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WELCOME TO OUR YOUNG ADULTS CATALOGUE!



Please enjoy browsing the next pages! We look forward to sending you further information on anything that piques your interest. We're very much looking forward to seeing you in person in Frankfurt this year. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us to organize a meeting.

We are looking forward to hearing from you!

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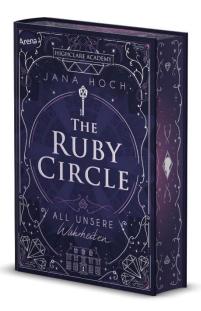
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YA Highlights 2024



THE RUBY CIRCLE trilogy (3 vol.) by Jana Hoch, illustrated by Clara Vath

- Sold to ES, FR, LV, PL, UA and German audio book rights sold.
- More than 95,000 copies sold since August 2023.
- English synopsis and sample translation available.

When Louisa wins one of the rare scholarships to Highclare Academy, she hopes her life will have a new beginning. Not only because she's a member of the Ruby Circle – an elite group of students, in which every wish is granted before you even say it – but also because she believes that at last she will be protected against the lies that have turned her life into a nightmare. But all the luxury is merely a façade, because behind its walls the Academy is seething with unrest. Everybody has a secret. Very soon Louisa realizes that she can't trust anyone. Only the unapproachable Theo, who has impressed her through his work with his horses, seems to have distanced himself from the circle. Even though she senses that it would be wiser to stay away from him, the two of them gradually get closer to each other. Eventually she has to ask herself whether her feelings are strong enough to stand up against Theo's secrets.



Today I'll Talk to Him (3 vol.) by Bianca Wege

- Sold to ES, PL, UA and German audio book rights sold.
- On the SPIEGEL best-seller list.
- Bianca Wege's books sold more than 80,000 copies.
- English synopsis and sample translation available.
- Volume 2 will be published in October 2024.

Layla is faced with a challenge: should she get to meet heartthrob Asher Woods in real life? Because at the moment they are only messaging each other in a roleplaying Sims game about an imaginary love affair. But just as she is about to take the plunge, Asher's archenemy Henry comes into her life and throws her emotional world into turmoil. Who does her heart really belong to? When her Sims identity suddenly becomes known all over the college, she is confronted not only by the nightmare of public exposure but also by the prospect of losing her true love.



Bianca Wege

Today I'll Steal His Heart

Today (2)

Title German Today I'll Steal His Heart

Series German Today Reihe (2)
Genre Romance

Age 16+ Pages 416

Format 13,5 x 20,5 cm Edition Softcover

Design Softcover with printed inner flaps.

With UV varnish on the cover and colour edging. With character card

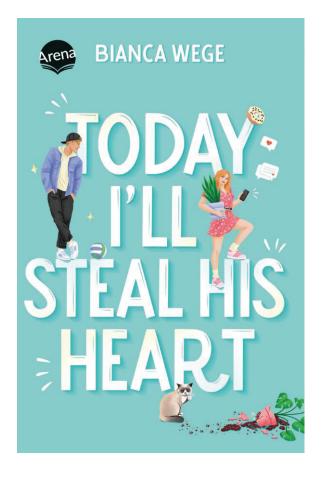
in the 1st edition

Sales price € 17,5

Pub. Date October 2024 ISBN 978-3-401-60705-4

Rights sold ES, PL, UA and German audio book

rights



India only wants to date someone who will accompany her to her mother's wedding

No emotions. That is India's motto for life. But she has to find someone to go with her to her mother's wedding, or her mother will arrange a date for her. Luckily, there's a new dating app at the university, and hope arrives in the form of Brian. But as if one man wasn't enough, volleyball player Asher also offers to go with her. And that's the perfect recipe for chaos. Because now India has to take a decision: either for Brian, whom she has never met, or for Asher, who at second glance is not as bad as she first thought.

India agrees to go with Asher to her mother's hen party, and they form a closer relationship during this date. But

- The sequel to SPIEGEL best-seller TODAY I'LL TALK TO HIM.
- Everyone loves the light-hearted humour.
- All about feeling good and letting go.
- More than 80,000 copies of the series sold in Germany.

Backlist sample (series)



Today I'll talk to him (1) Bianca Wege Rights sold: See above



Jana Hoch

All Our Truths

The Ruby Circle (3)

Title German All unsere Wahrheiten
Series German The Ruby Circle (3)

Genre Romance, Dark Academia

Age 14+ Pages 416

Format 13,5 x 20,5 cm Edition Hardcover

Design With silver foil embossing on the

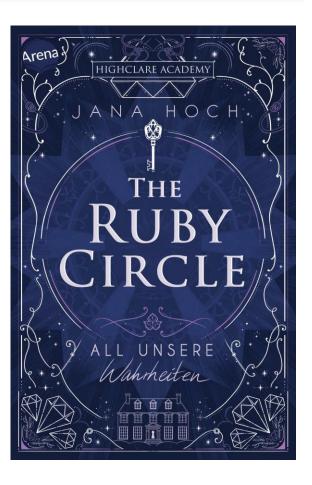
cover. With colour edge and character card in the 1st edition

Sales price € 20.00

Pub. Date November 2024 ISBN 978-3-401-60711-5

Rights sold ES, FR, LV, PL, UA and German

audio book rights

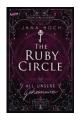


Behind the scenes at the elite Ruby Circle, life is anything but peaceful

After Louisa has had to face up to Theo's darkest secret, nothing is the same as it was. She can't believe the secret the Master revealed publicly after the challenge on the lake. In order to find out the truth, Louisa decides to have a talk with Annie, who is the only person who can tell her what really happened. But the Master is also interested in Annie. He continues to play his treacherous game, and gives the Ruby Circle a deadline: if they can't find Annie within a certain number of weeks, he will reveal all of the Academy's secrets. When Theo reappears, Louisa simply doesn't know what she should do. Can she risk trusting him again, and, above all, will her feelings for him survive once she learns the truth?

- The long-awaited conclusion to Jana Hoch's SPIEGEL best-selling trilogy.
- The love story that guarantees success with its target group.
- As dark, dangerous and romantic as its predecessors.
- More than 95,000 copies of the series sold in Germany.

Backlist sample (series)



All Our Secrets (1)
Jana Hoch
Rights sold: See above



All Our Lies (2)
Jana Hoch
Rights sold: See above



Kathrin Lange

Everything We Left Unsaid

Title German Everything we left unsaid

Genre Family Drama

Age 14+ Pages 384

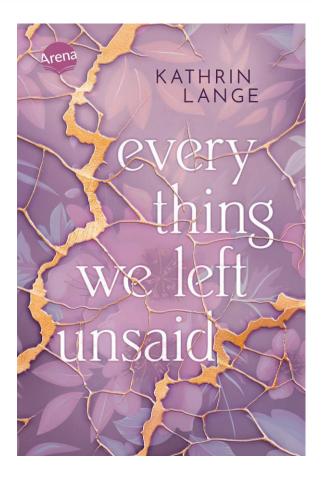
Format 21.1 x 14.6 cm Edition Hardcover

Design With silver foil embossing and UV

varnish on the cover

Sales price € 18.00 Pub. Date July 2024

ISBN 978-3-401-60677-4 Rights Available worldwide



Family Ties and Hidden Lies: Reveal Family Secrets

For Isa, her family means her father, her younger brother Ben and her foster brother and sister Alexander and Sera. She doesn't need anyone or anything else. But suddenly Ben leaves in order to search for their mother Adele in Provence. It's clear to Isa that she must do something to stop their mother from ruining all their lives again, as she had done many years ago when she had simply abandoned them. However, in order to find Ben, Isa needs to uncover certain family secrets. These secrets will not only be a threat to the confused emotional bond she has with Alexander, but they will also force her to question everything she thought she knew about herself and her life. During their search for their mother, Isa and her siblings are constantly confronted with information that indicates she was a bad influence on the family. Everyone who knows her describes her as "radioactive" or "drama queen". The more Isa learns about her mother, the more she begins to wonder if she herself might not be too similar to the woman she wants to keep out of her own life.

- In search of family, love and self.
- A well-kept family secret get unveiled in Provence (France).
- We don't read Kathrin Lange's stories we feel them.
- More than 130,000 books by Kathrin Lange sold in Germany.

Backlist samples (author)



Hearts of Mist Kathrin Lange Rights: Available worldwide, German audio book rights sold



The Fabulator Chronicles Dilogy Kathrin Lange Rights sold: ID, German audio book rights



Houssein Kahin/Kornelia Wald

The Bag

Title German Die Tasche Genre **Diversity** Age 12+ **Pages** 224

Format 13,5 x 20,5 cm **Edition** Softcover

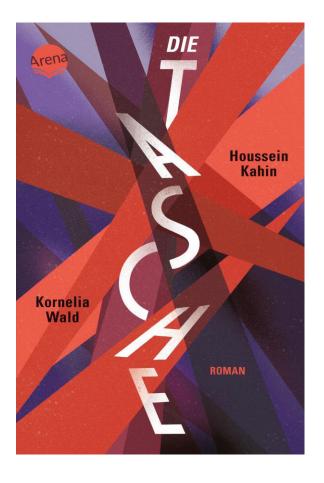
Design Softcover with printed inner flaps

Sales price

Pub. Date September 2024 **ISBN** 978-3-401-60782-5

Available worldwide, German **Rights**

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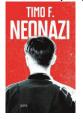


A powerful novel which leaves us breathless. Told from several different perspectives.

If there is one thing that 17-year-old Mohammed does not want to be, it's a so-called model student chosen to represent the school in accepting an award called "Prize for Integration". For this reason, Mohammed and his friends have made other plans for this particular day. But as he has left his sportsbag behind, he goes back and ends up in front of the whole school during the awards ceremony. He is unaware that the only girl he finds attractive is involved in a sinister plan, as a result of which the day that is supposed to be one of celebration turns into a catastrophe.

- A school in crisis. A prizegiving. A horrifying moment.
- Between integration and racism a school day turns into a catastrophe.
- A story that crosses borders, from a laptop in Lebanon to a desk in Tel Aviv.
- A wake-up call that confronts us with deep-rooted prejudices.
- Winner of Vielfalter Award.

Backlist samples (Socio-political topic)



Neonazi Timo F.

Rights sold: DK, ES, IT



Taking Refuge Living in Germany, at Home in Syria Abdullah Al-Sayed Rights: Available worldwide



Katja Brandis

The Elephant Temple

Title German Der Elefantentempel

Genre Adventures, Elefants, Thailand

Age 12+ Pages 296

Format 13,5 x 20,5 cm Edition Softcover

Design Softcover with printed inner flaps.

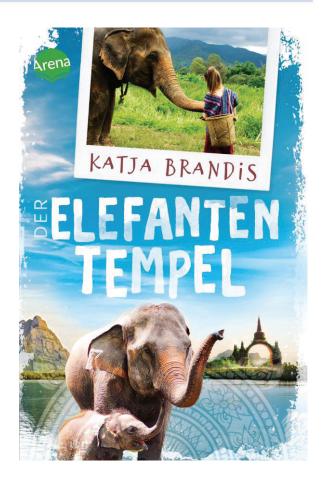
Printed on recycled

environmentally-friendly paper, certified with the Blue Angel

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Sales price € 12.50

Pub. Date November 2024
ISBN 978-3-401-60770-2
Rights Available worldwide



A journey into the secrets and mysteries of the Thai jungle

Ricarda has a very special plan for her summer holiday: a trip to an elephant camp in Thailand with her best friend Sophia. This is meant to be the loveliest time of their lives, but when they arrive, sparks fly between them because of the mysterious elephant guide Nuan. Then Ricarda notices that every night a previously mistreated female elephant called Laona secretly leaves the camp and wanders off to a temple. She and Nuan set out to solve the mystery — until one night they find themselves in great danger.

- About friendship, growing up, and our relations with Nature.
- Set in real places.
- A sensitive novel about animals and travel.
- More than 3 million copies of books by Katja Brandis sold in Germany.

Backlist samples (Author)



Koala Dreams Katja Brandis Rights sold: DK



Cheetah SummerKatja Brandis
Rights: Available worldwide



Dolphin Team TrilogyKatja Brandis
Rights: Available worldwide

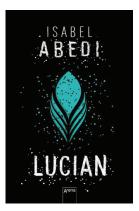


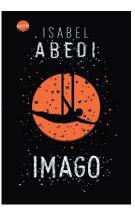
Isabel Abedi



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DIE LÄNGSTE NACHT





Mystery Thrillers

Isabel Abedi, born in 1967, worked as a texter in advertising for 13 years. In the evenings she wrote children's and picture book stories und dreamt of making a living out of it one day. This dream came true long ago: In the meantime, Isabel Abedi has published very successful children's and young adult's books which received awards and were translated in many foreign languages.

- Isabel Abedi's books sold more than one million copies.
- Her books have been translated into 21 languages and German audio book rights have been sold.
- Awarded with the reader awards "Die goldene Leslie" and "Buxtehuder Bulle."
- A new children's book series THE CAT IN THE BAG is planned for Spring 2025.

The Longest Night

Coming-of-Age, Mystery
Age 14+
408 pages
14.8 x 21 cm
Softcover with flaps, die-cut
€ 10.00
March 2016
978-3-401-51193-1
Rights sold: LT, UA, German audio
book rights

Lucian

Mystery, Angels
Age 12+
560 pages
13.5 x 20.5 cm
Softcover with flaps, die-cut
€ 13.99
September 2009
978-3-401-51024-8
Rights sold: FI, FR, ID, IT, LT, ES,
TR, UA, German audio book rights

Imago

Mystery/Thriller
All age
408 pages
13.6 x 20.5 cm
Softcover with flaps, die-cut
€ 11.00
June 2004
978-3-401-50890-0
Rights sold: BG, PL, TR, UA and
German audio book rights

It's only a few sentences in a manuscript – but there is something about them that disturbs 17-year-old Vita. Soon after that she starts on a trip across Europe. When she and her friends arrive in Italy, they accidentally find themselves in Viagello, a picturesque village mentioned in this manuscript.

Vita is strangely attracted to the village and the tightrope artist Luca, whom she meets there. He will guide her on a journey into her memories about something that happened in Viagello – in that longest night of all...

What if we were not alone? What if each of us was born with an angel by our side, an angel who would accompany us from birth to death? What if that angel loved us? It feels like a tear, a tiny tear deep inside Rebecca. What remains is a strange sensation of emptiness and fear. But then Lucian appears out of nowhere. A boy without a past, someone who cannot remember who he is or where he came from. Yet Lucian gives Rebecca the feeling of not being lonely any more.

Wanja loves the minutes just before midnight, right before all four digits on her radio alarm clock disappear, making room for a new time. Tonight at midnight it's not just the date that will change. Wanja has received an invitation to an art show but no one else around her can see the invitation and the show is going to be in a museum room that doesn't exist. There, beautiful, mysterious portraits of men, of fathers will be shown. Wanja gets to choose one portrait – but she has barely touched it with her hand when magic powers suck her into the picture. Wanja finds herself in a land called Imago.

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Antje Babendererde



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Realistic drama

Antje Babendererde, born in 1963, grew up in Thuringia and was employed by a special medical facility for psychiatrics and neurology as a therapist working with children. Since 1996, she has been a freelancing author with a special interest in the culture, history and contemporary situation of Native Americans. Her sensitive coming-of-age novels for adults and juveniles on this topic are not only based on her intense research, and trips to the U.S., but are also highly praised by reviewers. ISEGRIM is the first YA thriller of Antje Babendererde. The author writes exclusively for Arena.

- Antje Babendererde's books have sold 550,000 copies.
- IN THE SHADOW OF THE FOX MOON was awarded with the DELIA AWARD YOUNG LOVE in 2023.
- Rights for her books sold: FR, HU, ID, LT and German audio book rights.

Meet me in the Deep Blue

Romance
All 14+
392 pages
15.5 x 21.5 cm
Softcover
€ 18.00
March 2024
978-3-401-60743-6
Rights: Available worldwide,
German audio book rights
sold

Snow Dancer

Adventure
All age
392 pages
14.8 x 21.0 cm
Hardcover
€ 17.00
September 2019
978-3-401-60441-1
Rights sold: FR, ID, LT and
German audio book rights

In the Shadow of the Fox Moon

Love and Landscape
All age
400 pages
15.5 x 21.5 cm
Hardcover
€ 17.00
October 2022
978-3-401-60541-8
Rights: Available worldwide,
German audio book rights
sold

The wild waves lash the shores of the little Hebridean island of Orasay, where Leonie is seeking refuge with her mother. By contrast, Leonie herself is still and silent, because she is carrying a secret which is almost stifling her. But when she meets a boy who swims with a dolphin, her curiosity is aroused. Step by step, Tam, the dolphin and the magic of the island lure Leonie back into life, and she opens herself up to this fascinating boy, behind whose storm-grey eyes there lurks a silent pain of his own. Can the two of them overcome the past and somehow make their very different worlds blend into one?

Jacob arrives in Moosone, a place on the edge of the world in northern Canada, in a hurry. He hopes to find his father there. The people there seem to know Jacob and images and memories start to come back to him. But his father is nowhere to be found. Jacob travels on to the wilderness where the sky and horizon blend into an endless whiteness. He is attacked by a bear and by the time help arrives it is almost too late. But Jacob is lucky: while he doesn't find his father, he does find a girl who might be able to save him.

This year, Lia's time on the family's country estate is no longer the same as before — because of Finn, the gamekeeper's nephew. Lia cannot tear herself away from his mysterious personality, and she falls head over heels in love with him. When he returns her feelings, her summer seems perfect. But what is the true nature of this boy who plays ball with a wild fox and reads poems to it? Soon the shadows of the past bring to light certain aspects of Finn's past that leave no doubt: a girl like Lia has no place in his life. Can one run away from love — or from oneself?



Katja Brandis

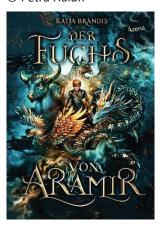


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Fantasy & Adventure

Katja Brandis, born in 1970, studied American Studies, English Studies and German Studies. She went on to work as a journalist. She has been writing since her childhood and has published numerous novels for young readers. She lives near Munich with her husband, their son and three cats.

- Katja Brandis' books sold 3 million copies.
- Rights for her books sold to 21 languages, German audio book rights and movie rights sold!
- Movie world releases planned for Autumn 2024, Autumn 2025 and Autumn 2026.



The Fox of Aramir

Fairytale fantasy
Age 12+
456 pages
15.5 x 21.5 cm
Hardcover
€ 20.00
February 2024
978-3-401-60586-9
Rights: Available worldwide,
German audio book rights sold

In the harbour town of Aramir live the powerful families of the Griffins, Phoenixes, Unicorns, Sea Dragons and other mythical creatures. The charming, cunning fox Devan belongs to none of these families. He grew up in poverty but has become known as the Fox of Aramir because he uses his sharp intelligence to solve all the problems of the rich and powerful. While Devan travels to the land of the elves, in order to bring back one of the unpredictable singing elves, there is a conspiracy that shakes the very foundations of Aramir. Suddenly, not only Devan's future is under threat but also that of the whole town.





Jaguar & Panther Dilogy

Vol. 1: The Jaguar Goddess (60585) Vol. 2: The Panther God (60730) Fantasy Age 14+ 480 pages 14.8 x 21.0 cm Hardcover € 18.00 - € 20.00 Rights of the series sold: BE/NL, UA and German audio book

Khyona Dilogy

rights

Vol. 1: The Silver Falcon's Spell (60366)
Vol. 2: The Power of the Ice
Dragons (60487)
Fantasy
Age 12+
480-488 pages
14.8 x 21.0 cm
Hardcover
€ 18.00
Rights of the series sold: ID, PL
and German audio book rights

In the jungle kingdom of Elámon, shapeshifters are worshipped like deities. One of them is the young jaguar shapeshifter Kitana, who lives a carefree life with her family in the temple. Until the day when the high priest hatches a plot that destroys Kitana's idyllic world and forces her to seek help from a pack of panther shapeshifters who live in a remote area of the jungle and are very suspicious of jaguars as well as humans. When she meets the wild and unpredictable panther boy Ecco, everything changes for Kitana.

The vacation with her new patchwork family in Iceland is just as strenuous as Kari had pictured. Yet when she meets a silver falcon and is taken to the Land of Isslar, it changes everything. Before she knows it, Kari finds herself in a magic world full of trolls, ice dragons and fairies, where geysers decide your fate and where a mysterious young man rules over the volcanoes of the island. But why is she here? When Kari finds out that she looks like the twin of a young female assassin who must commit murder as ordered by the sovereign of Isslar, Kari is already in deep trouble...

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Franca Düwel



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Diary/ Comedy

Franca Düwel, born 1967, studied Literary Studies and Pedagogy. After various jobs in the film industry, she became a highly successful script writer. She developed the Children's TV Series Die Pfefferkörner (The Peppercorns). Aside from numerous scripts (Berlin, Berlin, Vier gegen Z), she also wrote the book series Julie and took her readers by storm. Franca Düwel lives near Hamburg with her husband, her daughters, her parents, cats, lizards and turtles. Survival for Beginners is her sixth novel.

- Franca Düwel's books sold more than 250,000 copies.
- Rights of her books sold to DK, LT and PL.



Survival for Beginners

Crime Story
All age 14+
440 pages
14.0 x 21.0 cm
Hardcover
€ 16.00
February 2021
978-3-401-60542-5
Rights: Available worldwide



Julie's Diary

Vol.1: Julie and Snow White (06407)
Vol. 2: Julie and the Black Sheep
(06449)
Vol. 3: Julie and the Love Chaos
(06581)
Vol. 4: Julie and the Question What
Boys Want (06746)
Vol. 5: Julie on Cloud Number Ten
(60001)
Humorous Novels
Age 11+
272 - 320 pages
Hardcover
€ 12.99 -€ 13.99

Rights of the series sold: LT Sold via author's agent: DK, PL

Mia is quite sure that her father works for the Secret Service. What's more, for weeks she's been followed by a dark Volvo. But nobody believes her! Can life possibly get any worse? Oh yes, it can! Her parents send her off to some silly camp in the wilderness. Mia is in despair! In this adventure camp out in the wild, her fears become increasingly acute, and her pursuers become even more real than anyone could have imagined. Suddenly, nothing is safe anymore – regardless of whether we trust Mia's story or not.

Julie's life consists of ups. And downs. More downs, to be honest. These consist of an ancient pony nightgown (worn at the worst time possible), a cute boy (who dislikes being locked into the basement) and a person who urgently needs help but refuses to be helped! The only available adviser is Sharon from the sex hotline advertised on TV late at night. And Julie's diary. Any questions? Then read Julie!



Ilona Einwohlt



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Empowering literature for girls

Ilona Einwohlt, born in 1968, has made herself a name with her guides for girls – one of the reasons is that she uses her relaxed but compassionate voice to write about issues that really interest girls. The author and her family live near Darmstadt

- Ilona Einwohlt's books sold more than 560,000 copies.
- Rights of her books sold to: BG, CZ, FR, IT and PL.



Uncovered.
A Very Revealing Selfie

Real Life/School Age 12+ 232 pages 12.3 x 18.9 cm Softcover € 8.00 2021 978-3-401-60549-4

Rights: Available worldwide

Boys and girls in Milan's and Ella's class play exchanging revealing selfies — anonymously, with no face. Class crush Milan gets all the pictures — Ella is the only one to show no interest in him.

Trying to entice her out of her shell, Milan begins flirting with Ella, which quickly develops into an intense relationship. Finally, Ella does it: she sends Milan a sexy photo of herself. But suddenly the picture turns up on all her classmates' phones — and it's showing far more than Ella intended.



Strawberry Summer Trilogy

Romance
Age 11+
232 pages
13.5 x 20.5 cm
Hardcover
Cover with UV finish
€ 12.99
Autumn 2016
978-3-401-60256-1
Rights of the series: Available
worldwide

Volume 1 of a trilogy: Emotions like ebb and flow! Romantically and with great sensitivity, Ilona Einwohlt has written a story about the bliss of a summer with horses by the North Sea, about first true love and the question: When can you really trust somebody? Romantic trips to the beach and misty secrets are linked together to form a superb summer novel which unites topics that reflect young girls' wishes and desires.



Butterfly Wings for You The Coaching Book for Strong, Confident Girls

Age 11+
152 pages
13.5 x 20.5 cm
Softcover with flaps white picture book paper, 2-colour print
€ 9.99
August 2018
978-3-401-51105-4

Rights: Available worldwide

Who am I? Where do I want to go? It's not always easy to maintain perspective during the rollercoaster of puberty. Ilona Einwohlt and Christina Arras understand how to stay cool when discussing serious subjects. 'Inspirational' questions, tests and checklists help girls to develop their own strong personalities. The guidebook for more Girl Power!



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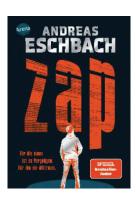


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Future fiction & science fiction

Andreas Eschbach, born in Ulm, studied aeronautics and space technology at Stuttgart University and became a well-known author particularly by his thriller DAS JESUS-VIDEO (JESUS VIDEO, 1998) which was also turned into a movie. His adult novels are successful in 13 countries and ONE TRILLION DOLLARS, THE CARPETMAKERS and LORD OF ALL THINGS were translated into English as well. Meanwhile, Eschbach has become a permanent member of the league of German top thriller authors. His novels for young readers are all published by Arena Publishing House. Andreas Eschbach is a freelance writer who lives in Brittany with his family.

- Andreas Eschbach's books sold more than 550,000 copies.
- His books have been translated into 7 languages and German audio book rights are sold.



ZAP

Future Fiction
All age
304 pages
Hardcover
€ 20.00
October 2023

Rights: Available worldwide, German audio book rights sold

Finn has just moved to the town with his family, but nothing much has changed in his life. His father still regards him as being too introvert, he and his brother have nothing in common, and his mother and sister think he should be a lot more eco-conscious. It all sucks! However, one day he comes home from school to find completely new furniture and different people in the flat. Now he wishes he could have his old life back. Everything has changed in the town itself. Finn begins to realize that someone is playing a terrible game with him. And he has no choice but to play it... or else?



GLISS. Deadly Distance

Future Fiction
All age
456 pages
Hardcover
€ 22.00
October 2021
Rights: Available worldwide

Rights: Available worldwide, German audio book rights sold

Ajit knows he will never leave the town of Hope. Because it is surrounded by the GLISS — a region where nothing ever stays still, and so nothing can ever be built there. Beyond the GLISS there is not a single town or a single human being. Or at least that is what Ajit believes. But one day the body of a man is carried across the GLISS, and then the 17-year-old Ajit realizes that the history of his world is a lie.



The Aquamarine Trilogy

Vol. 1: Aquamarine (60022)
Vol. 2: Submarine (60023)
Vol. 3: Ultramarine (60389)
Future Fiction
All age
408 pages
Hardcover
€ 17.99
May 2015

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In the year 2151, man has put the ocean under his complete control. The seven seas have been researched and tamed; they supply the planet Earth with energy and natural resources. Yet there are secrets in the deep sea that must never rise to the surface. Saha finds out what that means when she discovers that she has a unique talent ... An extraordinary heroine in a deep blue and shockingly realistic vision of our future.

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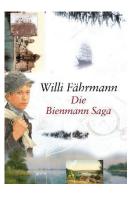


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Historic novels

Willi Fährmann, born in Duisburg in 1929, is one of the most sophisticated German writers of books for children and teens. The awards he received for his overall work include the Grand Award of the German Academy of Novels for Children and Young Adults as well as the German Children's Literature Award. In 2011 Willi Fährmann also was awarded the Order of Merit of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia where he was born. His books published by Arena have sold way over eight million copies. He died on 25th May 2017.

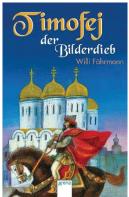
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Russia at the end of the 18th century: young, adventurous Timofej Tutalew travels from Omsk to distant Nischnij-Nowgorod in order to purchase a precious Nikolaus icon for a wealthy businessman. Arriving finally at his destination after a long trip full of adventures and dangers, Timofej isn't about to give away the money that was entrusted to him. He steals the magic painting, keeping the money for himself. The icon, however, possesses a strange power from which Timofej cannot escape — and the painting thief begins to change...



It Happened In The House Next Door

Historical novel
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176 pages
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At the end of the 19th century in a small town on the Rhine River, an innocent family is deprived of their existence because of unfounded hate and prejudices. The town is roused from its everyday routine – a child has been murdered. As the criminal is not immediately found, a few mean-spirited people point the finger of suspicion at the Jewish livestock dealer Waldhoff. A veritable witch hunt begins, where even the goodwilled people watch in silence in their cowardice. Only a half-grown boy dares to swim against the stream; he clings to his unshakable friendship with the son of the accused.



Kira Gembri



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Realistic Drama/Sick-Lit

Kira Gembri was born in Vienna in 1990; she was the second of five children. Even after having obtained her master's degree in comparative literature she remained loyal to this beautiful city. When she isn't riding a tandem bike, playing cello, chasing her cat — whose personality bears great resemblance to Simon's Cat — or reading one of the books that are stacked up in her apartment, she lives her passion: writing humorous and romantic stories. WHAT YOU DREAM OF was awarded with the DELIA Literature Award in 2018.

- Kira Gembri's books sold 130,000 copies.
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- A new children's book project under the working title THE STAR CIRCUS is planned for autumn 2025.

What You Dream Of

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Jump If You Dare

Humorous Love Story/ Sick-Lit Age 14+ 336 pages 13.5 x 20.5 cm Hardcover € 14.99 978-3-401-60149-6 May 2015 Rights sold: CZ, German audio book rights Emilia has a list of special dreams: she wants to learn to play the piano, go to a concert, or simply know how the rain sounds. Behind each of these points, however, is a big challenge, because Emilia is almost deaf. That coincidence makes her encounter Nick, seems like a bad joke to her, because the boy with the crooked grin shows much more interest in parties than in music. But while Emilia pursues her dreams, the two meet again and again - and it seems that both Nick's loud and Emilia's silent world are not so far apart

Lea's life consists of numbers, rituals and strict rules. Jay's life consists of girls and partying. As soon as Lea moves into the apartment Jay shares with two other boys, she starts to arrange everything she can lay her hands on in a tidy manner — so that her three co-residents find their possessions in 23 neatly labelled cartons. Jay's mates agree that the girl with the big eyes and those strange counting rituals has to leave. But how to tell her that she has to move out? And does Jay really want that, too ...?

Jump If You Dare is on the 2015 List of Recommended Books issued by the German Academy of Children's and Teen Literature.



Kerstin Gier

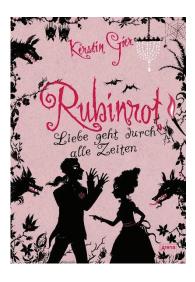


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Romantic Comedy

Kerstin Gier, born in 1966, has worked as a freelance writer since 1995 and already celebrated huge successes with her first books. By now she has written numerous novels for adults and teens that have made it on the bestseller lists on a regular basis. Her gem trilogy RUBY RED – SAPPHIRE BLUE – EMERALD GREEN has become a global bestseller and was made into movies featuring renowned actors. The DELIA Literature Award winner lives near Bergisch Gladbach with her family.

- Kerstin Gier's books sold more than 3 million copies worldwide.
- Her books have been translated into 36 languages and German audio book rights as well as movie rights have been sold.



Timeless Love Trilogy

Age 12+ 352 - 496 pages 14.8 x 21 cm, Hardcover Fantastic Love/Comedy € 14.95 - € 19.95 2009/2010

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Kerstin Gier's Timeless Love Trilogy has become a true phenomenon. The author managed to write herself into the hearts of her female readers, young and old alike, in no time. Hundreds of thousands of fans followed Gideon and Gwendolyn's outrageous adventures throughout the centuries. Week after week Smaragdgrün (Emerald Green) as well as Rubinrot (Ruby Red) and Saphirblau (Sapphire Blue) sell in numbers that usually make up the whole published lot. All three were on SPIEGEL Bestseller List for months. Our competitors are emerald green with envy!

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Boys Are Like Chewing Gum. Sweet

Sissi is thirteen, rather impudent, mercilessly bad in math — and hopelessly in love! But unfortunately, Constantin, her dream prince, only has eyes for older girls with "experience". Really too bad, 'cause when it comes to kissing Sissi simply can't keep up yet. So she moves heaven and earth and her sandbox friend Jacob to get herself some ultra-sensitive information on the topic, like pronto …



Carola Lowitz / Susanna Mewe



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Paranormal suspense

Carola M. Lowitz initially expressed her love of storytelling through her work in the theatre as assistant director, director and dramaturg, but subsequently she studied screenplay-writing and dramaturgy at the Konrad Wolf College of Film and Television. Since then she has written many screenplays, radio plays and more recently novels for young adults. She lives in Lower Saxony with her family, one dog and three cats.



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Susanna Mewe was born in North Rhine Westphalia in 1981 and studied at the German Institute for Literature in Leipzig. She writes novels and plays for theatre and radio, as well as screenplays. Among other prizes she has won the Retzhofer Dramapreis, the Alfred-Döblin Scholarship awarded by the Akademie der Künste, and the Wartholz Literaturpreis. She has homes in Berlin and Münsterland.

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Harper can hear other people's thoughts. The only person she can confide in is Lucas — a boy who also has supernatural powers. Together they trace the mystery of their past, but this brings them to the attention of the government. Now they are being hunted. But every power has its dark side, and so Lucas begins a bloody campaign of revenge against their pursuers. Harper must come to a decision: should she stay with Lucas? Or should she unleash the dark side of her own powers in order to defeat not only their pursuers but also Lucas himself?



Thomas Thiemeyer



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Author of Scientific Utopias & Thrillers

Thomas Thiemeyer, born in 1963, studied geology and geography before starting his freelance career as an author and illustrator. His scientific thrillers and teen book cycles that won numerous awards, sold over half a million copies and were translated into thirteen foreign languages, have established him as a renowned writer in the German entertaining literature genre. His stories are written in the tradition of classic adventure novels and often deal with the discovery of lost cultures and a threat by mysterious powers.

- Rights: Sold to CZ and German audio book rights sold.
- Awarded with the 2017 Leipzig Reading Compass.
- Thomas Thiemeyer's books sold more than 165,000 copies so far in Germany.



Zefira. She Should Never Have Existed Near future fiction Age 14+ 420 pages

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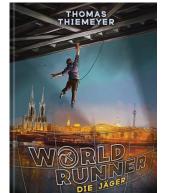
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Rights: Available worldwide, German audio book rights sold Delivering food in Neo-Hongkong is not an easy job. Maddie finally realizes this when she is attacked by four youths after a delivery and thrown from a window in a high-rise block of flats. Facing imminent death, she hears a voice from within her head. It belongs to someone named "Zefira", who now takes control of Maddie's body. With supernatural powers, Zefira saves Maddie's life. But who is she, and what does she want? And why is Maddie suddenly being hunted? A mysterious clue leads Maddie to search for the truth in Neo-Hongkong's dangerous underworld.

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Rainer Wekwerth



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Mystery Thriller

Rainer Wekwerth, born in Esslingen / Neckar in 1959, is a passionate writer. He has written successful books, some of which he published under pen names and for which he has received awards. He is married and has one daughter. The author lives near Stuttgart. Rainer's most successful project at Arena is the LABYRINTH series for which he received several readers' awards.

- Rainer Wekwerth's books sold 160,000 copies in Germany.
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Mystery Thriller
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In order to find her right life, to meet her true love again, to save her brother from having an accident, Sarah Layken must relive the same situation over and over again. She can choose a new life every time but she never knows the price she will have to pay for it in advance.



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Mystery Thriller

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Tania Witte



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Realistic Topical Novels

Tania Witte is a writer, journalist and spoken-word performer. She lives and writes mainly in Berlin and preferably in The Hague (NL). Aside from multiple (inter)national stipends, she received the 2016 Special Award of the Felix Rexhausen Prize for her journalistic work, the Marth- Saalfeld Advancement Award in 2017, as well as the Mannheim Feuergriffel (The Fire Pen) for "Marilou" in 2019. In the same year, her work was funded by the Deutschen Literaturfonds with a working stipend. "The Calm Between Seconds" was awarded the KIMI-Seal for Diversity in Young Adult Fiction.

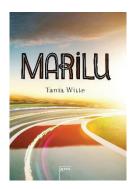
- Rights for her books are available worldwide.
- 2019 literary award: the Mannheim Feuergriffel (Fire Pen) for Tania Witte.



Simply Paul

Coming of Age
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Everything is going wrong in Paul's life. He's in love with a girl he can't have, he's the frontman of a band all of whom are better singers than he is, and every conversation with his father ends in a shouting match. And when he learns that he is not his mother's biological son, his life seems to have reached a peak of unwanted complexity. However, Paul does not yet know what the search for his real mother will reveal.



Marilou

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"If I ever do it, I'll give the pendant back to you," Marilou had promised. Two years later, Elli is looking forward to leaving school, and she's forgotten all about Marilou. But then she finds the pendant in the post. The accompanying letter is a cry for help and also the start of a race against time. The trail left by Marilou stretches Elli and Marilou's brother Lasse to their very limits — and beyond. During this frantic road trip it becomes clear to Elli that Marilou is testing life itself, and they must do all they can to make sure everyone passes the test.



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Mara narrowly escapes a bomb attack on the underground, after which her fellow students nickname her 'the girl who survived', expecting her to be in shock. But Mara has other worries. She hardly hears from her friend Sirin anymore, who suddenly seems completely uncontactable. The more Mara tries to help her the more she is met with incomprehension and rejection. What is everyone hiding from her? Only when Chriso – the boy she has a crush on – gets involved, the shocking truth comes to light.

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Tania Witte & Antje Wagner as Ella Blix



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Mystery-Thriller

Ella Blix is the pen name of author duo Antje Wagner and Tania Witte.

Antje Wagner (left) makes her home in Hildesheim and in Potsdam. She has already made a name for herself with her teen novels and stands for extraordinary mysteries.

Tania Witte (right) is a media teacher and adult education teacher; she lives in Berlin and The Hague. She writes – preferably novels and short stories.

- Rights for their books are available worldwide.
- 2019 literary awards: the Mannheim Feuergriffel (Fire Pen) for Tania Witte and the town of Wetzlar's Fantasy Prize for Anja Wagner's novel "Hyde".



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They hear you thinking. But you can't understand them. Not yet! After a terrifying experience on a school trip to the forest, Noomi isn't the same anymore. Fragments of memories that are as thrilling as they are disturbing continually lead her back to this same day in the forest. Something has happened to her since then and she has to find out what went on there. Why can't she remember? Why does she now feel so close to animals?



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