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A Universal Family Theme – Sibling Rivalry and the Concept of Fairness

Teaches empathy and conflict resolution

Strong emotional intelligence theme: true fairness means listening to individual needs



Madlen Ottenshläger, Lisa Rammensee (Ill.)

So Unfair!

32 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52225-2

09/2026

The Bear family is constantly arguing: nothing is ever fair!

So they decide to make everything strictly equal – same food, same space, the same slice of cake measured with a ruler. The result? Nobody is happy.

A funny, warm-hearted picture book about the real difference between fairness and sameness.



© Matthias Kessler



© Pia Schmickl

Madlen Ottenshläger works as a children's book author and journalist. When she's not relaxing in her hammock, she loves reading to her two children or thinking up new adventures for little book heroes.

Lisa Rammensee always looks for the right medium for the perfect illustrations. When she's not illustrating, she loves to bake her own bread and to work in her vegetable garden.

Previously published books by Madlen & Lisa:



Sorry!

32 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52249-8

Sold to: Arabic world rights, Denmark



Why the Tears, Little Crocodile?

40 pages • 28,5 × 28,6 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-551-17315-7

Sold to: Taiwan, China, Romania, Turkey

A Loveable Duo: A Girl and Her Wonderfully Chaotic Elephant Sidekick

- Celebrates friendship and teamwork
- Imaginative, humorous storytelling that speaks directly to young children's feelings
- Warm, expressive illustrations that bring the comedy to life on every page

AGE
3+

Being small is no fun – you always must do what the grown-ups say. **So Tilly orders an elephant from a delivery service to help her solve all her problems. But the elephant Bo has his own ideas, and chaos quickly follows.** Together, they discover that big or small doesn't matter – what counts is doing things together.



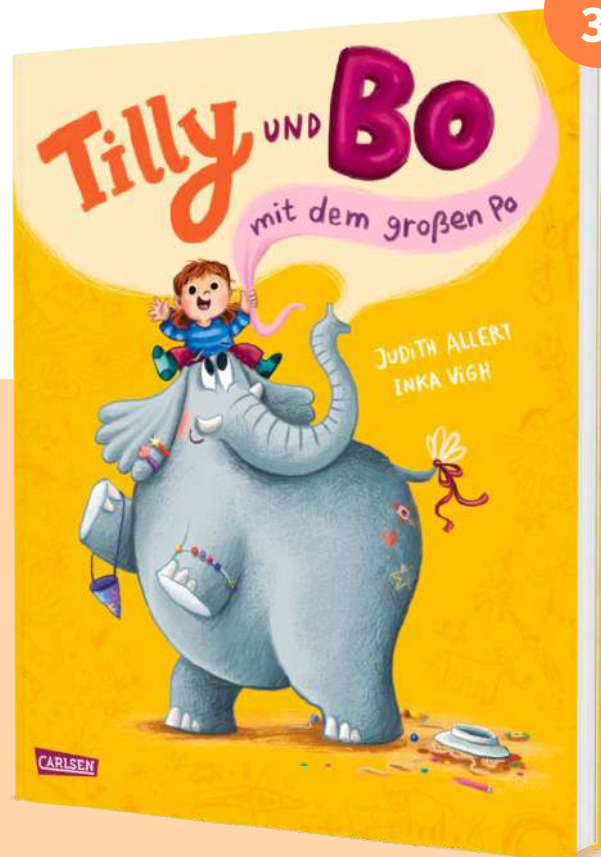
Judith Allert lives with her husband and many animals on an old farm. She enjoys to think of new stories while weeding and making space for flowers in her garden.

Inka Vigh used to live in California, Beirut and Budapest. She likes fleemarkets and drinking tea. Though she's most happy when she illustrates.

Inka's previous book has sold old more than 12,000 copies!



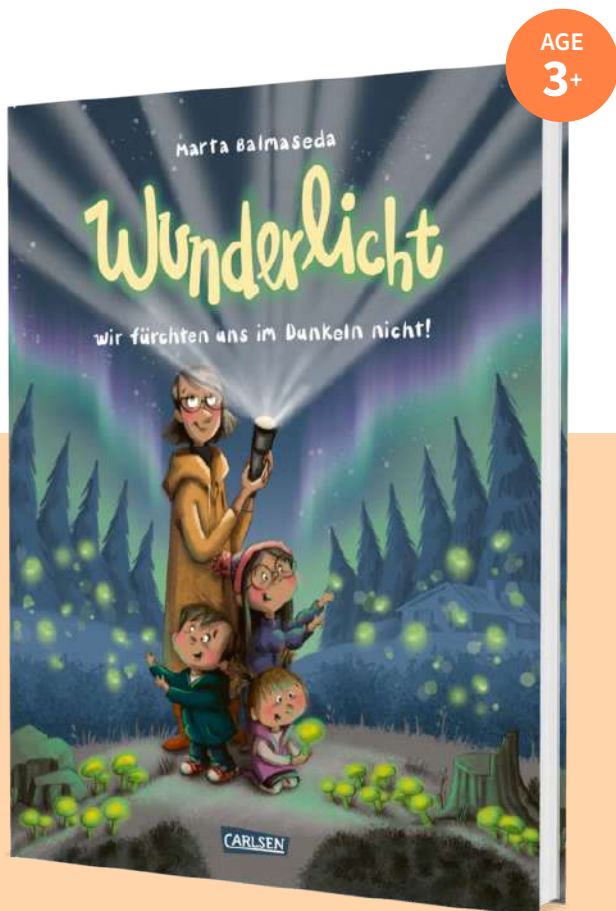
Wilma and the Anger Ball
32 pages • 22,75 × 27,5 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52228-3
Sold to: Taiwan, Turkey, Denmark



Judith Allert, Inka Vigh (Ill.)
Tilly und Bo
32 pages • 22,55 × 27,6 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52260-3
10/2026

Nature's Glowing Wonders Turn Fear of the Dark into Amazement

- Introduces children to real bioluminescent wonders of nature in a story-driven way
- A perfect bedtime read: calming, imaginative and beautiful



Marta Balmaseda (Ill.)
Wonder Light
 32 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-551-52295-5
 10/2026

When three siblings spend a weekend in a cabin with their aunt, the dark feels full of monsters. But their aunt takes them on a journey through nature's glowing wonders – bioluminescence, fireflies, the northern lights. **Suddenly, the dark is not something to fear, but something to marvel at.**



Marta Balmaseda is a Spanish illustrator. Her illustrations are known not only in Germany, but also in Spain, England, and the USA. Besides illustrating children's books, she has also worked with a non-profit organization for the last five years designing murals for children's hospitals in various countries.

Also illustrated by Marta:



Mom Calls It a Day
 32 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm
 Age: 2+
 ISBN 978-3-551-51983-2
 Sold to: Russia, Ukraine

Encourages Children to See the World Through Others' Eyes

Suitable for use in kindergartens and early years settings

A warm adventure about friendship, empathy and perspective-taking

The Mindful Tiger dreams of flying. The toucan longs to dive. The seahorse wants to walk on land. When the millipede's thousand shoes go missing, **the friends set off together – over land, through the sea and up into the sky.**

An interactive adventure about friendship & empathy!

The third adventure with the Mindful Tiger and his friends is due in August 2027.



© Fanny Husten | EYECANDY Berlin



Max & Niclas are a children's book author duo from Berlin who have known each other since school time. **Max** is an all-round talent in the media world who can direct, edit, and perform magic (well, almost). **Niclas** is an actor, podcaster, and entrepreneur with a special flair for bringing characters to life. Together, they write stories that they themselves would have loved as children. Their motto: If you want something really badly and try really hard, anything can happen – even becoming a children's book author!

Ekaterina Savic is an illustrator who has never turned her back on the pencil. After five years as an architect, drawing blueprints, she decided to pursue her true dream: illustrating children's books and board games.



The Mindful Tiger: What a Muddle (vol. 1)

48 pages • 26 × 30,6 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52373-0

Sold to: Turkey, Bulgaria, Norway, Denmark



The Mindful Tiger: My Coloring Book

64 pages • 21,5 × 28 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-19274-5



Max & Niclas, Ekaterina Savic (Ill.), Niclas

Rohrwacher, Maximilian Duwe

The Mindful Tiger: And Suddenly I Can Fly (vol.2)

48 pages • 26 × 30,6 cm

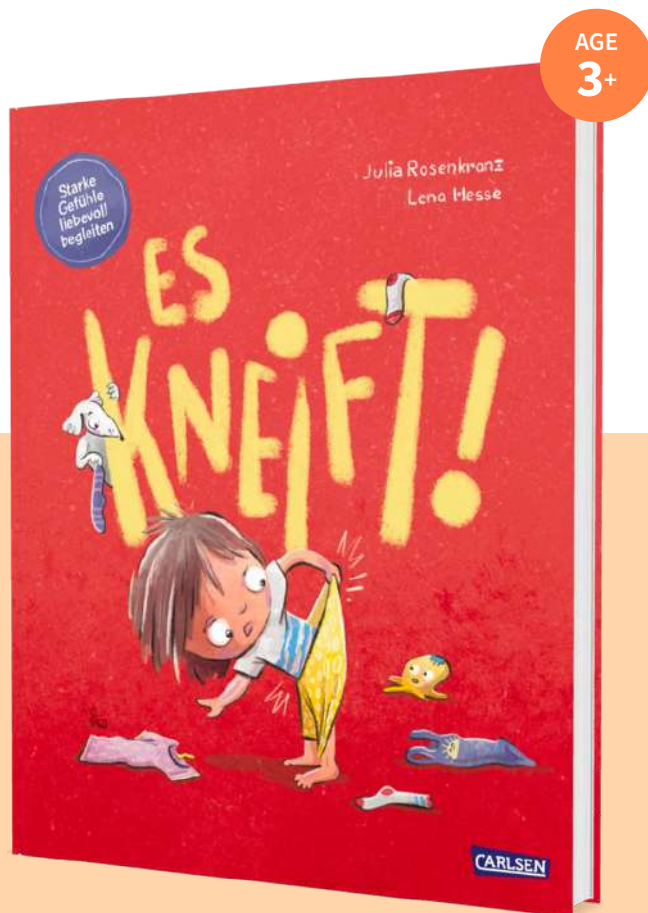
Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52374-7

08/2026

Helps Children and Parents Navigate Big Emotions in Everyday Situations

- Captures a toddler's experience with humour and genuine empathy
- Ideal for use in early years settings and family reading



Julia Rosenkranz, Lena Hesse (Ill.)

It Pinches!

32 pages ■ 22,55 × 27,6 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52306-8

09/2026

Mile's morning starts brilliantly – until a tiny lump in her sock throws everything off. Suddenly the pants pinch, the T-shirt feels wrong, and **a small problem turns into a huge emotional storm**. Dad tries to help, but nothing works.



© Stephi Wald

Julia Rosenkranz worked for several years as a children's book editor before becoming a freelance author.

Lena Hesse studied design in Münster and Valencia – now having moved to Berlin, city of artists and international appeal. She works as a freelance illustrator and author.

Do Animals Have Feelings? Science Says: Very Probably Yes.

- Large-format non-fiction picture book with stunning hand-painted gouache illustrations
- Covers a wide range of species and ecosystems – broad educational appeal
- Suitable for use in kindergartens, primary schools and family reading

What are feelings actually good for? And do only humans have feelings, or do animals feel as well? Humans can express themselves through language and tell each other about their feelings. Animals can't use words to say what they're experiencing, but they have their ways... With stunning hand-painted gouache illustrations, the non-fiction picture book explores how elephants grieve, why chimpanzees smile, what makes crocodiles happy and much more.



Laura Fuchs works as an author and illustrator in a picturesque town where her dog chases the gulls while Laura herself chases new ideas.

Florian Fuchs discovered his enthusiasm for unusual stories and fantasy when he was still a child. Back then he had no idea that years later, as an author and illustrator, he would be creating his own worlds.

Previously published:



How the Animals Sleep
32 pages • 24,1 × 34,4 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52127-9
Sold to: Denmark, Turkey



Laura Fuchs (Ill.), Florian Fuchs (Ill.)

How Animals Feel

32 pages • 24,3 × 34,4 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52258-0

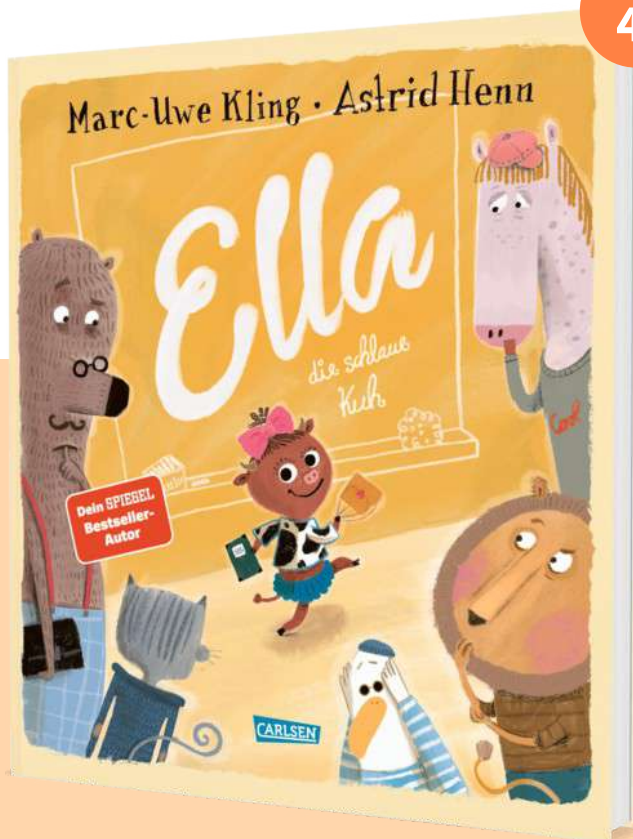
07/2026

By Bestseller Duo Marc-Uwe Kling and Astrid Henn – Creators of the Million-Selling *The Unicorn That Loved Saying No*

Challenges stereotypes and outdated role expectations

Warm, expressive illustrations by Astrid Henn add a second layer of humour to the story

AGE
4+



Marc-Uwe Kling, Astrid Henn
Ella, the Clever Cow
 32 pages • 22,55 × 25 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-551-52318-1
 10/2026

At the school for animals, bears have always done the teaching – and that's how it's always going to be. Or so they think. **When little cow Ella arrives, she has a dream: to become a teacher herself. Everyone laughs. Everyone is wrong.**

A witty rhyming picture book about believing in yourself against all odds.



© Sven Hagolani



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Marc-Uwe Kling sings songs and tells stories. His business concept is to write books that criticize capitalism and sell very well.

Astrid Henn used to work for a couple of advertising agencies, before becoming a happy and convinced freelance illustrator.



The Unicorn That Loved Saying No

48 pages • 22,55 × 27,6 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-51841-5

Sold to: South Korea (available again), Denmark, Hungary, Italy, Romania, Taiwan, UK, Poland, PR China, Finland, Russia, Spain (Cast., Cat., Basque & Galician), the Netherlands, France, Iceland, Greece, Ukraine, Portugal, Serbia, Bulgaria, Turkey, Lithuania, Norway, Sweden, Czech Rep.



The Unicorn That Loved Saying No and the Birthday

48 pages • 22,5 × 27,6 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52230-6

Helping Children Understand Their Anger

- Includes an afterword with practical guidance for parents
- By bestselling parenting expert and author Nora Imlau

AGE
4+

Tilly, a spirited little red panda, storms through life with courage and enthusiasm. But her frustration threshold is low, and anger often erupts when things do not go her way. With warmth and rhyming text, **this book shows children and parents that anger is not something to hide, but a feeling worth listening to.**



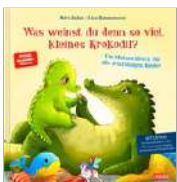
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Nora Imlau is a well known parenting expert and popular children's book author. She has also authored several books about the psychology and science of parenting, many of them bestsellers.

Lisa Rammensee always looks for the right medium for the perfect illustrations. When she's not illustrating, she loves to bake her own bread and to work in her vegetable garden.



Why the Tears, Little Crocodile?
40 pages • 28,5 × 28,6 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-551-17315-7
Sold to: Taiwan, China, Romania, Turkey



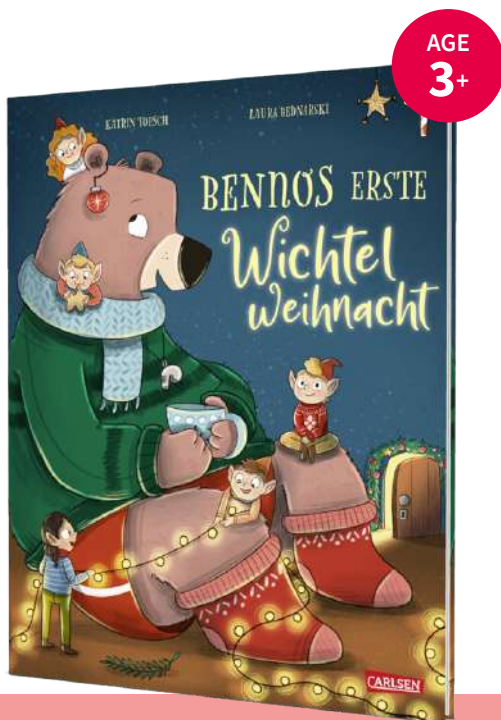
What's up With You, Kangaroo?
40 pages • 28,5 × 28,6 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-551-17316-4
Sold to: Denmark, Taiwan, China, Turkey



Nora Imlau, Lisa Rammensee (Ill.)
Why Are You So Angry, Little Panda Bear?
40 pages • 28 × 28 cm
Age: 4+
ISBN 978-3-551-17331-7
08/2026

A Bear Who Hates Christmas. An Elf Who Can't Swim. The Perfect Team.

- Cosy, magical atmosphere with a touch of humour throughout
- Celebrates unlikely friendship and helping each other through challenges



Katrin Topsch, Laura Bednarski (Ill.)
Benno's First Christmas With an Elf
 32 pages • 22,55 × 27,6 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-551-52378-5
 Sold to: Romania
 10/2026

Pool attendant Benno loves the summer. Winter feels lonely and frustrating. Then an autumn storm blows elf Matti straight into his empty pool. The little elf has a big problem: he's dropped the key to the Christmas magic treasure chest into a hot spring, but he can't swim. Luckily, Benno knows all about that and follows him through the elf door into the winter wonderland. **Between the smell of freshly baked cookies and the sparkle of snow, the two of them give it their all to save Christmas.** Now even Benno is convinced about the magic of Christmas!

One Boy. One Mispronounced Name. One Very Special Tradition.

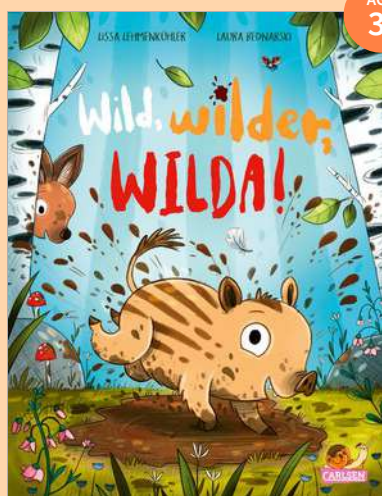
- Celebrates the joy of giving over receiving – a rare angle for a Christmas picture book
- Comic-style elements and a special spot colour make it a visually distinctive gift book



Petra Eimer
The Real Santa – Klaus
 32 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-551-52289-4
 10/2026

Niko-Klaus is an ordinary boy – except that his little sister Ida can't say his name properly and simply calls him Nicholas. **When Ida hears about the gift-bringing Saint Nicholas, her big brother decides to become one for her, year after year.** Until a nasty flu gets in the way. This year, Niko-Klaus himself is visited by Saint Nicholas...

Our Favorite Picture Books from the Bologna List



AGE
3+

Lissa Lehmenkühler, Laura Bednarski (ILL.)
Wilda Gets Wilder
32 pages • 22,05 × 28,5 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52276-4



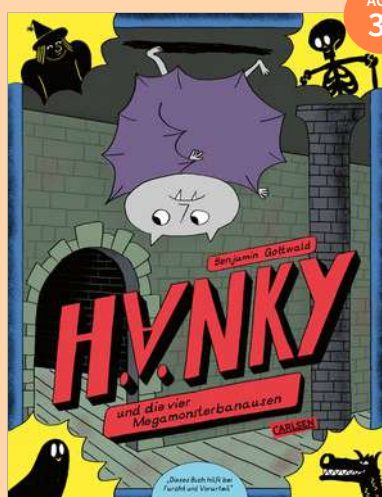
AGE
3+

Maike Harel, Nadine Resch (ILL.)
How Do Animals Go to the Loo?
32 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52255-9



AGE
3+

Jennifer Coulmann
Chunk, the Rhino Who Saves the Savanna
32 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52309-9
Sold to: Russia, Finland, Romania,
Denmark, Turkey



AGE
3+

Benjamin Gottwald (ILL.)
Hanky and the Four Monster Buddies
48 pages • 22,05 × 28,6 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52361-7
Sold to: Turkey



AGE
3+

Regina Feldmann, Daniel Nikoi Djanie (ILL.)
Amma Can't Sleep
32 pages • 25,5 × 25,6 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52268-9



AGE
3+

Inka Vigh
Wilma and the Anger Ball
32 pages • 22,75 × 27,5 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-52228-3
Sold to: Taiwan, Turkey, Denmark

FIRST READERS

Underwater Mystery with a Loveable Mermaid Heroine

- Popular mermaid theme combined with a light detective story
- Syllable colouring and a reading quiz after each chapter support early readers



Anja Schenk, Claudia Tenorio Pearl (Ill.)

Mara's Magic Shell

64 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 5+

ISBN 978-3-551-69138-5

08/2026

Hugely Popular Unicorn Theme with a Fresh, Funny Twist

- Themes of diversity and belonging – ideal for conversations about bullying
- A feel-good story about inclusion, true friendship, and standing up for others



Britta Vorbach, Annett Stütze, Simone Leiss-Bohn (Ill.)

Rosa Rescues the Unicorn School

64 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 5+

ISBN 978-3-551-69139-2

09/2026

Just before the Ocean Festival, everything goes wrong: the food is spoilt, the decorations are ruined, and Mara's magic shell makes a dreadful noise instead of music.

Has the sea been cursed? Mara and her friend follow the clues through bubbles, waves, and seaweed – and find a surprising culprit.

Rosa is a small grey-pink unicorn with extra glitter. But at Unicorn School, she is easy to overlook.

Then she meets Rasmus, a cheeky wild boar with a big heart and muddy bristles. When hungry ogres declare the school an all-you-can-eat buffet, the unlikely duo hatch a sparkling plan to save the day.

Chaos & Hearty Laughs Every Day of Advent

- Taps into the hugely popular elf trend
- Warm-hearted Christmas read



Claudia Scharf, Gloria Jasionowski (Ill.)

The Cheeky Elf

64 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 5+

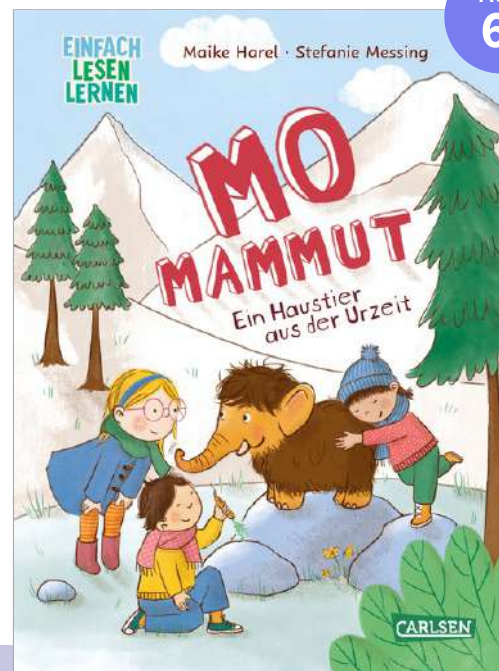
ISBN 978-3-551-69148-4

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In December, everything in Leo's house goes wrong: his favourite football card vanishes, his Lego castle is in ruins, and his maths book ends up in the toilet. The culprit is Moffy, a real mischief elf who causes chaos for the whole family. But when Christmas itself is at risk, even Moffy shows his softer side.

The Most Unusual Holiday Find Ever

- Themes of nature conservation and biodiversity
- Includes a fact sheet about mammoths



Maike Harel, Stefanie Messing (Ill.)

Mo, the Baby Mammoth from Prehistoric Times

64 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 6+

ISBN 978-3-551-69094-4

11/2026

During a mountain holiday, Polly, Jojo, and Amina meet a mammoth baby! They smuggle the mammoth home, but keeping a prehistoric pet secret is harder than it sounds. The three of them must get creative and find a suitable home for the mammoth that will keep him safe.

Both educational and entertaining!

Exciting Detective Fun for First Readers

- Second part of a growing series with comic elements and colourful illustrations
- Everyday adventures that feel real: friendship, school, and a little chaos

Tarik, Joy, Alva, and Enes are best friends living in the same neighbourhood. When the school football tournament is just around the corner, Tarik's ball goes missing. The one he secretly borrowed from his brother.

Constanze's books are well received and really strike a chord with the spirit of the times. So far we have sold more than 350.000 copies!



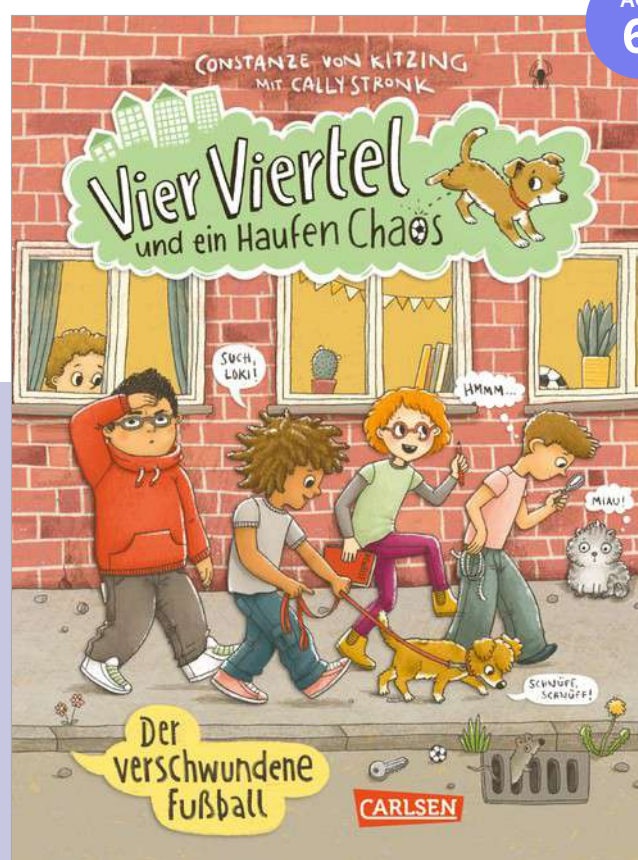
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Constanze von Kitzing's passion for pen and paper began with hundreds of princesses and horses. Today she prefers more funny and quirky characters in rich colours which come alive through their many details.



My Neighbourhood and a Bunch of Chaos: A Home for a Dog (vol. 1)

192 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm
Age: 6+
ISBN 978-3-551-65668-1



AGE
6+

Constanze von Kitzing (Ill.)
My Neighbourhood and a Bunch of Chaos: The Missing Soccer Ball (vol. 2)

176 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 6+

ISBN 978-3-551-65669-8

11/2026

More Than 275.000 Copies Sold

- Action, humour, and a message about courage and friendship
- Short chapters, large print, and plenty of illustrations



Heiko Wolz, André Sedlaczek (Ill.)
Minecraft Adventures: Creakers – Until the Branches Snap! (vol. 11)

80 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 6+

ISBN 978-3-551-06871-2

09/2026

Stefan must protect the village – but what if someone turns into a zombie again? Only a golden apple can help then. He sets off with Anna and their friend Broccoli into an unknown place: the Pale Garden. That's where a woodland mansion is supposed to be – and with it, the golden apple.

Volume 12 is due in August 2027.



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© Sigrid Urban

Heiko Wolz used to be a book seller and caregiver for people with mental handicaps. These days he manages a household with four kids, wife, dog and cat. In his spare time he writes novels and stories.

André Sedlaczek was born on the 6th December, earlier than planned, just to be sure to be in time for Christmas. He studied Visual Communications, and works as a freelance illustrator.



Minecraft Adventures - Zombies (vol. 1)

80 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 6+

ISBN 978-3-551-06844-6

Sold to: Denmark, Ukraine, Hungary, Romania, Russia, Arabic world rights (available again), English worldwide



Minecraft Adventures: Ice Wanderers (vol. 10)

80 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 7+

ISBN 978-3-551-06870-5

Every Child Learns in Their Own Way

- Sensitive portrays neurodiversity in a school setting – ADHD, autism, and more
- Promotes inclusion and a sense of community



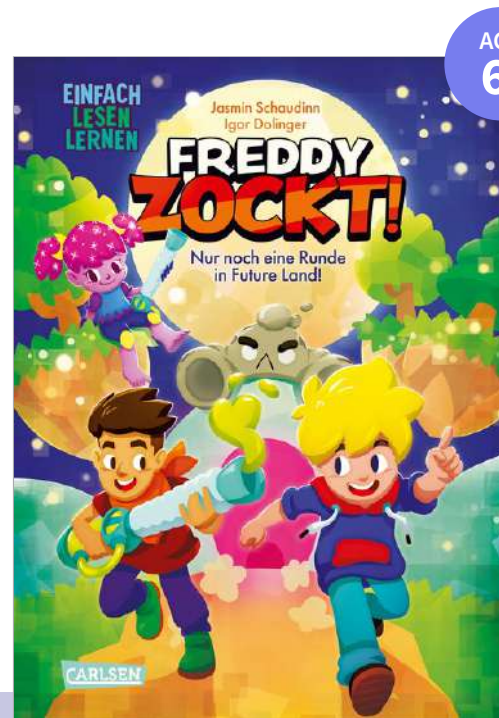
Saskia Niechzial, Stefanie Reich (Ill.)
The Beaver Class: All Different, All Right
 72 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 6+
 ISBN 978-3-551-69140-8
 08/2026

In the Beaver Class, every child learns differently: Ruby struggles to focus, Mina needs clear routines, Luna reads better with larger print, and Bjarne takes extra time with numbers.

A gentle, inclusive story that shows how a classroom can work for everyone – and how differences make a community stronger.

Press a Button and Let the Adventure Begin

- A fun bridge between digital gaming culture and the joy of reading
- An exciting quest with a ticking clock and real stakes



Jasmin Schaudinn, Igor Dolinger (Ill.)
Freddy Levels Up!
 64 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 6+
 ISBN 978-3-551-69123-1
 10/2026

Freddy and Sam love playing Future-Land at break time, but real gaming stays off-limits – until they find a mysterious controller in the rubbish.

One press of a button and they are inside the game on an incredible quest. Will it be level-up or game over in the end?

Warm, Humorous Mix of School Story, Friendship and Fairy-Tale Adventure

- Challenges gently gender roles and celebrates individuality
- Encourages children to be themselves and work as a team

Kim dreads playing the scary dragon in the school play – until he meets Drago, a real dragon who secretly snacks on sandwiches and just wants to dance. Together, they turn the fairy tale upside down and create a show that is truly their own.

A funny story about teamwork and staying true to yourself.



Alena Braune completed her master's degree in communication design with a hand-drawn animated trailer for Michael Ende's novel *Wunschkirsch* and has since been working as an illustrator.

Sandra Hohenstein's passion for storytelling led her to international advertising agencies before she became a freelance copywriter and concept developer. Today, as a freelance author, she not only writes stories for brands but, inspired by her own three children, most of all for kids.

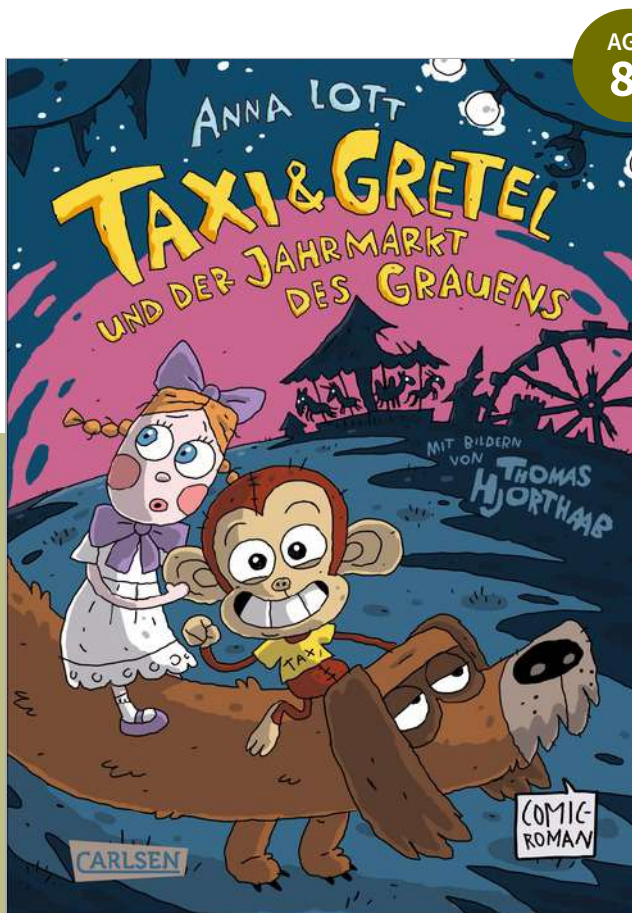


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Alena Braune (Ill.), Sandra Hohenstein
A Dragon Takes the Stage
 64 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 6+
 ISBN 978-3-551-69149-1
 09/2026

Comic Fun from a Comic Superstar

- Debut on the German market by a renowned Danish comic artist
- Visually engaging on every page
- Speech bubbles and comic panels alternate with short prose passages



Anna Lott, Thomas Hjorthaab (Ill.)
Taxi & Gretel and the Funfair of Horror
 112 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-551-55986-9
 10/2026

AGE
8+

A stuffed monkey and a puppet team up to crack a spooky kidnapping case.

When Taxi's owner suddenly goes missing, he meets Gretel in a bin and a dachshund who is already hot on the trail. **Their wild chase through the city leads to a chilling showdown – and a surprising secret from the past they all share.**

© Julia Windhoff



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Since 2014, **Anna Lott** has been writing and developing children's stories – for TV, radio, and print as well as digital media.

The Danish illustrator **Thomas Hjorthaab** trained as a comic artist in Malmö and has since illustrated a large number of children's books. He is also active in animation, working on a range of music videos, television productions, and animated films.

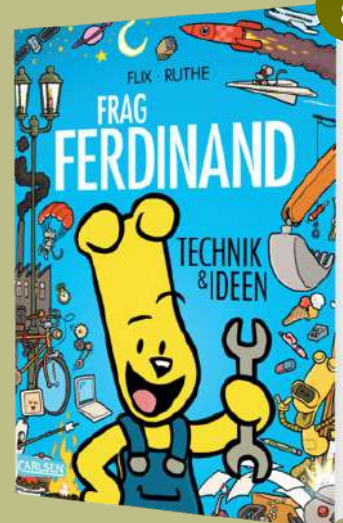
More Comic Books for Kids!

AGE
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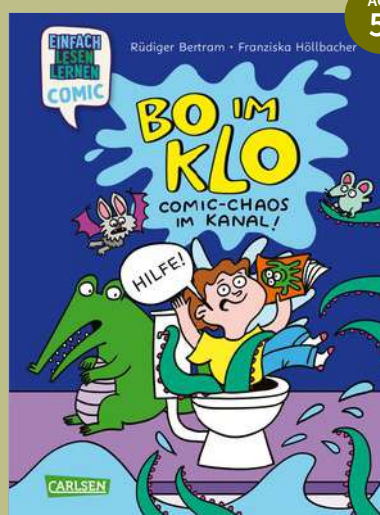
Steffen Gumpert
**Light in the Dark. A Spooky Detective
 Mystery to Solve Along the Way**
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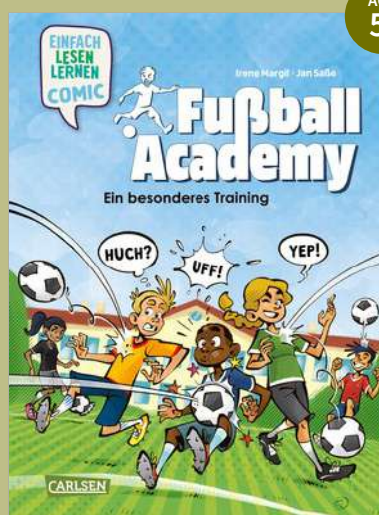
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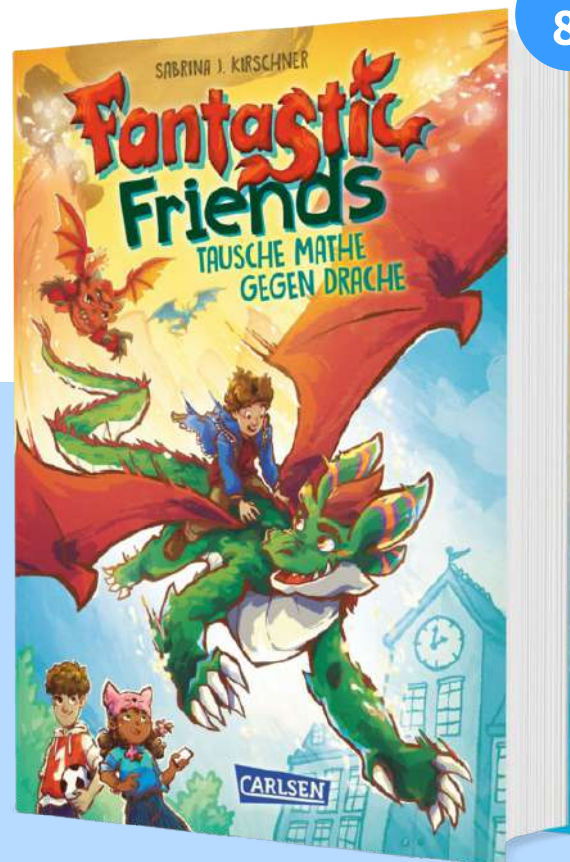
Sabrina J. Kirschner used to be a competition rider and children's books editor. Nowadays she lives in Munich and writes popular children's books.

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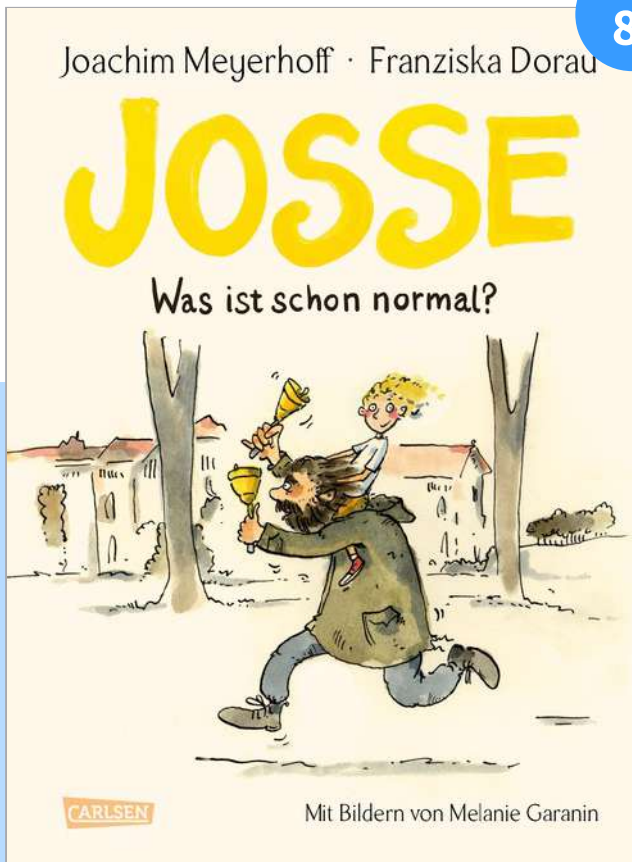
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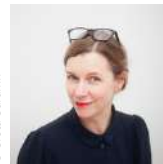
Josse grows up on the grounds of a psychiatric clinic, surrounded by his father's patients. Letters dance on the page for him, he struggles to fit in at school, and his feelings sometimes overwhelm him. **Yet his world, so different from the outside, feels entirely normal to him.**



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Joachim Meyerhoff has performed at many major theatres and has been named *Actor of the Year* three times for his work. His novels have also received numerous awards. With *Josse*, he is now publishing his first children's book. He has written *Josse* together with his partner **Franziska Dorau**.

Melanie Garanin studied animated film-making and illustrated children's and middle-grade/YA books for many years. In 2020, her first graphic novel, that deals with her son's death, *Nils. On Death and Anger. And on Courage.* was published. In 2025 Carlsen published her highly acclaimed graphic novel on Rainer Maria Rilke.

Joachim Meyerhoff, Franziska Sophie Dorau, Melanie Garanin (Ill.)

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Ulrich Hub was trained to be a performing artist. He works as a director at different theaters, writes theater plays and screen plays. He is one of the few authors who is famous for both his work in children's as well as in adult's theaters. He lives in Berlin.

Jörg Mühle studied illustration in Offenbach and Paris. He works as illustrator for newspapers, magazines, and for German and foreign publishing houses.



A Story of a Lame Duck and a Blind Chicken: Chicken's Backyard

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Age: 8+

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A Story of a Lame Duck and a Blind Chicken: No Cannonballs Allowed!

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Ulrich Hub, Jörg Mühle (Ill.)

A Story of a Lame Duck and a Blind Chicken: Birthday in the Vacuum Cleaner

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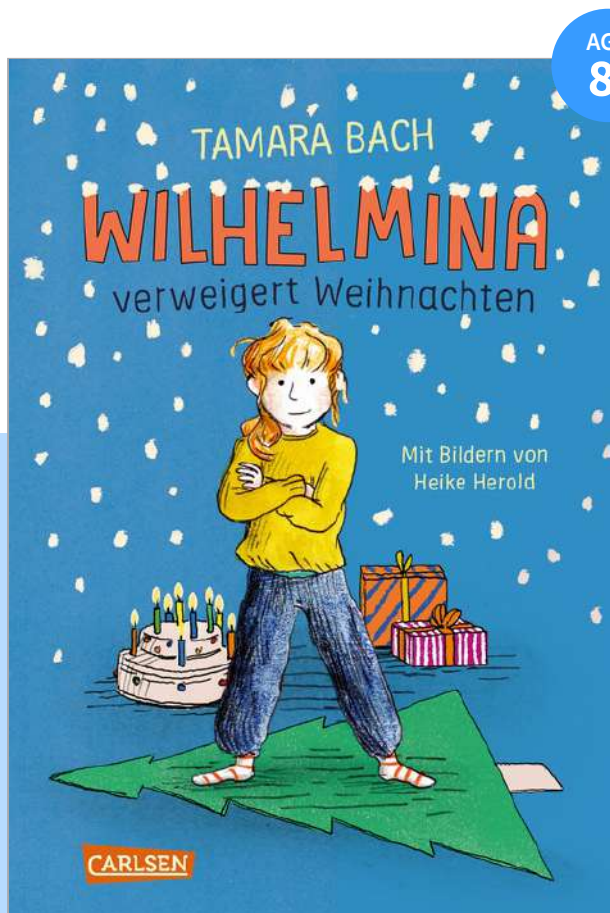
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A Prize-Winning Author's Take on Christmas

- Takes children's big and small everyday worries seriously and doesn't leave them alone with them
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Tamara Bach, Heike Herold (Ill.)
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 Age: 8+
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 10/2026

Everyone loves Christmas, right? Well, not Wilhelmina!

Wilhelmina is so over Christmas. Cookies in math, angels in German, and now a Christmas poem. Grumbling, she starts... and actually enjoys it. Until Robert reads one of her poems to the whole class and makes fun of it. She's furious, and then she draws his name for Secret Santa.

She'd much rather plan her birthday. But with her party the day before Christmas, will anyone even have time to celebrate?



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Tamara Bach studied to be a teacher. Her first book *Marsmädchen* was awarded with the Oldenburger Children's and Young Adult Award, and she also received the German Youth Literature Award for it in 2004.

Heike Herold's work has already received numerous awards.

More books by Tamara:



Leaving There
 176 pages • 13,8 × 22 cm
 Age: 13+
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Cosy, Atmospheric Christmas Story Set in a Snow-Covered Boarding School

- Magical illustrations and northern lights atmosphere: ideal for the gift market
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Oh my jingle bells! Antonia's family is moving to Finland, and she's supposed to attend a strange school called the Christmas Academy. But once it becomes clear that they have some really amazing subjects there, she's thrilled. **Unfortunately, the most exciting subject – Santa Claus Studies – is only for boys.**

Well then, Antonia decides to become Toni and show everyone at the academy what girls can do. For example: become Santa! What starts out as a harmless trick quickly turns into a daring game of hide-and-seek.



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Before **Jasmin Schaudinn** became an author of children's books, she zig-zagged through life. Her experiences as a competitive athlete, a daycare worker, and a salsa teacher gave her ideas that are now bubbling out of her.

Leonie Engel studied at the Film University Babelsberg, where she discovered her love for magical visual worlds. She especially enjoys creating illustrations and production designs for children's books and films.



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Jasmin Schaudinn, Leonie Engel (Ill.)

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17th Volume of the Hugely Successful *School of Magical Animals* Universe

- A new character shakes up the class and puts the magical secret at risk
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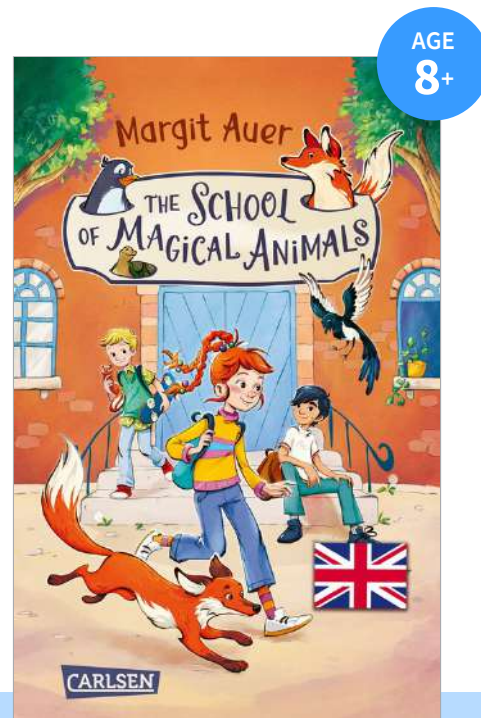


Margit Auer, Die Farbfüchse (Ill.)
The School of Magical Animals: Aim High! (vol. 17)
 256 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 8+
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The school pond is under threat. To save it, the children and their magical animals must win a competition called Wonders of the World. Then Mika arrives in Miss Cornfield's class, the headmaster's niece with a sharp eye for animals. Is the secret of the magical bat Eugenia still safe?

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 07/2026

Ida is nervous about her first day at a new school. Then her teacher reveals a secret: some children receive a magical talking animal as a companion. When the confident fox Rabbat chooses Ida, everything changes. Her classmate Benni hopes for a fierce predator. What he gets is quite different.

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 64 pages • 15,8 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 6+
 ISBN 978-3-551-65738-1
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Margit Auer, Die Farbfüchse (Ill.), Christiane Hahn (Ill.)
The School of Magical Animals: The Big Puzzle Book
 128 pages • 21,5 × 28 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-551-19301-8
 08/2026



Margit Auer, Die Farbfüchse (Ill.)
The School of Magical Animals: The Official Encyclopaedia
 128 pages • 20,05 × 23,6 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-551-25151-0
 09/2026

When Mrs Rettich's home is broken into, only clever detectives – or polar bear Murphy – can solve the case! Together with Ida, Benni, and the magical animals, Murphy follows the strawberry trail.

Over 100 puzzles, mazes, spot-the-difference challenges, crosswords, and more, all set in the world of the *School of Magical Animals*. What is Murphy's favourite food? What does Rabbat discover in the night sky?

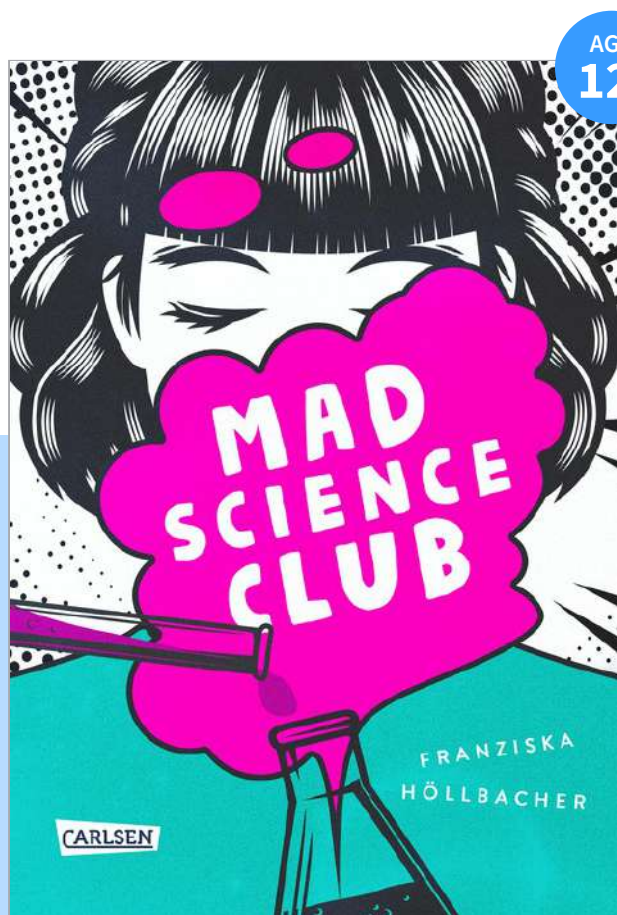
Even readers new to the series can join in. Includes extras such as a picture memo, a door sign, and a timetable.

Everything fans ever wanted to know about the *School of Magical Animals*, gathered in one colourful volume. From A to Z, all characters are introduced with new fun facts, and the magical pet shop and Winterstein School get their own entries.

An expert quiz lets readers test their knowledge.

Coming-Of-Age Debut with Humour and Emotional Depth

- Fresh, distinctive voice – modern and full of heart
- Relatable characters with rough edges who lift each other up



Franziska Höllbacher
Mad Science Club
 ca. 264 pages • 13,5 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 12+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58668-1
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Mad takes her fate into her own hands. That takes courage. And a few thousand euros.

For Mad, her science club is more than just a chemistry group. It's a safe space for everyone struggling with mental health issues. When a nationwide chemistry competition is announced, Mad is on fire. She's determined to win, because the prize is €10,000 – and Mad needs the money more urgently than ever. But her fears get in the way, and friendships begin to crack. **Until she realizes that true greatness doesn't show itself in even the most complex experiment, but in the courage to face the truth and stand up for yourself.**



Franziska Höllbacher needs mountains, nature, and many, many bookstores in order to lead a happy life.

Teenage Depression Portrayed with Empathy and Clarity – Relevant and Timely

- Compact format in accessible language – also ideal for reluctant readers
- By a prize-winning author with journalistic expertise

Tabea and Lissy are both 16 and are doing a three-month student exchange – Tabea in Australia, Lissy in the USA. In Australia, Tabea will find her first boyfriend. Lissy, on the other hand, leaves her first love behind in Germany, but her boyfriend wants to wait for her.

The two girls experience very different host families and have to stand their ground in difficult situations. Lissy goes through tear-filled, grey days that she can no longer escape on her own. Tabea, however, finds her way, overcomes the challenges, and returns from the exchange stronger than before.



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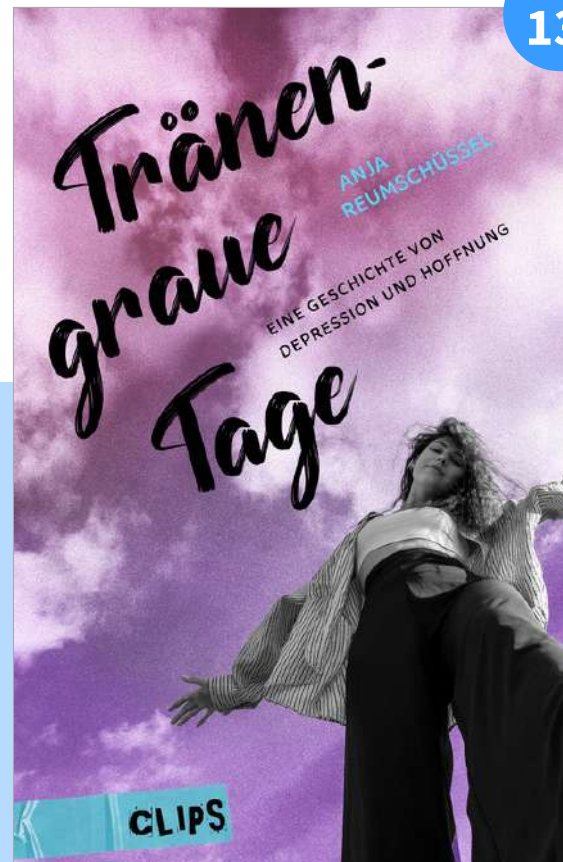
Anja Reumschüssel works as an author and journalist in Hamburg, and all over the world. She studied Journalism, Religious and Social Sciences, and attended the prestigious Henri-Nannen School of Journalism.



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A Lonely Island. Five Days on the Beach. Four Teenagers Left Entirely on Their Own.

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- Summer island vibes with a thriller twist
- By an award-winning author



Annika Scheffel
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Elio, Ada, Noomi, and Ty become stranded on a deserted island during a survival trip. **What began as a light summer adventure quickly turns eerie when a mysterious boy appears at the edge of the forest.** He calls himself Teo – and seems to know their deepest wishes. How is that possible? And who is Teo, really? As the four secretly try to find out more about Teo, they also begin to understand each other – and themselves – better. And they are forced to make decisions that put their morals and their loyalty to the test.

A story full of secrets and existential questions: gripping and unsettling at the same time.



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Annika Scheffel studied Applied Theater Sciences and has worked in scriptwriting ever since she received her diploma. Her prize-winning debut novel, *Ben*, was published in March of 2010. Her novel *Hier ist es schön* (*It's Nice Here*) received the Robert Gernhardt Prize.



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Two Brothers Fighting Against Overpowering Enemies

- New characters meet familiar faces in a richly built world of mages and thieves
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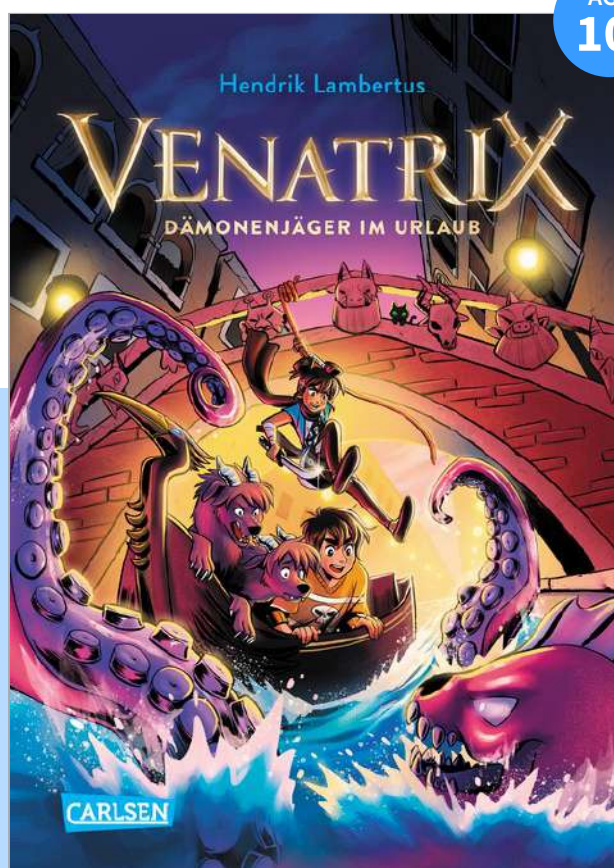
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Magical Venice: the hidden world of demon hunters is full of secrets

Sticking together despite their differences



Hendrik Lambertus, Sarah-Lisa Hleb (Ill.)
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Age: 10+

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Gero and Belladonna are looking forward to their holiday in Venice, a city with deep ties to the demon world. But instead of ice cream and sightseeing, a rival demon-hunting family has followed them, with their hellhound in their sights. **A wild chase through Venice's alleys and canals begins.**

Volume 3 is due in August 2027.



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After studying business administration, **Sarah-Lisa Hleb** worked for a few years at an advertising agency. Today, she is a freelance illustrator living in Vienna, where she loves drawing children's books and funny animals.



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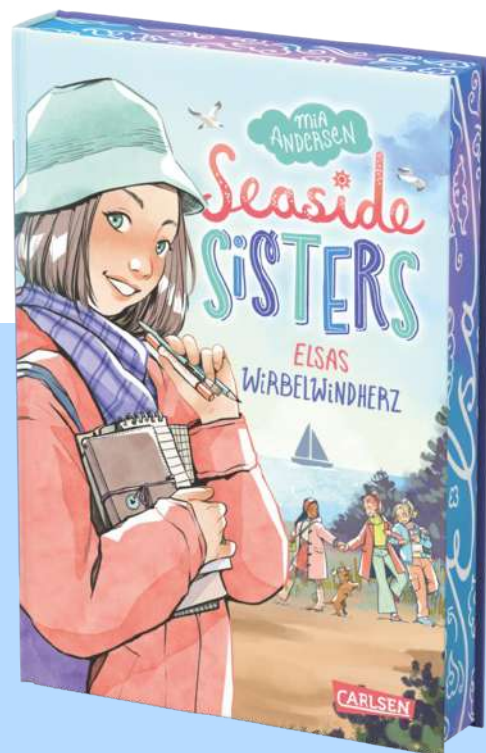
Mia Andersen is the pen name of acclaimed children's author Susanne Fülischer. Like her characters, she loves island life and travels from her Berlin home to the sea whenever possible.

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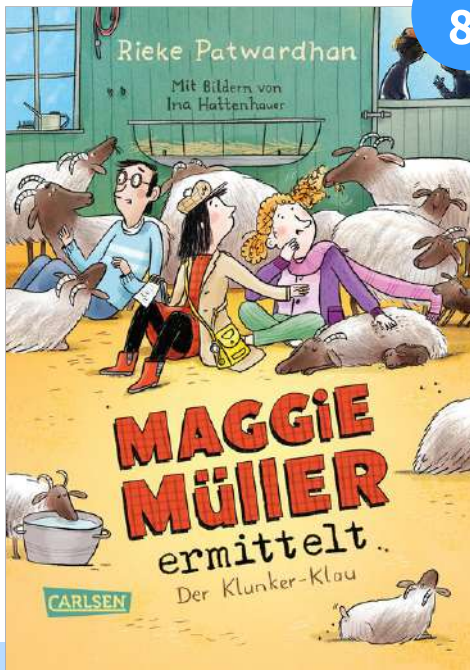
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 256 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 8+
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 08/2026

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School of Talents Mission: Fat Loot! (vol. 2)
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By rickshaw, Till and Wilma venture into the big city and stumble on a rooftop garden atop a high-rise, where unusual vegetables grow, including a giant pumpkin.

They also care for chameleon Gustavo. It's thrilling, but Till definitely does not want to shrink among those skyscrapers. Voice talent Wilma loves mimicking city sounds, yet when the jeweler's alarm suddenly blares on the ground floor, it isn't her doing.

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Sabrina J. Kirschner, Monika Parciak (Ill.)
The Most (Un)Boring School in the World: Class Under Water (vol. 12)

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Age: 8+

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12/2026

A science experiment contest? It doesn't take long for chaos to break out: first the homemade machine is destroyed – then the whole school ends up under water. The principal nerves are frayed to the breaking point. High time for the inspector to show up with a secret mission...



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Sabrina J. Kirschner used to be a competition rider and children's books editor. Nowadays she lives in Munich and writes popular children's books.

We find **Monika Parciak's** illustration style refreshingly unique and somehow British.



The Most (Un)Boring School in the World: The Class Outing (vol. 1)

240 pages • 14,8 × 21,5 cm

Age: 8+

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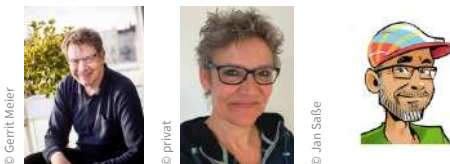
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A scout announces a U14 trial tournament, and suddenly everything is at stake. Yao and his diverse group of friends must balance friendship, rivalry, and team spirit as **they chase their dream of a place in the national youth squad.**

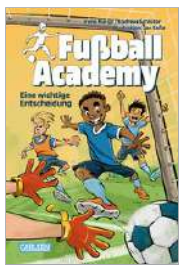


Before writing kid's and young adult's literature, **Andreas Schlüter** had been working as a freelance journalist.

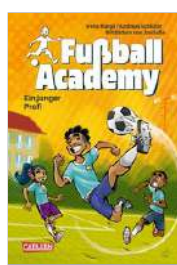
Irene Margil has written more than 50 books by now, many about football.

Jan Saße first trained as a carpenter before devoting himself completely to drawing. Since then, he has worked as an illustrator for children's books and film storyboards.

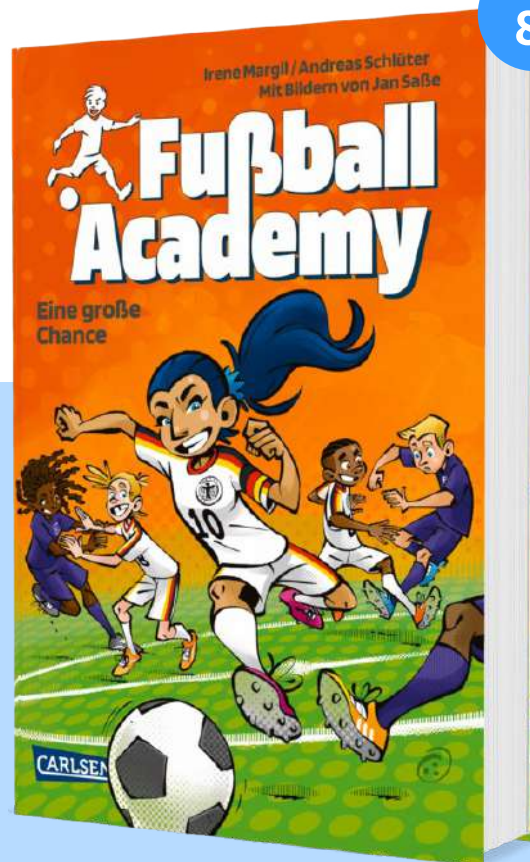
Volume 9 is already in planning!



Soccer Academy: An Important Decision (vol. 1)
160 pages • 14,8 × 22,1 cm
Age: 8+
ISBN 978-3-551-65206-5
Sold to: Romania, Turkey, Israel, Denmark, Russia, Hungary



Soccer Academy: The Young Pro (vol. 9)
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Age: 8+
ISBN 978-3-551-65575-2



Andreas Schlüter, Irene Margil, Jan Saße (Ill.)
Soccer Academy: A Big Chance (vol. 8)

144 pages • 14,5 × 21,5 cm

Age: 8+

ISBN 978-3-551-65574-5

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YOUNG ADULT

Concluding Volume of a YA Romantasy Duology By Best-Selling Author Julia Kuhn

Tropes: Haters to Lovers, Secret Academy, Roadtrip Romance

Set in a richly imagined Scottish fairy world

Volume 1 has sold more than 20,000 copies within a week

Night fairy Skye needs the help of the arrogant, mysterious Kylian to **uncover a centuries-old curse threatening the magical world**. Their journey across Scotland is charged with tension, reluctant trust, and feelings neither of them planned for.



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When **Julia Kuhn** is not writing new stories, she posts book recommendations on her Instagram and TikTok accounts and tells about her everyday life as an author.



Darkhill Academy: Magical Blood (vol. 1)

368 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm

Age: 14+

ISBN 978-3-551-58666-7



Julia Kuhn

Darkhill Academy: Enchanted Legacy (vol. 2)

368 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm

Age: 14+

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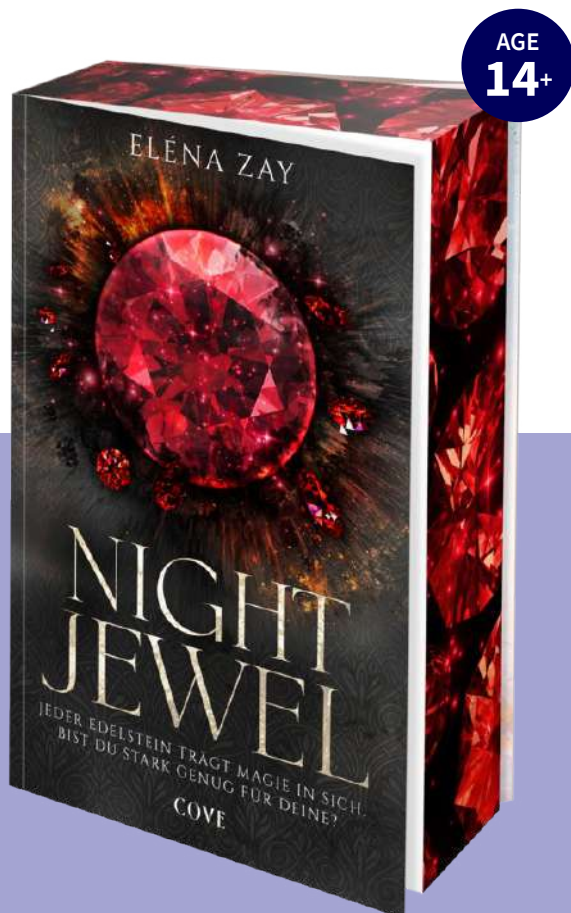
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Are You Strong Enough to Handle Your Magic?

Tropes: Good Girl Gone Rogue, Brother's Best Friend, Who Did This to You?

Moderately spicy: 1 of 5 chilis

Debut novel introducing a captivating gemstone-magic fantasy world



Eléna Zay
Night Jewel (Vol. 1)
 496 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 14+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58689-6
 08/2026

Jade carries the rarest and most forbidden kind of gemstone magic. Survival means hiding what she truly is, until Henry Thorne returns and offers to help her gain control. **In a world built on glamour and secrets, trust comes at a steep price**, and some revelations have the power to shatter entire worlds.



Eléna Zay studied literary writing, and completed a traineeship as a journalist. In her books, she wants to take her readers on adventures-journeys through multi-layered worlds and compelling stories that draw you in and stay very close to the characters. With her work, Eléna has already been shortlisted for the scholarship of the Fantasy Authors' Network.

Finishing 2nd volume is due in January 2027:



Night Jewel (Vol. 2)
 ca. 416 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 14+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58688-9

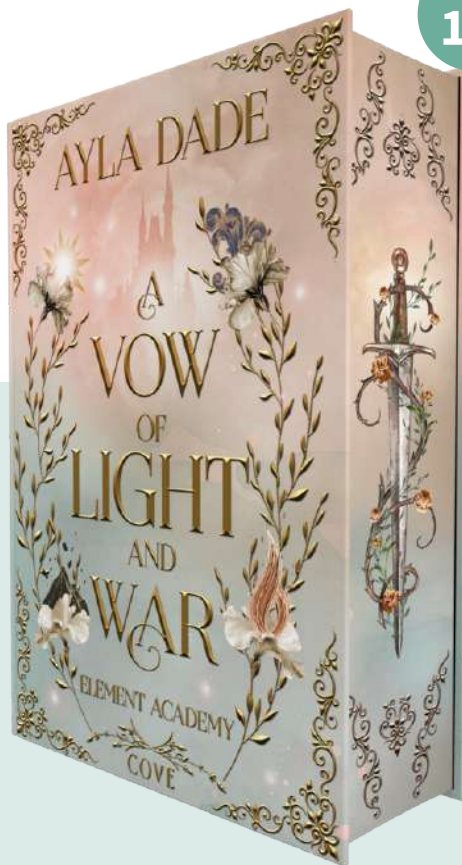
Enemies-to-Lovers Fantasy Trilogy by Multiple Best-Selling Author Ayla Dade

Tropes: Forced Proximity, Enemies to Lovers, Forbidden Love, The Chosen One, Academy Vibes

Moderately spicy: 1 of 5 chilis

Combines fierce arena combat with slow-burn romance and a richly built magic system

AGE
16+



Ayla Dade

Element Academy: A Vow of Light and War (vol. 1)

704 pages • 14,8 × 22 cm

Age: 16+

ISBN 978-3-551-32233-3

09/2026

Soraya despises Crown Prince Cruz for what he did to her brother.

When they are thrown together at the legendary Element Academy, **their mutual hostility gives way to something far more dangerous.**



During her law studies, **Ayla Dade** happened to discover her passion for writing. Her heart beats for authentic, gripping stories and dramatic plot twists. When she's not busy inventing new worlds, she devotes herself to her love for singing, dogs, horses, and sports.

Vol. 2 is due in July 2027 and vol. 3 is due in January 2028:



Element Academy: A Maze of Power and Smoke (vol. 2)

ca. 884 pages • 14,8 × 22 cm

Age: 16+

ISBN 978-3-551-32234-0



Element Academy: A Reign of Masks and Shadows (vol. 3)

ca. 884 pages • 14,8 × 22 cm

Age: 16+

ISBN 978-3-551-32235-7

Trilogy Packed With 1920s Glamour, Campus Intrigue, and Spicy Vampire Romance

Tropes: Morally Grey, Secret Identity, Villain Gets the Girl, Grumpy x Sunshine, Student x Professor

Moderately spicy: 1 of 5 chilis



Penny Juniper
Darkthorne Archives: Date a Devil (vol. 3)
 608 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58704-6
 10/2026

Worse than striking a deal with the most dangerous vampire at Darkthorne University? Falling in love with him.

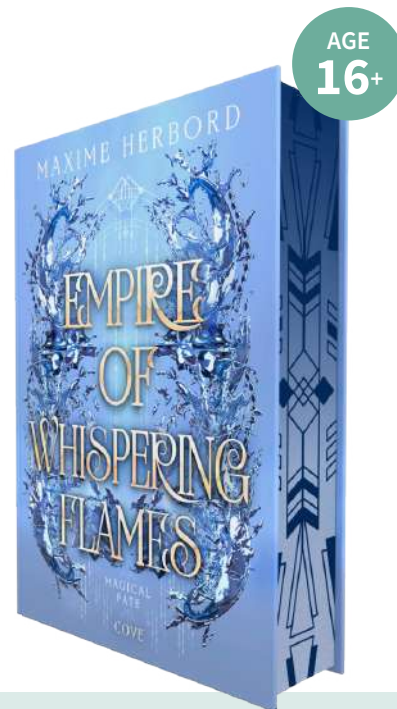
Disguised as an ordinary human student at the magical university, Piper Ashcroft uncovers the secrets of the paranormal elite for the Lotus Agency. Her new mission? To charm the feared vampire professor as his personal blood donor – and in doing so, gather evidence against his king.

Rights sold to France.

The Breathless Finale of a Slow-Burn Fantasy Romance

Tropes: Slow Burn, Love Triangle, Strangers to Lovers, Hidden Powers, Chosen One

Moderately spicy: 1 of 5 chilis



Maxime Herbord
Magical Fate: Empire of Whispering Flames (vol. 2)
 ca. 464 pages • 14,8 × 22 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58621-6
 11/2026

Light and shadow are at war in Joslin's heart, and the world she once trusted has shattered completely around her. Caught between two men who both claim her loyalty, **she must find the truth before a new, uncontrollable power destroys everything she loves.**

Formula 1 Meets Royal Intrigue: Best-selling Author's Most Addictive Romance Yet

Tropes: Rivals and Enemies to Lovers, Fake Dating, Hidden Identity, He Falls First and Harder

Moderately spicy: 2 of 5 chilis

Both volumes of the Royal Race duology can be read independently



Vanessa-Sophie Peks
Royal Race: Illicit Affairs (vol. 1)
 496 pages ■ 13,6 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58722-0
 11/2026

Leonora is a Spanish crown princess by day and a mystery Formula 1 driver by night. When she is forced into a fake relationship with her fiercest rival on the track, keeping her secret becomes nearly impossible. **A fast-paced royal sports romance with a twist that most readers will simply not see coming.**

Volume 2 is due in March 2027.



Vanessa-Sophie Peks writes books to get lost in, full of flawed but lovable characters, heart-fluttering romance, and suspense. In 2024, she published one of Carlsen Impress's most popular winter romances to date, and her debut duology *Faircoast* stormed the *SPIEGEL* best-seller lists.

When the Wrong Man Feels Dangerously Right

Tropes: Haters to Lovers, Morally Grey, Hidden Powers, Forced Proximity, Touch Her and Die

Moderately spicy: 2 of 5 chilis

A magical wedding planner with a ruined reputation takes on a risky job that brings her face to face with a notorious guild leader. Cariya plans to charm him strategically, **but the chemistry between them turns out to be far more explosive than any spell she has ever cast.** Can she keep her head when her heart is already losing the battle?

Volume 2 of the Duology is due in June 2027.



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After a voluntary ecological year, **Verena Bachmann** completed an apprenticeship as an industrial clerk and now works for a fashion accessories company. Reading alone was no longer enough at some point and so she decided to put her own thoughts on paper as well.

To be published in June 2027:



Curses & Crushes: Till Magic Do Us Bind (vol. 2)

ca. 464 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm

Age: 16+

ISBN 978-3-551-30570-1



Verena Bachmann

Curses & Crushes: Till Magic Do Us Part (vol. 1)

ca. 464 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm

Age: 16+

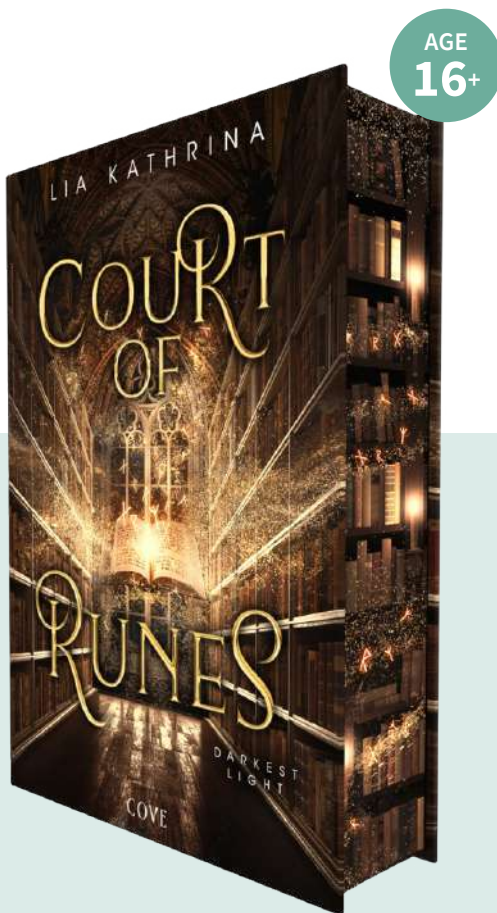
ISBN 978-3-551-30569-5

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Dark Academia Romantasy for All Lovers of High Fantasy

Tropes: Haters to Lovers, Hidden Powers, Outcast x Leader, Forced Proximity, Dark Academia

Moderately spicy: 1 of 5 chilis



Lia Kathrina
Court of Runes: Darkest Light (vol. 1)
 ca. 480 pages • 13,8 × 22 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58698-8
 02/2027

Born without magic, Rajona is considered worthless in a world ruled by rune warriors. Brought to the Lumenis Academy, she comes face to face with Zayden, an elite fighter trained to despise her kind. **Hatred and forced proximity slowly give way to a dangerous, unstoppable attraction. But the darkest secrets may lie within Rajona herself.**

Volume 2 of the duology is due in May 2027.



Lia Kathrina is just as passionate about great stories as she is about the people who create them. With *Court of Runes*, she is returning to her roots in Academy Romantasy.

To be published in May 2027:

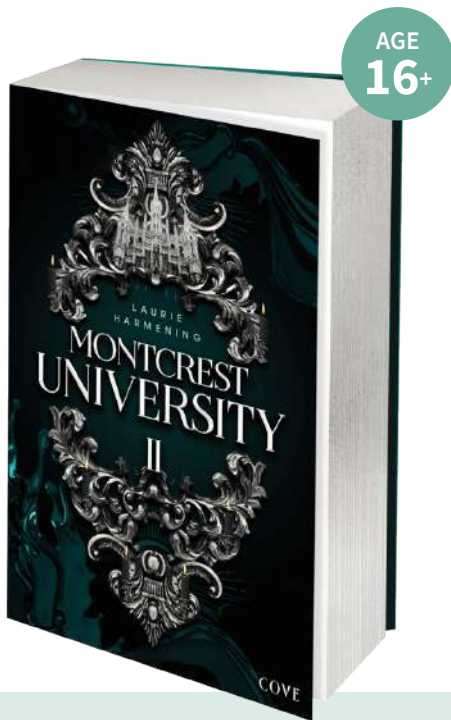


Court of Runes: Brightest Shadow (vol. 2)
 ca. 464 pages • 13,8 × 22 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58699-5

Dark Academia Meets the Underworld

Tropes: Rivals to Lovers, Dark Academia, Forced Proximity, Morally Grey

Moderately spicy: 2 of 5 chilis



Laurie Harmening
Montcrest University: Echoes of Damnation (vol. 2)
 432 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-30635-7
 10/2026

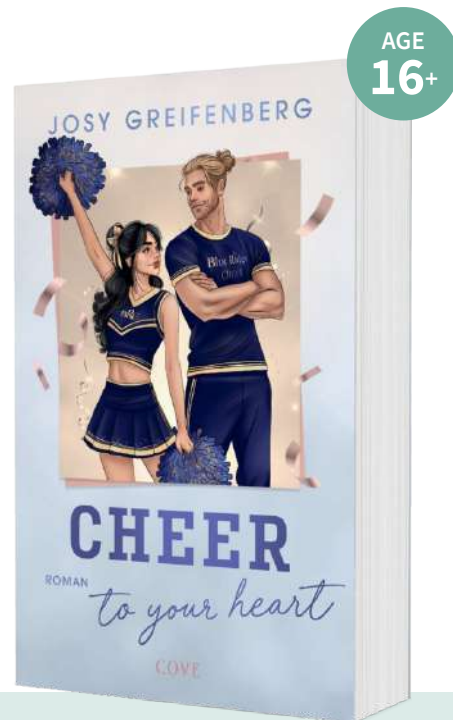
Back at Montcrest University, a secret academy in the Swiss Alps where demons and shadow angels are trained to corrupt humanity, Grace and her rival Isak must face the trials of the underworld together. The master of mind control is slowly losing his grip on his own feelings. Some battles cannot be won by power alone.

Volume 1 has been sold more than 14,000 copies within 5 months.

A College Sports Romance Built on Slow Burn and Broken Rules

Tropes: Forbidden Love, Brother's Best Friend, Slow Burn, Forced Proximity, College Romance

Moderately spicy: 2 of 5 chilis



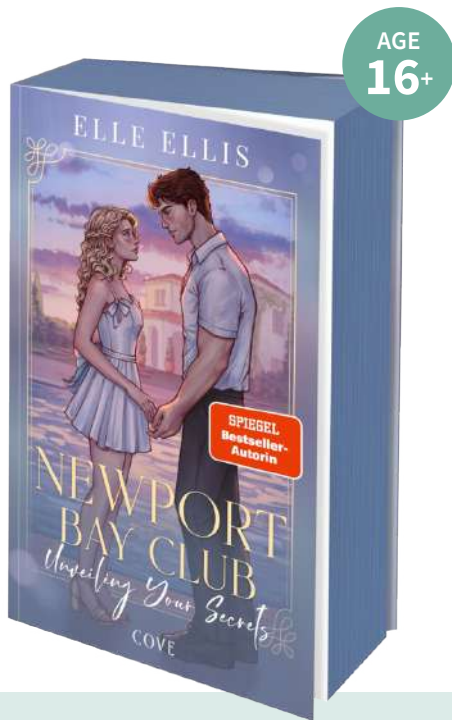
Josy Greifenberg
Cheer to Your Heart (vol. 2)
 ca. 464 pages • 13,5 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58638-4
 07/2026

Ava is close to her dream of a cheerleading career, but the pressure of living up to her brother's legacy weighs heavily on her. When she develops feelings for Gabriel, her coach and her brother's best friend, **everything she has worked so hard for is suddenly at risk**. Some rules are made to be broken, but at what cost?

High Society Romantic Suspense with a Secret Identity Twist

Tropes: Secret Identity, Love Triangle, Romantic Suspense, High Society

Moderately spicy: 2 of 5 chilis



Elle Ellis
Newport Bay Club: Unveiling Your Secret (vol. 2)
 416 pages • 13,6 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58645-2
 09/2026

Hazel has fallen for a lie. The charming millionaire Carter, whom she trusted against all reason, has been hiding his true mission from the start. A mission that will bring down the exclusive Newport Bay Club – the very place that became her fresh start and her new family. When another secret surfaces, Hazel faces an impossible choice.

Volume 1 has sold 10,000 copies within two months.

Romantic Suspense in Chicago's Criminal Underworld

Tropes: Bad Boy x Bad Girl, Haters to Lovers, Fake Dating

Moderately spicy: 2 of 5 chilis



Leandra Seyfried
Sons of Chicago: Trusting the Enemy (vol. 2)
 432 pages • 13,5 × 21,5 cm
 Age: 16+
 ISBN 978-3-551-58623-0
 07/2026

Evey has sworn revenge. To bring down the gang that destroyed her life, she joins the Chicago Intelligence Organization – and is assigned Carter St. James as her handler. She despises everything he stands for. But as the two go deeper into the city's ruthless underworld, **the line between mistrust and desire begins to blur.**

Sold to France.

Spicy Dark Romance Fantasy by a Multiple No. 1 Best-selling Author

Tropes: Dark Academia Fantasy, Morally Grey Romance, Bully Thrill, Hidden Agenda

Extremely spicy: 4 of 5 chilis

Concluding volume of the *Royal Clair Club* duology

Inez has dared the impossible and pushed deeper into the dark world of the Royal Clair Club. But the price of her closeness to the X-Boys is high, and Calix van Schmitt Barclay is more dangerous than ever. Behind every mask lurks betrayal, and a secret hidden in Inez's blood threatens to bring down the entire elite of St. Clair College.

Volume 1 has been sold 30,000 copies within 6 months.



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During her law studies, **Ayla Dade** happened to discover her passion for writing. Her heart beats for authentic, gripping stories and dramatic plot twists. When she's not busy inventing new worlds, she devotes herself to her love for singing, dogs, horses, and sports.

Best-selling first volume:



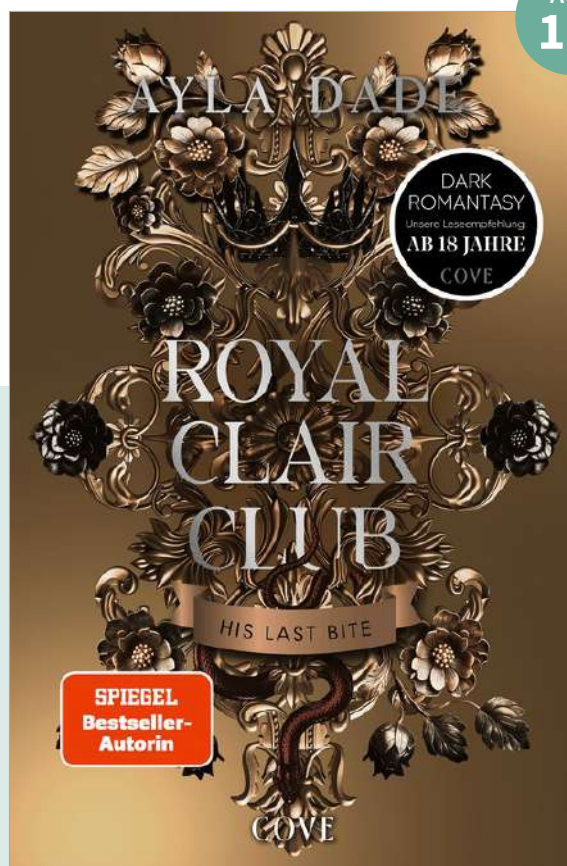
Royal Clair Club: Her First Hunt (vol. 1)

720 pages • 14,8 × 22 cm

Age: 18+

ISBN 978-3-551-58693-3

Sold to: France



Ayla Dade

Royal Clair Club: His Last Bite (vol. 2)

ca. 736 pages

Age: 18+

ISBN 978-3-646-61276-9

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AGE
18+

DARK
ROMANTASY
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COVE

SPIEGEL
Bestseller-
Autorin

HIS LAST BITE

COVE

NON-FICTION

A Journal-Based Grief Companion for Children and Young People

- Suitable for use in therapeutic, educational, and family settings
- Prompts, space for personal entries, drawings, poems, and memories – structured support for young people in difficult times

Good grief support for children and adolescents who have to cope with a major loss is so important!

Books in particular have always proven valuable in grief support, because they offer calm and space for processing.

Written by Ayse Bosse, a trained grief counsellor whose companion book has helped more than 75,000 families, this journal offers prompts, space for personal entries, drawings, poems, and memories.



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Ayse Bosse works as author and actor and in addition she works with the bereaved. She has already written two books for bereaved kids, published by Carlsen and both were given much attention. She grew up in a Turkish-German family and lives with her husband and her daughter in Hamburg.

Andreas Klammt loves the sea and his atelier in the historic city center of Hamburg. Both are the perfect places to come up with good ideas and lots of sketches.



Because I Miss You So Much

64 pages • 21,5 × 25,5 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-551-51876-7

Sold to: South Korea (available again), China (available again), Taiwan, Turkey, Slovakia, the Netherlands



AGE
8+

Ayse Bosse, Andreas Klammt (Ill.)

My Grief Journal – Because I Miss You So Much

204 pages • 18,4 × 22,6 cm

Age: 8+

ISBN 978-3-551-25435-1

10/2026

Social-Emotional Learning for Kindergarten Age

- Includes a foreword and practical tips for parents and educators

Mindfulness for the Very Young

- Reviewed by a mindfulness trainer

Fact-Filled Adventure for Young Dinosaur Fans

- Combines narrative storytelling with age-appropriate facts about life 150 million years ago



Christian Tielmann, Lena Heger (Ill.)
We Can Do It! Comforting and Being Comforted (vol. 9)
 24 pages • 19,2 × 19,2 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-551-08029-5
 09/2026



Christian Tielmann, Catharina Westphal (Ill.)
Our Bodies - Breathing, Feeling, Being Mindful (vol. 6)
 24 pages • 19,2 × 19,2 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-551-08036-3
 09/2026



Annette Neubauer, Astrid Vohwinkel (Ill.)
Little Dino in Great Danger
 24 pages • 19,2 × 19,2 cm
 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-551-08092-9
 09/2026

Laya, Mika, Toni, and Amir go to kindergarten together. They share happy adventures, but also moments when things go wrong and tears flow. Luckily, they always find a way to comfort each other and keep their spirits up.

A story about empathy, friendship, and the small acts of kindness that help children grow.

Rights sold to Poland & Turkey.

Olivia and Ben know how to breathe, of course. But lying on the floor and breathing mindfully? That is something new. **In this gently humorous story, two children discover what mindfulness means, why we sometimes feel restless, and how breathing can help us calm down.**

Rights sold to Denmark, Romania and Russia.

Young Longneck the Brachiosaurus grows up in the middle of his herd. The dinosaurs are always on the lookout for food and meet many other prehistoric creatures along the way. **But one day an Allosaurus attacks.** Luckily, Longneck knows exactly what to do.

Playful Knowledge Transfer in the Mouse's Trusted Style

Just Ask... the Mouse is one of Germany's most popular non-fiction series

Emotions for the Very Young

Covers a universally relevant topic: understanding and expressing feelings



Petra Klose, Patrick Fix (Ill.)
Just Ask... the Mouse: Fire Brigade
 18 pages • 20 × 20 cm
 ISBN 978-3-551-25538-9
 08/2026



Petra Klose, Denitza Gruber (Ill.)
Just Ask... the Mouse: Laughing, Crying, Being Angry
 18 pages • 20 × 20 cm
 ISBN 978-3-551-25540-2
 08/2026

What is a fire attack? How is a forest fire put out? And what do firefighters wear on the job? When the alarm sounds, the Mouse is right there with the crew. With detailed illustrations and surprising flaps to lift, **this book lets young children take part in the exciting work of the fire brigade.**

What makes everyone happy? What can you do when you feel angry or sad? And why do we say sorry? **Loving illustrations show how adults and children express their feelings,** while flaps reveal good and bad moods in hiding. Info boxes explain what laughing does to our bodies and why tears can flow for so many different reasons.

Great Mix of Adventure, Friendship, and Courage

- The stories are self-contained and can be read independently of the rest of the series
- *Conni* volumes offer great stories that always come from children's everyday lives and in which they can see themselves



Herdis Albrecht (Ill.), Julia Boehme
Conni and the Adventure at the Foggy Lake (vol. 48)
 128 pages • 14,8 × 22 cm
 Age: 7+
 ISBN 978-3-551-55638-7
 10/2026

On Animal Welfare & Responsibility

- An exciting story all about house cats and strays
- With three great recipes at the end of the book



Dagmar Hoßfeld, Barbara Korthues (Ill.)
Conni, Phillip and the Cat Squad (vol. 16)
 224 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
 Age: 10+
 ISBN 978-3-551-55886-2
 08/2026

Conni is absolutely thrilled! She's allowed to go away with Anna and her parents. And in their holiday town there's not only a fairytale castle, but also a big lake where you can go pedal boating.

Luckily, their new friends Fabienne and Max know the area really well, and together they set off. But then a thick fog rolls in, and the children remember the legend of *Gunnar the Terrible*, whose ghost is said to haunt the lake.

In the end, though, they safely reach the shore – and they've had a truly great adventure.

When Jakob claims to have seen a strange cat in the garden, Conni doesn't believe a word her brother says. But then their tomcat Mau starts behaving oddly. He suddenly seems frightened and hardly wants to go outside. On top of that, his food bowl is constantly empty.

It doesn't take long to find the cause: a stray black cat has decided that the Klawitters' garden is a very cozy place. And she has a very good reason to hide! When Conni's parents want to call the animal shelter, **Jakob and Conni quickly set up the "Cat Team," determined to take care of the black cat themselves.**

Father-Child-Adventure That Promotes Bonding

- Easy-to-do ideas for father-child days
- Will have dads and kids eagerly anticipating their own father-child days



Christian Tielmann, Sabine Kraushaar (Ill.)

Max and the Dad Weekend

24 pages • 19,2 × 19,2 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-08337-1

09/2026

Max and his father have the house to themselves and decide to do everything they feel like doing. Now begins a father-son adventure that's worthy of imitation!

When Best Friends Fall Out Over Whose Turn It Is

- Told with warmth and gentle humour, always at eye level with young children
- Quarrelling and making up, encouraging conversation and supporting children's social and emotional development



Christian Tielmann, Sabine Kraushaar (Ill.)

Max and Pauline Quarrel and Make Up

32 pages • 19,5 × 26 cm

Age: 3+

ISBN 978-3-551-52334-1

09/2026

Max and Pauline are best friends, but a squabble over what to play turns into a real falling-out. Neither wants to speak first, and by lunchtime the two are sitting as far apart as possible. At home, Max cannot stop thinking about the row, until his mum and big brother help him find his own way back to his best friend.

STORY BOOKS

About Moving to a New House & the Bond Between a Girl and Her Extraordinary Home

- A retreat within a cosy tale, set as a bright spot amid a grey city
- Warm, literary language that turns reading aloud into a comforting family ritual

AGE
4+

Rusalka Reh, Martina Stuhlberger (Ill.)
Hanna & Little House
 72 pages • 19,8 × 22,9 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-551-52266-5
 10/2026

When Hanna and her parents move to a new home, she is sure the little house notices everything. Its red sloping roof is standing out among the grey city buildings.

Hanna starts talking to the house, and it answers! A close friendship grows. The little house gives Hanna a true sense of belonging, while she makes sure it wants for nothing.

A Modern Fairy Tale That Questions Traditional Roles, Letting Go of "That's How It's Always Been Done"

- Warm, humorous tone that makes reading aloud and listening a pleasure
- Charming illustrations full of visual fun for young and old

AGE
4+

Charlotte Roos, Josephine Wolff (Ill.)
The Princess of Screams
 72 pages • 19,5 × 22,4 cm
 Age: 4+
 ISBN 978-3-551-52215-3
 07/2026

The little Princess lives in a grand palace with a body-guard close by and a **future as queen mapped out. But she wants none of it, nor any of the rigid old rules.** So she takes matters into her own hands, swapping her fine dress for a waistcoat and turning the ceremonial hall into a flea market. This year's holiday: a campsite.

Finding Courage During Big Changes

- By the author of *The Little Bat Wegda* and *When I Am Angry*, Nanna Neßhöver knows exactly how children feel
- Short, engaging read-aloud chapters, brightened by playful illustrations and comic-style panels
- For everyone who could use a little extra courage right now

Mira has just moved to a new town with Mum and Dad. She likes the new house, even the new nursery, but she misses her best friend and feels too shy to approach the other children.

Then Karu turns up, a huge, funny cat with a backpack full of odds and ends. **Whenever Mira feels stuck, Karu appears, and off they go on a big adventure.**



Nanna Neßhöver is a teacher and knows a lot about kids. Apart from her students in school, she has two sons of her own, who teach her a lot about what affects kids.

Franziska Höllbacher needs mountains, nature, and many, many bookstores in order to lead a happy life.



The Little Bat Goway (vol. 1)
64 pages • 20 × 22,9 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-51936-8
Sold to: the Netherlands, Russia, Romania, Hungary, Ukraine



When I'm Angry
48 pages • 21 × 25,7 cm
Age: 3+
ISBN 978-3-551-51838-5
Sold to: Arabic world rights, Sri Lanka, Taiwan (available again), Denmark, South Korea, Turkey, Romania, Poland, Slovenia, Hungary, Russia



AGE
4+

Nanna Neßhöver, Franziska Höllbacher (Ill.)

Karu, the Courage Creature

112 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-551-52250-4

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A Playful Role Reversal That Lets Children Step Into a Parent's Shoes

- Six stories bring everyday family friction to life, letting children and parents recognise their own moments of nuisance
- Encourages mutual understanding by holding up a mirror to everyday family frustrations



Maria Kling, Tina Kraus (Ill.)
The Nuisance Blobs
 112 pages • 17,3 × 24,5 cm
 Age: 6+
 ISBN 978-3-551-52377-8
 10/2026

AGE
6+

Milla and her little brother Mats want a pet, whatever it takes. Their parents are less keen, but the siblings find three fluffy creatures in the overgrown garden. Cuddles, Lulu and Mopsy seem perfect, so into the bedroom they go, bringing chaos... sorry, fun. Across six stories, they romp through the day, loveable despite the mess.

The second volume will be published in July 2027.



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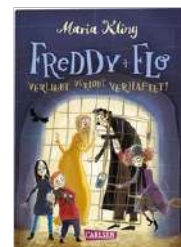
Maria Kling wanted to write children's books since she read Astrid Lindgren's *Madita*.

Tina Kraus mainly illustrates children's, nonfiction, and gift books and has specialized in pop-up books and all kinds of paper objects.

You might know Maria's 8+ trilogy on "Freddy and Flo":



Freddy and Flo Are Fearless! (vol. 1)
 256 pages • 14,75 × 20,9 cm
 Age: 8+
 ISBN 978-3-551-65070-2
 Sold to: Russia, the Netherlands, Serbia



Freddy and Flo: Enamored, Engaged... Arrested (vol. 3)
 288 pages • 14,8 × 21 cm
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Interactive Reading Fun on Emotions From a Best-Selling Parenting Author

Warm, tender illustrations that make emotional regulation tangible for the very youngest readers



Nora Imlau, Lisa Rammensee (Ill.)
Open Your Pouch, Then Close It Too: Time to Rest, Little Roo!

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ISBN 978-3-551-17399-7

02/2027

The little kangaroo hops into the day full of energy, but when it is time to leave with Mum, overwhelm sets in. On the playground and at bedtime, big joy and big anger take turns too. Comfort always arrives with the same words: pouch open, pouch closed, time to rest, little kangaroo. **A gentle lesson in feeling safe and accepted.**



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Nora Imlau is a well known parenting expert and popular children's book author. She has also authored several books about the psychology and science of parenting, many of them bestsellers.

Lisa Rammensee always looks for the right medium for the perfect illustrations. When she's not illustrating, she loves to bake her own bread and to work in her vegetable garden.

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- Combines read-aloud storytelling with playful actions: turn, knock, blow, shake, call
- Interactive board book that turns children into busy Christmas elves



AGE
3+

Sandra Grimm, Christian Zimmer (Ill.)
Join In - With Santa Claus (vol. 4)
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 Age: 3+
 ISBN 978-3-551-25619-5
 10/2026

Christmas is almost here, and Santa's elves have their hands full: wish lists to check, biscuits to bake and reindeer to feed, and now the gift-wrapping machine has broken down! On every page, children turn, knock, blow or shake something to help out, picking up cheerful Christmas facts along the way. **A busy countdown to the big day.**

Topics also available in this mini series: Fire brigade, construction site and life on a farm

Saying Goodbye to the Dummy, One Small Step at a Time

- A reassuring board book that accompanies toddlers through the sensitive milestone of giving up the dummy, showing empathy rather than pressure



18+
MONTHS

Anni Demel, Marta Costa (Ill.)
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 Age: 18+ months
 ISBN 978-3-551-17244-0
 07/2026

Bo loves going to nursery, except for one thing: he has to give up his dummy there. Luckily his teacher Nina makes it easy. But **at home the dummy is suddenly gone** too, and Bo must slowly get used to life without it. With patient support from Mum, Dad and a little courage, **he finds his very own way to say goodbye.**

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A Bedtime Ritual Told Through the Sleeping Habits of Animals

- Turns bedtime into a game, helping toddlers settle into a fixed evening routine
- Rich in identification potential, with each animal offering a role model for how to fall asleep



Elsa Klever (Ill.)
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 09/2026

Everyone sleeps! No question about it, and each animal in this playful book has its own way of doing so. The little lion sleeps on Dad's back, the baby kangaroo in Mum's pouch, the flamingo balances on one leg, and the bat hangs upside down. **But one small beaver would still rather play than sleep. Or would he?**



Elsa Klever won the Austrian Children's Book Award in 2015 and has been publishing many wonderful books since then.

Another adorable book by Elsa:



Let's Brush Your Teeth!
 24 pages • 18 × 18 cm
 Age: 18 months +
 ISBN 978-3-551-17347-8
 Sold to: Denmark

A Family Ritual Built Around Guessing What's Drawn on Your Back

- Strengthens body awareness and perception through playful feeling and guessing
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 08/2026

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An opposite pair of friends: mouse and bear. An unusual wish: to celebrate Christmas together (the bear decides not to hibernate this year). Goosebumps: sometimes you need help – even when it comes to opening your presents.

What we take away: **Christmas, the festival of twinkling lights, is also the festival of friends and deep emotions.**

A Second Activity Book for Fans of the Best-Selling *The Unicorn That Loved Saying No*

- Suits children who already know and love the unicorn books
- Builds creativity and fine motor skills

AGE
5+

The Unicorn That Loved Saying No is back, **inviting fans to join in** with fact files, colouring pages, tricky puzzles, a flip-book animation, craft ideas and a large poster. Now a film star too, the unicorn's diva side is showing, so it is time to shout action, or rather, cut!



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Marc-Uwe Kling sings songs and tells stories. His business concept is to write books that criticize capitalism and sell very well.

Astrid Henn used to work for a couple of advertising agencies, before becoming a happy and convinced freelance illustrator.

Christian Tielmann studied philosophy and German literature. Since 1999 he has been writing novels for children and young adults. Many of his books have been translated into foreign languages.

Igor Dolinger is a professionally-trained media designer and works independently as an illustrator and graphic designer. In the time since he turned free-lance he's brought to fruition a variety of projects designed for children and youth.



The Unicorn Activity Book (vol. 1)

48 pages • 22 × 27 cm

Age: 4+

ISBN 978-3-551-19226-4

Sold to: the Netherlands



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ISBN 978-3-551-19303-2

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A Journal Where Every Page Can Be Yours

- Plenty of prompts for self-reflection and space for personal thoughts
- Includes uplifting quotes, mindfulness exercises and personality tests



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For Girls Only: My Diary

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Age: 10+

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Part diary, part creative companion, this journal blends free writing with playful prompts. Questions, lists, quizzes and moments of calm invite girls to capture thoughts, feelings and memories in their own way, with no fixed starting point.

Nikki Busch is a bestselling author & a specialist in creative thinking.

Christiane Hahn lives and works as a book designer, illustrator and painter.



For Girls Only: Be Creative

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Age: 10+

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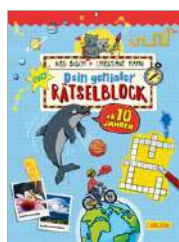
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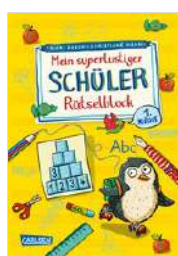
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Nikki Busch, Christiane Hahn (Ill.)

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Step-by-Step Lessons in Drawing Animals, People, Vehicles, and Nature

Intuitive, self-explanatory tasks

A creative drawing book for children from age four, teaching more than just drawing: concentrating & motor skills

AGE
4+



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Our SWEETHEARTS



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Nikki Busch's *For Girls Only* series bursts with creativity, warmth and heart and encourage girls to explore who they are (with confidence & plenty of sparkle!). **MY DIARY** is a beautiful space for dreams, thoughts, and ideas. Honestly? I would have loved a journal like this growing up, so much more inspiring than empty pages!
