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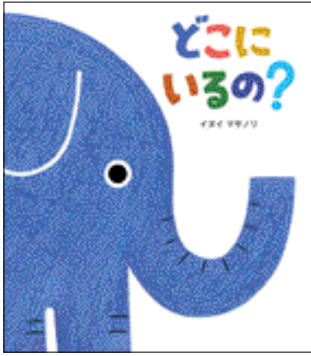
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Peek-a-Boo Animals

by INUI Masanori

Where is the blue elephant standing on? A hill? Turn the page and you'll find that it's the back of a pig. Where is the pig standing on? Sand? Turn the page and it's the back of a camel. A deer, alligator, whale... One by one, animals appear in unique colors. Young children will repeatedly enjoy looking at the body part, guessing who it is, turning the page and meeting the animal, like playing peekaboo. A book for toddlers brought by Masanori Inui, a talented illustrator also known for his works in advertising.

ISBN978-4-86549-324-5
JPY1200, 24 pages, 220x190mm



Look My Favorite!

by KOBAYASHI Yukiko

Rabbit loves dressing up. As she decides what to wear, the double-spread shows all kinds of sweaters, shirts, skirts, pants, and dresses hanging in her closet. She goes to see her friend squirrel who loves to bake. The spread is filled with cookies of many shapes and flavors. Which ones should they take on a picnic? Umbrellas, teacups, and beautiful spiderwebs – Each one is different, and charming. Take your time to enjoy the variety and chose your favorite one. The book comes with a paper dress-up doll on the jacket flap.

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Traditional Chinese



Cookie Tin Train

by SAWANO Akifumi

A boy gets on the train by himself to visit his grandmother. But the tin of cookies for his grandma slips out from his lap and rolls away. He chases the cookie tin into the next car, only to find something unbelievable: A jungle car, a frozen car, an outer-space car, a factory run by robots, an ocean, a ghost car, a night-market... one after another, the boy wanders into a strange space. The one-stop ride to his grandma's station turns into an adventure across the globe! Immerse yourself in the unique wonderlands drawn across double spreads while also trying to spot the cookie tin!

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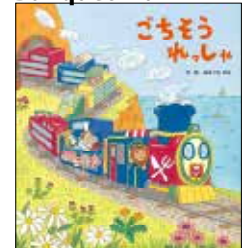
Sweets Train

by HAMAGUCHI Kana

The twin rabbits are excited for their family trip by the Sweets Train; a train style dessert buffet! Harvest some fruits on the orchard car, then take them to the second car where the Penguin Parlor turns them into chilled deserts. The third car is a Japanese pastry shop that offers traditional tea ceremony, and the fourth car is a cooking lab. At the fifth car, take on an obstacle course to acquire more snacks. Finally, at the sixth car, a big birthday surprise is waiting for the twins! The second book in the *Yummy Train* series.

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Thai

Banquet Train



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Traditional Chinese, Thai



Lunch Bus

by SHINJU Mariko

All that children are longing for to have in their lunch box is getting one by one on a red school bus. Hamburger steak, fried shrimps, egg roll, broccoli, tomato, a group of 3 rice balls and last but not least half of a mandarine. Now, the lunch box bus is ready to take off! A board book for children from 2 years up. Also available in 500x500mm super big-size format.

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Vietnamese

Lunch Bus 2



ISBN978-4-86549-252-1
JPY1000, 20 pages,
220x190mm



The Giving Chair

by KOYAMA Yoshiko

illus. by KAKIMOTO Kozo

A carpenter rabbit made a chair and located under the big tree with a signboard "For You". If someone gets tired, he wishes the chair would be helpful. A donkey came with acorns in a basket. He put the basket on the chair and fell asleep. Then, Bear came and found the basket on the chair. Bear misunderstood and ate up all acorns. As a reward, Bear left the bottle of honey for someone next. After Bear left, Fox came and found the honey on the "Please" chair.... A million copies bestseller picture book for ages 5 up. First published in 1981.

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Mr. Spider's Enormous Darning

by TOMINAGA Mai/ illus. by TAKAO Yuko

Mr. Spider is a darning. He uses his own thread to fix wholes. Animals praise him that the clothes he fixed become better than before. In this volume, Mr. Spider boards a ship on his vacation, but ends up fixing all sorts of clothes that the passengers bring to him. On top of that, a swarm of flying fish makes a huge whole in the sail of the ship! Mr. Spider comes up with a neat idea. The beautiful illustrations pulls the readers right into the story.

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Mr. Spider's Darning Shop



ISBN978-4-86549-215-6

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Little Red Truck

by MIYANISHI Tatsuya

The Little Red Truck got a mission to deliver the Racoon's luggage to Rabbit's house. When going out into town, he was scolded by a sports car and glared at by a garbage truck. There were lots of nice cars around and Red felt miserable for himself. Could he complete his mission?! Children can empathize with Little Red, and each volume features a variety of vehicles with different characteristics. A fun story picture book of Little Truck, who accomplishes his mission by cooperating with everyone.

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Little Red Truck and Pink Truck



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Little Red Truck & Black Truck



ISBN978-4-89325-330-9

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Little Red Truck & Yellow Truck



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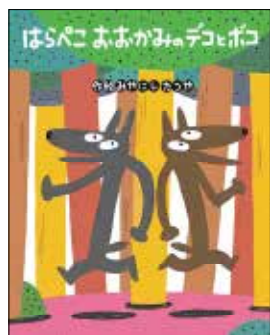
Little Red Truck & Green Truck



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Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Thai



Two Hungry Wolves

by MIYANISHI Tatsuya

Two wolves were muttering to themselves. "Apples are delicious, but a mouse could be more delicious..." Then a mouse appeared, but they missed it... "It doesn't matter, as a chicken could be more delicious..." Then the chicken appeared!! and they failed... One after another, the two failed repeatedly until they finally got thousands of apples. A fun story picture book with a stable structure. Presented by Miyanishi who won prestigious awards including the Japan Picture Book Award and the Kodansha Publishing Culture Award.

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The Rooster's Flower

by SUZUKI Tomoko

One rooster lives in the yard of a tiny house. He believes his crest is more beautiful than any of the flowers. One day, a red rose blossoms in the yard. Which one is more beautiful? The two argued day and night. One day, the old man living in the house harvests the rose to decorate his window. Next morning when the sun rises, the rooster finally sees the beauty in all the flowers shining with dew drops. He crows with all his might, praising the flowers, hoping that it will reach the rose... With an abstract art style and a simple story, the author helps young readers explore what is true beauty.

ISBN978-4-564-01940-1

JPY1280, 28 pages, 270x210mm



The Food Friends

by SATO Megumi

Children's favorite lunch dishes help each other on the platform! Egg Roll takes off his cardigan to clothe Ketchup Rice who was feeling cold. Ketchup Rice shares her ketchup topping with Hamburger Steak to make him fashionable. Hamburger Steak uses his cheese to make a scarf for Asparagus... Once everyone's dressed up, they all board on a locomotive to form an appetizing lunch box. A fun, cute, and gentle story for toddlers.

ISBN978-4-564-01152-8

JPY980, 24 pages, 170x190mm



The Old Man and 10 Little Ghosts

by NISHIKAWA Osamu

A lonely old man received a gift box from which 10 little ghosts popped out! They were all tender-hearted ghosts and helped the old man a lot. He perked up by spending peaceful time with them. One night, he caught a cold and had a high fever. Every ghost made a great effort to save him! Since the first publication in 2002, the book reached its 15th edition. A thoughtful story written by Nishikawa, the award-winning author of Bologna Children's Book Fair.

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Medical Check



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JPY1380, 32 pages,
263x220mm



The Mole Construction Company

by NAGASAKI Shingo

The squirrel family comes to ask the Mole Construction Company to fix their house in a tree that is leaning terribly. An excavator digs at the base of the leaning tree, a crane pulls to straighten it, and a dump truck fills it with soil to solidify the foundation... They make the squirrel family so happy by reforming their house much nicer than before! A storybook that depicts working cars and construction sites with warm and humorous pictures. The 1st title of The Mole Construction Company series. Ages 4-up

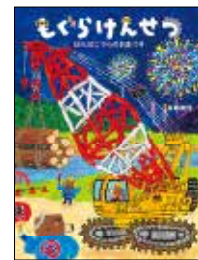
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Autumn Festival



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Bon Appetit! Flip Flap Greetings

by ARAI Hiroyuki

It's time for the animals to have their meals. On the left page, animals sit in front of an empty plate. On the right page appears a basket of fruits, ingredients for sandwiches, or a pot with its lid closed. What are the animals going to eat? Turn the flaps and find out! The cute characters, appetizing food, and the fun of lifting the flaps will remind children of their own joyful meal time.

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Good Morning



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Thank You



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Breakfast



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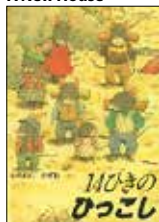
Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean, Thai, English, French, German, Portuguese, Russian, Dutch, Romanian, Mongolian

14 Mice Family series

by IWAMURA Kazuo

Father, Mother, Grandpa, Grandma, and ten brothers and sisters. The Family of fourteen mice enjoy the day in seasonal specialty of nature. The long life series since 1980s continued to add new titles. Delicate and detailed pictures based on the faithful conservation of nature tell children joy of the life in good harmony of family and natural surroundings. Ages 4-up

A New House



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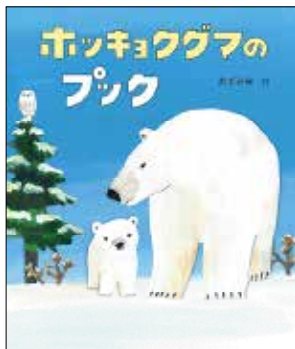
When a Whale Dies

by EGUCHI Eri/ illus. by KAWASAKI Shunichi

What happens when a whale dies? The book follows the corps of a sperm whale that sank to the ocean floor, as it gets discovered and slowly eaten away by other creatures. Although the whale ended its life, its body nourishes other lives. Depicting the progress of a food chain in an observational tone, this book captures the mystical wonders of the ecosystem through its beautiful illustrations. At the end of the book, readers can find a list and explanations of the creatures that appear in the story. Written by an author and illustrator both highly praised for their animal-themed books and artwork.

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JPY1800, 40 pages, 251x256mm



Pook, the Polar Bear

by Azumimushi

In a cold winter day, a small polar bear cub Pook was born. Soon the spring came, and the baby Pook got out of their burrow for the first time. Full of new encounters with arctic animals such as elks, snowy owls, ptarmigans. Pook's life adventure begins! Azumimushi, lives in Alaska, won awards including the Kodansha Publishing Culture Illustration Award. Using the technique of cutting aluminum plates, she has created loving picture books featuring wild animals in Canadian Arctic region.

ISBN978-4-494-01585-6

JPY1500, 41 pages, 246x216mm

Anu, the Seal



ISBN978-4-494-01593-1

JPY1500, 41 pages, 246x216mm

Korean



The Horse in the Brocade

by YAEHASHI Naoko

illus. by TSUKASA Osamu

When Aya lost her mother, one pony was gifted to her. They grew up to be best friends, and Aya loved the horse very much. One day, however, Aya's father sold the horse to a merchant and the horse was sent to the battlefield. Aya was left in despair, but one night, the horse appeared in her dream and asked her to weave a brocade. "As long as I'm alive, you will see me in the brocade," said the horse. Folk-tale-like story about the strong bond of a girl and a horse, accompanied by enchanting illustrations showcasing the scenery of ancient Japan.

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JPY1700, 32 pages, 251x256mm

ACTIVITY

Paper Cutting Insetcts

by IMAMORI Mitsuhiro

Imamori, a nature (insects) photographer presents Kirigami (paper cutting) craft book to create variety of insects – butterfly, dragonfly, ant, beetle, stag beetle, etc. Prepare a piece of paper, scissors, pencil, eraser and stapler and follow the instruction guided by Imamori in photos. You can make lively insects that seem to begin moving!

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JPY1700, 56 pages, 266x191mm

Paper Cutting Insects 2



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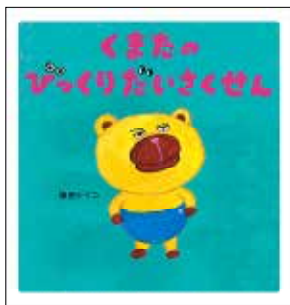
A Tree on the Hill

by IMAMORI Mitsuhiro

In this black-and-white cutout picture book published in summer 2019, four seasons in a forest are beautifully portrayed with a focus on a Chinese hackberry tree and great purple emperors. Readers will witness the harsh reality of nature: cabbage bugs eat the caterpillars and butterflies die after they lay their eggs on the tree. Nevertheless, the rich descriptions on every page paint a beautiful picture of nature. Ages 4-up

ISBN978-4-494-01567-2

JPY1400, 36 pages, 266x191mm



Little Bear's Surprise

by SHIBATA Keiko

Little Bear wants his mother to praise him. He tries putting flowers on the dining table (full of bugs!), drawing faces on all the eggs in the fridge, decorating his mother's hat with cicada shells, and tying all sorts of strings and toys to her bicycle, just so that he could impress her! Will he succeed? While reading the book, children will enjoy coming up with their own surprise ideas. A new picture book by Keiko Shibata, the author of the famous Bread Thief series.

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Squirrel Family's New House

by HASEGAWA Satomi/ illus. by TAJIMA Kaori

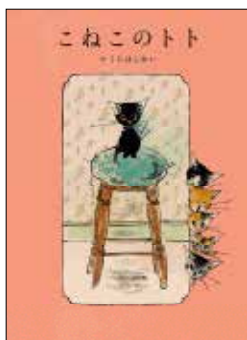
The house of the squirrel family is already too small. "Let's build up a new home. What kind of house do you want to live in?" The children's dreams expand such as a house made of sweets, a house that moves as a car, a house that floats in the sea, or a house with many rooms to invite friends! Enjoy the process of building house with the animals at work. Adorable illustrations. A fun picture book with great details.

ISBN978-4-592-76341-3

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Toto the Kitten

by KURAHASHI Rei

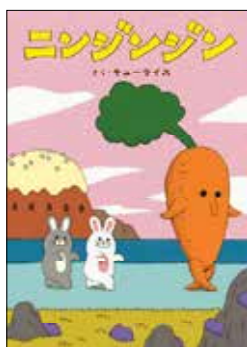
A day in the life of a girl and her six cats is depicted, featuring a smallest black kitten Toto, from eating, playing, hide-and-seek in a closet, until going to sleep at night. A stylish picture book that expresses cats' habits and personalities. The happiness of living with cats can be shared with readers in this beautiful book. Kurahashi is a popular illustrator with her lively drawings in retro impression. This is her first book written and illustrated by herself.

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Carrot-man

by Q-rai

Carrot-man — whose identity is unknown whether it is a person or a vegetable. The two rabbits, who desperately want to eat that big carrot, start jumping on it, throwing ropes at him, and gradually turn into bigger traps, but the Carrot-man coolly dodges them in an unconventional way. The text is in rap style, fun to read out loud. A comical story picture book by Q-rai, who works actively in the fields of manga, anime, and picture books.

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Deer Deer Everywhere



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Sushi Came to Buy Clothes

by TANAKA Tatsuya

A collection of seven funny scenes of Sushi that came to buy sashimi for clothes, ice cream for a hat, sausage for a car, in miniature photographs and witty dialogues. Tanaka reimagines everyday objects as something differently from the miniature perspective. His exhibitions have attracted a total of over 1.8 million visitors (as of June 2022). The book to promise your big smiles.

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JPY1300, 32 pages, 210x210mm

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Sushi Goes on a Trip



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JPY1300, 32 pages, 210x210mm

English(World)



Take It Easy – vol. 3

by YOSHITAKE Shinsuke

There are many superstitions in the world, such as “knock on wood for good luck.” This book contains 31 original superstitions by the author. “If you lie down with an orange on your forehead, you will have an epiphany,” or “If you spot someone yawning, you add 5 minutes to your lifespan,” and so on, mostly trivial and harmless, with no logical explanation. The underlying message is “take it easy” – Don’t stress too hard when things go wrong. The third book in Yoshitake’s self-help picture book series that will make your heart a little bit lighter.

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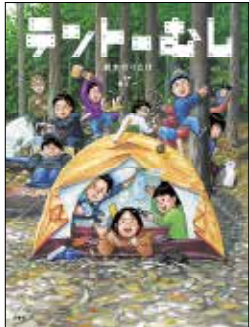
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Take It Easy vol.2



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Welcome to Camping

by SUZUKI Noritake/ supervised by SANGAWA Hajime

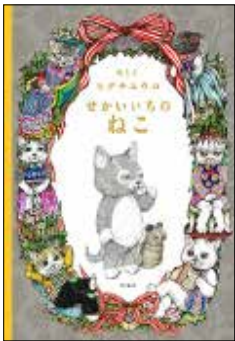
A cartoon style camping guide for children supervised by Hajime Sangawa, a well-known outdoorlife advisor. In the first half of the book, three siblings have their first camping experience with their father and other adults. In the second half, the children go camping with a larger group of friends. How to set up a tent, how to prepare meals, how to tidy up... everything is illustrated, including the essential tools and their names. A perfect book for conveying what camping is to children and helping them see how fun it can be.

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The Only Cat in the World

by HIGUCHI Yuko

The story begins with a stuffed cat’s confession. - “Hi, I’m a stuffed cat. The boy who owns me loves me a lot, but I’m a little worried these days. The boy is seven, and others tell me that he will stop playing with me...” He learns that real cats can be loved even by grown-ups, and aspires to become one himself. To become a cat, he must collect cat whiskers and sew them into his body. Thus the stuffed cat sets out on his journey –Each life is different and precious. A story that teaches us to love who we are.

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The Cat of Bookstore



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Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Korean, Spanish



Noraneko Activity Book

by KUDOH Noriko

Here comes an activity book perfect for fans of the Naughty Cat series. Search and find, spot the difference, mazes, counting, word play, puzzles, quizzes... The book is filled with all kinds of games using pictures from the past *Naughty Cat* titles. After enjoying the story books, try this activity book and the fun will be double fold.

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Noraneko Naughty Cats Series

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Camping



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Off to the Sea, Off to the Mountain

by MIURA Taro

Two families set out on a road trip; one is headed to a seaside town, and another to the mountain area to visit their parent's hometown. The family to the seaside is on a white car, narrated by a boy, reading from left to right, and the other to the mountain in the red car, narrated by a girl, reading from right to left. They both path by a farm, a train station, a housing area, factories, etc. in the opposite order, until they reach their destinations. Taro Miura's distinct colors and shapes create captivating frames that will take readers on a wonderful journey.

ISBN978-4-03-350380-6
JPY1500, 38 pages, 280x240mm



Take a Walk Touch and Feel Book

by SUGIYAMA Kanayo

This is a sensory adventure book that kids who can see and kids who are blind can equally enjoy. Let two of your left-hand fingers walk on the path, while placing your right hand a little further down to know what's ahead. A branch road, a dead end, a winding dirt road, a river, a downhill... There's room for plenty of flexibility in how to play with this book. The book comes with a QR code for audio reading, and a playing guide printed on the backside of the story pages.

ISBN978-4-03-226170-7
JPY2800, 11 pages, 210x250mm



Let's Go on a Trip

by GOMI Taro

The protagonist of this picture book is a house. One family leaves for their vacation, and the empty house sets out on a trip, too. "The best part of a trip is riding vehicles!" The house rides on a truck, and then on a boat. Different vehicles take him to whole new places and the scenery keeps changing. However, every trip comes to an end – the house must go home before the residents return! When it comes to Gomi's books, you are free to see what you want to see – there is no "correct" answer. Rather than trying to explain it, just let kids enjoy the experience.

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JPY1400, 32 pages, 220x210mm



What's Your Name?

by ARAI Hiroyuki

A panda interviewer introduces himself, "My name is Panda. My favorite food is bamboo grass!" Then, he turns the microphone to the animals and asks, "Please tell me your name." A dog replies, "I am a dog. Woof, woof, woof, woof! That's what I shout". It continues to a giraffe, an elephant, a crocodile... Everyone has its own name and characteristic. The book shares the joy of this truth. Ages 1-up

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What's Your Favorite Food?



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What's Your Favorite Game?



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Listen the Song of the Forest

by TASHIMA Seizo

dolls by Leuthmany Insixiengmay

There was a village in the forest where songs of the spirits filled the air. The villagers lived modestly, until one day, a strange man talked them into cutting down the forest and planting "mon-eymaking trees." A youth named Noi objects this, but no one listens. One day, Noi goes hunting and listens that beautiful song. Then he finds a woman weaving a beautiful cloth while singing. Noi wants the cloth so bad that he steals it... Seizo Tashima, winner of Japanese prestigious awards collaborates with Insixiengmay, a doll sculptor and stage play artist from Laos.

ISBN978-4-03-352190-9

JPY1600, 37 pages, 260x260mm



My Dolly

by DEKUNE Iku

A little girl's mother makes a dolly for her friend's birthday. "That's so lovely!" the girl sighed. Off she set with the dolly all wrapped up, she heard the rustling first and then a voice from inside. "Let me get out of here!" The dolly and the girl played together in the park until being all muddy ... Readers will enjoy the story empathizing with the girl – the dolly is mine! ... Dekune's story picture book in 2023 with adorable pictures.

ISBN978-4-03-352170-1

JPY1600, 32 pages, 210x250mm

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Traditional Chinese



The Little Shrew

by MIYAKOSHI Akiko

This book contains three episodes that capture the life of a little shrew. The first chapter introduces his punctual life from waking up to going to bed. The second chapter describes a television set he acquired from a secondhand shop. In chapter 3, two friends visit from a far and enjoy their reunion on a winter night. The text and illustrations are in perfect harmony which depicts the contented life of a shrew. The first illustrated story book by Miyakoshi, highly acclaimed in Japan and abroad.

ISBN978-4-03-439580-6

JPY1400, 71 pages, 210x160mm

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Korean, French, English(North America), Russian



An Escaped Lion

by MAEKAWA Yasuo

illus. by TANAAMI Keiichi

A lion ran away from the circus, and no one could catch it. No tamer's whip, spear, rifles, or even the canons could scare the lion. But when the kind-hearted boy played his gentle flute, the lion calmed down and willingly returned to the circus. This picture book based on a tale by Goethe (1749-1832) called *Novelle*, has become a long-selling classic since its first publication in 1966. In a quiet tone, the story is impactful, illustrated by Keiichi Tanaami (1936-2024), one of the leading figures of the Japanese underground art scene.

ISBN978-4-03-303100-2

JPY1400, 32 pages, 270x210mm



A Swamp House of 100 Stories

by IWAI Toshio

At the top of a mountain, there was a huge round rock called "Full Moon Rock". One windy day, the rock fell down and blocked the swamp. Vortex a tadpole boy headed down through the hole at the bottom of the swamp, looking for help ... A cross-sectional view of creature's home is drawn on each of the ten floors in one spread while the book opens from the top to bottom. As the story goes, the appearance of Vortex gradually changes... The sixth volume in the very popular "House of 100 Stories" series.

ISBN978-4-03-350290-8

JPY1200, 32 pages, 220x310mm

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Ten Mouse Brothers

by ARAI Hiroyuki

Here comes 10 mouse brothers – a little black mouse and nine white siblings. What will they do when they find 10 pieces of cheese? Turn the page and you will see all of them eat one each. The book continues with 10 pieces of bread, 10 balloons, 10 cats so on to form a peaceful day of mouse siblings. Clear line drawings and colors are successfully used to focus readers' viewpoints. For very young readers who begin to get interested in numbers and counting.

ISBN978-4-7746-2329-0

JPY1100, 34 pages, 200x210mm



Teddy's Walking Journey

by SHIRATO Atsuko

Teddy is going to visit his grandma's house. Following the shopping memo handed by his mother, Teddy goes shopping along the way, such as Apples, bananas, kiwis, potatoes... Let's move forward with Teddy while looking for those things in pictures. Children can read the stories of the various animals that appear in the shopping street, the forest, and the fields. Includes the picture search quiz on the endpapers. Ages 3-up

ISBN978-4-7746-2325-2

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Thai



The Birthday Present

by MURAYAMA Keiko/ illus. by YAMAWAKI Yuriko

A rabbit got an idea to give an apple to his friend for her birthday. However, the apple was not where it was supposed to be. Rabbit searched his memory, and looked into each place one after the other. On the colander on the table, at the bottom of the kitchen pot, at the back of the cupboard, inside the pot, under the snow at the front of the house... and finally, he suddenly remembered. "I gave the apple to the old goat!" ... A cute, gentle, humorous, and lovable picture book.

ISBN978-4-7746-2188-3

JPY1150, 32 pages, 200x200mm

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Mr. Mouse's Present

by TSUCHIDA Yoshiharu

concept by ABE Yasutsugu

The Mouse wanted to give his best friend a gift for her birthday. After thinking about what would make her happy, the Mouse carved a block of snow with his prized front teeth to create an image of his friend. However, the snow melted overnight and could no longer be used as a gift. The Mouse tried to make another image using a tree branch. Will he be able to make it in time for his friend's birthday? This is a story picture book with the message that kind heart can create great power.

ISBN978-4-7746-2152-4

JPY1200, 32 pages, 183x235mm

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The Happiest Gift

by MIYANO Satoko

Little Squirrel and Brown Bear are great friends. They always spend time together. One day, Squirrel thought to herself, "What makes Bear happier than now?" A bicycle that runs with the wind? A warm sweater? Or a bouquet of flowers from all over the field? When Squirrel suggested Bear replied... The author Miyano turns the feeling of "I like you" into a picture book. The long-selling picture book that won the 7th LIBRO Picture Book Award.

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Thank You Gift



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JPY1300, 32 pages, 230x230mm



Little Rabbit and Snow Bear

by OKADA Chiaki & OKADA Ko

Deep in the forest lives Bubu with his family. He is the youngest of the rabbit family and has never seen spring before. His elder brothers and sisters are sitting on a tree branch from where they can see the sea. Bubu can't jump that high. But soon it will be spring and he will be able to reach the branch. One morning Bubu hears the rumbling and sneaks out of the house while everyone else is still asleep. A huge polar bear is standing in front of him. Are you spring? Beautiful magical winter pictures which radiate warmth and tranquility.

ISBN978-4-7746-1267-6

JPY1300, 32 pages, 262x214mm

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Here Comes Food Trucks

by OHMURA Tomoko

The car has arrived. But it's not just a car. That's transforms to a food truck! A police car, a fire engine, a mixer, and... You will see their fantastic changes. The unique parts of each car play an important role as the kitchen. Hamburger shop, curry shop, ramen shop, pizza shop, onigiri shop... What menu do you want to try on the miracle food trucks?! The panorama at the end is spectacular. Ohmura's picture book released in 2024.

ISBN978-4-7746-2309-2

JPY1400, 32 pages, 220x220mm

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Traditional Chinese, French, Thai



The House of Green Peas

by OIKAWA Kenji, TAKEUCHI Mayuko

On a field covered with fallen leaves, there's a single can of green peas. That is the entrance to the house of Green Peas, the frog. "Welcome!" He shows us around his home, which spreads out underground. A sofa that makes a sound when he sits on it (a keyboard), a book he's reading (pieces of printed paper), an iron bar gym (a clothes hanger), treasures he keeps polishing (glass bottles), a bathtub (an old tire with a puddle) and a bed (a woolen glove). Forgotten junk that once belonged to someone enriches Green Peas' present. First published in 2006 by early stage of creator duo 100% Orange.

ISBN978-4-7746-0736-8

JPY1000, 32 pages, 190x240mm

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Korean



When I Was Eating Ramen...

by HASEGAWA Yoshifumi

When the boy was eating ramen, the cat next to him yawned on the sofa. When the cat yawned, the girl next door changed the TV channel. When she changed the channel.... What's happening on the other side of the world while you're having a snack? What are the children of the world doing? Playing, working, or falling down...? Hasegawa expresses his wish for peace in this picture book that won the Japan Picture Book Award, Shogakukan Children's Publishing Culture Award and others.

ISBN978-4-7746-1057-3

JPY1300, 32 pages, 264x214mm

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Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Thai



Smell of the Rain, Voice of the Stars

by AKAZA Norihisa

illus. by SUZUKI Yoshiharu

The author was involved with a school for the blind for 17 years. There, he learned things that he had not noticed or overlooked before. This book is a collection of conversational scenes at the school that the author still vividly recalls and won prestigious picture book awards including the Sankei Children's Publishing Culture Award, the Niimi Nankichi Children's Literature Award, etc. A long-selling picture book first published in 1987 that will surely help readers realize that there are things they can see but cannot see, or vice versa.

ISBN978-4-338-06905-2

JPY1400, 32 pages, 275x220mm



The Cat Who Wanted a Name

by TAKESHITA Fumiko

illus. by MACHIDA Naoko

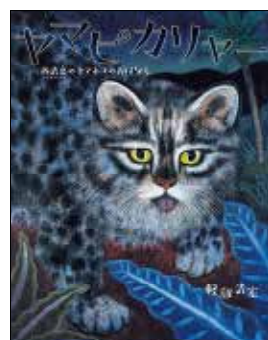
The stray cat has no name. He was called "kitten" when he was small, "cat" after grown up, or "Go away Stray Cat" in these days. The shoemaker's cat is proud of his name Leo that means lion. The bookstore cat is cheerful and his name is Cheer. The cat of the cafeteria even has two names - Mimi and White. Why no name for me? Even for this miserable cat, the day comes finally... The lonely cat not only got his name but also someone who loved him! Ages 4-up

ISBN978-4-338-26133-3

JPY1500, 32 pages, 280x220mm

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A Story of a Wild Cat

by KARUBE Takehiro

"Yamapikarya" is a mythical living thing that is said to live on Iriomote Island, an isolated island in the southwest of Japan. This creature is said to be larger than the Iriomote wildcat and has glowing eyes, but whether it actually exists or not is shrouded in mystery. The book features the legendary Yamapikarya that follows twin shooting stars and enters the beautiful natural forest of the Island. You will feel the diversity, richness, and mystery of the Earth's ecology through this fantastical picture story.

ISBN978-4-338-26145-6

JPY1700, 32 pages, 300x240mm



Potato's Bathing

by TSUBOI Juri

The potato family goes to a super public bath called "Food Bath." There are all the different baths that are cooking pots such as a miso bath, cream stew bath, cheese fondue bath, tempura bath, curry bath, etc. The friends in the baths are green peppers, onions... the different ingredients. This picture book uses a cartoonish, personified potato family as the main characters and try to get young children interested in food in a playful story.

ISBN978-4-338-08176-4

JPY1500, 32 pages, 260x210mm



Rubber Band Games

by TSUKIOKA Yumiko

Readers can enjoy this book by simply having a few rubber bands on hand. Rubber bands can be stretched, flown, overlapped, change forms by fingers. Taking such advantages, the book takes readers into the fun games of Japanese summer festival stalls such as goldfish scooping, shooting, game, quoits, etc. "How to play" is guided in easy illustrations. If you are alone, or with friends, the book presents you a fun time.

ISBN978-4-338-26142-5

JPY1300, 24 pages, 270x220mm

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I'm Gonna Like It

by IMOTO Yoko

A boy who doesn't like bugs receives a pair of snails from his grandfather. From that day on, the boy begins to raise and observe snails. The snail's favorite food is carrots, which the boy dislikes. The snails eat the carrot and produce carrot-colored poop. Then, the carrot gets holes in it, but it grows green leaves. And then, the snails eat the leaves and produce leaf-colored poop. It's just like a competition! "Go snail, go carrot!" Learning about each creature's way of life helps us develop love and cherish for living things. A picture book in the adorable illustrations.

ISBN978-4-7834-0262-6

JPY1300, 24 pages, 250x250mm

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Three Wishes

by IMOTO Yoko

Three guys are fishing in a small boat. When a storm comes, three end up on an iceberg. They pick up a bottle that floats by and find a piece of paper inside. "Whoever finds this bottle, I will grant each of them one wish." The first man makes a wish, "Take me to a warm fireplace," and then disappears. The second man makes a wish, "Take me to warm soup," and then disappears. The guy who is left behind wishes, "Oh, if only they were here," and then... Based on the Scandinavian short story "Three Wishes", the book brings a humorous story to very young children in gentle and soft illustrations by Yoko Imoto.

ISBN978-4-7834-0228-2

JPY1300, 24 pages, 250x250mm

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Pikopiko the Rabbit

by YAMAZAKI Yoko

illus. by IMOTO Yoko

Pikopiko is a soft toy rabbit dropped in the forest from a girl family's moving truck. Forest bunny siblings and their mother are kind enough to comfort Pikopiko in any way. When she misses a strawberry cake, they serve fresh wild berries. When she misses TV, they point out beautiful stars twinkling in the sky. When she misses a comfortable bed, they invite her to the dry-leaves-bed and mother rabbit sings lullaby... First publication in 1993. It has been made into children's theatrical plays repeatedly.

ISBN978-4-7834-0220-6

JPY1200, 24 pages, 250x250mm

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Simplified Chinese, Thai



Baby in the Forest

by IWAMURA Kazuo

In the spring forest, three little mice siblings meet a baby bird chirping on the tree. He looks so hungry. The mice children try to feed something for the baby. How about a pinecone? Or, cherry blossom? Or, even milk? Of course, the baby bird doesn't eat until the mother bird brings a worm that makes the baby bird so happy. – Kazuo Iwamura's *Little Squirrels* series (6 titles) are the best story picture books to invite young children to the joy of "reading pictures" and learn something in the stories of four seasons.

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Friends of the Night



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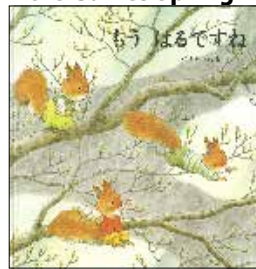
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Friends of the Shower



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The Forest Café

by KAMEOKA Akiko

The forest wolf was popular with customers for his delicious acorn coffee. One day, deep in the forest, the wolf entered a coffee shop with no sign and encountered the most delicious acorn coffee he had ever tasted. From that day on, the wolf went there every day and tried to imitate the techniques, but he could never get the same taste. The wolf asked the bear master to take him on as his apprentice. However, the bear master replied, "Don't just copy the recipes you've learned from others. Try them yourself."... With a comic-book-like panel layout and speech balloons, the book presents a wolf's life as tasteful as a cup of coffee.

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JPY1600, 40 pages, 210x170mm

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A Typhoon Bear

by OKUYAMA Yuka

A little bear was called a "Typhoon Bear" as its behavior was just like a typhoon, such as dropping laundry in the garden or yelling on a street. That's why the little bear was all alone. Mick, a young guy who lived at the foot of a mountain, didn't dislike the little bear, though. One day, a typhoon approached the forest. Ignoring Mick's pleas to stop him, the bear went fishing alone and got caught in the storm....The book adorably draws how the little bear, who has never been treated kindly by others, expresses his love to the best of his ability. The illustrations are dynamic, yet restrained, allowing young children to focus on the story.

ISBN978-4-593-10411-6

JPY1500, 32 pages, 248x217mm

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Korean



The Cat Who Left Home Alone

by MACHIDA Naoko

After the human leaves the house, the pet cat is left alone. Just when you think the cat is lying quietly on the sofa, it opens the closet door and finds an entrance to "somewhere." A cafe, a hair salon, a bookstore, a movie theater, a fishing pond, a sushi restaurant, it enjoys one after the other. "Well, I guess it's about time to go home," the cat says, passing through that door once again to greet its owner at home. The carefree nature of cats unfolds by Machida's qualified paintings. A very popular story picture book.

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The Secret Treasure

by TOYOFUKU Makiko

A cat was invited by other cats to eat fish together. When the cat refused, the other cats whisper, "What a strange guy. How can a cat dislike fish?" But, they didn't know the cat liked fish so much that he didn't want to eat it. There was another cat who liked birds so much that he didn't want to eat it... Sometimes it takes courage to be yourself, but it's a beautiful thing. A picture book that conveys such a message.

Gift for You



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Russian

I Want to Dance



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Thai, English (North America), Russian, Luxembourgish

The Stray Doll



ISBN978-4-7764-0800-0

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Thai, Italian, Russian



The Midnight Monster

by ABE Yui

In the middle of the night, the young sisters were woken up by a loud noise. Somewhere in the house, they heard the sound of "gooooo, psuuuu". The two of them sneaked out from their room and went up the stairs. When they looked into the parents' room, a huge monster as big as a mountain was sleeping on the bed! They started investigating the monster, and it became fun more and more ...!! A delightful picture book depicting an imaginative fun night of two little sisters.

ISBN978-4-198-65789-5

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The Fierce Little Woman and the Wicked Pirate

by Joy Cowley

illus. by SATAKE Miho

A story picture book written Joy Cowley first published in 2010 is now reborn with the brand-new illustrations by Miho Satake. The fierce little woman lived in a house at the end of a jetty. She knitted socks in blue and green wool, to sell to sailors who had got their feet wet. But when there were no ships at her jetty, she was quite alone. One stormy day, a pirate came to the house on the jetty. He stood on his toes, and starting tap-tap-tapping on the window... You can enjoy the world of the story through dynamic yet lovely and detailed illustrations.

ISBN978-4-198-65872-4

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Lessons by Nana

by ITO Hiroshi

A girl's pet cat, Nana, is getting older and is not understanding many things anymore. She keeps asking for food, won't climb the fence, and even bites girls. However, over the years, Nana has done many things to the girl, as if she were another mother. She calls as "Lessons by Nana". That hasn't changed even now... A girl growing up and a cat getting older. Illustrated fiction for young people that conveys the love and sorrow for the passing of time.

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JPY1700, 64 pages, 210x148mm

NORA SHOTEN



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Standing Alone is Wonderful

by NAKAGAWA Chihiro

The boy somehow feels standing out from the others. When he returns home from school, his mother is out and the door is locked. It's raining and cold, that makes him feel even more lonely. The boy walks through the shopping district looking for his mother, but he gets lost and his feeling alone is in max-voltage! However, after picking up some potatoes that an old lady had dropped, a circle of nosy people begins to surround the lost boy one after the other... A humorous illustrated story that conveys that even though you are alone, you are certainly connected to someone.

Being Different Is Nice



ISBN978-4-905015-75-8

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210x160mm



Chick-a-Doodle-Do

by HIKATSU Tomomi

The dog is merrily ringing the tambourine. Chick-a-doodle-doo, chick-a-doodle-doo. Then the cat joins in and a joyous rhythm section march begins. Chick-a-doodle-kitty, Chick-a-doodle-kitty. Sweet potato, Mel-chan (with a perm wig on his head), and a little boy join one after the other and march to the rhythm of Chick-a-doodle-doo. A picture book for very young children with cute and quirky copperplate engravings by Hikatsu, a winner of Japan Picture Book Award Grand Prize.

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JPY950, 24 pages, 180x180mm



Little Sweet Potato

by HIKATSU Tomomi

A picture book with *Chick-a Doodle-Do*'s Sweet Potato as the main character. Sweet Potato kicks off his socks and jumps into the ocean with gusto. He dives, floats, and drifts with the sea creatures. When he comes out, his nose starts running and he can't stop sneezing. Mel-chan (with a perm wig on his head) comes over and helps Sweet Potato put his socks on, wipes his nose, lends him his perm head, and then they head to the snack table where the rhythm section is waiting. The second title of *Chick-a Doodle-Do* picture books.

ISBN978-4-7721-0269-8

JPY1000, 24 pages, 180x180mm

GOMI Taro



Penguins' Long Long Line

by GOMI Taro

When you open this small, long rectangular picture book, the double-pages spread even wider. There are little penguins lined up in a row in this long rectangular scene. They are all holding a rope. "It's tug-of-war!" The boy exclaims, curious to see what is going on at the front. "Good luck with the tug-of-war!" But, he sees penguins are not taking the contest seriously. Who won? he wonders. "Winner? It's just fun to line up together, isn't it?" Gomi's picture book of 2024 is adorable showing best combination of characters, book format and its voice.

ISBN978-4-87110-514-9

JPY1300, 32 pages, 120x240mm

EHONKAN

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Taro's Words Encyclopedia

by GOMI Taro

Words and expressions are introduced for young children by Taro Gomi as an "encyclopedia" of ten volumes well structured with lots of humor. Volume 3 and 4 are Words of Description. He introduces variety of items, such as robots, mothers, weathers, caps – each in 20 equally squared space per item. So, there are various caps – new cap, old cap, miserable cap, tough cap... In combination of pictures, Taro shows the richness of expression with so much fun!

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JPY2200, 68 pages, 310x250mm

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Taro's Words Encyclopedia 2



ISBN978-4-03-343120-8

JPY2200, 72 pages,

310x250mm

KAISEI-SHA



The Dinosaur Who Went out of the Closet

by TOMIYASU Yoko/ illus. by AOKI Hiroe

In a closet, there lived an old stuffed dinosaur. He felt there was something missing but could not remember what it was. One day, he left the closet to look for it, walking all through the field, crossing the river, challenged by other living things such as ants or crows. Eventually, the dinosaur met a little boy that brought back memories of the days when he used to play with a boy in that house... A read-by-myself story book with full of illustrations by Tomiyasu, the world-acclaimed award winning author.

ISBN978-4-89325-969-1
JPY1200, 80 pages, 210x150mm
CHILD HONSHA



Why Did You Come Home So Late, Daddy?

by ICHIKAWA Nobuko
illus. by HATA Koshiro

Akkun's father is an office worker who returns home so late in the evening. What does he do while Akkun is ready to go to bed? For Akkun's question, he tells imaginatively - He was interrupted on his way home by moles digging big holes on his bus route. In order to solve their problems, father did a great job. The book consists of 4 stories (1. Father dug holes 2. Father went sailing 3. Father hit a homer 4. Father invited spring to the city) - all humorously written, filled with much affection toward little children. Ages 6-up

ISBN978-4-89325-736-9
JPY1300, 112 pages, 210x150mm
CHILD HONSHA

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My Memory, Your Memory

by SAEGUSA Hiroko/ illus. by MATSUNARI Mariko

Little Bear's family begins to live with Grandma Bear, welcoming her to their house, as she gets very old. Grandma is lovely to talk as singing, good at collecting acorns or making windmills out of forest leaves. Little Bear is happy and excited to spend time with Grandma. But, the next day, Grandma forgets what she did with Little Bear, that makes Little Bear upset and disappointed... Touching story that conveys the preciousness to share memories. Selected as Summer Reading Recommendations by Japanese School Library Association.

ISBN978-4-338-19218-7
JPY1100, 64 pages, 215x160mm
KOMINE SHOTEN



I'm a Giraffe Living in Africa

by IWASA Megumi/ illus. by TAKABATAKE Jun

A lonely giraffe in Africa wrote a letter and asked a pelican postman to deliver it to someone living "on the other side of the horizon." The pelican came back to the giraffe with a reply letter from an animal called "penguin." How does the penguin look like? By exchanging letters, a giraffe in Africa and a penguin in south pole expanded humorous and wrong-way imagination towards the other... Fiction for ages 8-up

ISBN978-4-03-501040-1
JPY1000, 102 pages, 220x160mm
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Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, English (World), Spanish, German, Turkish, Thai, Polish, Hungarian, Italian, Greek

I'm a Whale in Cape Whale



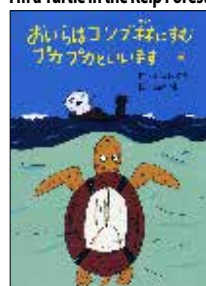
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How Are You, Fur Seal?



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Polish

I'm a Turtle in the Kelp Forest



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Simplified Chinese, German, Vietnamese
Polish

I'm a Wimpy Shark Living in the Big Ocean



ISBN978-4-03-501130-9
JPY1200, 118 pages, 220x160mm
Simplified Chinese, German

I'm a Flipper from Moshi-Moshi Bay



ISBN978-4-03-501150-7
JPY1200, 118 pages, 220x160mm
German



Bon Maneki - Three Days with Ancesters

by TOMIYASU Yoko/ illus. by TAKAHASHI Kazue

In mid-August every year, the Japanese celebrate Obon, a festival during which families welcome the souls of their ancestors. Little Natchan spends time with her grandparents and great-aunt who tell her strange tales of kappa and rice fields in the moon. Natchan herself meets the ghost of a boy who is her ancestor killed during World War II. The author skillfully interweaves fantasy with reality to create an intriguing tale. 2020 IBBY very Best Book (from Japan Foundation site). A masterpiece that makes us aware through family ties that we live with the memories of the dead.

ISBN978-4-03-530610-8

JPY1200, 191 pages, 210x160mm

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