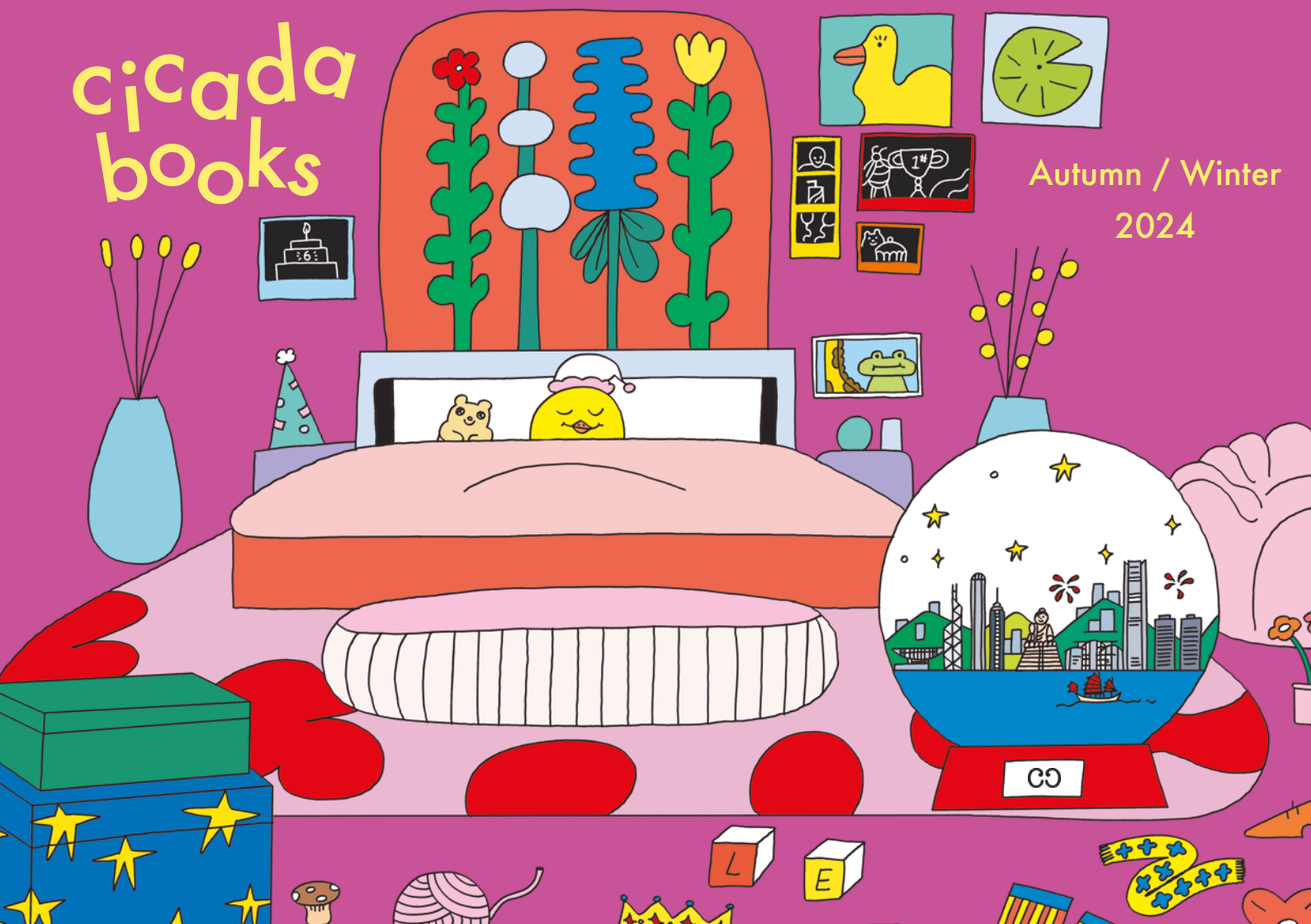
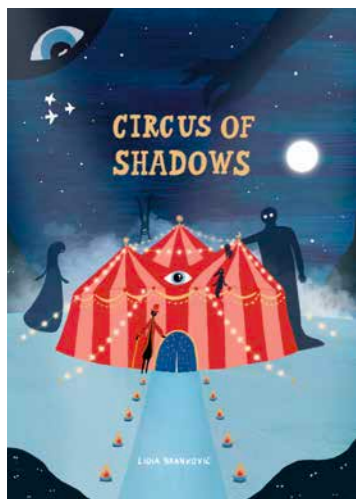


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3+**CIRCUS OF SHADOWS**

LIDIA BRANKOVIC

Lika doesn't give much thought to her shadow. Sometimes it's long, sometimes it's short... but it is never more than a shadow.

Until the day it begins acting strangely. When Lika waves a hand, Shadow raises a foot. When Lika sits down, Shadow stands up. Lika hides in a darkened room, but the smaller she makes herself, the bigger Shadow becomes, until it picks her up and deposits her in a land of shadows, at the heart of which is a spooky shadow circus. Only by listening to her shadow will Lika find her way home.

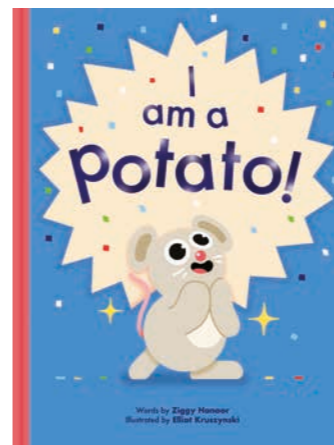
This is a book by the acclaimed author of *The Grand Hotel of Feelings* about accepting the parts of us that we try to hide from... Because where there is darkness there is also light, and when the shadows dance it is always a good idea to join the fun.

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**Mostly shadows follow us, but occasionally it's wise to follow your shadow.**  
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**Lidia Brankovic** graduated from FH-Potsdam in 2022. She takes inspiration from her hometown Berlin, its people and its culture. When she's not painting or writing, she enjoys dancing, meditating and taking long walks. She is the author of *The Grand Hotel of Feelings* (2023).

978-1-80066-052-6 / 210 x 297 mm / 36pp / Hardcover / £12.99 / \$16.99 / TBP: August 2024

ISBN: 978-1-80066-052-6

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**If Creature is not a potato, what could they possibly be?**  
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**I AM A POTATO**

ZIGGY HANAOR AND ELLIOT KRUSZYNSKI

'I am a potato', says Creature. 'No, you're not,' says Dog. 'Do you grow underground? Do you have lots of eyes? No? Then you're not a potato.' 'Then WHAT AM I?' wails Creature. Cat comes along. 'Do you breathe air? Do you eat and poo? Do you move around? You are an animal!' But what kind of animal are they? As their identity crisis continues, more animals join the conversation, asking questions and narrowing down the possibilities until they eventually work out the answer.

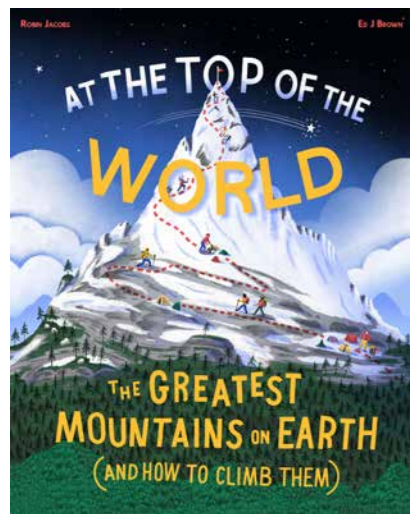
This is a silly, delightful book that nonetheless teaches an important lesson about using the scientific method to draw conclusions by observing, asking questions and eliminating possibilities. Vividly brought to life in Elliot Kruszynski's punchy, graphic illustrations, taxonomy has never been this fun.

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**Ziggy Hanaor** is a publisher and writer living in London. Her humour-led picture-books include *The Pocket Chaotic* (2020), *Alex and Alex* (2022) and *Gory Rory Fangface Needs a Kiss* (2023). Her graphic novel, *Alte Zachen*, was on the Yoto Carnegies shortlist, 2023. **Elliot Kruszynski** is a London-based illustrator whose previous books include *Special Delivery* (2020) and *Professor Wooford McPaw's Guide to Astronomy* (2022). His editorial work has featured in *Vice*, *The Guardian* and *Wrap Magazine*.

978-1-80066-051-9 / 210 x 280 mm / 32pp / Hardcover / £12.99 / \$16.99 / TBP: August 2024

ISBN: 978-1-80066-051-9



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## AT THE TOP OF THE WORLD: THE GREATEST MOUNTAINS ON EARTH (AND HOW TO CLIMB THEM)

ROBIN JACOBS AND ED J BROWN

This is a gorgeous atlas of eight of the world's greatest mountains on all its continents: Everest, Fuji, Matterhorn, Kilimanjaro, Denali, Pucak Jaya, Chimborazo and Vinson Massif.

Clear, accessible texts by Robin Jacobs break down the geography of each mountain, its flora and fauna, the history of its conquest, tales of local populations and indigenous mythologies, and finally, how best to climb it. The routes to the summit are explained as are the individual climbing challenges posed by each mountain.

Further chapters provide information on how mountains are formed, climbing terms, how to tie knots and what to do in case of an avalanche. A must have for any young explorer or climbing enthusiast!

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The summit is what drives us, but the climb  
itself is what matters.  
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**Ed J Brown** is a British illustrator and writer living in Leipzig. His striking, humour-packed illustrations have featured in various print publications. He is the author of *Epic Animal Journeys* (2022).

**Robin Jacobs** is a children's television writer and author with a degree in Earth Sciences. She is the author of *Earth-Shattering Events* (2019), *The Mellons Build a House* (2023) and *All About Flags* (2024).



978-1-80066-047-2 / 230 x 290 mm / 88pp / Hardcover /  
£16.99 / \$22.99 / TBP: May 2024

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978-1-80066-048-9 / 230 x 290 mm / 92pp / Hardcover /  
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## RISE AND FALL: GREAT EMPIRES THAT SHAPED THE WORLD

PETER ALLEN

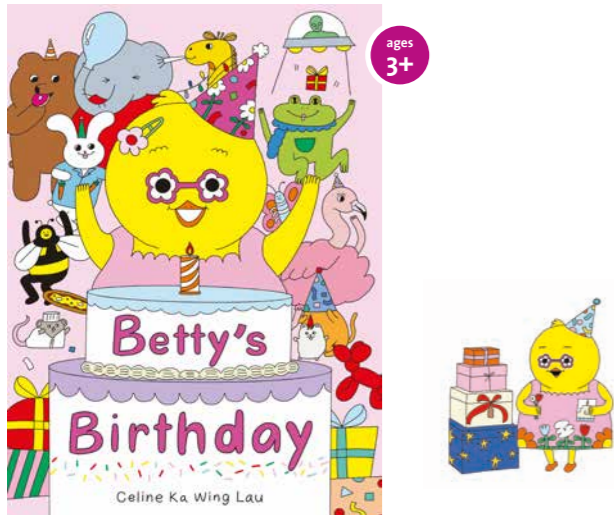
What makes a society successful, what allows it to last thousands of years and what causes its eventual downfall? In this volatile world that we live in, there are many fascinating lessons to be learned from the great empires that once ruled it.

*Rise and Fall* brings a collection of ten world civilisations to life. Some, like the Vikings and the Mongols, you may have heard of. Others, like Benin, Kamakura, Minoa or Ayutthaya are less well known today but in their time were seemingly undefeatable.

Peter Allen, author of *Atlas of Amazing Architecture* (Cicada, 2021), illuminates the stories with his trademark detail- and humour-packed illustrations, taking young readers on a captivating journey through time to uncover the essence of human civilisation.

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An excavation of ten world civilisations;  
their rise, their decline and their legacies.  
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**Peter Allen** is a British illustrator based in France. He has illustrated books for Bloomsbury, Macmillan, Egmont, Usborne and others. Taking inspiration from folk art, mid-century illustration and postage stamps, Allen's images are packed with observed details, imagination and humour. He is the author of *Atlas of Amazing Architecture* (2021).



### BETTY'S BIRTHDAY CELINE KA WING LAU

Betty is turning six today. She's going to have an amazing party... but which of her incredible outfits should she wear? And where *has* she put her glasses?

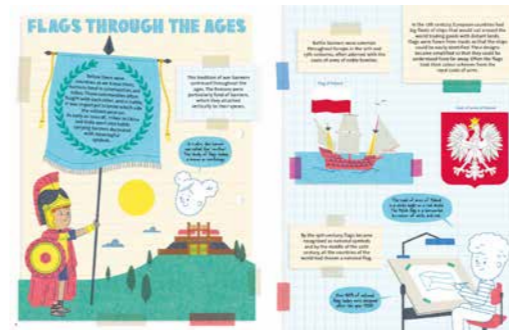
This is a delightful, interactive, read-aloud picture book, in which young readers are asked to find, choose, count, discuss and otherwise engage with the silly, hyper-detailed illustrations of party games, dance competitions, pizza making and goody bags. Some unexpected narrative twists and turns pack each page with lols that will delight young readers and their grown-ups alike. A neon spot colour throughout will make this book an even more striking package.

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**It's Betty's sixth birthday! There will be games and pizza making and cake. Can you help Betty have the best party ever?**  
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**Celine Ka Wing Lau** is an illustrator and graphic designer based in Hong Kong and London. She loves to illustrate bold, colourful images and witty characters. She has featured in *It's Nice That* and has collaborated with Taco Bell, Taboocha Kombucha and Anorak Magazine on campaigns and editorial. This is her first book.



978-1-80066-049-6 / 310 x 220 mm / 40pp / Hardcover / £12.99 / \$16.99 / TBP: May 2024



### ALL ABOUT FLAGS ROBIN JACOBS AND BEN JAVENS

Do you know why the Union Jack is asymmetrical? Or what the meaning is behind the black stars on many African flags? Well maybe it's time to find out!

This is a gorgeous, accessible atlas of flags around the world. It is packed with fascinating flag facts clearly arranged by Robin Jacobs and joyously presented by illustrator Ben Javens.

The flags are grouped by continent and then by theme, creating a coherent historical narrative that serves as a great launch point for discussions around identity, geography and nation-building.

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**Thorough and informative, this comprehensive volume provides almost every detail one could desire about national flags.**  
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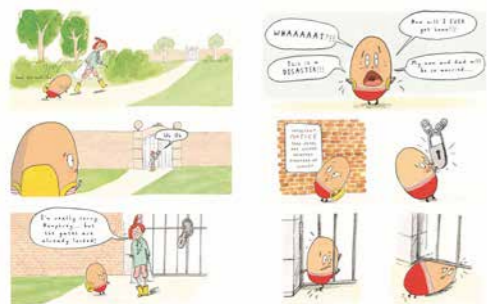
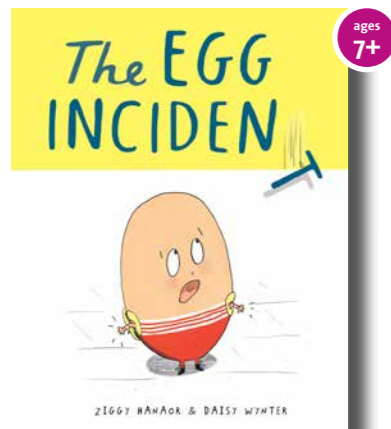
*School Library Journal*

**Robin Jacobs** is a children's TV and book writer living outside Bristol. A passionate environmentalist, Robin is the author of *Earth Shattering Events* (2019) and *The Mellons Build a House* (2023).

**Ben Javens** is an illustrator and designer whose drawings have been featured in *The New York Times*, *School of Life*, *Anorak* and *The Guardian*. He is the illustrator of *Alex and Alex* (2021).

978-1-80066-045-8 / 230 x 290mm / 104pp / Hardcover / £16.99 / \$21.99 / February 2024 / RS: Korea, France





### THE EGG INCIDENT

ZIGGY HANAOR AND DAISY WYNTER

This middle-grade graphic novel tells the story of Humphrey – an egg with very overprotective parents; “Never run, never jump and NEVER EVER EVER sit on a wall. You remember what happened to your uncle...”

Humphrey lives a cautious life, until the day he bumps into Princess Jean (PJ) in the park. An adventurer through and through, PJ regales Humphrey with tales of all her antics and mishaps and they don't notice the park is closing. Oh no! How will Humphrey get home? There's only one way out. Over. The. Wall!

*The Egg Incident* is a joyous reversal of the traditional Humpty Dumpty tale of caution that will delight readers aged 7-11 who are tiptoeing towards independence themselves.

Lays a liberating message on helicopter parents and their overprotected offspring

*Kirkus Reviews*

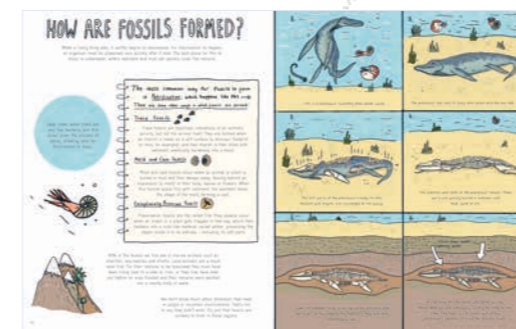
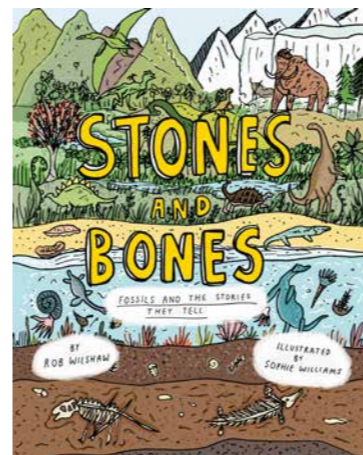
**Ziggy Hanaor** is a writer and publisher living in London. She has authored picturebooks including *Alex and Alex* (2021) and *The Pocket Chaotic* (2020), as well as the Carnegie-shortlisted graphic novel, *Alte Zachen* (2023).

**Daisy Wynter** is a Sussex-based illustrator. As a child she was a bookworm and a compulsive doodler, and this hasn't really changed in adulthood. This is her first book.

ISBN: 978-1-80066-043-4



978-1-80066-043-4 / 190 x 240mm / 72pp / Hardcover  
/ £14.99 / \$19.99 / October 2023 / RS: Taiwan



978-1-80066-042-7 / 230 x 295mm / 80pp / Hardcover  
/ £16.99 / \$21.99 / October 2023 / RS: China, Korea,  
Germany, Russia, Spain

ISBN: 978-1-80066-042-7



### STONES AND BONES: FOSSILS AND THE STORIES THEY TELL

ROB WILSHAW AND SOPHIE WILLIAMS

This book looks at the fossil record and all that we can learn from it. From bacteria to sponges to fish to tetrapods to reptiles to dinosaurs to mammals and finally to humans, it excavates the story of four billion years of life on this planet. The science of paleontology is clearly broken down by fossil expert, Rob Wilshaw, and easily understood by children as young as six.

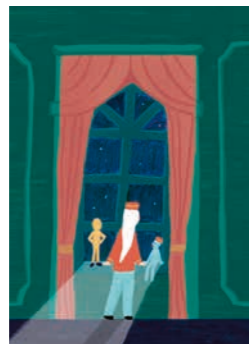
Sophie Williams' warm, engaging illustrations bring the fascinating texts to life. Following on from the success of *Earth-Shattering Events*, this is a lively and vital book that will delight not just dinosaur enthusiasts but anyone interested in evolution and the incredible history of this very special planet that we inhabit.

Impressively informative and thoroughly 'kid friendly'  
in organisation and presentation.

*School Library Journal*

**Sophie Williams** is a Cornish illustrator with a bright, informative style that is inspired by illustrators such as Nick Sharratt and Gemma Correll. She is the author of *Map of You* (2021) and the illustrator of *Earth-Shattering Events* (2019).

**Rob Wilshaw** studied geology at the University of Southampton, graduating in 2018 with a masters degree focusing on how microfossils might predict future impacts of climate change. This is his first book.



978-1-80066-041-0 / 210 x 297mm / 32pp / Hardcover /  
 £12.99 / \$16.99 / August 2023 / RS: Korea, Poland, Spain, Israel,  
 Germany, Vietnam, Croatia, China, Taiwan, Turkey, Italy, Greece,  
 Brazil, Russia, Netherlands, Iran



## THE GRAND HOTEL OF FEELINGS

LIDIA BRANKOVIC

Welcome to the Grand Hotel of Feelings, where all kinds of feelings come and stay. Every guest has unique needs. Anger, for example, is very loud and needs plenty of space to scream and shout. Sadness speaks in a small voice and occasionally floods the bathroom. Gratitude likes wandering about in nature; you never know when she might come and sit by your side.

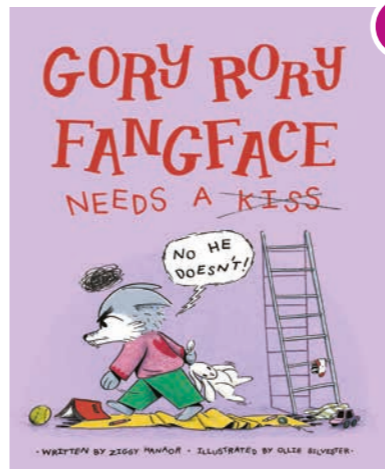
Some feelings are big and some are small, some are fun and some are tricky, but all feelings must be listened to and acknowledged. After all, they're just passing through.

A beautiful and imaginative title that brings the complexities of emotional management to life with warmth, humour and a touch of Wes Anderson.

**An accessible entry into discussions on the complexity of feelings, this picture book will be returned to time and time again.**

*Foreword Starred Review*

**Lidia Brankovic** graduated from FH-Potsdam in 2022. She takes inspiration from her hometown Berlin, its people and its culture. When she's not painting or writing, she enjoys dancing, meditating and taking long walks. This is her first book, emerging from her own journeys through and with emotional turbulence.



978-1-80066-036-6 / 214 x 263mm / 32pp / Hardcover / £12.99 / \$16.99 / May 2023 / RS: Korea, Spain



## GORY RORY FANGFACE NEEDS A KISS

ZIGGY HANAOR AND OLLIE SILVESTER

Gory Rory Fangface is having a terrible day and everything is going wrong. First, he ran out of cereal and then his favourite jumper was in the wash and then it rained on the way to school. Does Gory Rory need a kiss? No, he most certainly DOESN'T.

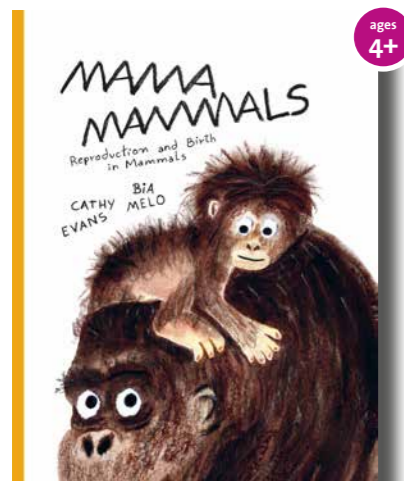
The day gets progressively worse; he's forgotten his homework, it's egg salad for lunch, and then mum is late for pick-up. A kiss perhaps? NO WAY. On the way home it rains again, there's homework to finish and the internet is down. Gory Rory has reached the end of his tether – it really has been the WORST DAY EVER. But sometimes... just sometimes... when you really *really* need them... kisses can make it all better.

A heartwarming story about the power of affection to lighten up even the darkest of days.

**Readers, like the protagonist, should find themselves feeling mollified, fortified, and ready for a new day.**

*Publishers Weekly*

**Ziggy Hanaor** is an author and publisher based in London. Her previous books include *The Pocket Chaotic* (2020) and *Alex and Alex* (2021). **Ollie Silvester** is an illustrator and animation director based in Bristol. His clients include *The New York Times*, *Bloomberg Businessweek* and *Camden Town Brewery*. He takes inspiration in the nonsensical humour of the everyday. This is his first book.



## MAMA MAMMALS: REPRODUCTION AND BIRTH IN MAMMALS

CATHY EVANS AND BIA MELO



This beautifully presented science book explains the facts of life by looking at reproduction and birth in mammal species. Through short, concise texts and warm, engaging illustrations, we learn about fertilisation, gestation, birth, breastfeeding and early parenting across the mammalian order. Did you know that, unlike other mammals, whale calves are born tail first, so that the mother can push them to the surface to breathe as soon as they emerge? Or that echidnas do not have nipples? Their young lick milk that seeps from pores in their chests.

Easily understood by kids as young as four, this is an informative and enjoyable way of learning about babies and where they come from.

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## Tastefully done and informative for little ones who may have awkward questions.

*Youth Services Book Review*

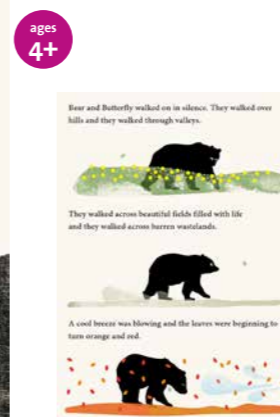
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**Cathy Evans** is a vet and a writer living in Bournemouth, with two boys and a menagerie of animals. She is the author of *Cat Eyes* and *Dog Whistles* (2021).

**Bia Melo** is a recent graduate of the CSACBI children's book illustration programme. Her books have been highly commended for *The Macmillan Prize* and longlisted for the *Klaus Flugge Prize*.



978-1-80066-026-7 / 230 x 295mm / 32pp / Hardcover  
/ £12.99 / \$16.99 / July 2023 / RS: Germany, Italy, Korea,  
China, Poland



978-1-80066-037-3 / 210 x 280 mm / 32pp / Hardcover /  
£12.99 / \$16.99 / April 2023 / RS: China, Korea,  
Germany, Taiwan



## ARE WE THERE YET?

SVEN VOLKER

Bear wakes up after his long winter's sleep and joins his friend, Butterfly, on a journey. 'Where are we going?' asks Bear. 'All journeys have secret destinations', says Butterfly. As they travel through forest, over hill and across a great river, Butterfly offers her wisdom about hardships, facing one's fears and living in the moment. Bear's natural impatience gradually softens into acceptance of the world around him.

As the seasons change, the friends find themselves once more in front of Bear's cave. Landscapes look different with different eyes and the end of one journey is the beginning of another.

This is a heartwarming book about friendship and about circles and cycles of life and being. It is a sweet and calming bedtime story that introduces Buddhist philosophies and values to young readers.

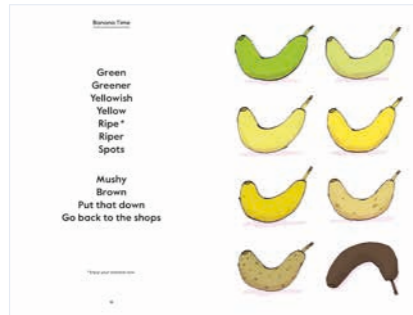
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**A sensitive script, touches of humor, and a  
captivating design combine for an excursion  
readers will want to repeat.**

*Kirkus Starred Review*

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**Sven Volker** is a Berlin-based author/illustrator and a professor in graphic design. His first book, *A Million Dots*, was a *New York Times* 'Best Illustrated Children's Book' winner in 2019.



**FORWARDS ALWAYS**  
MATTHEW HODSON

*Forwards Always* is a collection of poems to be read aloud. The poems are activated through performance and play. There are daft poems, quiet poems, wonky poems and dancing poems.

The book is a puzzle. Make sense of it together, listen to it, take turns, hold it upside down and wear it as a hat. Have fun and find your own way forwards.

Approach this book willing to experiment, and the rewards will be ample, including bouncing through these unpretentious, silly ideas twisted around in fun, squashy rhythm.  
*School Library Journal*

978-1-80066-035-9 / 130 x 198mm / 60pp / Hardcover / £12.99 / \$16.99 / April 2023



**THE MELLONS BUILD A HOUSE**  
ROBIN JACOBS AND NIK NEVES

The Mellon family have outgrown their flat. It's time to move, so they decide to build their own house. Masha the architect designs a house that accommodates the Mellons' needs, their budget, and most importantly, the environment. It is an eco-house.

*The Mellons Build a House* is a hugely enjoyable picturebook that takes the reader step-by-step through house design and build with a focus on environmental concerns and eco-technologies. A timely and essential read for aspiring young architects and construction enthusiasts.



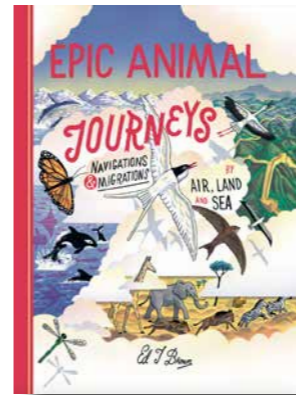
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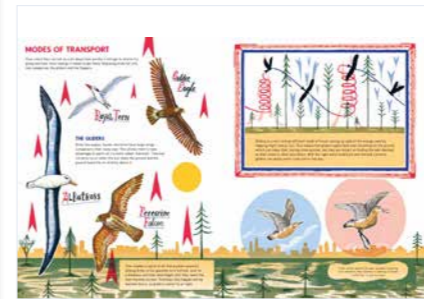
978-1-80066-033-5 / 220 x 280 mm / 36pp / Hardcover / £12.99 / \$16.99 / May 2023 / RS: Korea



A cleverly architected book... perfect for children exploring the environment or anything to do with construction.  
*Literacy Tree*



ages 6+



**EPIC ANIMAL JOURNEYS**  
ED J BROWN

With no engines or GPS devices, birds fly thousands of miles to their African feeding grounds, salmon cross oceans so that they may return to the rivers in which they were born and herds of wildebeest follow the rains across swathes of the Serengeti.

This book takes a close look at the mysteries of migration and brings them to life with beautiful packaging and vivid illustrations by Ed J Brown.



Robust insights into the often mind-bogglingly arduous journeys of animals all over the world.  
*Kirkus Reviews*

978-1-80066-029-8 / 230 x 290 mm / 72pp / Hardcover / £16.99 / \$22.99 / November 2022 / RS: China, Italy

**NOMADS: LIFE ON THE MOVE**  
KINCHOI LAM

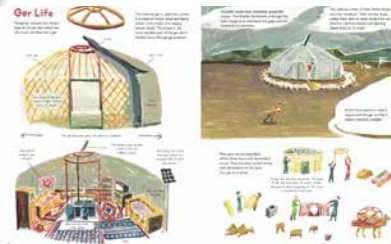
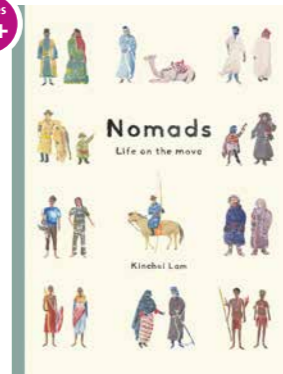
A fascinating and beautiful survey of 10 nomadic societies around the world; their lifestyles and traditions, and the uncertain futures they face.

From the Sama Bajau of the Philippines to the Yanomami of the Amazon and the Steppe nomads of Mongolia, this book offers valuable insights into ways of living that reach back thousands of years, and which have never been more relevant. Delicate and sensitive illustrations bring the material to life.



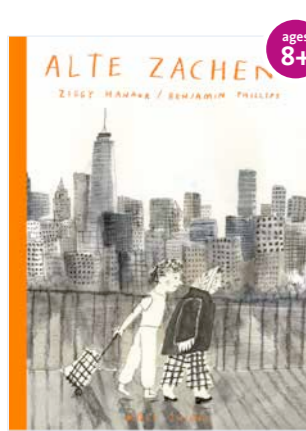
A nonfiction text that looks at how nomadic life came to be that is without compare.  
*School Library Journal, starred review*

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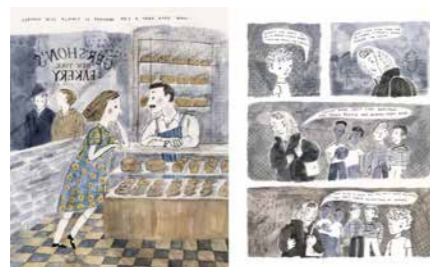


978-1-80066-032-8 / 210 x 273mm / 72pp / Hardcover / £16.99 / \$22.99 / Nov 2022 / RS: China, Korea, Vietnam, Japan, Sweden





ages 8+



**ALTE ZACHEN / OLD THINGS**  
ZIGGY HANAOR AND BENJAMIN PHILLIPS

A powerful and affecting graphic novel that follows 11-year-old Benji and his grandmother, Bubbe Rosa, as they traverse New York gathering the ingredients for Friday night dinner. Bubbe's cantankerous exterior belies a roiling interior world filled with memories that we gradually piece together.

**Taking a walk with Rosa and Benji just might change how readers see the world and everyone's place in it.**

*School Library Journal, starred review*

This Carnegie shortlisted book tells a tale of Jewish identity, generational divides and of a restless city and its inhabitants.

978-1-80066-022-9 / 190 x 240mm / 72pp / Hardcover/ £16.99 / \$22.99 / Apr. 2022 / RS: China, Germany, Italy

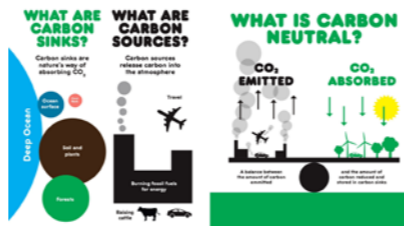


**CHANGING WORLD**  
DAVID GIBSON

This book of infographics exposes the realities of climate change in hard numbers, bright graphs and unequivocal directness.

- How will rising sea levels affect us?
- Is it better to stop eating red meat or to stop driving a car?
- What industries create the most emissions?
- How do renewable energies compare to one another?

David Gibson is a master of visualisation. Without sugar-coating or fear-mongering, this is a book that uses facts to conveniently illuminate inconvenient truths.



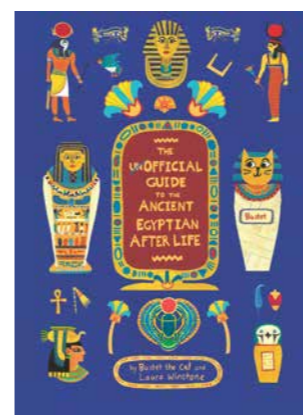
978-1-80066-028-1 / 190 x 165mm / 112pp / Hardcover / £14.99 / \$19.99 / RS: Korea, China, Taiwan, France



**A first-rate toolbox of facts and basic background on which to build. Compact, informative, and convincing.**

*Kirkus Starred Review*

ages 6+



ages 5+



**THE UNOFFICIAL GUIDE TO THE ANCIENT EGYPTIAN AFTERLIFE**  
BASTET THE CAT AND LAURA WINSTONE

Bastet, the Pharaoh's cat, is here to take you on a journey through the mystical death rituals of Ancient Egypt. From the various gods that must be appeased to the stages of mummification and the final weighing of the heart, Bastet will help you make it safely across to the other side.

This is a light-hearted, but nonetheless informative insight into the fascinating beliefs and traditions of Ancient Egypt, brought to life in vivid collage illustrations.

**An enjoyable book that keeps readers involved with bright colours and animated images... to be kept in classrooms or on the shelves for browsers.**  
*School Library Journal*

978-1-80066-012-0 / 230 x 290 mm / 36pp / Hardcover/ £12.99 / \$16.99 / May 2022 / RS: Italy, France



**SNAIL TRAIL**  
ZIGGY HANAOR AND CHRISTOS KOURTOGLOU

Marjorie is a happy, friendly snail, but sometimes she just needs a bit of alone time. The problem is, as soon as she finds a quiet space, someone follows her trail of slime and tracks her down. With a bit of effort, Marjorie manages to get hopelessly lost, and relies on a friend to help her find her way back to her home. And to equilibrium.

This is a timely and relatable book that brings to life the disjunction between our introvert and extrovert selves, brought to life in the lively watercolours of Christos Kourtoglou.

978-1-80066-031-1 / 216 x 243 mm / 32pp / Hardcover / £12.99 / \$16.99 / October 2022 / RS: China, Taiwan



**Come for the empathetic storytelling. Stay to pore over the inventive ways in which Kourtoglou anthropomorphizes snails...**

*New York Times*



ages 3+





### CAT EYES AND DOG WHISTLES: THE SEVEN SENSES OF HUMANS AND OTHER ANIMALS

CATHY EVANS AND BECKY THORNS

This book takes young readers step by step through the biology of the human sensory organs and then compares them to those of the animal kingdom. Did you know that, unlike the other senses, smells are delivered directly to the parts of our brain that are responsible for memory and emotion? Or that a cow has about 250,000 tastebuds, compared to a mere 30 of a chicken?

Beautifully presented, this book will get kids thinking about all the amazing things their bodies can do.



With striking, colorful illustrations and interesting factoids, it provides a fine introduction to the senses.

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### ATLAS OF AMAZING ARCHITECTURE

PETER ALLEN

This gorgeous reference book eschews the traditional architectural canon of the pyramids and the Taj Mahal, and takes a broader view of what constitutes amazing architecture. From the Jameh Mosque in Iran to an ancient wooden church in Kizhi Pogost, Russia, it spans all continents equally throughout history.

Peter Allen brings the stories of the buildings and their creators alive in his trademark detail- and humour-packed illustrations.

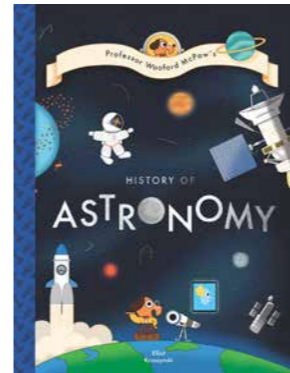
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A delightful and informative trip around the globe, visiting more than 40 architectural sites... with artwork that is lively, colorful, informative, and full of character.  
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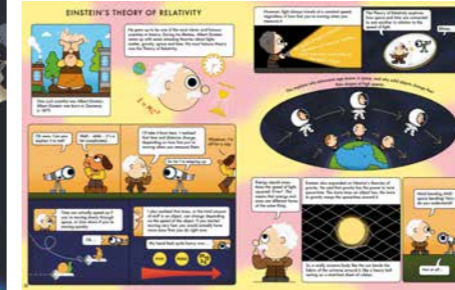


### PROFESSOR WOOFORD MCPAW'S HISTORY OF ASTRONOMY

ELLIOT KRUSZYNSKI

This book takes on the entirety of the cosmos and everything within it. Through the humorous tone of Professor Wooford McPaw, Elliot Kruszynski looks at how our understanding of our place within the universe has evolved from the days of Ancient Greece to the discoveries of Copernicus and Galileo, through to Newton and then to Einstein and Hawking.

A charming and engaging introduction to Astronomy, peppered with fun facts and humorous asides.



Packed with facts and bright cartoon-style illustrations, this is a fantastic introduction to astronomy that supports science and technology.  
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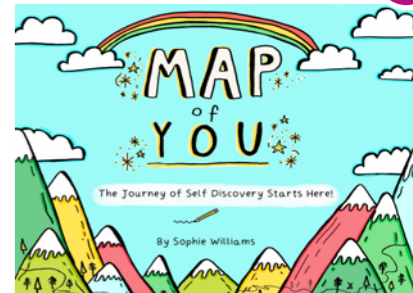
### MAP OF YOU

SOPHIE WILLIAMS

A charming activity book that encourages readers to explore the landscape of their own psyches. Through personality quizzes, drawing and colouring in, they are invited to consider their 'strength mountain,' to navigate their 'wetlands of weakness,' to confront their 'forests of fears,' and to take comfort in their 'islands of interests'.

An engaging activity book that offers a much-needed opening to ideas of self-reflection, well-being and mindfulness, with a refreshing lightness of touch.

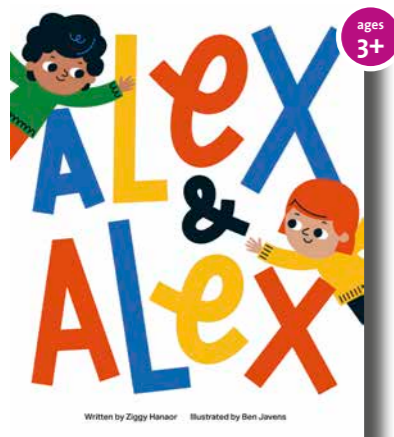
The cheerful, doodlelike illustrations are filled with nature imagery and complement the text well.  
*Kirkus Reviews*



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### ALEX AND ALEX ZIGGY HANAOR AND BEN JAVENS

Alex and Alex have lots of things in common. They love playing and dressing up. They are also very different to one another; Alex is very messy and Alex is very tidy. After a trip to the museum goes a little bit awry, Alex and Alex have some cooling off time. But they always make up, because Alex really, really, really, really likes Alex!

This book is entirely gender neutral, and is a great book with which to challenge binary identities at the developmental stage at which they are taking root.



**A simple yet inclusive story that is likely to build tolerance, insight, and healthy relationships among young readers.**

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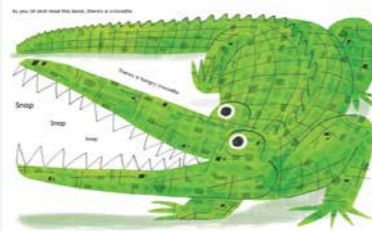
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### AT THIS VERY MOMENT MATTHEW HODSON

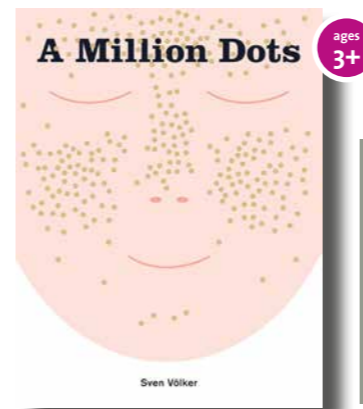
*At this very moment  
There's a mouse  
There's a small mouse waking up  
in the early morning sun.*

This is a book about all living things, including you and me, at this very moment. Using simple but evocative language, it asks the young reader to be present in the moment and to marvel at the magnificent organism that is our planet. A beautiful, poetic and elevating bedtime read.



**A lovely, quiet book that radiates calm.**  
*Kirkus Reviews*

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/ 32pp / RS: Korea, Spain



### A MILLION DOTS SVEN VOLKER

We start with a single tree; 1. As we turn the page, we are presented with a sum doubling the number on the page before it: 1+1 = 2; 2+2 = 4; 4+4 = 8, reaching a million (actually 1,048,576) within 44 pages.

With a remarkable fold out concertina at the back, this timely graphic depiction of exponential growth was a 2019 'New York Times Best Illustrated' children's book.



**Volker has created an approachable introduction to numeracy, but also rendered math beautiful and entrancing.**  
*New York Times*

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44pp / Hardcover / £12.95 / \$18.95 / June  
2019 / RS: Spain, China, Taiwan, Korea,  
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### THE POCKET CHAOTIC ZIGGY HANAOR AND DANIEL GRAY-BARNETT

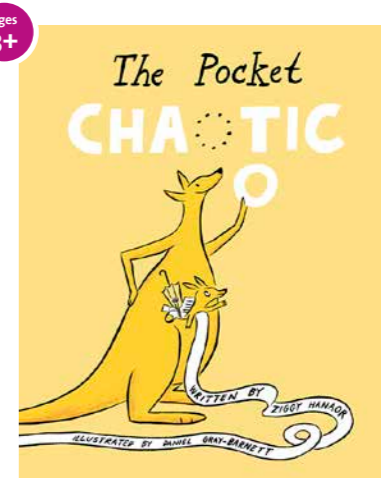
Alexander is a young kangaroo living in his mum's pocket. Alexander loves his mum, but there's one thing that really drives him nuts. She is always putting stuff in her pocket. Alexander tries to keep things neat but one day it all gets TOO MUCH!

A humorous and timely tale about the connection between a mother and son and his journey towards independence.

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Taiwan, Turkey



**A humorous invitation to embrace change... and move on.**  
*Kirkus Reviews*





ages 3+



**THE NEW BABY: AN ACTIVITY BOOK**  
LIE DIRKX

Introducing a young child to the idea of a new sibling can be tricky to get right. This book offers parents a new way of starting a conversation with their child about the baby developing in mummy's tummy. By doodling, colouring in and engaging with the activities, the older sibling is invited to think and talk about themselves, and in doing so, to think about what life might be like when the new baby arrives.

An adorable activity paperback to help children make sense of what it means to become a sibling.

Babyology



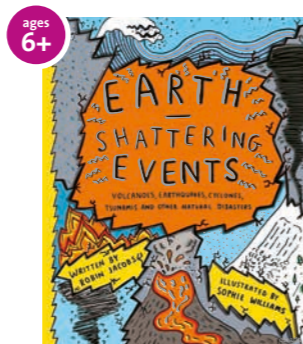
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**EARTH-SHATTERING EVENTS: VOLCANOES, EARTHQUAKES, CYCLONES, TSUNAMIS AND OTHER NATURAL DISASTERS**  
ROBIN JACOBS AND SOPHIE WILLIAMS

We humans take our domination of the planet for granted, but sometimes the Earth reminds us that this is an illusion. Great waves sweep away entire towns, tectonic plates shift, causing cities to crumble, and volcanoes cover swathes of land in molten rock.



This book explores nature at its most dramatic and its most destructive. Clear, coherent explanations of phenomena including hurricanes, tornadoes, avalanches, tsunamis and volcanoes are brought to life in fun, accessible, hand-drawn illustrations by Sophie Williams.



ages 6+

An eye-opening and -widening introduction to our restless planet.  
Kirkus Starred Review

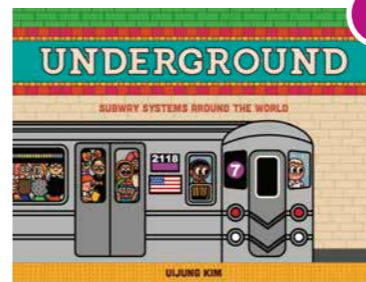


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**UNDERGROUND: SUBWAY SYSTEMS AROUND THE WORLD**  
UIJUNG KIM

A playful search-and-find book of 10 underground systems around the world. Alternating shortened pages create an inside-outside effect, so that you 'enter' the train to find the cultural signifiers of each city; a pretzel, an apple and the Empire State Building on the New York Subway, for example.

Korean illustrator Uijung Kim's busy, colourful illustrations are joyously contemporary, appealing to train-obsessed children as well as a wider audience.



ages 3+

A fab little book this, and another brilliant title in Cicada's increasingly essential early years non-fiction range.  
Picturebook Corner



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ages 6+

**GUT GARDEN: A JOURNEY INTO THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF YOUR MICROBIOME**  
KATIE BROSNAN

Within our bodies hides an entire world of microbes that digest our food and protect our immune systems. Scientists are only now discovering the links between our microbiome and health issues ranging from allergies to multiple sclerosis. Through Katie Brosnan's personable illustrations, we follow the digestive process, learning about the role of microbes at every step of the way.

An engaging and beautiful introduction to a fascinating frontier of science.



Effectively makes the case that we are all biological boardinghouses... plenty to chew on here.  
Kirkus Reviews

978-1-908714-72-5 / 230 x 295 mm / Hardcover / £13.99 / \$17.95 / 44pp / RS: Korea, Japan, France, China, Italy, Poland





**DISAPPEARING ACTS (PAPERBACK ED)**  
ISABELLA BUNNELL

978-1-908714-98-5 / 280 x 200 mm /  
Paperback / £6.99 / \$8.99 / 36pp / RS:  
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A beautiful search-and-find book in which detailed watercolour landscapes of various environments (rainforest, desert, etc) harbour within them numbats, snow leopards and mountain gorillas. A great way to get a young audience to engage with environmental issues.

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Today is a very special day. Little Duck is expecting the arrival of her new baby brother! But Delivery Dude keeps bringing the wrong babies. First a baby mouse, then a kitten, a puppy, a hippo and an elephant. An uproarious take on the anxiety and anticipation that precedes the arrival of a new baby.

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**GRANDMA'S HOUSE OF RULES**  
HENRY BLACKSHAW

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Grandma is great, but boy does she have a lot of rules. Don't jump on the bed, or leave the loo seat up or put your elbows on the table... but most of all, DON'T touch the big blue and white vase!

But some rules... and vases... were just made for breaking...

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CHARLOTTE MEI

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Pippin is painting a self-portrait, but his friends think he's got a lot to learn about artistic styles. Pippin is feeling deflated, but with a little help, he digs deep and finds the artist within. A refreshingly anarchic laugh-out-loud introduction to the art world.

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**THE YOUNG CYCLIST'S COMPANION**  
PETER DRINKELL

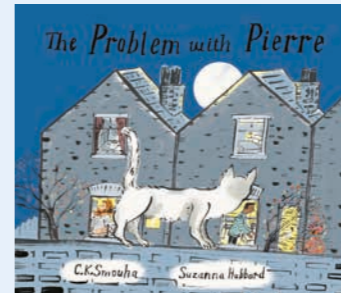
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Aimed at young cyclists who are looking to learn more about bikes, this practical but striking guide explains all the basics; from maintenance to technique to group riding. Alongside, is a cornucopia of fascinating facts and trivia to intrigue and inspire.

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**THE PROBLEM WITH PIERRE**  
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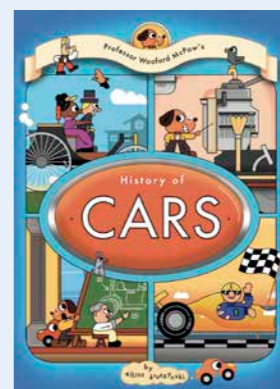
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Alan and Bertram are next-door neighbours who are nothing alike. Bertram is neat as a pin and Alan is wildly messy. Their efforts to appease a very fussy cat called Pierre result in each one making a few compromises, allowing walls to come down literally and metaphorically!

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**PROFESSOR WOOFORD MCPAW'S HISTORY OF CARS**  
ELLIOT KRUSZYNSKI

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The first book in a series of non-fiction titles narrated by a knowledgeable dog; Professor Wooford McPaw. This one explores the history of the car from the advent of the steam engine to the self driving cars of today. Packed with information delivered in humorous comic-panels, this is the perfect book for any budding petrol head.

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Scruff doesn't want to catch sticks... or roll in the mud or swim in the pond. What could be the problem? It turns out Scruff just loves being pampered! So Scruff and his owner wash, polish and groom together, until they are anything but scruffy. A lovely book for early readers with a playful twist on the dangers of judging by appearance.

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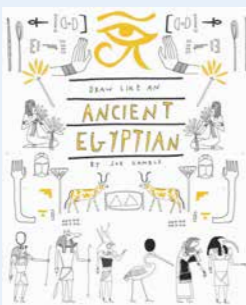
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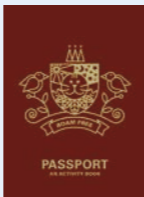
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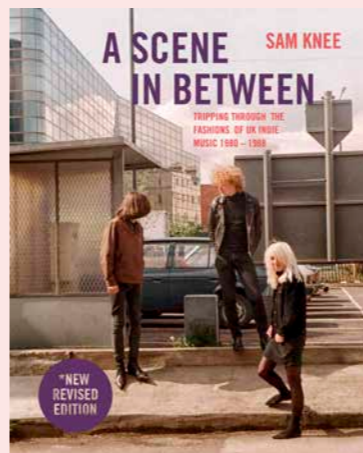
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SAM KNEE

This cult music/fashion title sets out to excavate the sartorial and sonic treasures of the 1980's independent guitar scenes in the UK. Original archive photography from scenesters, band members and amateur photographers creates an authentic journey through the subcultures of a fractious decade, resonating with the youth of today.

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*The Guardian*

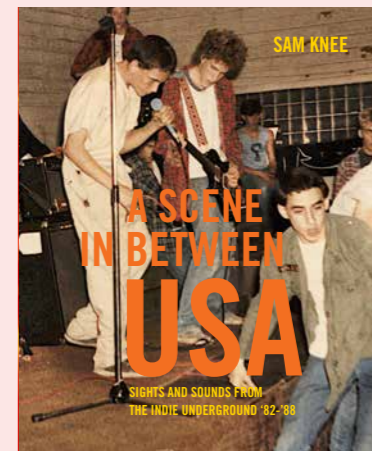
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**A SCENE IN BETWEEN USA**  
SAM KNEE

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