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# OLIVIA A. COLE Time to Roar



#### SEPTEMBER

Bloomsbury Children's Books

Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Bears

On Sale 9/1/2020 Ages 3 to 6 Hardcover Picture Book 32 pages 9.6 in H | 10.8 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547603701 \$17.99 / \$24.50 Can. Sometimes you must ROAR. This powerful picture book shows the importance of raising your own strong voice to defend what you love.

Sasha the bear loves the meadow in her forest more than anything. But when great, yellow machines threaten to cut and burn the forest, Sasha and the other animals must determine the best way to stop them.

"Don't go roaring," Squirrel tells Sasha. Bird tries singing to the machines sweetly. Rabbit thumps her foot at them. Deer tries running and leading them away. None of these methods work—must they flee? The animals need something louder, something bigger, something more powerful. Sasha knows her voice—her *roar*—is the most powerful tool she has. Because sometimes you must *roar*.

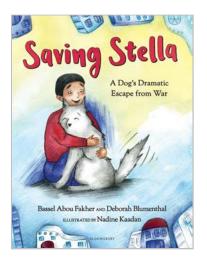
This picture book is the perfect introduction to showing young readers the power of their own voices—to stand up for what they believe in, to protect what they love, and to make a change in the world.

**Olivia Cole** is an author and blogger from Louisville, KY. She is the author of a New Adult series and a young adult series, and her essays have been published at *Real Simple*, the *LA Times*, *HuffPost*, *Teen Vogue*, and others. Olivia is the creator and curator of the all-women science-fiction themed art show KINDRED. She teaches creative writing at the Kentucky Governor's School for the Arts. www.oliviaacole.com • @RantingOwl

**Jessica M. Gibson** is a self-taught illustrator who has worked for various companies, publishers, and private clients. Her work has been featured in many children's books, magazines, zines, and galleries. She lives in Michigan. www.jessicamgibson.com • @jessiedrawz

# BASSEL ABOU FAKHER AND DEBORAH BLUMENTHAL Saving Stella

A Dog's Dramatic Escape from War



### NOVEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books

Juvenile Nonfiction / Social Topics / Emigration & Immigration

On Sale 11/3/2020 Ages 4 to 8 Hardcover Picture Book 40 pages 11 in H | 8.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547601332

\$18.99 / \$25.99 Can.

### This moving, true story about a young man and his dog who escape the Syrian War shows readers how love endures beyond borders.

Life for Bassel and his dog Stella in Damascus, Syria, is full of bombs toppling buildings and sharp blasts of gunfire through the night. When it becomes too dangerous for him to stay, Bassel makes the courageous decision to escape, leaving his home—and Stella—behind.

After a long, difficult journey, Bassel lands safely in Belgium, but misses his family and his beloved dog. With the help of friends in his new home and back in Syria, Bassel crafts a plan to rescue Stella. It will be risky, but for Bassel, home is wherever Stella is.

This remarkable, true story will inspire readers and remind them that even amid the harshest circumstances of war, acts of kindness and humanity will always endure.

**Bassel Abou Fakher** is a cellist from Damascus, Syria. He has released two albums, one in Syria and one in Brussels, with his own Qotob chamber music group. After living through the Syrian civil war for five years, Bassel moved to Brussels, Belgium at the age of eighteen where he currently lives and plays his music. **Deborah Blumenthal** is an award-winning journalist, nutritionist, and the author of twenty-two books for adults and children. She has been a regular contributor to *The New York Times*, and her features have appeared widely in publications including *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *Bazaar*, *Cosmopolitan*, and *Vogue*. Deborah lives in New York City. www.deborahblumenthal.com • @deborahblu

#### Praise For...

Nadine Kaadan is an award-winning author-illustrator from Syria. She writes stories inspired by Syria's rich cultural heritage and is committed to helping child refugees in Europe and the Middle East. She currently lives in the United Kingdom. www.nadinekaadan.com • @NadineKaadan

# DEBI GLIORI Little Owl's Bedtime



### OCTOBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals On Sale 10/13/2020 Ages 2 to 5 Hardcover with dust jacket 32 pages 10.8 in H | 9.7 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604494 \$17.99 / \$24.50 Can.

### From bestselling picture book duo Debi Gliori and Alison Brown comes an adorable bedtime story perfect for wakeful little night owls.

Little Owl does not want to go to bed. His pillow is too lumpy and his quilt is too hot. He's tried to go to sleep. He's tried REALLY hard, but then there is a strange noise, and. . . "MOMMY!"

It seems like Little Owl will never fall asleep, but Mommy Owl has a few tricks to soothe her fidgety Little Owl and help him get a good night's rest.

Bestselling author Debi Gliori explores all the things that keep kids from settling into bed—and the ingenious ways parents quiet restless minds—in this sweet bedtime story, tenderly illustrated by renown artist Alison Brown.

**Debi Gliori** is a much loved and bestselling author/illustrator of over seventy-five books for children, including *Dragon's Extraordinary Egg*, the bestselling *No Matter What*, and the Mr. Bear series. Debi lives in the United Kingdom near Edinburgh, and has twice been writer in residence in the Shetland Isles. www.debiglioribooks.com

**Alison Brown** studied Fine Art at Liverpool and then became a graphic designer. She is the illustrator of *The Wall Street Journal* and *Publisher's Weekly* bestselling *I Love You Night and Day, I'll Never Let You Go, I'll Love You Always*, and *Snowy Bear*. Alison lives in the United Kingdom. www.aliscribble.com

# LUCY MORRIS The Song for Everyone



#### OCTOBER Bloomsbury Children's Books

Juvenile Fiction / Imagination & Play On Sale 10/6/2020

Ages 3 to 6 Hardcover Picture Book 40 pages 10.8 in H | 9.7 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547602865 \$18.99 / \$25.99 Can.

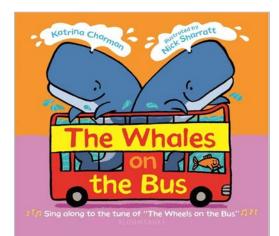
### This stunningly illustrated picture book debut about the power of music will be an instant classic.

A cat, a boy, an elderly woman, and a line of students may appear to have little in common. But when they pass under a little window in town, they are each are swept up and transformed by the magical music that buoys their weary or lonely spirits. But one day, the music stops, and the town must work together to save the music that they grew to love so much.

*The Song for Everyone* is a stunning allegory for the emotional complexities we carry within us, the universally soothing effects of music, and the importance of community. Timeless and comforting, this picture book is one to read again and again.

**Lucy Morris** is based in Norfolk, United Kingdom, has an MA in Children's Book Illustration at Anglia Ruskin in Cambridge and a Degree in Fine Art Painting from Brighton University. While this is her first picture book, she has been an artist all her life. www.lucymorrisart.co.uk

## KATRINA CHARMAN The Whales on the Bus



#### OCTOBER

Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals On Sale 10/6/2020 Ages 2 to 5 Board Book 26 pages 5.8 in H | 6.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547606184 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### This riotous animal adventure is set to the tune of The Wheels on the Bus and is perfect for preschoolers.

The whales on the bus ride round the town, / Round the town, round the town. The whales on the bus ride round the town, / All day long!

Join in the fun with a host of colorful animals as they ride, soar, whizz and zoom on a whole range of exciting vehicles—from tigers on gliders to cranes on trains and ducks on trucks.

Set to the tune of The Wheels on the Bus, this zany adventure provides endless fun for fans of planes, trains, cars, buses, and animals of all kinds!

Katrina Charman is the author of *Go, Go Pirate Boat; Car, Car, Truck Jeep*; and *The Ninjabread Man*, as well as The Last Firehawk chapter book series. She lives in England with her husband and three children. Visit her online @katrinacharman. Nick Sharratt is the bestselling illustrator of over 250 books for children including books by Jacqueline Wilson, Julia Donaldson, and Michael Rosen. His instantly recognizable art style has delighted children for years. He lives in England. Visit Nick online at www.nicksharratt.com and @nicksharratt1.

#### Praise For...

*Car, Car, Truck Jeep* An Amazon Best Book of the Month

Go, Go Pirate Boat An Amazon Best Book of the Month

## JACOB GRANT Bear Meets Bear



NOVEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Bears On Sale 11/17/2020 Ages 3 to 6 Hardcover Picture Book 40 pages 10.8 in H | 9.7 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604241 \$17.99 / \$24.50 Can.

### Love is in the air in the latest story featuring the charming friendship of Bear and Spider—and a special someone.

Bear is excited for his new teapot to arrive. When the doorbell rings, Bear finds something unexpected—a new delivery person, Panda, who happens to be very charming. Bear does the only thing he can think of—he orders another teapot so he can see Panda again. But he's too flustered to talk to her . . . so he orders another teapot. And *another*. Spider encourages Bear to invite Panda to tea, but one day, a new delivery person arrives at the door. Seeing how devastated his friend is, Spider sets out on a journey to find Panda and help his friend find the courage to be himself. The fantastic duo from *Bear's Scare* and *Bear Out There* is back in another sweet friendship story that's perfect for Valentine's Day.

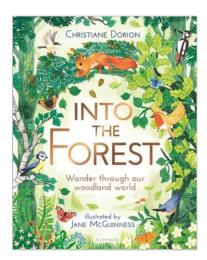
**Jacob Grant** is the author and illustrator of *Bear Out There*, *Bear's Scare*, *Scaredy Kate*, *Little Bird's Bad Word*, *Cat Knit*, and *Through the Zoo*. He is a winner of the annual Don Freeman Work In-Progress Grant by the SCBWI. Jacob lives in Chicago with his family. www.jacobgrantbooks.com • jacobgerms.tumblr.com (Tumblr) • @jacob\_germs (Twitter)

#### Praise For...

#### Bear's Scare

"Ideal for beginning readers. A sweet, feel-good story with plenty of interesting visual detail." *—Kirkus Reviews* "Grant's friendship story will catch readers like flies with its artwork and gentle humor, while encouraging them not to make assumptions about others." *—Booklist* "Will make readers smile." *—Publishers Weekly* 

# CHRISTIANE DORION



#### NOVEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Nature / Trees & Forests On Sale 11/17/2020 Ages 5 to 8 Hardcover with dust jacket 64 pages 11.8 in H | 9.3 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604579 \$23.99 / \$32.50 Can.

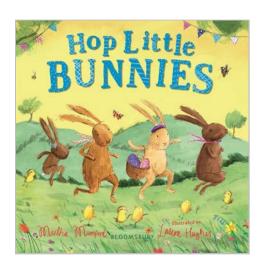
### A large trim size, heavily designed look at the wonders of the forest around the world.

The world is filled with marvelous forests and amazing communities of plants, animals, fungi, and minute creatures that populate them. Each forest has something special to offer. Marvel at the peaceful twilight of the deciduous forest, where birds gather twigs, bats shelter in tree trunks, and the carpet of fallen leaves becomes small creatures' homes. Spot a bald eagle soaring high up in the winter sky through the towering green giants of the redwood forest. Discover all the noises in the Amazonian rain forest, where most creatures live in the tree canopy together, creating a symphony of sounds.

This celebration of forests is packed with fascinating information, like why leaves change color throughout seasons, and emphasizes the importance of sustainability to protect these resources for future generati...

**Christiane Dorion** was born in Quebec City, Canada. After completing her PhD in Environmental Education, she coordinated the Primary Education program at World Wildlife Foundation-UK. She works with Forum for the Future, a nonprofit organization focused on sustainable development. Through her books, Christiane aims to inspire children to take positive action to protect our planet for future generations. christianedorion.com **Jane McGuinness** recently completed an MA in Children's Book Illustration at Cambridge School of Art. Having grown up in Scotland, wildlife and nature are a key focus in Jane's work. In 2016, she was awarded the Sebastian Walker Prize for illustration. janemcguinness.co.uk

# MARTHA MUMFORD Hop Little Bunnies



DECEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Holidays & Celebrations / Easter & Lent On Sale 12/1/2020 Ages 0 to 3 Board Book 24 pages 6.5 in H | 6.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547605699 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### From the illustrator of *We're Going on an Egg Hunt* comes another delightful board book that's perfect for Easter and springtime!

See the little bunnies sleeping till it's noon / Shall we go and wake them with a merry tune?

Wake up, animals! Join four adorable bunnies as they rouse their sleepy animal friends. Because there are times to be quiet—and times to be loud! Readers will hop with bunnies, *cheep* with chicks, *baa* with lambs, and *meow* with kittens. With a perfect read-aloud text inspired by a nursery rhyme and adorable art featuring lots of springtime animals, this is the perfect Easter gift!

**Martha Mumford** is the author of the Royal Baby series, which began with *Shhh! Don't Wake the Royal Baby*. Martha loves baking, patchwork, and has a mild obsession with interiors magazines. She lives in Berkshire, England, with her husband and young daughters.

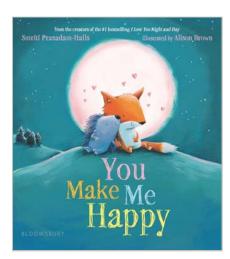
Laura Hughes is the illustrator of *We're Going on an Egg Hunt*, as well as Kelly Clarkson's *New York Times* bestseller *River Rose and the Magical Lullaby*. Originally from Bath, England, she studied illustration at Kingston University and, since graduating, has created artwork for children's books, cards, stationery, and home goods. She now lives in London. www.laurahughes-illustrator.co.uk

#### Praise For...

#### We're Going on an Egg Hunt

"Vibrant . . . Intriguing illustrations, classic story structure, and irresistible rabbits add up to a winning Easter-themed treat." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review "Young listeners will be entertained by the recognizable pattern from the classic bear hunt and the holiday-adjacent material." —*School Library Journal* "An entertaining . . . Easter adventure." —*Publishers Weekly* 

# SMRITI PRASADAM-HALLS You Make Me Happy



### DECEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Baby Animals On Sale 12/1/2020 Ages 3 to 6 Board Book 26 pages Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547606108 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### A gorgeous celebration of love from a bestselling duo, this board book is perfect for baby showers, Mother's Day, and all year round!

### You make me happy, like birds taking flight, Like a waterfall twinkling, like morning's first light. In this uplifting celebration of that special someone who makes you happy, Fox and Porcupine discover that when they're together, life is ever so much brighter. Beautifully illustrated and full of heart, this is the perfect gift for the ray of sunshine in your life.

**Smriti Prasadam-Halls** is a former children's books editor who has written over seventy books for children, including the #1 *Publishers Weekly* bestselling picture book *I Love You Night and Day*. She lives in England with her husband and three sons. www.smriti.co.uk

Alison Brown studied Fine Art at Liverpool and then became a graphic designer. She is the illustrator of *The Wall Street Journal* and *Publisher's Weekly* bestselling *I Love You Night and Day, I'll Never Let You Go, Snowy Bear, I'll Love You Always*, and the Little Owl series. Alison lives in the United Kingdom. www.aliscribble.com

#### Praise For...

*You Make Me Happy*: "The roly-poly pair are delightfully expressive and adorable, and the sentiments expressed are those caregivers appreciate and celebrate in their children." *—Kirkus* 

*I Love You Night and Day* (A *WSJ* Bestseller • A *PW* Children's Picture Book Bestseller): "Potential for broad appeal." –*PW* 

"This gentle, reassuring story is a calming tale just right for family or group sharing." *—SLJ* 

*I'll Never Let You Go*: "Another sweet book bearing a message of unconditional love and support." *—SLJ* "Will be reassuring to most . . . Sweet." *—Kirkus* 

# MICHELLE ROBINSON The World Made a Rainbow



#### **OCTOBER**

Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Imagination & Play On Sale 10/13/2020 Ages 3 to 6 Hardcover with dust jacket 32 pages 9.6 in H | 10.8 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547607136 \$17.99 / \$24.50 Can.

### This timely, beautiful picture book paints a rainbow to show hope, love, and connection to the people we miss when we can't be together.

One day, a little girl wakes up in a changed and isolated world. She can't see her friends. She can't go outside. She can't even go to school. She feels lonely and sad. But Mom has a great idea—they'll paint a big rainbow together and put it in the window to give hope to people passing by. From missing friends, missing teachers, and missing grandparents, *The World Made a Rainbow* tackles all of the challenges of life under lock-down for little ones while offering hope, comfort, and solidarity. It's a story that will be familiar to families of all shapes and sizes and will resonate with an entire generation for years to come. After all—when every rainstorm ends, there's always a bright, shining rainbow.

**Michelle Robinson** is the author of picture books including *There's a Lion in my Cornflakes, A Beginner's Guide to Bearspotting,* the Goodnight Spaceman series, and many more. She has won several awards, including the Laugh Out Loud Picture Book Award, Sainsbury's Children's Book Award, the Stockport Children's Book Award and the North Somerset Teachers' Book awards. www.michellerobinson.co.uk

**Emily Hamilton** has drawn, colored, painted, and created since she could pick up a pencil. She loves to transport herself into the world of children's books so she can do things like fly with unicorns and hang out in a magic garden. She is based in North Devon, UK. www.emily-hamilton.co.uk

# LULU HART I Love You Near and Far Activity and Sticker Book



DECEMBER Bloomsbury Activity Books Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books On Sale 12/8/2020 Ages 4 to 8 Hardcover with dust jacket 40 pages Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547607174 \$17.99 / \$24.50 Can.

### For Valentine's Day and all year, this activity book is full of ideas for how to share love with family and friends, even when we're apart.

This is a heartwarming activity and sticker book to help little ones connect with family, friends, and neighbors, especially when we can't be together. If we can't hug, high-five, or even play in the same place, what else can we do to show our love? *I Love You Near and Far* shows the many ways! Perfect for Valentine's Day or all-year gift giving, this full-color activity book offers dozens of ideas and activities to explore all the different ways we can show love to the special people in our lives—with words, signs, sharing feelings, laughter, quality time, helping, and more!—and shows how love really does connect us. Featuring bright and cheerful art, the activity book also includes more than 300 reusable stickers.

**Lulu Hart** lives in New York City with her family, which includes a wild and sweet daughter and a snuggly dog.

Lesley Breen Withrow is the illustrator of several picture books, including *You're My Boo* by Kate Dopirak and *Bunny Bus* by Ammi-Joan Paquette. Her artwork can also be seen on many products, including stationery collections and children's games, toys, and apps. Lesley lives on beautiful Cape Cod with her family, a couple of crazy cats, and her daughters' large and ever-growing collection of stuffed animals. www.lesleybreenwithrow.com

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Bloomsbury Activity Books Juvenile Nonfiction / Activity Books On Sale 12/8/2020 Ages 4 to 8 Trade Paperback 40 pages Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547607181 \$6.99 / \$9.50 Can.

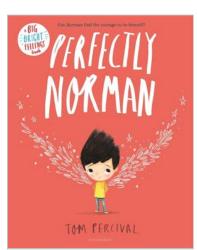
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# TOM PERCIVAL Perfectly Norman



#### DECEMBER

Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Family On Sale 12/8/2020 Ages 3 to 6 Trade Paperback 32 pages 11.8 in H | 9.3 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547607228 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### From the creator of *Ruby Finds a Worry* comes an uplifting story about celebrating and embracing what makes you *you*.

### Norman had always been perfectly normal. That was until the day he grew a pair of wings!

Norman is very surprised to have wings suddenly—and he has the most fun *ever* trying them out high in the sky. But then he has to go inside for dinner. What will his parents think? What will everyone else think? Norman feels the safest plan is to cover his wings with a big coat. But hiding the thing that makes him different proves tricky and upsetting. Can Norman ever truly be himself?

**Tom Percival** is the author and illustrator of the Big Bright Feelings picture books—including *Meesha Makes Friends*, *Ravi's Roar*, *Ruby Finds a Worry*, and *Perfectly Norman*—in addition to *Herman's Letter*, *Herman's Vacation*, and *Bubble Trouble*. He is also the author of *Goat's Coat*. He writes and illustrates in his native United Kingdom where he lives in a town called Stroud with his family. tom-percival.com

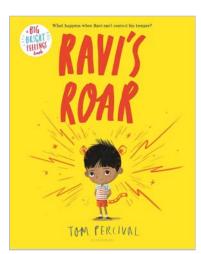
#### Praise For...

Perfectly Norman:

"A captivating tale about happiness, being yourself, and the magic of learning to spread your wings." —*Foreword Reviews*, starred review "The message of acceptance . . . is presented in a childappropriate and thoughtful manner." —*Booklist Ruby Finds a Worry* 

An NAACP Image Award Nominee / An Indie Next Pick "A priceless lesson for any child—or adult—conveyed in a beautifully child-friendly manner." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

## TOM PERCIVAL Ravi's Roar



### DECEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Lions, Tigers, Leopards, Etc. On Sale 12/8/2020 Ages 3 to 6 Trade Paperback 32 pages 11.8 in H | 9.3 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547607235 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### From the creator of *Perfectly Norman* and *Ruby Finds a Worry* comes a clever and engaging book about controlling temper tantrums.

Ravi is the smallest in his family, but most of the time, he doesn't mind it. Until his short arms can't reach the monkey bars, he can't find anyone during hide-and-seek, AND he's too little to ride the big slide. Ravi is so mad—so *furious*—that he can't control his temper anymore ...

... and he becomes a ferocious, roaring *TIGER*! Being a tiger is great fun. Tigers can do ANYTHING they want! But who wants to play with a growling, wild tiger who won't share or play nicely? Ravi is about to discover something very important about expressing his feelings and making amends.

This smart and vibrant new story from the author/illustrator of *Ruby Finds a Worry* is the perfect springboard for helping children learn how to express and understand their anger.

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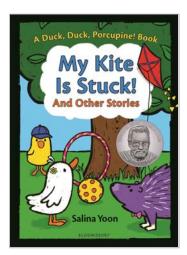
#### Ravi's Roar

"Mr. Percival's digital artwork gives panache to a relatable tale of anger and reconciliation for children." —*The Wall Street Journal* 

"A sweet and simple behavioral tale, this book . . . recognizes anger without either shaming or validating it and would be an easy entry point for a discussion." ?*Booklist Ruby Finds a Worry* 

An NAACP Image Award Nominee / An Indie Next Pick "A priceless lesson for any child—or adult—conveyed in a beautifully child-friendly manner." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

# SALINA YOON My Kite is Stuck! and Other Stories



SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Ducks, Geese, Etc. On Sale 9/1/2020 Ages 5 to 7 Trade Paperback 64 pages 9 in H | 6 in W Carton Quantity: 60 ISBN: 9781619638907 \$5.99 / \$8.25 Can.

### Perfect for fans of Elephant & Piggie, the Geisel Honor-winning second book in Salina Yoon's early reader series is now in paperback!

Loud and in-charge Big Duck, quiet and clever Little Duck, and friendly and gentle Porcupine are back in another charming trio of stories. First, Big Duck gets her kite stuck in a tree, and Little Duck's smart suggestion will save the day! Next, Porcupine and Little Duck make a new friend, but Big Duck feels left out. Can they find a way to include everyone? And lastly, Big Duck and Porcupine are so busy building their lemonade stand that they forget one very important ingredient . . .

Continuing in this exciting full-color, 64-page reader format, Salina Yoon's Duck, Duck, Porcupine books are perfect for fans of bestselling series like Elephant & Piggie, Ballet Cat, and Pig in a Wig, giving all her picture book fans a fantastic next step for reading fun.

**Salina Yoon** is an award-winning author/illustrator of nearly 200 books for children, such as *Kiki & Jax: The Life-Changing Magic of Friendship*, written by Marie Kondo, as well as *Penguin and Pinecone*, *Penguin on Vacation*, *Penguin in Love*, *Penguin and Pumpkin*, *Penguin's Big Adventure*, *Found*, *Stormy Night*, *Bear's Big Day*, *Be a Friend*, and the Duck, Duck, Porcupine series. She studied art and design at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, California, and now lives in San Diego with her family. www.salinayoon.com.

#### Praise For...

A Geisel Honor winner

"The simple digital art, bold, with thick black outlines and vivid colors, expertly uses facial expressions and body language to support the text." *—Kirkus Reviews* "A step up from Mo Willems's 'Elephant and Piggie' in reading level, Yoon's beginning reader is thoughtfully designed.... Cheerful, approachable, and thoughtfully created, this beginning reader will find a welcome home in public and school libraries." *—School Library Journal* 

# ELLA MOONHEART Kitty's Magic 7: Scout the School Cat



### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Cats On Sale 9/29/2020 Ages 7 to 10 Trade Paperback 128 pages 7.8 in H | 5.1 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604913 \$5.99 / \$8.25 Can.

### This purr-fectly enchanting, sparkly chapter book series stars Kitty, a girl who magically turns into a cat!

Kitty has always thought she was allergic to cats, but during a midnight sneezing fit at a sleepover, she learns that the truth is far more magical—Kitty can turn into a cat! She eagerly takes her places as the Guardian of the local cats' Cat Council, using her human knowledge to help them solve their feline problems.

It's the start of a new school year, and Kitty volunteers to partner with a kindergarten buddy, Lila, who is having trouble making friends. Meanwhile, the local cats are worried—they haven't seen the new kitten Scout in a few days. Kitty realizes that Scout is Lila's cat, and Scout had been locked in the house for safety after following Lila to school. Lila and Scout miss each other during the day—can Kitty find a way to help her two new friends?

# ELLA MOONHEART Kitty's Magic 7: Scout the School Cat



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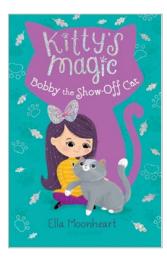
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It's the start of a new school year, and Kitty volunteers to partner with a kindergarten buddy, Lila, who is having trouble making friends. Meanwhile, the local cats are worried—they haven't seen the new kitten Suzy in a few days. Kitty realizes that Suzy is Lila's cat, and Suzy had been locked in the house for safety after following Lila to school. Lila and Suzy miss each other during the day—can Kitty find a way to help her two new friends?

With kittens, adventure, and magic, these adorable ...

# ELLA MOONHEART Kitty's Magic 8: Bobby the Show-Off Cat



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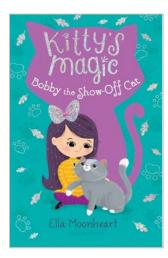
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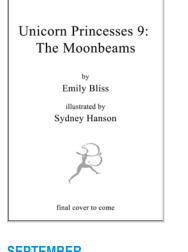
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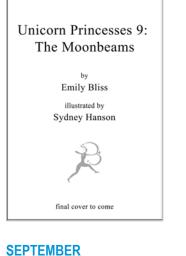
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### Full of sparkle and friendship, this sweet chapter book series stars magical unicorn princesses and a girl invited into their world.

Return to the Rainbow Realm, an enchanted land ruled by unicorn princesses! Cressida Jenkins, a girl who found her way there because she believed, is a frequent invited visitor, and readers will be thrilled to join her in a magical adventure.

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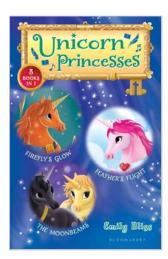
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# EMILY BLISS Unicorn Princesses Bind-up Books 7-9: Firefly's Glow, Feather's Flight, and the Moonbeams



SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Dragons, Unicorns & Mythical On Sale 9/29/2020 Ages 7 to 10 Hardcover Paper over boards 368 pages 7.8 in H | 5.1 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547605224 \$10.99 / \$14.99 Can. Books 7-9 in this fantastical series about a human girl who befriends sparkly, magical unicorns are now available as a bind-up!

Welcome to an enchanted land ruled by unicorn princesses! Cressida Jenkins, a unicorn-obsessed girl who is *sure* that unicorns are real, is invited to visit, and readers will be thrilled to journey to the Rainbow Realm along with her! In each story, Cressida is called to help a unicorn princess and her sisters in a magical adventure.

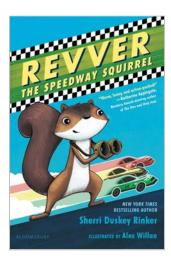
This bind-up includes books 7-9 in the delightful Unicorn Princesses series—*Firefly's Glow, Feather's Flight*, and *The Moonbeams*.

**Emily Bliss** lives just down the street from a forest. From her living room window, she can see a big oak tree with a magic keyhole. Like Cressida Jenkins, she knows that unicorns are real. **Sydney Hanson** was raised in Minnesota alongside numerous pets and brothers. In addition to her traditional illustrations, Sydney has worked for several animation shops, including Nickelodeon and Disney Interactive. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling and spending time outside with her adopted brother, a Labrador retriever named Cash. She is the illustrator of the Unicorn Princesses series and the picture book, *Next to You*. Sydney lives in Los Angeles. Visit her online at www.sydwiki.tumblr.com.

#### Praise For...

*Unicorn Princesses 1: Sunbeam's Shine* "Detailed, visually descriptive language . . . Appealing blackand-white computer-generated interior illustrations portray complement the text." *—School Library Journal* 

# SHERRI DUSKEY RINKER Revver the Speedway Squirrel



### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Squirrels On Sale 9/8/2020 Ages 8 to 11 Hardcover with dust jacket 208 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547603619 \$16.99 / \$22.99 Can.

### From the bestselling author of Goodnight, Goodnight Construction Site comes an illustrated young MG perfect for fans of Beverly Cleary.

Meet Revver: a little squirrel with big dreams . . . to drive a race car! His siblings don't understand his need for speed, but Revver doesn't care. And he *certainly* doesn't care about "ordinary" squirrel things like finding food or climbing trees. He spends his days staring at the racetrack below his nest. When Revver finally gets the chance to head out on his own, becoming part of the race crew is more difficult than he expected. He never learned anything about engines in Squirrel School! But luckily, tire changer Bill has a soft spot for animals. Can Revver prove to Bill that he deserves to be part of the team?

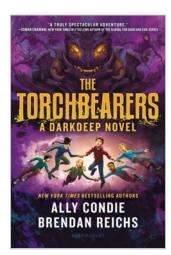
Perfect for fans of the classic Ralph S. Mouse tales, this funny, action-packed, and heartwarming story is about family, feeling different, and finding your people.

**Sherri Duskey Rinker** is the author of #1 *New York Times* bestsellers *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site; Mighty, Mighty Construction Site; Construction Site on Christmas Night;* and *Steam Train, Dream Train.* She loves cooking, gardening, and old oil paintings. *Revver* was inspired by Sherri's husband (who took her to watch sprint car racing on one of their first dates), her brilliant-but-impulsive oldest son, and her kart-racing, speedobsessed youngest son. sherriduskeyrinker.com • @sherririnker (Instagram, Twitter)

#### Praise For...

Alex Willan is the author and illustrator of *Unicorns are the Worst* and the Jasper & Ollie series. He grew up in Louisville, Kentucky, where he was seldom seen without his sketchbook in hand. His love of drawing led him to earn a BFA in illustration from Savannah College of Art and Design. Alex has exhibited in art galleries and has painted murals, theater sets, and squirmy kids' faces, but his true love has always been children's books. He lives in Chicago with his dog, Harley. www.alexwillan.com • @alexwillan (Instagram)

## ALLY CONDIE, BRENDAN REICHS The Torchbearers



#### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Action & Adventure On Sale 9/29/2020 Ages 8 to 11 Hardcover with dust jacket 272 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547602551 \$16.99 / \$22.99 Can.

*New York Times* bestsellers Ally Condie and Brendan Reichs's blockbuster series continues in an adventure for fans of *Stranger Things*.

Everyone in Timbers is in an uproar after an internet show exposed the Beast in the town, making life for Torchbearers Opal, Nico, Tyler, Emma, and Logan extremely difficult. To keep their town safe, the kids start researching the original Torchbearers and try to gain control over the creature. Then something new surfaces in the Darkdeep, and the kids soon find themselves at odds as they wonder what it is and who brought there. The stakes get higher when a new girl comes to town and stirs up trouble. As the Torchbearers uncover more secrets about their houseboat hangout, the Darkdeep, and the Rift, their friendships are put to the test as never before . . .

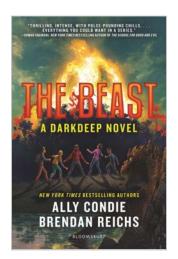
This thrilling next book from bestselling duo Ally Condie and Brendan Reichs will once again have readers sleeping with the lights on.

Ally Condie wrote the #1 New York Times bestselling Matched trilogy and Edgar finalist Summerlost, among other novels. A former English teacher, Ally lives with her family in Utah. She has an MFA from the Vermont College of Fine Arts, and is the founder and director of the WriteOut Foundation. allycondie.com; Twitter: @AllyCondie **Brendan Reichs** co-authored the Virals series and wrote the New York Times bestseller Nemesis and its sequels *Genesis* and Chrysalis. He is on the Executive Board for the YALLFEST and YALLWEST literary festivals and received an MFA from the Vermont College of Fine Arts. He lives in North Carolina with his family and a herd of animals. brendanreichs.com; Twitter: @BrendanReichs

#### Praise For...

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### ALLY CONDIE AND BRENDAN REICHS The Beast



### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Action & Adventure On Sale 9/29/2020 Ages 8 to 11 Trade Paperback 352 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604784 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### Bestselling powerhouses Ally Condie and Brendan Reichs co-author a suspenseful series sequel that's *Stranger Things* meets *The Goonies*.

Nico, Opal, and their friends just survived their worst nightmares literally come-to-life. But with a new, even scarier threat surfacing, they must become Torchbearers —keepers of the Darkdeep, an ancient hidden whirlpool that can transform both their dreams and nightmares into reality. Left with only one option, the group must uncover the Darkdeep's origins, as well as those of that freaky Thing in a Jar. But getting answers won't be easy, thanks to a YouTube series intent on finding the Beast, a legendary local sea monster. As threats close in around them, the kids must fight to protect their secrets, defeat new enemies, and save their hometown and all that they love.

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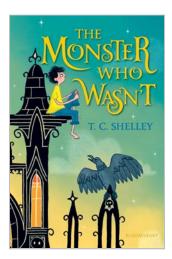
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# T.C. SHELLEY The Monster Who Wasn't



SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Action & Adventure On Sale 9/1/2020 Ages 8 to 12 Hardcover with dust jacket 272 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604562 \$16.99 / \$22.99 Can. From debut author T.C. Shelly comes a rich fantasy that will make us all believe in monsters—perfect for fans of Roald Dahl or The Spiderwick Chronicles.

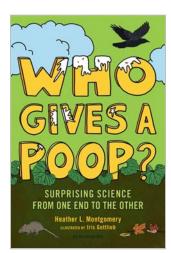
It's well known that fairies are born from a baby's first laugh, but a *monster* is born at a person's last sigh. This story is about a creature strange and unique, created when both sounds collide at the same time. When he hatches in the underground lair where monsters dwell, he looks just like a human boy—much to the monsters' dismay. Even the gargoyles who take him under their wings and nickname him "Imp" only adopt him to steal chocolate for them from nearby shops. With feet in both the monster and human worlds, Imp doesn't know where he fits.

But little does Imp know that Thunderguts, king of monsters, has a dangerous destiny in mind for him, and he'll stop at nothing to see it come to pass.

With rich, atmospheric writing, T.C. Shelly weaves a story of family, belonging, and what it means to be human.

**T.C. Shelley** studied Creative Writing and Literature in college. She has been teaching English for over twenty years, and her first school was classified as the most remote in Australia. She loves an audience and long before she took up teaching, she was writing and performing her poetry and short stories. She began writing novels to entertain her daughter, who wisely suggested that she try to get them published. Shelley lives with her husband, her daughter and two dogs in Perth, Western Australia. *The Monster Who Wasn't* is her first novel. @TCShelly1

# HEATHER L. MONTGOMERY Who Gives a Poop? Surprising Science from One End to the Other



SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Nature / Zoology On Sale 9/8/2020 Ages 10 to 14 Hardcover with dust jacket 176 pages 9 in H | 6 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547603473 \$17.99 / \$24.50 Can.

### A unique journalistic exploration of the fascinating and funny science of poop.

Poop is disgusting, but it's also packed with potential. This uniquely crafted narrative nonfiction invites readers to follow the author into science labs, forests, zoos, landfills, and homes as she asks: Who uses poo? One woman spent months videotaping elephants, giraffes, and rhinos pooping in the zoo. Another scientist army-crawled through the mud, dodging elephants and water buffaloes in a quest for precious cheetah poo. And every week, some folks deliver their own poop to medical facilities, where it is swirled, separated, and shipped off to a hospital to be transplanted into another human. There's even a train full of human poop sludge that's stuck without a home in Alabama.

This irreverent and engaging book shows that poop isn't just waste—and that dealing with it responsibly is our duty.

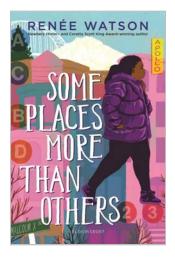
Heather L. Montgomery has taught for over 20 years (both inside and outside the classroom) as well as directed a school-based environmental center. She has written curriculum; trained hundreds of teachers, naturalists, and librarians; and, helped thousands of children to make friends with the natural world. Each year, she works directly with over ten thousand children at festivals, school visits, and at environmental centers. During a typical presentation, petrified body parts and tree guts encourage scientific thinking and inspire reluctant readers. Her professional development programs for teachers have won awards and rave reviews. She lives in Ardmore, Alabama. @HeatherLMont • www.heatherlmontgomery.com

#### Praise For...

Something Rotten (An ALA Notable book) "The discoveries that arise from our flattened fauna will amaze you!" —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review "An amusing, thorough overview of dead animals."—*School Library Journal*, starred review "An extremely interesting treatise about roadkill and how it affects all our lives."—*School Library Connection*, starred review "Error parts grass and cool, gram asigned part will have this

"Equal parts gross and cool. every science nerd will love this

# RENÉE WATSON Some Places More Than Others



### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Family / Parents On Sale 9/8/2020 Ages 8 to 12 Trade Paperback 224 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781681191102 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

Newbery Honor author Renée Watson's heartwarming middle-grade novel explores the past, the present, and the places we call home.

All Amara wants for her birthday is to visit her father's family in Harlem. She can't wait to finally meet her Grandpa Earl and cousins in person and stay in the brownstone where her father grew up. Maybe this will help her understand her family—and herself—in new ways.

But New York City is not what Amara imagined. It's crowded, with confusing subways, suffocating sidewalks, and her father is too busy with work to spend time with her and too angry to spend time with Grandpa Earl. As she learns more about Harlem, her father, and his family history, she realizes how, in some ways more than others, she connects with him, her home, and her family.

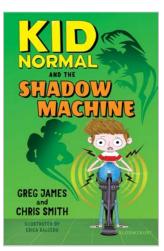
This is a powerful story about family, the places that make us who we are, and how we find ways to connect to our history across time and distance.

**RENÉE WATSON** is the Newbery Honor and Coretta Scott King Author Award-winning author of the novels *Watch Us Rise*, co-written with Ellen Hagan, *Piecing Me Together, This Side of Home, What Momma Left Me, Betty Before X*, co-written with Ilyasah Shabazz, and two picture books: *Harlem's Little Blackbird* and *A Place Where Hurricanes Happen*. Renée is the founder of I, Too, Arts Collective, a nonprofit committed to nurturing underrepresented voices in the creative arts. She lives in New York City. www.reneewatson.net • @harlemportland (Instagram)

#### Praise For...

the hardcover (An IndieNext List pick) "Watson is a master of structure and character development." —*SLJ*, starred review "[A] beautiful blend of family, history, and culture." —Andrea Davis Pinkney, bestselling author of *The Red Pencil* "So thematically vibrant and emotionally rich as to defy description." —Mike Jung, author of *Unidentified Suburban Object* 

# GREG JAMES AND CHRIS SMITH Kid Normal and the Shadow Machine: Kid Normal 3



### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Action & Adventure On Sale 9/8/2020 Ages 8 to 11 Hardcover with dust jacket 400 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547603312 \$16.99 / \$22.99 Can.

### A third thrilling and hilarious adventure in the internationally bestselling series about Kid Normal, superhero with no superpowers.

After a dramatic jailbreak at a top-secret prison, the planet's most dangerous supervillains are on the loose! Luckily, Murph Cooper and the Super Zeroes are on hand to chase them down. But though they manage to bring in a host of bad guys, they can't find their nemesis Magpie anywhere. Little do they know that he's linked up with another old enemy. . . . the super slimy Nicholas Knox is back! Together, they've developed a dastardly machine that can GIVE people superpowers! In the wrong hands, it has the potential to bring about the end of the World of Heroes as we know it . . . and it just happens to be in the worst hands of all. Will the Super Zeroes triumph against the odds as they use their unusual talents and wits to bring down the world's craftiest villains?

**Chris Smith** is an award-winning author and radio broadcaster. He grew up in leafy Northamptonshire, England and now lives in not-as-leafy north London with his wife, son, and a cat named Mabel.

**Greg James** is also an award-winning author and broadcaster, best known for hosting the BBC Radio 1 Breakfast Show. He circumnavigated the M25 Motorway in London during his childhood and is now living with his wife Bella and their dog Bonnie in North London. Kidnormal.com

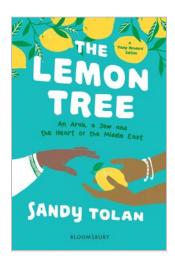
#### Praise For...

*Kid Normal* (Shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize)

"Should appeal to readers who enjoy the Captain Underpants and Wimpy Kid series." —*School Library Connection* "The Super Zeroes . . . spring into action and, through teamwork, demonstrate that leadership ability, selfless courage, and people skills are as 'super' as any other powers." —*Booklist* 

"James and Smith show how an unassuming boy can save the day: with equal parts heart and oddball jokes." —*Kirkus Reviews* 

# SANDY TOLAN The Lemon Tree (Young Readers' Edition) An Arab, A Jew, and the Heart of the Middle East



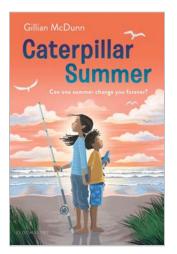
### OCTOBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Nonfiction / History / Middle East On Sale 10/6/2020 Ages 9 to 11 Hardcover with dust jacket 192 pages 9 in H | 6 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547603947 \$19.99 / \$26.99 Can.

### A middle grade adaptation of the award-winning adult book about a human story behind conflict in the Middle East.

In 1967, Bashir Khairi, a twenty-five-year-old Palestinian, journeyed to Israel with the goal of seeing the beloved stone house with the lemon tree behind it that he and his family had fled nineteen years earlier. To his surprise, when he found the house he was greeted by Dalia Eshkenazi Landau, a nineteen-year-old Israeli college student, whose family fled Europe for Israel following the Holocaust. On the stoop of their shared home, Dalia and Bashir began a rare friendship, forged in the aftermath of war and tested over the next half century in ways that neither could imagine on that summer day in 1967. Sandy Tolan brings the Israeli-Palestinian conflict down to its most human level, demonstrating that even amid the bleakest political realities there exist stories of hope and transformation.

**Sandy Tolan** is the author of *Me & Hank: A Boy and His Hero, Twenty-five Years Later.* He has written for the *New York Times Magazine* and for more than 40 other magazines and newspapers. As cofounder of Homelands Productions, Tolan has produced dozens of radio documentaries for NPR and PRI. His work has won numerous awards, and he was a 1993 Nieman Fellow at Harvard University and an I. F. Stone Fellow at the UC-Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism, where he directs the school's Project on International Reporting. He lives in Los Angeles.

# GILLIAN MCDUNN Caterpillar Summer



OCTOBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Social Themes / Special Needs On Sale 10/6/2020 Ages 8 to 12 Trade Paperback 320 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547603145 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### This critically acclaimed middle-grade debut tells the story of a girl, her special needs brother, and the summer they'll never forget.

Cat and her brother Chicken have always had a very special bond. When Chicken has a "meltdown," Cat's the one who scratches his back and reads his favorite story. She always knows what he needs. Since their mom has had to work double-hard to keep their family afloat after their father passed away, Cat is the glue holding her family together. When a summer trip doesn't go as planned, Cat and Chicken end up spending three weeks with grandparents they've never met. With their help, Cat can be a kid again for the first time in years, and the journey she takes shows that even the most broken relationships can be healed if people take the time to walk in one another's shoes.

Perfect for fans of Lynda Mullaly Hunt and Ali Benjamin, this special novel features an unforgettable new voice and is brimming with heart.

**Gillian McDunn** is the author of *Caterpillar Summer* and *The Queen Bee and Me*. She has lived in California, Missouri, and North Carolina, and is a fan of both the Pacific and the Atlantic Oceans. Like Cat, Gillian grew up as the big sister to a younger brother with special needs. She lives near Raleigh, NC, with her family. www.gillianmcdunn.com

#### Praise For...

An Indies Introduce Pick

"An engaging, honest book." –Kimberly Brubaker Bradley, Newbery Honor-winning author of *The War That Saved My Life* 

"A beautiful story of family, forgiveness, life on an island, and growing up."—Kate Messner, author of *Breakout* and *The Seventh Wish* 

\* "An engrossing, heartwarming, beautifully written debut about building and rebuilding family ties." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

"Fans of the books *Rules* by Cynthia Lord and *Mockingbird* by Kathryn Erskine will enjoy this." *—SLC* 

# KATIE ZHAO The Fallen Hero



OCTOBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Action & Adventure On Sale 10/13/2020 Ages 8 to 11 Hardcover with dust jacket 352 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547601974 \$16.99 / \$22.99 Can.

### Inspired by Chinese mythology, this MG fantasy series about a girl warrior destined to defeat demons is perfect for fans of Aru Shah.

Faryn Liu thought she was the Heaven Breaker, destined to command dragons and defeat demons. But a conniving goddess was manipulating her all along . . . and her beloved younger brother, Alex, has betrayed her and taken over as Heaven Breaker instead.

Determined to prevent a war and bring Alex back to her side, Faryn and her half-dragon friend Ren find allies in Manhattan's Chinatown. She learns that one weapon can stand against the Heaven Breaker's spear, Fenghuang. To find it, she sets off on a daring quest that will take her to new places . . . including the Underworld. Can Faryn complete her mission and save her brother, no matter the cost? This richly woven middle-grade fantasy series is full of humor, magic, and heart, and will appeal to readers who love Roshani Chokshi and Sayantani DasGupta.

**Katie Zhao** is the author of *The Dragon Warrior*. She grew up in Michigan, where there was little for her to do besides bury her nose in a good book or a writing journal. She graduated from the University of Michigan with a BA in English and a minor in political science; she also completed her master's in accounting there. In her spare time, Katie enjoys reading, singing, dancing (badly), and checking out new restaurants. She lives in Brooklyn, New York. www.katiezhao.com • @ktzhaoauthor

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#### The Dragon Warrior

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OCTOBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Action & Adventure On Sale 10/13/2020 Ages 8 to 11 Trade Paperback 368 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604791 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### This Chinese-inspired fantasy follows a girl who must prove herself as a warrior to the gods, for fans of *Aru Shah and the End of Time*.

As a member of the Jade Society, twelve-year-old Faryn Liu dreams of being a warrior. But the Society shuns Faryn and her brother due to their half-Chinese heritage, and they must train in secret.

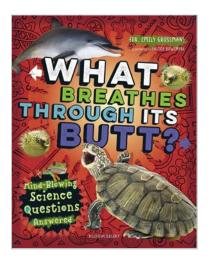
Then, during an errand into San Francisco's Chinatown, Faryn runs into a demon—and helps defeat it. Soon she learns she's the fabled Heaven Breaker, meant to work with the gods, command dragons, and wage war against demons—if she can prove herself by finding the gods' island home before the Lunar New Year ends. Faryn and her unlikely allies set off on a quest across Chinatowns. But becoming the Heaven Breaker will require sacrifices. What will Faryn have to give up to claim her destiny? This richly woven contemporary fantasy—the first in a series—is perfect for fans of Roshani Chokshi and Sayatani DasGupta.

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# EMILY GROSSMAN What Breathes Through Its Butt? Mind-Blowing Science Questions Answered



NOVEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Nonfiction / Science & Nature On Sale 11/10/2020 Ages 10 to 12 Hardcover with dust jacket 224 pages 8.8 in H | 7 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604524 \$19.99 / \$26.99 Can.

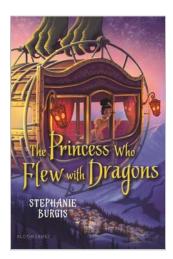
### A scientist explains the fascinating whys behind funny, kid-friendly questions.

Why is your elbow called your funny bone? How could you escape the grip of a crocodile's jaw? Can an egg bounce? How can a giraffe's ridiculously long neck contain the same number of bones as a human's? How much does the Internet weigh? This book uncovers the amazing scientific explanations behind all sorts of questions that can pop into children's heads. With delightful interactive features that invite readers to guess answers to questions and make links between different scientific concepts, this is a great book for reluctant readers and STEAM lovers alike.

**Emily Grossman** loves science: she's an expert in molecular biology and genetics with a PhD in cancer research. She is a broadcaster, author, educator and trainer. She has been named as the second Honorary STEM Ambassador for her work in education and has become a YouTube sensation thanks to her video "How to Stop Yourself Being Ticklish." She lives in London, England. emilygrossman.co.uk • @DrEmilyGrossman

Alice Bowsher is an animator and the illustrator of the Natural History Museum's *Jungle, Ocean, Forest,* and *African Animals*. She lives in London, England. alicebowsher.co.uk • @alicebowsher

# STEPHANIE BURGIS The Princess Who Flew with Dragons



NOVEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Juvenile Fiction / Animals / Dragons, Unicorns & Mythical On Sale 11/10/2020 Ages 8 to 12 Trade Paperback 240 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604821 \$7.99 / \$10.99 Can.

### Perfect for fans of Shannon Hale, this girl-powered fantasy follows a smart young princess determined to save her kingdom.

Princess Sofia of Drachenburg always says the wrong thing, hates going to parties, and is tired of being used for her older sister's political gains. So when she's sent to far-off Villenne to play the part of a charming, diplomatic princess, Sofia decides to take a little break.

In disguise, Sofia is able to wander as she pleases. And when her dragon friend Jasper's magical sister turns him into a human boy, Sofia thinks life can't get any better. Until . . . the legendary ice giants of the north attack. With the dragons and royals frozen in ice, can Sofia and Jasper save their families and kingdom?

With another strong heroine and plenty of magic and action, this is an enchanting fantasy set in the same world as *The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart* and *The Girl with the Dragon Heart*.

**Stephanie Burgis** grew up in East Lansing, Michigan, but now lives in Wales with her husband and two sons, surrounded by mountains, castles and coffee shops. She is the author of *The Girl with the Dragon Heart, The Dragon with the Chocolate Heart*, the tween fantasy trilogy, Kat, Incorrigible and the adult historical fantasy title, *Masks and Shadows*. www.stephanieburgis.com • @stephanieburgis

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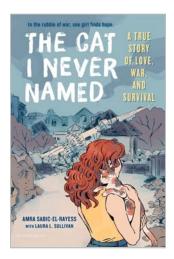
The Girl with the Dragon Heart

"Sweet." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review "Sparkles with appealing attributes." —*Foreword Reviews*, starred review

#### The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart

An IndieNext Pick • A Mighty Girl Best Book of the Year • A Bank Street Best Book of the Year • A *VOYA* Top Shelf Pick "A gloriously fresh story." *—Kirkus Reviews*, starred review "An absolute delight." *—Sheila Grau, author of the Dr.* Chitchlore's School for Minions series

### AMRA SABIC-EL-RAYESS, LAURA L. SULLIVAN The Cat I Never Named A True Story of Love, War, and Survival



#### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury YA Young Adult Nonfiction / Biography & Autobiography / Cultural Heritage On Sale 9/8/2020 Ages 13 And Up Hardcover with dust jacket 384 pages 9 in H | 6 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604531 \$19.99 / \$26.99 Can.

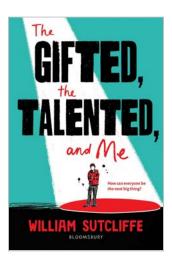
The stunning memoir of a Muslim teen struggling to survive the Bosnian genocide--and the stray cat who protected her family through it all.

Amra was a teen in Bihac, Bosnia, when her friend said they couldn't speak anymore because Amra was Muslim. Then refugees from other cities started arriving, fleeing Serbian persecution. When Serbian tanks rolled into Bihac, the life she knew disappeared—right as a stray cat followed her home. Her family didn't have the money to keep a pet, but after the cat seemed to save her brother, how could they turn it away? Saving a life one time could be a coincidence, but then it happened again—and Amra and her family wondered just what this cat was.

This is the story of a teen who, even in the brutality of war, never wavered in her determination to obtain education, maintain friendships, and even find a first love—and the cat that provided comfort, and maybe even served as a guardian spirit, in the darkest of t...

Amra Sabic-El-Rayess grew up in Bihac, Bosnia and Herzegovina. After surviving ethnic cleansing and more than 1100 days under the Serbs' military siege, she emigrated to the United States in 1996. She is now a professor at Columbia University working on understanding how societies fall apart. She divides her time between Manhattan and Tuxedo Park with her husband and two daughters. sabicelrayess.org • @amrasabicPHD Laura L. Sullivan is an author and seasoned collaborator of middle grade and young adult novels, including *Under the Green Hill, Ladies in Waiting,* and *Love by the Morning Star.* She collaborated with Adam Shankman on *Girl About Town* and withs Joey Graceffa on the bestselling *Children of Eden* trilogy...

# WILLIAM SUTCLIFFE The Gifted, the Talented, and Me



#### SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury YA Young Adult Fiction / Family / Parents On Sale 9/22/2020 Ages 12 And Up Hardcover with dust jacket 336 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547604203 \$17.99 / \$24.50 Can.

### For fans of John Corey Whaley, a clever coming-of-age story about fitting in and finding your way in a too-complicated world.

Fifteen-year-old Sam is not a famous vlogger, he's never gone viral, and he doesn't want to be the Next Big Thing. In fact, he's ordinary and proud of it. None of which was a problem until Dad got rich and Mom made their family move to London.

Now Sam's off to the North London Academy for the Gifted and Talented, where everyone's busy planning Hollywood domination or starting alt-metal psychedelica crossover bands. Sam knows he'll never belong, even if he wanted to—but can he find himself on his own terms? William Sutcliffe offers a delightful tongue-in-cheek celebration of embracing the average.

William Sutcliffe was born in London, and now lives in Edinburgh. He is the author of the international bestseller *Are You Experienced?* and *Whatever Makes You Happy*, inspiration for the Netflix movie *Otherhood*, as well as *The Love Hexagon, New Boy*, *Bad Influence*, and *We See Everything*. His first YA novel, *The Wall*, was shortlisted for the Carnegie Medal, and his second, Concentr8, was shortlisted for the UK's YA Book Prize. @Will\_Sutcliffe8

#### Praise For...

*The Wall:* "A deeply moving tale." —*SLJ* "Riveting." —*Publishers Weekly Concentr8:* "Thought-provoking and rife with book-discussion fodder." —*Booklist* 

## BRIGID KEMMERER Call It What You Want



#### NOVEMBER Bloomsbury YA Young Adult Fiction / Family On Sale 11/3/2020 Ages 14 And Up Trade Paperback 384 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781681198125 \$10.99 / \$14.99 Can.

### From bestselling author Brigid Kemmerer comes a compelling story about two teens struggling in the gray area between right and wrong.

When his dad is caught embezzling funds from half the town, Rob goes from popular to pariah. Even worse, his father's suicide attempt leaves Rob and his mom responsible for his care.

Everyone thinks of Maegan as an overachiever, but the pressure got to her last year. And when her sister comes home from college pregnant, keeping up the appearance of the "perfect" family might be too much for Maegan to handle. When Rob and Maegan are partnered for a project, they're reluctant to break down the walls they've built. But when Maegan learns of Rob's plan to fix the damage caused by his father, it could ruin more than their new friendship ... *NYT* bestselling author Brigid Kemmerer pens another captivating novel that asks the question: Is it okay to do something wrong for the right reasons?

**Brigid Kemmerer** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Curse So Dark and Lonely, More Than We Can Tell, Letters to the Lost,* and the Elementals series. She was born in Omaha, Nebraska, though her parents quickly moved her all over the United States, from the desert in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the lakeside in Cleveland, Ohio, and several stops in between, eventually settling near Annapolis, Maryland. www.brigidkemmerer.com • @BrigidKemmerer

#### Praise For...

the hardcover:

"Gripping, heartfelt, and layered." —*Kirkus Reviews More Than We Can Tell* 

"Readers looking for a different sort of coming-of-age story or teen protagonists grappling with complex situations will fall in love with this romance-tinged novel." *—Booklist*, starred review

"A must-have for any YA collection. Give to teens who enjoyed... *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*." —*SLJ*, starred review

"A timely, suspenseful, well-written page-turner." —*Kirkus Reviews* 

# LILLIAM RIVERA Never Look Back



SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury YA Young Adult Fiction / Romance / Contemporary On Sale 9/1/2020 Ages 13 And Up Hardcover with dust jacket 320 pages 8.3 in H | 5.5 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781547603732 \$18.99 / \$25.99 Can.

### Acclaimed author Lilliam Rivera blends magical realism into a timely story about cultural identity, overcoming trauma, and first love.

Eury comes to the Bronx as a girl haunted—by losing everything in Hurricane Maria and by an evil spirit, Ato, who she fears will find her in New York. Yet, for a time, she can almost set this fear aside, because there's this boy . . . Pheus is a golden-voiced, bachata-singing charmer, ready to spend the summer on the beach with his friends, serenading a girl or two. When he meets Eury, all he wants is to put a smile on her face and fight off her demons. But some dangers are too powerful for even the strongest love, and as the world threatens to tear them apart, Eury and Pheus must fight for each other and their lives.

Featuring contemporary Afro-Latinx characters, this Own Voices retelling of the Greek myth Orpheus and Eurydice is perfect for fans of Ibi Zoboi's *Pride*.

Lilliam Rivera is an award-winning writer and author of the young adult novels *Dealing in Dreams* and *The Education of Margot Sanchez*. Her work has appeared in *The New York Times*, *Elle, Lenny Letter, Tin House, Nightmare Magazine, and Magazine for Fantasy & Science Fiction*, to name a few. Lilliam grew up in the Bronx and currently lives in Los Angeles. www.lilliamrivera.com • @lilliamr

# STEVE FEASEY Dark Blade Whispers of the Gods Book 1



SEPTEMBER Bloomsbury Children's Books Young Adult Fiction / Fantasy / Dark Fantasy On Sale 9/1/2020 Ages 12 And Up Trade Paperback 352 pages 7.8 in H | 5.1 in W Carton Quantity: 0 ISBN: 9781408873397 \$12.99 / \$17.50 Can.

### A sweeping epic fantasy perfect for fans of the Summoner trilogy by Taran Matharu and *Shadow and Bone* by Leigh Bardugo.

# WHEN GODS FAIL, WHO WILL KEEP THE DARKNESS OUT?

When Lann escapes an attack from a savage wyrewolf on the eve of his fourteenth birthday, it becomes clear that he is no ordinary boy. He is to wield the legendary Dreadblade, an ancient sword forged to defeat terrible monsters from the Void. But why has he been chosen and what makes him so special?

The power of the old gods is failing and, unbeknownst to Lann, powerful and terrible forces are conspiring against humanity. As nightmares threaten to become reality, he will be thrust into a battle against the greatest darkness his world has ever faced. It is time for him to face his destiny.

**Steve Feasey** lives in Hertfordshire with his wife and children. He says he didn't learn much at school, but he was always a voracious reader. He started writing fiction in his thirties, inspired by his own favorite writers: Stephen King, Elmore Leonard, and Charles Dickens. His first book, *Changeling*, was shortlisted for the Waterstones Prize and became a successful series. He is also the author of the acclaimed Mutant City series. This is his first novel set in the world of Stromgard. @stevefeasey

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