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Tobias Goldfarb

## Speculoos, the Christmas dragon. Adventures in the autumn forest

Everyone loves speculoos, the Christmas dragon - not only at Christmas time!

### About the book

For the first time Specki visits Mats and Matilda in autumn and is thrilled by the colourful leaves, flying kite and collecting chestnuts. But there's also a reason why Specki has come early: he has to help Mats and Matilda to find out what this strange Baron von Freysinn is up to. He has bought a piece of forest and wants to organise a big hunt there. Specki and the siblings have to warn the forest animals and get them to safety in time. It's a good thing that Spekualtius can talk to animals, but the big, proud stag simply won't be convinced. There's only one option left: Mats and Matilda have to sneak into the baron's fancy dress party and convince the guests that the baron is playing the wrong game.

- **Exciting autumn adventure about wild animals**
- **Atmospheric, colourful, funny - reading fun for young and old**



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Tobias Goldfarb is interested in dragons, gingerbread recipes, goblins and animals of all kinds. He loves to write, not only children's books but also theatre plays and radio plays. His first read-aloud series 'Spekulatius, der Weihnachtsdrache' (Speculoos, the Christmas dragon) was a huge success right from the start. Tobias Goldfarb enjoys travelling through the Scottish Highlands or the Brandenburg Lowlands on the hunt for new stories. He lives with his family in Berlin.

Milla Kerwien lives on the outskirts of Regensburg with her husband, young son, 2 kittens and the odd deer as a permanent visitor. When she needs a break from drawing, she likes to go treasure hunting in the forest. The drawing book is always with her, full of the finds from her adventures. Unfortunately, she has yet to come across a cute little dragon. Maybe next time she'll just have to pack a portion of gingerbread as provisions.

Eliane Retz, Dr. Eliane Retz

## Good night, little Strubbel - The picture book for all families who love quiet nights

The first picture book by educational expert and best-selling author on the number one parenting topic: sleep

### About the book

Mum and Dad are tired. It may be wonderfully cosy in their family nest, but the nights with their little squirrel child Strubbel are restless. And although Strubbel tries very hard to sleep peacefully, he just won't succeed. Is it true that he is spoiled and should have been sleeping in his own nest for quite a while, as the cuckoo claims? Mum and Dad follow his advice with a heavy heart, but the hoped-for peace and quiet just doesn't materialise. Until the wise owl tells them what really matters when learning to sleep.

In her sensitive, attachment-oriented picture book, parenting consultant Dr Eliane Retz explains how the whole family can have peaceful nights. A plea for lots of love, trust and serenity.

- **A wonderfully warm-hearted picture book to read aloud**
- **Empathetic, child-orientated and relevant to everyday life: the author has been advising parents on child development and bonding for years**



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Dr Eliane Retz is an educationalist, systemic counsellor, bestselling author and mother of two children. She has been counselling parents and their infants and toddlers for around 10 years, focusing on attachment and the family systems approach. She explores the question of how early bonding experiences shape us and what supports parents in finding their way as a family, not only in her guidebooks for adults, but now also in her new series of picture books about the squirrel child Strubbel and his parents.

Nora Paehl, born in 1994, discovered her love of illustration during her studies at the Münster School of Design. Since then, quite a few characters have crossed her desk. When she's not chasing after them with her pencil, she loves to roam through meadows and forests with her dog Henry.

Britta Sabbag

## The day after tomorrow we'll get along

Even friends have arguments sometimes

### About the book

Bear is so happy! He meets his best friend Beaver at the lake! But then Beaver says something that Bear doesn't like at all. Since when has Beaver been so mean? Beaver didn't mean it that way and doesn't understand why Bear is angry. Grumbling, they both walk away. Should Bear apologise? Or should Beaver apologise? Neither of them has the courage to do so, and so day after day passes without them seeing each other and missing each other terribly. Until they finally realise how important it is to have the courage to say sorry. Because best friends stick together through thick and thin!

- **A mindful friendship story about forgiveness**
- **Some people find it difficult to apologise: told sensitively and amusingly by bestselling author Britta Sabbag**



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Britta Sabbag, born in 1978 in Osnabrück, studied linguistics, psychology, and pedagogy. After obtaining her degree she worked in human resources for seven years before she was bitten by the writing bug. Her 2012 debut novel was instantly on the *SPIEGEL* bestseller list. Over 50 books have followed – novels for all ages, young adults and children, as well as picture books. Her best-selling books about Hummel Bommel have become children's classics. Besides books, she also writes children's songs, scripts, and rhymes. In total, she has sold over a million copies since her first publication.

EFJE KUIJL was born in the Netherlands in 1978. She studied illustration at the School of Arts in Utrecht and now lives in the southern part of the Netherlands, where she creates colorful illustrations for children's books, magazines, puzzles and much more. She especially likes illustrating children's books.



Britta Sabbag

## Dinoschule - Ready, steady, go! (Volume 6)

Long awaited - children love the dinosaur school!

### About the book

The dinosaur school is in danger of being closed! Because more teachers are urgently needed. But Tom, Onea and Freddy don't want to go to a boarding school on the mainland under any circumstances and take matters into their own hands. After all, island heroes have long been able to do what adults can do, haven't they? But how do you lure people to a life-threatening island without revealing the secret of Sauritius? A risky mission begins.

- **By Spiegel bestselling author Britta Sabbag**
- **Suitable for reading aloud and for beginning readers**



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Clara Vath has worked as a free-lance illustrator since 2012. Among other things, she illustrates children's and YA books, and loves their variety as well as the chance to immerse herself in different worlds.

Kati Naumann

## The little snail Monika Häuschen (Volume 6): Who will break the record?

Stories to amaze and laugh at

### World class in the home garden

#### About the book

Who can jump the highest? The little snail Monika Häuschen and her friends are organising a sports competition where the garden animals want to show what they can do. Who is the strongest, who is the fastest, who is the cleverest? Schorsch the earthworm has the most hearts, Günter the grey goose is wise because he shares his knowledge, and Monika is the loveliest. While competing, the friends learn to recognise everyone's achievements and that everyone has something special to offer.

- **Monika, Mr Günter and Schorsch explain the records of the local animal world and learn about fairness along the way**
- **Four humorous stories with colourful illustrations and exciting information boxes**



#### Specifications

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Kati Naumann was born in Leipzig in 1963. She spent a large part of her childhood in Sonneberg, in the former restricted area in the Thuringian Forest. A graduate museologist, she has already written several novels as well as song lyrics for various artists and the libretto for the musical Elixir (music by Tobias Künzel). She has written scripts for children's programmes and developed several radio play and book series for children. Kati Naumann lives with her family on the outskirts of Leipzig.

Barbara Fisinger was born in Maribor (Slovenia) and studied art education and animated film. She has lived in Trier for many years with her husband, two children and cat Flora. When she is not travelling the world, she enjoys drawing colourful pictures for readers of all ages.

Barbara Rose

## The children of Birkby. Here come the animal savers!

### Children on an adventure mission!

#### About the book

Jette, Emilia and Benno live in the small village of Birkby, surrounded by rolling hills, meadows, fields and a leisurely meandering river. When they discover an abandoned dog at the Red Berta kiosk one day, the children realise that they have to help! Without further ado, they christen the dog Pommes (without mayo) and wrest permission from their parents to look after him until Pommes' owner is found. The animal savers set about renovating an old fisherman's cottage by the river, where Pommes is to find a cosy home. Paul, who has recently moved to the village, is also on board, which Jette doesn't like at first. Sharing Pommes and her best friend Emilia with Paul? Never! But when a man comes looking for his dog and Benno decides to run away with Pommes, they all stick together!

- **The humorous new read-aloud series by bestselling author Barbara Rose**
- **Children's idyll with an extra portion of animal adventure**
- **Lovingly and colourfully illustrated by Caroline Opheys**



#### Specifications

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Barbara Rose is an author of children's and young adult books and a journalist. She lives in a small, cosy house near Stuttgart. There are also lots of animals there, including a dog called Molly.

Caroline Opheys studied communication design and worked as an art director in the advertising industry before moving into illustrating children's books. She prefers to work digitally, but it is very important to her to preserve a little bit of imperfection in her figures. She lives in Düsseldorf.



Nina Weger

## The Wild Robbins (Volume 1)

Two rival gangs of children must defeat a great evil: the adults

### About the book

Chic, meticulously kept, energetic and efficient - that's the Sommerrode neighbourhood. And it is precisely here where a fierce battle between two gangs of children is taking place: the wild Robbins and the Knights on Wheels. Both claim the last undeveloped piece of green for themselves. Until the fussy mayor wants to build a state-of-the-art playground there. A playground that none of the children want. It's just as well that the Robbins, led by the fearless and clever Rieke, already have a plan to prevent this. But they need the help of the knights, of all people. Gritting their teeth, they have to make a peace pact, because now they have to defeat a common evil: the adults.

- **Cheeky, inventive and hilarious: a new children's adventure from successful author Nina Weger**
- **Children with different talents who show what they can do and know what they want**



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Two passions emerged early on in Nina Weger's life: writing and the circus. She started dancing tightrope in a children's circus at the age of 13 and toured as a professional tightrope walker for a year after leaving school. She then trained at a journalism school, worked as a scriptwriter and finally found her way to children's books, where she made a name for herself with books such as 'Ein Krokodil taucht ab' and 'Club der Heldinnen'. At the same time, she runs the Giovanni children's circus together with two friends, which has been honoured with the German Children's Prize.

Iris Hardt grew up in the Ruhr area in the seventies and is a former member of a Mirabelle tree gang. She replaced the daredevil climbing of those days with daredevil pencil gymnastics, resulting in many beautiful illustrations for children's books. She lives with her family in Münster, where she also studied graphic design and illustration.

Ellie Mattes

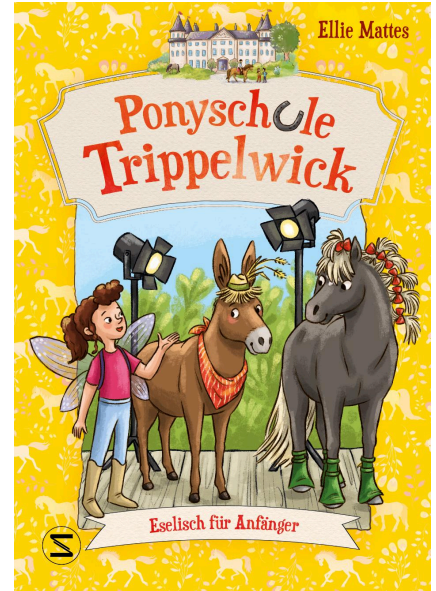
## Ponyschule Trippelwick - Donkey language for beginners

A donkey speaks in riddles!

### About the book

The first school year at Trippelwick is coming to an end. On the one hand, this means that the final exams are coming up and, on the other, that all the Pony Whisperer children have another chance to show what they're made of. Annelie wants to savour her time with Henry and her friends to the full. But there's one puzzle that almost all of them have to bite their teeth out: A donkey has come to Trippelwick, but instead of speaking donkey ... it speaks Donkey gibberish?

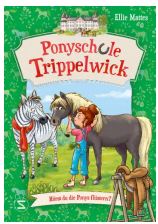
- **Every horse girl gets a magical companion on four hooves!**
- **Captivates with its charm and special humour of the animal characters!**



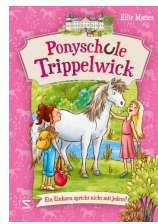
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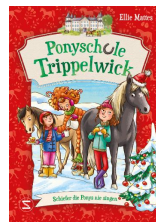
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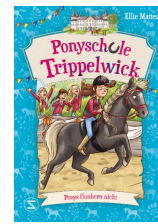
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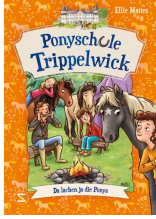
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Trippelwick Pony School – Time to  
Horse Around!  
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Ellie Mattes grew up around horses and ponies and later two adorable donkeys were added (she had to do without zebras and unicorns). Ellie only needs to look out of her window to dive into the colourful world of Trippelwick. She lives with her family in a little house in the middle of the forest and it's pretty ponytastic!

Larisa Lauber studied design and then realised that she really wanted to draw. She was lucky enough to be recruited to a cartoon studio where she discovered her love of animation. After creating many animated films, she wanted to try something new and began to illustrate children's books.

Anne Barns, Christin-Marie Below

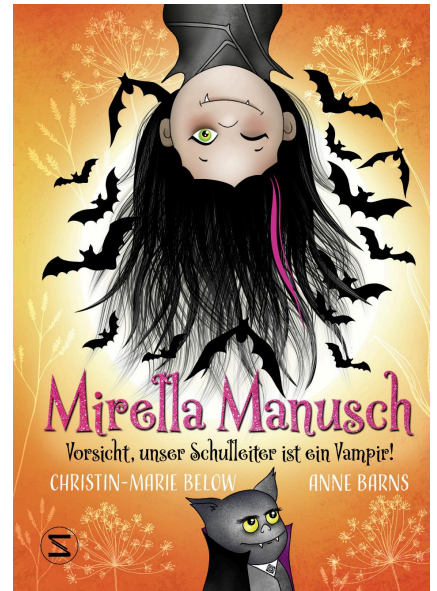
## Mirella Manusch - Watch out, our headmaster is a vampire!

### The Halloween classic

#### About the book

My name is Mirella, Mirella Manusch. I'm ten years old and I'm already getting my second canine tooth. And with it, my full vampiric abilities. As soon as that happens, little vampires attend a special school for magical creatures. But I'm actually still far too young for that! That's why the Vampire Council has come together to decide what to do with me. I have to pass three tests ... Pretty exciting! And I've also recently started lessons with a vampire. Holy moly - if it all goes well!

- **A unique mix! Little vampire, animals and adventure - everything girls love**
- **Lovingly designed, illustrated and easy to understand - perfect for young readers**



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Anne Barns is a pseudonym of the author Andrea Russo. She gave up her job as a teacher a few years ago so that she could concentrate fully on her books. She loves reading, cake and the sea. Her favourite place to write is on an island, if possible near a good bakery. Christin-Marie Below grew up surrounded by books, stories and colour. In 2018, she decided to turn her hobby into her profession and has been writing novels and stories for readers young and old ever since. It is very important to her to create strong characters that children can identify with.

Anastasia Braun was born in 1985 in Bishkek, the capital of Kyrgyzstan, and emigrated to Germany with her family as a child. In order to learn German, she often lost herself in children's books and developed a passion for pictures and history that continues to this day. A trained graphic designer, she illustrates children's books and book covers and writes her own books. Her debut *Voll relativ! Der Tag, an dem die Zeit verschwand*, was published in 2021. Anastasia Braun lives with her family in Rhineland-Palatinate.



Sarah M. Kempen

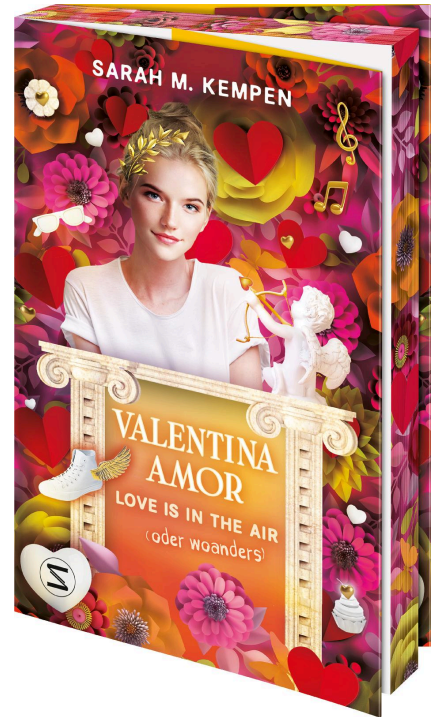
## Valentina Amor. Love is in the Air (or somewhere else)

Oh horror, the goddess of love has a crush!

### About the book

Valentina has made it! She can finally begin her training to become a fully-fledged goddess of love. But there's a catch: Star. The up-and-coming god of love has been placed at Valentina's side as a guardian so that her crushes don't end in chaos every time. The two are bitter rivals - at least until Valentina accidentally stabs herself with a love arrow! Suddenly she sees Star with completely different eyes. A catastrophe that urgently needs to be rectified. After all, how is the goddess of first love supposed to look after teenagers when she herself is struggling with first love?

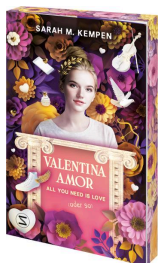
- **Two young love gods cause a lot of turmoil among mortal teenagers: Enemies-to-Lovers for teens**
- **The recipe for success: school setting, Greek gods and lots of love**



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