of those very pages of fear and hope, Bruna shares with us her story today: from the racial laws of 1938 and growing difficulties for her family, to the outbreak of World War II and the bombing of Milan, up until the most painful decision imaginable: to leave Italy and try to reach a neutral country.

**FEDERICA SENEGHINI** is a journalist for "Corriere della Sera" online and head of their social media team.

BRUNA CASES was born in Milan in 1934. In 1943, when she was only nine years old, she was forced to leave Italy to avoid deportation. She wrote about her escape and the time spent in Switzerland in pages of a diary that she still has at her home in Milan. Together with her husband, who is also Jewish, she has brought her testimony to many schools in Italy.



A STORY MADE
OF SMALL DAILY
DETAILS THAT
ALLOWS READERS
TO DISCOVER
UNPUBLISHED
DETAILS OF ONE
OF THE MOST
DRAMATIC PAGES
IN THE HISTORY OF
HUMANITY.



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THE FIRST BOOK
FOR CHILDREN
ABOUT
THE ISTRIAN
EXODUS AND
THE FOIBE, TOLD
IN THE FIRST
PERSON BY THE
PROTAGONIST OF
THE SYMBOL
PICTURE OF THAT
TRAGEDY.

# THE GIRL WITH THE SUITCASE EGEA HAFFNER. GIGLIOLA ALVISI

My journey through the memories of an exile in the years of the foibe.

In 1945, when her father is swallowed up in the frightening chasms of the Karst and disappears, Egea is only a child. She doesn't know that a life of exile is about to begin, forcing her to leave her homeland and face an uncertain future, first in Sardinia, then in Bolzano, looked after by an aunt who will love her like a daughter. But the geography of Egea Haffner's heart will always have the colors, smells and sounds of Pula, her city. This geography holds her personal story, but it is also part of our national history: her memory reflects the drama of all the victims of the foibe, of the exodus of Istrians, Fiumans and Dalmatians after World War II. Her story keeps the light of memory burning and becomes a symbol of those still forced to leave their homes today.

**EGEA HAFFNER**, born in Pula on October 3, 1941, was forced to live through the horrors of the foibe and the exodus. After the disappearance of her father, in fact, she moved to Sardinia together with her mother, before leaving for Bolzano to join her grandmother and uncles. Her testimony has often been collected in exhibitions, museums and docufilms, told in schools and now, finally, also in a book.









# CHAPTER BOOK

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### WHO IS THE EVIL GHOST AFRAID OF?

The big bad wolf is afraid of losing all his fur like Uncle Anacleto. How

bad that would be, and also how cold! A long coat, a thick wig and little

woolen bows here and there, that's the solution! But dressed like that,

Have you ever wondered why ghosts only haunt abandoned houses? To avoid being hung out to dry like socks! In inhabited houses, in fact, people do the thing that terrifies them most: laundry! Those damned washing machines with rotating baskets, perfumed detergents, and terrifying brushes. Will this poor ghost be able to find an uninhabited shack to haunt in peace?

PAOLA BARBATO writer and screenwriter of comics, including Dylan Dog, as well as being a creator for TV. She has published widely popular thriller-noir novels for Rizzoli and Piemme.

**PAOLA BARBATO** 

WHO IS THE BIG BAD

**WOLF AFRAID OF?** 

will anyone still be afraid of him?





















# CHAPTER BOOK PASTRYDOUGH PIRATE AND THE TREASURE ISLAND

SEBASTIANO RUIZ MIGNONE

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#### Raise your hooks!

The Pastrydough pirate wants to go back to sailing the seas and searching for Treasure Island, but he doesn't have a boat! Helped by the good pirate Limpnoodle and his innocent-seeming former schoolmate, the pirate Scaredypants, Pastrydough will find an unexpected treasure... friendship!

**SEBASTIANO RUIZ MIGNONE** has been a teacher and a painter. A writer much loved by children, he has published more than seventy books for kids, including the beloved Sporcaccioni series.

THE HILARIOUS NEW ADVENTURE OF THE PIRATE WITH MORE THAN 18,000 COPIES!









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### NICO, STOP!

#### **FULVIA DEGL'INNOCENTI**

#### Where did Nico's mom's voice go?

When mom gets angry, it's best to run away from her: her sweet, gentle voice becomes as loud and high-pitched as a siren's alarm! But Nico has the solution: to make that nasty voice disappear! The result? No more scolding, but also no more bedtime stories, or chatting on the way to school.... Is this really what Nico wanted?



journalist. She has won numerous awards and her books are translated abroad.







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### **BEA VERSUS BEA**

#### **LAURA CARUSINO**

Frustration, made legible to children with delicacy and effectiveness.

Bea, with her brown hair and rebellious bob, loves to dance, and this year she would love to be chosen for the lead role in the end-of-year ballet recital. Her teacher, on the other hand, the frigid Mrs. Gilda, seems to have eyes only for the other Bea, the blonde one with curls, the one who is super flexible and good at everything... Ugh, Bea really gets on her nerves! But what if behind her apparent perfection, something else is hiding?

LAURA CARUSINO is the face of "L'albero azzurro" (The Blue Tree), one of the most popular children's programs on Rai Yoyo. An actress, TV host, and singer, Laura has performed in numerous musicals, including "Jesus Christ Superstar", directed by Fabrizio Angelini, and "Grease", directed by Saverio Marconi.











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THE GREATEST VOLLEYBALL PLAYER TALKS SPORT TO YOUNG READERS!

### 18 SECRETS FOR BECOMING A STAR

#### PAOLA EGONU WITH EMANUELE GIULIANELLI

The first book by the champion that everyone envies Italy for.

Paola Egonu, one of the most impressive and iconic athletes in Italian sports, has finally decided to write a book, in order to tell girls and boys who are passionate about sports—any sport!—what the secrets are for becoming a star like her. Talent counts for a lot, but it wouldn't be enough without training, diet, teamwork, the right relationships with coaches, teammates and opponents, the motivation that comes not only from winning but also from losing.

**PAOLA EGONU** is considered the greatest volleyball player in the world. By only 23, she won, with the Italian national team, a European gold and bronze medal and a world silver medal. This is her first book.

**EMANUELE GIULIANELLI** is freelance writer and journalist, he collaborates with *Corriere della Sera*, *La Gazzetta dello Sport*, *Extra Time*, *Rivista* and various international newspapers. His articles on international soccer and geopolitics have been published in *FIFA Weekly*, *The Guardian*, *The Independent* and *Eurasianet*. He has worked as sports correspondent from Italy for *Reuters*.





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### **LESSONS FROM ANIMALS**

#### **GIANUMBERTO ACCINELLI**

Incredible but true stories that will make us look at technology and nature with new eyes.

How do we keep our lawns green and the sea blue? Earthworms help us! Can you defeat harmful bacteria? Of course, magic cicadas can teach us! How to color the world without polluting? Just watch the butterflies... And how to protect plants? Well, for that... you need bird poop! By observing how animals behave, humans have developed cutting-edge technological innovations to try to mend those threads of nature that we have broken. Because problems can be solved. Sometimes, even with a smile on our faces.

GIANUMBERTO ACCINELLI, an entomologist and writer, transmits his passion for nature through eco-narration. He works with schools, companies, and associations. He has written several books such as "The invisible threads of nature" that in Germany won the prestigious Deutscher Jugendliteraturpreis 2018. He has worked in radio for years.



AN ENTERTAINING BOOK
THAT EXPLORES THE RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN ANIMAL BEHAVIOR
AND TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION.













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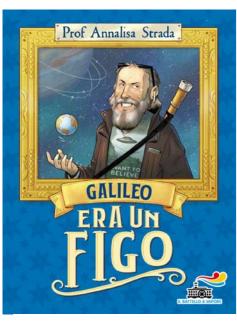
COOL GUYS SERIES
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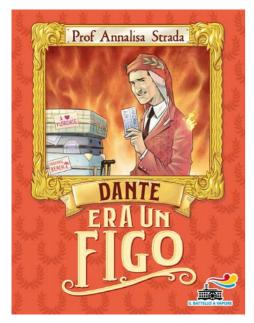














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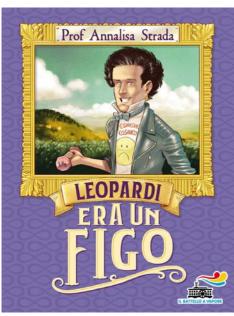




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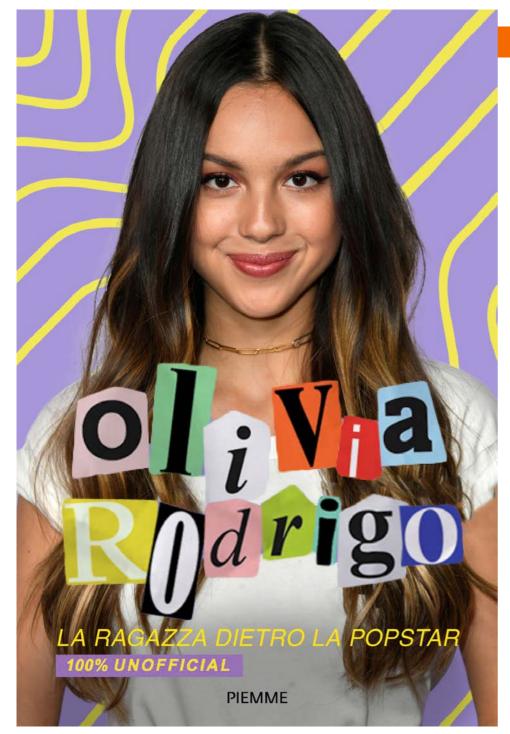
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