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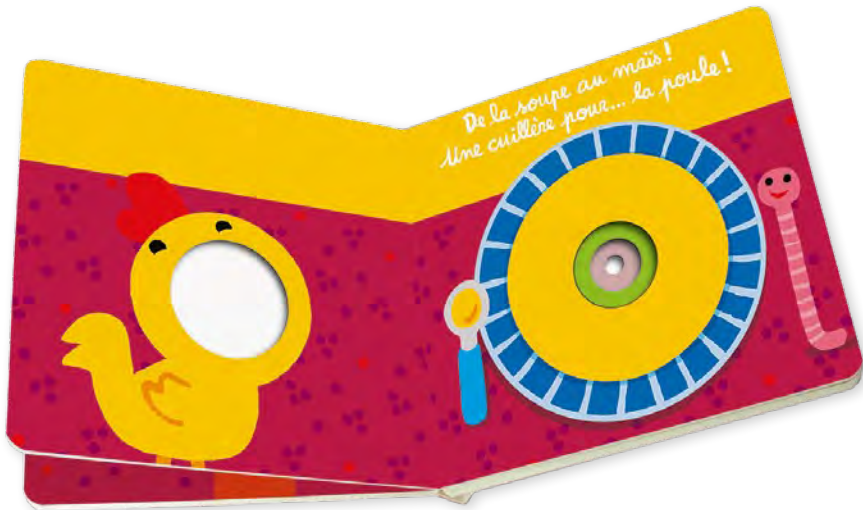
JUST ONE BITE

Revisiting the phrase to get kids to eat with a story about feeding animals.

Brown bear's plate has chestnut soup in it while the pink pig's has shrimp soup. The orange bunny is eating carrot soup. But who's eating the yellow corn soup? Thanks to the hole in the middle of the plate, readers can see all of the colors in the different plates!

Age 0-3

Board Book with Cuts | 16 pages  
210 x 200 mm | €11  
Author: Cédric Ramadier  
Illustrator: Vincent Bourgeau  
October 2022



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SOLD  
Korean



SOLD  
Chinese (Simplified),  
English (World),  
German, Italian,  
Japanese, Korean,  
Spanish (EU)

RAMADIER & BOURGEOU



THE MAGICAL BREEZE

A playful and interactive book in which children play out the various actions.

It's up to you to blow on the book to inflate the bear's balloon. Oh! It worked! The balloon flies off with the bear, and the more you blow, the farther away they go. Then the bear finds himself on a boat. This time, you'll need to blow on the sail to make the boat move! How far will he go if you keep blowing?

Age 0-3

Board Book | 28 pages | 190 x 220 mm | €11  
Author: Cédric Ramadier  
Illustrator: Vincent Bourgeau  
September 2022 | SOLD Italian



SOLD  
Catalan,  
English (World), Italian,  
Spanish (World)



THE BOOK Series | 8 titles

SOLD  
Chinese (Simplified), Dutch,  
English (World), Hebrew, Italian, Japanese,  
Korean, Polish, Portuguese (World),  
Spanish (World), Vietnamese



JEANNE BOYER



YOU HAVE 1 SPOT, DOT!

*Have fun while learning to count!*

Dot is a little dog with a spot around one eye. He meets a bunny with two spots, then a baby goat. How many spots does the goat have? What about the little mouse hiding in the grass? How many spots does it have? A story about learning how to count while having fun!

**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 26 pages | 175 x 220 mm | €11  
September 2022



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**SOLD**  
Spanish (World)



SOLEDAD BRAVI



THE BIRTHDAY GIFT

*Children's excitement at getting a new gift.*

It's Tomi's birthday and he's just opened his gift: an awesome bicycle that he loves! He rides his bicycle all day long, around the house, through the park, to get groceries with Mom... And because he's not allowed to ride his bicycle in the house, he keeps wearing his helmet while he plays, has dinner, and even in the bath! But won't it be hard to sleep with a helmet on?

**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 46 pages | 140 x 140 mm | €11  
October 2022



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**SOLD**  
Italian

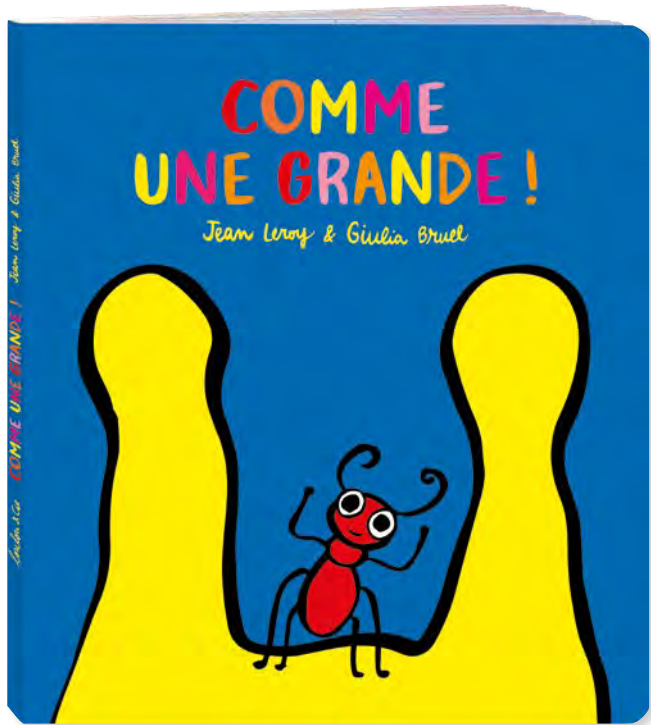


THE BOOK OF... Series | 10 titles

**SOLD**  
Basque, Catalan, Chinese (Simplified), Dutch, English (World), German, Icelandic, Italian, Korean, Maori, Polish, Spanish (World), Swedish



GIULIA BRUEL



LIKE A GROWN-UP!

*Even little ones can do big things.*

A tiny ant is climbing way up to the top of a mountain. A butterfly offers to take the ant to the top, but the little ant wants to do it all by himself, like a grown-up! Once he's at the top, he realizes that it's not a mountain at all, but a giraffe! From way up high on top of the giraffe's head, he can see all of the things from above that he usually sees from underneath!

**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 36 pages | 205 x 230 mm | €11  
Author: Jean Leroy  
Illustrator: Giulia Bruel  
September 2022



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PAULO Series | 3 titles

SOLD  
Korean



SOLD  
Chinese (Simplified)

ELLA CHARBON



BACK TO SCHOOL!

*Going back to school is an eagerly awaited party.*

Where are the sheep, the dog, the rabbit, and all of the other animals going? They don't look very enthusiastic, and encourage one another by jumping, flying, or swimming... They've finally arrived! All of these animals are cuddly toys. And who are they accompanying on this back-to-school day?

**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 30 pages | 180 x 180 mm | €11  
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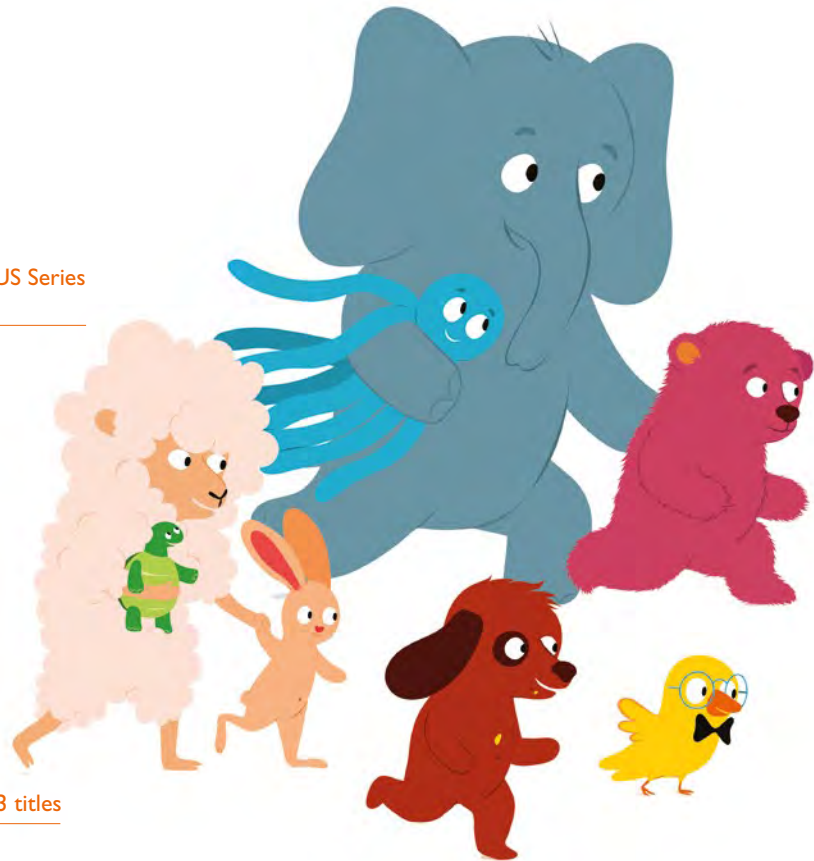
MIM & CROCUS Series  
6 titles

SOLD  
Dutch



ZÉLIE Series | 3 titles

SOLD  
Chinese (Simplified)





## BENOÎT CHARLAT



## SHEILA THE SHEEP!

*A story about a ruse that turns against the wolf.*

Who is that strange sheep coming out of the forest to join the other sheep eating in the meadow? She plays and laughs with them, but when night falls, she starts to howl at the moon! Is she really a sheep?!

**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 22 pages | 190 x 190 mm | €11  
November 2022



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**SOLD**  
Chinese (Simplified)



**SOLD**  
Catalan, Chinese (Simplified),  
Italian, Spanish (EU)



## CHRISTINE DAVENIER



## LITTLE YETI

*Reaching out to others to keep loneliness at bay.*

Up high in the mountains, there's a Yeti family with Papa Yeti, Mama Yeti, and Little Yeti. But Little Yeti feels lonely. He'd like to play with someone his age, like the children down in the village. But his parents say that it's dangerous. One day, Little Yeti spots three children who don't look mean at all. He decides to follow them...

**Age 3+**

Hardcover | 40 pages | 200 x 275 mm | €12  
Author: Angélique Leone  
Illustrator: Christine Davenier  
October 2022

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**SOLD**  
Chinese (Simplified),  
German, Russian





ARNAUD DENIS



BUZZ AND WOW  
MAMAAAA!

*Friends Buzz and Wow come to a little worm's rescue.*

A little worm named Squirm is crying because he's lost. Luckily, Buzz and Wow are there to help him. They think that they've found Squirm's brother, but it's just a cucumber! Then they think that they've found Squirm's sister, but it's a banana! Then they find his mama with beautiful green hair. "No!" cries Squirm, "That's a carrot!" "Really?" Buzz and Wow are surprised. So where is Squirm's mama?

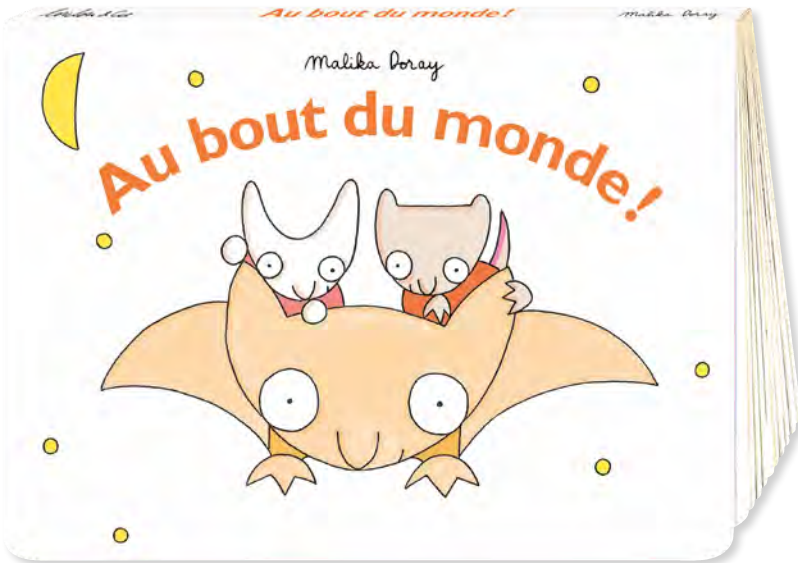
Age 0-3

Board Book | 24 pages | 205 x 205 mm | €11  
November 2022



BUZZ AND WOW Series | 2 titles

MALIKA DORAY



TO THE EDGE  
OF THE WORLD!

*A journey through the earth.*

A bunny and a mouse set out on a long journey. First they fly to the top of a tree on a bat. Then they try to find another means of transportation, but nobody wants to help them out. So they slide down the tree to the ground and climb into a hole that goes down, down, down... Just how far will they go?

Age 0-3

Board Book | 24 pages  
230 x 170 mm | €11  
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THE LITTLE MICE Series | 13 titles

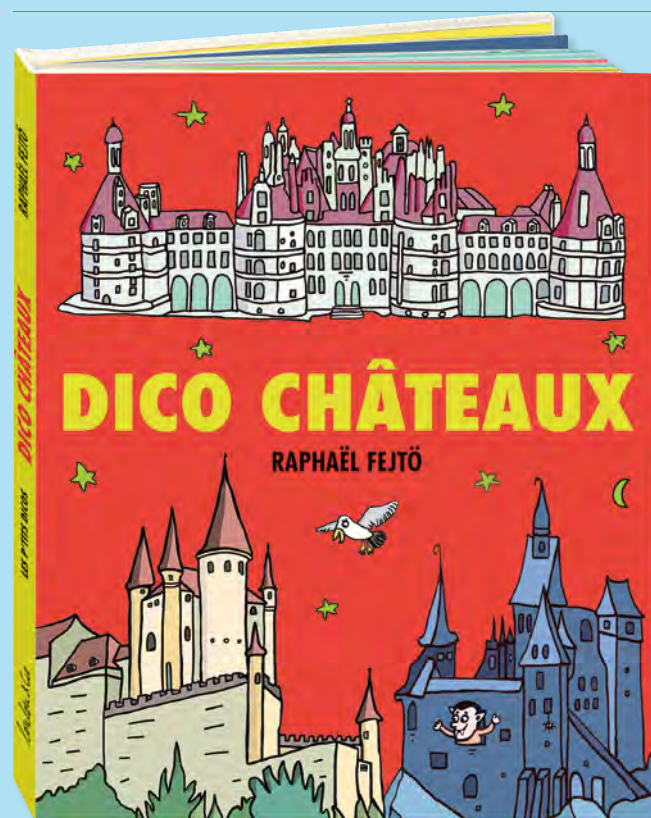
SOLD  
Spanish (World)

50,000 copies sold in France





## RAPHAËL FEJTÖ



## CASTLE DICTIONARY

*An encyclopedia about castles all over the world for young readers.*

A castle dictionary? What a strange idea! But when you think about it, it's not actually that strange after all! There are all kinds of castles all over the world. In this dictionary, you'll discover that the Alcazar of Segovia in Spain is the queen's castle from Snow White and that Chillingham Castle in England is really haunted! Not to mention Versailles, the biggest castle in the world, with 357 mirrors in the Hall of Mirrors!

**Age 3+**

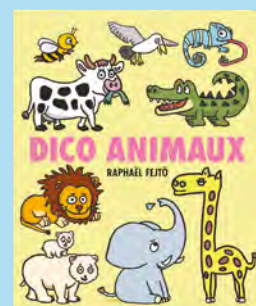
Hardcover with Flaps | 40 pages

180 x 220 mm | €12

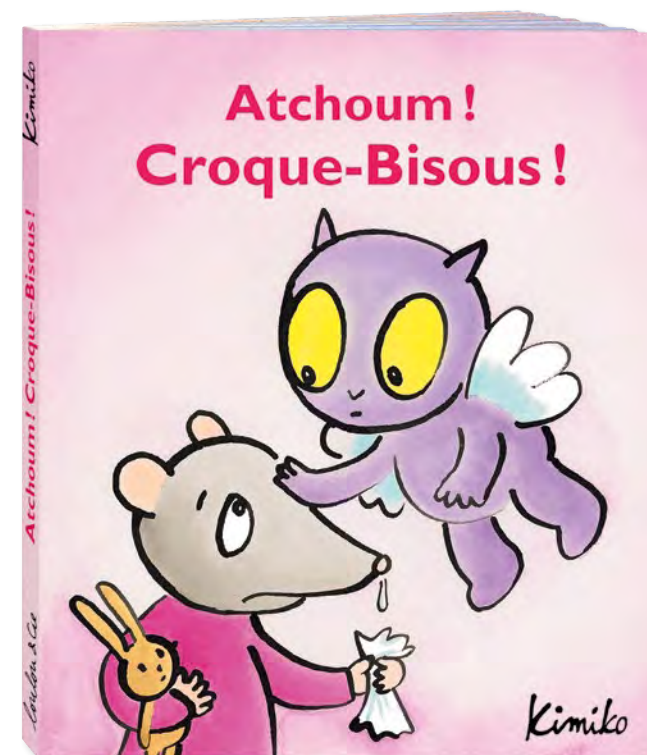
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DICO Series | 3 titles



## KIMIKO



## ACHOO! CRUNCHY-KISSES!

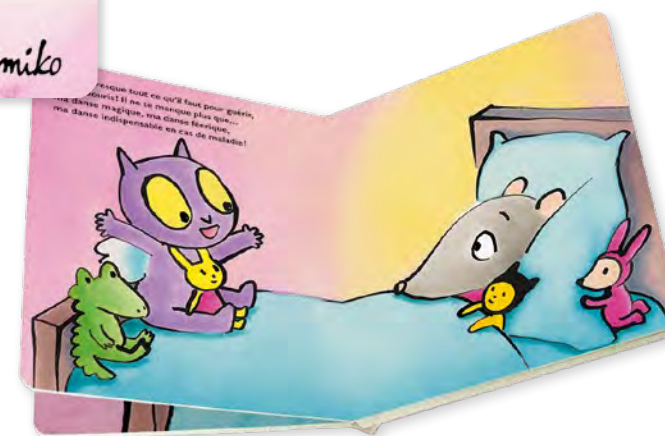
*Dr. Crunchy-Kisses is taking care of Little Mouse's cold.*

Crunchy-Kisses is worried because Little Mouse is sick. Mama and Papa have thought of all kinds of things to help: a hot water bottle, warm milk... Now it's Crunchy-Kisses' turn to help Little Mouse get better, with a very effective and original remedy!

**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 22 pages | 180 x 210 mm | €11

October 2022



CRUNCHY-KISSES Series | 12 titles & 1 game

**SOLD**

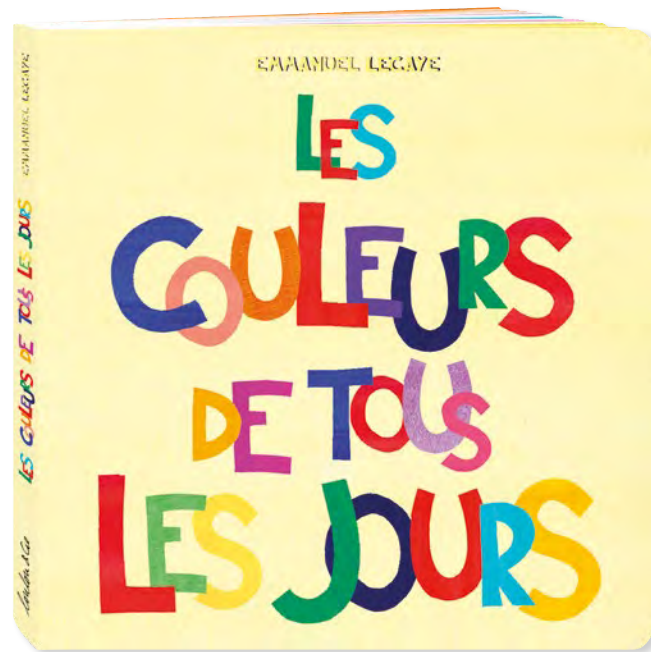
Chinese (Simplified)

80,000 copies sold in France





## EMMANUEL LECAYE



## COLORS ALL AROUND

*A book for learning about the colors around us and their names!*

Yellow like the sun, red like a strawberry, gray like the rain: beautiful images poetically illustrate the colors all around us.

**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 24 pages | 205 x 205 mm | €11  
October 2022



EARLY EXPLORER Series | 2 titles

## MATTHIEU MAUDET



## A DAY IN THE SUN

*A unique story about traveling. Each destination has its share of surprises!*

Three friends are stuck at home because it won't stop raining. So they decide to use the travel wardrobe to go somewhere sunny. But they travel to the sun! And the sun is way too hot. It burns! Quick! Back to the travel wardrobe to go somewhere else! Now they're on the water. But that's not much better: there are too many waves, they're going to drown! Will the wardrobe eventually take them somewhere sunny but not too hot, and where they don't risk going under? Thanks to the tabs, you can choose the page with the weather you prefer!

**Age 0-3**

Board Book with Tabs | 36 pages  
205 x 190 mm | €14  
October 2022

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**SOLD**  
Chinese (Complex & Simplified), Dutch, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese (SA), Spanish (LA), Turkish



**SOLD**  
Chinese (Simplified), Italian, Spanish (World)



**SOLD**  
Italian, Spanish (World)





## LUCIE PHAN



Lucie Phan

## DON'T SAY BEDTIME!

*A very funny and interactive book about getting ready to go to bed.*

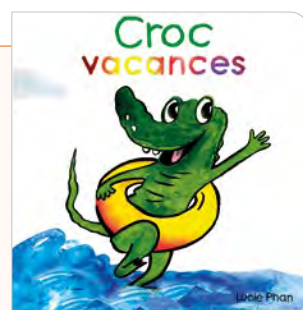
It's time to go to bed, but our little hero doesn't want to go to sleep. Above all, he doesn't want you to say the word BEDTIME! So he comes up with all kinds of strategies to put off going to bed. Will you manage to say the forbidden word: BEDTIME?

Age 0-3

Board Book | 26 pages | 150 x 180 mm | €11  
September 2022

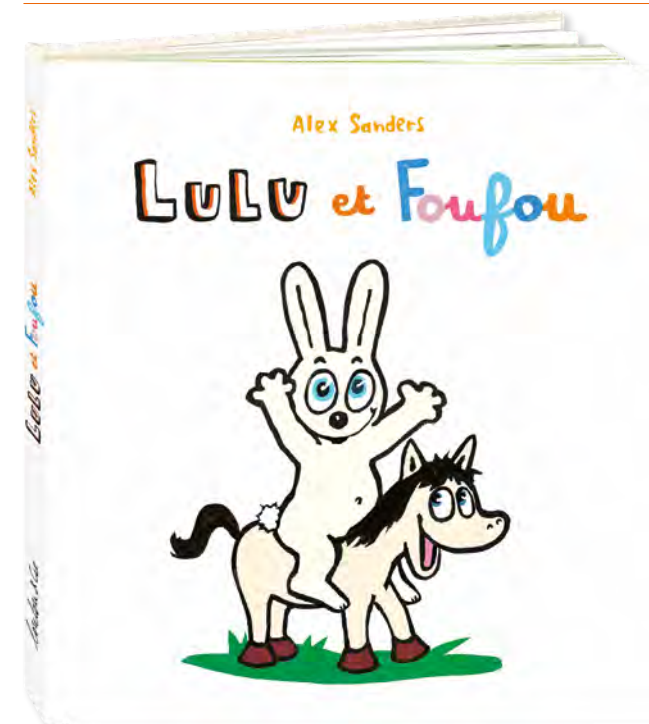


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Italian

lucie phan

## ALEX SANDERS



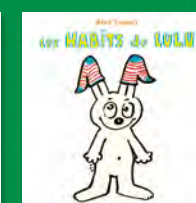
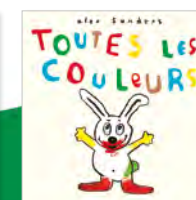
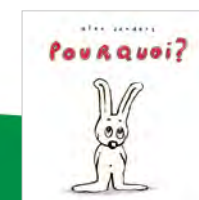
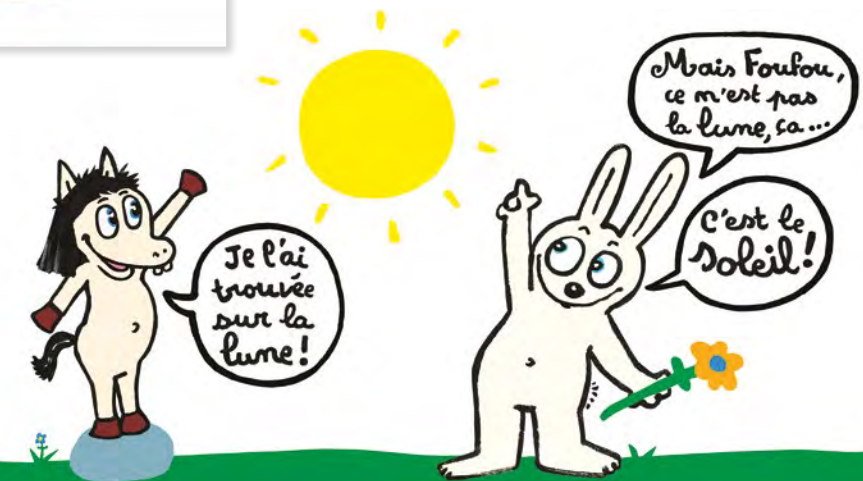
## LULU AND SILLY-BILLY

*Introducing Silly-Billy, the horse!  
A funny book about accidentally saying the wrong word.*

Lulu has a new friend named Silly-Billy. He's so, well... silly! He gives Lulu a flower and says that it's a cake. Then he points to a frog and calls it a crocodile! Luckily Lulu is there to correct him, but he can't do it all by himself, so Lulu takes Silly-Billy to a place where you learn. Can you guess where that is?

Age 0-3

Board Book | 22 pages | 205 x 220 mm | €11  
September 2022



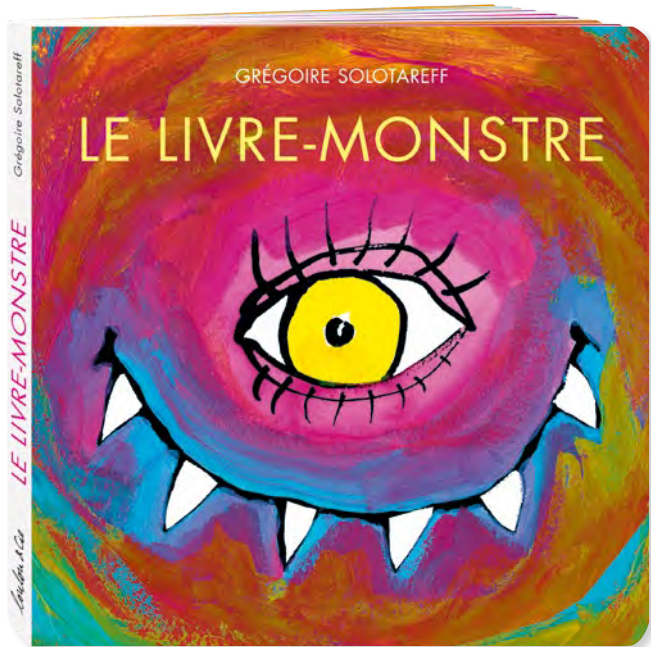
LULU Series | 13 titles

370,000 copies sold in France

SOLD  
Korean



GRÉGOIRE SOLOTAREFF



THE BOOK MONSTER

*We're not scared of the scary monster!*

Here's a guide for drawing a monster.  
First you draw an eye, or two or three.  
Then you make furry ears, pointy teeth,  
and claws... Don't forget to use lots of colors  
everywhere! Will you be scared of the monster  
you created?

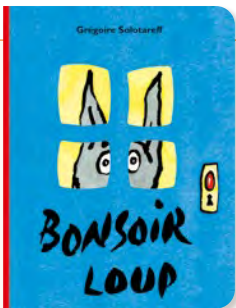
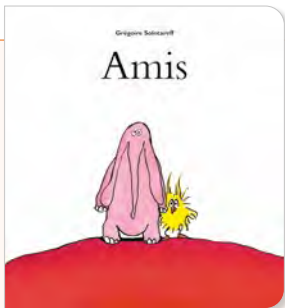
**Age 0-3**

Board Book | 22 pages | 190 x 190 mm | €11  
November 2022



PICTURE BOOKS

BY THE SAME ILLUSTRATOR





## MIREILLE D'ALLANCÉ



## TIME FOR BED!

*A mischievous little cat realizes that the outside world is sometimes a dangerous place and that he's better off in his cozy bed!*

"Time for bed!" Mama Cat says. But her kitten still wants to play... As soon as she turns her back, he slips out into the night looking for playmates. The frogs next to the pond? They're already asleep thanks to their mother's lullaby. The eaglets at the very top of the oak tree? Now's not a good time. But the night also has its share of dangers, like the fox. Quick, hurry back home. Time for bed! This time, the little cat is ready to curl up and go to sleep.

**Age 3+**

Hardcover | 32 pages  
185 x 220 mm | €12.50  
October 2022



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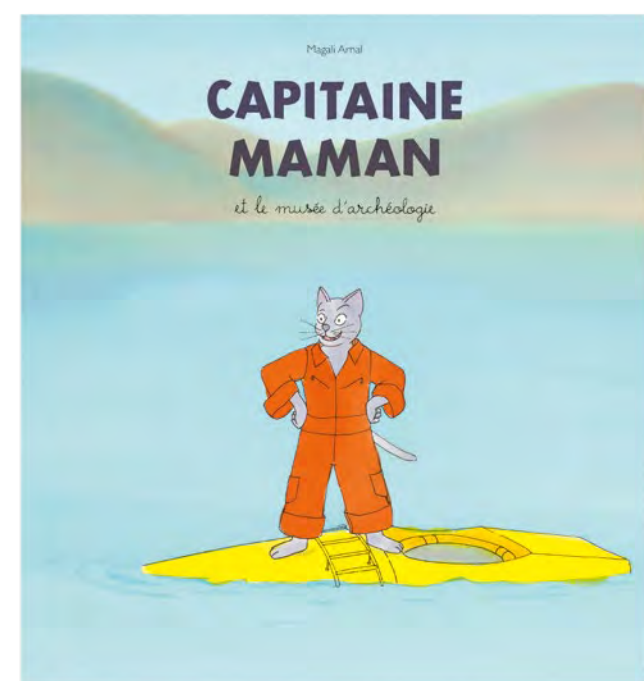


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Basque, Catalan, Chinese  
(Complex & Simplified),  
Danish, German, Greek,  
Italian, Japanese, Khmer,  
Korean, Persian, Polish,  
Romanian, Spanish (EU),  
Symbols, Vietnamese



**SOLD** Italian

## MAGALI ARNAL



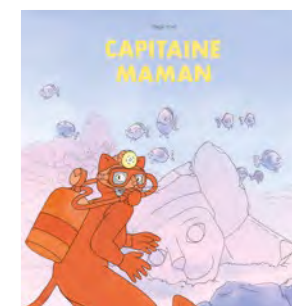
**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 48 pages | 280 x 300 mm | €14  
October 2022

CAPTAIN MOM  
AND THE ARCHEOLOGICAL  
MUSEUM

*A story that truly documents  
archeological work with a legible  
and expressive graphic style.*

Along with her entire crew, Captain Mom heads out to test a new submarine in a far-off country, in the depths of the deepest lake in the world. At snack time, the puppy brings back a bone. He found it while digging up a skeleton... and a treasure. Quickly! Head archeologist Captain Mom turns the site into a state-of-the-art dig in no time. But she's in for more surprises...

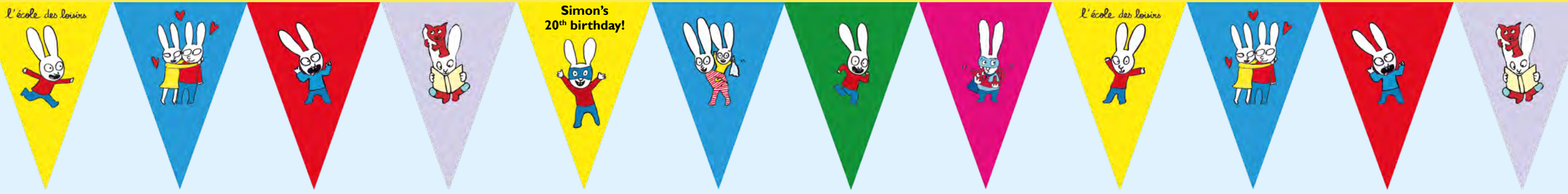


CAPTAIN MOM Series | 2 titles

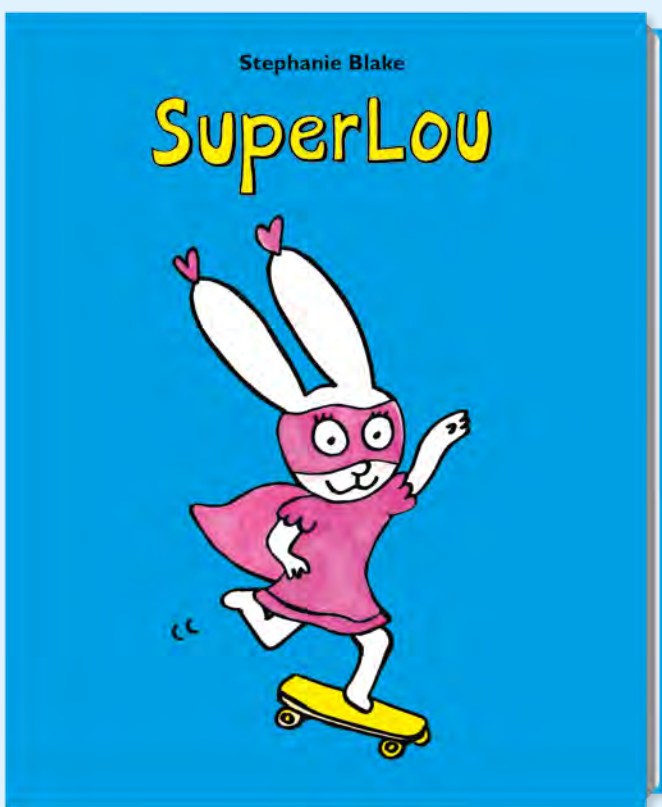
186,500 copies sold in France







STEPHANIE BLAKE



SUPERLOU

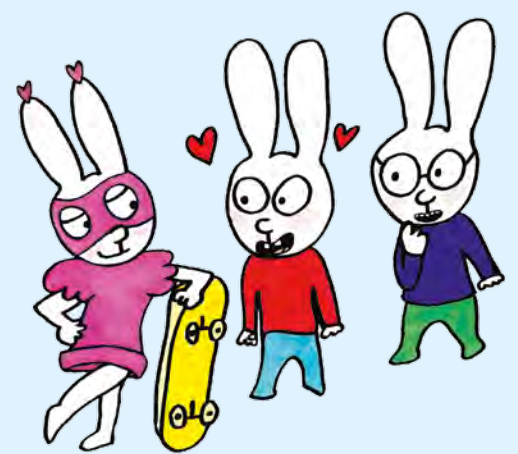
Skateboarding isn't for girls?! Brilliantly demonstrates that skill knows no gender.

“Skateboarding isn’t for girls!” decrees Ferdinand as he grabs the skateboard that Lou politely asked Simon to borrow. What a jerk! The competition is on as the two boys take turns falling off the skateboard, making fun of one another, and arguing... Meanwhile, who takes the skateboard and gives Ferdinand a lesson in style and grace before shutting him up? SuperLou of course!

Age 5+

Hardcover | 32 pages | 270 x 275 mm | €13  
August 2022

Celebrating Simon's birthday  
and 3 million copies sold!



Poster!



SIMON Series | 26 titles, 2 games & 4 seasons on TV

**SOLD**  
Basque, Chinese (Complex & Simplified), Danish, English (World), Gascon, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latvian, Maori, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese (EU), Romanian, Russian, Spanish (World), Swedish, Vietnamese

3,300,000 copies sold in France



MAGALI BONNIOL



WHEN CORNEBIDOUILLE WAS A LITTLE GIRL

The famous witch's backstory, find out how a cute princess turned into the horrendous Cornebidouille!

Incredible, but true: when she was born, Cornebidouille was a sweet and charming little princess, adored by everyone. What?! But how did such an adorable child turn into a horrible witch with a potty mouth who's feared by children worldwide (except one) who don't want to eat their soup? You'll find out soon enough, mouse poop cream puff!

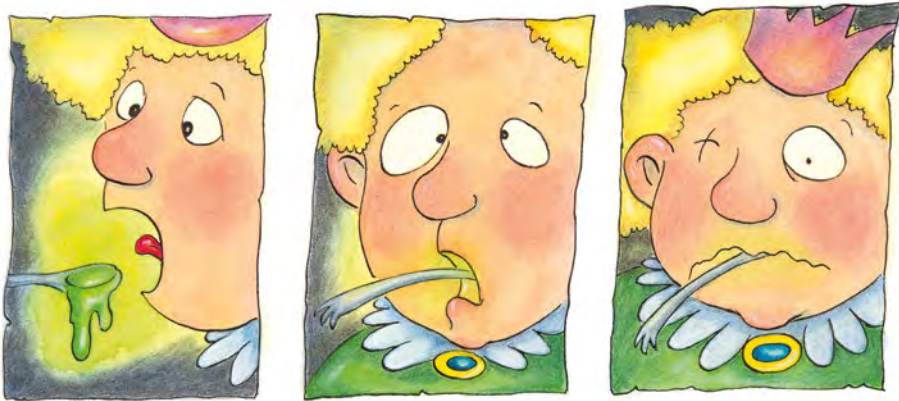
Age 5+

Hardcover with Flaps | 40 pages  
300 x 245 mm | €14  
Author: Pierre Bertrand  
Illustrator: Magali Bonniol  
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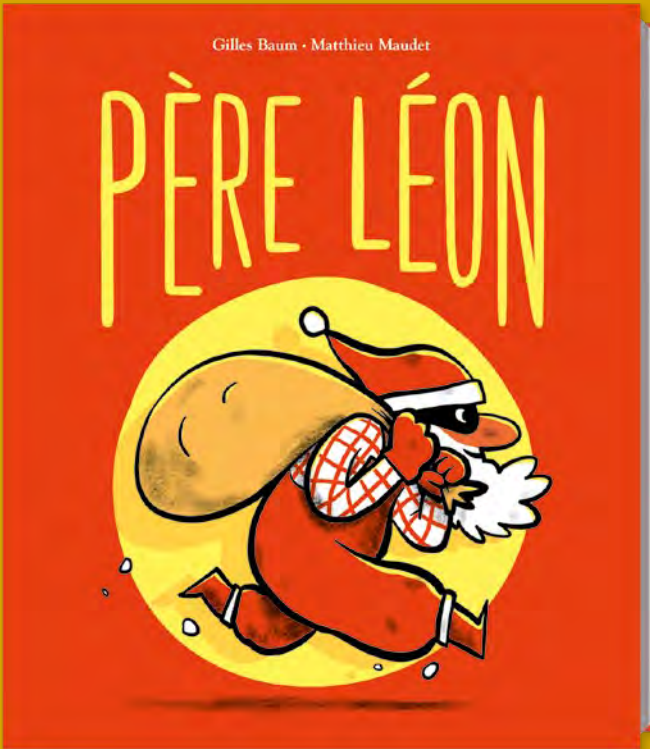
Our best selling series!  
New title print run of 60,000 copies!

CORNEBIDOUILLE Series  
6 titles, 2 games,  
2 puzzles & 1 activity book

SOLD  
Chinese (Simplified), Italian, Romanian  
1,400,000 copies sold in France



MATTHIEU MAUDET



UNDERCOVER SANTA

An original story that makes us question Undercover Santa's motives until the very end!

A TV in every room, dozens of stuffed animals gathering dust... Why do people who already have everything get even more at Christmas? It's too much to bear. It's not fair. Luckily, a few elves and their boss have decided to make things right, with the help of a mischievous little girl. If you loved Santa Claus, you'll adore Undercover Santa, the masked righter of wrongs, the Robin Hood of Christmas!

Age 5+

Hardcover | 32 pages | 200 x 235 mm | €12.50  
Author: Gilles Baum  
Illustrator: Matthieu Maudet  
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SOLD  
Chinese (Complex & Simplified),  
English (World),  
Italian, Khmer,  
Korean, Spanish (LA)



PALOMINO Series  
4 titles  
SOLD  
Catalan, Dutch,  
German, Italian,  
Spanish (World)





GRÉGOIRE SOLOTAREFF & JULIEN DE MAN



ONE NIGHT

*The importance of our childhood memories.*

This little boy dreams of knowing how to write stories, although he hasn't told anyone about it yet. But somebody hiding in the attic knows his secret: a funny little elf named Melchior. Ever since the boy was very small, he's been saving his forgotten treasures: toys, stuffed animals, knick-knacks, cuddly toys... Tonight he's going to show him how these memories can give rise to stories.

Age 5+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 300 x 215 mm | €18  
Author: Grégoire Solotareff | Illustrators: Grégoire Solotareff & Julien De Man  
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RUDY SPIESSERT



HOW TO TAME A FROG

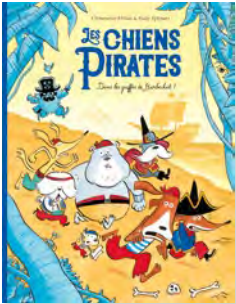
*A story with tons of plot twists. The hilarious discrepancy between the narrator who claims that everything is VERY simple and the hero who comes to realize that everything is actually VERY complicated!*

What's that, Clément? You want a frog? Good choice, they're charming pets. To do so, you'll need to sing him a song. You're a terrible singer? Then you'll need to take lessons from a mountain elf. They're wary? Then capture one! But watch out for the mustache bear... Okay, maybe taming a frog isn't a piece of cake after all, but at the end of your journey, you might just get a reward. Or a kiss.

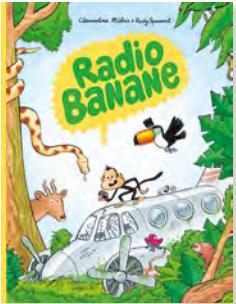
Age 5+

Hardcover | 44 pages | 200 x 260 mm | €14  
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**SOLD**  
Catalan, Chinese (Simplified),  
Italian, Spanish (World)

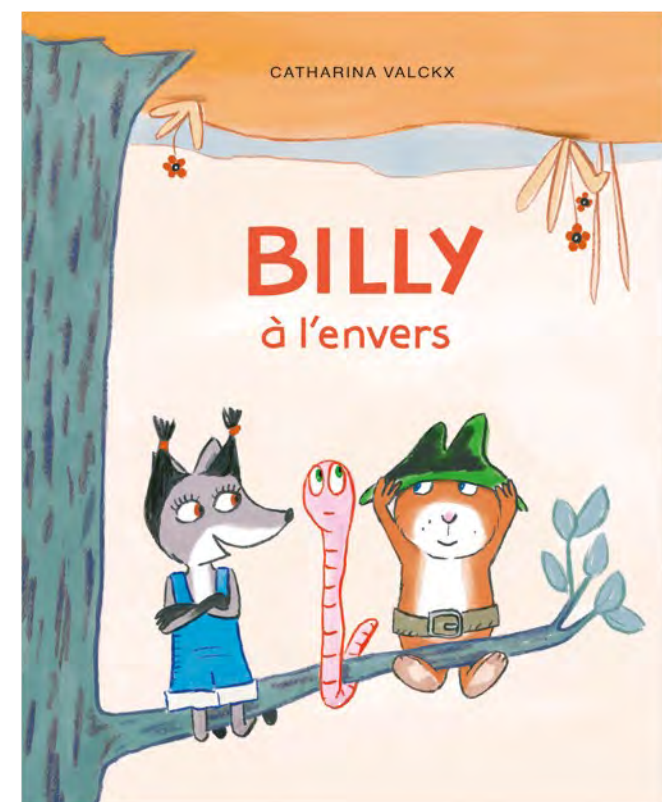


**SOLD**  
Italian, Spanish (World)





# CATHARINA VALCKX



## BILLY UPSIDE DOWN

*Turning burglary on its head. It's fun to discover the world and names upside down!*

Billy's father, a cowboy hamster, has just read in the newspaper that Jumpin' Jojo is in the area. Jumpin' Jojo? The famous food thief?! They have to warn their neighbors. Billy and his friend Jean-Claude go to tell Grandmother Marten, and that's how they meet her granddaughter, a stone marten named Suzie. Together the three youngsters will give the thief the fright of his life.

**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 40 pages | 210 x 260 mm | €13.50  
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Billy soft toy

**BILLY**  
**SOON ON TV!**  
Production Dandelooo  
52 x 11' episodes

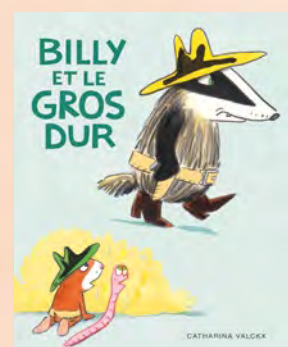
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**BILLY Series**  
8 titles & 1 game

**SOLD**  
Catalan, Chinese (Simplified),  
Dutch, German,  
Italian, Khmer, Polish,  
Spanish (World)

360,000 copies sold in France





ANAÏS VAUGELADE



KENBOUGOUL  
QUICHON'S SECRET

*Fighting against illness...*

When parents give their darling child a strange name, they often have an excellent reason for doing so. A reason related to love and protection. When she was born, Kenbougoul had a different name. What? Shhhhhh...  
It's a secret! You'll discover it at the same time as the story of her rescue by Dr. Phacochin and the powerful bonds between the entire family.

**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 44 pages | 145 x 200 mm | €8.50  
August 2022



THE QUICHON FAMILY Series | 12 titles

SOLD Chinese (Simplified)

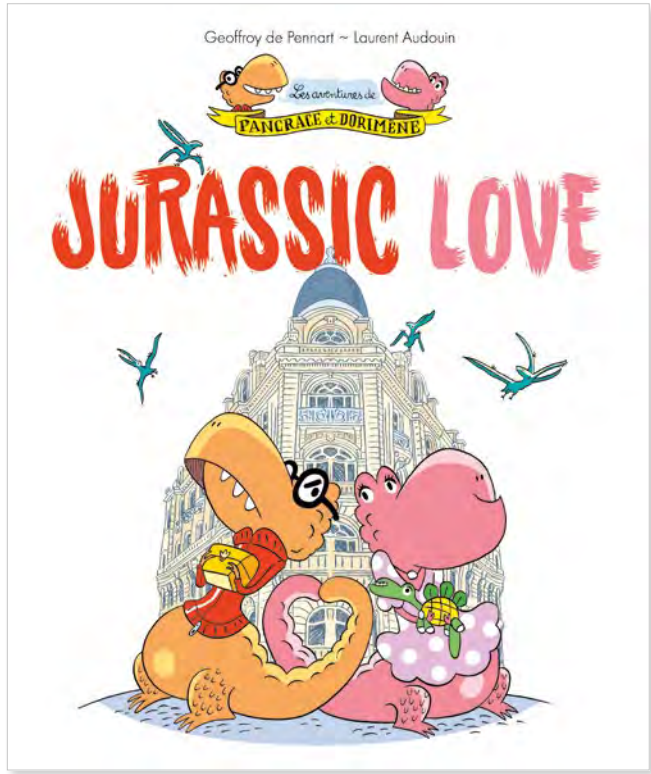


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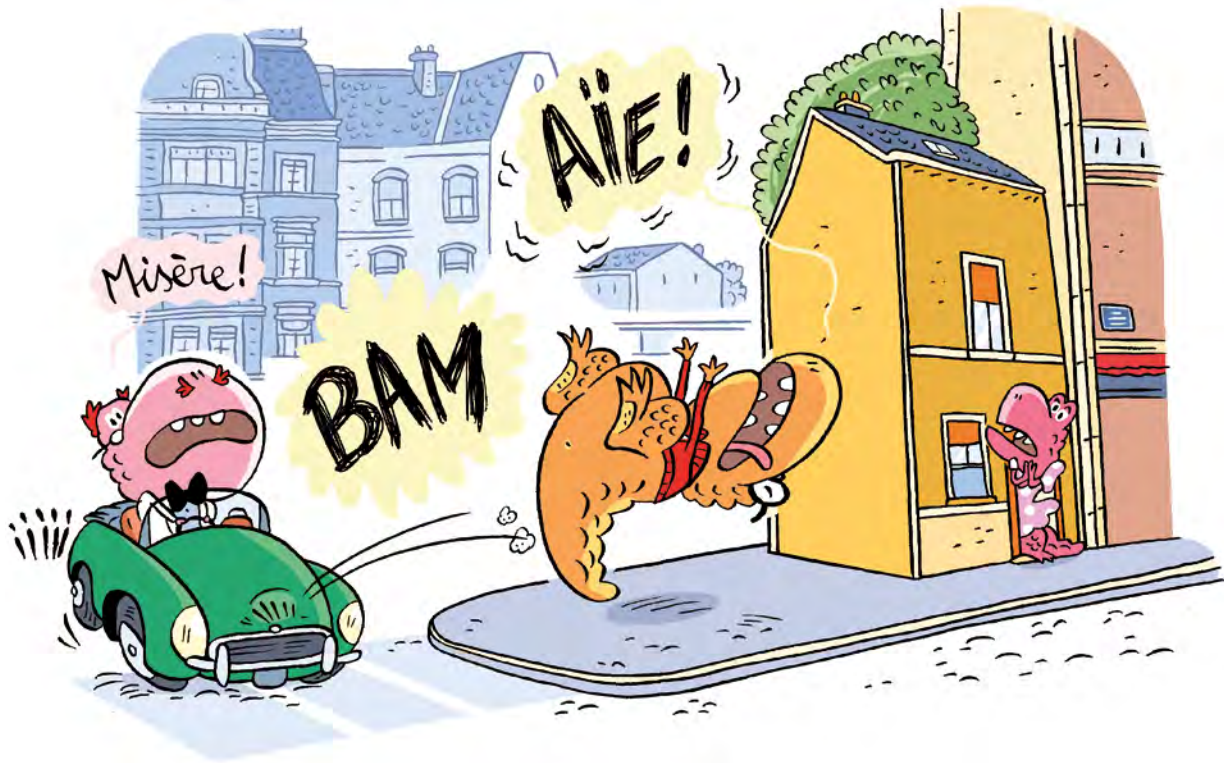
THE ADVENTURES OF PANCRACE AND DORIMÈNE VOL. I: JURASSIC LOVE

*When love comes knocking at your door, you'd better be at home. The zany (mis)adventures of two dinosaurs with minds of their own.*

Pancrace is a young and brilliant scientist who has just left his family's home to move into a place all of his own. What a shock when he's burgled the very next day! And by a young lady no less!

**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 40 pages | 222 x 265 mm | €13.50  
Author: Geoffroy de Pennart  
Illustrator: Laurent Audoin  
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MARIANNE BARCILON



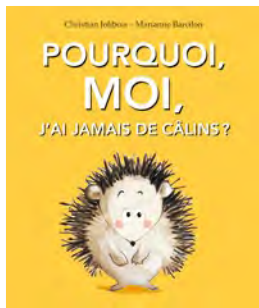
I HATE SWIMMING!

*A humorous identity quest that encourages readers to follow their dreams... no matter how outrageous they may seem!*

A fish who hates swimming?! That's unheard of! Unlike all of his friends, Ulysses hates swimming around in circles through the turquoise water of the lagoon. "Going around in circles... Talk about boring!" sighs the little fish. Suddenly, he gets a crazy idea...

**Age 3+**

Hardcover | 40 pages | 235 x 280 mm | €13.50  
Author: Christian Jolibois  
Illustrator: Marianne Barcilon  
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**ANIMALS Series | 5 titles**

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60,000 copies sold in France



## JULIE COLOMBET

HELEN,  
DAREDEVIL PRINCESS

*A strong, free, and independent princess  
(just how we like them!)*

Helen is a daring princess who dreams of adventure. On the back of her terrifying dragon, she fights the most ferocious monsters in the kingdom. She has no interest in marrying or inheriting the throne... much to the dismay of her father, King Didier.

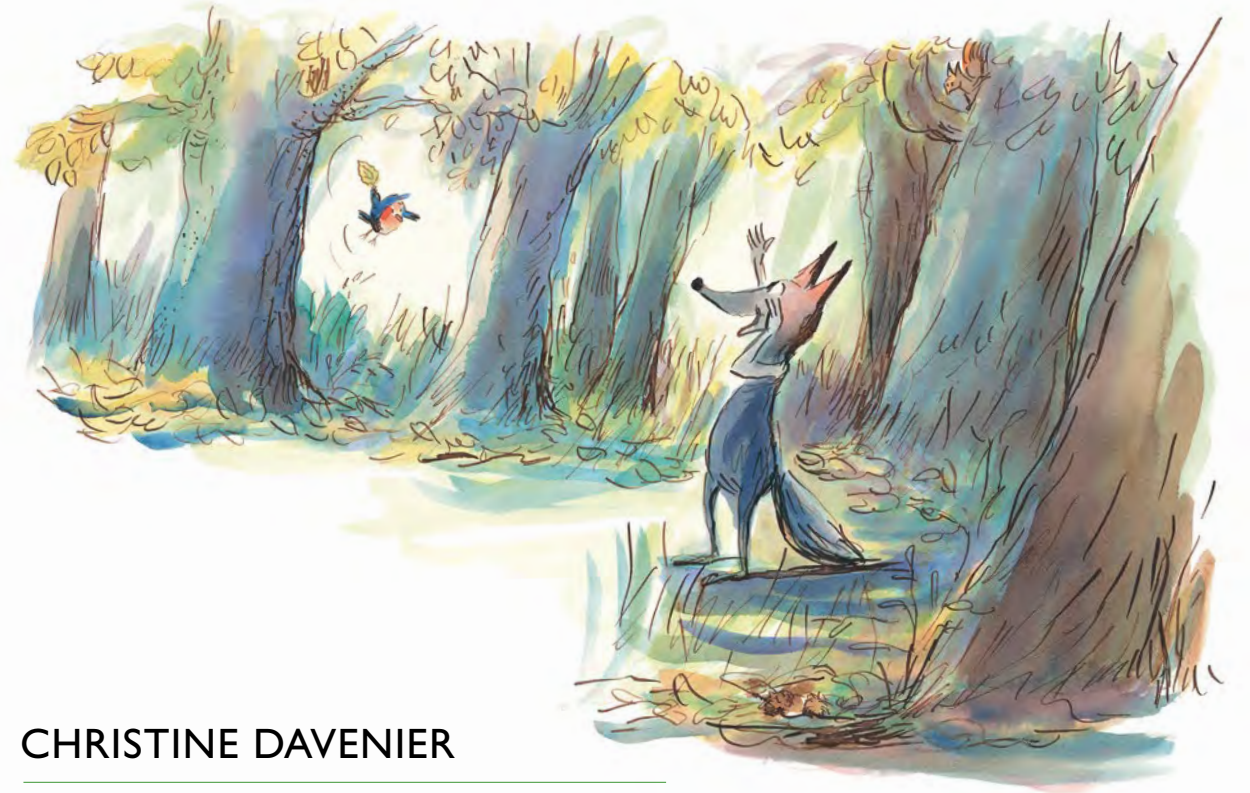
**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 32 pages | 240 x 320 mm | €13.50

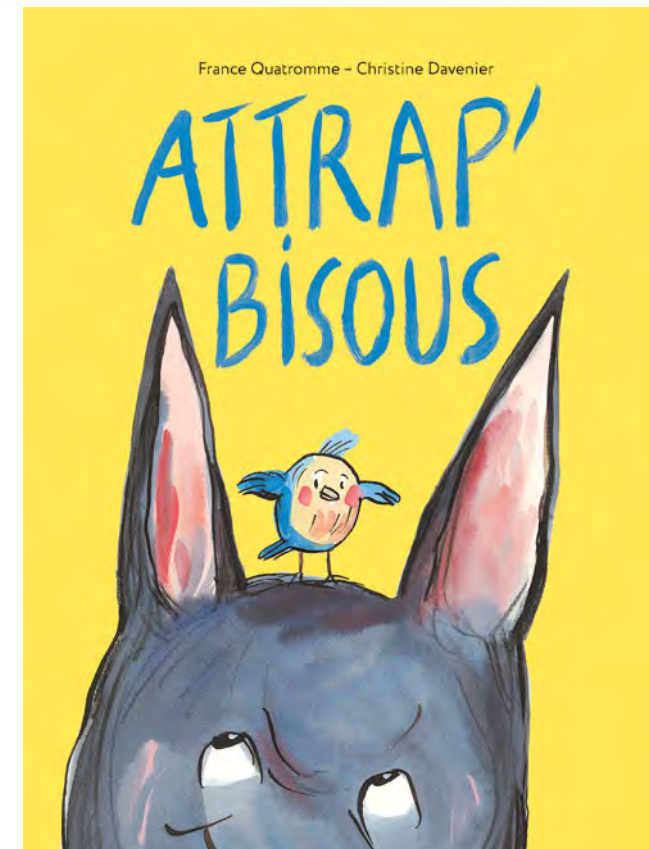
Author: Christelle Cailleteau

Illustrator: Julie Colombet

October 2022



## CHRISTINE DAVENIER



## CATCH-AND-KISS

*Learning to say NO! Standing up  
to aggressive behavior: a subtle story  
about respecting boundaries.*

Wolfgang and Tweet-tweet are playing Catch-and-Kiss. But then Wolfgang takes it too far, pressuring the little bird to do something he doesn't want to do...

**Age 3+**

Hardcover | 32 pages | 220 x 290 mm | €13

Author: France Quatromme

Illustrator: Christine Davenier

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**SOLD**  
German, Korean



**SOLD**  
Chinese (Simplified),  
Italian, Spanish (World)



## ALEXANDRA HUARD



## NISNOURA'S NIGHTTIME MAGIC

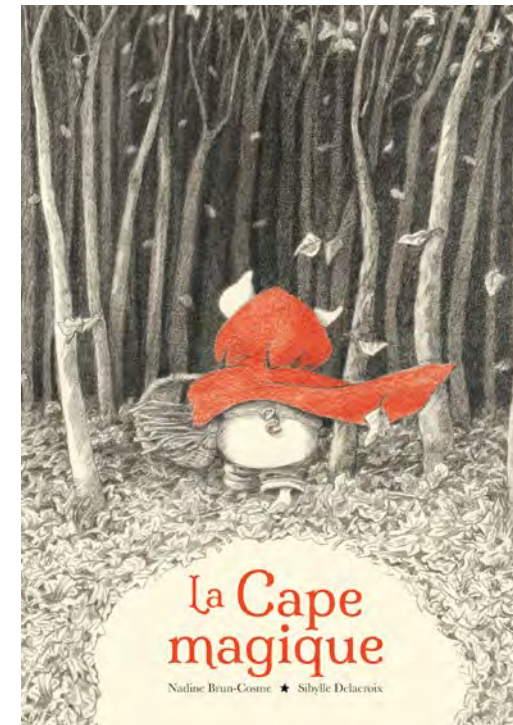
*A tale of discovery, an extraordinary journey featuring a strong and independent heroine.*

It's a beautiful night. The stars are shining like diamonds against the jet-black sky. Within a house in the mountains of the country in the East, a child named Nisnoura is sleeping. Everything seems normal, but appearances can be deceiving...

**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 48 pages | 245 x 300 mm | €14  
 Author: Jean-François Chabas  
 Illustrator: Alexandra Huard  
 October 2022

## SIBYLLE DELACROIX



## THE MAGICAL CAPE

*A tale that's... not so classic. Cinematographic staging that revolves around the cape, who is a real character in the story.*

Take a starving wolf, an appetizing Little Red Riding Hood, two carefree sheep, three chubby pigs, a scary storm... and you get a mind-blowing tale in which someone might just be beaten at their own game!

**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 36 pages | 200 x 287 mm | €13.50  
 Author: Nadine Brun-Cosme  
 Illustrator: Sibylle Delacroix  
 Septembre 2022



A peine Loup la voit-il, qu'il se dit :  
 « Diamre ! Une petite fille si dodue !  
 Quel repas royal ! Vite ! Allons-y ! »

Lurant contre les feuilles qui volent en tous sens,  
 Loup s'approche en silence, d'arbre en arbre,  
 sur le bout de ses grandes pattes.  
 Il guette le bon moment pour attraper ce joli rôti.



Il est maintenant tout près, sur le point de la saisir. D'jà il en salive,  
 quand soudain, une bourrasque l'oblige à fermer les yeux.  
 ...Zut ! s'écrie Loup.

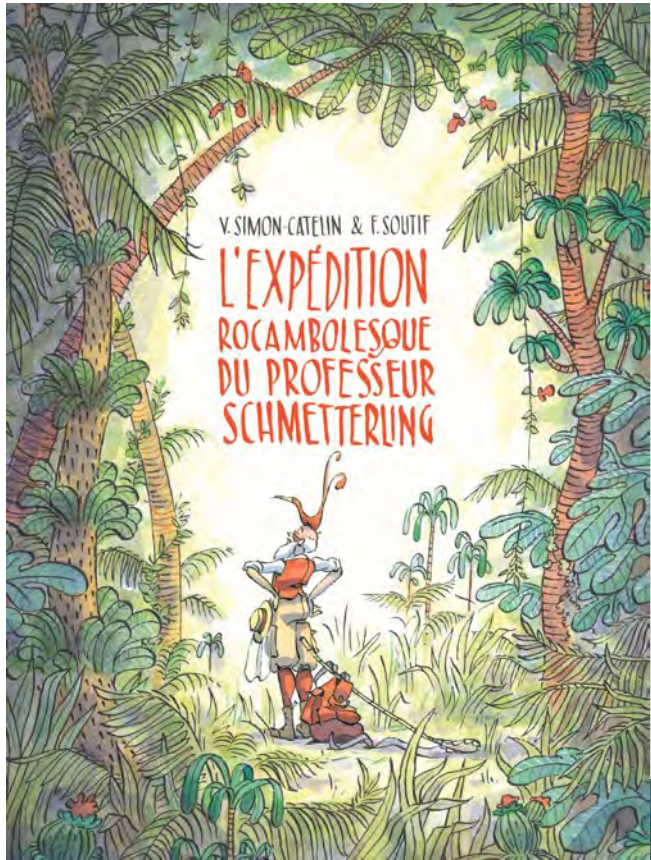
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**SOLD**  
 English (World),  
 Japanese, Korean



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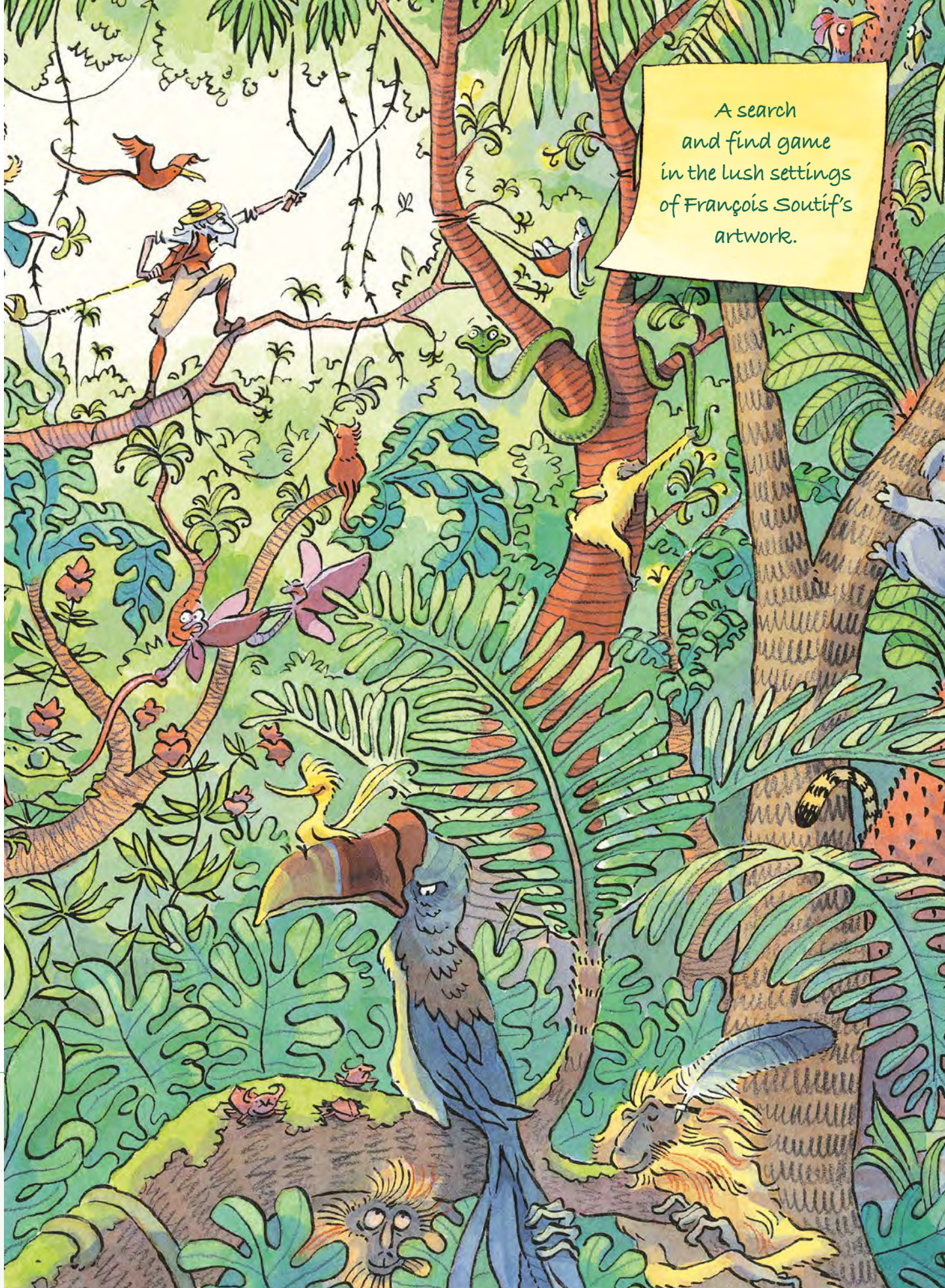
PROFESSOR SCHMETTERLING'S  
EXTRAORDINARY  
EXPEDITION

*Searching for a butterfly that seems  
to have gone extinct.*

From snow-covered peaks to the deepest caves,  
from lush jungles to arid deserts, Professor  
Schmetterling will stop at nothing to track down  
the Levana, a mysterious butterfly that the scientific  
community believes has gone extinct. Extinct?  
Poppycock! The professor doesn't agree.  
Along with his faithful talking bird and armed  
with a net and his sketchbook, Schmetterling  
slams the door to his study... Adventure awaits!

**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 40 pages | 260 x 350 mm | €14  
Author: Vanessa Simon-Catelin  
Illustrator: François Soutif  
August 2022



A search  
and find game  
in the lush settings  
of François Soutif's  
artwork.

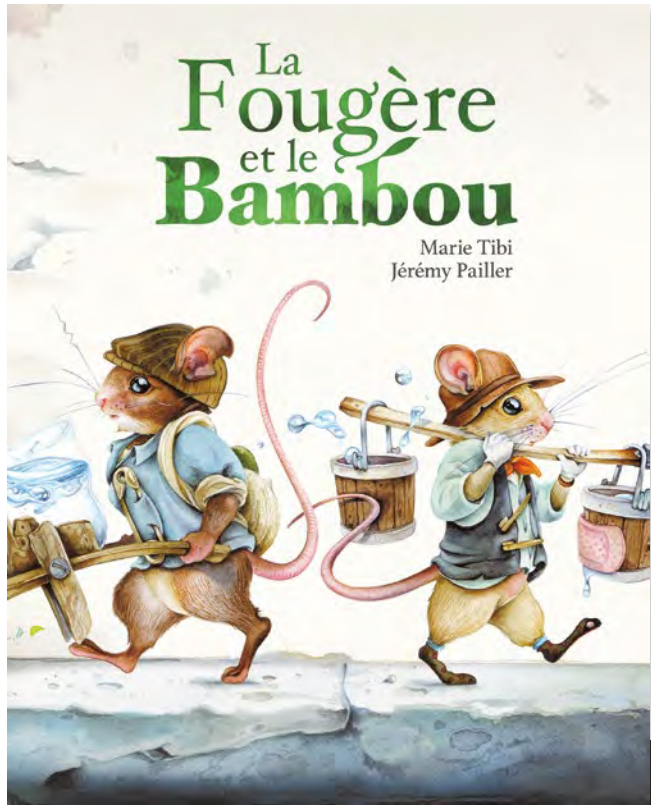
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SOLD Polish



JÉRÉMY PAILLER



THE FERN AND THE BAMBOO

*“Never give up.” A touching story, inspired by a tale from the East, about courage and perseverance.*

Just before passing away, an old man gives two seeds to his sons: a fern seed to the eldest and a bamboo seed to the younger son. “Plant these in the forest in remembrance of me.” The fern plant soon covers the ground, but nothing sprouts from the bamboo seed, much to the younger brother’s despair...

Age 5+

Hardcover | 40 pages | 230 x 280 mm | €13.50  
Author: Marie Tibi  
Illustrator: Jérémie Pailler  
Septembre 2022



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GEOFFROY DE PENNART



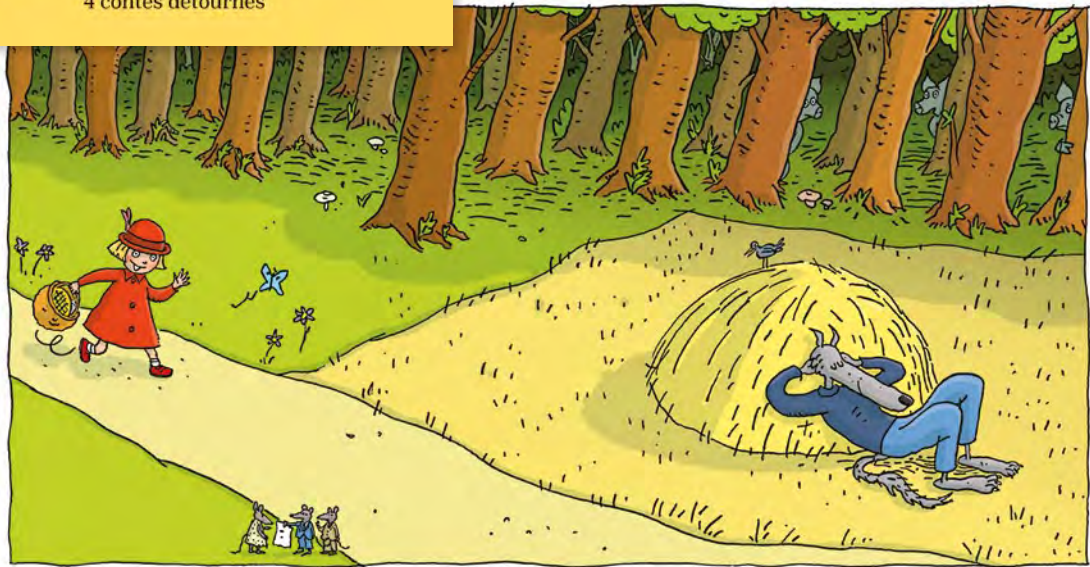
LITTLE RED ROUND HAT AND CO.

*The more the merrier! 4 stories from the wolf series brought together in a new anthology.*

Once upon a time there was a little girl who lived with her parents at the edge of a forest. As she always wore the red round hat, that her grandmother had given her, everyone called her Little Red Round Hat. Discover Little Red Round Hat and her sidekicks in this anthology of four tales that have been reworked by the talented Geoffroy de Pennart.

Age 5+

Softcover with Flaps | 152 pages | 185 x 255 mm | €18  
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IGOR Series  
19 titles & 1 game

SOLD Basque, Breton, Chinese (Simplified), Greek, Italian, Polish, Portuguese (SA), Spanish (World), Vietnamese

1,800,000 copies sold in France





FLORIAN PIGÉ



THE TOOTH MOUSE  
AND SANTA CLAUS

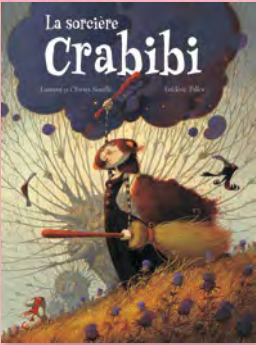
*When the Tooth Mouse meets  
Santa Claus.*

In the middle of the night, a shadow is on the move, quietly and carefully placing coins under children's pillows in exchange for a tooth. But the Tooth Mouse is bored and dreams of doing something new. So, with her bundle of belongings over one shoulder, she sets out for the North Pole hoping to meet someone very famous...

**Age 5+**

Hardcover | 40 pages | 210 x 297 mm | €13.50  
Authors: Laurent & Olivier Souillé  
Illustrator: Florian Pigé  
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NOVELS

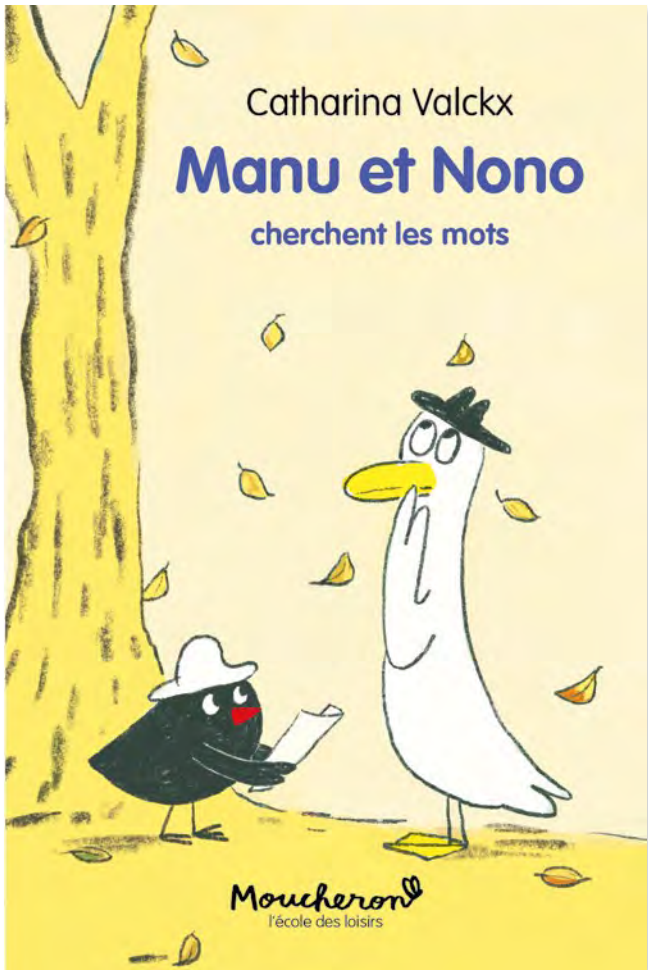








CATHARINA VALCKX



**MANU AND NONO  
LOOK FOR WORDS**  
*Words aren't just for communicating,  
they're also for creating beauty and bonds.*

Manu and Nono have received a letter. That doesn't happen every day! But they don't know how to read. What to do? Luckily, Ursula the owl can help them out. Because it's not always easy to express yourself with words. And when you suddenly feel like writing a poem because you saw something beautiful, it's even more difficult!

**Age 6+**  
Softcover | 48 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €6.50  
August 2022



MANU & NONO SERIES | 6 TITLES | ONGOING

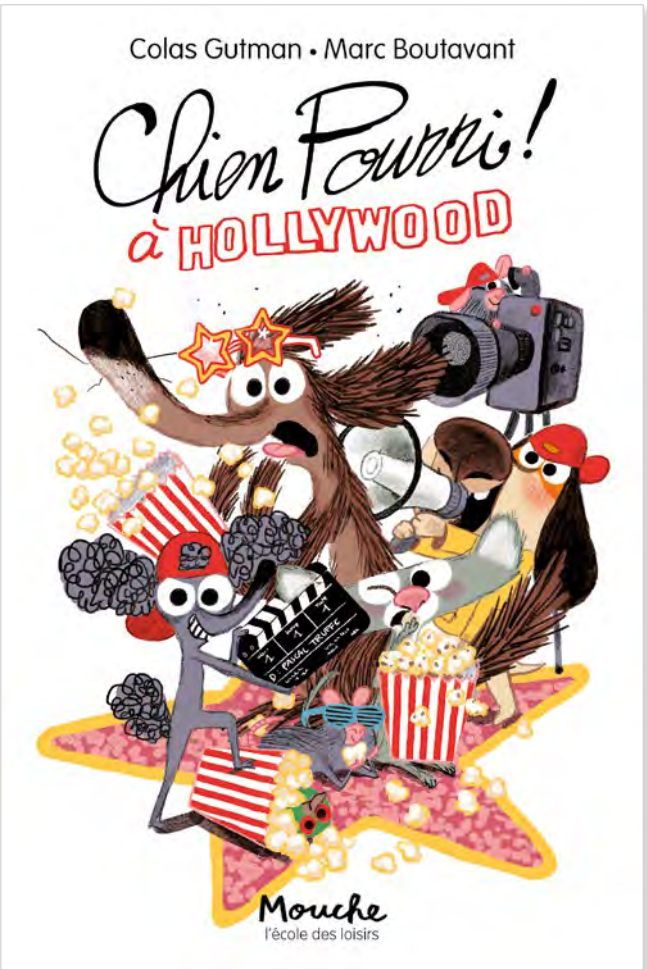
32,500 copies sold in France

SOLD German, Spanish (LA), Turkish



English translation available

COLAS GUTMAN & MARC BOUTAVANT



**DUMB DOG, FILM STAR**  
*Dumb Dog is in the spotlight alongside  
Brave Pit, Fanette Johansson, and Robert  
Papattison!*

In their garbage can, Flat Cat is counting banana peels while Dumb Dog is flipping through Hot-Dog, a magazine for dogs who love movies and sausages. As it just so happens, the latest 00 Stevan is being filmed nearby, starring Brave Pit as lead actor. When Dumb Dog runs into the filmmaker Pascal Truffe, he hires him to play in The Street Dog, a realist drama... Will Dumb Dog get the Oscar for Best Foreign Dog? A candid description of the reality of fame!

**Age 6+**  
Softcover | 88 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €9  
Author: Colas Gutman  
Illustrator: Marc Boutavant  
November 2022

DUMB DOG SERIES | 17 TITLES | ONGOING | More than 2 million copies sold!

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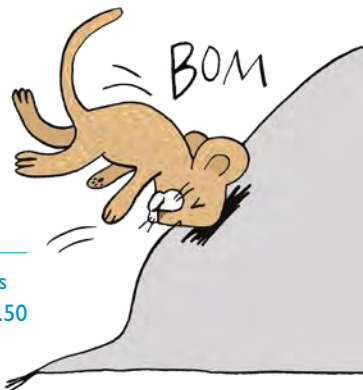
NATHALIE KUPERMAN



HOW DO YOU KNOW IT'S A CHILD?

*A coming-of-age story with kind-hearted humor.*

One morning, Papa Lion tells his son Leon that in order to grow up, he has to eat a child. And so the lion cub ventures out all alone into the savannah to prove to his parents that he's capable of being big like them. The only problem is that he has no idea what a child looks like!

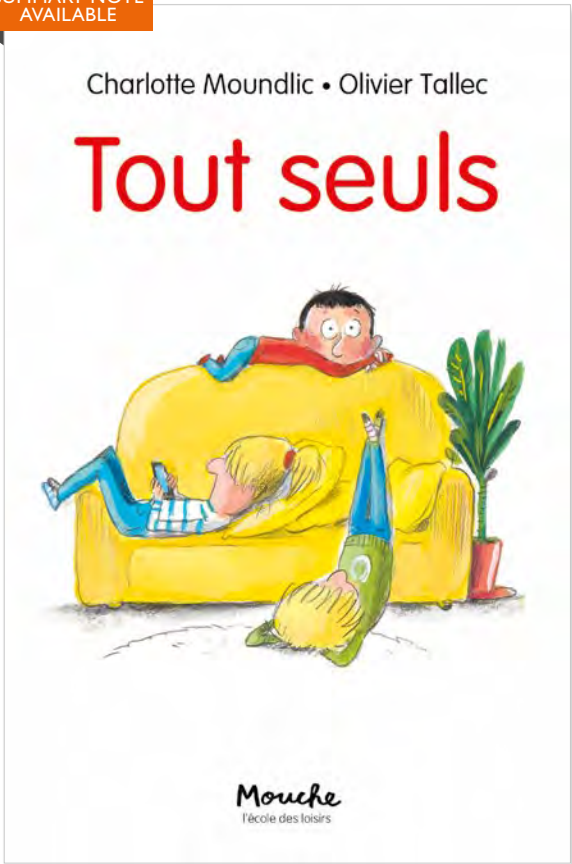


Age 6+

Softcover | 88 pages  
125 x 190 mm | €8.50  
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CHARLOTTE MOUNDLIC

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ALL ALONE

*All alone! Really...? No parents, no babysitter. How much trouble will befall these children?!*

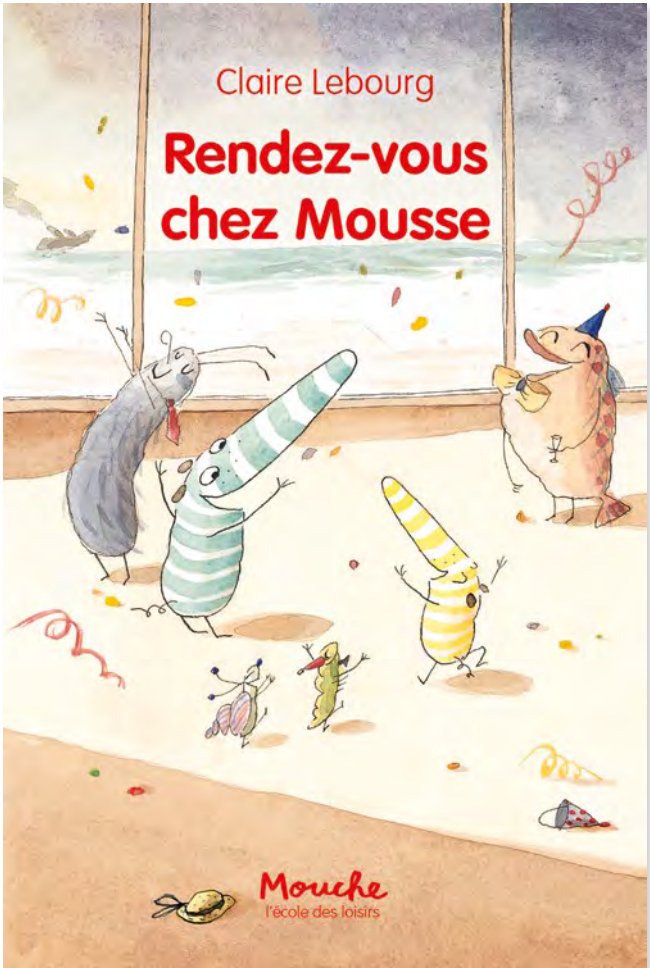
7-year-old Polo's parents have gone on vacation. Polo is staying at home with his sister and brother, who are 11 and 13. Five days will fly by. Besides, their cousin Ariane, whom Polo adores, is coming to take care of them. But she lives in the north of France and has to take the train to get to their house. Who would've guessed that she'd fall down the stairs at the train station... And there's no way to get in touch with their parents. What to do? Suddenly five days feels like forever...



Age 6+

Softcover | 104 pages  
125 x 190 mm | €9.50  
September 2022

CLAIRE LEBOURG



SEE YOU AT MOUSSE'S HOUSE

*Mousse is back for Christmas, along with his niece Pistachio, Bichon, and his big family!*

This is no time to laze about. The holidays are fast approaching and Mousse has a lot to do. He has to pick a Christmas tree, set it up in the living room, decorate it, buy dessert... Everything is ready, but then the phone rings. His sister is inviting him to meet her in town. Did he go through all of this for nothing? Impromptu Christmas celebrations based on sharing despite multiple surprises.

Age 6+

Softcover | 80 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8.50  
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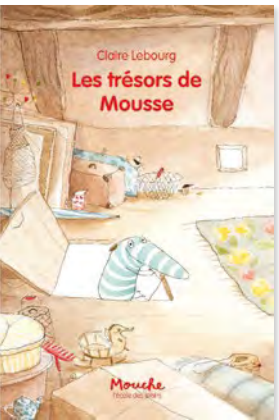
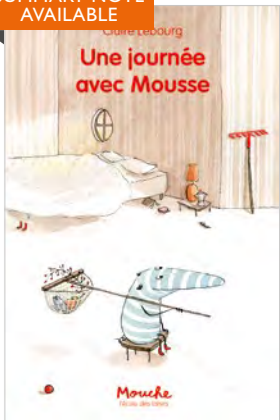


MOUSSE SERIES | 4 TITLES | ONGOING

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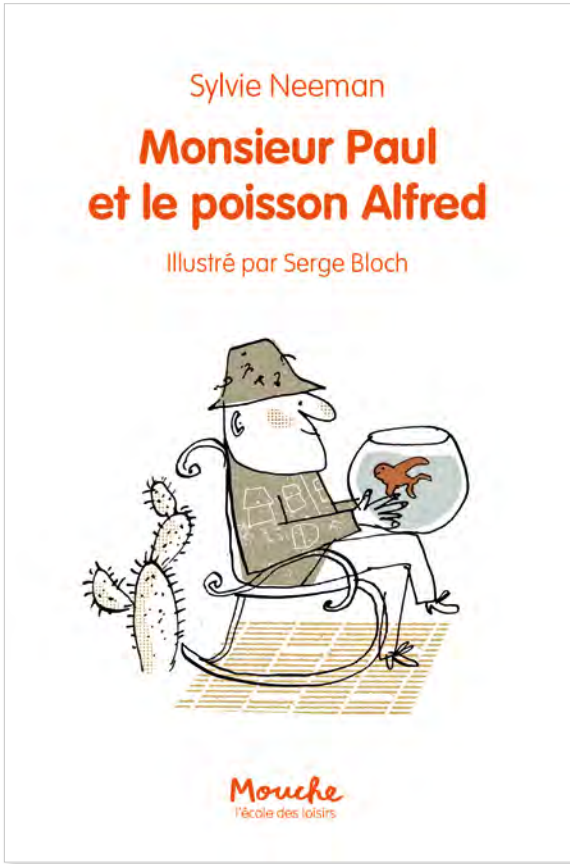
32,000 copies sold in France

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SYLVIE NEEMAN



MR. PAUL AND ALFRED THE FISH

*Revealing the beauty in the simplest of things.*

It's so hot out! Mr. Paul's fishing store is behind that dune over there. You can take that road to get there, well... it's more like a path. True, it doesn't make much sense to have a fishing store in the middle of the desert. But what Mr. Paul really loves is the idea of fishing. But one day, the mailman brings him a package. And when he opens it up, he finds something that's much more than just an idea.



Age 6+

Softcover | 64 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8.50  
Author: Sylvie Neeman  
Illustrator: Serge Bloch  
August 2022

ALYSSA VERBIZH



TEENAGE ANIMALS

*A charming look at a common yet zoologically under-studied species: teenagers!*

For my birthday, we managed to get my big brother out of his den. Leonard is 13. He's a teenager. And teenagers often act really weird. So when my teacher asked us to do a presentation on a family pet, since I don't have a cat or a rabbit or a hamster, I thought of my brother. And that's how I started to scientifically observe the wild mammal also known as *Leonardus adolescentus*...



Age 6+

Softcover | 72 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8  
Author: Alyssa Verbizh  
Illustrator: Myrha Verbizh  
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CLÉMENTINE MÉLOIS & RUDY SPIESSERT

AFTER MIDNIGHT SERIES | COMPLETED

12,500 copies sold in France



VOL. 1: TOO MUCH SALT IN THE SPAGHETTI

*All codes of the fantasy genre are revisited: werewolves, ogres, vampires, mummies...*

It all started because my dad put too much salt in the spaghetti. Rosalie, my little sister, and I got thirsty in the middle of the night and that's when we heard a noise outside. So we crept outside to take a peek (even if Rosalie is little). And that's how we found out that our next-door neighbor was a werewolf! Let me tell you, a werewolf wearing a flowery dress and lavender perfume is strange to say the least! But that's just the tip of the iceberg. Let me tell you what happened next...

October 2020

Age 6+

Softcover | Vol. 1: 72 pages, Vol. 2: 80 pages, Vol. 3: 96 pages | 125 x 190 mm | €8.50  
Author: Clémentine Mélois | Illustrator: Rudy Spiessert  
SOLD Italian

VOL. 2: THE MAD PROFESSOR

*Ogres, fairies, mummies: a delectable story that plays with the genres and motifs that inhabit children's imaginations.*

When we moved to a new village, we discovered that all of the local villagers turn into fantastical creatures at midnight. They do all kinds of crazy things and could hurt themselves, so my sister and I became monster protectors. That night, we had a lot on our plate due to the Grand Sabbath, so being kidnapped by a mad genius wasn't exactly ideal timing...

October 2021

VOL. 3: IN THE DARK TROCHU WOODS

*The mother of our favorite monster-protecting children is back home and their secret is hard to keep.*

The problem with being monster protectors is that you have to sneak out at night behind your parents' back. And ever since Mom came back from her trip, that has become a real challenge. So Romy (that's my little sister) and I had to come up with a plan. Except that it all spun out of control. There was an incident involving the oil from the fryer, a mean zombie, a piece of wood, and kibble for cats... But let me start from the beginning, otherwise you won't understand a thing.

October 2022



ANNE-GAËLLE BALPE



19 DAYS WITHOUT NOA

*Cosmo in the land of lost children.*

Noa went missing in the desert 18 days ago. His sister Salma and his brother Cosmo hope that he will return. When a sandstorm strikes, Cosmo follows a little fox and takes refuge in its lair. Then he falls and tumbles down, down, down into an underground world. Cosmo wanders through the maze of caves and tunnels ruled over by Sorel, an unpredictable teen who is as charming as he is cruel.

Age 8+

Hardcover | 264 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €11  
Author: Anne-Gaëlle Balpe  
Illustrator: Clémence Monnet  
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LUC BLANVILLAIN

THE DIARY OF RAYMOND THE DEMON SERIES | COMPLETED

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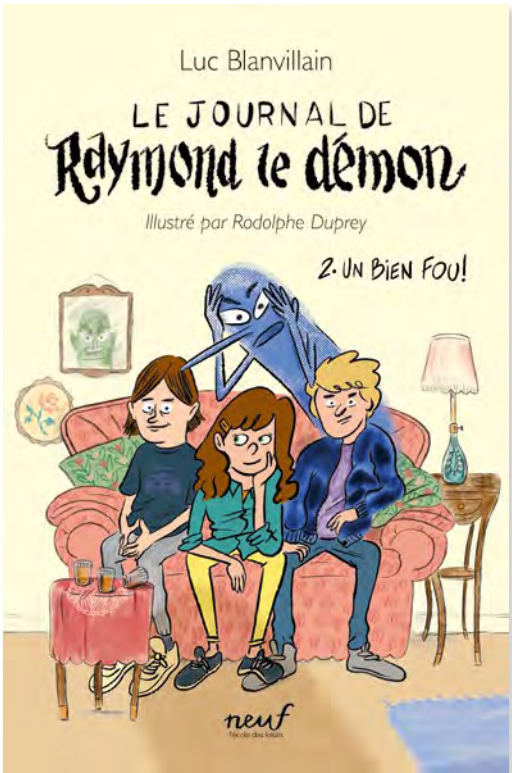
VOL. 1: THE QUEST FOR EVIL

*Mocking, deceitful, and rather cynical, Raymond the demon shouts, shakes, and provokes his “young reader.”*

Without wanting to brag, I’m a good demon. One of the best. No child can resist me. That’s why my boss chose me for this mission. He’s tasked me with leading a certain Anne-Fleur Berzingue astray. But he warned me that this girl is a tough cookie. No one has ever been able to get her to commit even the slightest bit of mischief. No one. Looking at her photo, I didn’t think there was anything particularly impressive about the kid. I left with a smile, convinced that I had it in the bag. I was wrong.  
February 2021

Age 8+

Softcover | Vol. 1: 244 pages, Vol. 2: 216 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12.50  
Author: Luc Blanvillain | Illustrator: Rodolphe Duprey  
SOLD Italian



VOL. 2: FEELING GOOD

*Raymond the demon is making moves... and doing good deeds! Can good be evil? And vice versa?*

As punishment for failing his last mission, Raymond the demon, who is stuck in the body of a little human, must make the other fifth-graders do good deeds. The exact opposite of what he was trained to do! And strangely enough, our expert in iniquity is discovering that it’s easier to make humans do bad things. He is starting to feel depressed, until he detects a good genie inside the school... The genie must be acting undercover in one of the humans. But which one?  
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MARIE CHARTRES

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FRANKIE: DRAMA QUEEN!

*“Frankie Zilensky, nothing is ever enough in life. As long as the world still has something to offer you, you have to take advantage of it.” An homage to madcap comedy with vibrant characters and irreverence.*

Ever since her parents died, Frankie has lived with her Aunt Paulie. Frankie hates to do her hair or look in the mirror. She prefers to hang out in her room by herself and watch movies. But her very stylish Aunt Paulie is always coming up with new ideas for dinner parties and celebrations. So when Frankie turns 10, Paulie dreams up an explosive surprise. Things could very easily take a turn for the worse... Off-kilter narration: the butlers’ restraint and the enormity of the situations.

Age 8+

Softcover | 208 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12.50  
Author: Marie Chartres  
Illustrator: Jean-Luc Englebert  
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MARIE DESPLECHIN

TROUBLED NEIGHBORHOOD SERIES | COMPLETED

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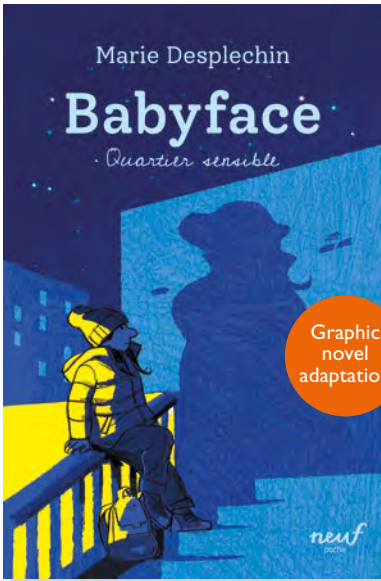
VOL. 1: SAMIR'S SKY

*The first part of “Troubled Neighborhood,” an ambitious project that immerses readers in daily life in a ghetto today.*

Samir is going through a real rough patch. Nadia, the fortune teller in the Victorine ghetto, predicted that in the next six months, he’d risk his life to save a friend and become a hero. Many people would be thrilled with such a bright future, but the quiet and shy Samir doesn’t see himself as a hero. He decides to do everything he can to keep Nadia’s prophecy from coming true. But can you really escape your fate? Not everyone dreams of becoming a hero!  
November 1997

Age 8+

Softcover | Vol. 1: 80 pages, Vol. 2: 136 pages, Vol. 3: 184 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12.50  
Author: Marie Desplechin | Illustrator: Olivier Balez  
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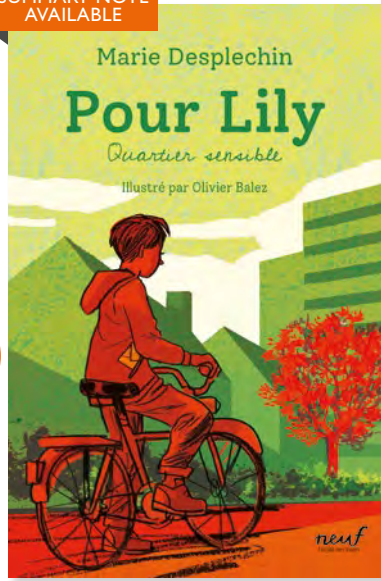


VOL. 2: BABYFACE

*“You’re not fat. You’re powerful.” An accurate portrait of ordinary childhoods in suburbs...*

No one at school likes Nejma. She’s mean, ugly, and a bad dresser. Plus she spits. But no one ever says anything, because they know that you shouldn’t push someone to the limit. When Jonathan Suyckerbuck, who’s really good at wrestling, is found unconscious behind the lunchroom door, everyone blames Nejma. She’s the perfect suspect. But Nejma isn’t as alone as she’d like to believe. Isidore sees her differently than the others. He even said these magic words: “You’re not fat. You’re powerful.”  
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VOL. 3: FOR LILY

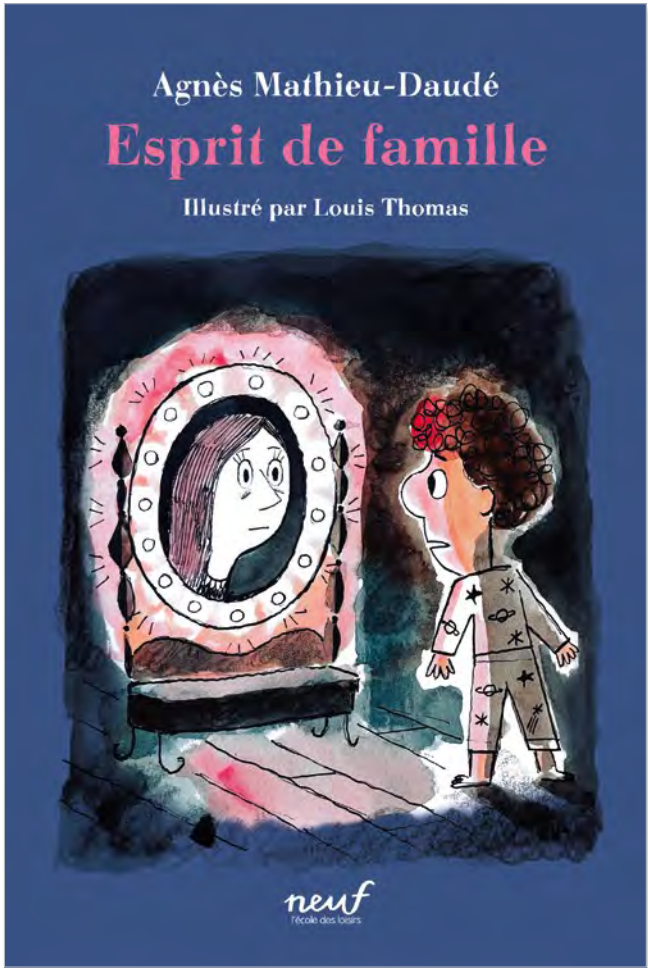
*An engaged novel that blends together personal and social questions at the heart of Marie Desplechin’s work.*

At school, nobody ever notices Jeremy. Nobody ever talks to him. Then again, he started school after Christmas vacation: it was too late, the cliques had already been formed. So he became invisible. When he’s bored, Jeremy rides around the neighborhood with the bicycle that his mom bought for him. Maybe he’ll make friends that way? Who knows? Unless he manages to talk to Lily, the only girl in his class that sparks his interest.  
September 2022





AGNÈS MATHIEU-DAUDÉ



FAMILY SPIRIT

*When you think your family is cursed, would you believe that seeing your ancestors' ghosts could really help you?*

If I told you that my grandfather is a magician and my parents travel the world, you'd think that my family sounds pretty cool, right? Wrong. First of all, I live with my other grandparents, who aren't any fun. Not to mention that my name is Tim Ellento and bad luck is a curse in my family. The kind of bad luck that makes it so really weird and freaky things happen to you.

Age 8+

Softcover | 168 pages | 135 x 205 mm | €12  
Author: Agnès Mathieu-Daudé  
Illustrator: Louis Thomas  
October 2022

MARIE-AUDE MURAIL

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Age 8+

Hardcover | 96 pages | 148 x 210 mm | €12.50  
Author: Marie-Aude Murail  
Illustrator: Régis Lejonc  
October 2022

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN  
WINNER 2022

PITSI-MITSI  
WHEN ANIMALS TALKED

*Red alert in the fairy-tale kingdom: talking animals have become an endangered species!*

Everyone is worried in the small kingdom of Court-Crown: talking animals are becoming increasingly rare. What will the royal families do if there aren't any more animals to advise them? Due to their rarity, they have become very valuable. Little Gaston knows a thing or two about that. Having gone out to seek his fortune, he must constantly keep an eye on his talking mouse, which Joséphine, his rich little neighbor, wants to buy. But he refuses to sell Pitsi-Mitsi! The mouse is his guide, but also his friend. Although Gaston doesn't understand everything he says, he follows his advice to the letter...



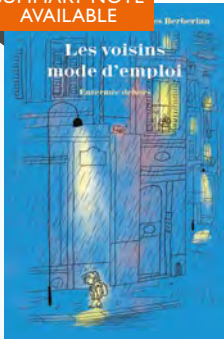
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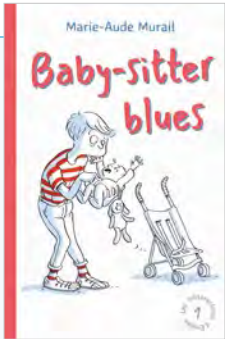
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English translation available



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CAMILLE GUÉNOT

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OSCAR GOUPIL  
A LONDON MYSTERY

*An enigmatic museum, worrisome disappearances, the discovery of a singular gift... and a magical adventure in London!*

Dear readers, if you enjoy the creature comforts of your daily life, if you loathe mystery and magic, put this book down and continue on your way. Because the story awaiting you in these pages is not for the faint of heart. I'll be blunt: I'm an ordinary boy to whom extraordinary things are about to happen. It all started with the letter that my parents left me, forcing me to spend my Christmas holiday in London with my great-aunt Leonie. And let me assure you, considering her reputation, this isn't going to be a walk in the park. But wait, the train is leaving... Are you coming?

Age 11+

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“‘Wait here, please, the lady of the house will be down shortly,’ the butler said curtly before leaving the room with my coat under one arm. [...] Several minutes went by. I stood there, not daring to sit down, listening to the rain hammering on the windowpanes. [...] I was beginning to think that they’d forgotten about me when... Click, click, click. Click, click, click. Successive tapping sounds interrupted my thoughts. Someone suddenly turned on the light and an old woman leaning on a cane appeared in the door. A thunder clap would have been appropriate. Leonie was

withered and angular. She stood very straight, as though she was wearing one of those corsets from the last century. Her gray hair was impeccably pulled back into a tight bun that accentuated her sharp cheekbones and harsh eyes. She looked like an elderly version of Cersei Lannister, the formidable queen in Game of Thrones. Her lips pinched together tightly as she walked over to me. [...] She gestured with her cane – the pommel was a lion’s head – at the sofa. I sat down, my throat dry. ‘Your parents have some nerve sending you here.’”

SUSIE MORGENSTERN & EMMA GAUTHIER



GREEN FREAKS

*Green Freaks or ecological activists-in-training?*

When Nina saw the cafeteria menu and all the plates overflowing with meat, she snapped. She climbed onto a table and yelled at the other students, “Please! Stop eating animals, stop using plastic, and stop buying produce full of pesticides!” Everyone looked at her like she was crazy. Everyone? Not quite! Yona, the new girl, liked her speech, as did Antonin, who may or may not be falling in love... So the three of them decide to band together to defend their ecological convictions. Between studying, affairs of the heart, and complicated family dynamics, these activists-in-training have just a few months to lead a revolution!

“Leaving the farm every morning is hard. From the hills above Nice, Nina can see the sea sparkling in the distance in the June sun. The olive trees form a guard of honor and sing, ‘Come back soon!’ Nature’s exuberance fills her with joy. Nature is her best friend.

The closer she gets to the city, the harder it is to keep going. It’s so hot that she’s afraid that her brain will melt like one of those nasty ice creams from fast-food chains. It’s so hot that her pores are oozing acrid drops of sweat that slow her down. It’s so hot that the Minister of Education postponed the middle school exam by a week, hoping that the temperatures would cool down.

Where’s the logic in that? The Minister isn’t doing them any favors. Nina wants to be done with it. It’s obviously not as serious as problems related to the planet. She’s right smack in the middle of both.”

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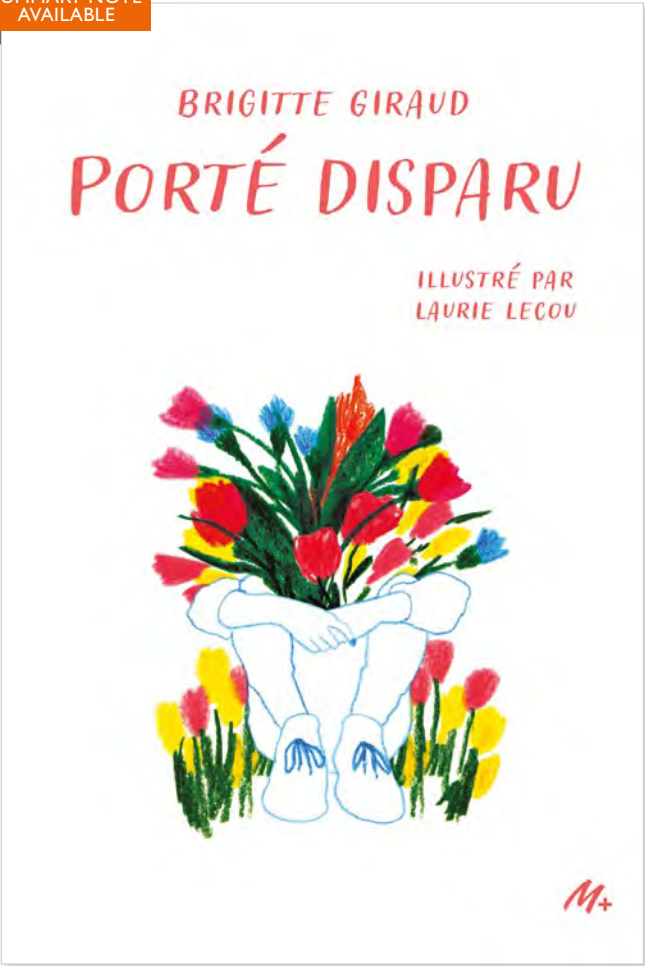


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BRIGITTE GIRAUD

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GONE MISSING

*A unique and rich structure: 5 people tell the same story from different points of view.*

In history class, Livio did a presentation about the Nazi book burnings and Magnus Hirschfeld, a German Jewish doctor who advocated for equality between men and women and gay rights. For Livio, this was much more than just an assignment. It was a statement, a moment of courage, and maybe a confession. But the other students reacted with indifference, perplexity, and above all hostility. Ever since, he's been missing and nobody knows where he is. His best friend Camille, his history teacher, his classmates, his parents: they're all trying to piece together and understand Livio's journey.

Age 13+

Softcover | 168 pages | 148 x 218 mm | €12  
Author: Brigitte Giraud  
Illustrator: Laurie Lecou  
September 2022

“I felt like I was the only one banging my head against the reality of Livio's absence after so many years by my side. We'd studied for the final exams together, every afternoon in my bedroom, waiting for my mom to get back from her rounds as a nurse. I'd never once imagined that I might sit the exams without him, without him humming and fidgeting next to me, with that lock of hair that's always falling in his eyes. I'd never once imagined that I'd pass our final exams alone. We'd made a promise: together or not at all. It was self-evident. Whatever happened, we'd do it together. This didn't make sense. Luckily I saw David and Marion often. They'd felt

bad about not being able to prevent what happened. They even felt guilty at first. It's true that we hadn't known how to defend Livio or stop the spiral of events, the parents, the principal, and all of that... We'd rallied, we'd decided to form a resistance committee to support him, to make the guilty parties pay, but all of that died down with the advent of summer. Nothing has happened since then. Everything feels lethargic. It's a mystery, all of this silence. I'm the only one who still believes in him. The only one stubborn enough to want to understand. I don't have a choice. It hurts too much.”

MALIKA FERDJOUKH

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CLAWS

*A fantastic detective novel and an unlikely pair of investigators with a complicated relationship. Obviously.*

Gruesome and practically impossible crimes are being committed in Morgan's Moor, a remote village on the edge of England... Scotland Yard doesn't waste any time in sending Superintendent Tanyblwch and his young deputy Pitchum Daybright, who has just graduated in criminology, to the scene. Flannery Cheviot, the innkeepers' nosy daughter, is convinced that she can help them solve the case... and Pitchum is most displeased! Not only is Miss Know-It-All extremely confident and opinionated, but she also has a talent for making him blush. He has to admit it: Flannery is equal parts clever, exasperating, and terribly charming.

Age 13+

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“The stagecoach suddenly began to slow down and the passengers began to talk. [...] A third lady, perfectly average-looking, was ensconced in the gap next to the door and partially hidden by the fur of her neighbor's cloak. It was easy to forget she was there. Her travel companions were struck by something that they hadn't noticed up until then: her piercing gaze. It looked right through you, searching for that which you'd like to keep hidden. “Are you going to see a relative?” inquired one of the young women. “No.” She didn't say another word. The others let out a slightly resentful sigh. They were about to definitively ignore their taciturn companion to continue talking amongst themselves when she suddenly uttered these terrifying and tantalizing words, ‘I was in London. I got away as fast as I could because, you see, I saw something absolutely... dreadful. A murder. [...] And I'm the only witness.’”

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## ARIEL HOLZL



### PAX AUTOMATA

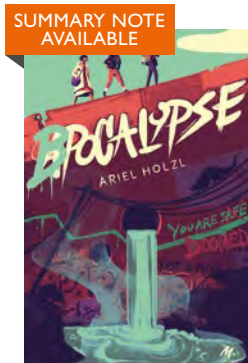
*A uchronic adventure novel with hectic high-speed chases, charismatic bad guys, danger at every street corner, and ordinary characters catapulted onto the chessboard of European geopolitics.*

1889. Emperor Napoleon III is preparing to inaugurate the Universal Exhibition in a Paris crawling with automatons. During the opening parade, Philémon de Fernay, a young military student, has the privilege of flying a new aircraft. But everything spins out of control when the contraption crashes into the machine gallery. In the rubble, Philémon discovers the body of a child automaton. Which maker broke the fundamental law of the Pax Automata that forbids creating automatons with human features? And why?

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“An aroma of motor oil and toast wafted through the kitchen. Otto, the automaton valet for the Fernay family, was toasting baguettes in the slit of his furnace. The bread came out the color of copper. That also probably explained its metallic aftertaste. Sitting at the end of the table, Philémon grimaced as he bit into the piece that the automaton had served him. Crumbs fell onto his military uniform — a black tunic and a slightly wrinkled pair of red trousers. The young man awkwardly dusted himself off. When he wasn't flying an aircraft, Philémon was about as gracious as a featherless seagull. Despite his tender age of 17, he was the patriarch of the Fernay family. Truth be told, it was a symbolic title, as he had four little sisters, who weren't actually very little at

all. The boy hadn't needed to attend his first courses in strategy at the military academy to realize what numerical inferiority meant: he'd been living in an occupied territory for years... [...] Otto looked like a cask made of brass. A cask carried about by two short legs with squealing arms and a kettle on its head. Carefully welded on under the spout, a tinplate mustache gave him the semblance of a face. As a first-class automaton, Otto was allowed to look slightly human. The laws that determined the existence of automatons throughout the major European nations — the Pax Automata — were firm: it was strictly forbidden to create machines that looked like living beings. Their artificial nature had to be immediately visible.”

## SYLVAIN PATTIEU



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*The plot thickens: the characters are discovering sexuality and tragedy strikes for Aimée. True-to-life dialogues and linguistic clashes.*

At the end of the tenth grade Zako is transferred to a vocational branch and finds himself at a high school specializing in carpentry. Gutted and far from home, he initially struggles to make a place for himself, especially with all the jokes about his suburban accent and skin color. But little by little, he begins to enjoy working with wood and thrives. As for Aimée, she's gone to the South of France to try out at a women's soccer academy. Her mother's illness will upset her plans...

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“When [Sylvain Pattieu] describes Seine-Saint-Denis in his books, he talks about social conflicts and deals, but also about women's soccer, middle-schoolers doing a presentation on a lesbian film festival, or teens riding their bikes along the Ourcq Canal to get away from it all.” **LE PARISIEN**

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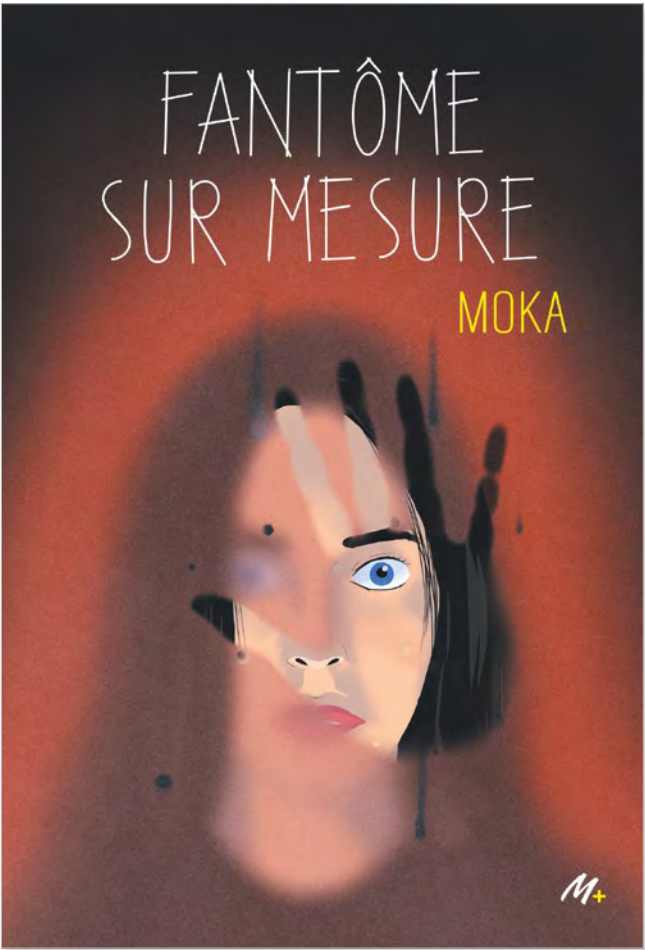
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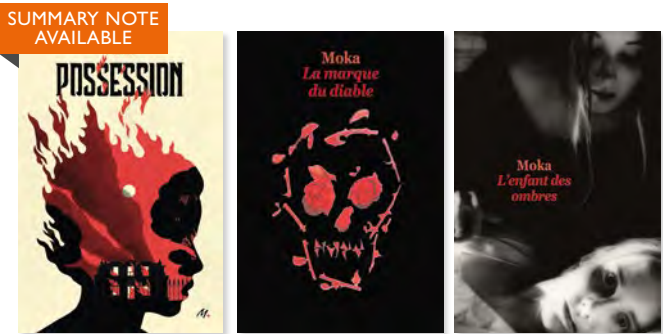
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GHOST MADE TO ORDER

*In a region marked by the past of resistance and collaboration during WWII, a community is threatened by a ghost revealing secrets. It could actually save one of them...*

Aurore believes that the bogeyman lives in her house. Tina believes in lots of things, but only swears by her Harley Davidson. Rémi doesn't believe in anything but the national police force. Matthieu believes that the less you do, the better off you are. Jonas believes in the nutritional value of chips. As for the ghost, he believes that all of them will be able to help him. Wish him luck.

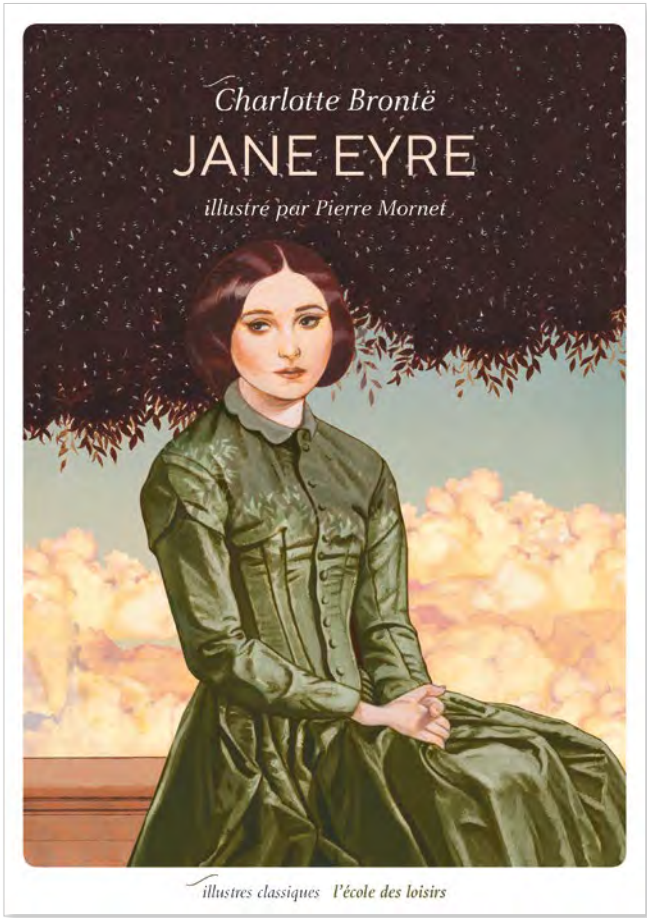
“After yet another hellish night, it was obvious that Aurore couldn't keep this up. She needed to talk to someone. But who could help her? [...] Naturally, she turned to the Internet, where she discovered the Brumbeck Institute [...] She looked it up before filling out their questionnaire. She wanted to make sure that they weren't a bunch of nutjobs or crooks. She watched a few videos, which came across as legitimate enough. In fact, Dr. Brumbeck seemed pretty vindictive when it came to ghost hunters on TV and self-proclaimed psychics. Have you ever had a paranormal encounter? If so, please describe. Aurore paused after typing yes. Please describe? How could words capture what she'd experienced? She decided to be as succinct as possible. She wrote, 'I was attacked by a demon.' Then she erased that and wrote, 'I had an encounter with an entity.' No, that wasn't right either. She decided to claim that she had premonitions. Impulsively, she sent in the questionnaire with a click of the mouse. She immediately regretted it. She'd lied. She hoped that Dr. Brumbeck wouldn't contact her. Three days later, she received an email from Dr. Brumbeck asking if she'd agree to meet with him. She said yes.”

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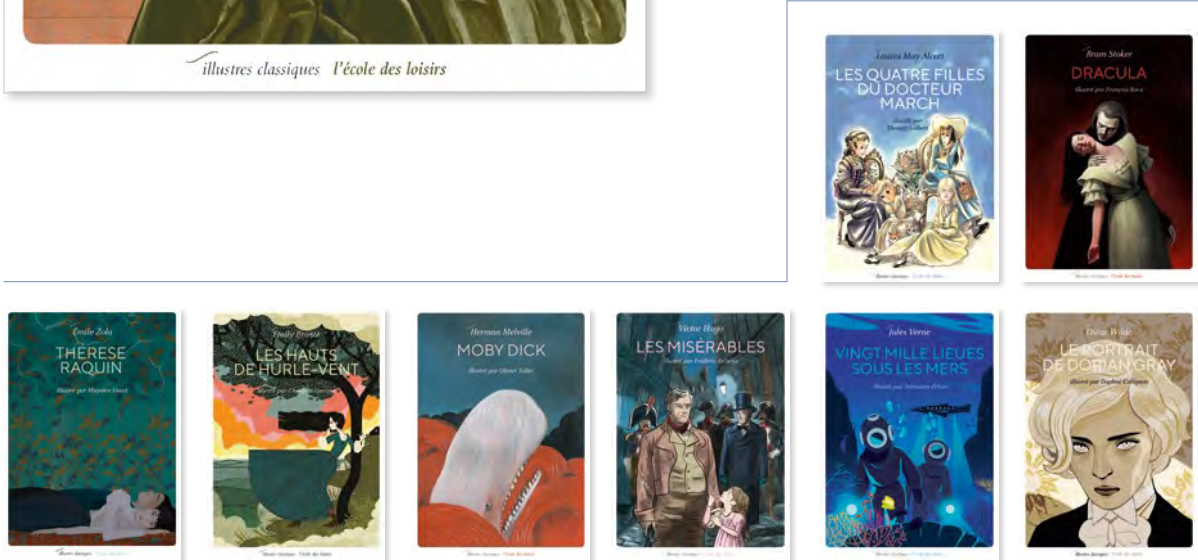
JANE EYRE

Jane Eyre, a young orphan about 10 years old, is taken in by a cantankerous aunt who turns her into Cinderella. Treated like a servant, bullied and humiliated, Jane rebels and is sent to a boarding school, where she eventually becomes a teacher. She then goes on to accept a position as governess at Thornfield Hall, presided over by the disturbing and fascinating Mr. Rochester. But the manor and its master are harboring a terrible secret...

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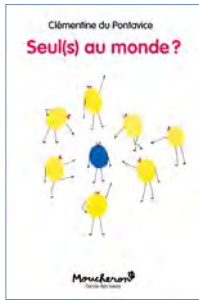
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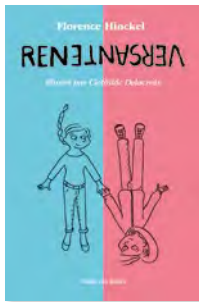
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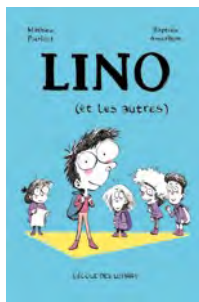
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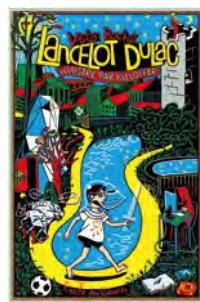
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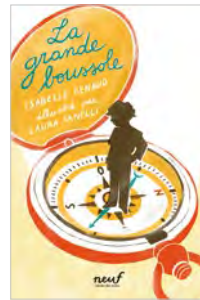


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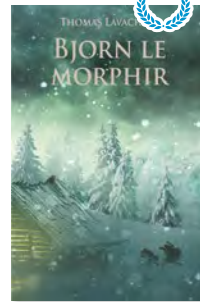
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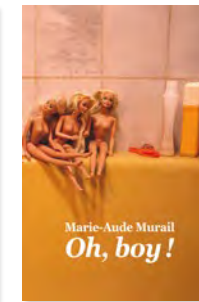
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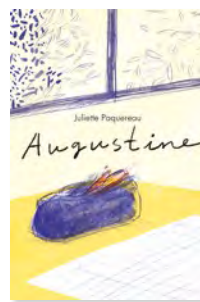
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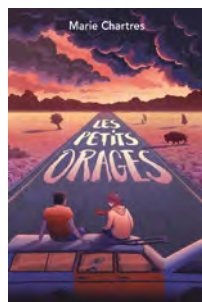


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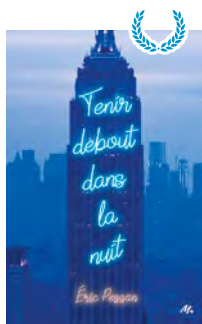
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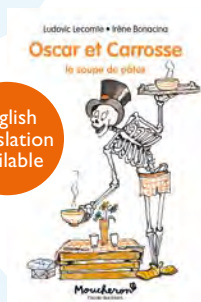
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