

Rights Guide





Pssst! We're planning a surprise party for Bear!



It's Bear's birthday. But shhh... don't wake him! Because Penguin, Raccoon, Frog and all his clumsy friends are planning a wonderful surprise party! Shake the book to help the animals with the tangled paper chain. Can you find the switch to turn on the fairy lights? Quick – tip the book to stop the hot chocolate falling off the table... Phew! You did it! Now let's sing 'Happy Birthday' nice and loudly to wake Bear up. What a surprise!

Brilliant interactive ideas for very little ones

Over 40,000 copies sold across the series!

Ralf Butschkow
Do Not Wake Him Up!
(Bloß nicht wecken!)

4-colour illustrations
by Ralf Butschkow
190 x 190 mm
26 pages
February 2024

Also available:



Do Not Open!
26 pages



Do Not Shake!
26 pages

Rights sold: (individual titles in the series): Brazil, Denmark, Finland, France, Hungary, Japan, Korea, Netherlands, Slovakia, Sweden, Taiwan, Vietnam



Also available:



The Big Christmas
Party at the Zoo
(Vol. 5)
32 pages



Offspring at the Zoo
(Vol. 4)
32 pages



Bedtime at the Zoo
(Vol. 3)
32 pages



Carnival at the Zoo
(Vol. 2)
32 pages



The Big Teeth Brushing
Day at the Zoo (Vol. 1)
32 pages

Rights sold: (individual titles in the series): Azerbaijan, Bosnia, Brazil, China, Czech Republic, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Korea, The Netherlands, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain (Castilian & Catalan), Taiwan, Turkey, USA (English World Rights)

Everyone knows that's not true!



What's wrong with the zookeeper today? For some reason he just won't stop fibbing – he's saying zebras have round spots. Everyone knows that's not true! Zebras aren't spotty, they're... yes, stripy, that's right! Together with Hugo Hedgehog, put the zookeeper's fibs right and say whether elephants are actually teeny-tiny, whether octopuses really use their arms to swing from tree to tree and whether polar bears get pink fur from eating too much strawberry ice cream. And at the end of the book, you and Hugo get to turn the tables: hedgehogs have very soft fur, don't they?... Well, no: but the zookeeper still loves his prickly little helper!

Gives little ones the chance to show off what they know – and adults are allowed to guess too!

Allows children to correct fibs in a playful way and learn about opposites

Sophie Schoenwald
No Fibbing at the Zoo!
(Im Zoo wird nicht geflunkert!)

4-colour illustrations
by Günther Jakobs
190 x 190 mm
26 pages
February 2024



Sweet Dreams,
Hugo Hedgehog
32 pages



Help the Lion Clean his
Teeth!
26 pages

A sweet cardboard picture book for the little ones to join in



The little otter has accidentally let go of his mum's hand in his sleep. Quick - tickle his feet so that he wakes up and doesn't drift off too far! Accompany him on his journey back to his mum, dive with him for tasty mussels and help him to tap the surface. There's even time for a cosy nap in the seaweed. How good that you take such good care of the little otter - so his mum can take him back into her arms at the end!

With playful hands-on activities for ages 2 and up

Promotes early childhood communication and motor skills

Sophie Schoenwald
Hold On to Me
(Halt dich an mir fest)

4-colour illustrations
by Nadine Reitz
190 x 190 mm
26 pages
February 2024

Over
200,000
copies sold
across the
series

Also available (a.o.):



Rights sold (individual titles in the series): Brazil, China (simplified), France, Luxembourg, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Turkey, Taiwan (complex)

A colourful, hands-on book for little ones aged 2 and over



What's going on here? It's Easter and the Easter Bunny is asleep? Fortunately, Hilde the Hen is getting to work: colouring and hiding eggs, weaving the Easter plait and picking flowers for the Easter table. There's so much to do! Will you help her?

Clear language and simple, short prompts

The pictures invite you to discover and linger

An important topic in everyday family life with small children: Easter and Easter traditions

The perfect Easter gift!

Nora Dahlke
Hilde Helps the
Easter Bunny
(Hilde hilft dem
Osterhasen)

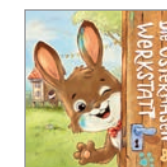
4-colour illustrations
by Nadine Reitz
190 x 190 mm
26 pages
January 2024



Also available:



The Christmas Elves'
Workshop
26 pages



The Easter Bunny
Workshop
26 pages

Rights sold: Romania,
Slovakia



Im **Januar** beginnt das Jahr,
draußen ist es kalt und klar.
Und weiter geht es, das ist wahr,
mit dem Monat ...



Den **Mai** kann man so richtig schön genießen,
auf kunterbunten Blumenwiesen.
Da blühen auch schon die Gänseblümchen,
erkenntst du sie?
Dann geh's jetzt weiter mit dem Monat ...

Also available (a.o.):



"A Little Spider Named Yucky"
picture book series, 10 titles
available so far
Ages 4+

A lovely cardboard picture book with rhymes and riddles on every page



Come with the little spider through the year and discover the twelve months in funny rhymes. Whether it's the snowman in February or flowers in March, strawberries in June or apples in September, colourful leaves in October or candlelight in December – the little spider will show you the magic that lies in every month and every season.

With a monthly puzzle on each double page so that the little listeners can show what they already know

Over 1 million copies sold across the series

Diana Amft
A Little Spider Named Yucky – Through the Year with the Little Spider
(Die kleine Spinne Widerlich – Mit der kleinen Spinne durch das Jahr)

4-colour illustrations by Martina Matos
190 x 190 mm
26 pages
April 2024

Also available:



A Little Spider Named Yucky Says Goodnight
16 pages



A Little Spider Named Yucky Loves You
16 pages

Rights sold (individual titles in the series): China (simplified), Bulgaria, Hungary, Korea*, Poland, Romania, Russia, South Africa, Slovakia, Slovenia*, Taiwan*, Turkey, Ukraine

*rights available again



Siblings – sometimes they're arch-enemies, other times they're inseparable!



Humph. Who said it was fun to have a sibling? The two little mouse siblings fight over which of them gets to be in charge, and which of them gets to sleep in Mummy's bed. They both dream of being an only child! But when they're ambushed by the cunning fox, the argumentative little mice have no choice but to work together to outwit the villain. And it makes them realise that with a brother or sister by your side, no-one can hurt you. Take that, Fox!

Lucy Astner tells a funny and moving rhyming story about siblings, which all brothers and sisters are sure to relate to!

Lucy Astner
Together We're
Super-Strong! A Picture
Book About Siblings
(Zusammen sind wir
mausestark! – Ein
Geschwisterbilderbuch)

4-colour illustrations
by Pina Gertenbach
250 x 250 mm
32 pages
March 2024

Also available:



And the Bear Shouts Hooray!
Colours Are for Everyone!
32 pages



Dear Rabbit, I can't wait! Love from Hedgehog



One day, Rabbit gets an invitation to a big family party. Because there are going to be lots of rabbits there doing lots of rabbit things, Hedgehog decides not to go. But the two friends miss each other already, so they decide to write each other letters. Rabbit tells Hedgehog about all the exciting things he gets up to on his way to the party: about the frog he meets when he gets lost, about the dormouse who shows him how to build a drey, and about the big party in Clover Valley. Hedgehog, in his turn, tells Rabbit about a cloud that looks just like his friend, and plays stream-jumping for the both of them. It's a good thing Rabbit will be home soon – because being together is much nicer than being apart!

Michael Engler
The Two of Us Are Inseparable
(Wir zwei sind unzertrennlich)

4-colour illustrations
by Joëlle Tourlonias
210 x 235 mm
32 pages
February 2024

A friendship story told through letters – deeply moving and simply beautiful

About letting go, missing each other and the joy of being reunited

Book 7 in the bestselling series with over 330,000 copies sold

Also available (a.o.):

"The Two of Us" picture book series, 7 titles available so far 32 pages each



Rights sold (individual titles in the series): China*, Estonia, France, Luxembourg, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands*, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Turkey, USA (English World Rights)

*rights available again



Also available:



The Happallapp Goes to the Mithicle Forest
128 pages

Rights sold: Romania, Israel

Nobody in the mountains is happier than Little Bear



Little Bear lives happily, modestly and contentedly in the mountains. He plays his games, discovers new things every day, and sometimes even rolls down the hill for joy! But Big Bear doesn't approve – he thinks Little Bear needs to start behaving like a proper bear, and learning important bear skills like jumping into ice-cold water, scaring herds of deer and knocking over trees. Big Bear shows him how. But Little Bear is scared – he doesn't want to do those things. Big Bear carries on showing him 'proper bear stuff' – until eventually he gets himself into such a pickle that only Little Bear can save him...

This funny, warm-hearted story tells of fear, true strength and the joy of doing somersaults together

Michael Engler
I'll Show You What
Happiness Is, Big
Bear!
(Ich zeige dir das
Glück, großer Bär)

4-colour illustrations
by Barbara Scholz
250 x 250 mm
32 pages
February 2024



The Mousekowskis (2 titles),
illustrated by Martina Matos
32 pages each

Rights sold: Greece, Kazakhstan, Poland,
Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia



Humboldt & Beaufort (2 titles),
illustrated by Susan Batori
32 pages each

Rights sold: Romania, Turkey



Also available (a.o.):

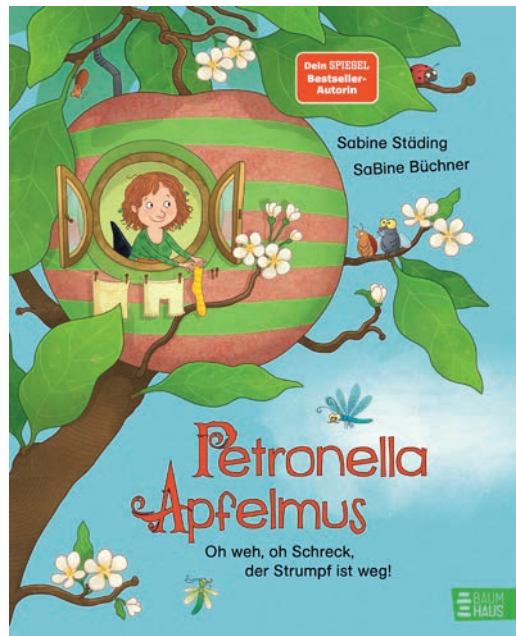


Petronella Applesauce
11 titles for ages 8+

Petronella Applesauce
For Ages 6+ / First Readers
64 pages each

Rights sold (individual titles in the series): Bulgaria, China, Czech Republic*, Hungary, Israel, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Taiwan, Turkey, Ukraine*
*rights available again

The first picture book featuring Petronella the apple witch!



Petronella has just washed a magic stocking for her grandma. But when she goes to take it off the washing line the next day, it's gone! Alas, oh woe, where did the stocking go? The apple witch immediately sets out in search of it. But although she looks everywhere – in the apple orchard, in Wimmerding, in Hazel Wood – the stocking is nowhere to be found. Could Hexobina the raven witch be the thief? In the tall, dark witch's tower there are many rooms to search. And down in the cellar there's a big surprise in store for Petronella...

Classic seek-and-find fun: lots to discover on every page – perfect for little witch fans

The rhyming story encourages children to join in and speak the words

Sabine Städing
Petronella Applesauce –
Alas, Oh Woe, Where
Did the Stocking Go?
(Petronella Appelmus –
Oh weh, oh Schreck,
der Strumpf ist weg!)

4-colour illustrations
by SaBine Büchner
240 x 300 mm
32 pages
March 2024



Over
1 million copies
sold
worldwide
across the
series

Dive into Shona's sparkling underwater world



What's taking so long? Shona Shellheart can't wait for her pastel-coloured scales to turn glittery. She's nearly six, and all the other children at the underwater kindergarten already have their glittery scales. She's the only one without them. "It doesn't matter," says Shona's friend Bo. "I like you just as you are!" Together with Bo and his seahorse Amaranth, Shona goes on wonderful adventures. They plan a treasure hunt around the old shipwreck for Shona's birthday, and Shona has her first sleepover at Bo's. It's enough to make her (almost) forget about her glittery scales!

Cheerful everyday stories in an imaginative underwater setting

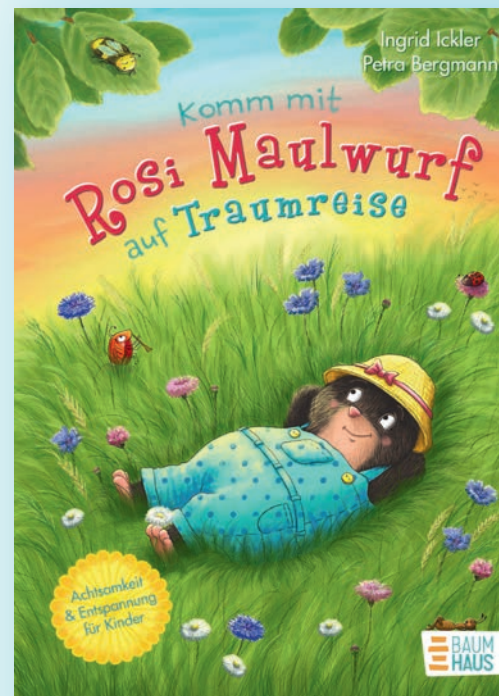
Join Shona in her search for a pet, on a kindergarten outing to the coral garden, and on a trip to swim with dolphins

**Anne Scheller
Shona Shellheart –
Seahorses and
Glittery Scales
(Mina Muschelherz –
Seepferdchen und
Glitzerschuppen)**

**4-colour illustrations
by Larisa Lauber**
170 x 235 mm
127 pages
March 2024



Mindfulness and relaxation for children



One warm spring morning, Rosi the mole decides to go in search of a new home. Hers is too small now – she keeps bumping into things and she can't snuggle up comfortably anymore. So she puts her snout in the air and off she goes. Children accompany the little mole on the various stages of her journey, and vividly experience her environment and the different conditions at different times of day. Little adventures in the animal world encourage children to look closely at things and become aware of different sensations: they can imagine themselves balancing on slippery pebbles, observing a bee or smelling the scent of the wet forest floor. A story for all the senses!

Go on a dream journey: every chapter features a double-page illustration that encourages children to immerse themselves in Rosi's world

A read-aloud story with elements of mindfulness to help children become aware of their bodies and senses

Featuring relaxation techniques and yoga exercises for children at the end of the book

**Ingrid Ickler
Come With Rosi the
Mole on a Dream
Journey
(Komm mit Rosi
Maulwurf auf
Traumreise)**

**4-colour illustrations
by Petra Bergmann**
170 x 235 mm
112 pages
February 2024

Hooray, school is starting soon!



Katrin Pokahr
Goodbye, Kindergarten! I'm Starting School Soon
 (Tschüss, Kindergarten! Ich bin bald ein Schulkind)

4-colour illustrations by Jutta Berend
 170 x 235 mm
 128 pages
 April 2024



The 'big kids' at Helter-Skelter Kindergarten will soon be saying goodbye! But there's lots to fit in before then – like the outing to a police station, where Elif and Linus get to sit in a real police car, and the sleepover party at kindergarten where the children play hide-and-seek in the dark. And then the first day at school is finally here. The children have butterflies in their tummies. All kitted out with their rucksacks and book bags, it's off to school they go. Is everyone else feeling just as nervous and excited? On the second day at school, Hugo wonders where the toilet is. And what happens at after-school club. One thing is for certain: school going to be anything but boring!

Fourteen episodic stories to help children with the transition from preschool to school

The stories are sensitively told, exploring different feelings from anticipation to curiosity to fear

Featuring playful preschool exercises, little puzzles and ideas for how to celebrate starting school



Listen and help solve the mystery!



Miriam Mann
A Carrot Thief in the Stables – A Farmyard Mystery for Junior Detectives
 (Karottenklau im Pferdestall – Ein Bauernhofkrimi zum Mitraten)

4-colour illustrations by Sandy Thißen
 170 x 235 mm
 128 pages
 March 2024

Proar in the farmyard! One sunny morning, all the animals' treats have disappeared. Lilli, who has the magical gift of being able to talk to the animals, is surprised to see that the buckets are missing. Has Grandpa simply forgotten the carrots, apples and mealworms? Or is there a thief on the prowl? The farmyard animals are quite dejected. Locke the horse is heartbroken at having to go without his vitamins, and the indignant hens all cluck at once so Lilli can't hear a word. She promises to find out what's going on, and in the process she not only makes a new animal friend but also uncovers a promising lead...

A detective story for very young children

With funny riddles at the end of each chapter that promote reading and listening comprehension





Also available (a.o.):



The Secret Dragon School (7 titles)
Ages 9+

Rights sold: Czech Republic, France, Hungary, Netherlands, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Sweden

A new adventure from the bestselling-series THE SECRET DRAGON SCHOOL



Jeremias has always thought dragons were nasty, fire-breathing monsters that people had better steer clear of. Nevertheless, he takes on a risky dare: to climb up to the fiery nest of a dangerous Devil's Scab dragon and steal a gold coin as proof. All because he wants to be accepted into the Murray clan, and to finally belong somewhere. But then everything goes horribly wrong – and Jeremias suddenly finds himself face to face with a real live dragon! His knees almost give way beneath him – but could it be that this dragon has no intention of turning him into a pile of ash?

A new series set in the same world as THE SECRET DRAGON SCHOOL, especially for younger readers

A cool bonus feature in the first edition: character cards to tear out and display

For the first time, four-colour illustrations throughout by Pascal Nöldner

Emily Skye
The Secret Dragon School –
Fireshadow's First Rider
(Die geheime Drachenschule –
Feuerschattens erster Reiter (Band 1))

4-colour illustrations
by Pascal Nöldner
148 x 210 mm
112 pages
March 2024



„Negativ, Auf gar keinen Fall!“, sage ich. Draußen in der Küche höre ich Mama, die an ihrem Laptop sitzt und mit einem Patienten telefoniert. Weil Mama Psychotherapeutin ist und ständig fremde Menschen zu uns nach Hause kommen, sind Haustiere strengstens verboten. Mamas Freund Samu, der seit letztem Jahr bei uns wohnt, hätte damit vermutlich kein Problem. Zu blöd, dass Mama hier das Sagen hat. Es war schon schwierig genug, das Tierchen vorhin an ihr vorbeizuschmuggeln. „Prinzessin Knuddelwuff, das ist Prinzessin Angelika von Engelsbach“, sagt Carla und deutet auf die Puppe, die bereits am Tisch sitzt. „Möchtest du mit uns ein Törtchen essen?“ Das Ludwigsche Ungeheuer könnte einem fast leidtun, mit der Krone auf dem Kopf, inmitten der rosa Puppenhöhle. Und nun bekommt es auch noch ein Lätzchen umgebunden. Erst guckt es zu dem kleinen Plastikörtchen, das Carla auf ein silbernes Tellerchen gelegt hat, dann zurück zu meiner Schwester. Und dann schließlich zu Prinzessin Angelika von Engelsbach, Carlas liebste Teekränzchen-Puppe.

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„Mampf!“, macht das Ungeheuer plötzlich und frisst mit einem Happs Prinzessin Angelika von Engelsbach auf. Fassungslos sehen Carla und ich ihm dabei zu, wie es kaut und schließlich die Krone hochwürgt.



heißt, Carla, ich und das Ludwigsche Ungeheuer, das auf Carlas pinkem Kopfkissen alle viere von sich streckt. Ehrlich gesagt habe ich mir schon einige Gedanken gemacht, was wir morgen mit dem Ungeheuer machen sollen. Außerdem ist morgen ein so wichtiger Schultag, dass ich unmöglich fehlen kann, um das Ungeheuer zu babysitten. Frau Orłowski, unsere Biologielehrerin, wird nämlich das Thema für den jährlichen Biologie-wettbewerb verkünden. Der ist mindestens so wichtig wie ... die Mondlandung! Ich habe ihn bereits zweimal in Folge gewonnen, und sollte ich dieses Jahr auch noch gewinnen, wäre das eine **Sensation!** Denn noch nie hat jemand dreimal hintereinander den Sieg errungen. Angeblich gibt es beim dritten Sieg sogar einen besonderen Preis. Was auch immer das sein wird. Deswegen bin ich auch froh, als Carla mit ihrer gar nicht mal so üblen Idee rausrückt: „Wir haben noch **die Dose Hundefutter** und den großen Käfig von Tante Elfriedes Attila im Keller“, sagt sie. „Wenn wir noch mal aufstehen, Prinzessin Knuddelwuff da reinsetzen, eine Decke und einen Napf Hundefutter im Käfig bereitstellen, ist sie über Nacht und bis nach Schulschluss in Sicherheit.“

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Weil Tante Elfriede in einer kleinen Mietwohnung lebt, bewahrt sie die Säcke Hundefutter und den Käfig, mit dem sie Attila zum Tierarzt bringt, in unserem Keller auf. Der Käfig ist so groß, dass das Ludwigsche Monster sogar ausreichend Freilauf hat. Tante Elfriede nennt ihr sabberndes Haarknäuel liebevoll „**Attila, der Hundekönig**“. Jetzt bin ich doch ganz froh, dass sie sich diesen Riesenhund angeschafft hat. „Okay, lass uns loslegen. Jetzt gleich!“, befiehlt ich. Wir schnappen uns das schlaftrunkene Monster, das – man glaubt es kaum – richtig süß aussieht, wenn es schläft. Wir bereiten ihm mit ein paar Kissens ein gemütliches Bett im Käfig vor und stellen ihm außerdem noch einen Hundnapf mit Futter dazu. Dann schieben wir ein paar Umzugskartons als Sichtschutz davor und liegen kurz darauf wieder in unseren Betten, ohne dass jemand etwas mitbekommen hat.

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The new series from bestselling author Sonja Kaiblinger



When science nerd Ludwig ends up in a dustbin again thanks to class bully Egon, he realises that this time he is not alone – there’s something in the bin with him! And this something is not only hairy and ugly but has big googly eyes, a little round tummy and sharp front teeth. It also has a predilection for dirty socks, and makes short work of the contents of the dustbin. Ludwig’s spirit of discovery is awakened: what is this creature? It turns out to be quite affectionate, and follows Ludwig all the way home. He knows he can’t let his parents see it. But that’s easier said than done when the creature turns Ludwig’s bedroom upside down. And it doesn’t stop there...

The first book in a new series from popular author Sonja Kaiblinger, following on from the success of **Die Geisterkicker**

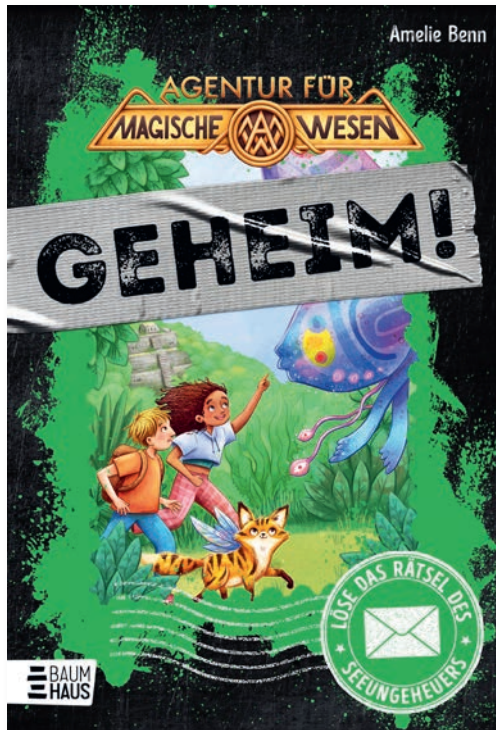
128 pages, with hilarious four-colour illustrations throughout by **DER ANTON**

With a cool bonus feature in the first edition: character cards to tear out and display

Sonja Kaiblinger
Monstrously Cute
(Book 1)
(Ungeheuer lieb
(Band 1))

4-colour illustrations
by Anton Riedel
148 x 210 mm
128 pages
March 2024

One mysterious letter, 25 puzzles, 100% thrilling!



Pippa and Ben can't believe it when a mysterious letter comes through the door: the Agency for Magical Creatures needs their help! In a Mayan temple, an ancient sea creature with shimmering butterfly wings has been discovered, and is at risk of falling into the clutches of the unscrupulous Unorder. Pippa and Ben have to find it and rescue it before it's too late! Along with their enigmatic Aunt Esmeralda – who, it turns out, works as an explorer for the Agency – they set off on an intrepid journey through the Mexican rainforest. Not only do they encounter more tricky puzzles – they also meet some fluffy creatures with unexpected abilities...

Join Pippa and Ben on a fantastic new mystery adventure full of enchanting magical creatures

Amelie Benn
The Agency for Magical Creatures: Solve the Mystery of the Sea Monster (Agentur für magische Wesen: Löse das Rätsel des Seeungeheuers (Geheim!))

b/w illustrations by Josephine Wolff
148 x 210 mm
208 pages
February 2024

Also available:



The Ink Hunters: Solve the Mystery of the Magical Library
192 pages



The Secret Dragon School: Solve the Mystery of the Twin Flames
208 pages

An interactive magical mystery for genius detectives!



The magical detective agency run by Holly Holmes and Dr Watson the cuddly toy pig has a new case: a series of mysterious break-ins has rocked the beautiful little seaside town of Marville. But it seems nothing has been stolen from any of the crime scenes. Instead, the thief has left behind puzzling clues involving green snot and a red triangle. Something very weird is going on here! But Holly wouldn't be Holly if she let that put her off. So she and her friends Percy and Jenny start investigating. There's no way they're going to let this case beat them!

The magical detective agency is back – this time with an exciting interactive case

An exciting detective story with twenty fun and challenging puzzles

Michael Peinkofer
Holly Holmes: Solve the Case of the Red Triangle (Holly Holmes: Löse den Fall des roten Dreiecks (Geheim!))

b/w illustrations by Helge Vogt
148 x 210 mm
192 pages
February 2024

Also available:



Holly Holmes and the Magical Detective Agency. First Case: The Jade Dragon
192 pages

You decide how the adventure plays out!



Cee Neudert
The Guardians of the Magical Wood – Find the Secret Crystals!
 (Die Hüter des magischen Waldes – Finde die geheimen Kristalle!)

b/w illustrations
 by Philipp Ach
 148 x 210 mm
 256 pages
 April 2024

Wanted: the boldest and most courageous adventurers! For the big oak tree is sick, and its magic is fading from the forest. Only the element crystals can restore the magical balance. But they are scattered all over the country, and someone has to go on a dangerous quest to look for them. Become a rabbit, a mole or a mouse and join Jonna Softears the squirrel, Querk von Glugg the frog and Toowo Wynn the owl on an exciting adventure in which you decide how to get the crystals back. Confront the guards of the Frog Palace, haggle with the merchant at the lizard fortress and find your way through a dangerous labyrinth. Do you have the skill and courage needed to save the forest?

In this book, the readers are the protagonists of the story and choose their own adventure

Lots of choices, tricky puzzles and rolls of the dice – and plenty of fun!

A fantastic story about animals, reminiscent of FOXCRAFT, WHITE FOX and WARRIOR CATS

A special kind of school



Francesca Peluso
Stardust Academy – Guardians of the Stars
 (Stardust Academy – Hüter der Sterne)

b/w illustrations
 by Viktoria Gavrilenko
 148 x 210 mm
 303 pages
 February 2024

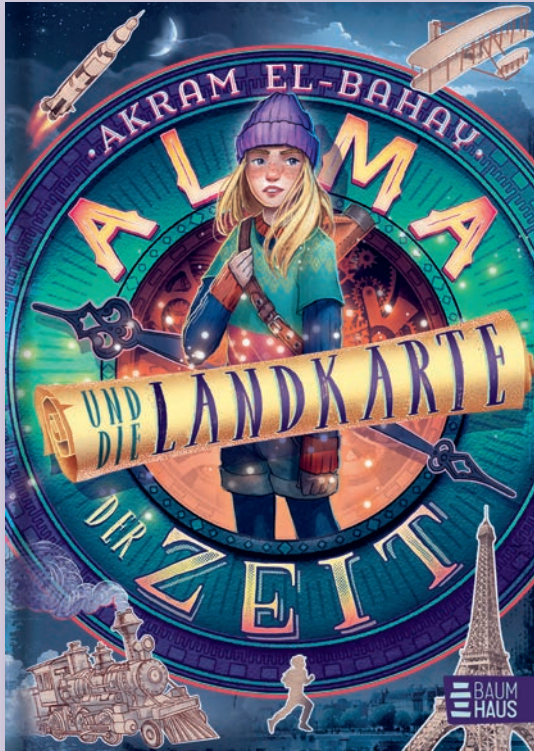
Aaron doesn't really like the summer camp he gets sent to every year. But this time, something strange happens: the twelve-year-old looks up at the night sky to see the stars in one area moving as if they're dancing. Soon afterwards, his life changes forever. The camp is attacked by the constellation of Aries, which has come to life, and a glowing symbol appears on Aaron's forehead. He has been chosen to attend Stardust Academy. There he will be trained as an Asteria, a guardian of the stars. Difficult tests lie ahead of him. And a new threat is already looming, for other constellations have their sights set on the human race too...

The first book in an exciting fantasy series for readers aged 10+

Constellations that come to life, a mysterious school and a sympathetic hero

The perfect blend of adventure and humour

Join Alma on an adventure through time



Akram El-Bahay
Alma and the Map of Time
 (Alma und die Landkarte der Zeit)

b/w illustrations
 by Max Meinzold
 148 x 210 mm
 271 pages
 February 2024

Alma is on her way to her grandma's house when a woman called Mrs Newton sits down next to her on the train. The strangest thing about her is not the countless watches and alarm clocks she is wearing, but the fact that she claims Alma can travel through time. And not only that: she says Alma needs to protect the map of time to make sure that time isn't thrown out of joint. Alma doesn't believe a word of it. But then the woman is kidnapped right in front of her eyes, and Alma is plunged into an adventure that takes her to the launch of the lunar rocket, the Wright brothers' first flight and the opening of the Eiffel Tower. And she has to be careful, because renegade time travellers are hot on her heels and want to steal the map for themselves!

A fast-paced and atmospheric time travel adventure, brilliantly written by Akram El-Bahay

About magical clocks, dangerous time traps and a steam train that travels not on rails but on time-lines

Also available:



Fabula – The Portal to the Thirteen Kingdoms (Vol.1)
 352 pages



Fabula – The Shadow of the Night Fairy (Vol.2)
 287 pages



Michaela Thewes
My Autumn of Kisses, Chaos and Graffiti (Vol.2)
 (Mein Herbst voller Küsse, Chaos und Graffiti (Band 2))

135 x 215 mm
 300 pages
 September 2024

Charly is so excited: Sina, her old friend from kindergarten, is coming to stay with Charly's family for a while and is also going to attend Charly's school. But when Sina finally arrives, Charly hardly recognises her. The girl she used to get on so well with is now rebellious and dismissive. Still, Charly tries to make sure Sina's fresh start goes as smoothly as possible. Her friend Noah helps her. But whilst Noah quickly finds a connection with Sina, she continues to treat Charly with overt hostility. And when someone at school starts spreading horrible rumours about Charly, it's obvious who's behind it – it must be Sina, who wants Noah for herself. Right?

Friendship, emotions, growing up: themes that are important to the target audience

Following on from 'Mein Sommer voller Flips & Flops', protagonist Charly faces new challenges in love

Also available:



My Summer of Flips and Flops (Vol.1)
 305 pages

First love and the chaos of growing up



Fifteen-year-old Juli wants to become cool and confident to impress the new boy in her class – and she wants to do it soon. A popular TikToker promises rapid success. Makeup, exercise and a radiant smile are apparently all you need to get boys wrapped around your little finger. Juli's best friend Vincent finds it all a bit silly, but Juli starts putting the tips into practice. Soon, however, she finds herself lurching from one disaster to the next... The interactive section features an eclectic mix of DIY ideas, psychological tests, mindfulness exercises, recipes and lists, which make the book a very personal experience.

A novella (approx. 120 pages) combined with an interactive section related to the content of the story (approx. 80 pages)

The perfect companion for the holidays – for long drives, lazing by the pool or rainy days

Gloria Trutnau
How I Became a Flirting Pro – Or a Chaos Queen (Depending on Your POV)
(Wie ich zum Flirt-Profi wurde – oder zur Chaos-Queen (wie man's nimmt))

148 x 210 mm
 208 pages
 June 2024

The first book in a new urban fantasy duology with addictive potential



Lilly deGray and her father run an antique shop. They're renowned for their ability to unearth objects from the past, even things believed to have been lost forever. But nobody knows that they actually do this by travelling through time. When a married couple come to see them in search of a necklace, all clues lead back to the Titanic. This is a dangerous mission, but one that could solve all the family's money problems. So Lilly travels back to the year 1912 and poses as a countess's servant. There she meets Ray, a passenger from first class, who sparks unexpected feelings in her. As the sinking of the Titanic looms nearer, Lilly has to make a decision: will she abide by the time travellers' code – or will she save Ray's life?

A romantic journey through time to dramatic scenes of the past

For Kerstin Gier fans who are also fascinated by the Titanic

Kira Licht
A Spark of Time – Rendezvous on the Titanic (Vol.1)
(A Spark of Time – Rendezvous auf der Titanic (Band 1))

135 x 215 mm
 477 pages
 March 2024

Soon available:



A Spark of Time – A Date with Mr. Darcy (Vol.2)
 November 2024

Powerful emotions from SPIEGEL Bestseller author Alicia Zett



Alicia Zett
 Like Colours in the Rain
 (Vol.3)
 (Wie Farben im Regen
 (Band 3))

135 x 215 mm
 496 pages
 February 2024

Girlfriends Caro and Sam are a power couple at boarding school Castle Mare. They've set up the Queer & Friends Club together, and they both play for the football team. Caro wishes she could stay at the school forever – but she's about to go into her final year. She's afraid of losing her friends, and Sam seems to be slipping away from her too. But there's a reason for this: Sam is actually Samuel. When he manages to confide in Caro, it throws up many questions: will he still be allowed to play on the football team? What's the best way to come out to your friends and family? And what does this mean for the two of them as a couple?

The moving finale of the YA trilogy set in a boarding school on the North Sea coast – all the books can be read as standalone stories

Also available:

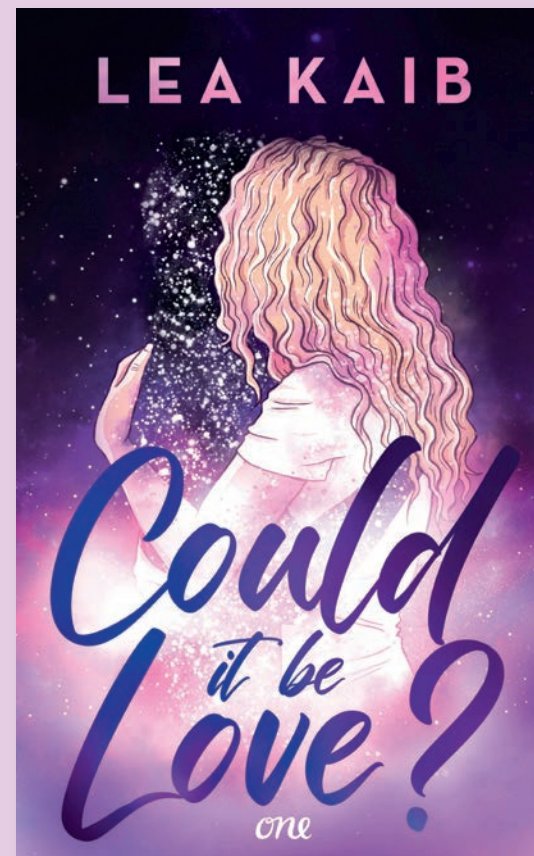


Like Waves in the Storm
 (Vol.1)
 446 pages



Like Melodies in the Wind
 (Vol.2)
 480 pages

A moving love story told by an own voices author



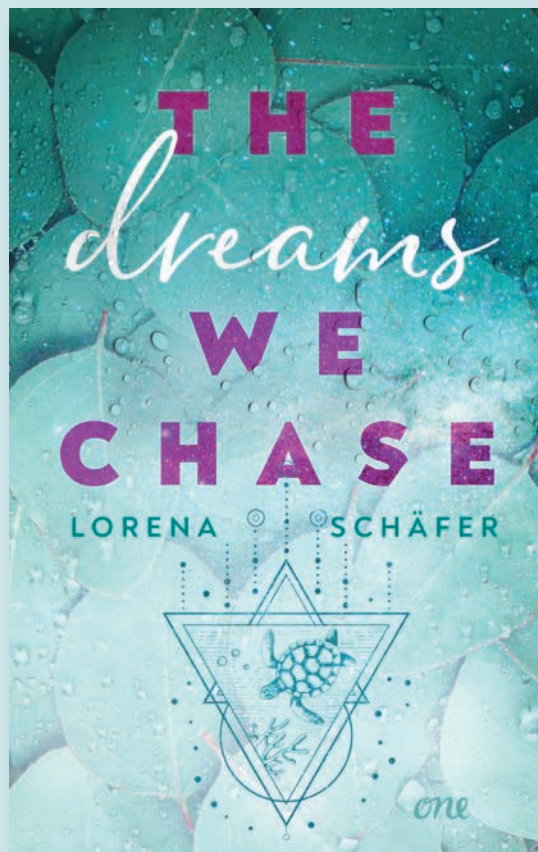
Lea Kaib
 Could It Be Love?

135 x 215 mm
 496 pages
 May 2024

Seventeen-year-old Bonnie has fallen in love lots of times, and she often wonders how her life would have panned out if she'd got together with her crushes. But sadly she can't even bring herself to try and strike up a conversation with them – she's far too shy. She finds it easier to create a playlist for every unrequited love to remind herself of her feelings. One day, however, while listening to her songs, she's suddenly transported to an alternative world and finds herself face to face with her first holiday crush. And from that moment on, everything changes. For this is not the last time she travels between worlds. And then there's the enigmatic Dee, who makes Bonnie's heart race.

Magical realism set in Edinburgh – we travel with Bonnie to parallel worlds with the help of her playlists

Between university and the ocean – the romantic finale of the trilogy!



Lorena Schäfer
The Dreams We Chase – Emerald Bay (Vol.3)
 (The dreams we chase – Emerald Bay, (Band 3))

135 x 215 mm
 360 pages
 March 2024

Lexi has done it! At last she's able to move from the Australian outback to Emerald Bay to study marine biology. But then she runs into Jake Mills, the son of a leading marine researcher – and Lexi's worst nightmare. The two of them couldn't be more different: Lexi has known that ever since she met Jake two years ago on a whale watching trip. When the pair are assigned to the same study project, all she wants to do is run away. But her dream of a future in marine biology won't come true all by itself. As time goes on she realises Jake is hiding something that awakens unexpected feelings in her. Is there more behind his façade than Lexi thinks?

The haters-to-lovers trope is popular with the target audience
Book 3 features a highly topical issue: protecting the environment
Narrated from the perspectives of Lexi and Jake – both of whom, in their different ways, want to fulfil their dreams

Also available:



The Stars We Reach (Vol.1)
 August 2023



The Dreams We Chase (Vol.2)
 December 2023

The first book in the exciting CIRCLE OF NIGHT series



Michelle C. Paige
Circle of Night – The Realm of the Shadows (Vol.1)
 (Circle of Night – Das Reich der Schatten, (Band 1))

135 x 215 mm
 374 pages
 March 2024

Seventeen-year-old Louisa has a narrow escape from a fiery monster that goes on the rampage at the Elbe Philharmonic Hall. But nobody can see the creature apart from her. It's not until she meets the mysterious Noah that Louisa finds out what she is: a witch! And witches are often targeted by monsters. But Louisa is not alone, for Niklas, Gizem and twins Jason and Josie have all had similar experiences. Noah offers them his help and teaches them how to use their magic and how to fight the dangerous Shadows. But the group must build their strength quickly and work together if they are to be a match for the Shadows. Because the creatures are growing in number all the time, and they're getting hungrier...

Five young witches and wizards take on the forces of evil and risk everything for friendship, love and a better world

Urban fantasy with various romance tropes

On-trend theme: Witches

Soon available:



Circle of Night – The Secret Academy (Vol.2)
 June 2024

A book about the power of wishes, for dreamers big and small



Carmushka,
Carmen Kroll
My Button, A Universe
(Mein Knopf, ein
Universum)

4-colour illustrations
by Marielle Rusche
210 x 275 mm
56 pages
March 2024

'Dear Universe, I am a mermaid.'
Little Tilli sends this wish out into the universe after she and her friends Otti Otter and Isaiah find a magic button in the woods.

The button can grant wishes – you just have to use the right words. And so we accompany Tilli to an underwater world, travel with Otti into space and join Isaiah as he samples the contents of cooking pots across the world. Carmen Kroll and Marielle Rusche, with their tender texts and beautiful illustrations, create a magical world full of fantasy and exciting adventures.



Perfectly ORGANised – how everything in the body is connected



Matthias Schubert
**Liver, Lungs,
Lovesickness**
(Leber, Lunge,
Liebeskummer)

b/w illustrations
by Janes Weber
135 x 215 mm
256 pages
March 2024

Why do we enjoy music? How does the energy from muesli get into our muscles? And why can we never remember if we definitely switched the iron off? We take our bodies for granted – but we often don't know how they actually 'function'. Matthias Schubert looks at everyday situations at university, at the lido, in cafés and in the bedroom. He explains what is happening inside us when we learn, when we do exercise, when we fall in love and when we feel sad. Through humour and creative comparisons, biological processes become little stories which will cause readers to marvel again and again at how incredible the human body really is.

For young people and adults with an interest in biology and the human body

Exciting facts, surprising comparisons, charming stories: the science TikToker combines knowledge with humour

Spring has sprung!



The days are getting lighter and warmer, the flowers are starting to bloom, and the Easter Bunny will soon be here: it's spring! And that's what the stories in this book are all about. We meet flowers in search of the sun, visit the dragons' spring festival, and even witness the crowning of a prince. We also encounter a bored Easter Bunny who becomes a superhero, and a princess on a quest for a unicorn. There's something for everyone! These entertaining stories are great for reading aloud or reading independently.

A treasury of stories for everyone who looks forward to the springtime

Twenty feelgood stories – some funny, some adventurous, some magical, some regal

**Kristin Overmeyer
(Hrsg.),
Tickly Grass and
Daisies – Five-Minute
Stories for Spring
(Kitzelgras und
Gänseblümchen –
5-Minuten-Geschichten
für den Frühling)**

**4-colour illustrations
by Heike Vogel**
170 x 235 mm
160 pages
March 2024