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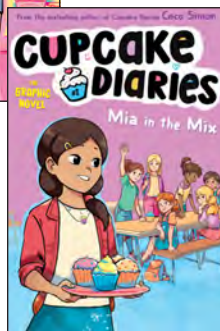
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US FICTION

The Summer of June,
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CUPCAKE DIARIES, THE GRAPHIC NOVEL

#1: KATIE AND THE CUPCAKE CURE

#2: MIA IN THE MIX

By Coco Simon

Imprint: Simon Spotlight

The bestselling Simon Spotlight middle-grade series Cupcake Diaries, which has sold over two-and-a-half-million copies and counting, is now available in graphic novel format!

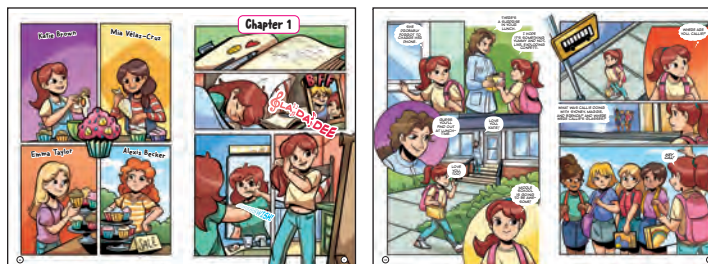
Join Katie, Mia, Emma, and Alexis as they discover how friendship and cupcakes sweeten the trials and tribulations of middle school. Fun, bright, full-color graphic panels tell each story with the same humor and age-appropriate text that were hallmarks of the chapter book series.

Publication Date: August 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 160 pp

RIGHTS SOLD FOR THE CHAPTER BOOK SERIES: French, Indonesian, Portuguese (Brazil), Turkish, UK



YOU'RE INVITED TO A CREEPOVER, THE GRAPHIC NOVEL

#1: TRUTH OR DARE...

#2: YOU CAN'T COME IN HERE!

By P.J. Night

Imprint: Simon Spotlight

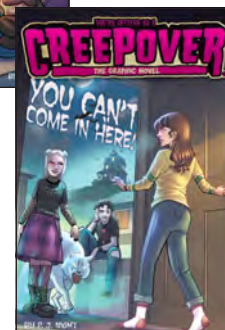
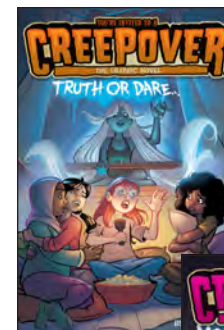
Introducing our bestselling You're Invited to a Creepover series, with nearly half a million copies sold, now in graphic novel format! This middle-grade horror series combines two things that kids love—sleepovers and scary stories!

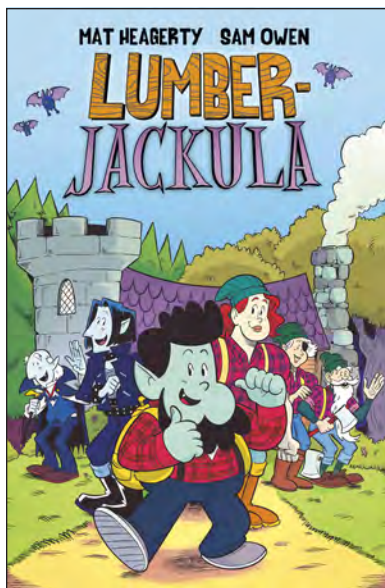
Sleepovers and scary stories go together like peanut butter and jelly . . . or ghosts and goblins . . . or blood and guts! Each story stands on its own and is perfect for the reader who is eager to enjoy the fun of a good mystery and a scary story. Creepy full-color graphic panels tell the tale with the same horror as the original novel!

Publication Date: September 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 160 pp





LUMBERJACKULA

By Mat Heagerty

Illustrated by Sam Owen

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

For fans of *The Okay Witch* and *Zita the Spacegirl*, this hilarious middle-grade graphic novel follows a half-vampire, half-lumberjack boy who feels torn between his parents and just wants to be a dancer.

Jack is in a pickle. His lumberjack mom wants him to go to Mighty Log Lumberjack Prep to learn how to chop wood and wear flannel. His vampire dad wants him to go to Sorrow's Gloom Vampire School to learn how to turn into a bat and drink blood-orange juice. And Jack has a secret: what he *really* wants to do is dance.

When he finds out about Tip Tap Twinkle Toes Dance Academy from new friend Plenty, Jack feels he's finally found the place where he can be his true self. But he's too afraid of disappointing his family to tell them. What's a half-lumberjack, half-vampire boy to do?

To summon the confidence to pursue his dreams, Jack will have to embrace every part of himself—his lumberjack toughness, his vampire eeriness, and especially his awesome dance moves.

Publication Date: July 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 152 pp/24K words



SORT OF SUPER

By Eric Gapstur

Imprint: Aladdin

***Awkward* by Svetlana Chmakova meets the HiLo series in the first book in a funny, lighthearted graphic novel series about a boy struggling with new superpowers . . . and middle school.**

Eleven-year-old Wyatt Flynn had something amazing happen to him: he got superpowers! Good ones too, like super-flight, super-strength, and super-speed. The only problem? Wyatt got his superpowers totally by mistake, and his dad—who's been overprotective since Wyatt's mom disappeared—thinks he's too young for them and worries what would happen if everyone found out. So he makes Wyatt hide his powers.

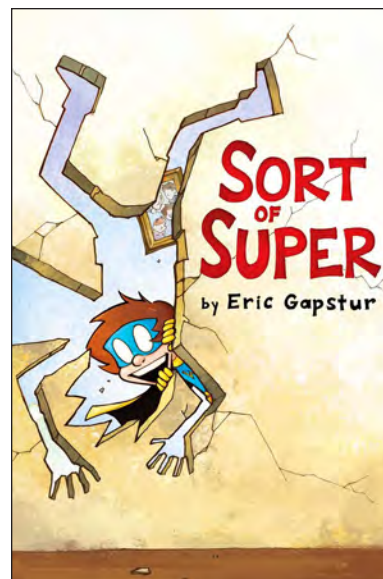
Keeping such a huge secret from his best friends Beto and Nara is bad enough, but not being able to use his new abilities to defend them from the biggest bully at school makes Wyatt feel useless and frustrated. His little sister thinks the good his powers could do is more important than following Dad's rules, though. Slowly, the two of them become a dynamic crime-fighting duo right under their dad's nose.

Lying to his dad isn't much easier than lying to his friends. But Wyatt might be able to make a real difference in the community . . . and maybe even solve the mystery of what happened to his mom. That makes it all worth it. . . . Right?

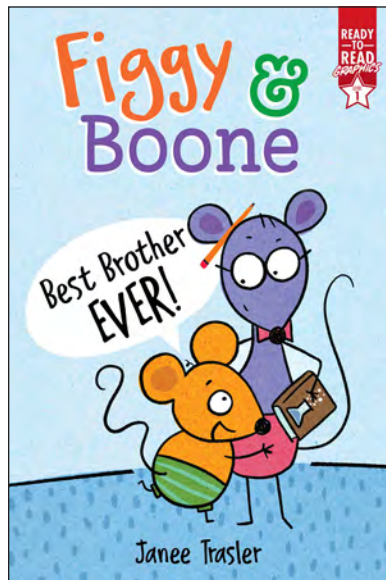
Publication Date: March 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 240 pp



READY-TO-READ GRAPHICS



FIGGY & BOONE #1: BEST BROTHER EVER!

By Janee Trasler
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

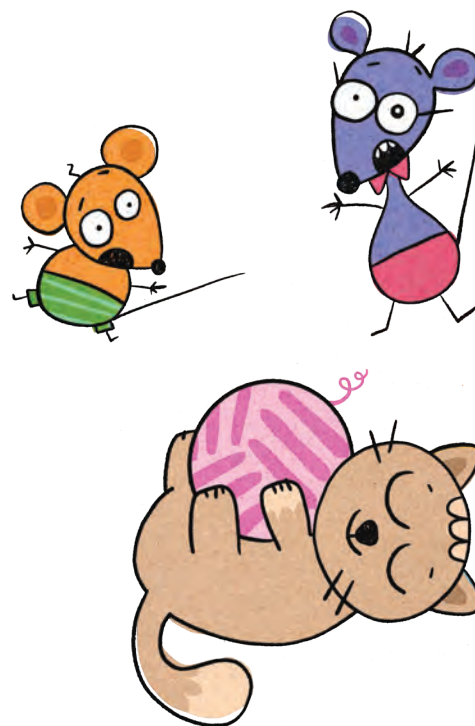
The first Ready-to-Read Graphics Level 1 book about a mouse named Figgy who wonders if his friend, a rat named Boone, is actually his brother!

Figgy is a rat and Boone is a mouse. Boone thinks Figgy is the best brother ever. Figgy says Boone is more like a cousin. Whatever they are called, Figgy and Boone prove that friends can be like family!

Publication Date: September 2022

Ages: 4–6

Page Extent: 64 pp



SPRINKLES AND SWIRLS #2: A COOL DAY AT THE POOL #3: OH, WHAT A SHOW!

By Lola M. Schaefer
Illustrated by Savannah Allen
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Meet the deliciously sweet duo, Sprinkles and Swirls, in this new Level 1 Ready-to-Read Graphics series!

Sprinkles and Swirls are two little cupcakes who go on big adventures! Join them as they splash and slide into the waves at the pool and then as they discover their many talents for the talent show! This series follows two adorable cupcake friends on their many adventures.

Publication Date: #2: May 2022; #3: September 2022

Ages: 4–6

Page Extent: 64 pp





NUGGET AND DOG #3: S'MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE!

By Jason Tharp
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

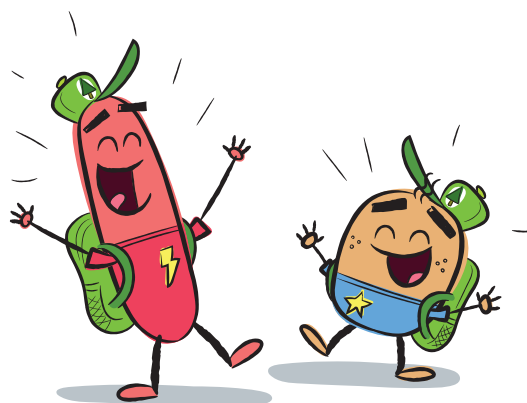
Join a hot dog named Dog and a chicken nugget named Nugget as they go to summer camp in this hilarious third book in the Level 2 Ready-to-Read Graphics series by Jason Tharp!

Nugget and Dog are going to summer camp with their friends. Everyone is excited for ghost stories, hiking, and—best of all—s'mores! Especially Dijon. He's going to see his cousin Honey Mustard, and he has an evil plan like no other! Will it go his way, or will things get a little bit sticky?

Publication Date: May 2022

Ages: 5–7

Page Extent: 64 pp



BOO! HISS!

By Cyndi Marko
Imprint: Aladdin

**A GRAPHIC NOVEL
CHAPTER BOOK**

A ghoulish ghost and a slithery snake want their own home sweet home—no humans allowed—in this delightfully spooky graphic novel chapter book.

Ghost and Snake live in an old, old house. All by their lonesome, with no one to bother them. They go about their days hooting and hissing, until a family—a human one!—moves in and disturbs their peace and quiet. A crying baby? A barking dog? A wailing saxophone? How will they ever stop all this noise and reclaim their home?

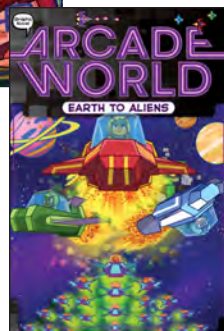
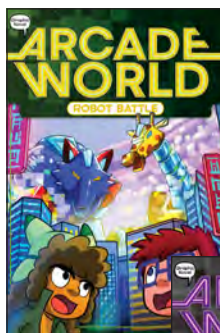
Their plan involves lots of scaring and slithering, and they're sure once the family sees them, out they'll move! But could it be that having a noisy, barking, laughing family around isn't all that bad?

Publication Date: August 2022

Ages: 6–9

Page Extent: 80 pp





ARCADE WORLD

#3: ROBOT BATTLE

#4: EARTH TO ALIENS

#5: RACE TO THE FINISH

#6: DRAGON FLAMES

By Nate Bitt
Imprint: Little Simon

Welcome to Arcade World, where dreams (and nightmares) come true!

Travis and Journey are best friends who love video games. After school, they head straight to Arcade World, a mysterious arcade filled with games no one has ever heard of. And no one holds higher scores than Travis and Journey.

But there's a dark secret brewing at the arcade. Video games are turning into a real danger because they are coming to life. Now it's up to Travis and Journey to save the world from pixelated Minibosses and stop this video game takeover before it's game over.

Publication Date: #3: May 2022; #4: September 2022;
#5: December 2022; #6: February 2023

Ages: 5–9

Page Extent: 144 pp



DRAGON KINGDOM OF WRENLY

#8: THE SHATTERED SHORE

By Jordan Quinn
Imprint: Little Simon

The eighth installment of the exciting Dragon Kingdom of Wrenly graphic novel series!

Ruskin, Cinder, Groth, and Roke journey to the Shattered Shore to take part in an ancient dragon ritual. This hidden island serves as the entrance to the dragon After Realm and cradles the memories of every dragon who ever lived. Now the friends must leave memories of Villinelle on the shore, saying good-bye to one of their greatest enemies and perhaps their bravest ally. But there are more secrets to be discovered on the Shattered Shore that may help with the larger battle to come.

Publication Date: October 2022

Ages: 5–9

Page Extent: 144 pp

RIGHTS SOLD: Italian, Russian





SUPER TURBO, THE GRAPHIC NOVEL

#7: SUPER TURBO MEETS THE CAT-NAPPERS

#8: SUPER TURBO GETS CAUGHT

By Edgar Powers
 Imprint: Little Simon

In this adventurous graphic novel series, the classroom pets of Sunnyview Elementary band together to form a superpet superhero league. The fate of the world rests on their adorable shoulders!

Publication Date: #7: August 2022; #8: November 2022

Ages: 5–9

Page Extent: 144 pp

RIGHTS SOLD: Spanish



PUP DETECTIVES

#7: THE BIG BAD WOOF

#8: BATTLE OF THE BANDS

By Felix Gumpaw
 Imprint: Little Simon

In the world of priceless paintings, one name threatens to huff and puff and steal all the art in Pawston: the Big Bad Woof! Can the Pup Detectives catch this thief before he strikes again?

Publication Date: #7: June 2022; #8: October 2022

Ages: 5–9

Page Extent: 144 pp



READY★TO★READ

OODLES OF DOODLES!

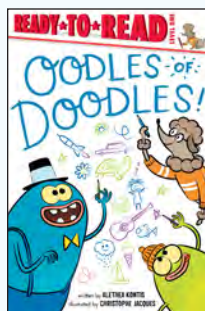
By Alethea Kontis
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Meet a poodle who can doodle oodles and oodles of noodles in this hilarious Level 1 Ready-to-Read by bestselling author Alethea Kontis!

Publication Date: September 2022

Ages: 4–6

Page Extent: 32 pp



SUPER GROSS

#1: ICKY, STICKY SLIME!

#2: GOING BUGGY!

#3: WHAT'S THAT SMELL?

#1 and #3 by Ximena Hastings

#2 by Patty Michaels

All titles illustrated by Alison Hawkins

Imprint: Simon Spotlight

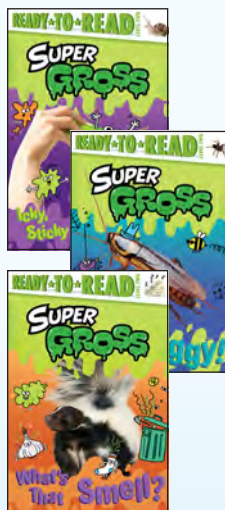
An introduction for beginning readers to the world of slimy, icky, buggy, and stinky things in this informative and fun nonfiction Level 2 Ready-to-Read series about all the grossest things!

Publication Date: #1 and #2: May 2022;

#3: August 2022

Ages: 5–7

Page Extent: 32 pp



TWINKLE MAKES MUSIC

By Katharine Holabird
Illustrated by Sarah Warburton
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

From the author of the global success *Angelina Ballerina* comes a new charming Level 2 Ready-to-Read for all those who love fairies, friendship, and music!

Publication Date: September 2022

Ages: 5–7

Page Extent: 32 pp



WHALE, QUAIL, SNAIL #2: WHEN WHALES FLY

By Erica S. Perl
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Whale, Quail, and Snail are back in another Level 2 Ready-to-Read about friendship from award-winning author Erica S. Perl. Snail tries to teach Whale to fly!

Publication Date: May 2022

Ages: 5–7

Page Extent: 32 pp



SHARK CHUMS

#1: CAN CLAM GO?

#2: CAN BLUE HIDE?

By Adam Lehrhaupt
Illustrated by Pauline Gregory
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

For fans of “Baby Shark” and *Finding Nemo*, this Pre-Level 1 Ready-to-Read series explores the charming and unlikely friendships that form under the sea.

Publication Date: #1: May 2022;

#2: August 2022

Ages: 3–5

Page Extent: 32 pp



STOMP

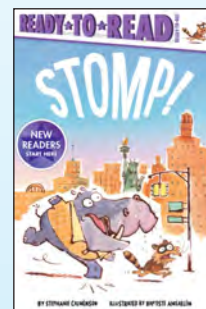
By Stephanie Calmenson
Imprint: Simon Spotlight

Two friends discover obstacle after obstacle on their way to a show in NYC with this fun new Ready-to-Go from author Stephanie Calmenson!

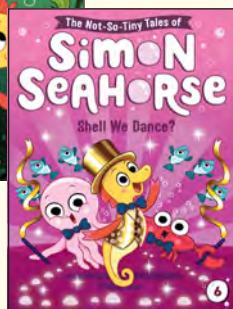
Publication Date: September 2022

Ages: 3–5

Page Extent: 32 pp



New Little Simon Chapter Books!



THE NOT-SO-TINY TALES OF SIMON SEAHORSE

#4: SUMMER SCHOOL OF FISH

#5: INTO THE KELP FOREST

#6: SHELL WE DANCE?

By Cora Reef

Illustrated by Jake McDonald

Meet Simon, a tiny seahorse with a not-so-tiny personality, in this new Little Simon chapter book series!

For his whole life, Simon Seahorse has lived in Coral Grove, a small village in the ocean. But from the stories he tells, you'd think he had traveled the seas! Follow along with Simon's underwater adventures—both real and imagined.

In *Summer School of Fish*, Simon and Olive are best friends, and no one can get in the way . . . right?

In *Into the Kelp Forest*, Simon tries to catch the mysterious Kelp Monster.

In *Shell We Dance?*, Simon's class is performing a dance in a school-wide showcase. Simon loves the spotlight, but can he figure out how to balance being a leader with being a team player?

Publication Date: #4: May 2022; #5: July 2022; #6: October 2022

Ages: 5–9

Page Extent: 128 pp

JEANIE & GENIE

#7: THE NEWEST TRICK IN THE BOOK

By Trish Granted

Illustrated by Manuela López

Bookworm Jeanie loves escaping into books. But what will she and Willow do when she *literally* escapes into the book she's reading?

Publication Date: August 2022

Ages: 5–9

Page Extent: 128 pp

RIGHTS SOLD: Hebrew



GOOD DOG

#9: SWEATER WEATHER

By Cam Higgins

Illustrated by Ariel Landy

The air is crisp, and the leaves are starting to change color on the Davis farm. The squirrels are busier, which means change is coming. And Bo's puppy dog senses are telling him that sweater-weather season is near!

Publication Date: August 2022

Ages: 5–9

Page Extent: 128 pp

RIGHTS SOLD: Lithuanian





THE ADVENTURES OF SOPHIE MOUSE

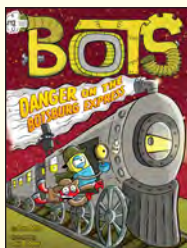
#19: THE WHISPERING WOODS

By Poppy Green • Illustrated by Jennifer A. Bell

Join Sophie Mouse and her woodland friends on their adventures.

Publication Date: September 2022

RIGHTS SOLD: Chinese (simplified), Lithuanian, Russian



BOTS

#12: DANGER ON THE BOTSBURG EXPRESS

By Russ Bolts • Illustrated by Jay Cooper

Meet Joe Bot and Rob Ot, the two most big-hearted but goofily annoying robots in the entire universe in the adorable and funny Bots chapter book series.

Publication Date: November 2021



CAPTAIN AWESOME

#24: CAPTAIN AWESOME VS. THE EVIL ICE CREAM JINGLE

By Stan Kirby • Illustrated by Doc Moran

Eugene McGillicuddy loves comic books and superheroes so much that he invents his very own alter ego named Captain Awesome! With best friend Charlie (a.k.a. Nacho Cheese Man), Captain Awesome protects his town!

Publication Date: June 2022



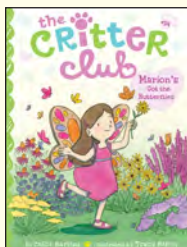
CRAFTILY EVER AFTER

#8: ONE BIG CRAFTY FAMILY

By Martha Maker • Illustrated by Xindi Yan

Join Emily, Maddie, Bella, and Sam as the four crafty friends dream up new projects to design, build, and create.

Publication Date: May 2021



THE CRITTER CLUB

#24: MARION'S GOT THE BUTTERFLIES

By Callie Barkley • Illustrated by Tracy Bishop

At the Critter Club, Amy, Ellie, Marion, and Liz rescue lost and lonely animals!

Publication Date: June 2022

RIGHTS SOLD: Hebrew



DAISY DREAMER

#12: SWEET DREAMS!

By Holly Anna • Illustrated by Genevieve Santos

Join Daisy Dreamer and her totally true imaginary friend, Posey, in the World of Make-Believe!

Publication Date: October 2020

RIGHTS SOLD: Hebrew



THE DATA SET

#9: S.O.S. FROM OUTER SPACE

By Ada Hopper • Illustrated by Glass House Graphics

What would happen if your next-door neighbor was a mad scientist? That's exactly what Gabe, Laura, and Cesar discover when Dr. Bunsen moves in next door, and suddenly their lives are filled with danger, action, trouble, and adventure!

Publication Date: March 2022



DESMOND COLE, GHOST PATROL

#15: THE BUBBLE GUM BLOB

By Andres Miedoso • Illustrated by Victor Rivas

A fearless eight-year-old runs his own ghost patrol, looking for ghosts, monsters, and mischief makers in this adventure-filled chapter book series.

Publication Date: April 2022

RIGHTS SOLD: French, Russian



GALAXY ZACK

#17: SNOW PLACE LIKE HOME

By Ray O'Ryan • Illustrated by Jason Kraft

Get to know Galaxy Zack—and his new home planet!—in this out-of-this-world illustrated chapter book series.

Publication Date: October 2018



GREETINGS FROM SOMEWHERE

#10: THE MYSTERY OF THE SECRET SOCIETY

By Harper Paris • Illustrated by Marcos Calo

In this exciting series, twins Ethan and Ella solve mysteries and find friends as they journey around the world to a new place in each book!

Publication Date: March 2016

For all chapter books:

Ages: 5–9 **Page Extent:** 128 pp

Easy-to-read text and illustrations on almost every page make these chapter book series perfect for newly independent readers.



HEIDI HECKELBECK

#34: HEIDI HECKELBECK AND THE WILD RIDE

By Wanda Coven • Illustrated by Priscilla Burris

Join Heidi Heckelbeck and her friends at Brewster Elementary on their charming adventures as they face everyday challenges with help from Heidi's magical *Book of Spells*.

Publication Date: December 2021

RIGHTS SOLD: French, Hebrew, Hungarian, Spanish



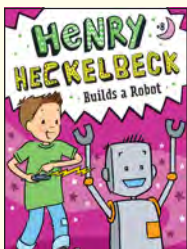
MIA MAYHEM

#12: MIA MAYHEM AND THE CAT BURGLAR

By Kara West • Illustrated by Leeza Hernandez

Mia Mayhem is a witty, action-packed series about a regular girl who has a *super* secret—she's a superhero-in-training—and when she goes on adventures . . . mishaps follow.

Publication Date: August 2022



HENRY HECKELBECK

#8: HENRY HECKELBECK BUILDS A ROBOT

By Wanda Coven • Illustrated by Priscilla Burris

Join Heidi Heckelbeck's little brother, Henry, on all-new adventures as he deals with everyday childhood challenges . . . with a bit of help from his own magical Book of Spells in this bewitching chapter book series.

Publication Date: January 2022



RIDER WOOFSON

#10: THE VERY FIRST CASE

By Walker Styles • Illustrated by Ben Whitehouse

Meet Rider Woofson, a dog detective with a nose for finding clues and trouble. Along with his pack of canine investigators, these pups are always on a hunt to collar criminals!

Publication Date: March 2018



ITTY BITTY PRINCESS KITTY

#11: THE FROST FESTIVAL

By Melody Mews • Illustrated by Ellen Stubbings

Join Itty Bitty Princess Kitty on her royal adventures!

Publication Date: September 2022



SUPER TURBO

#9: SUPER TURBO AND THE FOUNTAIN OF DOOM

By Lee Kirby • Illustrated by George O'Connor

He's not just the class pet hamster, he's SUPER TURBO! In this hilarious series that's packed with adventure, Captain Awesome's loyal sidekick is the star of the show!

Publication Date: August 2019

For all chapter books:

Ages: 5–9 **Page Extent:** 128 pp



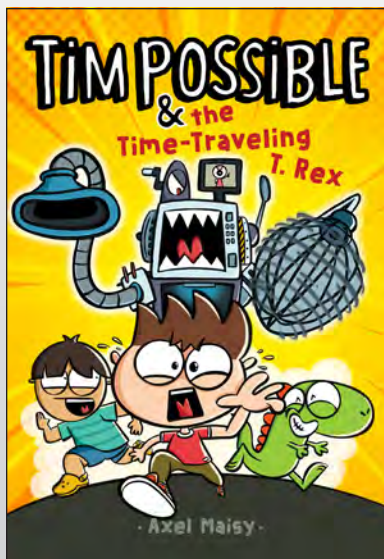
THE KINGDOM OF WRENLY

#17: GOBLIN MAGIC

By Jordan Quinn • Illustrated by Robert McPhillips

Prince Lucas and Clara meet a mysterious young goblin in this magical Kingdom of Wrenly story!

Publication Date: December 2021



TIM POSSIBLE

#1: TIM POSSIBLE & THE TIME-TRAVELING T. REX

By Axel Maisy
Imprint: Aladdin

For fans of Timmy Failure and My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish comes a wacky new series about two best friends and the time-traveling T. rex who forever changes their lives.

Tim and Tito are best friends whose world gets upended when a time-traveling T. rex named Oskar suddenly appears in Tim's backyard. That's right, a time-traveling T. rex, who knows too much for his or Tim and Tito's good. Sure, Oskar's prehistoric spaceship is awesome. But when Tim mistakenly gulps down something called Impossible Juice, the boys find themselves not only battling a loony, robotic lunch lady but also Oskar's evil AI assistant.

Is humanity as they know it on the brink of doom? Or can Tim, Tito, and Oskar save the day?

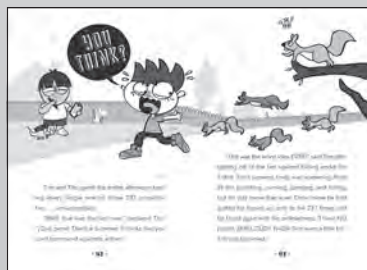
Book #2: *Tim Possible & All That Buzz* will follow in Spring 2023!

AXEL MAISY was born and raised in Barcelona and has lived most of his adult life in Hong Kong. He currently lives in Mill Valley, California. When he is not writing or drawing big-eyed characters, Axel spends his time watching squirrels and unsuccessfully chasing raccoons away from his vegetable garden.

Publication Date: August 2022

Ages: 7–10

Page Extent: 208 pp/15K words





ASTRID THE ASTRONAUT

#1: THE ASTRONOMICALLY GRAND PLAN

#2: THE UNLUCKY LAUNCH

By Rie Neal
Illustrated by Talitha Shipman
Imprint: Aladdin

In this brand-new chapter book series, a young girl is determined to be the first astronaut with hearing aids in space!

In *The Astronomically Grand Plan*, Astrid and her best friend, Hallie, are going to be in their first year of Shooting Stars, a club dedicated to all things space—and this year, there is a big, wonderful prize: a trip to a real-life space camp!

But it turns out that Hallie is more interested in the art club, and Astrid isn't sure that her goal of exploring space will happen the same way without her BFF by her side. Can Astrid figure out a way to complete her mission?

Astrid and her fellow Shooting Stars will be building rockets of their very own in *The Unlucky Launch*. What's more exciting is the guest helper, Leah, who actually worked on the Space-E team that was responsible for the launch Astrid and her friends got to see! But it turns out that Leah's design might not be the best. Can Astrid use her voice to show there is more than one solution for a perfect takeoff?

Publication Date: #1 and #2: July 2022; #3: October 2022

Ages: 6–9

Page Extent: #1: 112 pp; #2: 96 pp; #3: 96 pp/9K words each

THE INVINCIBLE GIRLS CLUB

#4: QUILTING A LEGACY

#5: RECESS ALL-STARS

By Rachele Alpine and Steph B. Jones
Illustrated by Addy Rivera Sonda
Imprint: Aladdin

The Invincible Girls are determined to make a positive difference in their school and community through volunteering and acts of kindness in this chapter book series that is perfect for fans of The Baby-Sitter's Club.

In *Quilting a Legacy*, Myka's Gammy has a special surprise for her—a quilt that was created by the women in their family for generations. Myka wants to carry on the tradition and signs herself and Gammy up for quilting classes. But quilting turns out to be a lot harder than she expected. Will Myka be able to complete the family quilt, or is this one task that's too hard to tackle?

In *Recess All-Stars*, Lauren wants to be a football announcer, but when she tells this to her classmates during career week, all she gets are questions about how she could talk about a sport she doesn't even play. And to top it off, when she wants to play kickball at recess, the boys say, "No way!"

Lauren challenges them to a game: boys against girls. The prize: control of the kickball field during recess. Will Lauren be able to get the girls ready for the big game?

Publication Date: #4: July 2022; #5: November 2022

Ages: 7–10

Page Extent: 160 pp/18K words





ADVENTURES IN FOSTERLAND

#1: EMMETT AND JEZ

#2: SUPER SPINACH

By Hannah Shaw

Illustrated by Bev Johnson

Imprint: Aladdin

From *New York Times* bestselling author Hannah Shaw—also known as Kitten Lady—comes an exciting and heartwarming new chapter book series following kittens and other baby animals in Fosterland!

In the first book in the series, a tiny piglet named Emmett becomes lost when he bounces off the truck carrying his family. Then a giant scoops Emmett up and takes him to a wonderful, magical place called Fosterland, where he meets a kitten named Jez. Emmett has a lot of questions, and once he hears all about life as a kitten, he decides it's much better than being a piglet. So Emmett decides to become a kitten instead! Problem solved—until Jez and Emmett realize they might be headed off to different forever homes.

In *Super Spinach*, Spinach the kitten wants to play with the four feisty kittens that live beside her. But Spinach is sick, so she has to watch from the sidelines. Then Spinach is taken to the vet's office, where they fix her right up. Now she can jump, pounce, and play! The old tomcat at the vet's said she'd have to be a superhero to get through the procedure so . . . that must mean she now has superpowers! Super Spinach is taken to Fosterland, where she gets a sidekick and an awesome superhero uniform. But when her supersuit is taken away, will Super Spinach still be able to save the day?

Publication Date: June 2022

Ages: 6–9

Page Extent: #1: 144 pp; #2: 176 pp/13K words

CATALINA INCOGNITO

#3: OFF-KEY

By Jennifer Torres

Illustrated by Gladys Jose

Imprint: Aladdin

One Day at a Time meets Junie B. Jones in this charming new chapter book series about Catalina Castaneda, a Mexican American girl with a magical sewing kit!

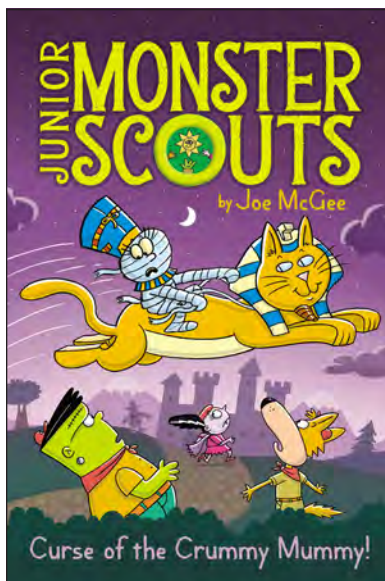
Catalina can't wait for the upcoming school talent show! Along with some of her classmates, they decide to rock out and form a band for the big day. But Catalina has some . . . specific ideas on how the band should look and sound. Can Catalina learn to be part of the band, or will she find herself working on a solo act?

Publication Date: #3: July 2022; #4: November 2022

Ages: 6–9

Page Extent: 112 pp/11K words





JUNIOR MONSTER SCOUTS

#6: CURSE OF THE CRUMMY MUMMY!

By Joe McGee

Illustrated by Ethan Long

Imprint: Aladdin

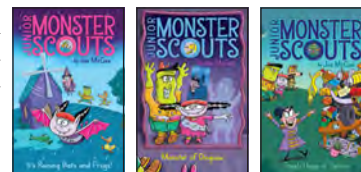
The further funny adventures of the Junior Monster Scouts, a chapter book series for fans of Eerie Elementary and Hotel Transylvania!

The Junior Monster Scouts are going to host an exchange scout! A mummy is going to come stay at Castle Dracula for the summer, but she brings her pet Sphinx, which gets off leash and runs around causing trouble—and those who can't answer its riddles are turned to stone! The JMS and the Mummy have to stop the escaped Sphinx, answer her riddles, and get her to turn everyone—including the mayor, and Baron von Grump and Baroness von Grumpier—back to normal.

Publication Date: October 2022

Ages: 7–10

Page Extent: 128 pp/9K words



WITCHES OF PECULIAR

#2: THRILLER NIGHT

#3: MONSTROUS MATCHMAKERS

By Luna Graves

Imprint: Aladdin

***Wizards of Waverly Place* meets *Halloweentown* in this brand-new series about supernatural sisters whose unpredictable magic causes trouble for their suburban monster community hiding in plain sight.**

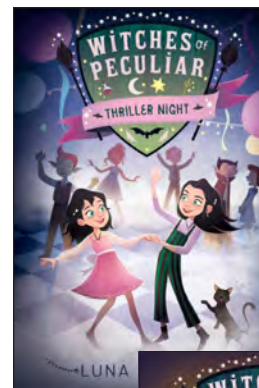
Bella and Donna Maleficent, like all the other supernatural kids in Peculiar, Pennsylvania, are just trying to survive middle school. They are starting sixth grade at Y.I.K.E.S.S.S. (Yvette I. Koffin's Exceptional School for Supernatural Students), where the students learn the ins and outs of doling out the scares (if that's the path they so choose—being a podiatrist is also a perfectly acceptable future) as well as how to live their best supernatural lives alongside humans.

Unlike most of their classmates, who blend in fairly well aside from occasional incidents—a pubescent werewolf who displays a suspicious amount of body hair on the community basketball court or a ghost who forgets to open a door and just walks through it—Bella and Donna are usually one spell away from a PR disaster. Because while their magic is powerful, Bella and Donna don't quite have a handle on their (witch)crafter yet. Can they get through the sixth grade without turning any humans into toads when they attend the Peculiar Public School fall dance or creating havoc when they attempt to bring a little love into their headmistress's life?

Publication Date: #2: July 2022; #3: November 2022

Ages: 7–10

Page Extent: #2: 160 pp/19K words; #3: 128 pp/18K words



ONCE THERE WAS

SIX-FIGURE
MARKETING
CAMPAIGN!



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ONCE THERE WAS

By Kiyash Monsef

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

***All Creatures Great and Small* meets *Fantastic Beasts* and *Where to Find Them*, with imagination and storytelling worthy of Philip Pullman and Neil Gaiman!**

Marjan Dastani is an Iranian-American girl. After her father is murdered, she discovers that he was secretly no ordinary veterinarian, but rather a traveling vet who cared for manticores, griffins, and other magical creatures out of the bedtime tales he told her as a child. As Marjan is pulled into a dark and twisty world of age-old alliances and power struggles—eccentric billionaires, ancient magic systems, and one very unlikely menagerie—she also finds unexpected allies along the way: a runaway teen witch desperate for some real magic (and real friendship) and a very charming British boy who knows too well the reality of raising one of these beasts.

But the deeper in Marjan gets, the closer she is to uncovering the truth about her father's death and the true secret of the creatures—a truth that, in the wrong hands, could put humanity and creatures alike in the gravest of danger.

***Once There Was* has been optioned for film/TV by Imagine Entertainment and joined the Simon & Schuster list in a dramatic preempt for world rights.**

Publication Date: March 2023

Ages: 10 up

Page Extent: 400 pp/110K words

RIGHTS SOLD: Czech, Finnish, German, Italian, Russian, UK



ZACHARY YING AND THE DRAGON EMPEROR

By Xiran Jay Zhao

Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

Aru Shah meets Tristan Strong in this hilarious and action-packed contemporary fantasy series following twelve-year-old Zachary Ying, who has to team up with the ghost of the First Emperor of China to keep the spirits of the underworld from escaping.

Zachary has always known he was different from all the other white kids in his small Maine town, but he's never been interested in learning about his Chinese heritage—not after he and his mom had to flee to America. But everything changes when Zack learns that he is a descendent of the First Emperor of China and was born to host his spirit for a mission in the modern world: to seal the portal to the underworld that is leaking spirits.

When the emperor accidentally possesses his gaming headset instead, this mistake leads to a failed battle that ends with demons taking Zack's mom's soul. To save her, Zack must complete the mission by journeying across China to find artifacts and defeat figures from history and myth with one of humanity's most infamous tyrants yapping in his headset—or else the spirits of the underworld will flood into the mortal realm, and he could lose his mom forever.

Publication Date: May 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 352 pp/80K words

RIGHTS SOLD: Czech, German, Portuguese (Brazil), Russian

GROUNDING FOR ALL ETERNITY

By Darcy Marks

Imprint: Aladdin

The Good Place meets Sabrina the Teenage Witch in the first book of this snarky, action-packed middle-grade adventure series about a group of kids from Hell who have to smuggle a rogue spirit back from Earth before their parents realize they're gone.

Mal and his friends are just your regular average kids from Hell. The suburbs, that is, not the fiery pit part. They usually don't cause any more trouble than any of the other fiends running around, but all of that changes when Hell's bells ring out—signaling that a soul has escaped from one of the eternal circles.

After a bit of exploring gets out of hand, the friends slip through the veil of the dimensions and find themselves in the middle of Salem, Massachusetts, on Halloween night. And what's even worse, they've managed to bring the escaped soul with them! As the essence of one of history's greatest manipulators gains power by shifting the balance on Earth, Mal and his squad mates, along with some new friends they meet along the way, work desperately to trap the escapee, save the people of Earth from the forces of evil, and find the portal back to their own dimension.

If they can't manage it before their parents notice they've left, they'll be grounded for an eternity. And where they come from, an eternity is a very, very long time.

Publication Date: July 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 384 pp/71K words





THE CLACKITY

By Lora Senf

Illustrated by Alfredo Cáceres

Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

Reminiscent of *Doll Bones*, this deliciously eerie middle-grade novel tells the story of a girl who must enter a world of ghosts, witches, and monsters to play a game with deadly consequences.

Evie Von Rathe lives in Blight Harbor—the seventh most haunted town in America—with Aunt Desdemona, the local paranormal expert. Des has only one rule: stay out of the abandoned slaughterhouse at the edge of town. But when Des goes missing, Evie has no choice but to enter the ominous building.

There she meets The Clackity, a creature who lives in the shadows and seams of the slaughterhouse. The unsettling entity will help Evie get Des back . . . for a price. She must find the ghost of John Jeffrey Pope, a serial killer who once terrorized Blight Harbor long ago. Evie reluctantly agrees to journey into a chilling otherworld filled with hungry witches, penny-eyed ghosts, and other dangerously fickle beings, all while being pursued by a dead man whose only goal is to add Evie to his collection of victims. Will she ever find Des, or is The Clackity plotting something far more sinister?

Publication Date: June 2022

Ages: 10–12

Page Extent: 288 pp/64K words

RIGHTS SOLD: French



NAOMI TEITELBAUM ENDS THE WORLD

By Samara Shanker

Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

A spooky middle-grade adventure about a girl whose magical bat mitzvah gift gets out of control and thrusts her into a supernatural quest with the fate of the world at stake, perfect for fans of Aru Shah

Naomi Teitelbaum is so ready for her bat mitzvah. Her prayers are memorized, and she's definitely got a handle on her Torah portion (well, almost). Then she receives a mysterious package containing a tiny clay Golem that comes to life and obeys her every command. It's fun at first: Who wouldn't want a small magical helper?

But with each command, the Golem grows. What's even weirder is that creepy, unnatural creatures have started following Naomi around. To keep the Golem safely out of sight (and herself out of trouble), she sends him away with instructions to help save the world.

Unfortunately, this leaves more room for interpretation than Naomi thought. When the Golem starts wreaking havoc all over town, Naomi and her friends Eitan and Becca realize that it's up to them to stop him. Soon they find themselves facing down dybbuks, demons, and a congregation of ghosts.

Publication Date: September 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 256 pp/44K words





THE SUMMER OF JUNE

By Jamie Sumner

Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

From the acclaimed author of *Roll with It* and *Tune It Out* comes an inspirational and engaging middle-grade book about a young girl who sets out to overcome her anxiety over the course of one life-changing summer.

Twelve-year-old June Delancey is kicking summer off with a bang. She shaves her head and sets two goals: she will beat her anxiety and be the lion she knows she can be, instead of the mouse everyone sees. And she and her single mama will *own* their power as fierce, independent females.

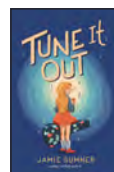
With the help of Homer Juarez, the poetry-citing soccer star who believes in June even when she doesn't believe in herself, she starts a secret library garden and hatches a plan to make her dreams come true. But when her anxiety becomes too much, everything begins to fall apart. It's going to take more than a haircut and some flowers to set things right. It's going to take courage and friends and watermelon pie. Forget second chances. This is the summer of new beginnings.

Publication Date: May 2022

Ages: 10 up

Page Extent: 208 pp/44K words

RIGHTS SOLD FOR *ROLL WITH IT*: French



THE SECRETS OF STONE CREEK

By Briana McDonald

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

From homegrown talent Briana McDonald, author of *Pepper's Rules for Secret Sleuthing*, comes the story of Finley Walsh, a young girl determined to be the greatest adventurer the world has ever known.

Finley and her best friend Sophie used to be adventurers—until Sophie found new friends. Now she doesn't have time for Finley's games. So when Finley and her brothers are sent to stay with their estranged uncle, she decides that Oliver and Griffin will accompany her on adventures instead. As they set off to explore the town of Stone Creek, however, they find themselves at odds with one another and with the townspeople, and they realize some places are better left unexplored. . . .

Publication Date: November 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 256 pp/98K words





THE TANGLED MYSTERIES #2: TANGLED UP IN NONSENSE

By Merrill Wyatt

Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

Sloane Osborn and Amelia Miller-Poe's quest to find a missing fortune becomes dangerous when other detectives join the search in this new fun-filled mystery for fans of Book Scavenger and Lemons.

When Sloane Osborn and Amelia Miller-Poe arrived at Tangle Glen mansion, they had one goal: find the two million dollars that went missing on its premises decades ago. Solving the mystery would be just the kind of splashy victory their new detective agency needs to gain traction.

Except that everything at Tangle Glen—from the weirdly intense peony competition to the mansion's cook, who may or may not be hiding murder dolls in the attic—seems to get in the way of their investigation. And when it becomes clear that Amelia and Sloane aren't the only ones searching for the missing millions, things start to get downright dangerous.

Publication Date: November 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 256 pp/65K words



THE GHOST OF SPRUCE POINT

By Nancy Tandon

Imprint: Aladdin

A young boy must unravel a curse to save his family's beloved Maine motel in this spooky middle-grade novel sure to delight fans of Goosebumps and Scritch Scratch!

Twelve-year-old Parker has grown up in his family's Home Away Inn, nestled on a wooded peninsula in Maine called Spruce Point. His best friend, Frankie, has been staying at the inn every summer for years with her family. Together they've had epic adventures based out of a nearby old tree house that serves as their official headquarters for Kids Confidential Meetings.

But lately business at the inn hasn't been great, and Parker is pretty sure he knows why. It's long been rumored that Mrs. Gruvlig, one of the few year-rounders on Spruce Point, has unique abilities of the supernatural kind. And Frankie is absolutely sure she saw a ghost on Mrs. Gruvlig's property! As more and more spooky happenings occur around the point, Parker and Frankie are convinced Spruce Point has been officially cursed.

Publication Date: August 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 336 pp/49K words





NEW KIDS AND UNDERDOGS

By Margaret Finnegan

Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

When perpetual new kid Robyn signs up her special-needs dogs for agility training, she gets an unexpected lesson in friendship in this funny and moving novel from Margaret Finnegan.

Robyn Kellen has been the new kid six times. She's practically an expert on the subject and has developed foolproof rules to help her get by: blend in, don't go looking for trouble, and move on. Unfortunately, Robyn's mom has a rule too: Robyn must do an afterschool activity.

When Robyn discovers a dog agility class, she thinks she's found the perfect thing . . . until her dogs, Sundae and Fudge, are rejected from the class. Sundae won't do anything without Fudge, and Fudge is deaf and blind, and the instructor refuses to change the rules to fit their needs. Luckily, the instructor's grandson, Nestor—a legend at Robyn's new school—offers Robyn a deal: if she helps him with math, he'll train Sundae and Fudge. Problem is, Robyn isn't so great at math herself, so she's forced to recruit the class outcast, Alejandra, to help.

Suddenly Robyn finds herself surrounded by people who do anything *but* blend in, and sticking to her rules becomes harder than ever. But as Robyn learns how to adapt the rules of agility for Sundae and Fudge, she will find that some rules are worth breaking altogether.

Publication Date: October 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 288 pp/58K words



ZARA'S RULES FOR FINDING HIDDEN TREASURE

By Hena Khan

Illustrated by Wastana Haikal

Imprint: Salaam Reads

Zara Saleem is back at it again in this delightful follow-up to *Zara's Rules for Record-Breaking Fun*. Zara gets into trouble when she tries to start her own business!

Zara and her friends love riding bikes together—so when Zara's brand-new bike goes missing from the park one day, she's heartbroken (not to mention in a world of trouble with her parents). How will she join her friends on their adventures without a bike? With her parents insisting she earn the money to pay for a new one, Zara must find her entrepreneurial spirit and figure out how to start a business. Will a lemonade stand work? How about selling decorated rocks?

When Zara uncovers a cache of old knickknacks in her family's basement, she's sure she's found the answer. She and Naomi turn their red wagon into a Treasure Wagon and sell knickknacks all over the neighborhood. But when a mix-up gets her into hot water again, Zara's got to find a way to get herself out of trouble and onto the seat of a new bike!

Publication Date: October 2022

Ages: 7–10

Page Extent: 160 pp/18K words





LIES I TELL MYSELF

By Beth Vrabel

Imprint: Atheneum Books for Young Readers

In this moving and funny companion to the acclaimed *To Tell You the Truth*, Raymond has a life-changing summer when he's sent to Maine to stay with the grandparents he's never met.

Raymond has always preferred to leave adventuring to other people. But then he's sent across the country, against his will, to spend the summer before fifth grade with grandparents who think he's "troubled" and who set up playdates for him. Determined to show everyone how brave, confident, and *untroubled* he can be, Raymond hatches a three-step plan:

1. Learn to ride a bike. His mom never got around to teaching him before she left.
2. Learn how to swim.
3. Make friends. On his own.

But can Raymond really change, or is this whole plan just a bunch of lies he's telling himself? With the help of his great-grandfather's old journal, a feral chicken, and a possibly imaginary new friend, Raymond might just overcome his fears and figure out who he really wants to be.

Publication Date: June 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 288 pp/58K words



BEST FRIENDS, BIKINIS, AND OTHER SUMMER CATASTROPHES

By Kristi Wientge

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

For fans of Barbara Dee and Shannon Hale, this poignant coming-of-age middle-grade novel explores the ups and down of best friends, crushes, and backyard projects during a summer full of changes and possibilities.

Alex has always known her best friend and next-door neighbor, Will, will be there for her. That's just how it's always been. Until a girl from the pool named Rebekah comes over to them and says hi. Suddenly, Will is changing his clothes, restyling his hair, and breaking all their summer plans. Alex is *not* happy about it.

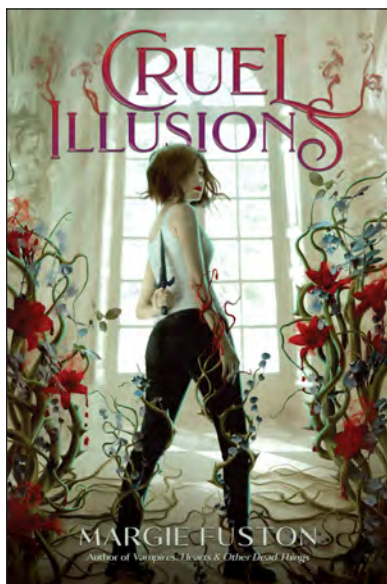
Every summer she and Will come up with a new challenge. This year, it's a tree house. Now Alex is wrangling up summer jobs and keeping tabs on the new girl, hoping that in completing their tree house, she can keep her summer from falling apart and still have her best friend at the end of it.

Publication Date: May 2022

Ages: 8–12

Page Extent: 256 pp/50K words





CRUEL ILLUSIONS

By Margie Fuston

Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

Caraval meets Buffy the Vampire Slayer in this story about a girl who joins a troupe of stage magicians offering her the chance to hunt the vampire who killed her mom—but only if she puts on the show of her life in a sinister competition where the magic is all real and the stakes are deadly.

Ava's mom died from an overdose—at least, that was the official story. But even at seven years old, Ava knew the neck wounds on her mother's body weren't normal. When vampires revealed themselves to the public just one year later, Ava suspected what really happened, and that gave her the fuel she needed to survive foster home after foster home: revenge.

While patrolling one night, Ava finds a hidden magic show downtown where she witnesses impossible illusions. The magicians may not be the bloodsuckers she's hunting, but Ava's convinced something supernatural is at play; when she sneaks backstage, they reveal that they've been waiting for her. The magicians are part of an ancient secret society with true magic, and Ava has the same power in her blood that they do. If Ava joins them as their apprentice, they promise to give her the power she needs to hunt vampires and avenge her mother. But there's a catch: if she wants to keep the power they offer, she needs to prove that she's worthy of it by taking part in a dangerous competition where illusion and reality blur, and the only way out is to win or die.

Publication Date: November 2022

Ages: 14 up

Page Extent: 512 pp/150K words

RIGHTS SOLD FOR *VAMPIRES, HEARTS & OTHER DEAD THINGS*: Italian, Russian



THE LAST MAGICIAN #4: THE SHATTERED CITY

By Lisa Maxwell

Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

Leigh Bardugo's Six of Crows meets Alexandra Bracken's Passenger in this spellbinding conclusion to the "vivid and compelling" (BCCB) *New York Times* bestselling Last Magician series.

Once, Esta believed that she could change the fate of magic. She traveled to the past and stopped the Magician from destroying a mystical book that held the key to freeing her people from the Brink, an energy barrier that traps all Mageus who cross it. But the Book was more than she bargained for. So was the Magician she was tasked to steal it from.

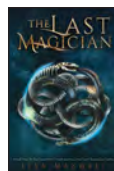
Hunted by an ancient evil, Esta and Harte have raced through time and across a continent to track down the powerful artifacts they need to bind the Book's devastating power. Now, with only one artifact left, their search has brought them back to New York, the city where it all began. But nothing in Manhattan is as they left it. Their friends have scattered, their enemies have grown more powerful, and as the deadly Brink beckons, their time is running out. If they can't find a way to end the threat they've created, then the very heart of magic will die—and it will take the world down with it.

Publication Date: December 2022

Ages: 14 up

Page Extent: 528 pp/227K words

RIGHTS SOLD FOR *THE LAST MAGICIAN*: Arabic, Dutch, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Russian, Spanish, Turkish





SO THIS IS EVER AFTER

By F.T. Lukens

Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

Carry On meets Arthurian legend in this funny, subversive fantasy about what happens after the chosen one wins the kingdom and has to get married to keep it . . . and to stay alive.

Arek hadn't thought much about what would happen after he and his ragtag group of quest companions completed the prophecy that said he was destined to save the kingdom from its wicked ruler. Unfortunately, now Arek is stuck as the new king, a role that comes with a magical catch: choose a spouse by your eighteenth birthday, or wither away into nothing. With his eighteenth birthday three months away and only his best friend, Matt, in on the secret, Arek embarks on a desperate bid to find a spouse to save his life—starting with his quest companions. But his attempts at wooing his friends go painfully and hilariously wrong . . . until he discovers that love might have been in front of him all along.

PRAISE FOR *IN DEEPER WATERS*:

"Lukens fills the pages with magic, humor, and waves of breath-stealing romance.

An inescapably great read!" —Julian Winters, award-winning author of *Running with Lions*

"An absolute joy from cover to cover." —Mackenzi Lee, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue*

Publication Date: March 2022

Ages: 14 up

Page Extent: 352 pp/90K words

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HOLLOW STAR SAGA #2: A CRUEL AND FATED LIGHT

By Ashley Shuttleworth

Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

Half-fae Arlo becomes entangled in the courtly intrigue at the Seelie Summer palace as danger for ironborns mounts in this gripping sequel to *A Dark and Hollow Star*—for fans of *The Cruel Prince* and *City of Bones*.

After thwarting the man behind the gruesome ironborn murders—and breaking several fae laws to do so—all Arlo wants is a quiet summer. As the deity of luck's Hollow Star, capable of bringing about endless possibilities, this shouldn't be too much to ask, right? But someone is still trying to summon the mythical Seven Deadly Sins. All signs point to immortal meddling, and if this is the gods' attempt at returning to the Mortal Realm, it's Arlo they're going to use to do it.

With the Summer Solstice quickly approaching, everyone expects the Seelie Summer Queen Riadne to finally challenge the High King for his crown. And as Arlo struggles to get control of her powers and take charge of her destiny, she'll soon be faced with a choice that won't only change the fate of the Mortal Realm forever, but could condemn it to a cruelty the likes of which the Courts have never known.

Publication Date: May 2022

Ages: 14 up

Page Extent: 640 pp/200K words

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ARC OF A SCYTHE: GLEANINGS

By Neal Shusterman

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

The *New York Times* bestselling *Arc of the Scythe* series continues with thrilling stories that span the timeline. Storylines continue. Origin stories are revealed. And new *Scythes* emerge!

There are still countless tales of the Scythedom to tell. Centuries passed between the Thunderhead cradling humanity and Scythe Goddard trying to turn it upside down. For years humans lived in a world without hunger, disease, or death with Scythes as the living instruments of population control.

Neal Shusterman—along with collaborators David Yoon, Jarrod Shusterman, Sofía Lapuente, Michael H. Payne, Michelle Knowlden, and Joelle Shusterman—returns to the world throughout the timeline of the *Arc of a Scythe* series. Discover secrets and histories of characters you’ve followed for three volumes and meet new heroes, new foes, and some figures in between.

Gleanings shows just how expansive, terrifying, and thrilling the world that began with the Printz Honor-winning *Scythe* truly is.

PRAISE FOR *SCYTHE*:

★ “Few endeavors ask the questions Shusterman faces head-on: in a world without death, what becomes of life? . . . This deals in what happens to men when there are no monsters.” —*Booklist*, starred review

★ “A truly outstanding, unputdownable read and a fast-paced beginning to an excellent sci-fi series.” —*School Library Journal*, starred review

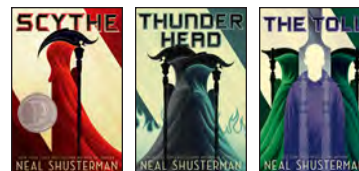
★ “Forces readers to confront difficult ethical questions . . . This powerful tale is guaranteed to make readers think deeply.” —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

Publication Date: November 2022

Ages: 12 up

Page Extent: 448 pp/99K words

RIGHTS SOLD FOR *SCYTHE*: Bulgarian, Chinese (complex), Czech, Dutch, French, Hebrew, Hungarian, Indonesian, Korean, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovak, Spanish, Thai, Turkish, UK, Ukrainian



ROXY

By Neal Shusterman and Jarrod Shusterman

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

The riveting new thriller from the team that brought you the *New York Times* bestseller *Dry* proves that when gods play games, even love is a lie.

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Ages: 14 up

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SHE GETS THE GIRL

By Rachael Lippincott and Alyson Derrick

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***She's All That* meets *What If It's Us* in this swoon-worthy hate-to-love YA romance from #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Five Feet Apart* Rachael Lippincott and debut novelist Alyson Derrick.**

Alex Blackwood, world's biggest flirt, knows how to get the girl. Keeping her, on the other hand, not so much.

Molly Parker, world's most socially anxious college freshman, knows she's in love with the impossibly cool Cora Myers. She just . . . hasn't actually talked to her yet.

Alex and Molly don't belong on the same planet, let alone the same college campus.

But when Alex, fresh off a bad (but hopefully not permanent) breakup, discovers Molly's hidden crush, they realize they might have a common interest after all. Because maybe if Alex volunteers to help Molly learn how to get her dream girl to fall for her, she can prove to her ex that she's not a selfish flirt. That she's ready for an actual commitment. And while Alex is the last person Molly would ever think she could trust, she can't deny Alex knows what she's doing with girls, unlike her.

As the two embark on their quests to get their girls to fall for them, though, they both begin to wonder if maybe they're the ones falling . . . for each other.

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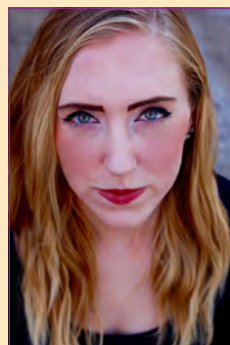


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EVERYONE HATES KELSIE MILLER

By Meredith Ireland

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Two frenemies head off on a road trip to get their exes back in this whip-smart second novel from the author of *The Jasmine Project*.

There's no one Kelsie Miller hates more than Eric Mulvaney Ortiz—the homecoming king, captain of the football team, and academic archrival in her hypercompetitive prep school. But after Kelsie's best friend, Brianna Hoffman, moves across the country and stops speaking to her, she'll do anything, even talk to Eric, to find out why.

After they run into each other—literally—at the last high school party of the summer, Eric admits he's been ghosted by his girlfriend, Jessica Lovelace. Kelsie tells him she's had zero contact from Brianna since she left their Upstate New York town.

Suddenly, a plan is formed: they'll go on a road trip to the University of Pennsylvania the following week when both Brianna and Jessica will be on campus. Together, they'll do whatever it takes to win back their exes. What could go wrong?

Used to succeeding in everything, Kelsie and Eric assume they'll naturally figure out the details on the drive down. What they don't expect is that the person they actually need may be the one sitting next to them.

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POSTCARDS FROM SUMMER

By Cynthia Platt

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***The Notebook* meets *Love & Gelato* in this heart-wrenching novel about a teen girl who travels to her late mother's majestic summertime home to learn of the romance—and the tragedy—that changed her life forever.**

Seventeen-year-old Lexi has always wanted to know more about the mother who passed away when she was only a child. But her dad will barely talk about her. He says he'd rather live in the present with Lexi, her stepmom, and her half brother.

But when Lexi's grandma dies and secretly leaves her a worn blue chest that belonged to Lexi's mother, Lexi is ecstatic to find a treasure trove of keepsakes, including a cryptic postcard that hints at a forbidden romance, all linked to a beautiful island getaway in Lake Huron. If Lexi wants answers, this island is where she needs to go.

Without telling her dad, Lexi decides to make the trip to trace her mother's footsteps, and quickly becomes smitten with the quaint cobblestone streets, the iconic bright white hotel that looms like a high castle, and the charming hotel worker she befriends. But though the island may be beautiful, it's hiding unfortunate secrets—some with her mother at the center. Could some questions be best left buried beneath the blue waters?

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LOVE FROM MECCA TO MEDINA

By S. K. Ali

Imprint: Salaam Reads

Adam and Zayneb are back in this surprising and romantic sequel to *Love from A to Z*, the novel Becky Albertalli called “bighearted” and “wildly charming”!

Adam and Zayneb. Perfectly matched. Painfully apart. Adam is in Doha making a map of the Hijra, a historic migration from Mecca to Medina, and is worried about where his next paycheck will come from. Zayneb is in Chicago, where school and extracurricular stresses are piling on top of a terrible frenemy situation, making her miserable.

Then a marvel occurs: Adam and Zayneb get the chance to spend Thanksgiving week on the Umrah, a pilgrimage to Mecca and Medina, in Saudi Arabia. Adam is thrilled; it's the reboot he needs and an opportunity to pray for a hijra in real life: to migrate to Zayneb in Chicago.

But the trip is nothing like what they expect. As one wedge after another drives them apart while they make their way through rites in the holy city, Adam and Zayneb start to wonder: was their meeting just an oddity after all? Or can their love transcend everything else like the greatest marvels of the world?

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RIGHTS SOLD FOR *LOVE FROM A TO Z*: Dutch, French, Indonesian



OTHER SIDE OF THE TRACKS

By Charity Alyse

Imprint: Denene Millner Books

This lilting debut about secret love, open hatred, and the teens who are caught between them is perfect for readers of *All American Boys* and *The Hate U Give*.

There is an unspoken agreement between the racially divided towns of Bayside and Hamilton: no one steps over the train tracks that divide them. Or else.

Not until Zach Whitman, anyway, a white boy from Philly who moves to Bayside with dreams of music. That dream takes him across the tracks to meet his idol, a famous jazz musician who owns a record shop in Hamilton. And it's this dream that flings him into Capri Collins's path.

Capri has big plans too: she wants to follow her late mother's famous footsteps, dancing her way onto Broadway and leaving Hamilton for good, just like her older brother Justin is planning to do when he goes off to college next year. As sparks fly, Zach and Capri realize that they can help each other turn hope into a reality, even if it means crossing the tracks to do it.

But one night changes everything. When the star of Hamilton's football team is murdered by a white Bayside cop, the long-standing feud between Bayside and Hamilton becomes an all-out war, and Capri, Justin, and Zach find themselves right in the middle of it.

Told from three points of view, this riveting debut is a keen exploration of the invisible constraints society wraps around people, both Black and white, and the sheer will it takes to bring us together.

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THE DO-OVER

By Lynn Painter

Imprint: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

In this riotous, young adult romp for fans of *Groundhog Day* and *Today Tonight Tomorrow*, a teen girl has the worst Valentine's Day ever—only to relive it over and over again.

After living through a dumpster fire of a Valentine's Day, Emilie Hornby escapes to her grandmother's house for some comfort and a consolation pint of ice cream. She passes out on the couch, but when she wakes up, she's back home in her own bed—and it's Valentine's Day all over again. And the next day? *Another* nightmare V-Day.

Emilie is stuck in some sort of time loop nightmare that she can't wake up from as she rewatches her boyfriend, Josh, cheat on her day after day. In addition to Josh's recurring infidelity, Emilie can't get away from the enigmatic Nick, who she keeps running into—sometimes literally—in unfortunate ways.

How many days can one girl passively watch her life go up in flames? And when something good starts to come out of those terrible days, what happens when the universe stops doling out do-overs?

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THOSE SUMMER NIGHTS

By Laura Silverman

Imprint: Margaret K. McElderry Books

After recovering from a life-changing injury, a teen girl must navigate a new summer job, an ex-best friend, and two surprisingly attractive coworkers in this romp of a rom-com for fans of Jenny Han and Siobhan Vivian.

Hannah used to be all about focus, back before she shattered her ankle and her Olympic dreams in one bad soccer play. These days, she's all about distraction—anything to keep the painful memories of her recent past at bay, including the string of bad decisions that landed her at boarding school for a year.

Enter Bonanza, the local entertainment multiplex and site of Hannah's summer employment. With its mini golf course, bowling alley, and arcade—not to mention her hot, flirty coworker Patrick—Bonanza seems like the perfect way to stay distracted. Until her boss announces the annual Bonanza tournament, a staff competition that brings her past Olympic nightmares crashing back into her present.

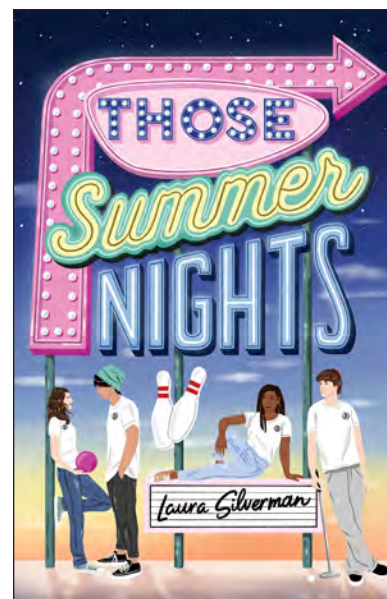
On top of that, the Bonanza staff includes Brie, the ex-best friend she cut off last year, and Ethan, her brother's best friend who became unreasonably attractive in her year away and who accepts her, even knowing her worst secrets. Under the neon lights of Bonanza, Hannah must decide whether she can find a way to discover a new self in the midst of her old life.

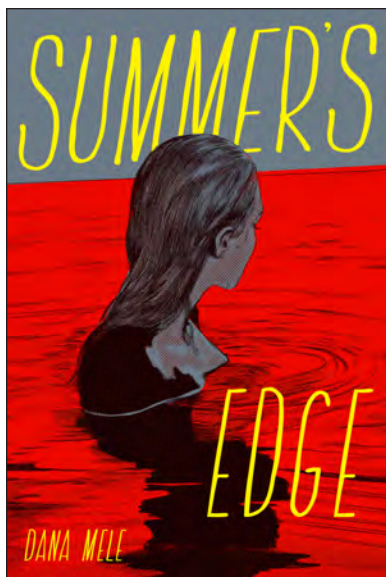
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SUMMER'S EDGE

By Dana Mele

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***I Know What You Did Last Summer* meets *The Haunting of Hill House* in this atmospheric, eerie thriller about a group of estranged friends who reunite at the lake house where their friend died last summer.**

Emily Joiner was inseparable from the others—a sister, a best friend, a lover, and a rival. Summers at the lake house without Emily were unthinkable.

Until a fire burned the lake house to ashes with Emily inside.

A year later, it's in Emily's honor that Chelsea and her four friends decide to return. The house awaits them, meticulously rebuilt. Only, Chelsea is haunted by ghostly visions. Golden boy Chase plays peacemaker when loner Ryan stirs up old hurts. All of which has perfect hostess Kennedy on edge as eerie events lead to a stunning accusation: Emily's death wasn't an accident. And the identity of the person responsible is hidden among clues in the lake house.

As old betrayals rise to the surface, Chelsea and her friends have one night to unravel a mystery spanning three summers, before a killer among them exacts their revenge. That is, if they can survive long enough to solve it.

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FOUR FOR THE ROAD

By K. J. Reilly

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The Perks of Being a Wallflower* meets *The End of the Fing World* in this dark young adult comedy about four unlikely friends dealing with the messy side of grief who embark on a road trip to Graceland.**

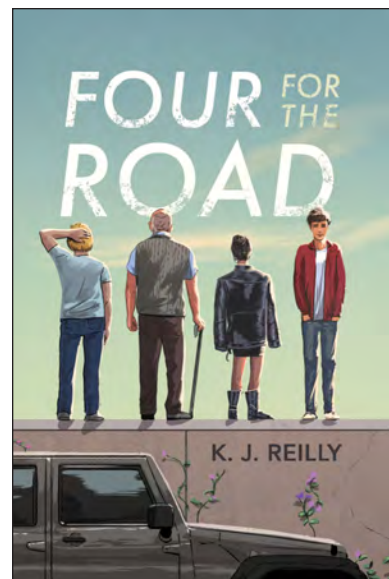
Asher Hunting wants revenge. Specifically, he wants revenge on the drunk driver who killed his mom and got off on a technicality. No one seems to think this is healthy, though, which is how he ends up in a bereavement group (well, bereavement *groups*. He goes to several.). It's there he makes some unexpected friends: Sloane, who lost her dad to cancer; Will, who lost his little brother to a different kind of cancer; and eighty-year-old Henry, who was married to his wife for fifty years until she decided to die on her own terms. And it's these three who Asher invites on a road trip from New Jersey to Graceland. Asher doesn't tell them that he's planning to steal his dad's car, or the real reason that he wants to go to Tennessee (spoiler alert: it's revenge)—but then again, the others don't share their reasons for going either.

Complete with unexpected revelations, lots of chicken Caesar salads at roadside restaurants, a stolen motorcycle, and an epic kiss at a rest stop minimart, what begins as the road trip to revenge might just turn into a path toward forgiveness.

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