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# Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We would love to keep you updated once a month, please register for our

**NEWSLETTER** 

here!

our new catalogue is ready, filled to the brim with great books into which, as always, a lot of heart and effort has gone. Here is a selection of my personal favourites:

Firstly, there is the "Oetinger natur series". First facts for little nature lovers, modern and lovingly illustrated, printed on recycled paper with ecological inks. This autumn, it's off to the forest with four new stories about a badger, an otter, a fox and a squirrel.

I'm absolutely in love with our hidden object book about the most popular mythical creatures besides dragons: "101 Unicorns and All You Need to Know about Them" – sometimes to parents they seem to be everywhere, but what do we really know about these fabulous animals? This book leaves no question unanswered – from unicorn birth to unicorn poop. Hilarious and sweet.

A lot of brain power went into the following novelty: "Number + Word = Undeterred!" is our new series for first-time readers. Children in primary school not only have to learn to read, but also to do maths. And not every child has a natural affinity for numbers. "The Mathemanimals" introduce children to the fascination of arithmetic in a playful way. Developed with pedagogic professionals and unique in its combination of enhancing the reading and arithmetic skillset.

I was really thrilled that more than 10 years after her world bestseller "The Storyteller", Antonia Michaelis surprised us with a sequel, "In the Shadow of the Storyteller": Elias, the storyteller's son, takes us on a new adventure, even more nerve-wracking than the first. And that's saying something. If you have never read a book by Antonia Michaelis – now is the time!

Of course, these were not all my recommendations, but for now, enjoy the new catalogue. Hope to see you in Frankfurt.

Ulrike Düwert
Rights Director





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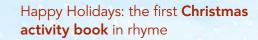






Christmas reading fun for the whole family – third volume of the popular read-aloud series

The days of bear and fox are passé: finally a Christmas picture book with the **trendy animal lama!** 





Henriette Wich, Rolf Krenzer, Miriam Cordes, Marina Rachner, Barbara Korthues, Eleni Zabini

### My Very First Christmas Reading Treasure

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 96 Pages

When can I open the next door? Has Father Christmas been yet? When are we making mince pies? Anticipation is the loveliest part of Christmas, and plays a big role in all these thrilling Christmas-themed stories. Large-format pictures with vivid illustrations help to create the cosy Christmas mood. Cheerful songs to sing together provide ideal family bonding moments, and help to make Advent pass more quickly!





Sandra Grimm, Antje Flad

#### Christmas With Little Lama

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 16 Pages

It's Christmas for the Lama Family. But hang on a moment: there's something missing ... of course! The Christmas tree! Mummy Lama, Daddy Lama and Little Lama immediately set off to find one. They whizz daringly down the mountain, have oodles of fun in the sparkling snow, and in the end they naturally find the perfect tree. They huff and puff back up the mountain in order to get the tree home and decorated as quickly as possible. Then they just have to light the candles, get the musical instruments out, and the dramalama Christmastime can begin!





Susanne Lütje, Frauke Weldin

### Help Fox and Mouse in the Christmas House! An Activity Book

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 24 Pages

Only one more sleep to go until Christmas! Fox and Mouse are beside themselves with excitement and would start celebrating already, given half a chance. But there's still so much to do in the Christmas House! Mince pies need to be made, the candles on the Advent wreath need to be lit – and the presents aren't wrapped yet, either! Can you help Fox and Mouse get everything ready on time so that their Christmas celebrations can begin? A first rhyming Christmas activity book with magical illustrations.



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Christmas Is Coming Home -

**Happy Family Advent Time** 

Petra Steckelmann, Andrea Schütze, Anne Ameling, Lea Melcher, Marc-Alexander Schulze, Tina Kraus, Monika Parciak, Katja Jäger,

The first snowflakes are falling outside the window. The fire is

crackling cosily in the grate. It's time to snuggle up at home with

collection of seven books packed with Christmassy ideas for songs,

the family and get ready for Christmas with this house-shaped

poems, read-aloud stories and recipes by our young celebrities.

stories, handicraft instructions, songs and recipes to look forward to Christmas

A cosy story for every day of Advent



Mascha Matysiak, Elli Bruder

## Oh You Happy Reindeer – A 24-Story Countdown to Christmas

Read Aloud Book Ages 4+ | 128 Pages

Wouldn't it be wonderful to visit the land where the Christmas presents come from? This wish comes true for little moose Riko and baby bird Pepe. Together with the other Forest School pupils, they are allowed to travel to Christmas Island, where they visit the sweet factory, the toy warehouse and the sleigh cave. There's just one catch: the animals from the magical forest have to learn to fly in order to get there. In 24 short stories, this read-aloud book depicts whether they manage it – or whether they fall foul of Garlic the Gnome, wicked witch Luzille and the tree elf Ella who try to put endless obstacles in their way. The run-up to Christmas will simply fly by with this book!

Whimsical Christmas with a Goblin for reading by yourself or reading aloud



Sonja Kaiblinger, Nikolai Renger

### **Groundgob Day For Father Christmas**

Children's Fiction Ages 8+ | 208 Pages

So much for the most magical time of the year! Mum and Dad are stressed; Granny spends her whole time in the bath; and Great Uncle Rolf sits there looking like the Grinch in his cave – while Mark is supposed to be taking care of his younger siblings. No way! Christmas duly descends into chaos, and Mark doesn't care. But the next morning, he finds a goblin sitting

on the edge of his bed, declaring that Mark has to celebrate Christmas all over again. And again, and again, until it's suitably Christmassy. Mark has no clue what he's talking about. Since when did goblins have anything to do with Christmas? And what's this pesky time loop thing all about?



Anna Marshall

Ages 3+ | 112 Pages



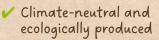


# Sustainable Eco-friendly Board Books for the Smallest Readers

Knowledge communicated in simple terms: Here children learn about the forest and its inhabitants







- Sustainably printed in Germany
- ✓ Non-toxic materials
- With environmentally friendly colours based on renewable raw materials

✓ 100% recycling paper



Carla Häfner, Sandy Lohß

## My Forest Friends. The Little Squirrel

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 P.

Fiddle-de-dee, who's up in the tree? It can only be the little squirrel! He scampers around merrily, anxious to experience the changing seasons in the forest – and, of course, takes young readers on his journey. See how he busily gathers supplies, and how cosy he makes his drey when the weather turns colder.



Carla Häfner, Sandy Lohß

### My Forest Friends. The Little Badger

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 P.

Wait – who's the black and white striped creature with the little snub nose living in that underground burrow? It can only be the little badger, who's waiting for the sun to set. He's itching to go on his thrilling adventures in the forest and to take young forest fans on a journey through Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.



Carla Häfner, Kathrin Wessel

### My Forest Friends. The Little Fox

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 P.

Who's that peeking out of the den?
It has to be the little fox! He, too, has found a place to live in the forest. This board book follows him on his journey through the seasons, during which he slips out for nocturnal expeditions and enjoys gobbling up sweet red berries.
There's nothing lazy about the little fox, though: just watch him prance through the snow!



Carla Häfner, Kathrin Wessel

### My Forest Friends. The Little Otter

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 P.

Splish splash splosh – who's having a wash? The little otter lives at the edge of the forest, where he has all kinds of adventures throughout the year. He plays in the water, searches for tasty treats, and takes young forest explorers by the flipper, enabling them to enter his thrilling and fabulous world.





Is it a Bird, Is It a Bee? How Many Animals Can you See? Sustainably produced environment-friendly board book for the smallest readers



**Full English translation** 

Cornelia Boese, Diana Kohne

### My Fun Rainforest Search-and-Find Book

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 Pages

Can you spot the big tiger? Who are the parrot chicks waiting for? What are the three little jaguars up to? This sustainably produced search-and-find book takes young readers on a thrilling journey of discovery through the rainforests. A multitude of animals is hiding among the trees, bushes and flowers – from the tiniest ant to the biggest elephant. Amusing rhymes help the youngest readers to enjoy discovering the diversity of our world.



The children's favourite now in the "Oetinger nature" series

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Susanne Weber, Tanja Jacobs

#### The Little Owl Who Wants to Howl

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 Pages

Ouch - the Little Owl wants to howl because she's bumped herself! Her friends all rush to help her: the fox blows on it, the mouse brings a plaster and the snake strokes her cheek. That's all well and good - but nothing works as well as a kiss from Mummy Owl! The board book classic featuring the cutest owl in the world: now part of the "Oetinger Nature" series. Printed in Germany on 100% eco-friendly, non-toxic, climate-neutral recyled board, using ink made from renewable materials.

Rights of the series sold to





The new title from the bestselling world of "The Owl and Her Friends" a heart-warming rhymes about the Little Whale who is cold





Susanne Weber, Tanja Jacobs

### The Little Whale's Chilly Tale

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 Pages

"Brrrr ... it's very cold in the sea. So it's not surprising that the Little Whale is freezing. But he naturally doesn't want to move to the warm South Sea as that's too far away. And the blanket which the seahorse tries to give him is far too small. Thank goodness the lobster is so good at knitting, for in a trice he manages to make a warm algae shawl for the little whale. Cheerful and colourful illustrations and delightful rhymes quickly turn the Little Whale into the new star among the Little Owl's friends.



The favourite now with sturdy tabs – goodnight fun for little children's hands

Nie kleine Tierkinder
schlafen gehen

Amerikanten zur Bruge

De lebelen

Terkinder zur
den Belateler
We kleine Tierkinder zur
den Belateler
We kleine Tere
schläfen gehen

Oetinger

Anne-Kristin zur Brügge, Marina Rachner

# How Baby Animals Go To Sleep – The Goodnight Compendium

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 18 Pages

How does the lion say goodnight to his cubs? How does Daddy Cat say goodnight to his kitten? What do baby mice do in order to fall asleep more quickly? Following on from the huge success of the picture book version of "How Baby Animals Go to Sleep", this new special edition features beautifully produced picture book version features sturdy embossed pages – perfect for small hands. Includes a host of new baby animals to guarantee even longer reading fun.



### A real classic for falling asleep,

reinterpreted: With the sandman to dreamland – a goodnight activity book for the little ones A cuddly favourite book for the youngest readers – novelty book **with flip pages** 



Annette Moser, Lena Hesse

### Sweet Dreams, Little Sandman!

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 16 Pages

With his small sack full of sleeping sand, the little Sandman flies to the animals to wish them goodnight. But be careful, little Sandman! He has managed to get some sand in his own eyes and is suddenly soooo tired that he falls straight to sleep. But he still has to say goodnight to the children. What now? No question about it: someone has to wake him up! An enchanting rhyming story about sleeping and dreaming, imaginatively illustrated by Lena Hesse.





Susanne Weber, Julia Bierkandt

# In Your Arms, It's Snuggly and Warm

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 28 Pages

Do baby animals like cuddles? Of course they do. And just like human babies, their favourite place to snuggle is in Mummy's and Daddy's arms. The little bear snuggles up close to Mummy, the baby marmot clings tightly to Daddy, and the little sloth most enjoys spending lovely long days dozing in Mummy's arms. The amusing pages which vary in size invite children into a world of discovery, and show the baby animals in their favourite places. Super-cosy read-aloud fun!



# Relax-stories that are good for the whole family



Henriette Wich, Susan Niessen, Marina Rachner, Rike Janßen, Susanne Wechdorn, Mathias Weber, Miriam Cordes, Florentine Prechtel, Dirk Hennig, Annette Fienieg

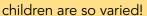
### Little Family Breaks – How to Breathe Deeply, Read Aloud and Find Calm in your Turbulent Daily Life

Read Aloud Book Ages 24 month + | 82 Pages

There's always time to take a little break, even in the hurly-burly of day-to-day family life. This high-quality display folder with 36 read-aloud short stories and atmospheric illustrations is a great reminder of this. The ring-binding enables children to leaf through it quickly and find their favourite picture; they can then listen to the story which goes with it. This read-aloud collection would grace any space in your house – every time you pass it, you notice it afresh and feel re-inspired to spend quality time with the family.

# Diversity is Just Normal

A colourful book at the eye level of the little ones – the families of the kindergarten











Anna Taube, Meike Töpperwien

## Who's Collecting You From Nursery?

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 16 Pages

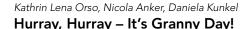
A busy day at nursery is drawing to a close. All the children are milling around in the cloakroom as their families come to collect them one by one. But these families are all so different! Mums, Dads, sometimes with siblings and sometimes without; blended families, LGBTQ+ families, big families and small families. This lively search-and-find book is just as colourful and diverse as the world of nursery-aged children. Packed with fun and age-appropriate search-and-find tasks: the perfect companion for all children who attend nursery.



# For Reading Aloud Moments After an Exciting Day With Grandma or Grandpa

The topic of "grandparents" is presented here with wit and emotion





Board Book Ages 24 month + | 16 Pages

Hurray – it's Granny Day! Granny Days are particularly special days as there's so much to do. You can do the best gymnastics with Granny; a flat tyre is no problem for her; and when you're picnicking in a field, everything tastes better - and she's also the best at blowing dandelion clocks! Touching stories with enchanting illustrations by the popular illustrator Daniela Kunkel: a wonderful love letter to all Grannies around the world.



Kathrin Lena Orso, Nicola Anker, Daniela Kunkel

### Hurray, Hurray – It's Grandpa Day!

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 16 Pages

Grandpa is the best! No question about it. There's never a dull moment with Grandpa. You take immediate command as the young captain of his boat; there's no-one better with whom to look at the stars; and Grandpa's apple pie is better than anyone else's! This gentle rhyming book, sensitively illustrated in loving detail by renowned illustrator Daniela Kunkel, makes one thing quite clear: there's nobody better than Grandpa!

#### Funnily written and humorously and lovingly illustrated





# Popular theme "life on a farm" with an original concept and hygge illustrations



Lena Walde, Caroline Opheys

# Is There Space on the Mat For the Little Kitty Cat?

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 16 Pages

Isn't there a snuggly place going spare anywhere? The tired Little Kitten would love to move in with her Granny Tina who lives on the farm. But it's already full to bursting with other animals: hens, pigs, hares, ponies and, of course, a cow have already found their cosy spots. But what about the Little Kitten? Thank goodness Granny Tina isn't just warm hearted but also has a soft bed – because that's still the very best place to snuggle up. A picture book with counting rhymes to join in with while you're snuggled up.

**Catchy counting rhymes** invite you to talk along and repeat

The **perfect bedtime story** for the evening sleep ritual

Charming **activity book** on the subject of "Bathing" – with varied interactions that promote motor skills and creativity



Nanna Neßhöver, Anja Grote

### Hop In, Little Hippo! – An Activity Book

Board Book Ages 24 month + | 24 Pages

Hurray – it's bath day at last! The little hippo can't wait, as there's nothing he loves more than water. But what's this? There's nothing in the bathtub. Where's the soap? And there's not even any water. The little hippo needs you to help him by shaking, clapping and poking until his bath is all ready. This picture book with interactive text by Nanna Neßhöver and charmingly illustrated by Anja Grote encourages small children to join in and have fun – even those who are bath avoiders!

# Lovingly designed and **richly detailed pictures** that delight young and old







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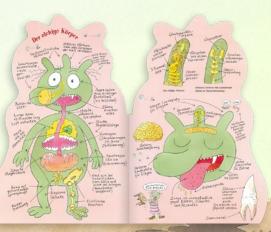
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# Here Come the Ogglies! Laughs and Barfs From Smelliville

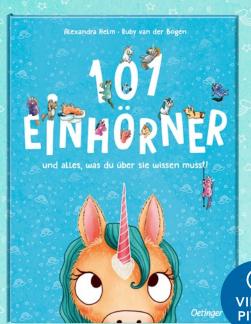
Picture Book Ages 4 + | 32 Pages

Welcome to the world of the Ogglies! But who exactly belongs to this family of greenies? What do they love – and what do they loathe? What does a hearing horn look like from the inside? What is Oggly Granny's favourite song, and what curiosities lurk in Professor Brausewein's laboratory? Every young fan of the grumpy green family will find the answers to their questions in this book – and lots more besides (such as the recipe for Oggly Mum's Stinksome Cake). Farting Fishbones! A gorgeously grimy book for all Oggly fans.





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# Humorous Unicorn Diversity

A hidden object book in **extra-large format** with imaginative "facts" that will delight unicorn fans!



Ruby van der Bogen, Alexandra Helm

### 101 Unicorns and All You Need To Know About Them

Picture Book Ages 4+ | 32 Pages

Did you know that unicorn babies are called unicornlets because their horns are so small? And that they are allowed to choose their own names? What's more, they can't just do magic with their glowing horns, but can also unlock castles and read under the bedcovers! A "fantastic" book in the truest sense of the word, packed with unicorn information, developed in conjunction with children and enchantingly presented as "facts".

Unicorn fans big and small will be jumping for joy!



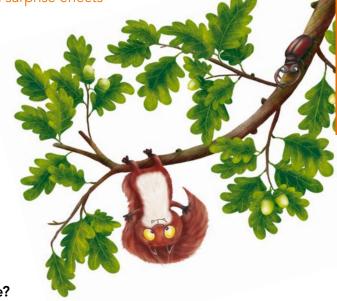
Exciting picture book on the topic of "prejudices"

Innovative design with **die-cut cover** for laugh-out-loud moments and surprise effects





Picture Book Ages 3+ | 32 Pages



Oh my goodness, what's that banging sound? None other than a dangerous hammerhead! There's loads to discover in the forbidden forest – and loads to fear. Together with the little dormouse, bold young readers can embark on a heart-stopping and thrilling adventure. Which animal is lying in wait on the next page, and where are the little dormouse's friends hiding? A spine-tingling picture book for adventurous small children.



Opposing feelings explained in a child-friendly way – two different perspectives which come together in the fold-out middle pages

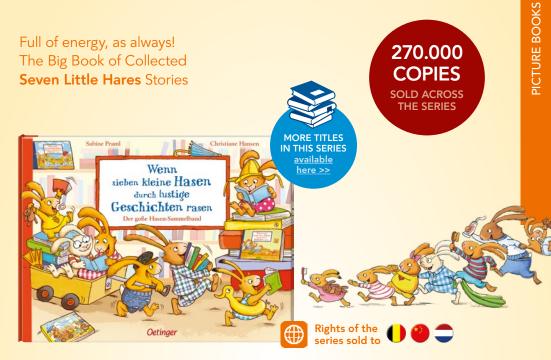


Today's a Panda Power Day! / I'm So Bored Today

Picture Book Ages 4+ | 52 Pages

When nothing seems very appealing, everything feels boring. That's how the little snow leopard feels. He would rather hide away than play. The baby panda, however, doesn't have enough minutes in the day to fit in all the things she finds so exciting: tunnelling, playing ball, and building dams. When the two very different creatures both decide to take a break from their feelings by the same tree, we find out what happens when boredom meets super-busy-ness at the climactic middle point of his reversible book!





Sabine Praml, Christiane Hansen

## Seven Little Hares Race Through Fun Stories

Picture Book Ages 3+ | 64 Pages

Life is always busy for the Seven Little Hares. When the sun is shining, they splash around in the bathing lake, and when it's raining, they race through the puddles. There's just one thing they don't like: going to bed early! This picture book anthology features three of the best-loved Seven Little Hares stories: "Seven Little Hares Race Merrily to the Water", "Seven Grumpy Little Hares Race Happily Through the Puddles", and



Special format: For the appropriate linking of content and features in the diverse residential house context



Jasmin Schaudinn, Vectoria

#### Birch Boulevard - The Wild 19

Ages 4+ | 112 Pages

Seven funny and diverse stories based around an apartment building with its very different inhabitants and their various personal lives, family set-ups and role models. Ideal to take out with you, or to enjoy at home!

There's nowhere brighter or more cheerful than Number 19, Birch Boulevard. Oskar visits his neighbours Wanda and Sontje and they play "BBSBS – Birch Boulevard Seeks the Best Singer". Hille and Coco next door are crafting guardian angels, and dress up as angels themselves. They then fly around the staircase, encountering the neighbouring boy Jalil, who joins them in their flight, and the three of them then become guardian angels for everyone else. The children decide to have a picnic in the laundry – to the adults' astonishment! Everything is decorated with the brightly coloured umbrellas in the stairwell. What a crazy adventure!

An entertaining picture book story about the value of memories and the **joy of everyday experiences** 



Marc Widmer, Coralie Spätig

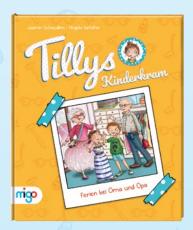
### **My Pocket Treasures**

Ages 4+ | 32 Pages

Max is set to go fishing at the lake with his father today. He's bursting with excitement, but it's too early and Dad is still asleep. How boooooring! But all of a sudden, a little creature called Memo appears in Max's bedroom; his job is to drive away boredom. While Max is getting dressed, various items fall out of the pockets of his favourite trousers – his "pocket treasures". Max starts to tell Memo about the times when he collected these treasures, and together they embark on a thrilling journey through Max's lovely memories. How time can fly!

A picture book about happy memories sparked by precious everyday moments. Includes a sheet with cut-outs for making a chest in which to store your own collection of pocket treasures.

Children's adventures with grandma and grandpa



Jasmin Schaudinn, Angela Gstalter

# Tilly's Tales. Holidays With Granny and Grandpa

Read Aloud Book Ages 4+ | 48 Pages

As Mum and Dad aren't able to take as much time off work as they want, but Bruno is still on school holidays, Tilly and her brother are allowed to go to stay with Granny Jula and Grandpa Jockel. Tilly is thrilled, and sets about making some gifts to give to her grandparents. She also inspects the contents of the wardrobe with Granny, while Grandpa is trying on his new work belt. We discover why Granny and Grandpa's house always smells of Granny and Grandpa, why going out to eat can be a real challenge for small children, and that it's great to discover that you can dream of meeting Mum and Dad on a picnic blanket.



Encouraging book for little children of divorce – a journey into Tilly's emotional world with a reconciliatory ending



Jasmin Schaudinn, Angela Gstalter

## Tilly's Tales. Trouble for Tilly

Read Aloud Book Ages 4+ | 48 Pages

Things have become serious. Tilly's mum and dad are separating. This isn't good. Not good at all. And Tilly cries a thousand tears - while Bruno erupts with fury. Times are hard for the little family which has to try to navigate its way through the new situation, with two different homes for Mum and Dad, a big move, and all the feelings that go with it. Thank goodness for Tilly's Uncle "Midge", who is able to distract the children and comfort them as necessary. Tilly describes this difficult time in which she feels somehow broken, like a cracked shell, with great feeling and in a child-friendly manner. Gradually, this new "someone's always missing" life starts to feel less painful, and Tilly comes to realise that there are advantages to having two homes.

# For More Balance in Everyday Family Life

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Under the FamiliyFlow brand, we have developed products that provide a little time out in your busy family life in a relaxed and fun way



Andrea Schütze, Julia Weinmann

## FamilyFlow Imaginative Journeys – Autumn Magic to Help you Fall Asleep

Read Aloud Book Ages 3+ | 48 Pages

Simply shut your eyes and let an enchanted bird take you into a magical dream world bursting with Autumn colours and restorative energy. This imaginative book invites you to pause and dream, and will help children to relax and go to sleep after a too-busy day.



Florian Sprater, Nataša Kaiser

# **Yoga Memo** – The Fun Route to Awareness

Ages 3+ | 32 Pages

Anyone who wants to train their body, mind and laughter muscles all at the same time needs to play Yoga Memo. One animal and one yoga exercise belong together. Find the pairs, copy the yoga positions, and enjoy the little stories or rhymes which match a wonderful array of animals. 16 exercises in total and additional suggestions for fun games, activities and new things to try!



Ilka Köhler, Nataša Kaiser

# FamilyFlow Be A Jungle Animal! – 30 Movement Games: Prowling, Climbing, Rolling, Wriggling

Ages 3+ | 32 Pages

Become a jungle animal and sway like an ape, slither like a snake, and prowl like a tiger with these 30 lovingly illustrated movement cards. Monstrously wild fun guaranteed! Each animal card contains a little story to encourage children to role play. Each activity is followed by relaxation time so that children can feel the contrast between fun activity and stillness. Ideal for home use, and for kindergarten group work.



Riccarda Ley, Nataša Kaiser

# FamilyFlow We Are Happiness Pilots – 16 Empowering Sentences and Stories

Read Aloud Book Ages 4+ | 80 Pages

to Enhance Family Awareness

Handwritten-style affirmations combined with beautifully illustrated read-aloud stories and small exercises invite children and their parents to become more aware of their families and surroundings. Includes a supplement with 32 sturdy tear-out cards with multiple uses: as aides memoires, to give away, or to hang on the wall.









# Wild Forest Four Rescue Squad

A sensitive story about friendship, inclusion and cohesion



The Wild Forest Four. The Missing Cuddly Toy!

Read Aloud Book Ages 4+ | 96 Pages

It's devastating when your beloved cuddly toy goes missing. This is how Diego feels when his faithful companion goes missing without trace. His friends at the Forest School in Honeycake Forest help him to look, but the cuddly toy remains lost. It's clearly a case for the Wild Forest Four, Mickel, Flora, Rufus and Poppy. The baby animal gang, who know the forest like the back of their paws and have its magic on their side, are Diego's last hope!



# Galloping Into Reading Happiness

Finally, a horse adventure for kindergarten children – a **declaration** of love for Iceland and its horses with a lot of heart and wit



Chantal Schreiber, Iris Hardt

## Galloping Away 3. Two and Pen Guin

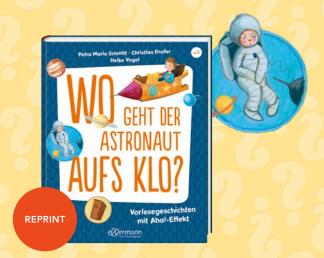
Read Aloud Book Ages 4+ | 96 Pages

The big moment is drawing near! Fanndis and Jon are to meet Kappi and Skoppa, the heroes of Grandpa Valdis' stories. But the waiting time offers too many opportunities for quarrels to break out – and before it finally happens, Grandpa Valdis has to tell them a particularly thrilling adventure, in which Kappi and Skoppa get to know Pen Guin and work together to solve the problem of humans and their litter. Grandpa's anti-arguing medicine works its usual miracles, and before long, the siblings finally encounter Kappi and Skoppa. But which child belongs to which pony?



# In a New Look: The Popular Series With the "Aha! Effect"

Extensive knowledge packed into entertaining stories



Petra Maria Schmitt, Christian Dreller, Heike Vogel

### Where Do Astronauts Go to the Loo? Read-Aloud "Aha!" Stories

Read Aloud Book Ages 4+ | 128 Pages

Does a millipede really have 1,000 legs? Why doesn't it hurt when you have your hair cut? How does rain get into the clouds? And how do you cope when children won't stop asking questions? This book, with its child-friendly and delightfully illustrated read-aloud stories answers some of the questions most frequently asked by children.





Johanna Prinz, Caroline Opheys

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What's the difference between an octopus and a squid? What do butterflies eat, and why don't birds need to wee? Dr. Johanna Prinz, biologist and expert on living creatures, has the answers to all these questions. In this read-aloud book, she explains all the tricky little connections in a simple and entertaining manner, and solves mysteries in a way which makes even adults say "aha!" With its bold and cheerful illustrations, this book is bound to encourage children to discover and explore.







Susanne Orosz, Heike Vogel

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Why does it get dark at night? How do animals sleep, and why do we need to sleep? Children are fascinated by night-time, but can also find the dark a bit scary. This book answers children's most frequently asked questions about night-time and darkness in child-friendly, lavishly illustrated read-aloud stories – which will also teach adults a few new facts, too!







# Innovative Learning Concept Combines Arithmetic and Reading



An engaging story with fun characters – with great puzzles and other fun elements



Jule Ambach, Sandy Thißen

The Mathemanimals.

A Case for the Wild Ones (or Twos) –

Number + Word = Undeterred!

Early Calculator Ages 6+ | 64 Pages

Here come the Mathemanimals – and they're going to show you how much fun literacy and numeracy can be! Join Tommytwo and Twotsie the twin wild boars and their friends on their exciting Maths adventures: can you crack the great number code at the end? An innovative learning concept for all children aged 6+ who need a bit of extra encouragement with reading and arithmetic. And, of course, fantastic for anyone who can't get enough of tricky puzzles and funny stories!





English sample translation available

Jule Ambach, Sandy Thißen

The Mathemanimals.

Seeking Threeodore –

Number + Word = Undeterred!

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Cast your pencil case aside and make way for Threeodore the guinea pig! Together with the other Mathemanimals, he's ready to show you how much fun literacy and numeracy can be. Accompany him on the craziest adventures, and collect the numbers which make up the mathematical code for the grand finale. Can you solve the puzzle? Part Two of the Mathemanimals series which makes literacy and numeracy child's play!





Your smelly maths and reading start – **learn to count and read** with the Ogglies!





Erhard Dietl

# The Ogglies Win the World Cup – Number + Word = Undeterred!

Early Calculator Ages 7+ | 64 Pages

Farting fishbones! How am I ever going to find the smelly old secret numbers which will help me crack the mathematical code at the end of the book? Quite easily: join the Ogglies in their hilarious football adventure, and solve all the Oggly number puzzles. A book for children aged 7+, guaranteed to provide endless literacy and numeracy fun. With fab mini games and exciting conundrums based around the Ogglies and the ever-popular football topic.



In typical Wohlleben fashion, knowledge about the animals in the forest is conveyed in a child-friendly way



Peter Wohlleben, Stefanie Reich

### Baby Animals in the Forest

Early Reader Ages 6+ | 64 Pages

Which animals can we find in the forest? Do they have families there? From squirrels to wild boars, best-selling author Peter Wohlleben introduces young fans to the animals living in the forest and takes them on a tour of our "green lungs". Packed with photos and illustrations to match by Stefanie Reich, which add colour to the informative text and turn this non-fiction book into a great reading experience. Puzzles and text are presented throughout to appeal to emerging readers – but are also great fun for more experienced ones, too.



The popular series with a new concept: **pictures replace words** 



Stefanie Taschinski, Susanne Göhlich

### Bifi & Pops. A Cat Fart Mission – Pictures Replace Words

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Fantastic animal-themed crime fun for early readers: when Bifi wakes up one morning and trots over to the feeding bowl, he can barely believe his puppy-dog eyes: the bowl is empty – and it smells suspiciously of cat food. He immediately realises that a food thief has been at work! When his owner Pops then finds that his lunch has been swiped from his plate, that's a bridge too far. Bifi and Pops embark on a bit of detective work – and the first task is for all the cats in the street to provide Bifi with a fart sample...

# Easier reading experience with colourful syllables



Ursel Scheffler, Julia Gerigk

## Paula on the Pony Farm. The Pony Competition – Learn to Read with Syllables

Early Reader Ages 7+ | 64 Pages

How exciting! Paula and Sine are allowed to take part in the pony competition, and are practising hard with their ponies. Then a new girl appears at the stables: Alice, a terrible show-off. She secretly feeds her pony Nero so that it's stronger than all the others in the competition. What a commotion for Paula's first competition! Who's going to win? The colourful syllables make it even easier to learn to read!



The **funny "Sat" stories** from the pen of Paul Maar motivate children beginning to read

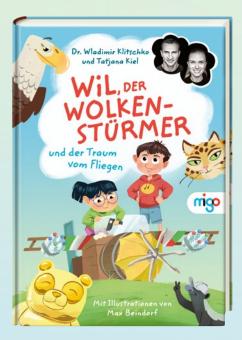


Paul Maar

# The Sat and the Wishing Machine – Learn to Read with Syllables

Early Reader Ages 7+ | 64 Pages

Oh no! The Wishing Spots on the Sat's face are disappearing! So it's straight to Mr Taschenbier's Wishing Machine, which he has hidden in Mrs Rotkohl's attic. When the Sat and his dad use one of the last Wishing Spots to wish their way there, they land in the wrong attic and find themselves confronted by a furious caretaker. They finally manage to find their way to the Wishing Machine and immediately try it out. And they do indeed find themselves showered with money – lots of it. Countless coins and notes – but all in the wrong currency...





# Reaching for the Clouds

An imaginative read-aloud story, based on finding and developing your own personal strengths

Wladimir Klitschko, Tatjana Kiel, Max Beindorf

### Will Wants Clouds - A Story About Flying

Children's Fiction Ages 6+ | 128 Pages

What starts as a dream for 8-year-old Will turns into a concrete aim: Will wants to fly. To see the clouds from up above. When he hears that his town is running a model aeroplane competition with a small monetary reward, he jumps at it. He is determined to build an aeroplane, to win the competition, to use the prize money to insert an engine into his plane and then fly away in it. Together with his friends, the young honey badger Ezki and the girl Janne, he starts to gather together everything he needs to build an aeroplane.

A bold enterprise during which the friends have to overcome all kinds of resistance before support comes from an unexpected source. Can Will achieve his goal and win the prize? And might the journey to his goal





A Modern Mary Poppins Story

Magical and narrated with great wit – Bestselling series with 6 volumes in total

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#### The Fabulous Miss Braitwhistle

Children's Fiction Ages 8+ | 208 Pages

The 4a is notorious throughout the school. A for abomination, that's what everyone says. It's really no wonder that the class teacher, Ms. Taube, is on the verge of a nervous breakdown. So the new exchange teacher from England is perfect. Miss Braitwhistle takes over the lesson and turns everything upside down: detention becomes flying lesson, a horse comes to tea and in the middle of summer it starts to snow. For once, the chaotic class agrees: Miss Braitwhistle is just fabulous!



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# Children's Fiction Filled with Loveable and Imaginative Animals

Well-known author who is distinctive for her unique characters

Born in 1975 in East-Berlin, Anna Böhm has written many bestselling children's books for Oetinger. The "Emmi & the Unipig" series was Anna Böhm's successful children's book debut. The funny and exciting detective series "Animal Police" once again shows her feel for linguistic wit, original characters and exciting stories.

Anna Böhm tried out a variety of things before finding her passion in fiction writing – she worked as a waiter, later as an assistant director and even quit her degree of gender studies and philosophy to study screenwriting instead. During her studies, she had two daughters, who are now almost grown up. After graduating, she wrote radio plays and developed various stories. In 2018, the first Unipig book has been published by Oetinger. At the moment, Anna is developing new cases for the animal police and working on a crime novel for adults. Staying true to her birth place, she still lives in Berlin with her family.

Even mythotures need a break sometimes – **trendy theme of mindfulness** with unipig charm



Anna Böhm, Susanne Göhlich

# Emmi and the Unipig 6. Mythotures Don't Go Camping

Children's Fiction Ages 8+ | 208 Pages

Emmi and her family are looking forward to going to the seaside. Only the Unipig isn't getting into the holiday spirit. He's constantly being asked to magic up things which he doesn't care for. Sandwiches, ingredients for supper, or provisions for their holidays. And then it happens: however hard the Unipig concentrates, all he can conjure up is ... pickled gherkins. Emmi is most anxious about her Mythoture – and then the next catastrophe occurs: the irreplaceable Mythical Tree belonging to Emmi's family is to make way for a building site. How are they supposed to go on holiday with all this happening? The tree absolutely has to be saved – with magic or without!

The message "Accept yourself as you are" is conveyed with a lot of wit



Anna Böhm, Susanne Göhlich

# Emmi and the Unipig – children's fiction series

Children's Fiction Ages 8+ | 208 to 224 Pages each







# Creator of the 'Sat' and Leading Figure in Children's Fiction

Maar has been enticing readers all over the globe with his wit and play of words

Paul Maar is one of the most important and successful German authors of books for children and young people. He was born in Schweinfurt in 1937, studied painting and art history and worked as a teacher at a grammar school for several years before taking the leap to concentrate entirely on his artistic work as a freelance author and illustrator.

His work has been recognised with numerous important awards, including the German Youth Literature Prize, the Friedrich Rückert Prize and the E.T.A. Hoffmann Prize. He was honoured by the Bavarian State Ministry for his services to art and education. Paul Maar's work is of impressive versatility. His best-known characters include Das Sams (The Sat), who fulfils wishes, Mr Bello, who wanders between the animal and human worlds, and Lippel, who dreams of oriental adventures. Time and again, Paul Maar cements his rank at the very top of German children's books writers by conjuring unexpected worlds filled with imaginative poems, rhymes and riddles.

Dreams come true:
A brand new Christmas
"Sat" story with pictures
by Paul Maar



Paul Maar

# The Sat and the Great Christmas Quest

Children's Fiction Ages 7+ | 160 Pages

Chains of sausages in the Christmas tree, Christmas carols accompanied by saxophone, lots of presents and a whole bunch of Sats. The Sat couldn't have imagined his very first Christmas Eve any better. And that's exactly how it should continue on Christmas Day. The Mini-Sat is to return to the human world. The Sat, Father Taschenbier and even Mrs. Rotkohl miss him so much. But the spell that the Mini-Sat has to remember to get back into Papa Taschenbier's room is just too complicated. And so the Mini-Sat unexpectedly experiences a very adventurous and very funny Christmas Day.



Paul Maar's most personal novel in a new edition – a tender love story in post-war Germany



Paul Maar

#### Potato Beetle Time

Children's Fiction Ages 12+ | 272 Pages

The Second World War has only been over for a few years. Adults talk about the "terrible times". The children in the little village of Mainfranken, however, don't see it that way. Shortages and acorn coffee are part of their everyday lives just as much as potato beetle and plagues of mice. Johanna feels quite at home in this clear-cut world – until she gradually begins to outgrow her family. She starts to feel hemmed in, and soon realises that if she wants to grow up, she has to scale "the walls".

A colourful book on the subject of "children's birthday parties"



Paul Maar, Günther Jakobs

#### Today Is Mouse's Birthday

Board Book Ages 18 month + | 14 Pages

Today is a very special day – for it's the little mouse's birthday. This obviously calls for a celebration, and so she invites all her friends to a party: the elephant, the pig, the hopping kangaroo and the little penguin, among others. They have a fabulous party, and then it's time to go home. A cheerful rhyming book, perfect for first birthday parties! The very youngest children will be delighted by Paul Maar's verse and illustrations.









# An Adventurous Journey Through Time Begins

Start of a **new fantasy series** in a funny, relaxed narrative tone

English sample translation available

Stefanie Hasse, Julia K. Stein, Melanie Korte

### Time Travel Academy 1. A Task Beyond Time

Children's Fiction Ages 10+ | 288 Pages

Twelve-year-old Max would give anything to swap lives with someone else. His life is too boring for words – or, that is, until he suddenly receives the shimmering golden invitation to the Time Travel Academy. He initially takes it to be a rotten joke. But then he receives a clue regarding his sister Stella, who went missing three years before, along with a message to say that he has to register at the Academy as soon as possible in order to find out more. It's the start of a thrilling voyage through time.



A densely told exciting and action-packed story – carries you off with magical words into a fabulous dream world



Tania Messner, Jürgen V. Blankenhagen

# Sansaria 2. The Battle of the Dreamlings

Children's Fiction Ages 10+ | 368 Pages

Barely have Leonard and his friends prevented the dream-production from being sabotaged when one thing becomes clear: Sansaria and the human world are still in danger! Sansaria is collapsing little by little. And the man on the ice-breaker in the Arctic is hatching evil new plans. This time he has his eye on the Dreamlings, the creatures who ensure that humans dream. Will Leonard and his friends manage to save the dreams of humankind and the world of Sansaria?



English sample translation available

Sabine Ludwig's **most personal novel** about "child deportations" in the late post-war years



Sabine Ludwig, Emma Ludwig

#### **Black Houses**

Children's Fiction Ages 10+ | 352 Pages

Twelve-year-old Uli has been sent to a North Sea island to recuperate. But what awaits her is anything but restorative. For none of the children are in the sanatorium of their own volition. They are all terribly homesick; the wind howls around the building; the food is inedible. The one consolation for Uli are her new friends Fritze, Freya and Lieschen. Together they shiver in the laundry; help with the shoe-cleaning; and endure the most vile punishments. One day, Freya disappears. The girls secretly set off to search for her – and find her miles away in the dangerous mud flats.



# Bestselling Middle Grade Eco-Fantasy for all Ages

Page turners about adventure, friendship, romance, the environment and music

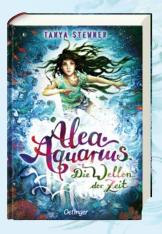
Born in 1974, Tanya Stewner studied translation, English, German and general literature. For several years, she worked as a translator and editor before devoting herself entirely to writing. With over 5 million books sold internationally, Tanya Stewner is one of Germany's most successful children's books authors.

Surprisingly, it wasn't love at first sight with Tanya Stewner and books. After her primary school teacher said Tanya would probably never learn to read and write properly due to dyslexia, she discovered her passion in writing late, at the age of ten. But from then on, the stories just started flowing. Her series "Alea Aquarius" especially has a dedicated fan following and her works have been translated into almost twenty languages and have won many awards. Alea Aquarius's huge popularity among young readers hasn't gone unnoticed and and the production of an international TV series is already in the making. Together with her husband Guido, she forms a songwriting duo and has even released a music album based on the "Alea Aquarius" series. The series also comes with a number of 'Early Readers' books, making it the ideal companion for children of all ages.











# Alea Aquarius 8. The Waves of Time

Children's Fiction Ages 10+ | 356 Pages

Alea is a mermaid once more – but she's very worried about Thea. Where has Doctor Orion taken her? What's he planning, and what particular role is Tess going to be playing in their attempt to stop him? Or might the new member of the gang be the key to everything?

An ancient power is arising in the sea, but the Alpha Cru can only make its way to the new allies via the narrow streets of Venice. Will they manage to defeat their opponents?

The eighth volume of the popular mermaid saga – thrills and spills from start to finish!

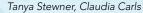
Check out the Alea song "No Longer Silent" on YouTube and see how active Alea's fans are on social media:











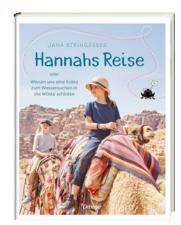
### My Alea Aquarius Fan Book

Children's Fiction Ages 10+ | 128 Pages

In this comprehensive compendium, Alea Aquarius fans get up close to their favourite characters. There's so much to browse, and stacks of exciting new background information about the protagonists, fascinating minor characters and much more besides. Best of all: this reference book also contains an unpublished Alea Aquarius story by Tanya Stewner. The ultimate book and absolute must-have for everyone who loves Alea and the Alpha Cru!

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Water concerns us all:
A family follows the **traces**of climate change



Jana Steingässer

## Hannah's Journey – How a Toad Sent Us on a Water-Finding Mission in the Desert

Children's Fiction Ages 10+ | 160 Pages

A toad in search of water sets eleven-year-old Hannah and her family off on a thriling journey. In the process, they try to discover what has gone so awry with the world and its climate that the puddles and ponds are drying out in the woods. And whether we might one day find ourselves high and dry, too. In Italy, Spain, Morocco and Jordan, they learn how humans, animals and plants cope with the shortage of water – and how we can all do our bit when it comes to protecting this valuable resource.



In the **first volume**, Hannah's elder sister Paula follows the tracks of climate change. An impressive, unsparing, informative piece of German history – winner of many awards, celebrated by the press



Grit Poppe

### **Betrayed**

Young Adult Fiction Ages 14+ | 368 Pages

East Berlin 1986: after the death of his mother, Sebastian is locked up in an orphanage which is more like a prison. It's his father of all people – who abandoned the family years ago – who gets him out. But then a man appears in Sebastian's school and declares Sebastian's father to be an enemy of the State. The stranger is working for the Stasi, the GDR secret police. He wants Sebastian to work for him. Sebastian has no choice. He either has to spy on his father or risk the Stasi putting him through the mill – and finding Katja. Katja, whom he has been hiding since she escaped from the orphanage. If she is caught, then that will be the end of him, too.

Gripping novel with excerpts from original Stasi files and interviews with contemporary witnesses



TOP!

# A Race Against the Approaching Darkness

Sensitive approach to the issues of "diversity" and "illness"

English sample translation available



Karen-Susan Fessel

#### **Blind Fish**

Young Adult Fiction Ages 14+ | 240 Pages

Lon is sixteen. And Lon suffers from Usher Syndrome, a rare genetic disorder which affects the eyes and inner ear. Having poor hearing is nothing new for Lon – but their increasingly diminishing eyesight is a real challenge. Lon doesn't tell anyone about this – not even their mother or the doctor. Nelly and Oscar, Lon's friends, have no idea either. On their way into darkness, there's just one thing Lon yearns for: love. But first Lon has to learn to love themself.



### The Storyteller returns:

Finally a sequel to Antonia Michaelis' bestseller



Antonia Michaelis

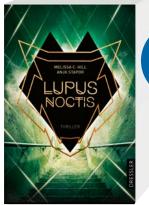
## In the Shadow of the Storyteller

Young Adult Fiction Ages 16+ | 464 Pages

18 years have passed since the death of Abel, storyteller and murderer. His son Elias doesn't know whether he misses him or hates him more. But then he makes a curious discovery: his mother Anna is writing letters to the storyteller – and is receiving replies. Elias starts to spy on her. Could his father still be alive? Who is the shadow in the woods, and what is Abel's sister Micha hiding? In the mysterious letters, Elias reads a new story – just as murderous as the one 18 years ago...



Taps into trends: Lost Places, Role Playing, Influencers, TikTok





Melissa C. Hill, Anja Stapor

### **Lupus Noctis**

Young Adult Fiction Ages 14+ | 416 Pages

Six teenagers decide to give themselves the ultimate adrenaline rush by entering an abandoned subterranean 'bunker hospital'. In this eerie, almost pitch dark place, they want to continue their favourie role play game, "Lupus Noctis". But they haven't been there very long when they realise that the key is missing and the door to the outside world is locked. Was it a mistake? Or has someone deliberately locked them in? The longer the six of them are trapped in the darkness, the darker the secrets which come to light.

**Creepy witchcraft setting:** tension with a tinge of mystery – un-put-downable!



Hanna Bergmann

### Night of Lies

Young Adult Fiction Ages 16+ | 480 Pages

When 17-year-old Leah is sent away to the elite boarding school Elm Castle in the forests of North Carolina, she soon realises that something is amiss. Her roommate Carter threatens her, and in the forest she encounters a disturbing blood-stained rune. In fact, everyone apart from Reese (who seems nice) and the charming Casper appears to have been acting very strangely ever since a girl from their school disappeared two years earlier. Leah starts to investigate – but every secret she uncovers puts her in ever greater danger.







Queer love and the question of what really makes us happy



Inka Lindberg

#### We Fell in Love in October

Young Adult Fiction Ages 16+ | 416 Pages

"There must be more to life than this," Lisa says to herself. She drops out of her training scheme in banking – thereby dashing all the hopes and expectations of her parents and her boyfriend Max. Out of the blue, she books a coach ticket to Cologne. Here she embarks on an adventure, starting when she meets tattoo artist Karla, who shows Lisa a world that she has previously only seen in films. In between sofa-surfing, parties in shared houses and existential crises, the young woman explores her sexuality, and also comes to discover that dreams don't just have to stay in your head.

Turn of the century Paris – the exciting background of a historical romantasy





English sample translation available

Laura Cardea

## Night Shadow 1. They Who Guard the Night

Young Adult Fiction Ages 16+ | 464 Pages

Paris on the eve of the 20th century: while the world is in flux, penniless Odette – dressed as a man – plunges into the smoky Paris nightlife, where she discovers her magical powers.

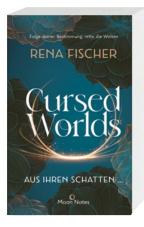
She belongs to a small group of people with nocturnal abilities: the Brotherhood of the Night Crawlers. What's more, she's not only the sole woman in this group of men, but is also the only one who has power over light and darkness.

Together with the wealthy Shadow Jumper Eugène, she battles against an Order which is targeting her powers and her family – and for a love without class barriers.



# Love and Secrets Between the Worlds

Rena Fischer is the German answer to Sarah J. Maas – engaging language, sophisticated plot and **emotionally convincing characters** 



Rena Fischer

# Cursed Worlds 1. From their Shadows ...

Young Adult Fiction Ages 16+ | 512 Pages

Sis and her brother Finn have lived with their grandmother since their parents and Finn's twin brother went missing without trace years ago. When their grandmothers suffers a stroke, she leaves them one instruction: they are to go to Spain and find one of their father's friends. He shows them the only thing that remains of their family: an amulet, a magical piece of jewellery which allows them to cross from one world to another. Sis and Finn set off to find the answers which could finally reunite their family – or kill them all.



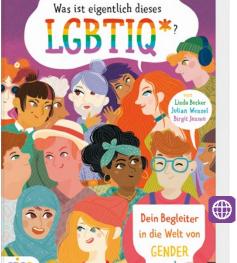
Rena Fischer

# Cursed Worlds 2 ... The Light Awakens

Young Adult Fiction Ages 14+ | 480 Pages

While his sister Sis initially finds life in the magical world quite difficult, Finn is becoming the glowing 'other side of the coin' to the grim young Damianos boy Aswin. However, a journey into the past and a rupture in the magical field don't just save Finn's twin brother Kieran and his girlfriend Serafina, but also lead Aswin to switch to the 'good' side – that of the siblings – and to acknowledge his feelings for Sis. But jealous Oisinn tells evil Damianos their plans...





A Handy Guide to LGBTIQ\*

Explains the most important LGBTIQ\* terms and encourages readers to explore their own feelings

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Linda Becker, Julian Wenzel, Birgit Jansen

### What's all this LGBTIQ\* Stuff About?

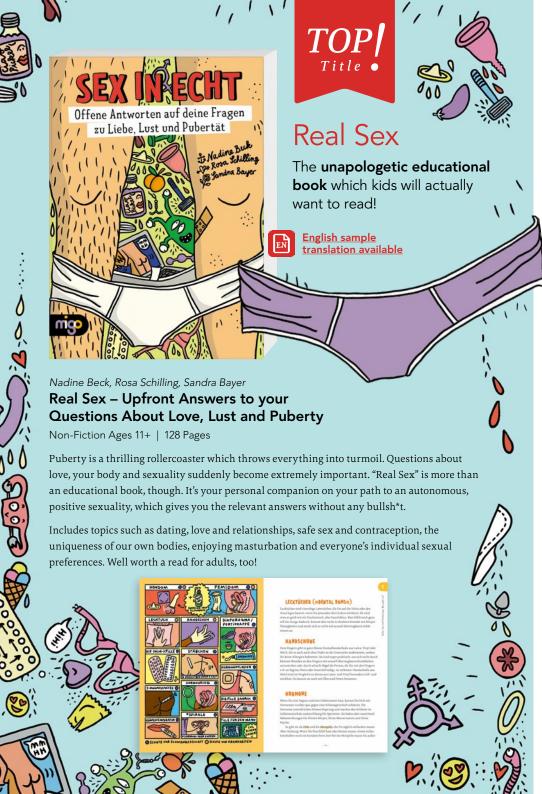
Non-Fiction Ages 11+ | 128 Pages

Am I bi, lesbian or gay? What does trans really mean? How is it different from doing drag? This can all be a bit emotionally overwhelming, especially if you're not (yet) sure about your own gender identity.

"What's all this LGBTIQ\* Stuff About?" is a guide for all children and young people who want to know more about the many diverse forms that gender identity can take. It isn't a dry textbook, though: it is jokey and entertaining and exactly on a level with young readers on their thrilling journey into the unknown world of growing up. This book explains all the various terms, and also offers support when it comes to such things as harassment.

"We can't be pigeon-holed": interviews with members of the LGBTIQ\* scene

Written by two LGBTIQ\* podcasters



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