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Le grand lit

de Léon



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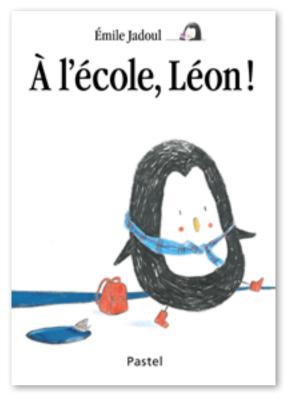
Bath book with 3 foam characters



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Back to School, Léon!

Émile Jadoul

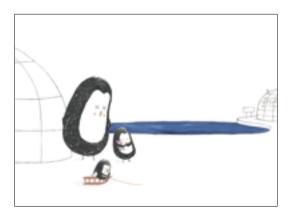


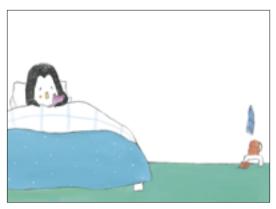
Tomorrow is the first day of school, but Léon is not quite ready. The school is too far for his little legs. Besides, neither his little brother Marcel nor Francis the fish have to go. And what if he has to pee or wants to see his Daddy? And above all, his cuddly toy can't stay at home, all alone. No! Tomorrow simply isn't the right day to start school.

Émile Jadoul lives in Belgium. Since he left the Fine Arts Academy, he has been living in the countryside in a house in the woods. When he is not drawing in his studio, he talks about his work and gives classes to future illustrators.



Age: 3+
Themes: Back to school | Growing up | Family
32 pages | 170 x 240 mm | Hardcover





My Daddy, the King

Kristien Aertssen



A royal dad and his little prince set out together to find the king of dads. On their way, they meet the bicycle king who teaches them how to ride, the DIY king who can fix anything, the diving king who introduces them to swimming and finally, at the end of this day full of discoveries, the king of dreams and of stories who tucks the little sleepers in... But where is the king of dads hiding?

Kristien Aertssen was born in Antwerp, Belgium. After studying graphics at the Antwerp Academy, Kristien received a scholarship to specialise in illustration in Pasadena, US. Inspiration comes to her from primitive and naïve arts, Indian and Islamic miniatures, children's drawings and toys.

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Age: 4+
Themes: Relationship son-father | Growing up | Adventure
40 pages | 210 x 297 mm | Hardcover





Luchien's Big Inventory of Simple Pleasures

Frédéric Stehr



Luchien is a little dog who knows a whole lot about life's joys: jumping in puddles, playing in the mud, taking a bath, then wrapping himself in a warm towel, taking a quick nap, eating chocolate or vanilla ice cream and having fun with his friends. And don't forget Luchien's favourite indulgence: evening cuddles.

Born in Paris in 1956, Frédéric Stehr briefly attended courses at the Graphic Arts School in Paris and at the Beaux-Arts. He vastly preferred sketching in public gardens for hours, so he earned a living as a Jack of all trades. He published his first children's book in 1983. Since then, he has published over 60 children's picture books.

Age: 4+
Themes: Everyday life | Enjoying small pleasures
36 pages | 200 x 260 mm | Hardcover





You're Not Dead!

Catherine Pineur



"Are you coming Suzie? Let's play dead." It all starts with this funny proposal from Josephine. This game requires no props: "You just lie down, close your eyes, spread your arms, and above all, you do not move." But what will it be like when we're really dead?

Catherine Pineur lives in Belgium. She studied illustration at the Saint-Luc Institute in Liège and at the Decorative Arts in Strasbourg. She conducts illustration workshops for children and adults.

Age: 4+
Themes: Death | Game | Friendship | Philosophy
32 pages | 270 x 145 mm | Hardcover





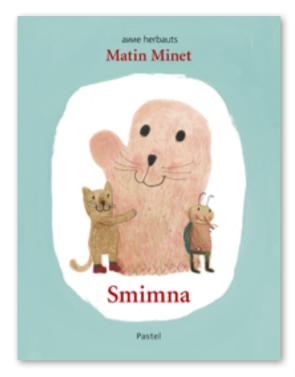


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Morning Kitty - Smimna

Anne Herbauts



Age: 4+
Themes: Friendship | Loneliness | Enjoying nature
40 pages | 160 x 210 mm | Hardcover

Morning Kitty and Hadek enjoy a beautiful morning to go foraging. Hadek hears little sniffles, it's a mitt. It seems so sad: "I am a mismatched mitt. Since I'm alone, I am useless." The two friends offer to spend the day with the mitt. They find berries, strawberries and a snowdrop that loves to knit, whom they help out as well.

Anne Herbauts was born in Brussels. She studied Illustration and Comics at the Brussels Academy of Fine Arts. Since then, she has authored about forty books for children (and for adults). Anne Herbauts has been awarded with the Triennial Prize for Children's Literature by the Belgian government 2021-2023.

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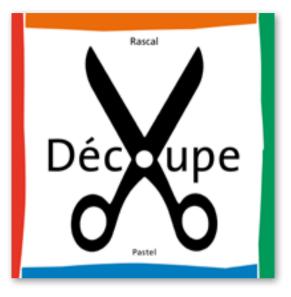
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Let's Decoupage!

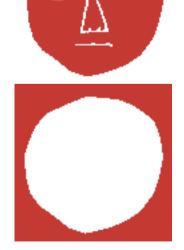
Rascal



A pair of scissors, crayons and a few sheets of paper are all you need to create a thousand wonders. Snippity snip! Will this pretty circle become a clock or a face? And will this triangle become an ice cream cone or a tepee? It's all up to you! Let your imagination run wild!

Rascal was born in Belgium. After working in advertising, drawing posters for the theatre, Rascal decided to devote himself to children's books. He has been awarded with the Triennial Prize for Children's Literature by the Belgian government 2009-2012.

Age: 4+
Themes: Forms | Creativity | Images to play
32 pages | 200 x 200 mm | Hardcover





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A Fabulous Present (new edition)

Mario Ramos



Age: 4+
Themes: Imagination | Storytelling
32 pages | 170 x 240 mm | Hardcover

When he gets home from school, Thomas finds a huge present in his room. It's a surprise from Grandpa. But the box is completely empty! "What a stupid present!" he shouts. Then a sunbeam crosses the room and shines on the big box. Thomas goes up to it and climbs inside. He slips into another world...

Mario Ramos was born in Brussels. He is a dedicated author for children and professionals and has published his 33 albums with Pastel. His wolves, pigs, monkeys and other characters make children and adults laugh and think, all over the world. He left us in 2012.







Jan, the Little Painter

Jean-Luc Englebert



Jan dreams of becoming a great painter. For the time being, he is an apprentice to a master, so he curiously observes everything that happens in the studio and in his bedroom at night, he copies the painter's gestures. One day, an urgent order gives Jan the opportunity to demonstrate his talents...

Jean-Luc Englebert was born in Verviers, Belgium, in 1968. He attended courses at the Saint-Luc Institute in Brussels and soon became an illustrator of children's books. His stories are tender, illustrated by luminous and sober watercolours.



Age: 5+
Themes: Artistic creation | Assertiveness | Painting | History: 15th century
40 pages | 200 x 260 mm | Hardcover





The Woman Who Was Expecting a Child to Love and the Man Who Was Expecting a Boy

Anne-Catherine De Boel – Text by Alain Serge Dzotap



For some, this tale is the same age as the round belly of the woman who was expecting a child to love. For others, it came into the world when the man who was expecting a boy said: "When you give birth, if it's a girl, get rid of it! If it's a boy, set the bird free so it can deliver the good news to me!"

Anne-Catherine De Boel was born in 1975 in Namur, Belgium. She studied illustration at the Saint-Luc Institute in Liège. She lived a long time in Africa which she particularly loves because of its range of colours bursting with sun and heat.

Alain Serge Dzotap was born in 1978 in Bafoussam, Cameroon. He discovered stories for the first time in school. Since then, he has never stopped reading stories from around the world. He writes stories for children, poems and articles on children's literature. He also organizes writing workshops and public readings.

Age: 5+
Themes: Status of women | Tale | Africa | Tradition | Abandoned child
40 pages | 240 x 310 mm | Hardcover

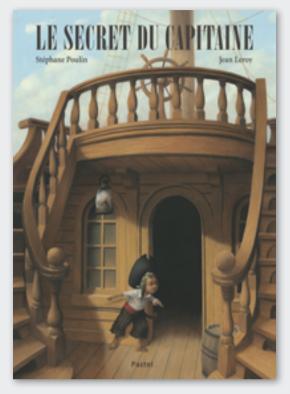






The Captain's Secret

Stéphane Poulin – Text by Jean Leroy



Age: 5+
Themes: Corsair | Transmission | Secret | Adventure
36 pages | 240 x 340 mm | Hardcover

Young Valia is a ship's apprentice on board the Intrepid. Between feats of arms and adventures across the seas, she wants to be strong and fearless like the captain of the ship, Basil the Brave. One night, a fire spreads on board. Valia will save the brave buccaneer but also discover another side of Basil: a secret to be treasured.

Born in Montréal in 1961, Stéphane Poulin studied graphic arts at the Collège Ahuntsic in Montréal. He mostly enjoys oil and one can discover his work in over a hundred books. He is the recipient of numerous awards.

Jean Leroy was born in Valenciennes, France, in 1975. He has been passionate about writing since childhood. Today, Jean Leroy writes a lot of stories for toddlers but also for adults.







The Great Treasure

Julien Béziat – Text by Carl Norac



Age: 5+
Themes: Inuit | Initiation | Philosophy | Finding oneself
40 pages | 200 x 260 mm | Hardcover

Young Inuit Apik wakes up with a question on his mind: "How do I become stronger with my mind than with my two arms?" As he travels across the ice and meets new people, he will discover that the journey is more important than the answer itself.

Julien Béziat was born in 1978 in Périgueux, France. Growing up, he drew and painted beside his father while sharing his mother's love of books. After receiving his degree from the University of Bordeaux, he became a professor of fine arts and earned his Ph.D. "Mäko", his first book, has been awarded with the Montreuil Youth Book Fair Prize.

Born in Belgium, Carl Norac worked as a French teacher, a television scriptwriter, and a journalist before devoting himself to writing. In addition to poetry and plays, he has written many children's books (most of which at Pastel) and received a lot of awards. He was chosen to be Belgium's National Poet for 2020.



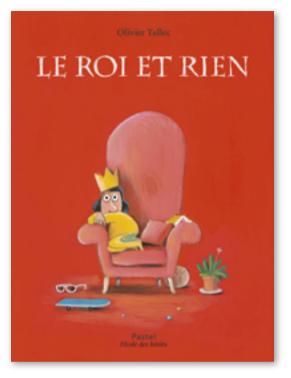






The King in Search of Nothing

Olivier Tallec

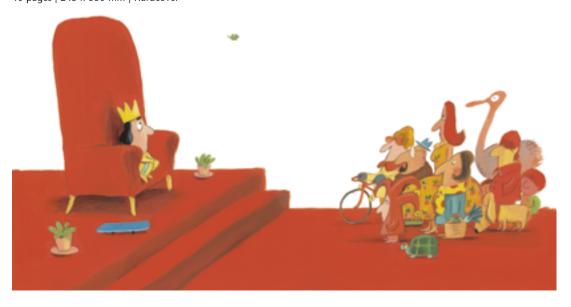


This is the story of a king who had everything. He had absolutely everything, from trunkless elephants to caramel-flavoured ice skates. He was a great collector and there was almost nothing he didn't have. Or rather... all he didn't have was NOTHING. The king who had everything set off on a quest to find NOTHING.

Olivier Tallec was born in Brittany. After graduating from the École supérieure d'arts appliqués Duperré, he travelled to Asia, then Brazil, Madagascar, Chile... He now works in Paris as an illustrator for magazines and books.



Age: 5+ Themes: Humour | Philosophy | Stubbornness 40 pages | 245 x 330 mm | Hardcover



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NEWS from the Amazing Squirrel by Olivier Tallec

GAME: It's My Game! Release fall 2022



Squirrels don't like to lend their pinecones... it's their only fault!
In order to protect YOUR tree and YOUR pinecones... no matter on which foot you start off – it's all about running!
Help your squirrel cross the forest and collect pinecones faster than its opponents.

From age 4 - 2 to 4 players Time required: 10 minutes

1 board, 4 game pieces, 24 tokens, 1 die

Co-publisher: Play Bac

Themes: Strategy | Numeracy | Speed

BOOK: The Best Best Friend Release 2023



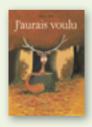
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