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A total of 56 compelling titles will be displayed and promoted at 16 foreign book fairs and at our foreign offices in China, the USA, Russia and India.

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Where Are You Hiding, Little Dormouse? 
A story with Lots of Facts and Information

Friederun Reichenstetter

Illustrated by: Hans-Günther Döring

With a loving eye the author accompanies a female dormouse through the seasons. The reader is with the dormouse from the start of spring, when the animal builds a new ball-shaped nest for her offspring, to the summer, when she is raising the dormouse babies, to their hibernation in winter. During her outings at night she meets hedgehogs, bats, moths, nuthatches, fat dormice and insects. She skillfully climbs up through the tall thickets of forest borders and hedges so that her hunters, such as owlets, foxes and weasels, cannot see the tiny animal.

Ages: 4+
€ 12,99

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Linni McLeft. Famous with a Cherry on Top

Alice Pantermüller

Illustrated by: Daniela Kohl

Linni McLeft is fed up: Starting with her legendary great-grandmother Emilie, all the women of the McLeft Family have achieved fame. As Linni’s sisters become more and more famous (her older sister, Leslie, with her “Gothic violin” and her little sister, Frida, as a fashion model), there’s one thing that’s certain: Linni has to become famous, too. And she already knows how: with her poetry. Too bad no one else appreciates her poetry. And to top it all of, a grouchy old lady appears who (seems to) want to put a stop to Linni’s dreams. Will Linni’s wish come true after all?

Ages: 8+
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Love Children

Jana Frey
Zadoc loves everything about Ivory. Her hair, which reflects all the shades of autumn. The constantly changing expression of her blue eyes the colour of winter sky. And more than anything her smell, which is the scent of the wind and resistance. Kenzie loves everything about Amos. His light green eyes, his laughter and his smile, his music, the way he moves, the way he walks. And she loves the fact that he belongs to her. Only her.

Two lovers. Two fates. And a story that intertwines anything and everything.

Ages: 14+
€ 16,99
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Sealand. Underwater Hitchhiking

Anna Ruhe
Illustrated by: Max Meinzold
Max has a plan: He wants to get out of the boring cow town of Bittle Cross to search for his father who disappeared several years ago. A strange girl named Emma pesters him and makes him climb down into a well, interfering with Max’s plan. Once they are in the well, sudden rapids pull both of them down into an incredible world: Sealand! They find cities erected on poles, buildings that look like icebergs, odd mushroom collectors, underwater pirates, friendly giant jellyfish and real mermaids. And Max discovers a clue that could lead to his father. How is it all connected? Together with Emma, Max dives into the greatest adventure of his life.

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€ 12,99
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**Bobbles, the Little Bumblebee**

Britta Sabbag and Maite Kelly

*Illustrated by: Joëlle Tourlonias*

The wings of tubby bumblebee Bobbles are much smaller than those of the other insect kids. He wonders why his wings are so different and asks many friends, but none of them can give him a satisfactory answer. Only when he hears the cricket’s song, „You are who you are,” does Bobbles finally realize that it is not the size of his wings that prevents him from flying, but his lack of courage.

Now he knows what to do: He beats his wings really fast and suddenly finds himself up in the air!

**Ages: 10+**

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**Scream**

Eric Berg

When she returns to school in the sweltering summer heat, Lulu is overwhelmed by a heavy sense of dread and an oppressive atmosphere. The start of this upcoming school year does not bode well: Not only is her best friend obsessively drawing death scenes, but Lulu is also being bullied in a very nasty way. On top of it all, she can’t get Niko out of her head, even though she is in a happy relationship with Lars, Niko’s best friend. Tormented, isolated and confused, Lulu has to find a way to escape this nightmare and solve the enigma hiding within the confines of the school grounds. The situation comes to a head in a horrible scream, whose origin remains unclear until the end of the story. Introducing a multitude of perspectives that recount the horrible events retrospectively, bestselling author Eric Berg gradually lets the individual pieces of the puzzle fall into place to form a gruesome whole...

**Ages: 14+**

€ 12,99

**Rights sold to: Latin America**
Blossom Dreams and Colour Magic

Britta Teckentrup

Relax and get creative while discovering the joy of meditative colouring! This book contains a multitude of great nature and flower motifs, which inspire your imagination and distract you from your everyday life. All the beautiful patterns and pictures invite you to colour and design them. The individually designed artworks can be used as wrapping paper, cards or gift tags.

All Ages

€ 6.99

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Where is Teddy? Pull and See What Happens!

Anne Böhm

Illustrated by: Angela Wiesner

Teddy has gone missing! Maxi looks for Teddy everywhere: in the corridor, in the nursery, and in the bath room. At last, Maxi discovers him in the garden, where he is hiding behind a giant sand castle. A funny playbook with lots of sliding graphics for toddlers!

Ages: 2+

€ 7.99

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Philip Waechter

It has been quite a while since Piglet has seen his friend, so he writes a letter, sticks it in a bottle and sends it across the sea. It takes quite a long time until Aardvark finds it on the beach and then immediately starts to pack his things. The message says: “Hello, how are you? Don’t you want to come visit me again? Maybe you can stay for a while, so don’t forget your toothbrush!”

Ages: 5+
€ 12,95
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Christina Erbertz

Doro sees an amazing painting of a prince in the museum and secretly steals a hair that was stuck in the paint. She tosses the hair into the primordial soup that her mother is doing research on – she’s trying to prove how life comes into existence, but with no success as of yet. Doro’s secret experiment is more successful and suddenly a small, rather sassy prince appears. Is it magic? Or science? Doro has no idea and decides to hide the prince at first. All this secrecy doesn’t work out very well, and soon the prince is interfering wherever he can…

Ages: 9+
€ 12,95
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Beltz & Gelberg

My Small Jungle
Katrin Wiehle

Tiger, parrot, and monkey are all eager to describe their habitat. Every child knows the exotic animals from the zoo and will be glad to join an excursion to the rainforest far away, where tall trees, thick vines, and mysterious creatures can be found. Using warm shades of colour and solid shapes, Katrin Wiehle again succeeds in bringing very loveable characters to life on cardboard made of 100% recycled paper – thus playfully interesting the youngest children in the preservation of the environment.

Ages: 3+
€ 8,95
Rights sold to: France

Beltz & Gelberg

The Serious Side of Life is No Fun
Christoph Wortberg

Leon always admired his older brother, Jakob. His big brother, the one who could do anything. But now Jakob is dead. Leon begins to ask questions... Who was his brother? And who is the real Leon? And what in the hell is the whole point of life without Jakob? Then Leon meets Nora. She knew his brother. Better than he suspected... The more Leon learns about Jakob, the closer he comes to understanding himself. In the end, he was searching for his brother, but wound up finding himself, a new appreciation for life, and love.

Ages: 12/13+
€ 12,95
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The Big Picture Book of the Whole World

Ole Könnecke

Searching, recognizing, naming – that’s what picture dictionaries are all about. The award winning Big Book of Pictures and Words has been a runaway success in Germany and around the world since its first publication in 2010. Now Ole Könnecke has created another fabulous book that children will want to look at over and over again. It deals with different regions of the world and their characteristics – the landscapes, animals and plants. It also shows how people adapt to all the different environments they find themselves living in. Featuring accurate descriptions and detailed illustrations, the book contains wonderful little stories that encourage reading out loud and will be sure to provoke new tales and more questions.

Ages: 3+

€ 14.90

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Happy Birthday, Little Charlie!

Rotraut Susanne Berner

Little Charlie has a birthday every year – always on the same day! There’s a delicious birthday cake with a candle on it, and everyone’s wondering what presents he’ll get this year. “Happy birthday!” says Mummy, giving Little Charlie a kiss and handing him a little round package. The doorbell never stops ringing. Grandma Nickel, Cousin Käthe and Little Charlie’s friends Friedrich and Wilhelm arrive in quick succession. They each bring a present: a red board, two blue discs, a red pole with a bell attached to it. “Thank you,” Little Charlie murmurs – he can’t help wondering what this is all about. But first they all sit down to eat carrot cake and drink cocoa at the big table. Well, not quite all of them... Mama is missing. Whatever is she up to? “She has something very important to see to,” says Papa. And then the door opens and Mama is gliding in on a red scooter with blue wheels. She’s just been putting it together next door! “Thanks!” cries Little Charlie, and he jumps on the scooter right away to do a couple of laps around the dining table.

Ages: 2+

€ 7.90

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Carl Hanser Verlag

**WILLI. The Tomcat Who Wouldn't Stop Growing**

Hans Traxler

The Lohmeiers adopt a kitten so that they’ll always have someone to talk to. But the cat just keeps growing and growing...

Mr Lohmeier and his wife felt lonely in their house until they took in the last and smallest kitten from the farmer’s litter. How cute he was! They called him Willi, because cats respond well to names with lots of “i’s” in them. But Willi just wouldn’t stop growing – before long he was taking up the whole of the car’s passenger seat, and Mr Lohmeier had to give up his beloved midday-nap couch, too, as Willi kept getting bigger and bigger. Rumours started spreading: “There’s a monster living at the Lohmeiers!” Animal Control and TV teams appeared in front of the house, but the Lohmeiers had no intention of giving up their beloved Willi. Then one day Willi spots a little red cat in the garden through the window and falls in love with her. The trouble is he’s too big to get out! But when Willi wants something, he’s sure to find a way of getting it...

**Ages:** 4+

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The Amazing and Astonishing Adventures of Maulina Schmitt Volume 3: The End of the Universe

Finn-Ole Heinrich

Illustrated by: Rán Flygenring

A good moan gets it all out of your system. That’s Maulina Schmitt’s philosophy, anyway – and she’s the cheekiest, most irrepressible moaner under the sun. But now it’s all or nothing: major mysteries and phenomenal, top-secret soup recipes. It’s about the stars in the firmament, infinity – it’s about life and death. All of a sudden, there’s a burst of excitement in Moldavia, Maulina’s beloved old home. Her father has moved in with his new family! Maulina takes over the attic, setting up a moan-tropolis all her own! There’d be room for everyone if they wanted to come: her brother Paul, his dog Kurt, her turtles Lenny and Roy, her father and even her mother Klara; somehow or other they could all fit. Back in Plasticville, where Maulina normally lives with her mother, wheelchair-bound Rolf loses his job – which is not good news – and Klara’s illness is going from bad to worse. Maulina would need to learn how to do magic because nothing else is going to help. But how and where do you pick up a skill like that?

Ages: 10+

€ 12,90

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Carlsen Verlag

**Foxes Don’t Lie**

Ulrich Hub

Illustrated by: Heike Drewelow

“All flights are cancelled," says the Dog from the security service. So the Panda, the Monkey, the Goose, the Tiger, and the two Sheep are stuck at the airport. But why is the whole building empty? That’s not the only question to which the Dog doesn’t have an answer. Then the Fox appears. With him, all the animals can finally experience something interesting, and thanks to all the cool things in the duty free shop they throw an amazing party. But where have their passports gone? "All flights are cancelled," says the Dog from the security service. So the Panda, the Monkey, the Goose, the Tiger, and the two Sheep are stuck at the airport. But why is the whole building empty? That’s not the only question to which the Dog doesn’t have an answer. Then the Fox appears. With him, all the animals can finally experience something interesting, and thanks to all the cool things in the duty free shop they throw an amazing party. But where have their passports gone?

**Ages:** 8+

€ 12,90

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**Snow Giant**

Susan Kreller

Fourteen-year-old Adrian has lived next door to Stella for as long as he can remember. She is the best friend he ever had. They spent most of their childhood on the porch swing between their homes reading fairy tales and drinking hot chocolate. In contrast to Adrian’s mother, Stella isn’t bothered that he grows and grows. She affectionately calls him One Ninety. Then Dato and his family move into the vacant house next door and a tender love story between Stella and Dato unfolds. Adrian must survive his first terrible heartbreak and still manage to remain friends with Stella.

**Ages:** 12+

€ 14,90

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**The Fortress in the Universe, vol. 1**

Michael Peinkofer

Illustrated by: Daniel Ernle

The universe is in peril – so three children become Star Knights! Their names are Ben, Sammy and Mia. On Earth they are still at school, but in space they must fight against the evil Count Atrox and the Robotrox for truth, justice, and the light of the stars!

**Ages:** 8+

€ 8,99

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**The School of the Magical Animals, Vol. 1**

Margit Auer

Illustrated by: Nina Dulleck

When Mortimer Morrison visits Miss Cornerfield’s class, all the students hold their breath in anticipation, because he is the owner of a magical pet shop! It’s a creepy little corner shop that adults always avoid as if it didn’t exist.

Who will get a magical animal today? Everyone would love a talking animal! How much fun it would be to have someone who would assist with the most daring adventures, and who is also the kind of friend you could only dream about.

**Ages:** 8+

€ 9,99

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The Hiccup-Princess
Nina Dulleck
Hiccups can be really annoying, especially when it’s time to go to bed. No trick works to make them go away once and for all. And holding your breath and swallowing three times without water are really old-fashioned ideas. It’s so much more fun to see what Princess Rosa Teeny-Weeny tries in order to make her hiccups go away. The cheerful and colourful illustrations show the little princess chuckling and hiccupping so happily that this picture book will make all children and their parents laugh out loud before going to bed.

Ages: 4+
€ 14,99
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Happy Earth
Chantal-Fleur Sandjon
Illustrated: Pe Grigo
> THE book about the trending topic of sustainability
> Fresh writing by a new young author
> Modern layout, many colourful photos, and cheeky illustrations

Do-it-yourself clothes, ideas for legal Guerrilla gardening, tutorials for natural beauty, tips to save energy, and countless more inspirations for a happier world – all in one book!
Ages: 11+
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FISCHER

It Turned So Bitter Cold / A Sister's Warmth
Lara Schützsack
Illustrated by: Stefanie Reich

“I believe somewhere in the world someone is always thinking of my sister’s eyes,” says Malina who desperately loves her big sister. She tells the story of Lucinda. Lucinda is beautiful, hungry for life, and shines like a star. So bright and beautiful, and at the same time light years away. Lucinda seems to live in a different world with its own merciless rules. Whoever loves Lucinda has to accept that they will never get truly close to her. That is the way of stars. And sometimes they fall from heaven and burn out just like that. Fans of John Green will love this outstanding literary debut – a book that gets under your skin!

Ages: 12+
€ 14,99

Rights sold to: Denmark, Albania

FISCHER

The World’s Pages
Kai Meyer

“While she was running down the stairs to the library, Furia could already smell the stories: the best smell in the world.”

Furia lives in a world of books. The country estate of her family is situated on top of an endless library. Eagerly, she is awaiting her soul book – to unleash the magic of words with it. Then, however, her brother is kidnapped and Furia has to fight for her life. Her path leads her to the city of the disappeared bookshops and to a forest in which trees grow from dead books. She meets Cat, who can “get anything for you”, and Finnian, the rebel. Together they go to war – against the rulers of bibliomancy and the de-writing of all books.

Ages: 14+
€ 19,99

Rights sold to: Russia
Alphabetics: An Aesthetically Awesome Alliterated Alphabet Anthology

Patrick and Traci Concepción

From Atticus, the altruistic astronaut, to Zooey, the zonked-out zombie, this book revamps the ABCs.

C is for cat? D is for dog? Not in this book! Here, Colossal Cornelius captures his companions with his camera and Daisy the diver dares a death-defying dip with dinosaurs. In Alphabetics, each of the alphabet’s twenty-six letters is depicted with an awesome alliteration—not to mention an illuminating illustration—that will captivate and stimulate young minds.

Although the lettered tales are meant to be humorous and fun, they also serve a commendable purpose. Complex words are introduced to expand children’s vocabularies and linguistic horizons. The book includes a glossary so that readers can look up any terms that are unfamiliar to them.

Ages: 3-8

€ 14.90

Rights sold in: English
This is a story about friendship, dreams, and growing up. On the top floor of a lovely old Parisian apartment building in the Avenue des Temps Perdus lives the slightly odd Mademoiselle Oiseau. No one knows exactly how old she is. In fact, since she never leaves her house, nobody really knows her at all. Sometimes, though, one can catch a glimpse of this elegant lady with her unkempt curls and endlessly long pearl necklaces when she’s out on her terrace amid her countless cats and birds.

Isabella is a 9-year-old girl who lives in the apartment under Mademoiselle Oiseau’s. She is so unremarkable that she’s practically invisible. One day, when Isabella comes home from school and gets in the elevator, she accidentally presses the number for the sixth floor rather than the fifth. She doesn’t even realize her mistake until she sticks her key into the lock and Mademoiselle Oiseau opens the door.

When Isabella and Mademoiselle Oiseau meet, a wonderful friendship begins. They spend their days together exploring Mademoiselle Oiseau’s roof garden, as well as her apartment full of mysteriously changing rooms, or – to the amazement of everyone – making it snow on a spring day. Soon, Isabella has become a much braver, more confident girl.

Ages: 8+
€ 19,90
Rights sold in: English & German
How Big Is Big? How Far Is Far?

Illustrations by: Jan Van Der Veken

Imaginative comparisons help children comprehend various units of measure.

How fast is 120 kilometres per hour? How heavy are 4 tons? Units of measure are abstract – until, that is, they are contrasted with other quantities. The entertaining juxtapositions in How Big Is Big? How Far Is Far? make dimensions and measurements more comprehensible for children.

This book features amusing comparisons that make units of length, distance, weight, speed, volume, and time easier to grasp. The Queen of England’s crown, for example, weighs 75 portions of cotton candy. It would take eight days of travel in an elevator through the Earth’s centre to reach the other end. When the world’s oldest living tortoise was born, there were no electric lights, telephones, cars, or airplanes.

How Big Is Big? How Far Is Far? is full of amazing facts for children thirsting for knowledge. Intelligent and witty illustrations by Jan Van Der Veken help young readers better understand how large, far away, heavy, or old something actually is when they come across a unit of measure.

Ages: 5-10

€ 17,90

Rights sold in: English & German
Edwina investigates. Priam's Treasure in Berlin

Joana Breidenbach and Judith Homoki

Illustrations by: Martin Haake

In this Berlin mystery, young readers search for clues while the gripping history of the city is brought to life.

Edwina is 13 years old and is going to Berlin on a class trip. Her grandfather asks her to bring a mysterious package to his old school friend Florian Schimmelpfennig while she is there. When she rings his doorbell, Edwina has no idea that she’ll soon find herself investigating in an important case.

The story begins when Florian Schimmelpfennig rescues an archaeological treasure from the Ministry of Aviation at the end of the Second World War. This treasure could have never been officially recovered if it weren’t for curious and clever Edwina. As she searches for clues, readers learn about important events and places in Berlin’s history at the time of the Third Reich, East Germany, and the fall of the Wall. The story’s plot is supplemented by historical information that children will find particularly interesting, such as the fact that, in 1990, only 60% of all apartments in East Berlin had a toilet.

The book’s illustrations are inspired by collages and maps and invite readers to visit and explore its historical locations themselves. Consequently, this mystery is not only a thrillingly suspenseful bedtime story, but also a travel guide for anyone who wants to learn more about Berlin.

Ages: 10+

€ 12.90

Rights sold in: German
Max and That Thing Called Courage
Nicole Lange

Illustrated by: Sebastian Krietsch

Max, the shrewd and extremely shy three-spotted beetle, is in love. How can he manage to win over Milly’s heart? She is the nicest, smartest, cutest, bravest, most wonderful beetle girl in all of Beetle Valley! But that’s not his only problem. The four-spotted beetle gang of Freddy, Ticky and Tony is giving him a hard time. They are making fun of him because he only has three spots on his back and not four like them. But Milly, who turns out to only have three spots too, helps him. When a bolt of lightning hits a beetle hut in the four-spotted beetles’ village, things change dramatically. Max saves Lulu, who is the little sister of gang leader Freddy, from a burning hut and promptly becomes a hero.

Ages: 4+
€ 9,95
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Cloudsy and That Thing Called Friendship
Nicole Lange

Illustrated by: Sebastian Krietsch

It is autumn in Beetle Valley. The first leaves have fallen from the trees, and many beetles are already preparing for hibernation. Max, Milly, and Paul collect as many supplies as they can for the winter. Even Manny, the scatter-brained mole, comes to Beetle Valley to stay for the winter. And that makes for great excitement. The migratory birds fly south. As do the Beetle Valley greenhorns. But this year Cloudsy has something different in mind...

Ages: 4+
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Summer has arrived at Beetle Valley. Everyone is excited that the summer party is coming up. The highlight of this year’s party will be the Beetle Valley talent contest. Everyone in the valley is really busy, since many of the Beetle Valleyans have prepared special performances. Max and Milly are going to perform something together for the first time this year. As is the case every year, a special guest will also be coming to the summer party: Giovanni, the singing Italian lizard, is coming to visit his friends. He always pays special attention to his looks and has something big planned for the contest.

But then something unexpected happens. Giovanni has to flee from a bird of prey and loses his tail on the run. And now there’s no way he can perform anymore, if it weren’t for the little beetle girl Lulu. She convinces him to perform after all, and together they win the talent contest.

Having a beautiful heart is what really counts.

Ages: 4+
€ 9,95
All rights available
Sunny Valentine and her family live in a very strange house. When His Honour (it insists on being addressed this way) is in a good mood, the curtains turn pink, banana milkshake flows from the taps, and it rains roses. But when it’s in a bad mood, your bed ends up in the tree-house, and there’s dust everywhere. All these strange things happen because the house is yearning for a flag. Not any old flag, no, it’s got to be the underwear of a young prince. So that’s why Sunny finds herself catapulted into Buckingham Palace, where she starts looking for Prince William’s underpants. How on earth is she supposed to go about it?

Ages: 9+
€ 10.95

Rights sold to: Denmark

The Vulkanos Are Smashing! (Vol. 2)
Franziska Gehm
Illustrated by: Franziska Harvey

For days now, there’s been thick fog lying over the valley of the Vulkanos. Clearly, none of the Vulkanos is going to step outside the volcano in this weather. But all of a sudden, Smok suddenly disappears! Maybe he’s lost his way in the fog? Krato and Flambia start searching desperately for their little pet dragon – and make an amazing discovery.

Ages: 7+
€ 7.95

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**Darkmoor – The Origin of All Evil (Vol. 1)**
Janet Clark

On his father's building site, Valentine finds the body of a long-dead baby. Soon afterwards, he is subjected to strange, life-threatening accidents, and then a journalist disappears without a trace. Valentine does not believe it's a coincidence - did the journalist find out something she wasn't supposed to know? Together with his friends, he searches for the missing woman, and comes up against a long-hidden secret that someone is desperate to protect, at all costs!

Ages: 12+
€ 9.95
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Loewe Verlag GmbH

**Quentin Jellyfish – A Moray Has a Migraine**
Heinz Rudolf Kunze/Jens Carstens
Illustrated by: Julia Ginsbach

Murray, the moray eel, has a terrible migraine. Serves him right, is what lots of the little sea-dwellers are thinking. They are very scared of the moray eel, who is never full. But Quentin the jellyfish is not like that. This brave little jellyfish wants to help Murray. There're some healing algae in his garden that can help with headaches. And, who knows, maybe a little gesture will persuade even the moray eel to reconsider his diet...

Ages: 4+
€ 14.95
Rights sold to: China (simplified)
Moritz Verlag

**Just a Quick Scratch of the Ears, Please?**

Jörg Mühle

It’s bed time and Honey Bunny is very tired. When the little reader taps Honey Bunny on the shoulder, it turns around. When the reader claps his/her hands, Honey Bunny jumps into its pyjamas and when the pillow has been fluffed up, it’s time for a goodnight kiss. But it’s only when the reader has switched off the light that Honey Bunny can finally snuggle up and happily drop off to sleep – just like the little reader! This board book will enchant everyone: children, parents and honey bunnies alike.

**Ages:** 2+

€ 8,95

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**Is it Really True?**

Antje Damm

Does everybody lie? Why do we want to know the truth? Are white lies allowed? Is there only one truth? Can animals lie? Lies can have far-reaching consequences. They can also be a last resort. When do we have to say the truth? Aren’t invented stories often the more interesting ones? Humankind has concerned itself with the question of truth and falsehood ever since the creation story. Lies make imaginary worlds possible, but also lead to companies going bust. Is a theatre play just one big lie? And doesn’t nature cheat when the cuckoo plants its eggs in other birds’ nests? In an impressive manner Antje Damm examines the various shapes and forms of cheating, uncovers misleading packaging, explains optical illusions, lie detectors and explains self-deceit with the help of the placebo effect and gambling machines. And once again she manages to get children to reflect and philosophize.

**Ages:** 6+

€ 14,95

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Moritz Verlag

**The Visit**

Antje Damm

Elise is lonely and afraid. She never leaves her flat. But one day, a strange object flies in through the open window. And the following day, Elise has an unexpected visitor. This is a visit that will change everything...

A beautiful, gentle, and sympathetic story about how an inquisitive and self-confident child unwittingly breaks through a woman’s isolation – gradually bringing light and colour back into her life.

Antje Damm’s ingenious three-dimensional setting, that she illustrated, cut out, built, and then photographed expertly, succeeds in mesmerising the reader in a unique manner.

**Ages:** 4+

**€ 12,95**

**Rights sold to:** Brazil, South Korea

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**Little Bear’s the Worse for Wear**

Susanne Göhlich

Lena’s bear is ill and feeling rather poorly. Is it a tummy ache, a sore throat, or an earache? His friends don’t know and they are concerned. Everyone chips in to help make him feel better. The horse brings its warm blanket, the duck brings warm milk with honey, the polar bear lends bear his scarf and so on. Until, in the end, thanks to the help of his friends and their loving care, bear is feeling a lot better. Just as in It’s Bedtime, Susanne Göhlich turns Lena’s soft toys into the protagonists of this charming board book – just like children do with their own toys.

**Ages:** 2+

**€ 8,95**

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Leo & Leo: The Sparrow of Paris
Tobias Bungter
Illustrated by: Thilo Krapp

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Susann Opel-Götz


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Hans-Christian Schmidt

**Illustrated by:** Sabine Kraushaar

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Love and betrayal in the shadow of the Berlin Wall. 1988. Jana is fifteen and lives in East Germany. She has never questioned the system before – not until she falls in love with Jacob. But her wonderful feelings are mixed up with doubt and anger. Doubt because Jacob has applied for an emigration permit. Will the day come when she may never see him again? Anger because Jana’s straight-laced parents want to stop her from seeing Jacob. Then Jacob really does disappear – he is locked up. Jana's world comes crashing down. She is prepared to do all she can to help him. But why oh why doesn’t he answer her letters? Jacob is having a terrible time in prison. He thinks about Jana all the time. Why doesn’t he hear anything from her? In 1992, Jana discovers that it was her father who betrayed Jacob. He had been an unofficial member of the Stasi, the East German state security service. Jana is devastated and has terrible feelings of guilt! She simply must find Jacob...

Twenty-five years after the fall of the Berlin wall, a controversial piece of GDR history is presented for the first time in a literary context by the award-winning author of the bestselling novel Locked Away.

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Luke is 14 years old and has the house to himself while his mum is away. It’s pretty cool having two weeks of freedom. And with his best mate, Luke can have all kinds of adventures. Also, there’s a girl he is crazy about. He got her telephone number before the summer holidays and now each day is the one when he will finally text her.

All pretty normal stuff so far.
But there is something Luke definitely needs to do now. Something he can only do while his mother is away. Luke’s father, Uli, is dead. He lost his life in the Christmas tsunami disaster in Thailand in 2004 – while on holiday with his new love, Kim.

Since then, no one has ever spoken a single word about Uli. It’s as though he had been erased. His name is taboo. And Luke desperately needs to find out why. Because at night he is plagued by nightmares and finds himself struggling over and over again with the deadly wave.

When Luke discovers a letter Kim wrote to his mother, he decides to go in search of Kim in the hope of also finding his father in some way.
What awaits him is initially a shock. Kim is a man! Luke goes wild, gets so drunk he has a mental black-out so that the police take him to the address he keeps on babbling – which is Kim’s. Next morning, Luke freaks out again. Instead of talking to Kim, he lunges at him, wants to hurt him, because he hates Kim so much, blames him for his father’s death. His rage with Uli and with his mother, Anja, is practically devouring him. Who wants a gay father? And why on earth did he bring a child into the world, too? Was it all just a big front? Luke is in despair, but he knows there is only one person who can answer his questions, and that’s Kim. Luke manages to overcome his anger and contacts Kim again – and this time finds that he is someone who can tell him about his father. It’s a wonderful feeling, finally having someone he can talk to about Uli, and Luke realises that he was actually the most important person in Uli’s life. And that his father said nothing about Kim so that he wouldn’t lose him.

When Anja returns from her holiday, Luke confronts her with the truth he has unearthed. His mother is anything but pleased and reacts exactly as Luke had feared: she won’t talk about Uli and she doesn’t want Luke ever to see Kim again.

Luke is faced with a decision - does he want to carry on as before and remain silent for ever? Or does he want to take action at last?
The first book in a trilogy in which a girl and her griffin must stand up against evil powers. By chance, twelve year old Melody discovers an underground cemetery for mythical creatures and within it, a strangely formed stone. This turns out to be the egg of a small griffin (a mythical creature that is half lion and half eagle). Agravaine, as Melody dubs the animal, is a lovable, funny little guy that can speak to Melody through her thoughts. He grows quickly and tells Melody about an ominous threat: the “Brotherhood of Dragons”, which is plotting something evil. When agents of the Brotherhood try to kidnap Melody, Algravaine acts as her noble protector and is able to rescue her. But they are by no means entirely out of danger.

**Ages:** 7-11

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Due to a mix-up of names, the young conductor Karavan is given the task of conducting Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony – but with a very unique orchestra. Through an agency dealing with “difficult to place musicians” he is put in charge of many different animals with musical talent. First comes the Lion with his kettle drum, followed by a group of woodwinds: Sheep (bassoon), Goose (oboe), Turtle (clarinet) and Mouse (flute). Then the strings are introduced, three chipmunks with violin, viola, and cello and a mute bear on the double bass. And when a group of brass instruments follow, including Wolf on the tuba, Eagle on the trombone, and a cat and a fox with trumpets, the chaos is complete. The fox wants to eat the goose, the eagle is eyeing the turtle, the cat is chasing the mouse, and the wolf is after the sheep. Even though Karavan tries to arrange the orchestra so that no predator is next to their prey, it’s the mute bear who finally calms things down: he simply stands up and begins to play the fourth movement of the symphony very quietly, until all the animals get along and play “Ode to Joy” together. The seating order of a symphony orchestra is presented in detail in an appendix to the book. Information about Ludwig van Beethoven rounds out the volume and lets children get familiar with the composer’s life and his famous Ninth Symphony. The accompanying CD features the story as an audio performance, including sequences from the Ninth Symphony in which the instrument being introduced plays a prominent part. These tracks can be listened to as an introduction, to identify and get familiar with the particular sound of each instrument in turn.

Ages: 4+

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Eleven-year-old Randy is a passionate free diver; that means he practices diving without using an oxygen tank. He lives on an island in the Pacific Ocean, where his parents run a diving school. For some time now, there have been a series of strange occurrences in the reef. Eventually a tourist is attacked by a shark unexpectedly, and the reef is closed to divers. Randy suspects something; in fact, he discovers that a real estate dealer, who had also set his sights on his parents' diving school, hunts the reef sharks illegally and is deliberately destroying the equilibrium of the underwater world.

There is factual material throughout about sharks, the underwater environment, and the sport of diving.

About the series: A unique series concept that combines suspense and knowledge. The introduction is told in medias res, starting in the midst of the action: 60 seconds of a precarious situation are enthrallingly portrayed. The story is expanded and “unpacked” by additional factual information, commentary, photographs and illustrations.

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Wonders of the World

Tobias Pahlke

Illustrated by: Sabine Lipan

The pyramids of Giza are among the oldest human constructions still standing, and are one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. But additional wonders have long since taken their place alongside them, including the Seven Wonders of the Modern World and the Seven Natural Wonders of the World.

This volume introduces readers to a selection of them, including the mystery-enshrouded city of Machu Picchu in Peru, the Taj Mahal in India, the Empire State Building in New York, and the largest coral reef in the world off the coast of Australia. Readers will learn from experts: an archaeologist, an architect, and a mangrove expert from UNESCO report what they study and what they hope to learn about the various world wonders.

Foldout pages provide fascinating perspectives, for example into the depths and the kilometre-long gorge of the Grand Canyon.

With more than 19 million copies sold in German and translations into 20 languages, the series Why? Why? Why? represents the very best in non-fiction for children. The series Pro Knowledge is especially geared toward 8 to 12 year olds, and conveys interesting information with the qualities associated with WWW: factually correct, modern, with interactive elements, thoughtful details, and always at the level of the target group. Foldout discovery pages provide a visually impressive rendition of a subject on a large area, interviews feature experts giving insight into their fields of expertise, and the accompanying comic is an additional fun way of learning information.

The expanding range of Pro Knowledge was launched with 4 titles in the fall of 2013 and 4 in the spring of 2014, followed by 2 titles every half year.

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