

Foreign Rights Catalogue Autumn 2026

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Dear colleagues and partners from around the world,

In this new season of books, we invite you to join us on a journey through **TIME** – to the Land of the Great Clock, the setting of our new children’s novel “Juli in the Land of the Time Spirits”. Life has come to a standstill because the giant clock has mysteriously stopped. Juli, the time spirit Trim, the old clockmaker and the witch Unruh set out on an exciting adventure to fight an evil wizard and set time in motion again.

We invite you on a journey through **SPACE** – into the year 2167. After the disappearance of her parents, “Earth Girl” Kata is the last girl on supposedly uninhabitable Earth. Screaming her anger out into space, Kata inspires people on distant space stations who are forced to suppress their emotions. When a spaceship lands on Earth, Kata embarks on a thrilling adventure with two very different brothers. Can her anger against a ruthless enemy become the key to saving her parents and the world?

We would also like to invite you on a journey of **DISCOVERY** – into our innovative non-fiction series AHA! Developed for children aged 3 to 6, this new series offers modern, detailed illustrations, age-appropriate knowledge and innovative interactive play elements. Each book comes with its very own WOW-effect on top!

Last, but not least join us on a journey to **HELL** – alongside the protagonist of our dark, demon romantasy “Avery”. Kidnapped by Prince Deavon and dragged off to the seven circles of Devar, Avery finds herself in a demon flatshare with a bunch of unstable, mad flatmates. Here, she is to be trained as a bounty hunter for souls to strengthen Deavon’s position against his 6 siblings – all while pursuing her very own plan.

We wish you a smooth journey to Frankfurt and look forward to meeting you there!

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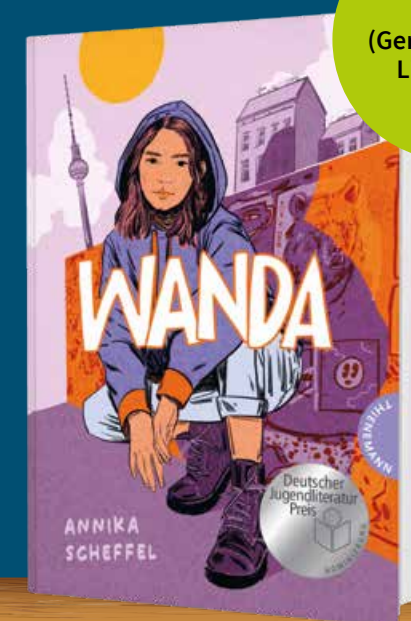
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to NL, PL,
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Nominated
for DJP
(German Youth
Literature
Award)



Sold
to DK,
ESP



Sold
to PL,
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Spend a Day With The Little Dormouse!

- Sweet moments for playful hands and sleepy eyes
- More than 120,000 copies of both volumes sold



Sabine Bohlmann, Kerstin Schoene (Ill.)
Play With Me!
 The Little Dormouse
 12 pages • 17 × 17 cm
 Age: 18+ months
 ISBN 978-3-522-46074-3
 World Rights available
 07/2025



Sabine Bohlmann, Kerstin Schoene (Ill.)
Will You Bring Me to Bed?
 The Little Dormouse
 12 pages • 17 × 17 cm
 Age: 18+ months
 ISBN 978-3-522-46063-7
 Sold to: Denmark
 08/2024



Sliding, rocking, jumping and hiding – with the Little Dormouse, every movement becomes an adventure! The different interactive sliding elements invite children aged 18 months and up to actively join in and help develop their fine motor skills through play. Heartwarming illustrations and child-friendly text encourage language development and make every shared reading moment special. A high-quality, sturdy activity book that children will love discovering again and again!

The Little Dormouse is sooo tired, but who will put him to bed? This interactive sliding board book turns bedtime into a magical ritual that little ones can help bring to life. First, the Little Dormouse brushes his teeth, then the sheep need counting. Children can gently rock the Little Dormouse in his cuddly blanket and check whether the moon has risen yet. Finally, the Little Dormouse is tucked in for the night. A tender bedtime story with charming illustrations and six fun interactive features.

Comforting Through Play Has Never Been More Fun

- Supports early language development and encourages children to empathise and giggle along
- Ideal for children aged 18 months and up: sturdy, high-quality and lovingly designed
- Interactive board book with six sliding elements



The Little Dormouse has hurt himself and needs lots of comfort and cuddles! With interactive sliding elements, children can join in and help him feel better. They can dry his tears, bandage his paw and make him laugh again. Cheerful, age-appropriate text and atmospheric illustrations turn reading and play into a heartwarming experience that nurtures not only fine motor skills, but also empathy and creativity.

Backlist



The Story of the Little Dormouse Who Didn't Want to Go to Sleep
 28 pages • 21 × 16,8 cm
 Age: 2+
 ISBN 978-3-522-45842-9
 Sold to: Hungary, Italy, Serbia, Poland, Russia, Japan, Romania, Israel (Hebrew), Turkey, Croatia, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia



Sabine Bohlmann, Kerstin Schoene (Ill.)
The Little Dormouse: Come, I'll Comfort You!
 12 pages • 17 × 17 cm
 Age: 18+ months
 ISBN 978-3-522-46268-6
 World Rights available
 09/2026

Otfried Preußler's Beloved Classic *The Little Ghost* – Now a Play-Along Book!

- 60 years of *The Little Ghost*: celebrating the classic character with an innovative board book
- Perfect for spooking about together from 18 months up
- Classic novel currently available in 13 countries



Otfried Preußler, Thorsten Saleina (Ill.), Lorenz Bitsch, F. J. Tripp
Play With The Little Ghost
 12 pages • 18 × 20 cm
 Age: 18+ months
 ISBN 978-3-522-46263-1
 World Rights available
 08/2026



With this lovingly designed board book, even the youngest children can now get to know and fall in love with Otfried Preußler's *The Little Ghost*. Children can play pranks around the castle, make the bats dance in the moonlight and visit the friendly owl Schuhu. Six sliding elements invite little ones to join in, marvel and discover something new each time they open the book.

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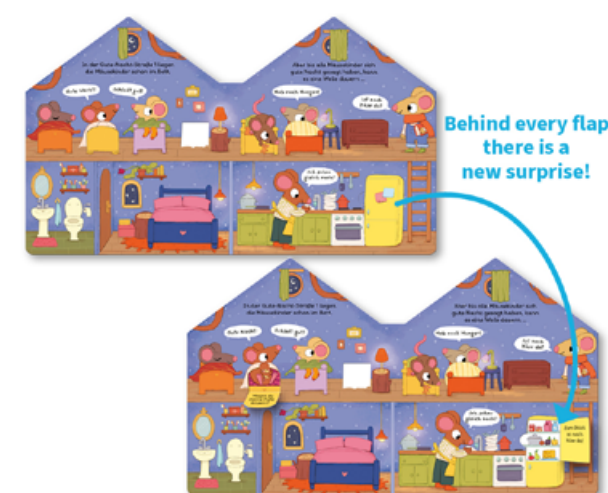
The Little Ghost
 120 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm •
 with 4c illustrations
 Age: 6+
 ISBN 978-3-522-18364-2



The Little Ghost: Chaos at Owl Stone Castle
 32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-522-45809-2

Good Night, Dear Neighbours – But Who's Still Awake?

- Peek inside five houses and meet five different animal families
- Die-cut in the shape of a house: perfect for playing and reading out loud
- Full of little details to discover and enjoy before bedtime



When the lights go on in Goodnight Street, things get a little quieter in every house – or do they? The little mouse is still hungry, the squirrel is searching for its cuddly bunny, the young hedgehogs are playing hide-and-seek and the frogs are waiting for a goodnight kiss. Behind the flaps on every page there's a new surprise to discover. This is the perfect wind-down book for all little night owls aged 18 months and up.

Backlist



My Little Christmas Town
 12 pages • 19 × 22 cm
 Age: 18 months +
 ISBN 978-3-480-23847-7
 Sold to: Hungary, Belgium (Dutch, French), Slovakia



Juliana Kralik
The Goodnight Street
 12 pages • 19 × 22 cm
 Age: 18+ months
 ISBN 978-3-480-24141-5
 World Rights available
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My Record & Play-Book

Record your very own message for your loved one –
turning shared reading into a very special experience!

HOW IT WORKS:

- Press and hold the light-coloured sensor on the last page until you hear a beep
- Keep holding to record your message
- Release the sensor to save the recording
- Then briefly press the sensor to play back the message
- The maximum recording time is 20 seconds
- A new recording automatically overwrites the previous message

Love You So Much, Little One



Sleep Tight, Little One



Briefly press sensor
to play your pre-recorded
message

Unique On The Market: A Board Book With a Personal Voice Message

- Brings together reading out loud and listening in a whole new way
- A unique gift that becomes a lasting keepsake



Madlen Ottenschläger, Marina Rachner (Ill.)
My Record & Play Book: Love You So Much, Little One
10 pages • 19 × 22 cm
Age: 18+ months
ISBN 978-3-480-24103-3
World Rights available
08/2026



Madlen Ottenschläger, Marina Rachner (Ill.)
My Record & Play Book: Sleep Tight, Little One
10 pages • 19 × 22 cm
Age: 18+ months
ISBN 978-3-480-24104-0
World Rights available
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When Daddy Bear makes honey cake or Daddy Lion dances with his little cub through the savanna, love is very much in the air. Four short stories tell of big emotions in everyday family life. And at the very end, a truly personal declaration of love can be recorded straight into the book – in the familiar voice of Mum, Dad or any other favourite person.

When the little bear dreams of adventures, the beaver snuggles into his blanket and the little sheep whispers “good night” to his friends, it’s time for little children to go to sleep as well. And at the very end, a truly personal message awaits: an individualised recording made by Mum, Dad or another close person. This makes nights away – for example at Grandma and Grandpa’s – so much easier.

Big World, Little Steps!

- Supports early language development with short 2–3 word sentences
- Features scenes from everyday life with toddlers, making phrases easy to understand and relatable



Sylvia Tress, Tina Schulte (Ill.)
My Little World: At the Playground
 14 pages • 17 × 17 cm
 Age: 12+ months
 ISBN 978-3-480-24161-3
 World Rights available
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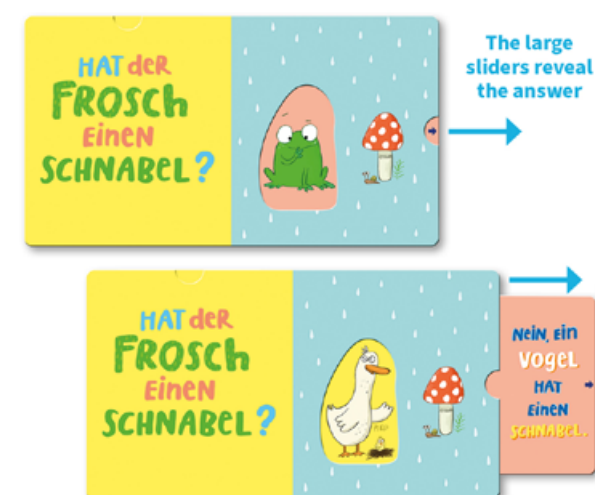
Sylvia Tress, Tina Schulte (Ill.)
My Little World: At Home with Me
 14 pages • 17 × 17 cm
 Age: 12+ months
 ISBN 978-3-480-24160-6
 World Rights available
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Look, this is how exciting my day is! From getting dressed to playing – this lovingly illustrated board book shows familiar everyday scenes in clear, simple pictures. Children from 12 months discover words, repeat their first sentences and experience the joy of speaking. This is the perfect interactive book for all little ones who are just starting to talk and who are busy discovering their big little world!

Learning to speak together is practically effortless with this cleverly designed board book. Bright, clear illustrations depict familiar moments at home paired with short and simple sentences. In a playful way, children learn to name objects and understand short sentences in their own time. This book helps parents gently support their child's early language acquisition whilst having fun along the way.

For Bright Little Know-It-Alls

- Five hilarious nonsense questions that children will want to hear again and again
- With large sliders that reveal the correct answer
- Being clever is fun – every answer is a little success



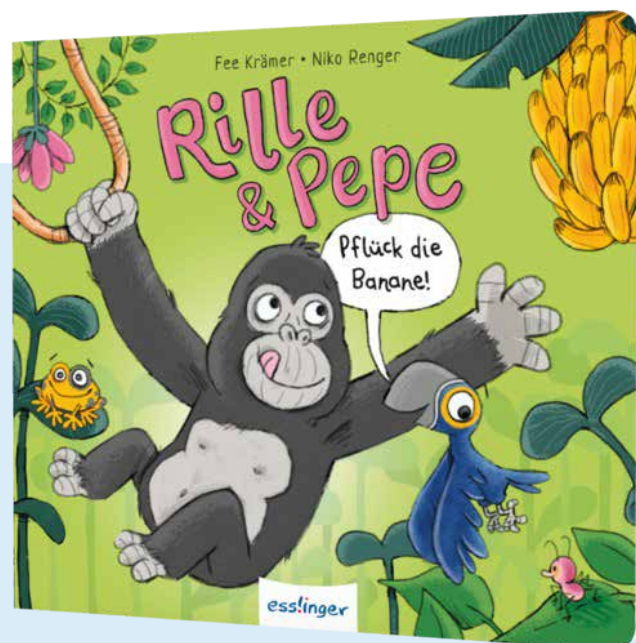
Tiny little elephants? Blue ladybirds? Dogs that “meow”? Of course children know that's nonsense – and that's exactly why they love it! This sturdy board book invites them to shout out the silly questions and then pull the extra-large sliders. Behind each one, the correct answer is revealed, which clever little children naturally know already ...



Andrea Ringli (Ill.)
Are Elephants Tiny?
 12 pages • 18 × 20 cm
 Age: 18+ months
 ISBN 978-3-480-24153-8
 World Rights available
 08/2026

Join In And Laugh Along!

- A whole day in the jungle: from getting up to saying goodnight
- Lovable, relatable characters with plenty of humour



Fee Krämer, Nikolai Renger (Ill.)

Rille & Pepe: Pick the Banana!

16 pages • 19 × 17 cm

Age: 18+ months

ISBN 978-3-480-24156-9

World Rights available

08/2026



Waking up is already great fun with Rille and parrot Pepe! The very little ones can join in everywhere: from drumming on their chests like a small gorilla and stroking their full breakfast tummies to pushing the liana swing or making the rain patter down onto the jungle floor. Along the way, they rediscover familiar everyday rituals in a playful new way. Until the day comes to a gentle close and a soft goodnight whispers through the banana leaves.

Backlist



When is Soon?

34 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-480-23764-7

World Rights available



Rille

112 pages • 18,3 × 25,6 cm

Age: 5+

ISBN 978-3-480-23570-4

Sold to: China

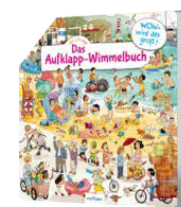
Open It Once And See How It Unfolds!

- Search-and-find board book with a surprise fold-out format
- Discover more than 50 animals on every panoramic spread
- An ideal companion for longer waits and to bring on trips



As soon as you open the cover, a giant panorama spread magically unfolds! From a tree house buzzing with activity to a lively beach and a bustling fun-fair, every scene is packed with things to discover. Mummy and Daddy Lion, the cubs Luca and Lina, and Grandpa Lion appear in every picture – alongside more than 50 other animal characters. Filled with charming details and entertaining little stories, each spread invites children to search and spot.

Backlist



The Pop-up Hidden Object Book

10 pages • 24,8 × 24,8 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-480-23986-3

Sold to: Denmark, Spain (Spanish), Spain (Catalan)



The Big Search-and-Find Fun Book

12 pages • 25,15 × 26,6 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-480-24090-6

World Rights available



Antje Hagemann (Ill.)

Animals Antics! The Big Fold-out Search-and-Find Book

10 pages • 24,8 × 24,8 cm

Age: 3+

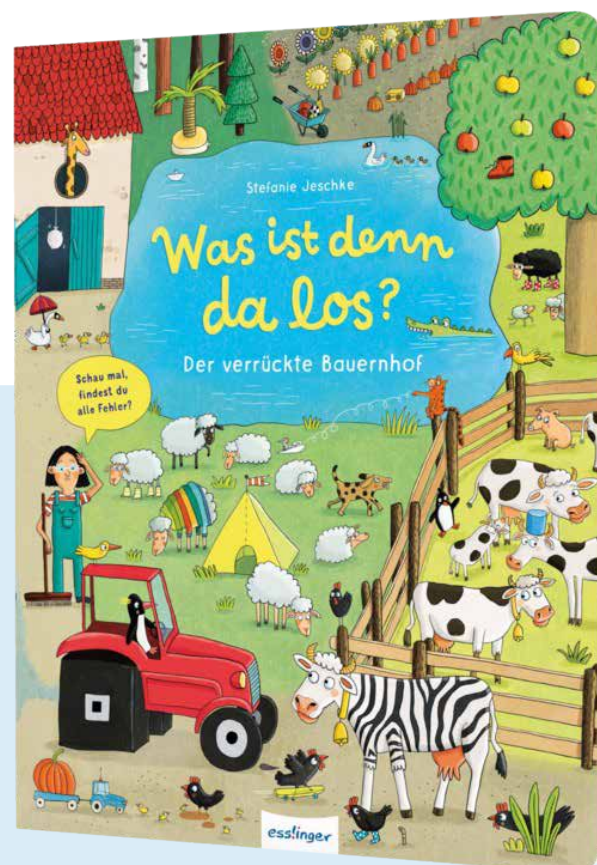
ISBN 978-3-480-24150-7

World Rights available

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What a Muddle at the Farm!

- Funny spot-the-mistake scenes on every busy spread
- Packed with crazy ideas to discover and laugh about
- Expands children's everyday knowledge and supports language development



Stefanie Jeschke (Ill.), Sibylle Schumann
What's Happening Here?: The Crazy Farm
 16 pages • 22,7 × 29,4 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-24154-5
 World Rights available
 08/2026



Things are completely topsy-turvy on the farm: footballs are growing in the vegetable patch, a zebra cow is chatting with a penguin and unicorns join in the pony rides, while a giraffe is desperately looking for a saddle that fits. No wonder even the chickens can't stop laughing!
 On every page there are heaps of silliness and lots of crazy things to spot – a big search-and-find adventure for little detectives aged 3 and up.

Backlist



From 1 to 10 – Found Them All?
 26 pages • 25,2 × 32,6 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-23954-2
 Sold to: Slovakia, Spain, Finland,
 The Netherlands, Romania,
 Denmark

No One Stays Still Here!

- Perfect for high-energy kids and anyone who loves to move
- With simple, interactive prompts like stomping and clapping
- A real wiggle-and-jiggle adventure



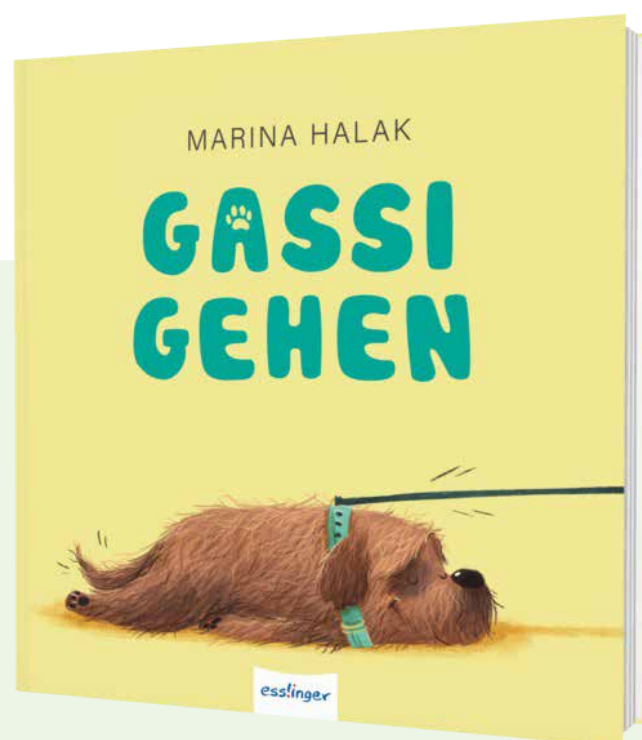
Join the adorable Schnu on a wild, rainbow-coloured island! This fluffy little creature with big round eyes is bursting with energy – and sometimes in a bit of a fix. With a big “heave-ho”, children aged 3 and up free the Schnu from prickly tickle palms or rescue it from squelchy sucking sludge. A final sprinkle of “Glücksglimmer” – shimmering good luck – lets the adventure end on a wonderfully gentle note and helps everyone wind down.



Johanna Klement, Katrin Meiller (Ill.)
The Schnu and You
 32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-24158-3
 World Rights available
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Leash-Side Drama – Who Can Hold Out Longer?

- A humorous book about strong feelings and patience
- Explores wanting and not-wanting – emotions that live in all of us!
- Perfect for little heroes in the middle of a tantrum phase and dog lovers alike



Marina Halak
Out for a Walk
 32 pages • 22 × 22,1 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-480-24163-7
 World Rights available
 08/2026



Sometimes you just don't feel like doing something. And sometimes it is the dog who refuses to budge. With few words and powerful images, this funny and emotional picture book shows what happens when two stubborn characters meet: told with a good dose of humour and utterly charming illustrations. A real highlight for little ones in the middle of a tantrum phase, and a gift for anyone who knows that going for a walk is sometimes purely a matter of feelings.

You Are Wonderfully Unique!

- Explores two important topics for children: discovering your strengths and building self-confidence
- The lovable heroine Piri encourages her young readers to be honest
- With a stunning panoramic fold-out spread



With fold-out page

Hedgehog girl Piri lives in a cosy old Beech tree and loves to paint. No wonder she is so fascinated by Grandpa's bright red pencil. But the pencil is strictly off limits. Despite the warning, Piri can't resist. It unlocks Piri's creativity, but with every new drawing, her guilty conscience grows. When Grandpa finally discovers her pictures on the wall, Piri fears the worst. Until he shows her that her secret is as wonderful as she is.



Kai Oppermann
Piri and the Teeny-Tiny Secret
 44 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-480-24184-2
 World Rights available
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Run For Your Lives!

- A brilliant combination of two favourite kids' themes: monsters and the fire brigade
- The funny rhyming story turns shared reading into a delightful experience
- Every page is packed with quirky characters and hilarious detail

New Year's Eve at the Monster Mountain Hotel – and suddenly the fire alarm goes off! The Monster Fire Brigade comes to the rescue, saving the colourful hotel guests floor by floor: blobby monsters, stripy-stockings ghosts, trolls and a vampire. But at the very top of the tower the big surprise awaits: little Fire Monster Flöns is only practising for the big New Year's Eve fireworks display! At the end of the story, everyone celebrates together with a spectacular midnight firework show. A rhyming picture book full of humour and wonderfully original monsters.



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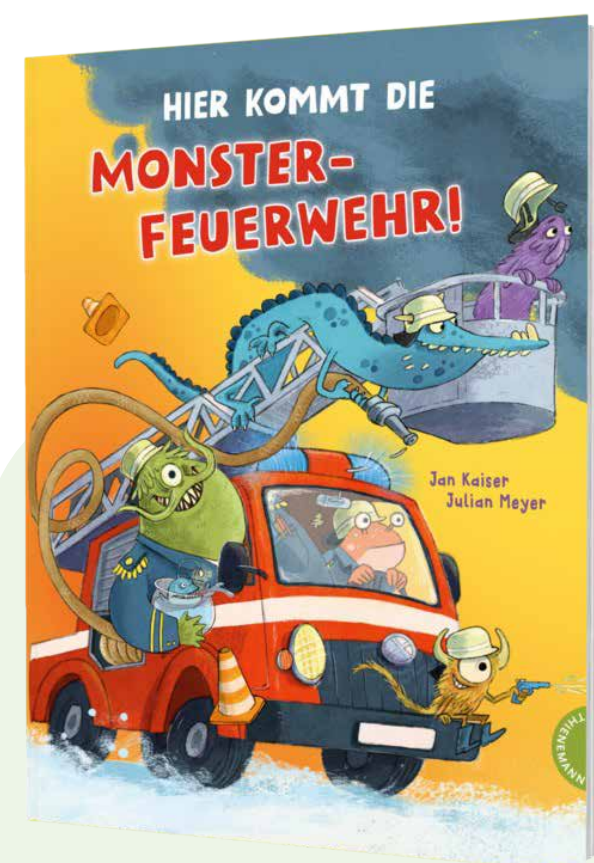
Jan Kaiser, formerly a judge and now involved in legal training, devotes himself to writing semi-serious texts for children and adults as a counterbalance to the dry realities of the legal profession. He lives in Breisgau with his family.

Julian Meyer was born in 1983 in the Lüneburger Heide and tried out various jobs before studying illustration in Münster. Since then, he has worked as a freelance illustrator for various children's book publishers. He lives in Kassel with his family.

Backlist



The Big Monster ABC
40 pages • 26,9 × 34,6 cm
Age: 5+
ISBN 978-3-522-45984-6
World Rights available



Jan Kaiser, Julian Meyer (Ill.)
Here Comes the Monster Fire Brigade!
32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-522-46261-7
World Rights available
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The Magic of Wishing

- A child-friendly criticism of our consumerist society
- Discusses an important topic for families: wishes and expectations at Christmas



Sabine Bohlmann, Miriam Eisenbacher (Ill.)

Wishful Jule

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-522-46281-5

World Rights available

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Jule has so many wishes – and she loves writing them all down before Christmas. But this year, her list is so long that Santa brings her only one present: a magic wand that will let her grant wishes herself. At first, Jule isn't sure what to think, but when she gives the wand a try, she is amazed by what happens ...

Backlist



In My World

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-522-46259-4

Sold to: Korea

Dunes, Wind and an Unusual Friendship

- Find out what happens when a sheep meets a seagull
- Encourages children to approach others with openness and curiosity
- An atmospheric dune landscape and unforgettable characters



Wölkchen, the smallest sheep in the flock, dreams of freedom, but soon gets lost in the dunes. Alone, it meets Mio the seagull. Despite sheep and seagulls usually not thinking much of each other, a gentle friendship grows between them. Together, they find their way back and, in the end, even bring their flocks closer together. A picture book about courage, openness, and the happiness that finding your own path brings.

Backlist



In the Autumn Forest

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-522-46049-1

Sold to: Czech Republic, Romania, The Netherlands, Turkey, Denmark, USA, Italy



In the Winter Forest

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-522-45960-0

Sold to: Czech Republic, Romania, The Netherlands, Italy, Turkey, Denmark, USA



Daniela Kulot

Wölkchen Is Gone!

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-522-46286-0

World Rights available

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Every Family Is Magical

- Poetic snapshots of everyday family life – a love letter in pictures
- The perfect gift for small and big family members alike



Andrea Langenbacher, Marieke ten Berge (Ill.)

Us

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-522-30765-9

World Rights available

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Between chaos and cuddles, slammed doors and harmony, a sense of “us” grows that holds everything together. This book captures those fleeting moments in which closeness speaks louder than words: when little steps become big ones, when anger blows over and laughter remains. A warm, comforting and honest gift for parents and children alike that shows just how rich everyday life can be when you experience it together.

Backlist



You

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

ISBN 978-3-522-30607-2

Sold to: The Netherlands

When Eating Turns Into An Adventure

- Developed by an experienced nutritionist for children
- Interactive questions and prompts encourage curiosity and independence when cooking and eating
- Volume 2 in our new family series that helps parents and children tackle tricky topics as a team



Wanda loves strawberries – but broccoli? You couldn't pay her to eat it! Together with her brother Luis, she explores the colorful world of food: from shopping for groceries and trying new foods to little tests of courage at the table. Children discover what makes food healthy, where it comes from and why everyone is allowed to have their own favourite foods. Warm, lively scenes tackle topics such as sweets, family mealtimes and picky eating.

Backlist



Family Series 1: I'm Not Tired Yet!

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-522-30761-1

Sold to: Romania



Alicia Metz-Kleine, Gareth Ryans (Ill.)

Family Series 2: I Only Like Pasta Without Sauce!

32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-522-30762-8

World Rights available

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AHA!

Play • Marvel • Grow

A new interactive non-fiction series taking children aged 3–6 on an exciting journey of discovery

- Plenty of illustrations for younger children; additional text provides more in-depth knowledge for older children
- Additional categories broaden the scope and encourage participation
- Topics: everyday life and children's interests (1. Nature/Animals, 2. People/The body/Society, 3. Machines and technology)
- Interactive elements: Flaps, sliders and WOW elements, Solve puzzles, experiment and get involved Use the slider to find your own answers

Full-page illustration for visual exploration

One topic per double-page spread

Questions and suggestions for discussion on the topic



Snappy information to be read aloud

Easy-to-read font for early reading attempts

Interactive game features: flaps, die-cuts, pull-out elements

Slider for adjusting responses

Even more extra information and ideas

What's Creeping and Crawling Here? All Aboard!

- With fold-out pages ready for exploring
- Perfect for curious preschoolers and little nature explorers

- A bestselling topic presented in a modern and diverse way
- Special feature: turn the steering wheel and drive your own car!



Caroline Reißner (Ill.), Birk Grüling
The Meadow
 16 pages • 23,7 × 26,6 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-522-46804-6
 World Rights available



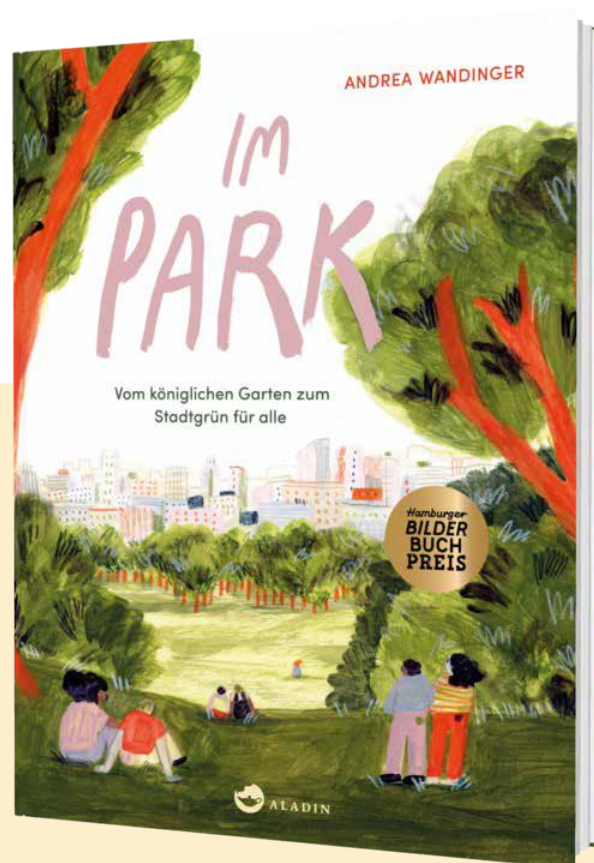
Christian Holst, Anastasija Altmann (Ill.)
Vehicles
 16 pages • 23,7 × 26,6 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-522-46801-5
 World Rights available

There is *always* something happening in the meadow! This interactive book takes children on a discovery tour through a small but mighty wonderland. We watch bees as they pollinate flowers, follow the mole underground, marvel at farting bombardier beetles and find out just how much biodiversity is hidden between wildflowers, herbs and grasses. Perfect for all young nature researchers who love nothing more than playing barefoot outside!

Cars, bikes, scooters, tractors, diggers or planes – vehicles are everywhere! This interactive book takes children on an exciting journey of discovery through the world of transport. Together we hop on the bus, ride the train, visit a building site and uncover the secrets of how a ship, a plane or a concrete mixer actually work.

A Must-Have for Every Coffee Table

- 112 brilliantly illustrated pages tell the cultural history of parks around the world
- From long-vanished historical gardens and today's parks to the urban greening concepts of tomorrow
- Winner of the Hamburg Picture Book Award 2025



Andrea Wandering
At the Park
 112 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-8489-0337-5
 World Rights available
 10/2026



From the splendid gardens of kings to today's green meeting places: this extraordinary non-fiction picture book tells the story of humankind's longing for nature in the heart of the city. Andrea Wandering guides readers through thousands of years of garden design – from Mesopotamia and Versailles to Berlin's Tempelhofer Feld – and shows how parks become places of relaxation and togetherness. A fascinating narrative panorama of life in urban green spaces.

Flying Seeds and Clever World Explorers

- All content reviewed by expert consultants and explained in a clear and accessible way for young readers
- Artwork by renowned artist Isabel Pin invites readers to pause, explore and discover



Plants are true masters of survival! Whether carried by the wind, drifting on water, hitching a ride on animals or travelling with the help of humans – they have developed astonishing tricks to reach and conquer new places. This vibrant non-fiction picture book reveals the secrets of how seeds and plants travel around the world and shows why their journeys matter to us all. A window into the natural world that invites children to get hands-on with nature.



Isabel Pin
How Plants Travel
 64 pages • 23 × 33,9 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-8489-0330-6
 World Rights available
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On the Longest Night of the Year, as Snow Fell from the Sky ...

- All the magic of winter in a single book
- Features important classics such as *The Little Match Girl*, *The Elves and the Shoemaker* and *The Snow Queen*



Hans Christian Andersen, Brüder Grimm, Anastassija Archipowa (Ill.)

The Most Beautiful Winter Fairy Tales

88 pages • 21,8 × 28,6 cm

Age: 5+

ISBN 978-3-480-24188-0

World Rights available

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Winter is the perfect time for fairy tales! This collection brings together the most beautiful winter tales by Hans Christian Andersen and the Brothers Grimm, including *The Little Match Girl*, *The Elves and the Shoemaker* and *The Snow Queen*, which have been enjoyed for generations. Each story helps shorten the wait for the most magical celebration of the year and is wonderfully illustrated by Anastassija Archipowa, who captures the winter atmosphere of these tales in delicate yet expressive colours.



Anastassija Archipowa was born in Moscow in 1955, where she still lives and works today. Her illustrations are exhibited worldwide, are widely acknowledged and have already been awarded many prizes.

Backlist



The Most Beautiful Fairy Tales by Hans Christian Andersen
240 pages • 21,8 × 28,6 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-480-23837-8
Sold to: Vietnam, Slovakia, Russia

Discover our Young Reading Heroes



The New Read-Aloud Collection with Dr Brumm and His Friends

- Based on the popular children's TV programme *Das Sandmännchen*
- Perfect for read-aloud sessions at bedtime



Daniel Napp, Judith Ruyters
Dr Brumm Goes Canoeing and Other Stories
 48 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-522-18884-5
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Since Dr Brumm's appearances on the German children's TV programme *Das Sandmännchen*, the lovable and clumsy bear is becoming ever more popular as a TV star! The ten episodes of Season Three have now been turned into a wonderful new book for reading aloud and are lovingly illustrated with stills from the films. Dr Brumm dares to venture out onto the lake in a canoe, goes camping and even watches a comet streak across the sky! And of course his friends Badger, Bibi and Whale never leave his side...



Daniel Napp (*1974) studied graphic design in Münster and won several awards during his time as a student. He now works as a freelance illustrator and has already completed numerous picture books and other books for children.

Judith Ruyters studied English and German. She has been a freelance editor since 2004 and has worked as a freelance author, editor and director for radio and publishing houses since 2009.

Backlist



Dr Brumm Does Kung-Fu and Other Stories
 96 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-522-18857-9
 Sold to: Denmark, Finland



Dr Brumm Builds a House
 32 pages • 23,2 × 30 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-522-46020-0
 Sold to: Georgia, Serbia, Denmark, Sweden, Finland

A Big Adventure for a Little Household Elf

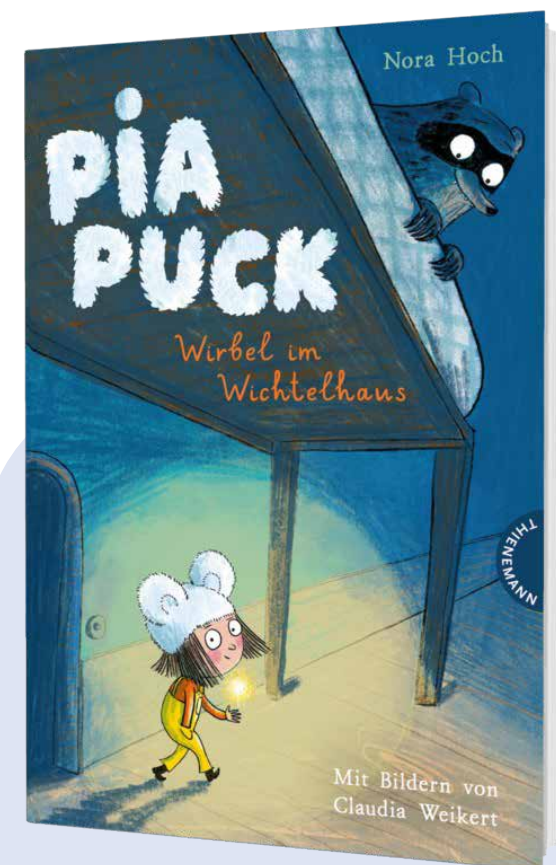
- A topic not just for Christmas: little household elves
- Magical, charming and full of humour – perfect for reading aloud

When night falls over the blue house by Blackberry Lake, the best part of the day begins for Pia Puck. That's when the little household elf girl gets active: she loves to clean, tidy and dream about the funniest pranks. What a wonderful little household elf life! But everything changes when a family moves into the blue house and puts Pia in great danger. One of the most important rules for little household elves is that they must never be discovered. But will Pia Puck manage to stay concealed when the new family has three very curious children?

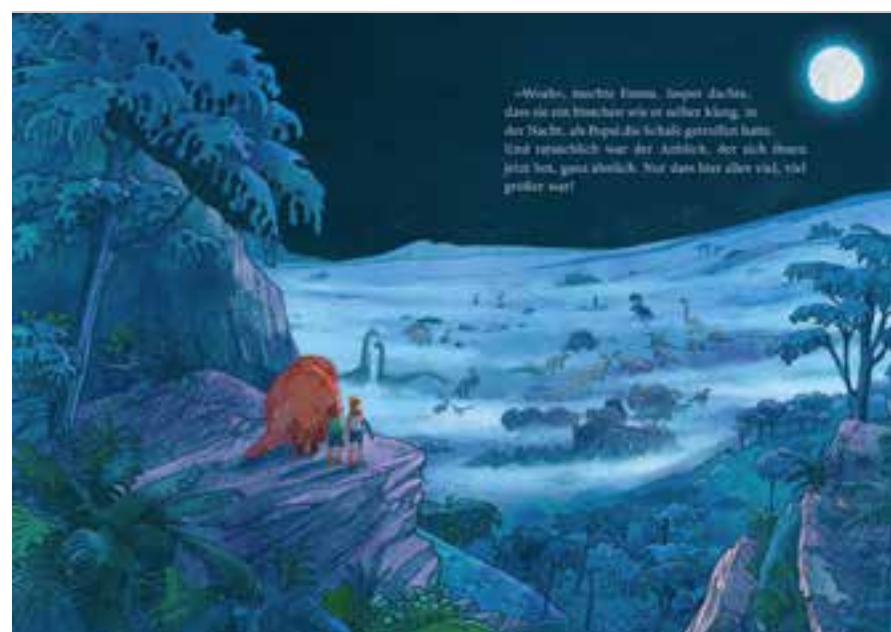


Nora Hoch, born in Bochum in 1983, studied Cultural Studies in Hildesheim and now works as a writer, theatre educator and life skills teacher. Hoch lives in Berlin with her family.

Claudia Weikert grew up surrounded by lots of animals and later discovered her passion for illustrating children's books. Today, she works as a freelance illustrator for various publishers and as a ZDF multimedia editor for children's television.



Nora Hoch, Claudia Weikert (Ill.)
Pia Puck
 144 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm
 Age: 5+
 ISBN 978-3-522-18890-6
 World Rights available
 07/2026



When a Ringing Alarm Clock Makes a Dinosaur Appear ...

- An action-packed, humorous and heartwarming dinosaur adventure
- Short chapters, perfect for reading aloud
- Brilliantly illustrated in full colour by Simona Ceccarelli

By accident, Jasper turns his old alarm clock into a time machine—and suddenly, a Triceratops lands behind his house. Seven metres tall, with a weakness for honey pops! At last, Jasper has the four-legged friend he's always wished for. But whilst Popsi, hidden away in an old quarry, is learning to speak and even ride a bike, the mayor sends out a search party to capture the prehistoric creature. When the dinosaur is also struck by a terrible bout of homesickness, Jasper is faced with the toughest decision of his life ...



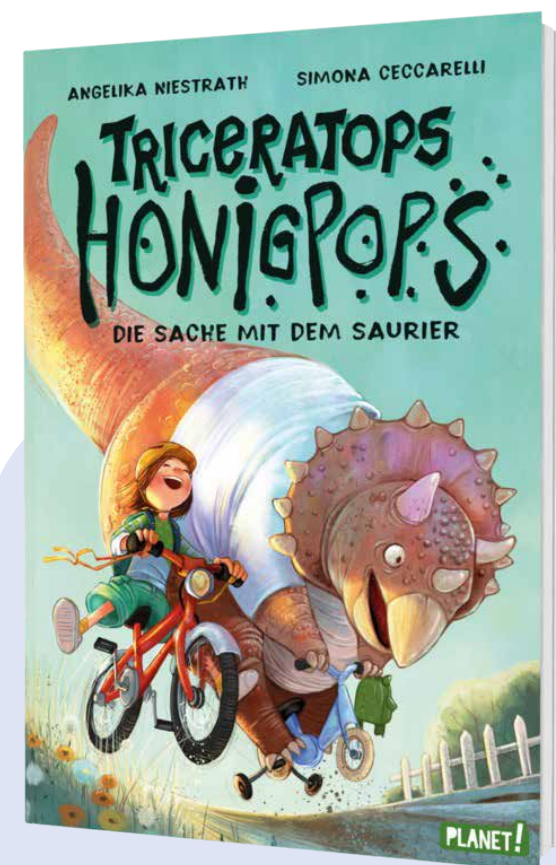
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Angelika Niestrath spent more than half of her working life in the book industry as a bookseller. She now writes children's books with her partner, Andreas Hüging, and divides her time between Berlin and their home in the County of Bentheim

Simona Ceccarelli holds a diploma in illustration and Concept Art from the Academy of Arts University in San Francisco. Since 2016, she has illustrated books, games and other products for children.



Angelika Niestrath, Simona Ceccarelli (Ill.)
Triceratops Honey Pops 1: The Thing About the Dinosaur
 160 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm
 Age: 6+
 ISBN 978-3-522-50873-5
 World Rights available
 09/2026

Phantomouse Takes Off!

- Phantomouse's second fast-paced adventure: mini-hamster Rudi, alias XXS, brings fresh momentum to the chaos
- Humour, action and cool illustrations guarantee great fun when reading!



Angelika Niestrath, Andreas Hüging, Kai Schüttler (Ill.)

Phantomouse 2: Krabuse Strikes Back

128 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 8+

ISBN 978-3-522-50970-1

Sold to: Denmark

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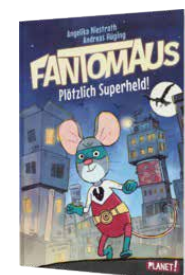
The evil crow boss Krabuse has kidnapped XXL – and suddenly Phantomouse is left without his ingenious inventor friend! Help arrives when XXL's nephew Rudi unexpectedly shows up: the hyperactive mini hamster dares to complete the half-finished new Phantomobile, but with unexpected consequences. While Krabuse remotely controls police chief Peppi Pork with a hypnosis cannon, Phantomouse and his brave friend Lindy also have to deal with the mysterious crow Krakula, whose allegiances are unknown. A city at its limit, fast-paced car chases and plenty of animal humour – the great race for Pet City begins!



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Kai Schüttler studied design, specialising in illustration, at Münster University of Applied Sciences. As a freelance illustrator, he has already illustrated numerous children's books.

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Phantomouse 1: Suddenly a Superhero!

128 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 8+

ISBN 978-3-522-50955-8

Sold to: Denmark

Slime, Charm and a Mini Dragon

- A quirky, humorous graphic novel about being different and finding true friendship
- A fresh, offbeat take on the ever-popular topic of school
- Perfect for reluctant readers who are just discovering the fun of stories

In the second volume of this hilarious comic adventure, disaster-prone Franky stumbles from one embarrassing moment to the next. Starting school in the world of the living, he must contend with oddball classmates, creepy blood hornets and a grandma whose shotgun and grim stare are enough to give anyone the chills. Luckily, Franky has his wonderfully weird friends Odi, the slimy pint-sized dragon, and Zoran, a fussy pumpkin cat, by his side – even if the pair are constantly squabbling and cause everything to descend into chaos.



Nicola Anker grew up surrounded by long-eared monsters (also known as dwarf rabbits). At first, she wanted to become an adventurer, but as a grown up she found an even better profession: writing books for children.

Juliane Zickelbein worked as a graphic designer and creative director for several years, during which illustration had to take a back seat. Eventually, her desire to draw scary creatures and all kinds of goofy characters became impossible to ignore. Today, she pursues that passion as a freelance children's book illustrator.

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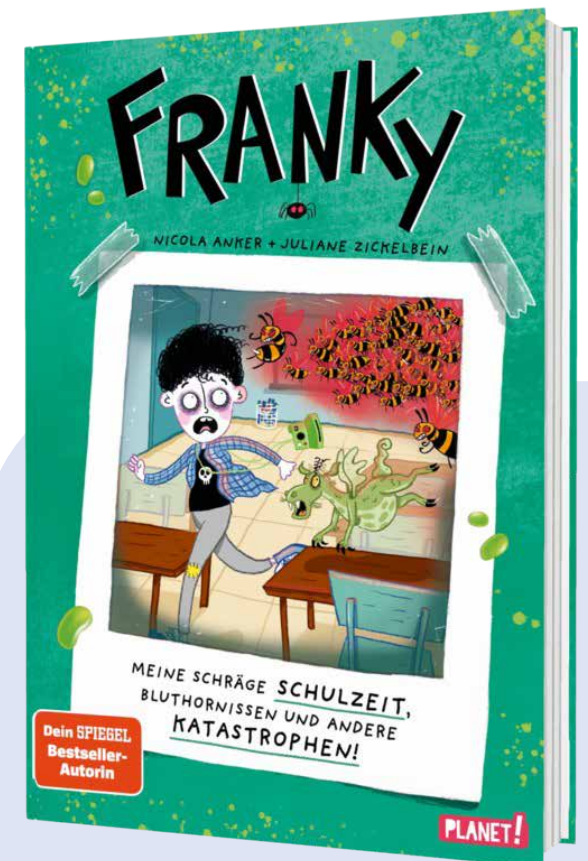
Franky 1: My Wacky Zombie Family, Mini Dragons and Other Disasters

112 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm

Age: 8+

ISBN 978-3-522-50877-3

Sold to: Denmark



Nicola Anker, Juliane Zickelbein (Ill.)

Franky 2: My Weird School Days, Blood Hornets and Other Disasters

96 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm

Age: 8+

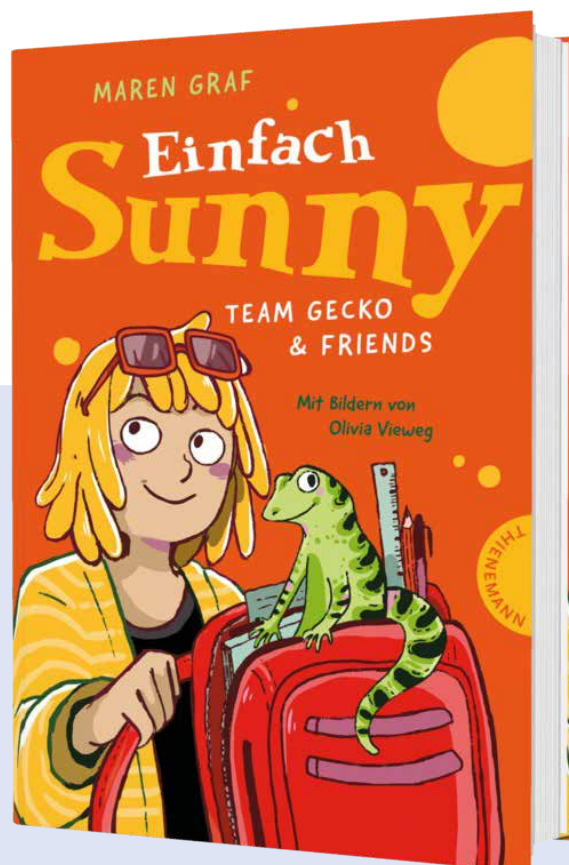
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Sunny, the Blind Detective, Is Back!

- A fast-paced, charming continuation of Sunny's story
- Shows inclusion in everyday school life in a natural and humorous way
- Sunny 2 also available in Braille



Maren Graf, Olivia Vieweg (Ill.)
Simply Sunny 2: Team Gecko & Friends
 224 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-522-18896-8
 World Rights available
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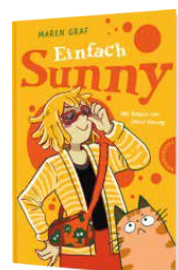
Sunny, the girl with a brilliant instinct for clues, is finally going to an ordinary school – something she has always wished for! When her teacher Ms Hibbig loses her bunch of keys, the self-appointed finder of lost things leaps into action. Together with Ben and Max she forms Team Gecko – quick, alert and equipped with special senses. They follow the secret trail that leads to the school pets and have to prove that, just like their gecko mascot, they can keep their cool even when things get tricky.



Maren Graf was born in 1984 and spent her childhood on the Baltic Sea coast. After completing her studies, she began working as a teacher for German and Philosophy and wrote stories on the side. Today, the author lives in Paderborn with her husband and three sons.

Olivia Vieweg was born in Jena in 1987 and studied visual communication at the Bauhaus University in Weimar and screenwriting at the HFF in Munich. Today, she works as a writer and illustrator for books, films, comics and radio plays and lives in Weimar with her family and two cats.

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Simply Sunny
 208 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-522-18863-0
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The Perfect Mix of Laughs and Chills

- Packed with delightfully quirky characters: a winged "Franken-pig" a timid "were-wolf" and Hicks, the witch with hiccups
- A hilarious and gripping read, perfect for readers who love unusual adventures

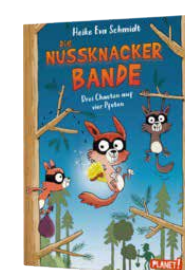
The moment twins Fritz and Lio Ungeheuer move into Monster Villa, the adventure begins! Their grandmother, Grandma Hicks, is a witch – but her spells keep backfiring thanks to her unstoppable hiccups. And nothing else in the old house is normal either: a winged "Franken-pig" steps out of a painting and eerie howls echo from the forest at night. The culprit is a "were-wolf", a creature that transforms at full moon not from human to wolf, but from wolf to sheep. But above all, it longs to join a flock and remain a sheep forever. Grandma Hicks may be able to break the curse, if only she could get rid of her hiccups. Can the Ungeheuer family work together to set the unhappy creature free?



After studying psychology, Heike Eva Schmidt first worked as a journalist before receiving a bursary at the Screenplay Workshop Munich. Since then, she has been working as a freelance screenplay writer and author.

Matthias Derenbach is a passionate illustrator. After completing his degree in communication design with a specialty in illustration, he has been working as a freelance illustrator for various publishers since 2008. Derenbach is a doting father and lives in the Westerwald.

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The Nutcracker Gang Vol. 1: Three Chaotic Characters on Four Paws
 144 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-522-50808-7
 Sold to: Russia



The Nutcracker Gang Vol. 2: Gone Nuts and Haywire!
 144 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 8+
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 Sold to: Russia



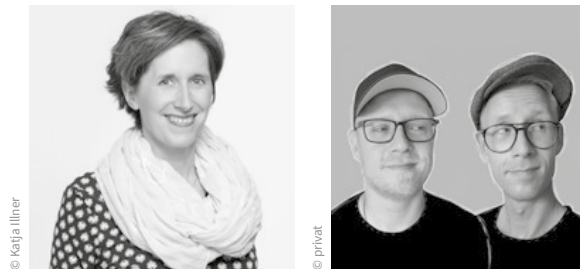
Heike Eva Schmidt, Matthias Derenbach (Ill.)
Monster Villa: When the Were-wolf Awakes
 176 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-522-50846-9
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When a Vampire Girl Has to Go to a Human School ...

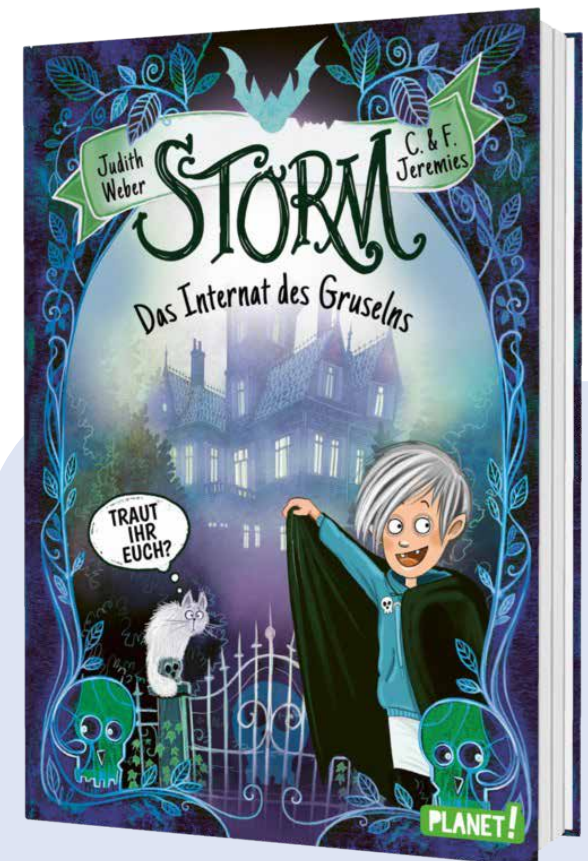
- A spooky, cheeky boarding school adventure with an extraordinary heroine full of wit and courage
- Four-colour illustrations packed with lively, comic-style elements
- Volume 2 will follow in autumn 2027

“I’m evil!” Vampire girl Storm is sure of it. But after her parents are bitten at a Halloween party and turn half-human, she is not sent to the legendary Blood-Spit Academy, but to the human boarding school Castle Sugarloaf. With her glowing cat, Birne, and a truly dreadful plan to get expelled, Storm is plunged into a world full of worm-eating kids, mysterious secrets and spineless bullies. But as she attempts to keep a suspicious classmate in check and her own identity hidden, Storm discovers something far more frightening than sunlight: true friendship.



As a systemic consultant, Weber helps children and adults see solutions instead of problems – a superpower that rubs off on her children's book characters. She lives in Germany with her husband and four children.

Christian and Fabian Jeremies are illustrators from Kassel, Germany. Growing up in a creative family, they spent their childhood drawing in books and now illustrate them themselves. Their work is colourful and wonderfully quirky.



Judith Weber, Fabian und Christian Jeremies (Ill.)

Storm: The Boarding School of Spooks

160 pages • 15,1 × 21,6 cm

Age: 8+

ISBN 978-3-522-50965-7

World Rights available

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TIME-TRAVEL INTO GREAT ADVENTURE

Time stood still on a Wednesday afternoon. All 253 clocks in the house pointed to exactly half past two. But what was really astounding was that July's grandma also came to a standstill whilst baking in the kitchen. July, Trim and the clockmaker appeared in the kitchen sometime after half past two though, even if all 253 clocks in the house claimed otherwise. All 253 small hands stood exactly in the middle between 2 and 3.

All 253 big hands pointed precisely to 6.

14:30 was indicated on the digital clock over the oven, the 254th clock in the house.

July's grandma was standing motionless right in the middle between the oven and the kitchen table. Only the muffins on the tray in her hands were steaming and wafting strongly.

"Damn it!" said the clockmaker, eyeing July's grandma through his magnifying glass, pulled down from his headband where he wore it. His eye looked huge behind the thick glass.

July had only known the clockmaker for a couple of minutes, however, and had not yet counted any of the many clocks in the house. And July had met Trim first and not the clockmaker, at the estimated time of around 14:29.

Because very shortly afterwards time had stood still.

And just before that July had heard suspicious noises in the cellar.

However, suspicious noises in the cellar were the best antidote to boredom. And as July was more easily bored at her grandma's than at home in the city, she had decided to take a look in the cellar there and then. Whenever July decided something, she actually always acted on it immediately.

When Time Stands Still, Every Second Counts

A clever heroine who is impossible to stop

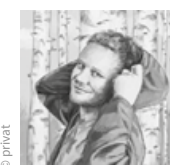
A unique adventure where time spirits, a grumpy witch, a bat and an evil wizard collide

TOP TITLE

2.30 p.m. Everything comes to a halt. Alongside Trim, a real Time Spirit, Juli tumbles through a grandfather clock and lands in the Land of the Great Clock – a world shaped like one enormous clock face. There's a town at five o'clock, a witches' forest at seven and giant clock hands sweeping across the sky. But a wizard is determined to stop time forever. With Trim, the witch Unruh, an old clockmaker and the bat Fedora by her side, Juli races across the clock face and follows his trail right into the heart of the clockwork. Only there can she find a way to set time moving again.



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Wieland Freund was born in 1969, just in time to read *The Neverending Story* at the age of ten. He studied German and English and remained a devoted fan of Michael Ende throughout. Freund has been nominated for the German Youth Literature Prize and was most recently awarded the Rattenfänger Literature Prize.

Tobias Goldschalt's career initially led him to the advertising industry. Today, he illustrates books for children and young adults and uses his creativity and great attention to detail to design computer games, greeting cards, as well as different types of packaging.

Hauke Kock is an illustrator and author from Schleswig-Holstein in Germany. He has created artwork for countless books, games and other projects for both children and adults.



Wieland Freund, Tobias Goldschalt (Ill.), Hauke Kock (Ill.)

Juli in the Land of the Time Spirits

224 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 9+

ISBN 978-3-522-18889-0

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A Winter That Changes Everything

- An atmospheric North Sea adventure
- A gentle story about friendship and change with multi-layered, original characters



Nikola Huppertz, Chiara Nasi (Ill.)

North Sea Rebels

288 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 10+

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Berlin based Ludwig has been sent to a tiny North Sea village of just 223 inhabitants to recover at his mother's godmother's house. But instead of peace and quiet, he is surrounded by fog, herds of sheep and Moira, a mysterious girl who smells of smoked fish. In Uta and Bernhard's old sluice keeper's cottage, everything is smaller, older and stranger. Yet little by little, Ludwig finds it easier to breathe. When a hotel development threatens the embankment, he discovers an unexpected strength and learns that sometimes, you have to go far from home to discover where you truly belong.



Nikola Huppertz studied violin and psychology in Duisburg and Berlin. Her books for children and young adults have been translated into several languages and have won numerous awards, including the 2024 German Literature Fund's creative writing grant and a residency grant from Villa Concordia from April 2025 to March 2026. Her texts strongly reflect her musicality and interest in psychology.

Chiara Nasi is a freelance illustrator from Italy. She has a great passion for children's books and says that nature – particularly forests, oceans and the culture of the North – is her greatest source of inspiration.

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Our Summer at the Lake

272 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 10+

ISBN 978-3-522-18534-9

Sold to: Czech Republic

A Brand New Mystery Set Against a Historical Backdrop

- A fierce, unforgettable heroine who moves between circus magic and dark intrigues
- Fascinating setting: Budapest at the turn of the century
- An irresistible and atmospheric page-turner



Budapest, 1898. Belle never imagined she'd end up on stage – let alone alongside the world-famous magician Sándor Báthory. But behind his dazzling performances lie dark schemes. When his assistant, Malo, turns up on Belle's doorstep begging for help, and her father is kidnapped, Malo and Belle are plunged into a dangerous adventure. Can they uncover the truth before it is too late?

As a qualified bookseller and professional musician, Lilly Oberlin has toured Europe with bands, worked for publishers and the film industry, and written numerous successful songs. Today, she focuses on books for children and young adults and divides her time between Berlin and Liguria.

Lilly Oberlin

Belle and the Master of Illusion

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Age: 10+

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Willow Is Back: The Sixth Volume in the Bestselling Series

- An enchanted forest, unbreakable friendships and the race to rescue Arthur
- The bestselling series with over 800,000 copies sold and translated into 17 languages



Sabine Bohlmann, Simona Ceccarelli (Ill.)

Willow 6: In Between Time

304 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 10+

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Sold to: Slovakia, Czech Republic

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One day, Willow hears a faint violin melody and knows at once: Arthur, the boy who commands time, is back! But the music suddenly fades, and Willow discovers a shattered violin on the forest ground. With the help of her witch friends Valentina, Gretchen and Lotti, she finds out that Arthur is trapped somewhere in between time and desperately needs their help. The girls don't hesitate and, with Grimmoor by their side, they embark on a thrilling journey through time.



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After training to be an actress, Sabine Bohlmann appeared in various films and series on television. She also works as a dubbing artist and has lent her voice to actors and characters like Lisa Simpson. Since 2004, she has been writing children's books.

Simona Ceccarelli holds a diploma in illustration and Concept Art from the Academy of Arts University in San Francisco. Since 2016, she has illustrated books, games and other products for children.

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My Willow Friendship Book

96 pages • 13,9 × 19,1 cm

Age: 10+

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Willow 1: A Girl Called Willow

256 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 10+

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One Girl. One Mission. An Entire Universe.

- An thrilling, quirky blend of science fiction, humour and adventure
- An original, captivating heroine whose real superpowers are emotions
- With a backdrop of social criticism: AI, control of information, relationship between power and money

TOP TITLE

It's 2167, and twelve-year-old Kata is the last girl on an Earth everyone else believes to be uninhabitable. Wild, emotional and fearless, she has been screaming her anger into space ever since her parents disappeared – unaware that she has become a superstar to the people living on cold, distant space stations. When a spaceship lands on Earth, Kata is swept into a high-speed adventure with her capuchin monkey Uudu, the tomcat Klysmus and two very different brothers. In the fight against a ruthless enemy, Kata's anger becomes her superpower – and maybe also the key to saving her parents.



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Anna Lisa Kiesel trained as a photographer and now writes stories for children and young adults. She lives in Graz with her family, where the surrounding woods provide endless inspiration.



Anna Lisa Kiesel

Earth Girl

304 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm

Age: 10+

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Lissy's Most Dangerous Ride

- A moving horse story meets a gripping adventure
- A strong heroine with a deep love for animals
- The author is renowned for her books about horses



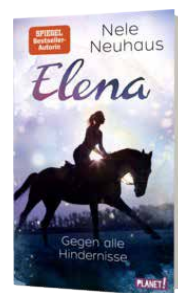
Astrid Frank, Lilleth Harshman (Ill.)
Galloping Through the Storm
 256 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 10+
 ISBN 978-3-522-18894-4
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When a violent storm devastates the mountain village, Lissy's little brother becomes trapped in the mud and is badly injured. There is no doctor, no phone and seemingly no way through. Knowing that every hour counts, Lissy secretly sets off in the middle of the night, with only her old horse Lu and the farm dog Billy by her side. The path through the mountains is difficult and she bravely evades treacherous slopes and a range of wild animals. But Lissy refuses to give up. The young girl grows beyond her limits and believes in her courage, knowing that the love she shares with her animals may be the most important source of strength she has.

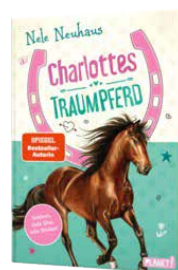


Astrid Frank started working freelance as an editor while she was still studying German, Biology and Education at university. She has been working as a translator and writer since 1996 and now lives in Cologne with her husband, two sons, a cat and a dog.

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Elena 1 - A Life for Horses
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 Sold to: The Netherlands, Poland, Hungary, Italy, Czech Republic



Charlotte's Dream Horse Vol. 1
 176 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 9+
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A Dangerous Treasure Hunt at a Magical Sports Academy

- A thrilling sequel centred on a centuries-old amulet and a mysterious riddle
- When danger strikes, can Linna, Kajam and Margot really trust one another?
- A perfect blend of sport, magic and adventure

Finally back at Olympia Magica! But before the new school year has fully begun, Linna, Kajam and Margot stumble across a top-secret notebook belonging to the International Magical Committee. Its pages contain clues to an ancient amulet and a legendary treasure. As excitement builds for the Magical Games, the three friends follow the trail all the way to Spain. Can they solve the riddle surrounding the treasure before it falls into the wrong hands?



Anne Bodinka, born in 1997, studied sports science. She loves writing imaginative stories for children, often with unusual settings and a dash of humor. After many years as a dancer and basketball player, she now enjoys a wide range of sports.

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Olympia Magica 1: Will You Join the Team?
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Anne Bodinka
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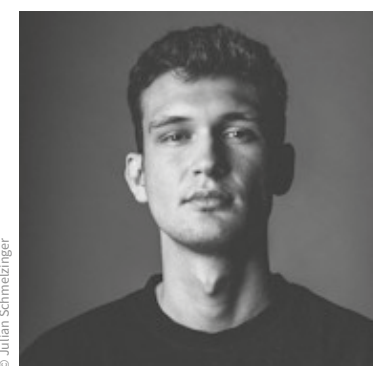
“You have to choose.”

- Six moral dilemmas – six choices
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- 19,000 copies sold of *Seven Ways To Tell a Lie*



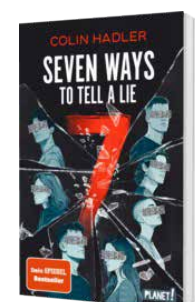
Colin Hadler
Six Ways to Watch You Fall
 384 pages • 13,6 × 20,5 cm
 Age: 13+
 ISBN 978-3-522-50972-5
 World Rights available
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When Archer finds a yellow envelope in his locker, he assumes it's a sick joke. Inside he is given a chilling ultimatum: hurt himself – or someone will die. He ignores the letter. Then a student is found dead outside the boarding school. From that moment on, an unseen enemy forces him to make one life-or-death decision after the other. As the twisted game closes in, Archer realises that it is deeply personal – and it will not end until he confronts the darkest chapter of his past.



Colin Hadler was born in Graz in 2001 and now lives in Vienna. His reading cabarets combine his love of theatre and books, and his thrillers – including several SPIEGEL bestsellers – have earned multiple award nominations.

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Seven Ways to Tell a Lie
 368 pages • 13,6 × 20,5 cm
 Age: 13+
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 Sold to: Czech Republik (Czech)

The Water Bringer. The Desert Seeker. A Court Steeped in Intrigue.

- Ancient, Egypt-inspired romantasy with an epic feeling
- A slow-burn, enemies-to-lovers plot with an arranged marriage

Spice: Soft

Neyla grows up in poverty, but a hidden gift runs in her veins: she is the next Water Bringer – and the only hope for the parched kingdom of Samahr. When Neyla is discovered at the court of the Sun God Ra, fate tears her away from her old life. Suddenly, she is expected to marry Rowan, the Queen's grandson, a prince and inscrutable Desert Seeker. But marrying him would bring an alliance she never wanted and her heart is thrown into turmoil. Caught between ancient gods, treacherous desert demons and an arranged marriage, a fragile and forbidden closeness begins to grow. Neyla has to choose between two paths: will she follow her destiny or dare to fight for her own feelings?



Miri Smith was born in Wuppertal in 1982 and has been passionate about romance and fantasy in all their forms since her youth. In recent years, she has published numerous popular crime- and romance novels.

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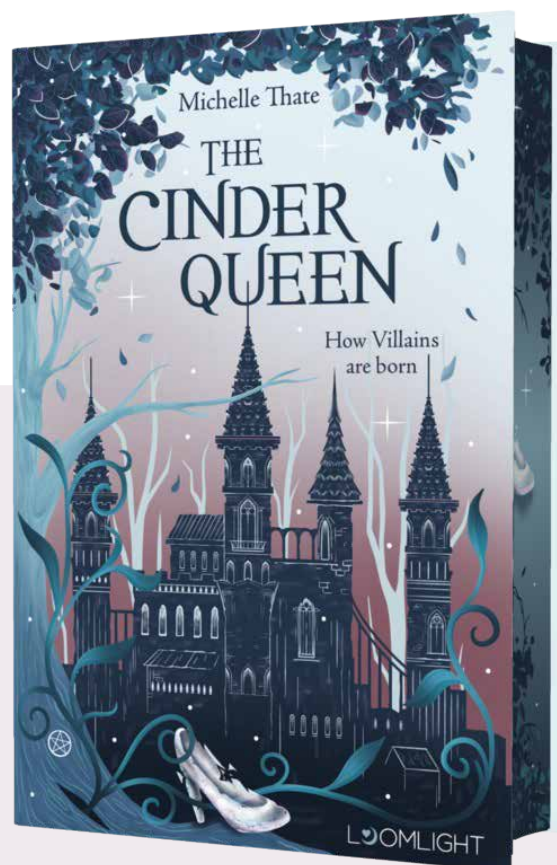
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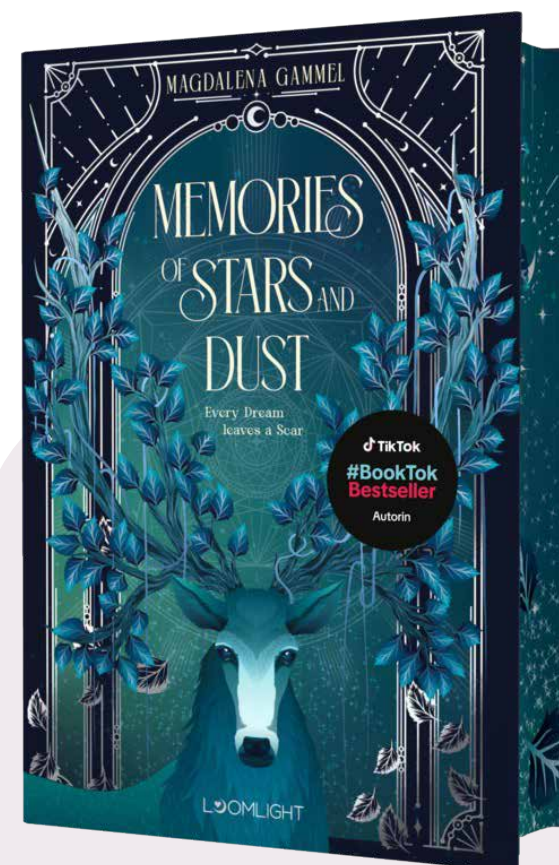
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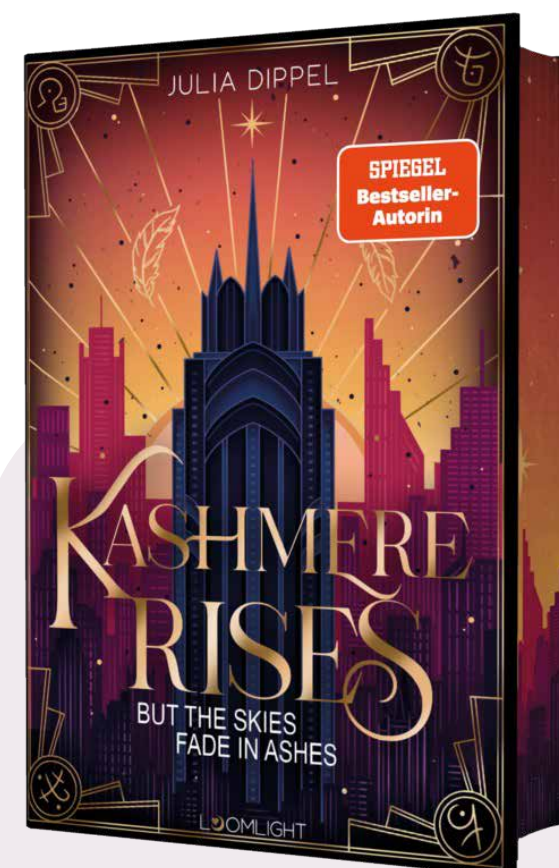
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Julia Dippel works as a freelance director for both theatre and musical theatre in Munich and has been teaching children and young people about dramatic figures for more than ten years. Her own works, among which are her scripts and adaptations, have been performed on many occasions.



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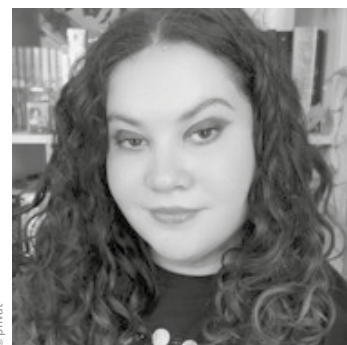
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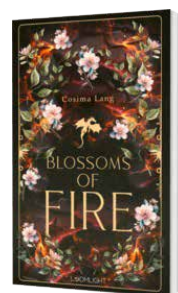
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Melanie Lane's love of reading fantasy and romance has made writing her absolute passion. As an outspoken feminist, she is passionate about equality and diversity, which are always reflected in her books.

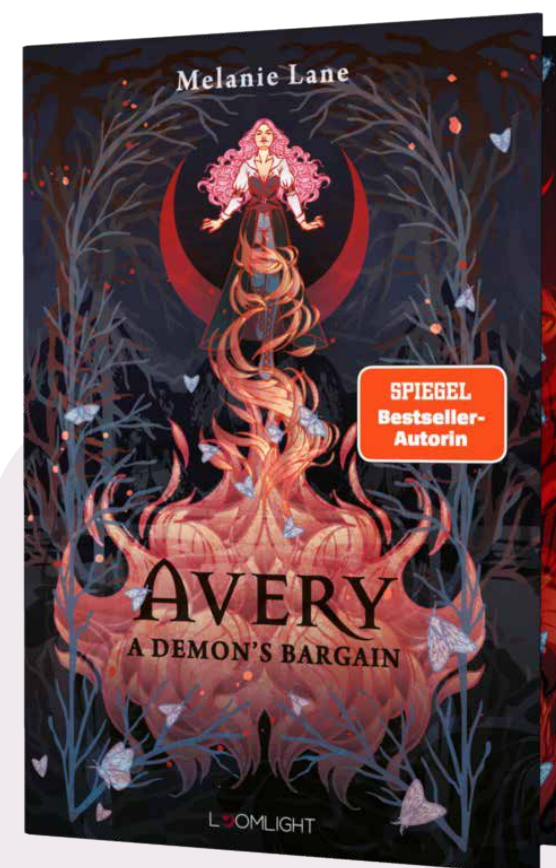
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Teresa Sporrer has always had a passion for books: first as a reader, then as a blogger, and now as a successful author. In addition to witty, romantic love stories, she also writes fantasy novels about dark antiheroes – from ruthless pirates to poisonous witches.

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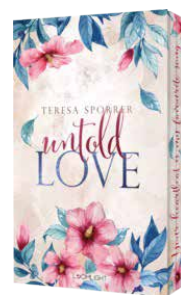
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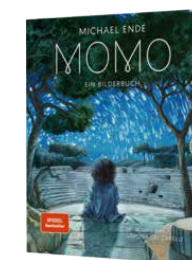
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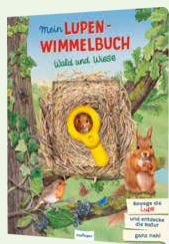
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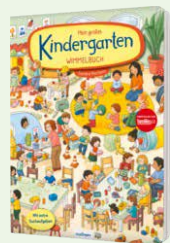
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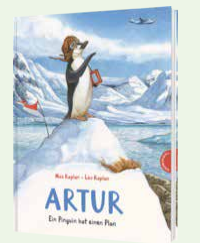
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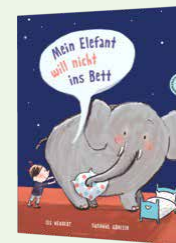
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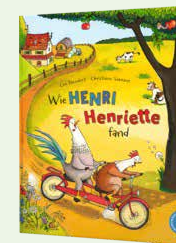
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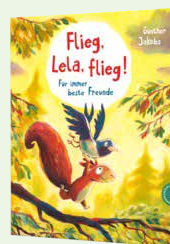
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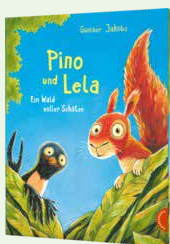
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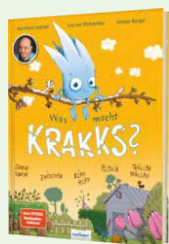
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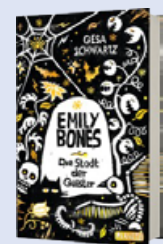
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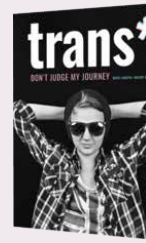


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