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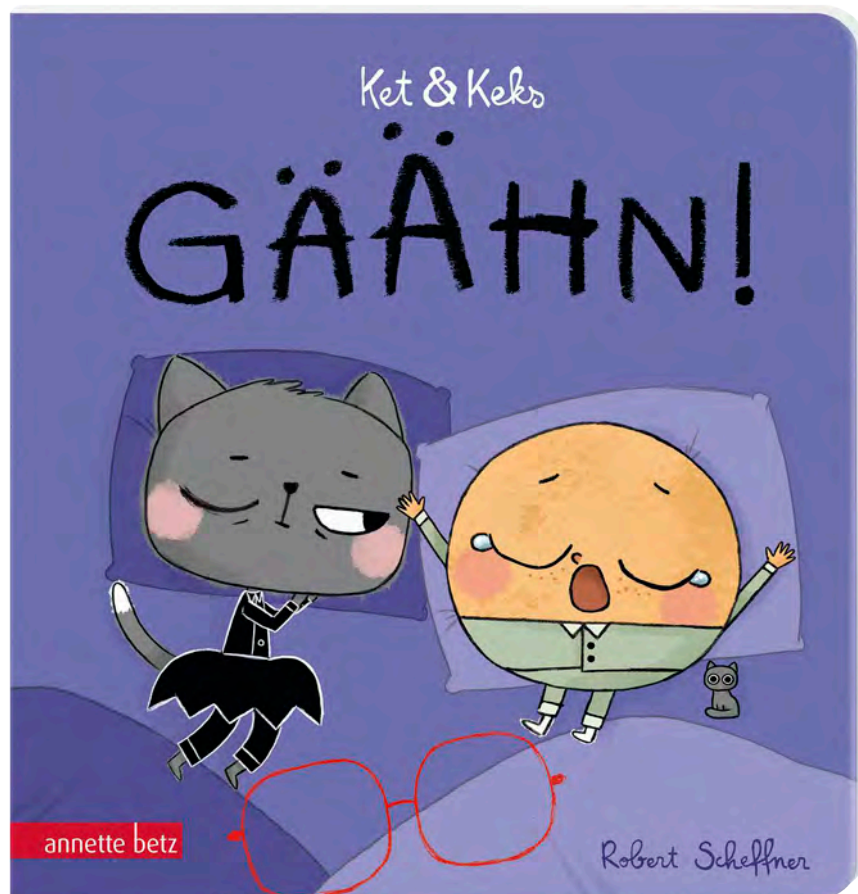
Yawn!

- **A bedtime story that makes every child giggle and every parent nod knowingly**
- **Everyday childhood—told with humor and heart by Robert Scheffner, creator of “Rufus ist sauer”**

Robert Scheffner
Yawn!

Board book
22 pages | 20 × 21 cm
24+ months

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Robert Scheffner studied creepy communication with a focus on illustration and animation. At the beginning of the century, he became self-employed. To this day, he draws, crafts, writes and carves pumpkins and haunts his house near Frankfurt am Main.

Ket and Keks have had a big day and now it's time for bed. But Ket's cat basket is much cozier than Keks's cookie tin, and Keks doesn't even have a nightlight... Luckily, Ket knows just what to do and creates the dreamiest cuddle haven for Keks. At last, Keks can fall asleep in his own bed — well, almost. Because cuddling up with Ket is the very best way to drift off!

A snuggly bedtime tale – cuddly as a kitten and sweet as a cookie.

Owie!

- A sugar-sweet story about little ouchies and big comfort!
- A funny, wonderful board book about getting hurt—and being soothed

Robert Scheffner
Owie!

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Today is a wild day, and while playing ball, Keks gets hit. Ouch! Oh dear! Ket didn't mean it, and she's truly sorry. Of course, Ket wants to comfort Keks and help him feel better soon. Luckily, the medicine cabinet is full of bandages and there's even an emergency baking mix, so little cookies are back to feeling good in no time!

An irresistibly sweet tale about little Owies – and great comfort.

My Musical Fairy Tales – Beauty and the Beast



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My Musical Fairy Tales: The
Nutcracker and the Mouse King

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My Musical Fairy Tales: Hansel
and Gretel

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Cornelia Boese has spent many years working as an opera prompter, children's concert speaker, and stage musician at theaters from Innsbruck to Stockholm. Today, she lives as a freelance poet in Würzburg, writing cheerful rhyming books for children and adults.



Greta Wagener grew up in a small village near Siegen, surrounded by beautiful forests and meadows. From an early age, she began creating stories and illustrations, a passion that eventually led her to study illustration in Münster, where she is still located.

- **The beloved fairy tale, newly retold – perfect for joyous read-aloud moments**
- **Light, playful rhymes that are easy to grasp and a delight for adults, too**

Cornelia Boese / Greta Wagener
My Musical Fairy Tales – Beauty and the Beast

Board book
 26 pages | 20 × 21 cm
 3+

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Accompanying audiobook with music and text, for streaming and download:

Orchestra: Staatskapelle Dresden
 Speaker: Josefine Preuß
 Playing time: approx. 20 minutes

The violin sang—and what happened?
 The Beast was gone; a prince stood there.
 “My thanks—I’m free at last!” he said.
 And to this day, the two are in love...

With rhymes and music, children discover the classic tale of Beauty and the Beast in a whole new way.

Waiting for You



Tipp



How to Raise Your Parents Right

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Katharina Grossmann-Hensel studied illustration in Hamburg. She lived in Paris for three years, where she also published her first picture book. Nowadays she lives in Berlin and works as a freelance author and illustrator.

Top Title

- A touching picture book about waiting – and the joy of being back in each other's arms
- The author received Global Illustration Excellence Award in 2016 and was nominated for the Deutscher Bilderbuchpreis in 2021
- Katharina Grossmann-Hensel is a bestselling author in Taiwan: her title "Losing is for Winners" has sold over 42.000 copies

Katharina Grossmann-Hensel
Waiting for You

Hardcover
 32 pages | 21,5 × 27,5 cm
 4+

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Every child knows this situation: sometimes a beloved soft toy simply can't come along and has to stay at home. But what does the cuddly toy do there all alone? The answer is clear – it misses the child.

It waits for as long as an episode of his favourite TV show and much, much longer. It feels like a hat without a head, like toast without butter, like a moon without stars. Until, at last – the child finally comes home again.

With sensitivity, text and images tell of waiting and longing.

Sharing Grandma



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The Dino Detectives

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The Stolen Christmas Goose

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Johanna Lindemann has worked as a fairground vendor, a less-than-talented bartender, and an honest copywriter. Her two daughters have made her a better person—and now she most loves telling her stories to children, because that's when eyes shine the brightest.

- A funny tale about sharing
- Granny and grandchildren – an unbeatable team!
- Proves that love multiplies when it's shared

Johanna Lindemann / Andrea Stegmaier
Sharing Grandma

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Anna doesn't like sharing at all. Most of all, she wants her grandma all to herself during the holidays. But this time, Anna's cousin Tarek arrives at Grandma's at the very same time. The two decide to split Grandma exactly down the middle: Anna gets the left half, Tarek the right. So Grandma cooks spaghetti with her right hand while rolling out pizza dough with her left—and promptly falls fast asleep, utterly exhausted, while putting them to bed. That's when Anna and Tarek realize: together is better than alone.

A holiday adventure that shows sharing isn't so hard – and can even be fun.

A Troll Child in the Blueberry Soup



Outi Kaden was born in 1966 into a German-Finnish family. Since 2010, she has been illustrating and writing stories about gnomes, trolls, and other mythical creatures that make readers feel instantly at home. She lives near Frankfurt.

- **Everyone will see themselves here: from boisterous troll kids to a growly bear who needs his quiet time**
- **An important everyday theme – mutual understanding – told with humor and empathy**
- **With richly detailed illustrations by an author who knows the land of trolls like the back of her hand**

Outi Kaden

A Troll Child in the Blueberry Soup

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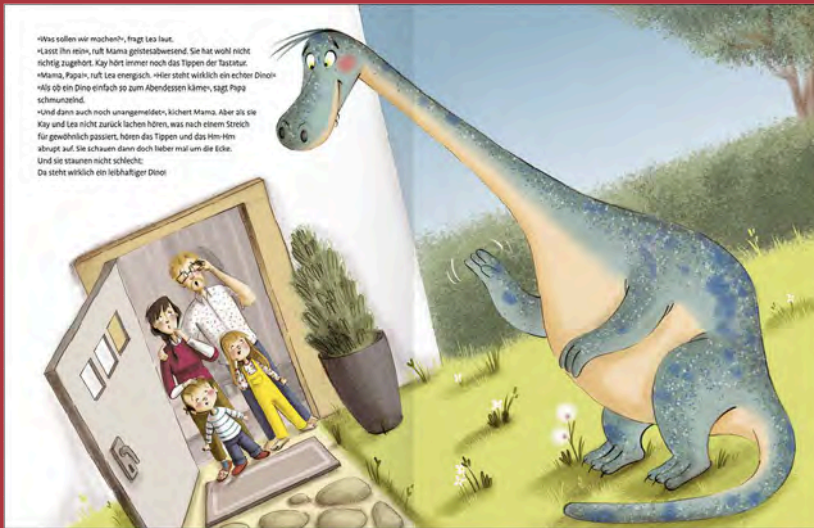
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A bear, who loves routine and quiet, agrees to look after eleven troll children for a day. His plan: he'll read to them and play the violin. The troll mother looks doubtful before she leaves and with good reason: troll children are anything but quiet; they want to play and jump! When one of them even ends up in bear's blueberry soup, the chaos is complete. Troll children just have to romp! Good thing apologies and shared ideas turn it into the best day for everyone after all...

A wild-and-cozy story about different needs and creative solutions.

Picnic with a Dinosaur



Britta Sabbag, a trained linguist, scored a major German best-seller with her first book. More than 80 books and several children's classics followed. She lives with her family in a country house near Bonn.



Marta Balmaseda was born in Gijón, Spain. After studying art education in Seville, she moved to Munich, where she lives and works today. She has published more than 20 books in various countries and languages.

- A lovingly offbeat family story that shows what really matters
- About the daily hustle and true quality time
- By bestselling author within DACH: Britta Sabbag

Britta Sabbag / Marta Balmaseda

Picnic with a Dinosaur

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It's supposed to be dinnertime, but Kay is still zooming wildly around the table, his big sister Lea is annoyed, Dad has to make a quick call, and Mom is on her laptop... Then the doorbell rings. A real dinosaur is standing outside—and suddenly nothing else matters! Because their special guest won't fit at the table, they move dinner outside and have a picnic. The dino quickly gobbles everything up. So Mom has an idea: let's make a casserole. Together they chop, cook, and laugh—and feel closer than they have in a long time.

An unexpected visitor shows how wonderful shared moments can be.

Benjamin the Digger — Small Shovel, Big Treasures



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Michael Engler writes plays, radio dramas, and books. His picture books, such as the Elefantastisch series and A Funny Bird, are loved by both children and adults and have been translated into many languages. Michael Engler lives in Düsseldorf.



René Amthor studied Game Design at the Mediadesign University in Düsseldorf. In late 2015, he founded the creative studio “Studio Vieleck” with his wife. He illustrates children’s and family games, colouring books, computer games – and, of course, picture books. René lives with his family in Hilden.

- **Mighty construction machines and a warm-hearted story – the perfect read-aloud mix!**
- **A little digger makes a big discovery: construction sites and excavations fascinate young readers**
- **Long-awaited: a digger as the protagonist in the successful vehicle series**

Michael Engler / René Amthor

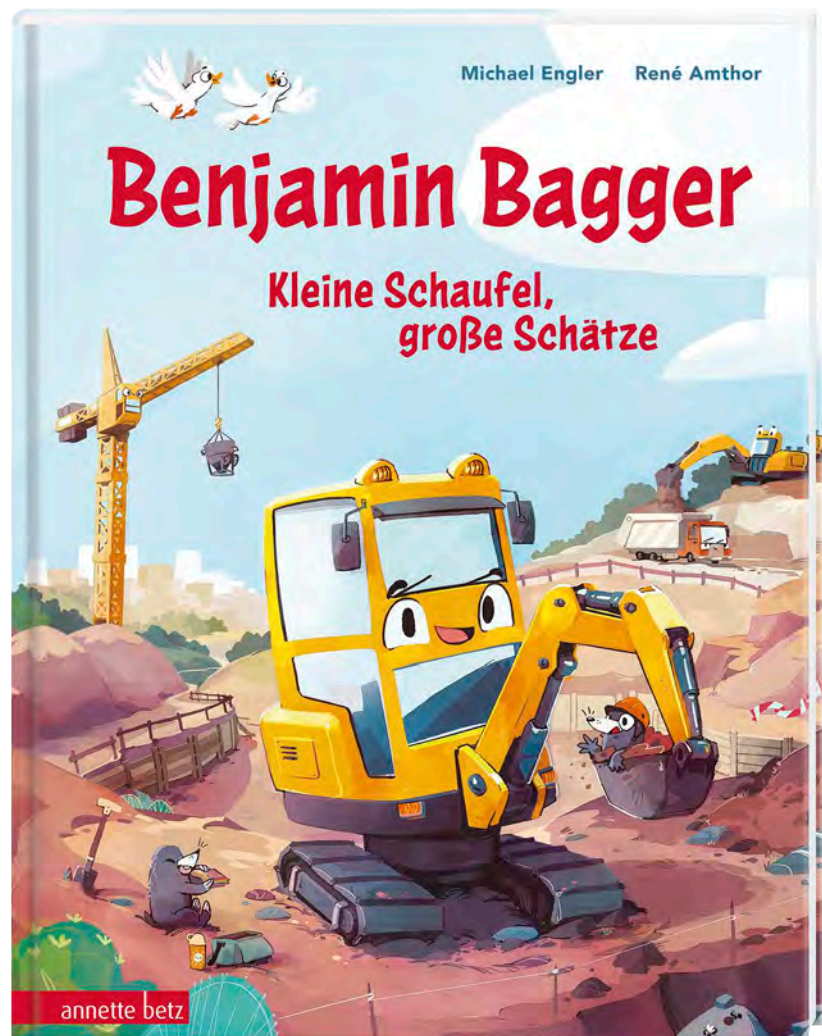
Benjamin the Digger – Small Shovel, Big Treasures

Hardcover

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Benjamin Bagger is excited: today is his first day on the big construction site. He's so excited that he arrives with his lunch box long before the other vehicles. But his first day doesn't go as Benjamin imagined: the big machines don't trust him with heavy jobs. Some even chuckle at the new colleague... Then the little digger makes a big discovery—and only he can unearth the valuable find. Everything changes!

An adventurous story starring the heroes of many children's hearts: diggers, cranes, and more.

Liory and the Night of Lights



Hilda Gardner is a special education teacher and actress. After training in London, she toured with renowned theater companies, including in the United States. Today, in her “Pomerei” studio in Bavaria, she develops plays, stories, and songs.



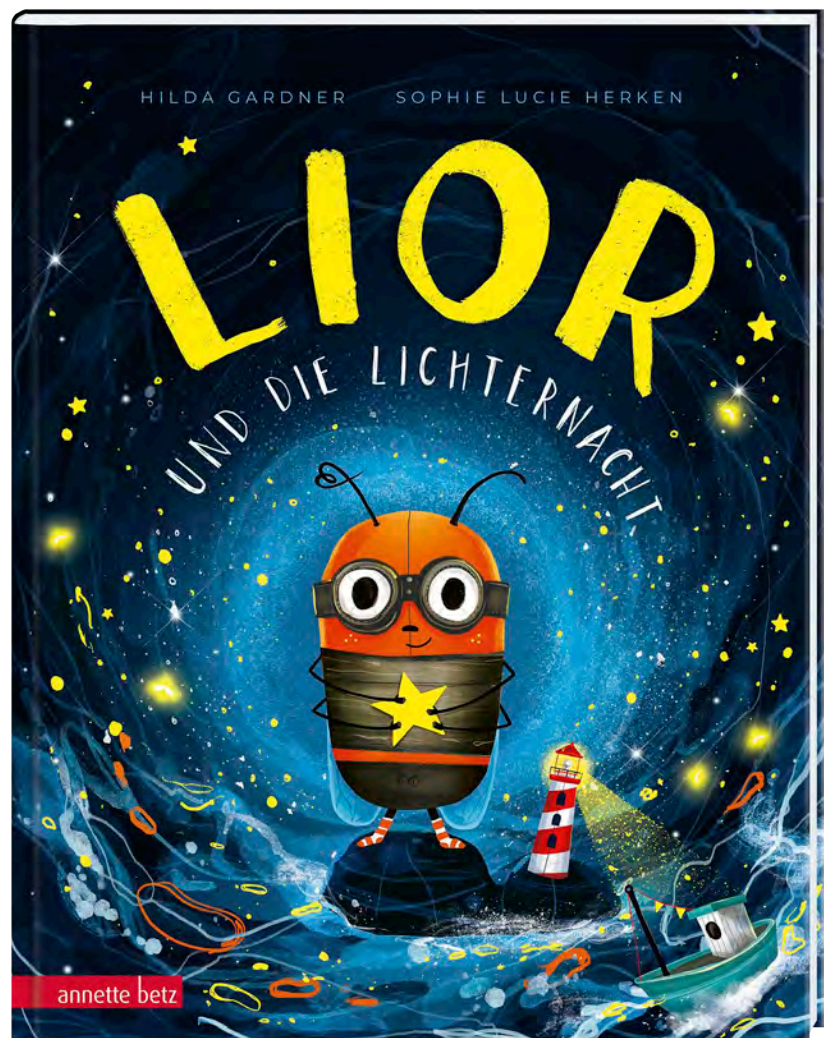
Sophie Herken lives in Berlin and is half German, half Swedish, half child, half adult, half graphic designer, half illustrator—and she loves both sides of each. Whenever time allows, she spends as much of it as possible by the sea.

- **This story shows that everyone can shine in their own way**
- **A little beetle finds their courage and grows beyond their limits**
- **Together, even the trickiest situations can be solved**

Hilda Gardner / Sophie Herken
Liory and the Night of Lights

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Firefly Lior dreams of becoming a light guide. At today's Festival of Lights, the young fireflies are meant to shine in the night sky for the very first time – but Lior just can't do it. Heartbroken, he flies off toward the beach. There he discovers that the lighthouse is dark tonight – and a ship is heading straight for the shore! Together with the other fireflies, Lior just manages to avert disaster, proving that he is a wonderful captain of light guides after all.

An inspiring story about courage, teamwork, and your own special sparkle.

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The Little Bad Puzzle Book – Slimy, Sneaky Sticker Puzzles

- **With an exciting story and a sticker sheet: stick the stickers – solve the puzzles**
- **Varied challenges that build concentration and are tons of fun**
- **A brand-new, stand-alone mission in the beloved puzzle-book series that is perfect as a gift**

Magnus Myst / Thomas Hussung / Schuft /
Ute Löwenberg
**The Little Bad Puzzle Book – Slimy, Sneaky
Sticker Puzzles**

Paperback
with full-colour illustrations and stickers
80 pages | 17 × 24 cm
8+

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Magnus Myst runs the agency for time travel, quantum magic and adventure alongside his work as a magician. Apart from that, he's just a normal person who, stupidly, can't stop being fascinated by the wonders of the universe.

Thomas Hussung, born in 1990 in Baden-Württemberg, studied communication design in Hamburg and now works as a freelance illustrator and author. His favourite things to draw are monsters, ghosts and other mythical creatures.

Completely slimed! Musty, stinky slime has glued up the pages of The Little Bad Book! Who can rescue it?

The slime trail winds through a labyrinthine sewer system. But beware! The puzzle stickers must be placed in exactly the right spots—only then can you bridge chasms, decode the missing piece of a secret message, and free The Little Bad Book. Ready, set, stick!

The brand-new puzzle adventure with sticker sheet for all fans of The Little Bad Book!

The Little Bad Book – Planner 2026/2027

- **The cult-favorite school planner for all fans of The Little Bad Book**
- **Packed with jokes, puzzles, tricks, and excuses**
- **Back to school!**

The Little Bad Book – Planner 2026/2027

Hardcover
176 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
8+

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For Brainy Kids: The Little Bad Book School Planner! Spookily delightful weekly spreads with monstrously much room to write! For homework, appointments, and the funniest teacher quotes—peppered with jokes, puzzles, and an excuse finder.

Totally booked for the school year with The Little Bad Book!

Pippa Pocket – The Unicorn Up My Sleeve



Andrea Schütze has tried nearly every hobby you can imagine. In the end, she stuck with reading—and that's why she loves writing books so much. She lives with her daughters and a cat in a pink house in the middle of the Black Forest.



Eleni Livanios studied art history and completed a distance-learning program in children's and young adult literature. Since 2003, she has worked as an author and illustrator for various children's and YA publishers. She lives in Graz with her family, two cats, and an Icelandic horse.

- **Every girl's dream: a unicorn in your pocket!**
- **Beloved themes: friendship, magic, and unicorns**
- **Warmhearted and humorous storytelling by Andrea Schütze, enchantingly illustrated by Eleni Livanios**

Andrea Schütze / Eleni Livanios
Pippa Pocket – The Unicorn Up My Sleeve

Hardcover
 with full-colour illustrations
 144 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
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Because of computer chaos at the Office for Magical Creatures, Unicorn No. 17 is accidentally sent to the human world, straight into Mia's life. Mia, who is struggling with friendship troubles, gladly welcomes the sparkly little unicorn as a much-needed cheer-up. Life suddenly seems much sweeter with rainbows and fizzy candy.

But it's only when Mia befriends a new classmate that her sadness truly disappears. Little unicorn magic is wonderful, though but real friendship is better!

A glittering, magical friendship adventure for unicorn fans big and small.

FC Stinky Socks — A Goalkeeping Miracle

- **The standout soccer series for the World Cup: packed with team spirit, stinky socks, and sly humor**
- **2 Volumes published, the third planned for Spring27**
- **Created by soccer fan and gifted storyteller Oliver Schlick**

Oliver Schlick / Julia Christians
FC Stinky Socks — A Goalkeeping Miracle

Hardcover
 with full-colour illustrations
 ca. 160 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
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Oliver Schlick works in residential youth care and refugee work. When he's not writing, he spends his free time collecting snow globes and tin toys and listening excessively to "The Cure".

Emil can't believe it: for the new season, his club can't even field an under-13 team and there just aren't enough kids in town. The club board is at a loss. Then the children hit on a rescue plan: they merge the girls' and boys' teams. The new squad must prove itself in hard-fought friendlies—and at first, everything goes wrong. And you can't win without self-belief! What helps? Team spirit, training, and a very special good-luck charm: the famously pungent socks of a club legend...

Team spirit, larger-than-life characters and whiffy lucky charms: a humorous story by gifted storyteller Oliver Schlick, with vibrant, full-color illustrations.

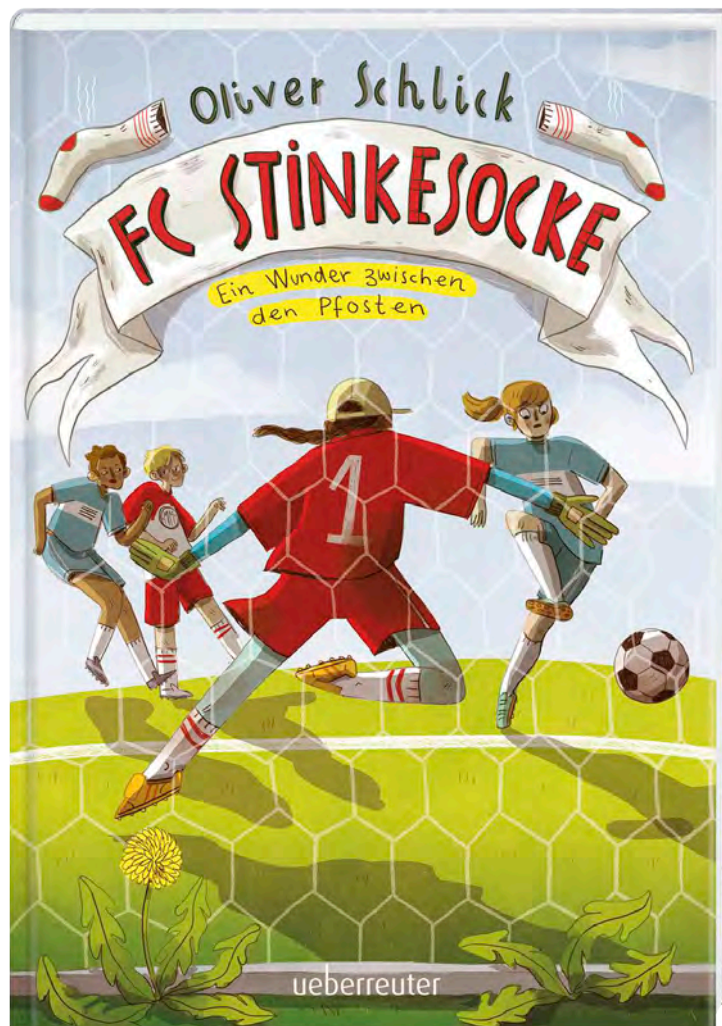
FC Stinky Socks – A Miracle Between the Goalposts

- **Featuring numerous full-color illustrations by Julia Christians**
- **Luck or self-confidence: on the magical power of superstition**
- **13.000+ copies sold of the series**

Oliver Schlick / Julia Christians
FC Stinky Socks – A Miracle Between the Goalposts

Hardcover
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In the second volume: Emil's team swear by their very special good-luck charms: the legendary Stinky Socks! With them, the squad is unbeatable. But when Emil forgets the lucky socks at home, a string of mishaps begins—even goalkeeper Maggy gets injured—and suddenly everything is at stake. Luckily, gymnastics whiz Elena shows up, bringing not only a breath of fresh air but a surge of courage to the team. Because maybe the real edge doesn't come from old socks at all, but from team spirit and self-belief.

A laugh-out-loud soccer adventure about friendship and team spirit—proving that sometimes you make your own luck!

Whispering Forest – The Magic Academy: The Revenge of the Mirror Warriors



300.000+
copies sold



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Born in Landau in the Palatinate in 1982, Andreas Suchanek studied computer science, although his heart was always set on books. His works have been honoured with awards such as the Deutscher Phantastik Preis and the Lovely-Books, Readers' Choice Award.



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Timo Grubing, studied illustration in Münster and afterwards returned to his hometown of Bochum. As a freelance illustrator, his work is incredibly varied: illustrates books, games, comics and anything else that comes his way.

- **Twelve volumes of the series already published!**
- **Huge fanbase: popular on social media and multiple winner of the LovelyBooks Community Award**
- **Now also available with an exciting story game application**

Andreas Suchanek / Timo Grubing
**Whispering Forest – The Magic Academy:
 The Revenge of the Mirror Warriors**

Hardcover
 256 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
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Lukas, Ella, and their Whisperwood friends are in despair: their adversary has managed to open the portal to the mirror side, and now all the mirror twins are pouring through to subjugate the Magical Academy. Lukas, Ella, Menok Rani, Punchy the cat, and Felicitas the fairy will stop at nothing to hold the mirror twins back—and in the process, they uncover an ancient, ominous secret.

The final battle for the Academy!

Magic Island – Call of the Soul Animals

- **Action, witty dialogue, and thrilling cliffhangers: Top-notch reading entertainment**
- **An impressive island world featuring talking soul animals**
- **An action-packed adventure series from *Flüsterwald* author Andreas Suchanek**

Andreas Suchanek / Timo Grubing
Magic Island – Call of the Soul Animals

Hardcover
 with b/w illustrations
 ca. 256 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
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On his way to school, Julian is swept up by a magical wave, pulled into a billboard column, and suddenly finds himself in the dense jungle of an enchanted island. There, he meets his soul animal – a talking husky named Askan – and encounters fierce, lizard-like pursuers. Julian learns that he is one of four teenagers from around the world summoned to the island, chosen to protect it from an ancient evil. But something has gone terribly wrong, and one of the four is a traitor...

Gripping from the very first line – this is a book you won't want to put down!

Magic Island – On Secret Wings

- **Spirit animals, magic & friendship: four young heroes battling evil**
- **A page-turner full of surprising twists and spectacular cliffhangers**
- **More than 20.000 copies sold of the series**

Andreas Suchanek / Timo Grubing
Magic Island – On Secret Wings

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Julian, Kiano, Aiko, and Lani have been chosen. They are the heroes of Elenum Island, destined to protect the world from evil. At their side are their spirit animals: Husky Askan, Dragon Timur, Falcon Azul, and Dolphin Flip. Time is running out: the dark Caleb is determined to free the legendary Anti-Heroes from their prisons. To stop his sinister plan and protect the magic, Julian and his friends must join forces and confront their deepest fears...

An adventure you won't be able to put down!

Earth 13: Into the Unknown



Andreas Langer spent fifteen years working as a local editor and copywriter. Today, he documents rural life in Swabia. Andreas Langer received the Kranichsteiner Literature Fellowship for his children's book "Snow Kids".



Alina Brost studied Communication Design and now illustrates children's books, always in search of adventures in stories of all kinds. She lives in Augsburg with her partner and four cats.

- **The first volume of a new children’s book series by award-winning author Andreas Langer**
- **Blast off into space: a thrilling adventure on a distant planet!**
- **A futuristic, imaginative world filled with unknown creatures, dangers, and secrets**

Andreas Langer / Alina Brost
Earth 13: Into the Unknown

Hardcover
 with full-colour illustrations
 256 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
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Levi and Gwendolin are part of an expedition sent to colonize a distant planet after Earth has become uninhabitable. But the landing goes wrong, and the two eleven-year-olds are stranded in an unknown world full of wonders and dangers, between mysterious landscapes and purple lakes. As they search for other expedition members, they find themselves in serious trouble: and uncover an incredible secret aboard an abandoned spacecraft...

Exciting, mysterious, and atmospheric, a whole new world awaits!

Fux Witterling and the Source of Magic

Tip



Liva, Bear's Daughter – Wild Child of the Forest

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Gregor Wolf, born in 1977, studied Egyptology and conducted research on the realm of the Pharaohs. Today, he writes fantastical stories for children and young adults. He lives with his family among lavender and raspberry bushes near Munich.

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Top Title

- **A heartwarming read about an outsider finding his way to himself and into readers' hearts**
- **Atmospheric fantasy: a dreamlike heroic journey**
- **Press favorite Gregor Wolf delivers a new standout story**

Gregor Wolf
Fux Witterling and the Source of Magic

Hardcover
352 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
10+

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In a remote village, Fux Witterling lives with his uncle Tobis. One day, the tooth collector Esma and the faun Bocksbein appear and steal a mysterious artifact from Tobis: a magical stone once owned by Fux's father. When Fux follows them, he discovers his ability to sense magic. Suddenly, he finds himself caught up in dangerous intrigues, all driven by the same goal: the return of the vanished magic.

An adventurous story with an important message: with great power comes great responsibility.

Bandit Summer



DER ÜBERFALL

Am nächsten Morgen schlich Kroko in Bernhards Zimmer. Die Nacht war heiß gewesen und ein Paradies für Moskitos, die Kroko die halbe Nacht gepiesackt hatten.

Bernhard lag – alle viere von sich gestreckt – auf dem Bett und schmachte. Eine Fliege saß auf seinem Zeh. Luis schlief friedlich neben ihm.

Kroko hasste Streit. Er wollte alles vergessen und seinem Vater mit einem Frühstück eine Freude bereiten. Leise nahm er sich etwas Geld aus der Börse seines Vaters und steckte es in die Hosentasche. Dann streifte er seine Sneaker über, holte sich den Zweitschlüssel von der Kommode und zog die Tür hinter sich zu.

Die Luft in der Gasse war schwül und salzig. Trotz der frühen Morgenstunde brannte die Sonne heiß auf das Kopfsteinpflaster. Kroko drückte sich enger an die kalten, steinernen Hauswände und zog die

Schirmmütze tiefer in sein Gesicht. Bei einem Laden, der unweit der steinernen Kathedrale lag, kaufte er ein paar Brötchen, Wurst und einen Kakao für Luis und trat wieder hinaus auf die Straße.

Plötzlich prallte er zurück wie vor einer unsichtbaren Wand.

Scharfe Fangzähne versperrten ihm den Weg.

Ein zähnefülschender Schäferhund knurrte ihn an. Er war schwarz wie die Nacht und reichte ihm fast bis zur Hüfte. Über sein rechtes Auge zog sich eine wulstige Narbe. Er war abgemagert und die Rippen traten unter seinen Muskeln hervor. Drei weitere Hunde, ein Mischling, ein Drahthaar und ein dicker mit kurzen Beinen, flankierten ihn. Wilder Hunger loderte in ihren Augen. Laut bellend sprangen sie mit gebleckten Zähnen auf Kroko zu und wichen wieder zurück.

Kroko begann am ganzen Körper zu zittern. Er wusste, er sollte zurück in den Laden laufen und Hilfe holen. Aber es war, als hätte jemand einen Stecker gezogen. Er war unfähig, sich zu regen. Der Anblick der wilden Straßenhunde jagte ihm lavaheiße Panik durch seine Adern, sein Atem ging immer schneller. Doch seine Kehle war wie zugeschnürt. Je hektischer er nach Luft schnappte, desto weniger gelangte in seine Lunge. Ihm wurde schwarz vor Augen. Sein Körper gehorchte ihm nicht mehr, seine Finger verkrampften. Die Tüte mit dem Essen fiel auf den Boden und die Wurst kullerte hinaus.

Auf einmal stieß ihn etwas Hartes in den Rücken. Kroko taumelte zur Seite. Der Ladenbesitzer drängte sich mit einem Besen an ihm vorbei, den er hoch über den Kopf hielt.



Mirjam Raymond works as a film producer and author. She was a fellow at the Academy for Children's Media and received the 2023 Children's Book Fellowship from the City of Munich. Her passion lies in creating stories that leave a lasting impact.

- **Pure excitement: a realistic adventure story about an extraordinary friendship with street dogs**
- **Strong relatable protagonist: a boy who overcomes his fears and gains self-confidence**
- **The author was nominated for the Paul Maar Prize, a German children's literature award honoring outstanding emerging talent**

Mirjam Raymond
Bandit Summer

Hardcover
 320 pages | 14,8 × 21 cm
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No sooner have 12-year-old Korbinian and his younger brother Luis arrived at their holiday destination in Croatia than, through unfortunate circumstances, they are separated from their father. Struggling to manage on their own, they encounter four street dogs and form a makeshift alliance that gradually grows into genuine friendship. But the dogs have eaten some valuable stolen goods, and while the boys' father searches frantically for his sons, ruthless crooks are equally determined to track down the strays...

Four dogs, two brothers, and an irresistible summer adventure!

Rory Shy, the Shy Detective – The Mysterious Case of the Bride

85.000+
copies sold



Winner of the
Glauser-Prize 2023
CATEGORY
"Children Crime
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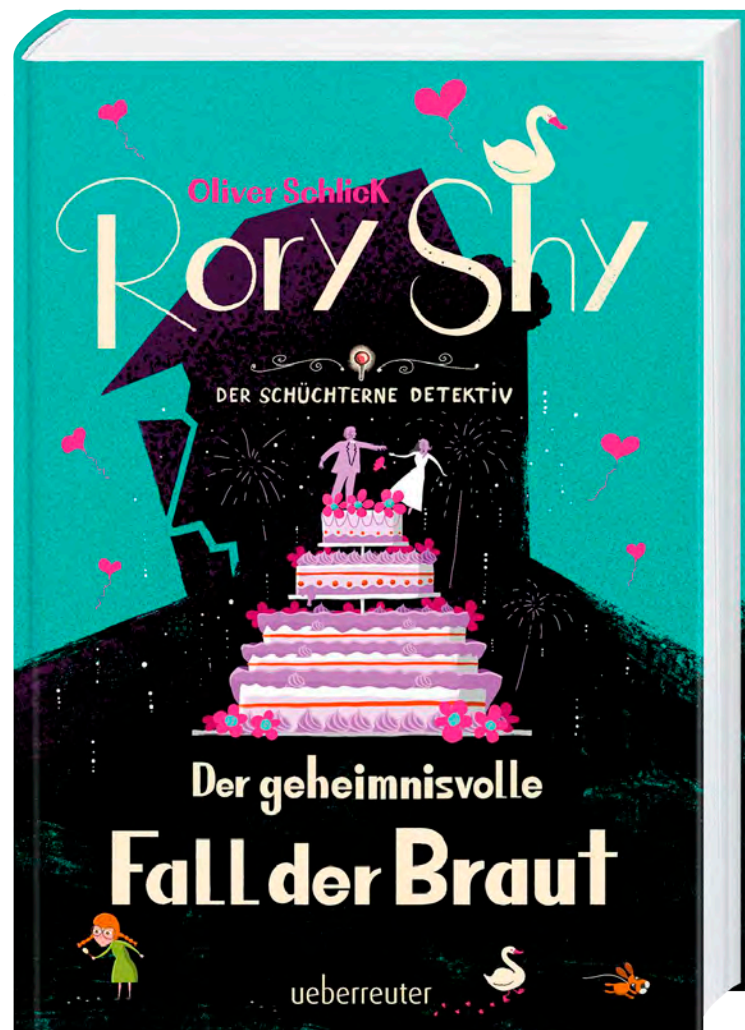
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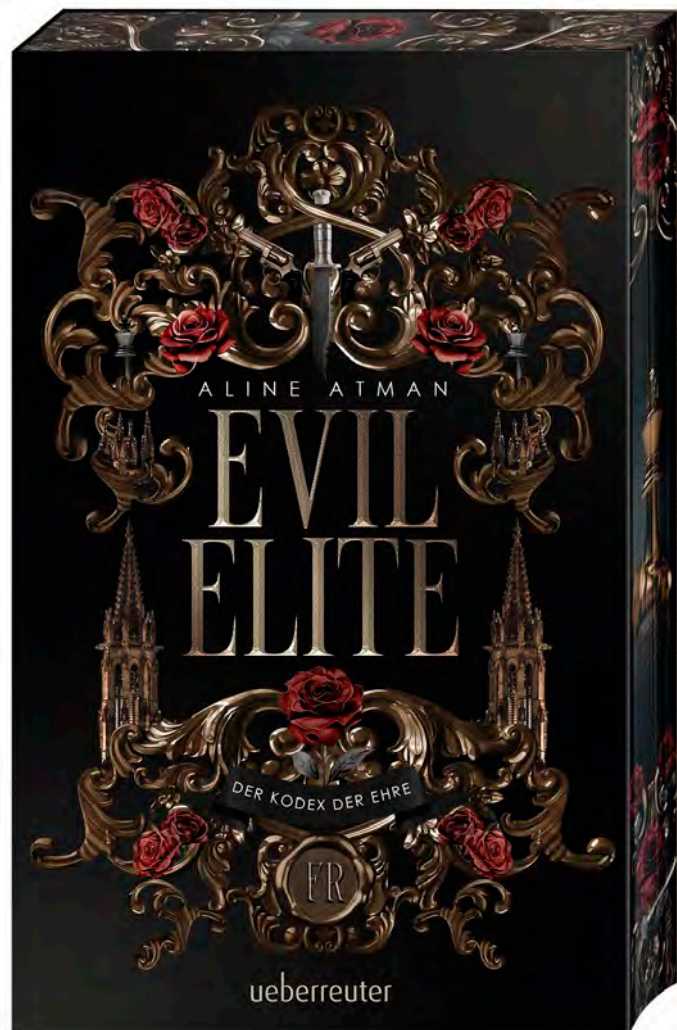
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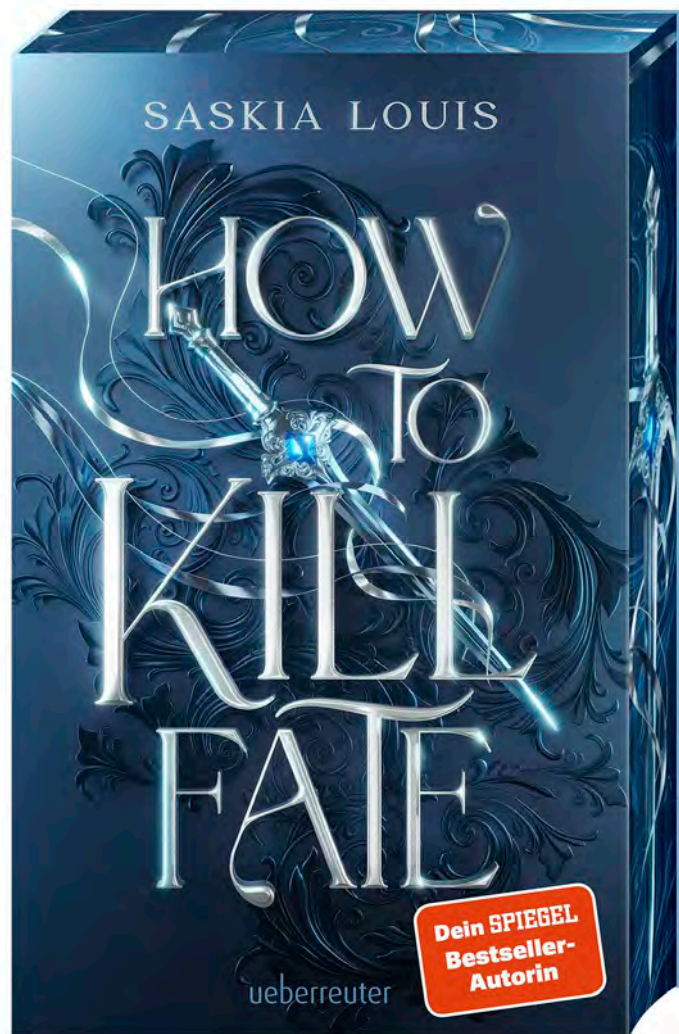
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