



# ORCA BOOK PUBLISHERS

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# WELCOME

## WE'RE BACK!

**W**e have a remarkable list this Fall and are excited about our new directions. This catalogue debuts 48 new titles in multiple formats including Spanish, French and a number of Indigenous languages. We are also thrilled to be working with several new publishers and presenting their books to our customers: Inhabit Media, Flamingo Rampant and Québec Amérique. These publishers join Theytus Books and Pembroke Publishers, and enhance and expand on Orca's own offerings.

The pandemic helped us to hone our priorities and we moved ahead on a number of existing initiatives designed to make our books as widely available as possible. From Digital Class Sets + Licenses to tailored digital collections, we have been connecting with young readers across platforms. We have also been thinking about accessibility for those who have difficulty reading—whether that means dyslexia, low literacy, or different vision abilities. We are especially proud this year of our new line of accessible audiobooks with alternate text features and other attributes that will allow us to reach even more readers (see page 49).

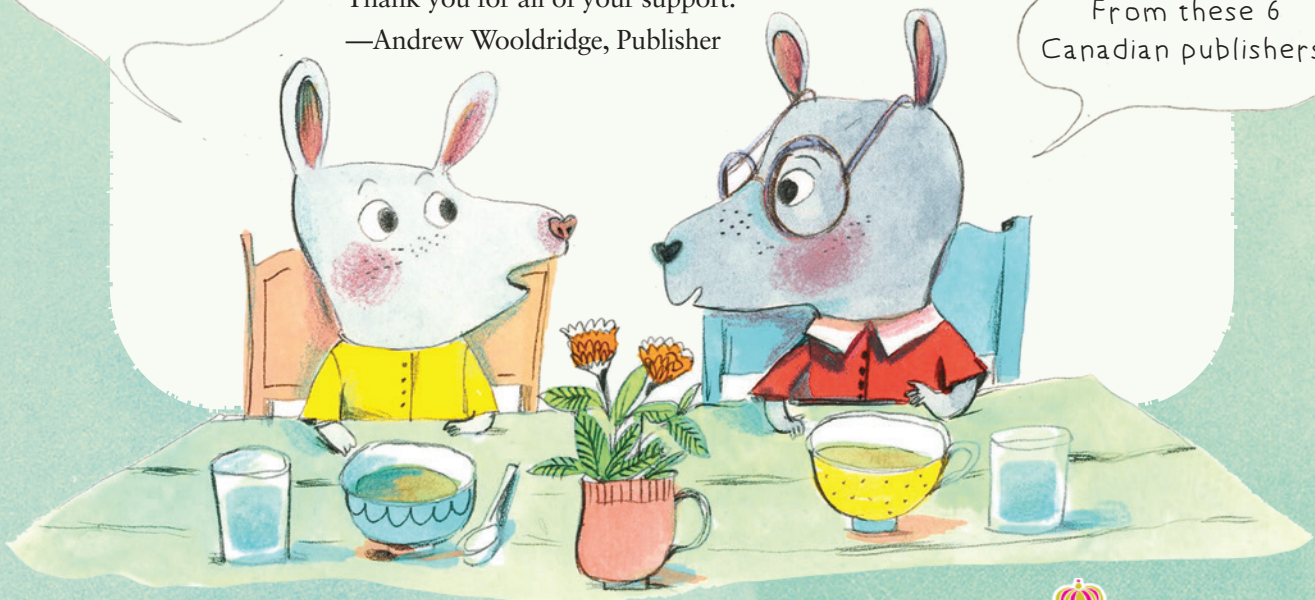
We have been witness to the resilience of bookstores, librarians and teachers and have seen people pull together for the good of others. We are again aware of the importance of human connections and the power of story and experience. We are so grateful for the support of those who create the books we produce and to those who help get them into the hands of young readers. Words matter, as do the books that contain them.

We'd love to hear what you think. Feel free to reach out to me directly at [andrew@orcabook.com](mailto:andrew@orcabook.com) or call 1-800-210-5277 and brighten our day. We always answer the phone.

Thank you for all of your support.  
—Andrew Wooldridge, Publisher

Where did these books come from?

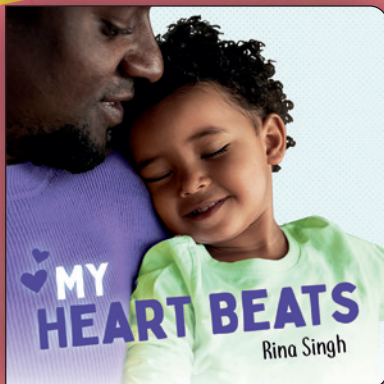
From these 6 Canadian publishers!



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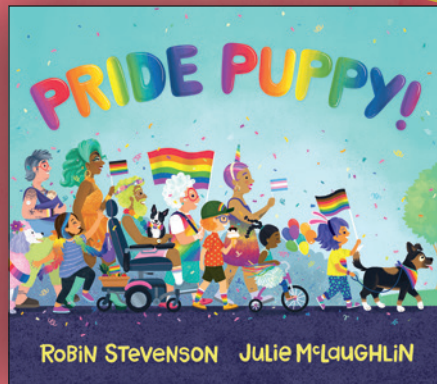
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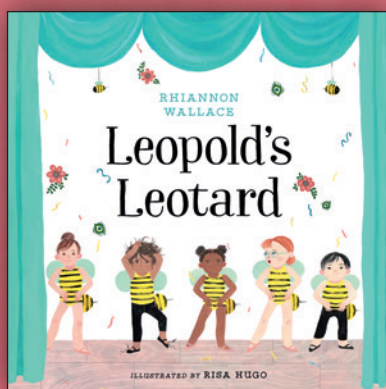
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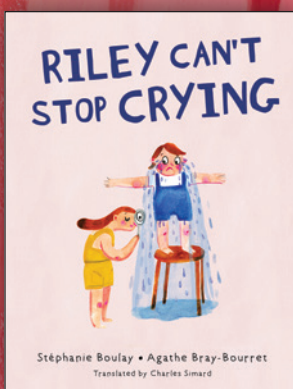
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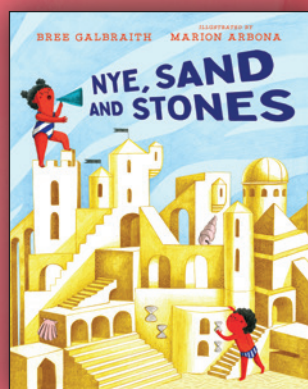
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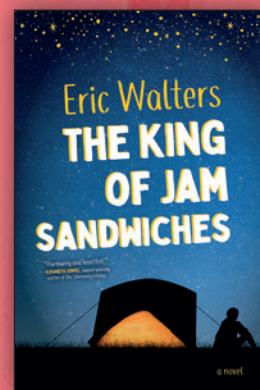
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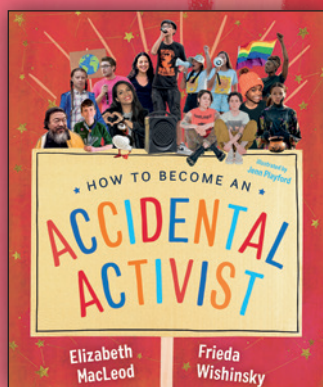
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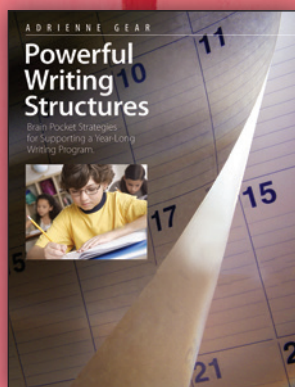
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AGES 0–2

SOUNDS | IMAGINATION & PLAY

MARKETING AND PROMO

- Print and online advertising campaigns
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- Extensive ARC distribution, including NetGalley
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**KEY SELLING POINTS**

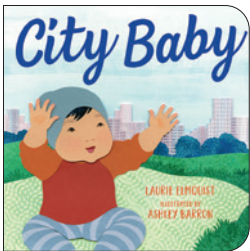
- Noises propel a reader through this story and encourage young children to try making the sounds themselves.
- The author's *Sun Dog* won the 2019 IODE Ontario Jean Throop Book award. Her other recent picture books include *When Molly Drew Dogs*, *Slow Moe* and *This House is Home*.
- The first in a series of sound-based board books from the author and illustrator with *Grumble Yawn* coming Winter 2022.

# Swish, Slosh

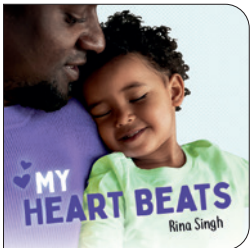
Deborah Kerbel • Illustrated by Jacqui Lee

*Let's make some noise!*

YOU MAY ALSO LIKE



**City Baby**  
9781459825925 • \$10.95  
AGES 0–2



**My Heart Beats**  
9781459825680 • \$10.95  
AGES 0–2

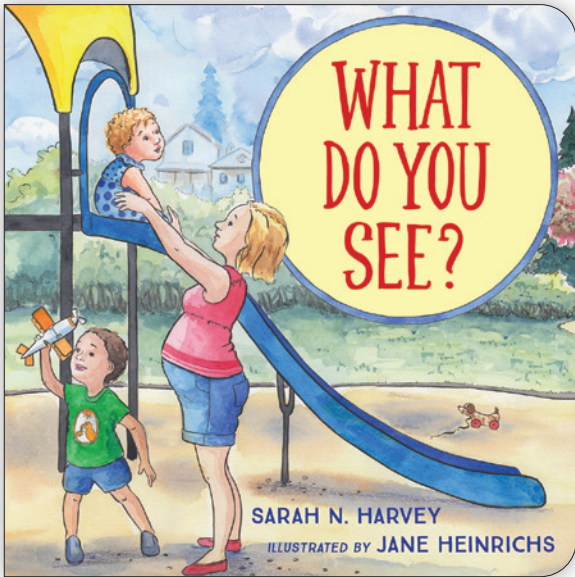
**S***wish Slosh* follows the onomatopoeic escapades of a young child and their dog as they delight in the tactile joy of getting messy. This toddler-friendly book is composed entirely of sounds and adults and children alike will delight in a sweet story that calls to be read aloud with joyful emphasis and humorous inflection. *Woosh swoosh slosh splosh*—readers will romp through a day at the beach, enjoy a sweet treat and noisily make their way through bedtime routine in this vibrant board book conceptualized and written by award-winning author Deborah Kerbel and illustrated by artist Jacqui Lee.

**DEBORAH KERBEL** is the critically-acclaimed, award-winning author of fifteen books for young people of all ages. Her books have been shortlisted for the Governor General's Literary Award, the Canadian Library Association's YA Book Award and the Forest of Reading Blue Spruce Award, among others. Born in London, England, Deborah was raised with a deaf sibling and has always been interested in the creative expressions people use to describe and mimic sounds. Deborah now lives and writes in Thornhill, Ontario.

**JACQUI LEE's** illustrations are focused on storytelling and are inspired by the world around her. Jacqui's *I Am Josephine* was a CCBC Best Book for Kids and Teens and she was awarded an Alcuin Society Award for Excellence in Book Design for *Murilla Gorilla and the Hammock Problem*. Her work is fun, cheerful and aims to bring a smile to people's faces. She loves the handmade and textural look of gouache paint and often carries a sketchbook with her, especially while traveling. An alumnus of the Alberta University of the Arts, she now lives in London, UK.

**THEMES:** onomatopoeia, concept book, sounds, toddlers, outdoor playtime





**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- This cute rhyming board book shows a baby growing over time with their family, from observing a mobile in a crib to moving into a 'big kid' bed.
- A seek-and-find book, with all the objects mentioned in the text found somewhere in the corresponding image.
- An excellent reminder for adults about how limited a child's world is to start and how much it expands on an almost daily basis.
- The rhythm and cadence of the text make this a perfect read-aloud selection.

**September 14, 2021**  
**9781459820883**

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 7 x 7 • 22 PAGES  
 AGES 0-2

**NEW EXPERIENCE |**  
**SENSES & SENSATION**

**MARKETING AND PROMO**

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# What Do You See?

Sarah N. Harvey • Illustrated by Jane Heinrichs

*What fills your world when you are so little?*

**W**hat's it like to see the world through the eyes of a child? This beautifully illustrated board book celebrates the point of view of children who are too small to tell you what they see but not too small to experience the joy of small things such as a colorful mobile, a favorite teddy, an older brother's Lego castle or a trip to the park. Young readers will take pleasure in finding all the objects the baby sees, and adults will enjoy the depiction of how a child's world expands on almost a daily basis.

**SARAH N. HARVEY** is the author of over a dozen acclaimed books for teens and children. She lives in Victoria, British Columbia, where she is a freelance editor and proud grandmother of three amazing grandchildren.

**JANE HEINRICHS** is a children's book writer and illustrator. Her art can be seen in the World Around Us nonfiction series and the Princess Angelica series in the Orca Echoes line of early chapter books. She starts her day at a clear desk with her huge sketchbook (for books) and her tiny sketchbook (for daily drawings) but usually ends up sitting on the floor, surrounded by a collection of paints, pencils and papers. Jane lives in the UK with her family.

**THEMES:** baby, toddler, seek and find, growing up, family

**YOU MAY ALSO LIKE**



**The Moon is a Silver Pond**  
 9781459818644 • \$10.95

AGES 0-2

★ [PW](#) starred review



**A Potato on a Bike**  
 9781459823204 • \$10.95

AGES 0-2

★ [Kirkus](#) starred review

★ [Q&Q](#) starred review



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9781459826700

\$10.95 BB  
6 x 6 • 16 PAGES  
AGES 0–2

9781459831780 (French)

LGBTQ+ | CATS | FAMILY

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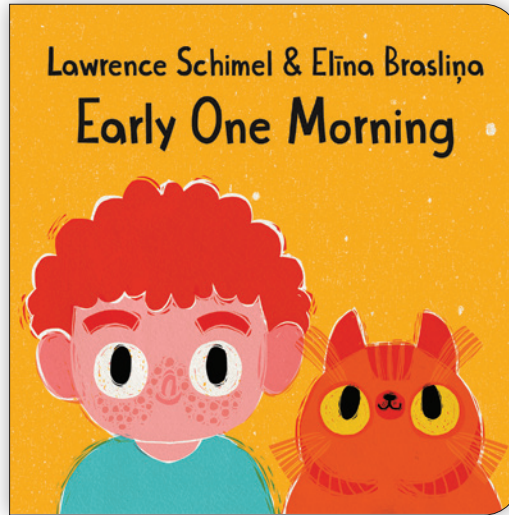
KEY SELLING POINTS

- The author won a Lambda Literary award in 1997 and 2007, and was a finalist on 14 other occasions.
- In 2021, 2007 and 2013, the author had books recognized by IBBY's Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities.
- Features same-sex parents.
- Published alongside *Bedtime, Not Playtime* by the same author and illustrator, which features a girl, her dog and her dads.

YOU MAY ALSO LIKE



The Sun is a Shine  
9781459826267 • \$10.95  
AGES 0–2



## Early One Morning

Lawrence Schimel • Illustrated by Elina Brasliņa  
Traduit de l'anglais par Rachel Martinez

*It's too early to be awake!*

A young boy is awake before his moms and sister. It's too early to make a sound...but what's that noise?! Two rumbling tummies need to be fed! Letting themselves into the kitchen, the boy and his cat finish their breakfast just in time to say “Good morning” when the rest of the family wakes up.

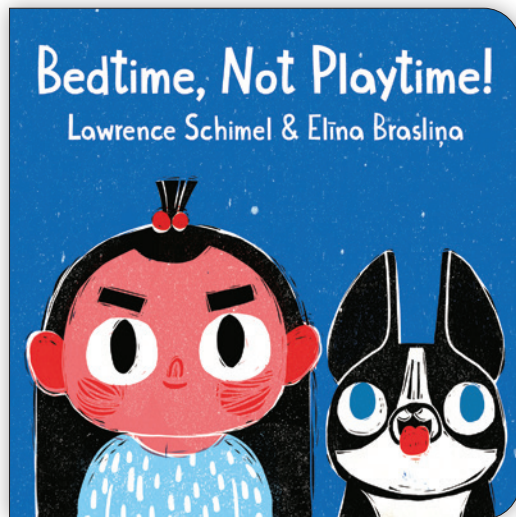
The cadence of this adorable rhyming board book will delight readers young and old.

**LAWRENCE SCHIMEL** writes in both Spanish and English and has published over 120 books as author or anthologist in a wide range of genres, including fiction, poetry, graphic novels and children's literature. He has twice won a Lambda Literary Award and has also won a Crystal Kite Award from the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators, a White Raven from the International Youth Library in Munich, and has been chosen for IBBY's Outstanding Books for Young People with Disabilities three times. Lawrence is also a prolific literary translator. He lives in Madrid, Spain, where he founded the Spanish chapter of the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators and served as Regional Advisor for five years.

**ELINA BRASLIŅA** lives in Riga, Latvia. After studying French and Linguistics she earned her BA and MA from the Art Academy of Latvia, specializing in printmaking. For the last number of years, she's worked in children's book illustration and has earned a number of awards for her craft.

**THEMES:** morning routine, family, cat, rhythmic text, same-sex parents





## Bedtime, Not Playtime!

Lawrence Schimel • Illustrated by Elina Brasliņa  
Traduit de l'anglais par Rachel Martinez

*It's too late to play!*

A young girl is getting ready for bed when her puppy tries to play. First Rex brings his ball over, but she ignores him. Then he crashes story time, but she still doesn't give in! Finally, as a last resort, Rex steals her teddy and the chase is on! Under the table, over the chair, her daddies race and, at last, rescue the bear. Now it's really time for bed! Goodnight, Rex.

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**THEMES:** bedtime, family, dog, rhyming text, same-sex parents



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AGES 0–2

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LGBTQ+ | BEDTIME & DREAMS | DOGS

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The Night is Deep and Wide

9781459824812 • \$10.95

AGES 0–2

★ PW starred review

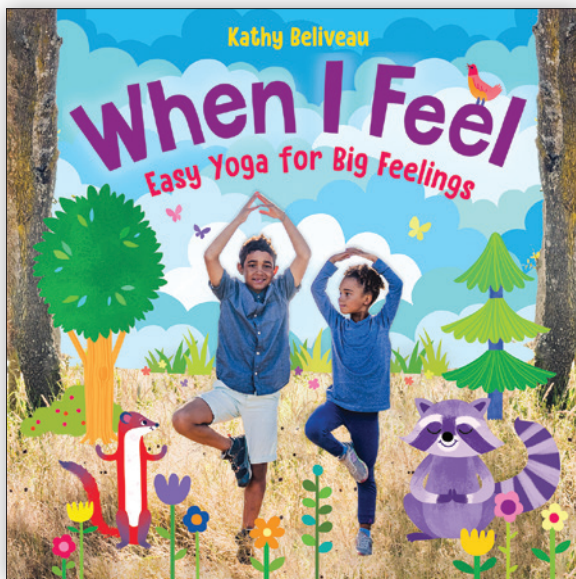
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AGES 3–5

EMOTIONS & FEELINGS |  
FITNESS & EXERCISE

MARKETING AND PROMO

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- Blog and social media promotion
- Outreach in Orca newsletters



KEY SELLING POINTS

- Encourages social-emotional learning for mental health and physical well-being.
- The author is a certified yoga instructor and has studied and taught children's yoga.
- Photographs feature children in a range of ages and ethnicities.
- Includes information at the end about how the specific poses featured affect our bodies when practiced.
- User-friendly, fun and can be enjoyed by all ages, including those with little or no yoga experience.

## When I Feel Easy Yoga for Big Feelings

Kathy Beliveau • Illustrated by Julie McLaughlin

Photographs by Jesse Holland

*Slow deep breaths for difficult emotions.*

YOU MAY ALSO LIKE



When We Are Kind  
9781459825222 • \$19.95  
AGES 3–5



Yoga Baby  
9781459818286 • \$10.95  
AGES 0–2

**S**ometimes I feel angry, so I become the sea. I breathe in deep an ocean breath and breathe out peacefully. We may not be able to avoid the overwhelming feelings, but we can learn tools to help us regulate them. Practicing yoga can increase our ability to accept and mindfully manage our emotions. Yoga is known to have a positive physiological effect on practitioners of all ages and abilities.

*When I Feel: Easy Yoga for Big Feelings* offers effective yoga poses and breathing practices that help children embrace healthy ways of acknowledging their emotions. The rhythmic text and repetition engage young readers and support early literacy skills while the photographs layered with illustrations will show readers each pose in a playful way.

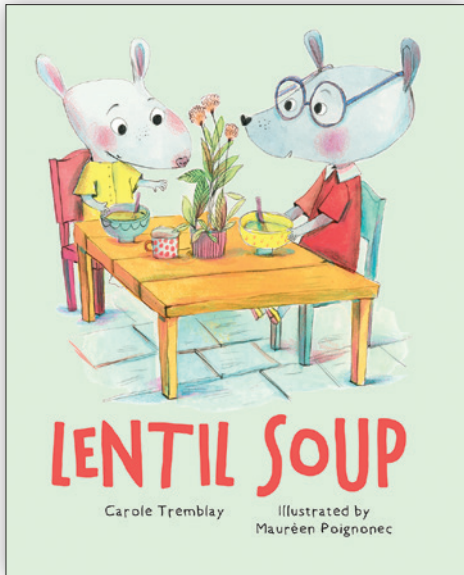
**KATHY BELIVEAU**'s passion for yoga and nature shines through in her writing, presentations and workshops. She has studied yoga for children, yoga safety and is a certified yoga instructor. She is the author of *The Yoga Game* picture book series (Simply Read) and co-author of the *Strong Nations Yoga Cards*. Kathy lives on Vancouver Island, close to nature and the sea.

**JULIE MCLAUGHLIN** is an award-winning illustrator of numerous children's books, including *Pride Puppy!*, *Little Cloud*, and *Why We Live Where We Live*, winner of the 2015 Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children's Non-Fiction. Her work with various editorial, advertising and publishing clients can be seen around the world. Julie grew up on the Prairies and now resides on Vancouver Island.

**JESSE HOLLAND** is a professional photographer based in Victoria, British Columbia. Although Jesse has been photographing families, couples and weddings for over ten years, this is her first time photographing for a children's book.

**THEMES:** yoga for kids, mindfulness, feelings, self-regulation, growth mindset





**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- Includes a child-friendly recipe for lentil soup.
- Encourages an inquisitive mind and questions about what we eat and where foods come from.
- A number of delightful food puns and jokes will keep little readers giggling.
- Carole Tremblay is the coauthor of many of the Toopy and Binoo books.
- The illustrator was recognized as a “rising star” during the Angoulême International Comics Festival in 2015.

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 AGES 6–8

**COOKING & FOOD |**  
**HUMOROUS STORIES**

**MARKETING AND PROMO**

- Print and online advertising campaigns
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- Extensive ARC distribution, including NetGalley
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- Outreach in Orca newsletters

# Lentil Soup

Carole Tremblay • Illustrated by Maurèen Poignonec  
 Translated by Charles Simard

*Can I ask you a question?*

**W**ho knew a simple bowl of soup could be so interesting? When a younger brother decides his soup is too hot to eat, he starts peppering his older brother with questions: Where do lentils come from? What are those white things? Why is it called celery? One question leads to another and another and *another*, and the older brother answers them all with humor and dwindling patience. Through questions, jokes and riddles, we learn about lentils, tomatoes, salt, pepper and everything else we need to make a good lentil soup, including a recipe for readers to make it themselves.

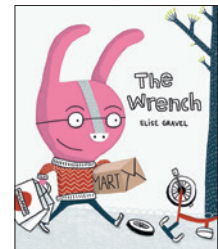
This delightfully illustrated picture book will pique the interest of little connoisseurs everywhere and encourage inquisitive minds to think about what goes into their favorite foods.

**CAROLE TREMBLAY** has been working in children’s literature for almost thirty years in a variety of roles, such as bookseller, library assistant, literary critic, editor and author. She has written over sixty books for young readers and is the coauthor of the popular Toopy and Binoo series. Carol lives in Montreal.

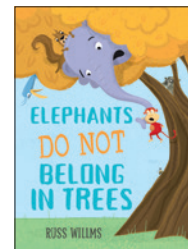
**MAURÈEN POIGNONEC** studied fine arts in Versailles, Paris and Strasbourg. She was recognized for her work at the Angoulême International Comic Festival and has illustrated picture books and novels with several European publishing houses. Maurèen lives in Poissy, France.

**THEMES:** lentils, cooking, picky eaters, curious questions, healthy eating

**YOU MAY ALSO LIKE**



**The Wrench**  
 9781459824492 • \$19.95  
 AGES 3–5



**Elephants Do Not Belong in Trees**  
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 AGES 3–5



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AGES 6-8

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ANIMALS | NOCTURNAL |  
FRIENDSHIP

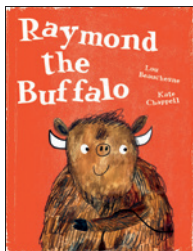
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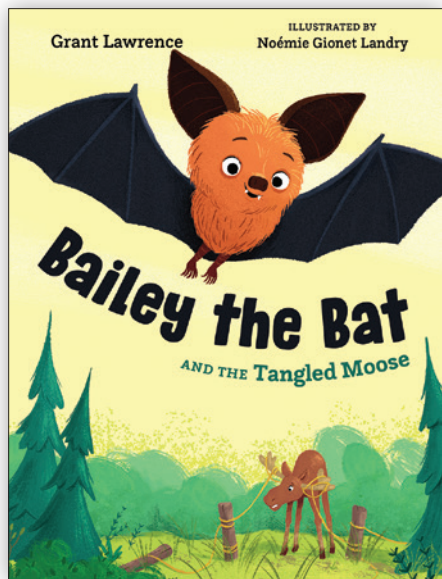
KEY SELLING POINTS

- Grant Lawrence is a beloved, award-winning journalist on CBC Radio and Television.
- A perfect transitional picture book for older readers heading toward early chapter books.
- The illustrator is also a rheumatologist and illustrates in her off hours.
- Bats are the only flying mammal and are often the subject of grade-school curriculum studies.

YOU MAY ALSO LIKE



Raymond the Buffalo  
9781459826175 • \$19.95  
AGES 6-8



## Bailey the Bat and the Tangled Moose

Grant Lawrence • Illustrated by Noémie Gionet Landry  
Traduit de l'anglais par Rachel Martinez

*Bailey just can't sleep!*

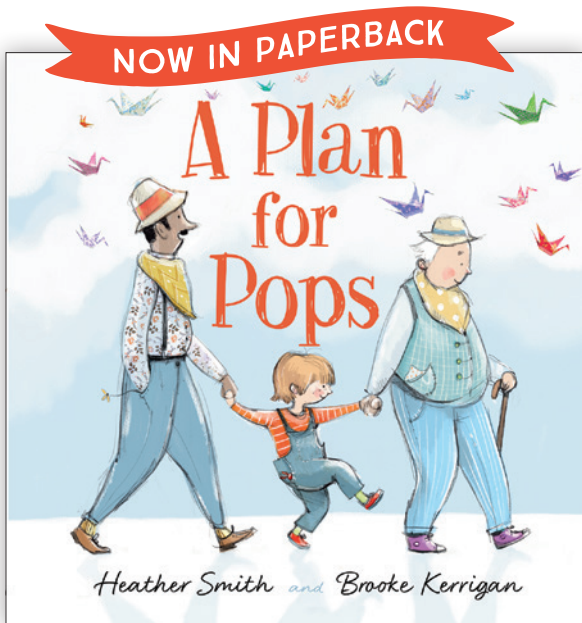
The sun is up and it's time for bed, but Bailey the Bat just can't sleep! Defying Mama Bat's orders, Bailey sneaks out of their hollow tree to follow a mournful cry coming from somewhere deep in the forest. Flying over to the sound, Bailey discovers a young bull moose tangled up in an old fence. On one side of the fence, hunters roam. On the other side, a wolf pack is hunting. Both parties are looking for an easy dinner. Can a tiny brown bat save a big tangled moose

A debut picture book from award-winning radio host and journalist Grant Lawrence, *Bailey the Bat and the Tangled Moose*, is a suspenseful story and the perfect adventure for children moving towards early chapter books. Fully illustrated and longer than a standard picture book, this is an excellent choice for newly emergent readers.

**GRANT LAWRENCE** is a popular CBC personality and the author of three books for adults: *Adventures In Solitude*, *The Lonely End of the Rink* and *Dirty Windshields*. His first two titles won the Bill Duthie booksellers Choice Award at the BC Book Prizes, marking the first time that the same author has won this prize twice. Grant is also a Canadian Screen Award winner, the lead singer of the Smugglers, a columnist for the *North Shore News* and the goalie for the Flying Vees beer league hockey team. He and his wife, Jill Barber, live in Vancouver with their two children.

**NOÉMIE GIONET LANDRY** grew up in a small coastal town in New Brunswick, Canada, surrounded by the ocean. Growing up, she wanted to become either a doctor or a children's book illustrator. Midway through medical school, she decided she would do both. She now splits her time between the hospital, where she works as a rheumatologist, and her home studio, where she sketches, draws and paints. She lives in Moncton, New Brunswick, with her wife and son.

**THEMES:** bat, moose, animal adventure, rescue, teamwork

**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- Follows a young child who tries to cheer up their grandparent after an accident.
- Features same-sex grandparents, a loving intergenerational family and a unique STEM component with the creation of a Rube Goldberg machine.
- Shortlisted for the Blue Spruce Award and was an OLA Best Bets and ALA Rainbow Top Ten selection.
- Heather Smith's *The Phone Booth in Mr. Hirota's Garden* received four starred reviews and won the Elizabeth Mrazik-Cleaver Canadian Picture Book Award and the Freeman Book Award for Children's Literature on East and Southeast Asia.

## A Plan for Pops

Heather Smith • Illustrated by Brooke Kerrigan

*This complex contraption has one simple task: to make Pops smile.*

Lou spends every Saturday with Grandad and Pops. They walk to the library hand in hand, like a chain of paper dolls. Grandad reads books about science and design, Pops listens to rock and roll, and Lou bounces from lap to lap. But everything changes one Saturday. Pops has a fall. That night there is terrible news: Pops will need to use a wheelchair, not just for now, but for always. Unable to cope with his new circumstances, he becomes withdrawn and shuts himself in his room. Hearing Grandad trying to cheer up Pops inspires Lou to make a plan. Using skills learned from Grandad, and with a little help from their neighbors, Lou comes up with a plan for Pops.

Originally from Newfoundland, **HEATHER SMITH** now lives in Waterloo, Ontario, with her family. Heather is the author of several picture books, including the award-winning *The Phone Booth in Mr. Hirota's Garden*. Her middle-grade novel *Ebb and Flow* was shortlisted for the Governor General's Literary Award, and her YA novel *The Agony of Bun O'Keefe* won the Ruth and Sylvia Schwartz Children's Book Award, the OLA Forest of Reading White Pine Award and was shortlisted for the Amy Mathers Teen Book Award and the Geoffrey Bilson Award for Historical Fiction for Young People.

**BROOKE KERRIGAN** has loved drawing ever since she was a little girl, so it seemed only natural that she would grow up to be an artist. Of all her creative endeavors, illustrating children's books is her favorite. Brooke has illustrated over 10 picture books, including design-award-winning *Fishermen Through & Through* and the Blue Spruce honor book *The Little Boy Who Lived Down the Drain*. Born in Toronto, she currently splits her time between Tiny, Ontario, and a little town in the french Alps called Chamonix.

**THEMES:** grandparents, family, LGBTQ+, wheelchair accessibility, Rube Goldberg machine



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GRANDPARENTS | LGBTQ+

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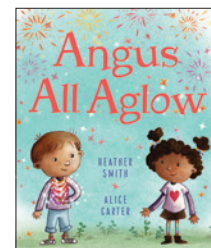


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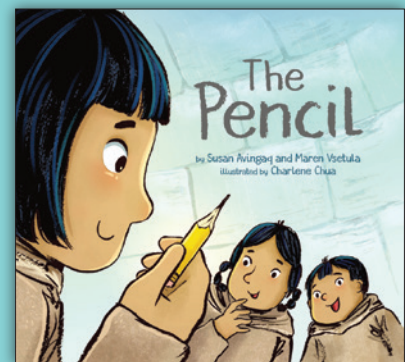
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**THEMES:** Indigenous, Canadian Arctic, storytelling, animals, Inuit, Nunavut



#### KEY SELLING POINTS

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## What's My Superpower?

Aviaq Johnston • Illustrated by Tim Mack

**T**his abridged and revised board book version of the bestselling, critically lauded *What's My Superpower?* by Aviaq Johnston brings the book's message of acceptance and kindness to babies and toddlers alike.

Nalvana feels like all of her friends have some type of superpower. She has friends with super speed (who always beat her in races), friends who can fly (or at least jump from a swing and seem to fly across the playground), and friends who are better than her at a million other things. But when her mom shows Nalvana that she is unique and special, she realizes that her superpower was right in front of her all along.

**AVIAQ JOHNSTON** is the author of the bestselling picture book, *What's My Superpower?* For older children, teenagers, and grown-ups, she has written the award-winning novel *Those Who Run in the Sky* and the sequel, *Those Who Dwell Below*. She has also written the short stories "Tarnikuluk," winner of the 2014 Aboriginal Arts and Stories Award, and "The Haunted Blizzard," featured in *Taaqtumi: An Anthology of Arctic Horror Stories*. She grew up in Igloolik and now lives in Iqaluit, Nunavut, with her dog, Sunny.

**TIM MACK** cannot fly, run super-fast, or swim like a fish, so instead he draws those things. Tim is a Canadian-born illustrator living in Vancouver, British Columbia. He enjoys playing with colours and shapes and never misses an opportunity to swim in the ocean, though he still wishes he could swim as well as a fish.

**THEMES:** Iqaluit, Inuit, Nunavut, Arctic, Indigenous

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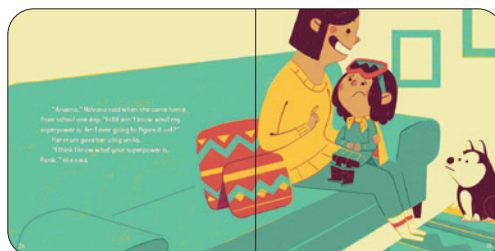
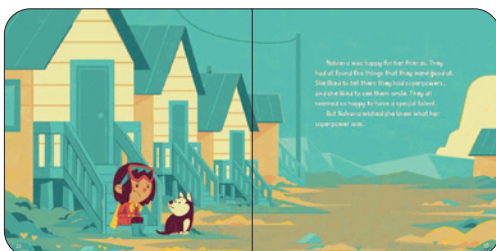
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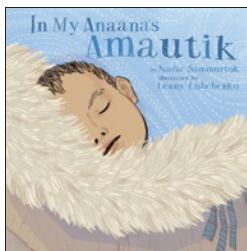
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“The expansive illustrations, awash in marine blues and greens, capture the drama and majesty of the Arctic while also showcasing the tender relationship between the whales.

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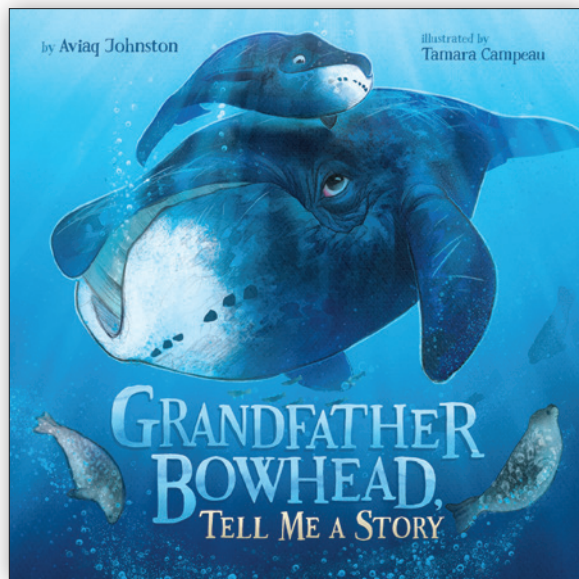
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- ★ SLJ starred review
- ★ Horn Book starred review



In the Sky at Nighttime  
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- ★ Kirkus starred review



KEY SELLING POINTS

- New from the award-winning author of the bestselling picture book *What's My Superpower?*.
- Includes an Inuktitut pronunciation guide, and fun facts about bowhead whales.

## Grandfather Bowhead, Tell Me A Story

Aviaq Johnston • Illustrated by Tamara Campeau

**B**owhead whales are the longest-living mammals on the planet, living over 200 years. In this heartwarming story, a grandfather bowhead recounts to his young grandchild calf all the beautiful, amazing, and surprising things he has seen in his lifetime—all while assuring the little calf that there is nothing more wondrous than the love a grandfather has for his grandchild.

Richly illustrated and lovingly told, this book is a warm and inviting read, perfect for sharing with any little one.

**AVIAQ JOHNSTON** is the author of the bestselling picture book, *What's My Superpower?* For older children, teenagers, and grown-ups, she has written the award-winning novel *Those Who Run in the Sky* and the sequel, *Those Who Dwell Below*. She has also written the short stories “Tarnikuluk,” winner of the 2014 Aboriginal Arts and Stories Award, and “The Haunted Blizzard,” featured in *Taaqtumi: An Anthology of Arctic Horror Stories*. She grew up in Igloolik and now lives in Iqaluit, Nunavut, with her dog, Sunny.

**TAMARA CAMPEAU**'s illustration journey began at Dawson College, where she earned her associate degree in illustration and design. Shortly after, she furthered her studies at Sheridan College, where she obtained her bachelor's degree in illustration with honours. Tamara works digitally to bring stories to life through her painterly illustrations. Her work has a strong sense of lighting and vibrant colour palettes, along with dynamic compositions. Her work is inspired by wildlife, children, and the environments they reside in. When she's not at her desk, she can be found breaking a sweat at the local gym or exploring nature with her standard poodle, Peanut.

**THEMES:** Indigenous, baby whale, bedtime book, Arctic, Iqaluit





**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- A young girl runs across Nunavut to escape a bee.
- Debut author with a strong following on social media.
- Includes an Inuktitut pronunciation guide.

# The Bee

Becky Han • Illustrated by Tindur Peturs

**W**hen the narrator of this fun and silly book, based on an award-winning song by Inuit singer-songwriter Becky Han, is startled by the buzzing of a bee, she sets off on an adventure that sees her running from community to community, trying to lose her buzzing companion. When she has run clear across Nunavut, she finally realizes that perhaps this little bee isn't much a fearsome foe after all!

**BECKY HAN** is an Inuk singer-songwriter who grew up in the small and beautiful community of Ikpiarjuk (Arctic Bay) in Nunavut. Believing that music is a creative and educational outlet, she enjoys writing most of her work in Inuktitut. *The Bee* is based on her award-winning song "Qaariaq."

**TINDUR PETURS** is an animator and illustrator, born and raised in Iceland, who moved to Canada to study animation and Canadian culture. They have a love for nature, animals, and the power of storytelling.

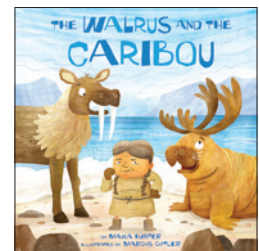
**THEMES:** Nunavut, Indigenous, Qaariaq, Arctic, fear of bees

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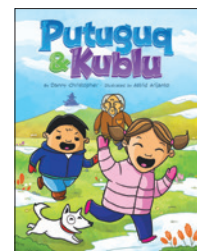
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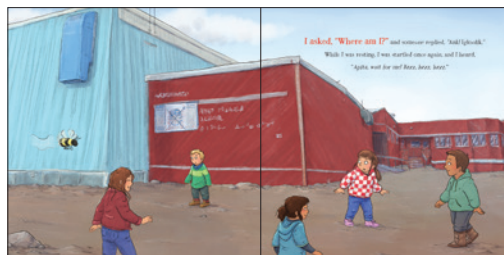
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KEY SELLING POINTS

- A fun and gentle, social emotional exploration of fear.
- Author's debut picture book, *The Owl and the Lemming*, was shortlisted for the Blue Spruce Award.
- Also available as an audiobook.

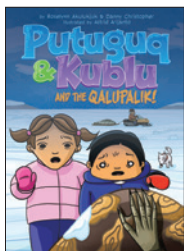
## Little Moar and the Moon

Roselynn Akulukjuk • Illustrated by Jazmine Gubbe

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★ SLJ starred review

**M**oar has always loved autumn—playing outside with his friends, feeling the weather get colder—but there is one thing about autumn that really worries Moar. The moon. The days become shorter and the moon, with its creepy face and eerie smile, seems to be looking down on him before he can even get home from school! So, one day, Moar is determined to get home before the moon appears in the sky. But there are so many fun things to do on the way home, he may just run out of time!

A fun and relatable story about a little boy's fear of the unknown.

**ROSELYNN AKULUKJUK** was born in Pangnirtung, Nunavut, in the Canadian Arctic. In 2012, Roselynn moved to Toronto to pursue a career in film and attend the Toronto Film School, where she fell in love with being behind the camera. After finishing her studies and working in Toronto, Roselynn returned home to Nunavut, where she began working with Taqqut Productions, an Inuit-owned production company located in the capital of Nunavut, Iqaluit.

Part of Roselynn's love of filmmaking is the ability to interview elders, listen to their traditional stories, and share them with the world. In 2015, Roselynn wrote and directed her first film, the live-action and puppetry short *The Owl and the Lemming*, on which her book by the same title is based. Her film won Best Animation at the 2016 American Indian Film Festival.

**JAZMINE GUBBE** is an illustrator from Ontario currently working in the animation industry. When she is not painting she is hiking, exploring nature, and learning the mysterious local history.

**THEMES:** Iqaluit, Inuit, Nunavut, Indigenous, Moon, Arctic







**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- A beautifully illustrated story about caring for our environment from an indigenous perspective.
- Creates teachable moments around both honesty and environmental stewardship.
- Perfect for classrooms!

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# The Dancing Trees

Masiana Kelly • Illustrated by Michelle Simpson

**T**homas loves to tell stories. Big stories. Stories about how skilled he is on the land. But when one of his friends grows tired of his tall tales, Thomas has to prove how skilled he really is.

Taking the challenge to spend a night alone in the forest, Thomas heads into the wilderness. The trees, who have heard his stories, watch him tear off their bark and litter as he goes. And so, while Thomas sleeps, they dance a dance that will leave Thomas with a very different kind of story to tell, if he can find his way home!

In this book, Masiana Kelly draws on the beauty of the Northwest Territories and the wisdom of Elders to illustrate the importance of treating the land around us with respect.

**MASIANA KELLY** is an Inuk/Dene writer from Kugluktuk, NU, and Fort Simpson, NT. She carries with her the lessons her grandparents taught her. She lives in Kugluktuk with her husband, two boys, and two dogs. They enjoy spending quality time together and with their family.

**MICHELLE SIMPSON** grew up in the woods of Niagara Falls, Ontario, and still resides there today. She is a full-time freelance illustrator, focusing mainly on children’s publications, and holds a BAA in illustration from Sheridan College. Michelle has worked as a concept artist at KeyFrame Animation for kids cartoons such as *Ollie: The Boy Who Became What He Ate* (Season 2) and *Tee and Mo* (Season 1). She is the author of *Night Festival: A Silent Picture Book* and *Monsters In My House* which was short-listed for the Canadian Self Publishing awards in 2014. Michelle draws her inspiration for her artwork from nature, animals and folklore.

**THEMES:** Inuit, Indigenous, nature conservation, litter, teaching honesty



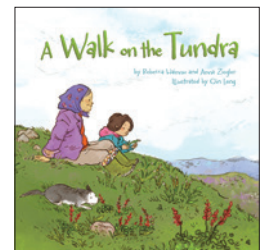
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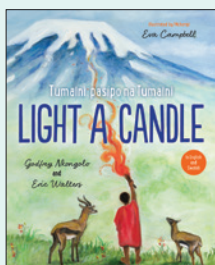
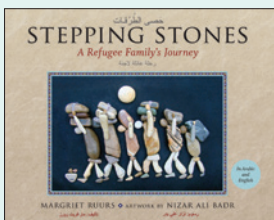
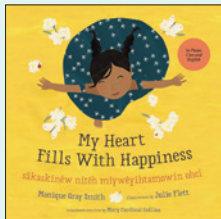
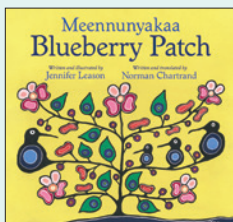
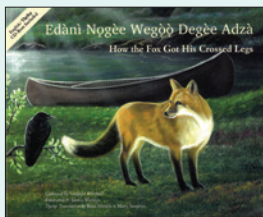
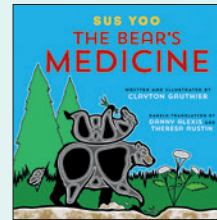
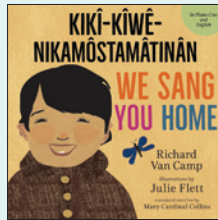
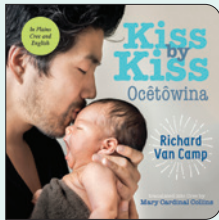
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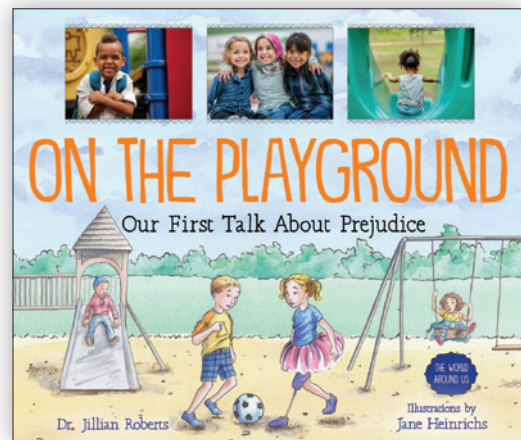


## On Our Street Our First Talk About Poverty

Dr. Jillian Roberts and Jaime Casap  
Illustrated by Jane Heinrichs

A gentle introduction to the issue of poverty, *On Our Street* explores the realities of people living with inadequate resources. Using age-appropriate language, this book addresses mental illness, homelessness and refugee status as they are connected to this issue. Insightful quotes from individuals and organizations such as UNICEF are included throughout to add further perspective on the issue. An invaluable section on how kids can help empowers readers to take what they have learned and use it to make a difference.

**THEMES:** poverty, homelessness, mental illness, human rights, essential services



## On the Playground Our First Talk About Prejudice

Dr. Jillian Roberts • Illustrated by Jane Heinrichs

*On the Playground: Our First Talk About Prejudice* focuses on introducing children to the complex topic of prejudice. Crafted around a narrative between a grade-school-aged child and an adult, this inquiry-focused book will help children shape their understanding of diversity so they are better prepared to understand, and question, prejudice witnessed around them in their day-to-day lives and in the media. Dr. Jillian Roberts discusses types of discrimination children notice, what prejudice means, why it's not okay, how to stand up against it and how kids can spread a message of inclusion and acceptance in the world around them.

**THEMES:** racism, ableism, sexism, diversity, inclusion



**DR. JILLIAN ROBERTS** is a renowned child psychologist, author, professor and parent. Considered a go-to child psychology expert for journalists, Dr. Roberts has had her work published in the *New York Times* and the *Toronto Sun*, is a regular contributor to *HuffPost*, *Global News* and *CBC*. She is the author of two bestselling and award-winning series of children's books: the *Just Enough* series explains topics like birth and diversity to children ages 3–6, while the *World Around Us* series introduces kids ages 5–8 to issues like poverty and online safety. She lives in Victoria, British Columbia.

**JANE HEINRICHS** is a children's book writer and illustrator. She starts her day at a clear desk with her huge sketchbook (for books) and her tiny sketchbook (for daily drawings) but usually ends up sitting on the floor, surrounded by a collection of paints, pencils and papers. Jane lives in the UK with her family.

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### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Shortlisted for the Bolen Books Children's Book Prize, was a CCBC starred selection and was commended as a Notable Social Studies Trade Book for Young People.
- Sidebars define larger concepts for further discussion with older children.

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## Ruff Day Charlie's Rules #2

Sigmund Brouwer  
Illustrated by Sabrina Gendron

**E**leven-year-old Charlie knows how to make his group project for science class an organized and informative success. Unfortunately for Charlie, his best friend, Amy, would rather it be interesting, fun and just a bit gross. And their other partner, Jenna, is too worried about why her puppy, Diesel, keeps attacking her mom to think about their school. Luckily for Jenna, Charlie's mom is a veterinarian, and Amy and Charlie are keen to help figure out what Diesel's problem is. But will the kids figure out what he's trying to tell them before Diesel's behavior becomes too much to handle?

**SIGMUND BROUWER** is the award-winning author of over 100 books for young readers. He has won the Christy Book of the Year and an Arthur Ellis Award, as well as being nominated for two TD Children's Literature Awards and the Red Maple Award. For years, Sigmund has captivated students with his Rock & Roll Literacy Show and Story Ninja program during his school visits, reaching up to 80,000 students per year. His many books in the Orca Sports and Orca Currents lines have changed the lives of countless striving readers. Sigmund lives in Red Deer, Alberta.

**THEMES:** ranch life, veterinary clinic, friendship, animal stories, canine cancer detection

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## Jordan and Max, Showtime

Suzanne Sutherland  
Illustrated by Michelle Simpson

*It's hard to stay invisible  
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**J**ordan had a tough time with the other kids at his old school. So, on his first day at Massey Elementary, he has a plan: to be absolutely invisible. His new classmates don't need to know that his grandmother is his best friend or that they put on shows together dressing up in elaborate costumes each night in their apartment. When he's forced to pair up with Max, a loud-mouthed loner with a love for Hawaiian shirts, Jordan's cover of invisibility threatens to be blown completely. But with the help of his partner's unique artistic vision, Jordan begins to see that his sparkling secret deserves to be revealed.

**SUZANNE SUTHERLAND** is an author and editor of books for young people who is passionate about inclusive and engaging storytelling. Her debut novel, *When We Were Good*, was selected for ALA's Rainbow list and *Under the Dusty Moon* was a Toronto Public Library Top Ten Recommended Read for Teens. Suzanne lives in Toronto.

**THEMES:** friendship, gender performance, identity, drag, first day of school

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### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Offers a gentle exploration of gender performance and identity in an early-reader format.
- The author's debut novel, *When We Were Good*, was an ALA Rainbow List selection.
- Contains 22 black-and-white illustrations.

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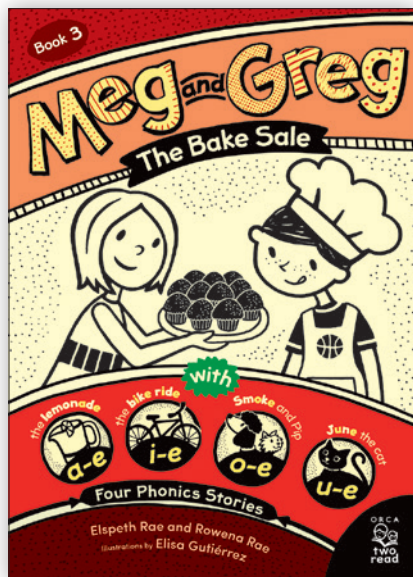
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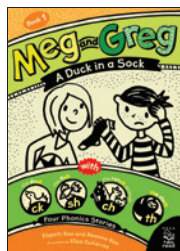
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- Elspeth Rae is a teacher certified in using the Orton-Gillingham approach to teach children with dyslexia and other language-based learning difficulties.
- Elspeth Rae was diagnosed with dyslexia when she was eight years old.

# Meg and Greg: The Bake Sale

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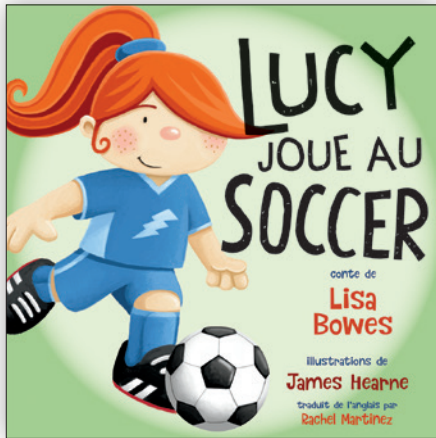
*Meg and Greg: The Bake Sale* is the third book in the Orca Two Read series, designed for shared reading between a child learning to or struggling to read and an experienced reader, following *Frank and the Skunk* and *A Duck in a Sock*. All of the stories have special features to help a child with dyslexia or another language-based learning difficulty find reading success.

**ELSPETH RAE** has a BEd from Simon Fraser University and is a certified Orton-Gillingham teacher for children with dyslexia and other language-learning difficulties. Elspeth was diagnosed with dyslexia at age eight and received Orton-Gillingham instruction during her school years. As a certified teacher, she works as a literacy specialist in the public school system, where she teaches reading, spelling and writing to children ages five to thirteen. She lives in Vancouver with her husband and three children.

**ROWENA RAE** worked as a biologist in Canada and New Zealand before becoming a freelance writer and editor and a children's author. She writes both fiction and nonfiction from her home in Victoria, British Columbia, which she shares with her two book-loving children.

**ELISA GUTIÉRREZ** is an award-winning designer, author and illustrator. Her book *Picturescape* was short-listed for the Christie Harris Illustrated Children's Literature Prize, was honored by the Alcuin Society and was the subject of a scholarly paper by the renowned Dr. Lawrence Sipe. Elisa has designed over 100 books and specializes in book design for children. Born and raised in Mexico City, Elisa lives in Vancouver.

**THEMES:** early chapter books, dyslexia, learning difference, animal adventures, beginner readers



## Lucy joue au soccer

Lisa Bowes • Illustrations de James Hearne  
Traduit de l'anglais par Rachel Martinez  
*Lucy est prête à s'élaner sur le terrain!*

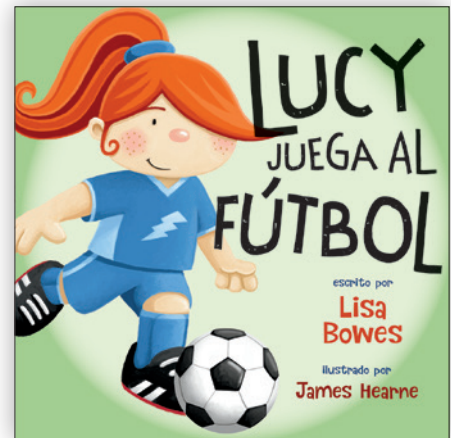
**S**ouhaitant s'initier à un sport d'été, Lucy et ses amis se rencontrent sur le terrain de soccer pour leur première partie à trois contre trois. Grâce à Nick l'entraîneur, Lucy et les autres membres de l'équipe des Bleus s'initient à quelques jeux et se préparent à affronter les Rouges.

La série « Lucy fait du sport » est conçue pour encourager les enfants à être actifs, à faire du sport et à avoir des loisirs. Dans *Lucy joue au soccer*, Lucy découvre à quel point il est amusant de faire partie d'une équipe et apprend pourquoi le soccer est le sport le plus populaire au monde.

**LISA BOWES** est journaliste sportive et consultante en médias. Pendant son travail pour la CBC, elle a été mise en nomination pour le prix Gemini du meilleur scénario dans une émission ou série d'information. Diplômée en éducation physique, elle encourage les enfants et les familles à mener une vie active. Elle habite à Calgary.

**JAMES HEARNE** est un illustrateur et graphiste de renommée internationale. Il habite à Calgary.

**THEMES:** soccer, trois contre trois, sports, travail d'équipe, les filles et le sport



## Lucy juega al fútbol

Lisa Bowes • Illustrated by James Hearne  
Translated from English by Lawrence Schimel  
*¡Lucy está lista para participar en el juego!*

**i**Con ganas de probar un deporte de verano, Lucy y sus amigos se reúnen en la pista de fútbol para su primer partido de tres contra tres! Gracias a Nick el entrenador, Lucy y el resto del Equipo Azul aprenden habilidades básicas mientras se preparan para competir contra el Equipo Rojo.

La serie “Lucy hace deporte” está diseñado a incentivar a los niños a ser activos y participar en deportes y recreación. En *Lucy juega fútbol*, Lucy descubre lo divertido que es jugar como parte de un equipo y aprende por qué el fútbol es el deporte más popular del mundo.

**LISA BOWES** es periodista de deportes y asesora de medios. Mientras trabajaba para la CBC, fue nominada a un Premio Gemini en la modalidad de Mejor Escritura en un Programa o Serie Informático. Es licenciada en Educación Física y le apasiona animar a los niños y a sus familias a ser activos. Vive en Calgary.

**JAMES HEARNE** es un ilustrador y diseñador gráfico de renombre internacional. Vive en Calgary.

**THEMES:** soccer, fútbol, tres contra tres, deportes, trabajar en equipo

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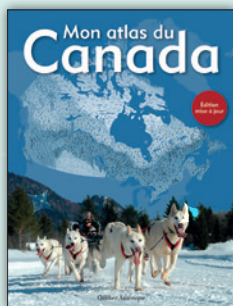
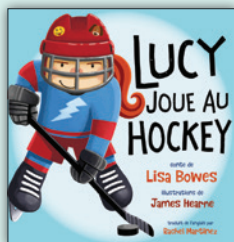
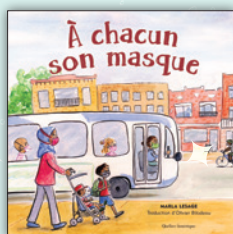
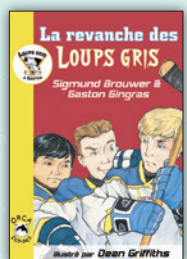
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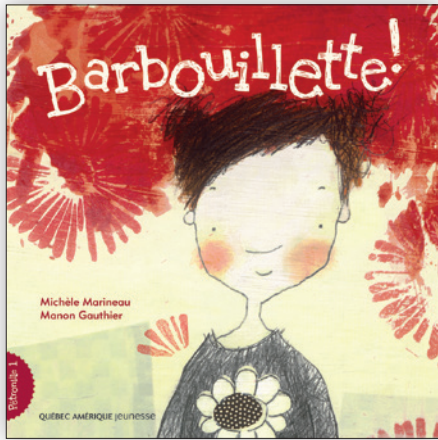
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## Barbouillette!

Michèle Marineau  
Illustrations de Manon Gauthier

*Une histoire au charme et à l'humour contagieux.*

**P**étronille, la cadette de la famille Guille, possède un don bien particulier. Quand elle s'écrit « Barbouillette ! » les couleurs envahissent la salle de bain, la maison, le quartier, la ville et le monde entier ! Le diagnostic est posé : elle souffre de colorite aiguë. Mais comment faire pour justifier son absence à l'école ? Une colorite, ce n'est pas commun !

Voilà un album que les parents prendront plaisir à lire avec leurs tout-petits. Ils riront aux éclats en se familiarisant avec le processus d'acquisition du langage.

**MICHÈLE MARINEAU** sait comme nulle autre allier finesse de l'écriture, profondeur d'émotion et intrigue fouillée dans une oeuvre dont la qualité a été maintes fois soulignée. Elle a remporté à deux reprises le Prix du Gouverneur général, d'abord en 1988 avec son premier roman, *Cassiopeé — L'Été polonais*, puis en 1993 avec *La Route de Chlifa*, qui lui a valu la même année le prix 12/17 Brive/Montréal et le prix Alvine-Bélisle. Elle vit à Montréal.

**MANON GAUTHIER** se passionne pour la peinture. Le premier album jeunesse qu'elle illustre, *Ma maman du photomaton*, a été finaliste au Prix du Gouverneur général et a remporté le Prix de l'illustration (relève) du Salon du livre de Trois-Rivières. Elle vit à Montréal.

**THEMES:** mots, langage, couleur, famille, bain

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- Finaliste au Prix Jeunesse des libraires du Québec 2012.
- Michèle Marineau et Manon Gauthier sont deux créatrices de grand talent dont le travail a été abondamment salué.
- Le mélange d'illustrations et de collage est innovant et charmant.



## L'Étrange Miss Flissy Capitaine Static #3

Alain M. Bergeron • Illustrations de Sampar

*Un petit superhéros électrisant!*

**C**harles Simard était un enfant comme les autres jusqu'à ce qu'il se découvre un pouvoir inusité: il peut emmagasiner de l'électricité statique et la décharger lorsque c'est nécessaire. Dans cette troisième aventure, le Capitaine Static tombe face à face avec son vis-à-vis féminin: Miss Flissy! Charmante, la justicière masquée vole à son secours alors qu'il se trouve dans le pétrin. Heureusement, parce que le fameux Capitaine semble maintenant incapable de se charger. Envolé, le fantastique pouvoir électrique! Un Capitaine à plat! Comment la ville pourra-t-elle survivre à cela?

Anciennement journaliste, **ALAIN M. BERGERON** se consacre entièrement à l'écriture depuis 2005. Avec plus de 200 livres publiés chez une douzaine d'éditeurs, Alain M. Bergeron est l'un des auteurs les plus prolifiques et les plus populaires au Québec. Il vit à Victoriaville, Québec.

**SAMPAR** — alias Samuel Parent — est celui qui a donné au Capitaine Static sa frimousse sympathique. En duo, Alain M. Bergeron et Sampar cosignent plusieurs séries, notamment les livres de la série *Billy Stuart* et ceux de la collection *Savais-tu?* chez Michel Quintin. Il vit à Victoriaville, Québec.

**THEMES:** superhéros, aventure, électricité statique, rigolo, bande-dessinée

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### ARGUMENTS DE VENTE:

- Près de 30 000 exemplaires vendus à ce jour (au Québec surtout).
- Finaliste au prix Joe Schuster (Canada), 3e position au Palmarès Communication-Jeunesse 2010-2011 Sélection 2011 de La revue des livres pour enfants (Bibliothèque nationale de France).



## Sur le toit du monde

Lucie Bergeron • Illustrations de Sabrina Gendron

*À chacun son mont Everest!*

**T**om rêve de l'Everest, la plus haute montagne au monde, mais à l'école, aucun livre n'en parle. Personne ne sait combien il y fait froid, combien il faut du courage pour l'escalader. Sauf Madeleine, une drôle de fille. Elle a les cheveux très courts et elle a été malade. Très malade. Madeleine connaît l'Everest, et Tom se demande bien pourquoi. À sa manière, elle sait gravir de hautes montagnes.

Quand elle était enfant, **LUCIE BERGERON** rêvait de devenir acrobate dans un cirque, danseuse à claquettes, agent secret, dompteuse de chevaux sauvages... Elle a plutôt choisi de devenir écrivaine parce qu'elle peut exercer tous ces métiers, et bien d'autres encore, grâce à son imagination. Auteure d'une trentaine de romans, Lucie visite avec bonheur les écoles et les bibliothèques pour communiquer la joie de lire et d'inventer ! Elle vit dans la ville de Québec, au Québec.

**SABRINA GENDRON** est diplômée en arts plastiques ainsi qu'en animation 2D/3D. Elle travaille sur divers projets d'illustration, d'animation et d'arts visuels, et compte de plus en plus d'albums et de romans jeunesse dans son porte-folio d'illustratrice. Ses illustrations à mi-chemin entre le réalisme et l'animation sont touchantes, colorées, vivantes et donnent envie de plonger dans les mondes qu'elle représente ! Elle vit à Mont-Saint-Hilaire, au Québec.

**THEMES:** sherpa, livres, bibliothèque, neige, froid, explorateur, montagne

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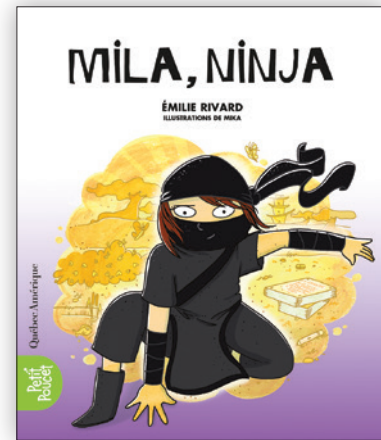
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### ARGUMENTS DE VENTE:

- Sur un fond très fantaisiste, le sujet abordé est toutefois plus sérieux : les enfants malades.
- Liste préliminaire du Prix jeunesse des libraires 2018, catégorie Québec, volet 6-11 ans.



## Mila, Ninja

Émilie Rivard • Illustrations de Mika

*Mila est chargée d'une mission de ninja en pleine classe!*

**M**adame Isabelle est une enseignante un peu magicienne. Dans sa classe, chaque élève peut vivre une aventure dans la peau du personnage de son choix. Toutefois, Mila la championne de karaté ne s'attendait pas à devenir une vraie ninja...

Sa mission: livrer un poisson dans son bocal à Vicoquin. Mais Vic est un vilain garnement entouré d'amis aussi canailles que lui. Pour mener à bien sa mission, Mila devra d'abord réparer leurs bévues!

**ÉMILIE RIVARD** est née à Québec avec une incroyable envie de créer. Depuis 2005, elle a publié plus de soixante-dix romans et albums pour les 17 mois à 17 ans ainsi que des textes pour le théâtre, pour des magazines et pour la télévision. Elle est notamment l'auteure de 1re Avenue, lauréat du Prix jeunesse des libraires 2018, volet Québec, 12-17 ans. Elle vit dans la ville de Québec, au Québec.

Graphiste de formation, **MIKA** a illustré une centaine de livres pour enfants et est aussi auteure à ses heures. Toute petite, elle était déjà fascinée par la littérature jeunesse. En plus de son amour pour les livres, Mika ne peut vivre sans soleil et sans chocolat, mais elle ne doit cependant pas mélanger les deux car c'est très salissant. Elle vit à Saint-Jérôme, au Québec.

**THEMES:** école, karaté, imaginaire, ninja, élève du jour

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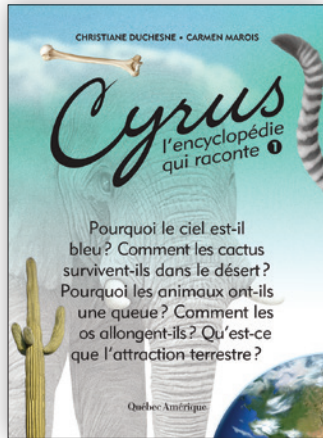
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- Un texte court, parfait pour les lecteurs débutants, agrémenté de nombreuses illustrations vivantes et colorées.



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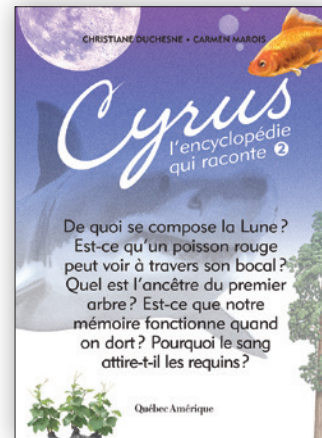
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**THEMES:** science, question, savant, réponse, vulgarisation scientifique



## Cyrus 2 L'encyclopédie qui raconte

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**CHRISTIANE DUCHESNE** a publié plus de 100 ouvrages ainsi que des textes pour le théâtre, la télévision, la radio et le cinéma. La traduction de plus de sept cents titres d'albums jeunesse illustrés et les paroles d'une centaine de chansons s'ajoutent également à son œuvre. Elle vit à Montréal.

**CARMEN MAROIS** publie depuis 1985 pour les adultes (recueil de nouvelles, pièce de théâtre, haïkus, articles de revues) et pour les enfants (romans, nouvelles, contes, textes scolaires, récit encyclopédique). Elle vit à Montréal.

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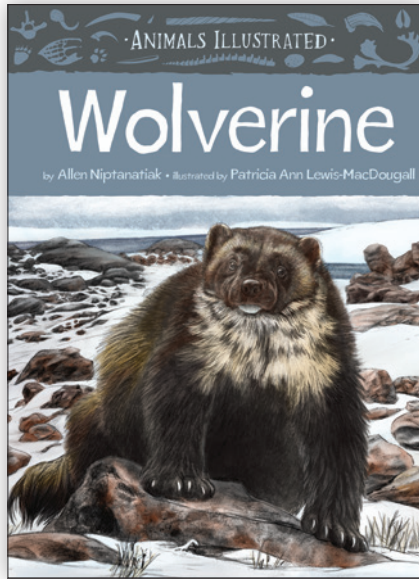
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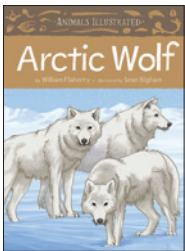
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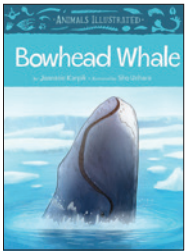
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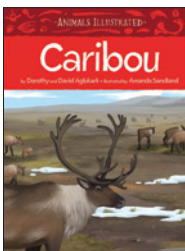
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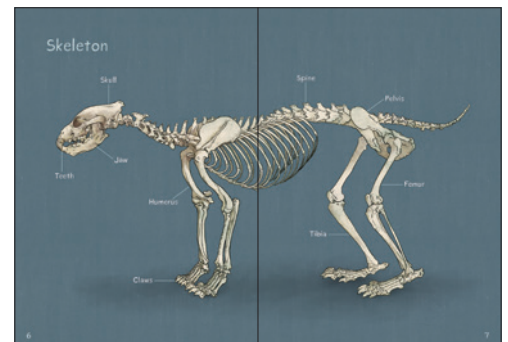
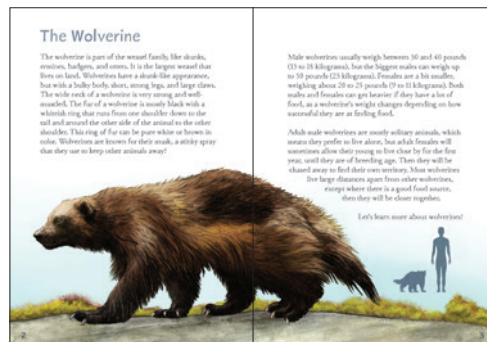
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**ALLEN NIPTANATIAK** is a hunter and trapper from Kugluktuk, Nunavut.

**PATRICIA ANN LEWIS-MACDOUGALL** is a Hamilton, Ontario, based artist who concentrates mainly on nature, mythology, and her own personal folklore. Patricia Ann’s career started off with animation and then moved into illustration with companies such as Nelvana, Owl Books, Egmont Publishing, Amberwood Animation, The Bradford Group, and Michael Rogers’ Inc.

**THEMES:** Nunavut, Inuit, Indigenous, Arctic Animals, STEM



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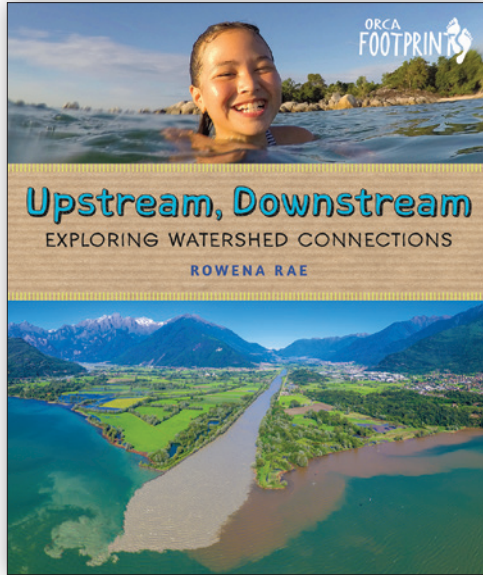
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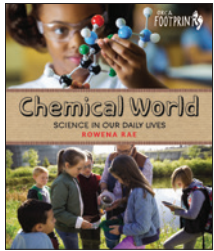


KEY SELLING POINTS

- Looks at the good and the bad of our interactions with watersheds around the world.
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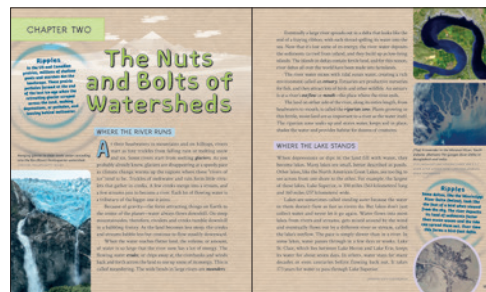
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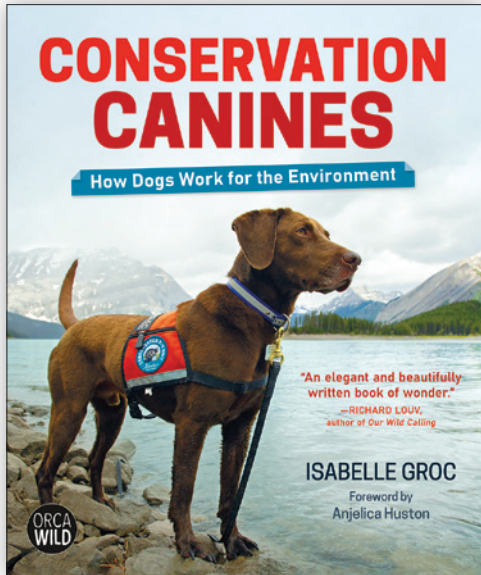
*When land meets water.*

**D**o you know your watershed address? We all have one, whether we live high up in a mountain, on an inland prairie or near the coast. A watershed is an area of land that channels rain and snowmelt into streams, rivers and oceans. Our lives are deeply intertwined with land and water and all the connections between them. Day-to-day activities—like brushing our teeth, eating a meal, getting a ride in a car or even using an electronic device—have consequence for our own or someone else’s watershed.

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**ROWENA RAE** worked as a biologist in Canada and New Zealand before becoming a freelance writer and editor and a children’s author. She is the author of *Chemical World: Science in Our Daily Lives*, which is part of the Orca Footprints series. She writes both fiction and nonfiction from her home in Victoria, British Columbia, which she shares with her two book-loving children.





## KEY SELLING POINTS

- Examines how dogs are chosen and trained for conservation work and details the kind of work they do all over the world, in Africa, Italy, Portugal, France, Australia, Haida Gwaii and the United States.
- The author is a highly respected photojournalist, filmmaker and author. Her stunning photos of working dogs give the book a hands-on feel.
- For fans of the TV show *Dogs With Jobs*—but for the environment!
- Includes a foreword by award-winning actor, director, producer and author Anjelica Huston.

## Conservation Canines How Dogs Work for the Environment

Isabelle Groc • Foreword by Anjelica Huston

*The nose knows!*

**W**ith their precise sense of smell, their hardworking temperament and their ability to bond with humans, dogs increasingly lend their paws and noses to fixing some of the most complex environmental problems on the planet. What kinds of dogs does it take to help wildlife? What kind of training do they go through? Who are the people who work with these special dogs? What do those people do and what difference do they make for wildlife?

In *Conservation Canines: How Dogs Work for the Environment*, author Isabelle Groc shares stories from the field and examples of canines working to conserve wildlife. Meet brave Anatolian shepherd dogs protecting farmers' livestock against cheetah attacks and Maremma dogs guarding penguins from foxes. Learn how rescue dogs sniff out orca poop in the ocean and how highly focused canines can detect rare frogs hiding in wetland tunnels. The story of these conservation canines celebrates the profound and ancestral human-animal bond and gives hope and inspiration for finding new ways for people to successfully co-exist with wildlife.

**ISABELLE GROC** is a writer, wildlife photographer and filmmaker who specializes in wildlife conservation, endangered species and the relationships between people and wildlife in a rapidly changing world. With degrees in journalism from Columbia University and urban planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, she brings a unique perspective to documenting the impacts of human activities on threatened species and habitats. She is the author of *Gone is Gone: Wildlife Under Threat* and *Sea Otters: A Survival Story* in the Orca Wild series. Born in the South of France, with family roots in Spain, Isabelle now lives in Vancouver.

**THEMES:** working dogs, protecting endangered species, wildlife, STEM, dogs with jobs

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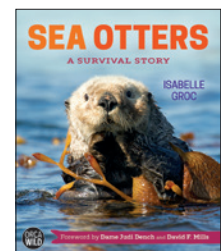
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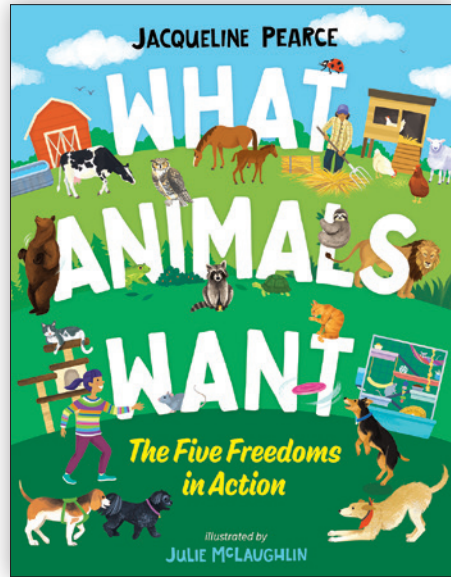
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- The Five Freedoms principle is used by animal welfare organizations around the world to evaluate the health of any animal kept in the care of people.
- 65% of Canadian families with children have pets. This book helps kids understand what a good life is for pets.
- Developing empathy and compassion for animals helps kids relate to other people as well.
- The author wrote this book in conjunction with the BC SPCA, an organization internationally recognized for its innovative humane education and animal welfare work.

# What Animals Want The Five Freedoms in Action

Jacqueline Pearce • Illustrated by Julie McLaughlin

*For the love of animals.*

All animals need food, water and shelter. But what about their social and emotional needs? Modern science tells us that animals experience a wide range of emotions—from fear and anxiety to friendship and happiness. *What Animals Want* is an animal-care book with a difference. It introduces young readers to the Five Freedoms and helps them think about their pets’ physical and emotional needs, providing a framework for thinking about the welfare of all animals in human care, including farm, exotic and wild animals. Author Jacqueline Pearce wrote this book in consultation with the British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (BC SPCA), an organization internationally recognized for its innovative humane education and animal welfare work.

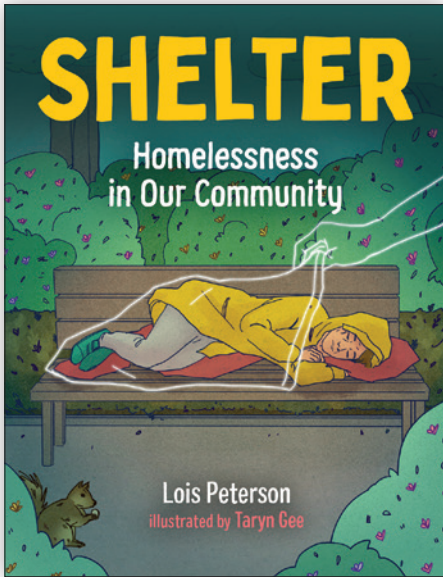
**JACQUELINE PEARCE** is the author of 12 books for children and teens. Her novels and nonfiction explore her fascination with local history, people, nature and animals, including *Dog House Blues* and *The Truth About Rats*, which were written for the BC SPCA Kids Club. Jacqueline has degrees in English literature and environmental studies. She has volunteered for the BC SPCA humane education program for many years and has both fostered and adopted many rescued animals with her family. She currently lives near Vancouver with her husband, daughter, dog and two cats.

**JULIE McLAUGHLIN** is an award-winning illustrator of numerous children’s books, including *Pride Puppy!*, *Little Cloud* and *Why We Live Where We Live*, the winner of the 2015 Norma Fleck Award for Canadian Children’s Non-Fiction. Her work with various editorial, advertising and publishing clients can be seen around the world. Julie grew up on the Prairies and now resides on Vancouver Island.

**THEMES:** animal welfare, animal rights, pets, farm animals, wild animals







**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- Answers the often difficult questions young people have about homelessness in a straightforward, compassionate and age-appropriate way.
- There are approximately 750,000 people experiencing homelessness in the United States and 350,000 in Canada.
- The author brings personal stories from her experience working at a homeless shelter and introduces us to some of the people who live on the street.
- Features full-color illustrations and photos.

# Shelter

## Homelessness in Our Community

Lois Peterson • Illustrated by Taryn Gee

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**LOIS PETERSON** is the award-winning author of eight books of fiction for children, and numerous short stories, essays and articles for adults. She worked at a public library for more than 35 years and as executive director of a homeless shelter. Lois lives in Nanaimo, British Columbia.

**TARYN GEE** is an artist who specializes in lifestyle illustration and possesses an affinity for both figurative and narrative art. She has been illustrating since 2011 after earning her bachelor of applied arts at Sheridan College. Her work has garnered numerous awards, appearing across various local and international publications. Some of Taryn's clients include *The National Post*, *The Globe and Mail*, IBM, RBC, LA Galaxy and the social networking service Ravelry. She lives in Stoney Creek, Ontario.

**THEMES:** homeless shelters, poverty, substance abuse, mental health, affordable housing



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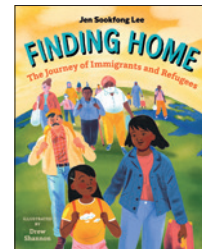
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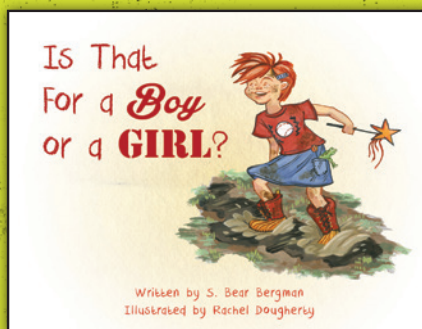
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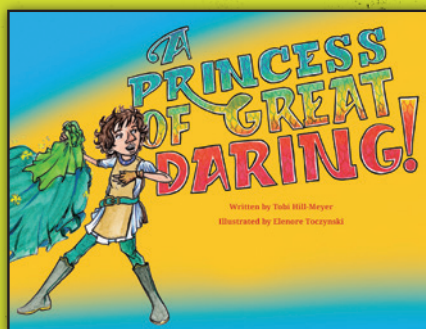
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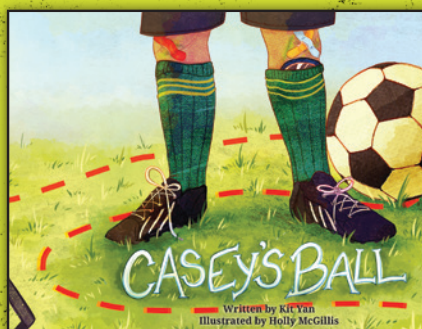
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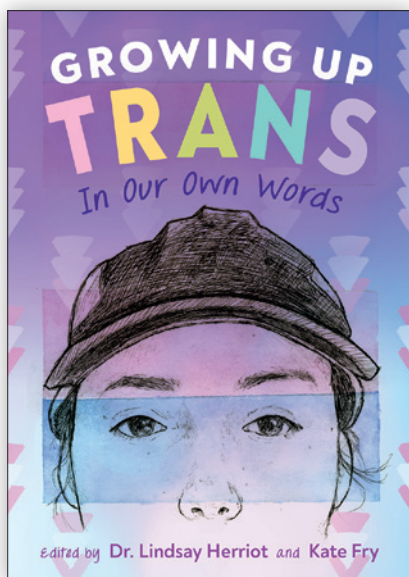
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- Both author/editors facilitated the workshops these stories, essays, poetry and art came from. At the workshops transgender youth were mentored by members of the trans community.
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## Growing Up Trans In Our Own Words

Edited by Dr. Lindsay Herriot and Kate Fry

*Our lives, our voices.*

**W**hat does it mean to be young and transgender today? *Growing Up Trans* shares stories, essays, art and poetry created by trans youth aged 11 to 18. In their own words, the works illustrate the trans experience through childhood, family and daily life, school, their bodies and mental health. Together the collection is a story of the challenges, big and small, of being a young trans person. At the same time, it's a toolkit for all young people, transgender or not, about what understanding, acceptance and support for the trans community looks like. In addition to the contributed works, there are questions and tips from experts in the field of transgender studies to challenge the reader on how to be a trans ally.

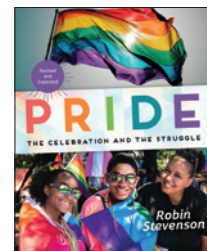
*Growing Up Trans* came out of a series of workshops held in Victoria, British Columbia, to bring together trans youth from across the country with mentors in the community.

**DR. LINDSAY HERRIOT** is a full-time inclusion/special education teacher in the Greater Victoria School District. She also works at the University of Victoria in several capacities, as an adjunct/sessional professor in both the Faculty of Education and School of Child and Youth Care and as a fellow at the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society. A cisgender, bisexual, white settler, Lindsay is originally from unceded Mi'kmaq territory in New Brunswick and is of Acadian, Scottish and Anglo heritage. She now lives on the unceded territory of the Lekwungen Peoples in Victoria, BC, with her spouse and two young children.

**KATE FRY** is a writer and editor currently living as a white settler on the unceded lands of the Lekwungen Peoples. Her writing has appeared in several publications, including *Prism International*, *This Side of West*, *Bad Dog Review* and *The Albatross*. She recently completed a BA with honors in English literature from the University of Victoria. Kate co-founded the Trans Tipping Point project in 2017 with her great friend and mentor, Lindsay Herriot.

**THEMES:** transgender, LGBTQ+, trans youth, #ownvoices, gender binary

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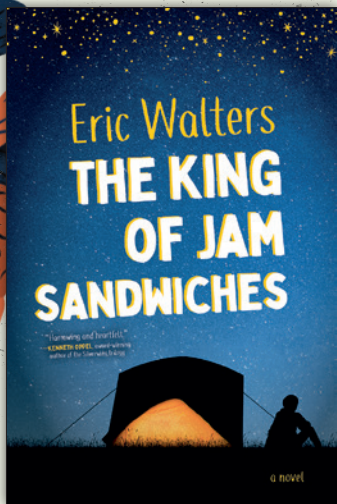
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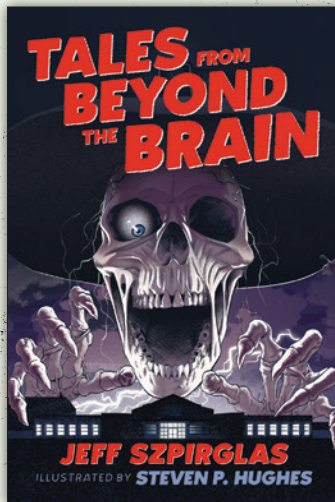
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- Perfect for fans of the Percy Jackson series or the X-Men comics.
- The author has long been a superhero-comics fan and wanted to explore the less glamorous consequences of having that kind of power.
- A subtle and timely commentary on socioeconomic disparity and the responsibilities of the wealthy and privileged.

## Guardians of Porthaven

Shane Arbuthnott

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**SHANE ARBUTHNOTT**'s debut novel, *Dominion*, was nominated for multiple awards, including the Kobo Emerging Writer Prize. That novel's sequel, *Terra Nova*, published in 2018, also received great critical acclaim. His short fiction has appeared in *On Spec* and *Open Spaces*. Shane grew up in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and now lives in Regina with his family.

**THEMES:** super powers, alien invasion, white privilege, corruption, integrity

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AGES 9–12



Terra Nova

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★ *Kirkus* starred review

September 14, 2021  
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ASTRONAUTS & SPACE |  
SELF-ESTEEM & SELF-RELIANCE

MARKETING AND PROMO

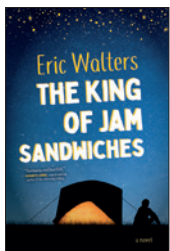
- Print and online advertising campaigns
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- Blog and social media promotion
- Outreach in Orca newsletters



KEY SELLING POINTS

- A young teen earns a scholarship to go to space camp.
- The first in the Teen Astronauts series featuring Houston at space camp.
- Examines themes of perseverance, leadership and growth mindset.
- An adventure story with an exciting setting: astronaut training camp.
- Eric Walters is very well known to librarians and booksellers.

ALSO BY  
ERIC WALTERS:



The King of Jam Sandwiches

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AGES 9–12

★ SLJ starred review



Don't Stand So Close to Me

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## Houston, Is There A Problem? Teen Astronauts #1

Eric Walters

*It's the chance of a lifetime.*

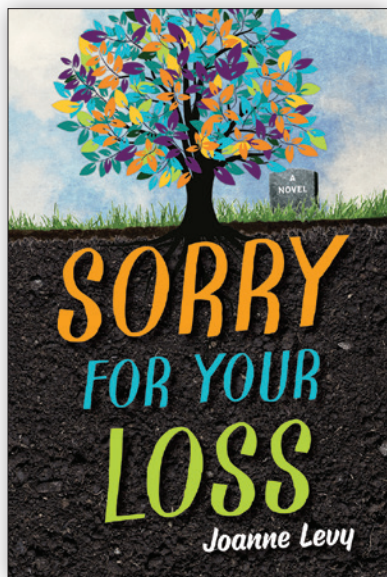
**T**hirteen-year-old Houston Williams is smart. *Very* smart. So no one is surprised when he earns a scholarship to attend a prestigious NASA space camp. At the training facility he immediately bonds with his new team, including a girl named Teal. He also clashes with a girl on a rival team named Ashley, who matches or beats him in every exercise. The three of them impress the directors so much they are invited to join a top-secret research project that studies how space travel affects people of different ages. But only two of them will actually be going into space. Houston will do whatever it takes to make sure he's picked.

**ERIC WALTERS** is a Member of the Order of Canada and the author of over 115 books that have collectively won more than 100 awards. Many of them have been translated into one or more of 15 different languages. A former teacher, Eric began writing as a way to get his fifth-grade students interested in reading and writing. Eric is a tireless presenter, speaking to over 100,000 students per year in schools across the country. He lives in Guelph, Ontario.

**THEMES:** space camp, astronaut training, leadership, facing your fears, NASA

PRAISE FOR ERIC WALTERS' MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION:

★ “Tugs at the heartstrings and tickles the funny bone...This warm tale is definitely one for the keeper shelves. Highly recommended.”  
—*School Library Journal* starred review

**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- A young girl befriends a boy who hasn't spoken since his parents were killed in a car accident.
- Examines themes of grieving, friendship and the nature of family.
- The author's father runs a Jewish funeral home, which served as inspiration for the setting of the novel.
- The author has written several other middle-grade novels and has been nominated for the Red Maple Award and the Manitoba Young Readers' Choice Awards.

## Sorry For Your Loss

Joanne Levy

*Evie's used to being surrounded by death.*

**E**vie Walman is not obsessed with death. She does think about it a lot, though, but only because her family runs a Jewish funeral home. At twelve, Evie already knows she's going to be a funeral director when she grows up. So what if the kids at school call her "corpse girl" and say she smells like death? They're just mean and don't get how important it is to have someone take care of things when your world is falling apart. Evie loves dusting caskets, polishing pews, and vacuuming the chapel. On funeral days, she dresses up and hands out tissues and offers her condolences to mourners. She doesn't normally help her parents with the grieving families directly, until one day when they ask her to help with Oren, a boy who was in a horrific car accident that killed both his parents. Oren refuses to speak and Evie, who is nursing her own private grief, is determined to find a way to help him deal with his loss.

**JOANNE LEVY** is the author of a number of books for young people, including *Double Trouble* and *Fish Out of Water* in the Orca Currents line and the middle-grade novels *The Sun Will Come Out* and *Small Medium At Large*, which was nominated for the Red Maple Award. She lives in Clinton, Ontario.

**THEMES:** death, grieving, funeral home, friendship, Jewish tradition

**October 12, 2021**  
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**DEATH, GRIEF, BEREAVEMENT****MARKETING AND PROMO**

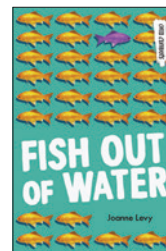
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**ALSO BY  
JOANNE LEVY:**

**The Sun Will Come Out**

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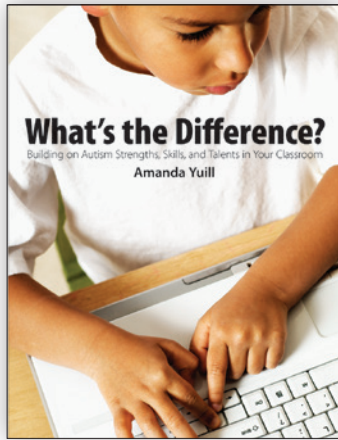
AGES 9–12



**Fish Out of Water**

9781459826595 • \$10.95

AGES 9–12



## What's the Difference?

Building on autism strengths, skills, and talents in your classroom

Amanda Yuill

**W**hat's the difference between teaching our students and our autistic students? Not much. This practical book argues that all students are unique. It focuses on integrating teaching autistic students into the teaching practice of the whole class. Based on extensive classroom experience, this highly readable book is full of anecdotes about engaged students growing in their learning. Lesson plans and checklists throughout the book help teachers get to know autistic students and help them with school work, emotional regulation, communication, socializing and staying safe. This timely book champions getting rid of labels so teachers can know every student as an individual.

**AMANDA YUILL's** extensive experience includes teaching in public and private schools in Canada and Japan. A teacher of primary grades, music, physical education, dance, drama and English as a second language, she is passionate about substitute teaching as a way to explore all aspects of education. An enthusiastic and compelling speaker, Amanda has spoken in England, Japan and Canada to young adults on issues such as identity, boundaries and forgiveness. Amanda resides in Toronto.

**THEMES:** professional development, teaching practice, autism, differentiation, inclusion

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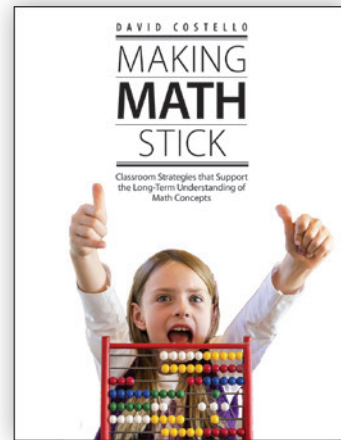
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SPECIAL EDUCATION |  
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Explores how to teach autistic students and improve the learning experience for all students.
- Features anecdotes from real classrooms supported by relevant research.
- Lesson plans and checklists throughout the book help implement strategies.



## Making Math Stick

Classroom strategies that support the long-term understanding of math concepts

Dr. David Costello

**T**his remarkable book shows teachers how to stop working harder and start working smarter. It describes a shift from “teach-test-move-on” to “teach-connect-apply”, to optimize student learning. This valuable resource provides teachers with an understanding of simple, manageable and sustainable strategies to immediately change their approach. These strategies build on helping students retain math concepts so they can apply them in novel situations down the road. The focus is on supporting teachers in framing instruction so that students strengthen their understanding and can remember and apply learning. *Making Math Stick* is a game-changer that champions durable learning for all students.

**DR. DAVID COSTELLO** is an author and professional learning facilitator who focuses on mathematics instruction and learning. David has supported teachers in many roles, including as a numeracy interventionist, numeracy coach, numeracy leader and curriculum consultant. A popular speaker at conferences, David has also instructed numerous university courses on curriculum, differentiation, mathematics and literacy. Currently a vice-principal in Summerside, PEI, David is committed to creating more meaningful learning experiences.

**THEMES:** professional development, teaching practice, mathematics, math, numeracy

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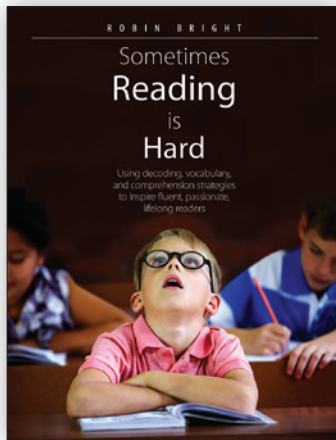
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TEACHING METHODS  
& MATERIALS | MATHEMATICS

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Strengthens math instruction to take students beyond exams to deeper learning in K-8 classrooms.
- This book encourages instruction that helps students recall and apply math concepts.
- Author has appeared on CBC's *The Current*.





## Sometimes Reading is Hard

Using decoding, vocabulary, and comprehension strategies to inspire fluent, passionate, lifelong readers

Robin Bright

**W**hen students say that reading is boring, difficult or overwhelming, or they cannot find a good book, it is almost impossible to sell them on the idea that reading is fun and worthwhile. *Sometimes Reading is Hard* shows teachers how to develop the skills students need to be successful and how to cultivate passionate, lifelong readers. Classroom vignettes, promising practices and step-by-step activities illustrate how teachers can weave teaching the skills of reading, decoding, vocabulary, comprehension and fluency with real reasons to read. With the right motivation, any student can become an enthusiastic reader.

A former elementary school teacher, **ROBIN BRIGHT** is a professor of education at the University of Lethbridge. Robin teaches undergraduate and graduate students in the areas of early childhood/elementary/middle education, reading, writing, and children's and young adult literature. She is an award-winning author of several books on literacy education.

**THEMES:** professional development, teaching practice, literacy, reading, books, children's literature

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TEACHING METHODS  
& MATERIALS |  
READING & PHONICS

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- Provides evidence and examples of the relationship between developing skills and becoming successful, capable readers.
- Describes how to weave decoding, vocabulary, comprehension and fluency with the reasons that students want to read.



## Better Reading Now

50 ready-to-use teaching strategies to engage students, deepen comprehension, and nurture a love of reading

Larry Swartz

**B**ased on what we now know about reading, this practical book offers strategies in a consistent format that is easy for teachers to incorporate into their daily instruction. This grab-bag of classroom-tested activities allows teachers to choose what they need to meet the diverse needs of students from first to eighth grade. These strategies guide students through the reading process and build important comprehension skills through reading, talk, art, drama and more. These innovative ways to use the best children's books inspire students to become enthusiastic and avid readers and to take the first giant step into becoming lifelong readers.

**LARRY SWARTZ** has explored literature-based learning with students and teachers for more than 30 years in North America, England, New Zealand and China. As a classroom teacher, consultant and instructor with OISE/University of Toronto, he has inspired colleagues and children alike to learn in new and exciting ways. Larry is a well-known speaker and workshop leader who lives in Toronto.

**THEMES:** professional development, teaching practice, literacy, reading, children's literature

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TEACHING METHODS  
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READING & PHONICS

### KEY SELLING POINTS

- A grab-bag of ready-to-use strategies that promote a love of reading.
- Shows how to use the best children's books in classrooms in new and innovative ways.
- Illustrates how to balance great books that matter with screen time.

# EVERY KIND OF HI-LO FOR EVERY KIND OF READER



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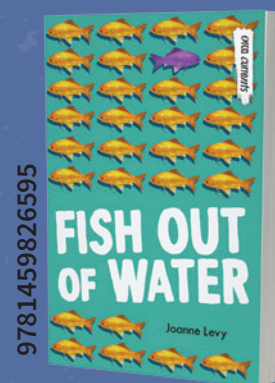
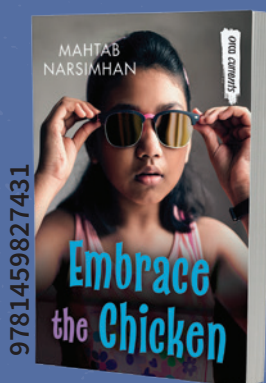
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SHORT, HIGH-INTEREST NOVELS FOR MIDDLE-SCHOOL READERS

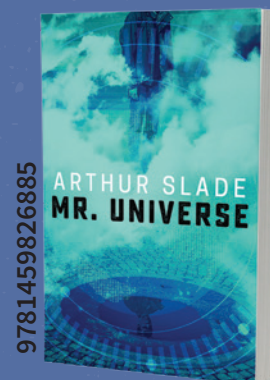
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GRADES 2.0-4.5	AGES 10-14

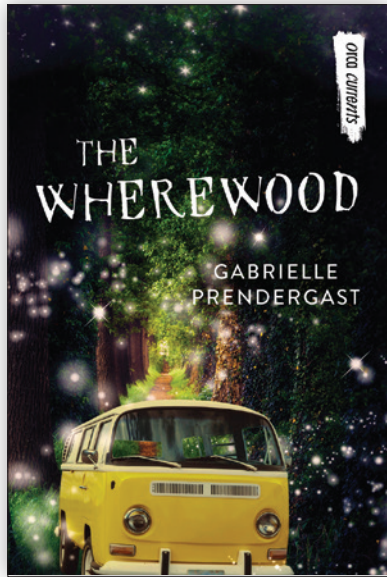


### orca soundings

CONTEMPORARY, COMPELLING STORIES FOR TEENS

READING LEVEL	INTEREST LEVEL
GRADES 2.0-4.5	AGES 12+





#### KEY SELLING POINTS

- A young teen tries to help his new friend Salix get back to his real home.
- The second book in the Faerie Woods series, following *The Crosswood* in the Orca Currents line.
- Set in an enchanted Faerie kingdom, this book is filled with fantastical and dark creatures, and the usual rules do not apply.
- New, enhanced features (dyslexia-friendly font, cream paper, larger trim size) to increase reading accessibility for dyslexic and other striving readers.

## The Wherewood

Gabrielle Prendergast

*Blue should have known this was a bad idea.*

Fourteen-year-old Blue (a human) should be upset that his new friends Salix (a Nixie) and Finola (a Faerie) have tricked him into going on another adventure into the Faerieland. But he's actually quite excited. Especially since their quest to find the way back to Salix's homeland takes them through the Wherewood, a magical region where lost things go. They encounter confused pets, misplaced homework assignments and mountains of odd socks. But when a misstep leads Blue into the forsaken Witherwood, he comes face to face with an old enemy. And Olea, the cursed former queen of Nearwood, will not let Blue go so easily this time.

This is the second book in the Faerie Woods series, following *The Crosswood*.

**GABRIELLE PRENDERGAST** is an award-winning writer, teacher and designer. She has written many books for young people including the BC Book Prize and Sheila A. Egoff Children's Literature Prize winner *Zero Repeat Forever* and the Westchester Award winner *Audacious*. She lives in Vancouver with her family.

**THEMES:** adventure, enchanted forests, magic, friendship, faeries

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**The Crosswood**

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likeable hero trying  
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untenable situation...  
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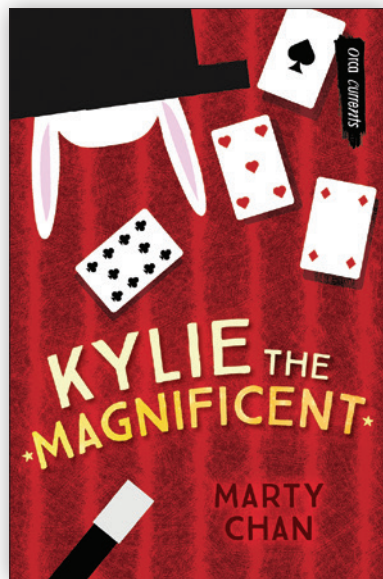
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**FRIENDSHIP**

**MARKETING AND PROMO**

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- Extensive ARC distribution
- Blog and social media promotion
- Outreach in Orca newsletters



**KEY SELLING POINTS**

- A young teen is determined to overcome sexism and be taken seriously as a magician.
- Explores gender roles and the challenges of systemic misogyny.
- Marty Chan is well known for his humorous books for middle readers.
- New, enhanced features (dyslexia-friendly font, cream paper, larger trim size) to increase reading accessibility for dyslexic and other striving readers.

# Kylie the Magnificent

Marty Chan

*Girl does NOT equal assistant.*

**ALSO BY**  
**MARTY CHAN**



**Haunted Hospital**  
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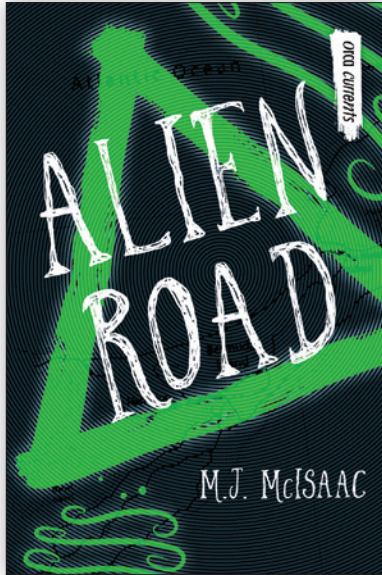


**Kung Fu Master**  
 9781459822467 • \$9.95  
 AGES 9–12

**F**ourteen-year-old Kylie really wants to be a part of the magician showcase. The problem is, the director has already decided that because she’s a girl, Kylie would be better off assisting a magician rather than doing her own routine. Determined to prove him wrong, Kylie decides to team up with her friend Min to secure a spot in the show. But while working on their act, Kylie loses sight of what it means to be a good friend. Tired of being mistreated, Min leaves and teams up with another magician. Will Kylie and Min make up in time to bring their act to the stage?

**MARTY CHAN** is an award-winning author of dozens of books for kids, including *Kung Fu Master* and *Haunted Hospital* in the Orca Currents line and the award-winning Marty Chan Mystery series. He tours schools and libraries across Canada, using storytelling, stage magic and improv to ignite a passion in kids for reading. He lives in Edmonton.

**THEMES:** magic shows, gender roles, sexism, friendship, bullying



#### KEY SELLING POINTS

- A young teen is invited to spend Spring Break on a family friend's yacht, sailing through the Bermuda Triangle.
- Explores the themes of urban legends and the importance of teamwork.
- The author has a master's degree in children's literature and has written several titles in Orca's hi-lo line.
- New, enhanced features (dyslexia-friendly font, cream paper, larger trim size) to increase reading accessibility for dyslexic and other striving readers.

## Alien Road

M.J. McIsaac

*All that stuff about the Bermuda Triangle is a myth...right?*

Ridge isn't thrilled about the idea of spending his whole Spring Break with his mom, but when they get an invitation from his mom's billionaire friend to join him on his private yacht for a Caribbean cruise, how can he say no? Karl, the billionaire's son, is less excited. He knows where they are headed—right into the middle of the Bermuda Triangle. There are dozens of stories about ships and aircraft that mysteriously disappeared while traveling through that legendary region of the Atlantic. Karl thinks it has something to do with aliens. Ridge thinks Karl has been spending too much time on the internet. But when strange and inexplicable things start happening aboard their vessel as it gets closer to the triangle, Ridge starts to wonder if Karl might be right.

**M.J. McISAAC** has a master's degree in writing for children and is the author of several books for young people, including *Boil Line* and *Underhand* in the Orca Sports line. She currently lives with her family in Whitby, Ontario.

**THEMES:** paranormal, mystery, aliens, missing ships, family vacation

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**PARANORMAL,  
OCCULT & SUPERNATURAL |  
ALIEN CONTACT**

#### MARKETING AND PROMO

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#### ALSO BY

**M.J. McISAAC**



**Boil Line**

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AGES 9–12



**Underhand**

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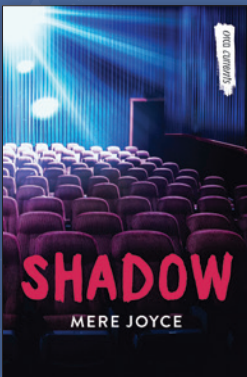
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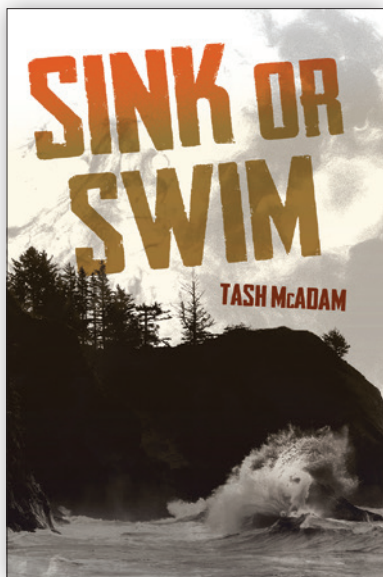
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Tell  
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The Thing You're Good At  
9781459828421

Truth  
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#### KEY SELLING POINTS

- This is an #ownvoices story that features a trans protagonist and touches on dealing with anxiety.
- The author is trans and writes fast-paced, plot-centric action adventures with diverse casts, the books they wanted to read as a queer kid and young adult.
- Their previous Orca Soundings title, *Blood Sport*, received a starred review from *School Library Journal* and was a Junior Library Guild selection.
- New, enhanced features (dyslexia-friendly font, cream paper, larger trim size) to increase reading accessibility for dyslexic and other striving readers.

## Sink or Swim

Tash McAdam

*The storm came out of nowhere.*

Sixteen-year-old shy, socially awkward trans teen Bass reluctantly skips school and goes on a boat trip with his adventure-seeking girlfriend, Rosie. When a sudden storm smashes their boat on a rocky shore off a deserted island, Bass and Rosie struggle to make it to safety. Bruised and battling hypothermia, the pair have to seek shelter and work together to survive until they can be rescued. After a horrible night, Rosie, an experienced climber, decides to scale a steep cliff to find help. She falls and injures herself badly. Now Bass has to find the strength and courage to swim around a dangerous headland and make his way back to civilization before it's too late.

**TASH McADAM** is a Welsh Canadian author of several books for young people, including *Blood Sport* in the Orca Soundings line and *The Psionics* series (Nine Star Press). Tash identifies as trans and queer and uses the neutral pronoun *they*. They teach high school English and computer science and have a couple of black belts in karate. They live in Vancouver.

**THEMES:** trans youth, adventure, survival story, anxiety, growth mindset

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AGES 12+

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**ACTION & ADVENTURE |  
SURVIVAL STORIES**

#### MARKETING AND PROMO

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#### ALSO BY

**TASH McADAM**



**Blood Sport**

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#### JLG GOLD STANDARD SELECTION

★ “This book checks all the boxes of a hi-lo text. It has an exciting hook, a modern teen worldview, and is at a lower reading level...

A must-buy for libraries looking for diverse and compelling hi-lo books.”

—*School Library Journal*, starred review

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**PERFORMING ARTS | FILM**

**MARKETING AND PROMO**

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**KEY SELLING POINTS**

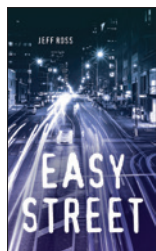
- 16-year-old filmmaker Rainey is racked with guilt when a doctored video results in a woman getting injured.
- Explores the themes of peer pressure and the dangers of misinformation.
- The author has written several books in the Orca Soundings line, including *Easy Street*, *Shark* and *Up North*, which was shortlisted for the Ottawa Book Award.
- Jeff Ross teaches at the university level and his characters are based on real students.
- New, enhanced features (dyslexia-friendly font, cream paper, larger trim size) to increase reading accessibility for dyslexic and other striving readers.

# I Dare You

Jeff Ross

*Some pranks aren't so harmless.*

**ALSO BY  
 JEFF ROSS**



**Easy Street**  
 9781459824010 • \$9.95  
 AGES 12+



**Shark**  
 9781459816824 • \$9.95  
 AGES 12+

**S**ixteen-year-old Rainey is surprised when a video he made of a schoolyard fight goes viral. Two schoolmates, Jordan and Rowan, convince him to make another one, this time about a mysterious figure in the woods. Soon rumors are circulating that someone is out there kidnapping kids. Or maybe it's a ghost. The teens are thrilled with the attention their prank is getting and are setting up a follow-up video when things go horribly wrong. A local woman, convinced that the ghost is related to the nightmares she's been having for years, drives out to the area to investigate. The sight of Rowan in costume staggering across her path causes her to drive off the road. When the police start asking questions, Jordan and Rowan abandon Rainey. No one else knows what really happened but will a guilty conscience force Rainey to admit to his part in the accident or will he keep quiet?

**JEFF ROSS** is the author of many novels for young adults, including several titles in the Orca Soundings and Orca Sports lines. He teaches scriptwriting and English at Algonquin College in Ottawa.

**THEMES:** filmmaking, viral videos, peer pressure, hoaxes, ghosts





#### KEY SELLING POINTS

- A teen misses curfew and ends up being kidnapped by a strange organization with an unsettling clientele.
- A thrilling drama with a startling, unexpected revelation: the teens' blood is being used as an anti-aging treatment.
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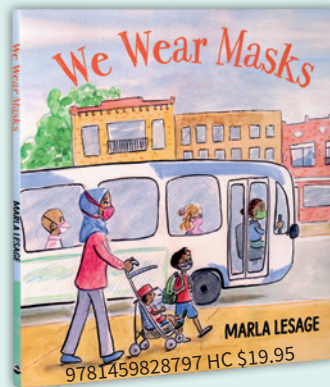
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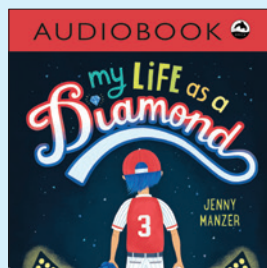
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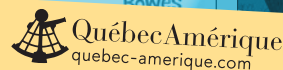


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