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German children’s and young adult books are very much in demand among international licensees and an absolute export hit for German publishers, being the top selling foreign rights category.

Since 2006, the Frankfurter Buchmesse has been inviting German publishers to exhibit a selection of their books abroad in order to meet this great demand.

This year, 16 renowned publishers and imprints will be part of the Children’s Books on Tour collection.

A total of 52 compelling titles will be displayed and promoted at about 15 foreign book fairs and at our foreign offices in China, the USA, Russia and India.

You’ll find all the information about the books in this rights list.
**I Like You – Just Like That!**

NEELE  
*Illustrated by Marta Balmaseda*

Pages: 32, Format: 28.8 x 28.6 cm  
Age: 3+, Price: € 14.-  
ISBN: 978-3-401-71298-7

All rights available

A poetic picture book to help children cope with arguments and anger. The little elephant is in a bad mood and kicks a stone, which accidentally hits the flamingo – and the bad mood just keeps spreading. By the river, in the bush, out on the savannah: just like that! Until finally, a little meerkat decides enough is enough and gives the snarling leopard a hug. The leopard soon cheers up, and eventually all the animals realise how good it feels when we’re nice to one another. Just like that!

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**The Barefoot Crew and the Stolen Granny**

JÖRG STEINLEITNER  
*Illustrated by Daniela Kohl*

Pages: 160, Format: 21.0 x 16.1 cm  
Age: 8+, Price: € 13.-  
ISBN: 978-3-401-60475-6

All rights available

Adventure is afoot! Summer holidays in the country can feel like a whodunnit – where else would you find a missing Granny, hidden treasure and eight bare feet? From Jörg Steinleitner comes an uplifting story set in a world full of adventure, with varied and powerful illustrations by bestselling illustrator Daniela Kohl.

If you think summer holidays in the village are boring, you’re quite mistaken: on the very first day of the holidays, Tanne’s Granny Schnitzel disappears without trace. It’s a good job Corvin (9), Kiki (10), Ben (10) and Tanne (11) have just formed a gang called the Barefoot Crew.

And soon they have more than just bare feet and a kidnapped Granny to contend with – there’s also real treasure to be found! A hugely exciting mystery set against a breathtaking natural backdrop, this feelgood story invites readers to dream, discover and share in its many thrills. Best-suited for boys and girls aged 8+.
**The Little Lady**  
Limited anniversary edition with audio book

**STEFANIE TASCHINSKI**  
Illustrated by Nina Dulleck

Pages: 160, Format: 21.1 x 15.9 cm  
Age: 8+, Price: € 16.-  
ISBN: 978-3-401-60556-2

Rights sold: Poland

The Little Lady makes all hearts sing! When Lilly and her family move into the old house with the golden pretzel, she has no idea that a magic neighbour lives in the mysterious backyard. The Little Lady keeps a chameleon that is 1000 years old; she can make herself invisible and masters all kinds of magic tricks – but most of all she loves to play pranks on others! So a summer filled with wonderful adventures begins for Lilly.

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**You for Future**

**GÜNTHER WESSEL AND FRANZISKA WESSEL**  
Illustrated by Myriam Homberg

Pages: 208, Format: 21.1 x 15.1 cm  
Age: 12+, Price: € 13.-  
ISBN: 978-3-401-60539-5

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‘We will not stop demonstrating,’ writes Franziska Wessel in a guest column in the Berliner Zeitung. Franziska is pursuing a goal. Decisive action must finally be taken to protect the climate.

Until that happens she will carry on taking to the streets every Friday, giving interviews and putting pressure on politicians. But climate change isn’t the only thing threatening our future. There is so much suffering, injustice and destruction in the world. Something must be done about it. And as a climate activist, Franziska knows exactly how to engage with these issues.

Together with her father, the journalist and author Günther Wessel, she answers questions such as: How do I start a petition? How do I organise a campaign? How does lobbying work? To help everyone understand how they can make a difference.
Helsin is small and bendy like a grasshopper and nearly always in a good mood. But she does have one little problem: sometimes, when things are not going her way, she has terrible tantrums – a bit like Rumpelstiltskin. And that’s exactly what happens the day Louis joins the dwarf class and mutters a mocking rhyme about her name. Helsin decides to steal his Fiji iguana, which ends up getting her into real trouble. How can she get out of this mess? The fact that Louis gets nicer all the time is not the only surprise!

Brushing our teeth in the morning, having a drink, going swimming in the afternoon, taking a shower. We need water for all these things. But children are often told they need to save water and use it carefully. Why? Could water run out one day? Where does it actually come from? What makes it so special? And who does it belong to? This non-fiction book for children aged 7+ is full of remarkable images and useful explanations. It also looks at how we can conserve our most important resource so that everyone can have more of it.
Ingo Siegner, creator of Eliot and Isabella, is a master storyteller for young children. In this book he tells of heroes both brave and timid who go on great adventures. Like Günter the gander, or the mole who dreams of flying, or Conrad the crab, or Hocuspocus, who is looking for his mummy. Children will love his entertaining and amusing style. A book full of illustrations that are as colourful and funny as the stories themselves.

As Eliot would say: “Oh boy!” (There’s a new story about him, too, by the way!)

**The Flying Mole**

**INGO SIEGNER**
Illustrated by Ingo Siegner

Pages: 160, Format: 24.6 x 16.9 cm
Age: 5+, Price: € 14.95
ISBN: 978-3-407-75460-8

All rights available

These rabbits are to be envied: Axel Scheffler brings Frantz Wittkamp’s pearls of wisdom to life with playful ease. Whether the rabbits are turning somersaults, drying their fur in the sunshine or squawking like ravens – they are always cheerful and in a very good mood.

**When Rabbits Are in a Good Mood**

**FRANTZ WITTKAMP**
Illustrated by Axel Scheffler

Pages: 32, Format: 21.6 x 17.2 cm
Age: 4+, Price: € 10.95

All rights available
**DESPERADO**

OLE KÖNNECKE  
Illustrated by Ole Könnecke

Pages: 36, Format: 27.4 x 24.0 cm  
Age: 3+, Price: € 14.-  
ISBN: 978-3-446-26434-2

Rights sold: Italy, Russia, Spain

Every morning Roy rides excitedly to kindergarten on his horse Desperado. But one day everything is different: the kindergarten has been ransacked, the seesaw is broken and the swing has been torn down. And as if that wasn’t bad enough, Heidi the kindergarten teacher has been kidnapped by the evil bandit Black Beard! Roy and Desperado set off immediately to follow his tracks in the sand. As experienced trackers, they find his secret hideaway in no time. But can they free Heidi?

Roy wouldn’t be the bravest rider, and Desperado his most fearless of horses, if the two of them didn’t have a brilliant plan. By combining brainpower and horsepower, they manage to chase Black Beard away and bring Heidi home. What an adventure! Or, as Roy puts it: “just your average day at kindergarten”.

**A TIGER LIVES AT MY HOUSE**  
Short stories to read aloud

CHARLOTTE INDEN  
Illustrated by Pe Grigo

Pages: 96, Format: 24.4 x 16.4 cm  
Age: 3+, Price: € 13.-  
ISBN: 978-3-446-26215-7

Rights sold: Russia

Oskar is three and, over the course of a year, he has all kinds of adventures with his sister Klara and his stuffed animal Theo. He talks about colourful ‘labadoons’, playing puppet theatre with Dad, his summer holiday in the mountains with Grandma and Grandpa and how much he hates washing his hair.

He tells us how he gets books out of the library, rides his bike with Mum, and watches seals at the zoo. And he paints a lively picture of the time he played bandits with Enno, baked cookies with Mum and Klara, and ran into his neighbour Mr Smithson. Soon it’s Oskar’s fourth birthday! Which means he’s totally not a baby anymore and no longer has to take naps at kindergarten. This book features 42 little every-day stories that all preschool kids can relate to.
ALL YOU NEED
The 20 most important things in life

CHRISTOPH HEIN
Illustrated by Rotraut Susanne Berner

Pages: 96, Format: 22.0 x 14.4 cm
Age: 5+, Price: € 15.-
ISBN: 978-3-446-26273-7

Rights sold: Italy, Kazakhstan, P. R. China, Russia, Spain

First of all, you need a great friend you can really rely on. And a mum who comforts and cares for you – even if she’s annoying sometimes. Another crucial item on the most-important-things list is an aunt or grandma who always has time to play. Every child should have their own room, bed and bike as well as a soft toy or pet animal to cuddle. And they should be able to cook their favourite meal and play an instrument. Christoph Hein also illustrates why discoveries and inventions should be part of every child’s life, and why good stories, tears and being in love are all necessary for perfect happiness.

RUN FOR YOUR LIFE:
The Sneakers’ Tour Around the World

WOLFGANG KORN
Illustrated by Birgit Jansen

Pages: 232, Format: 21.9 x 14.6 cm
Age: 12+, Price: € 15.-
ISBN: 978-3-446-26217-1

Rights sold: Greece, Korea, Spain

When an unusual pair of sneakers is found at the Berlin Marathon, a reporter sets off on a different kind of race: he wants to be the first to find out who wore these shoes, who designed them and where they were manufactured. His journey takes him from brand designers in Germany to product pirates in China to cheap labour in Ethiopia. He discovers how the competition for resources, and cheap manufacturing, shape the complex structure of world trade. This book illustrates the mechanisms and connections of globalisation in the form of a gripping story.
Everyone in Heartswood is overjoyed when a cute little unicorn is born. But this unicorn is unlike any other. Cute as it looks, it doesn’t behave at all like the fairy-tale creature it is supposed to be. Its favourite word is “NO” – and all efforts to cuddle it and feed it juicy four-leafed clovers are met with a grumpy “NO!”

So it’s no surprise that one day the unicorn decides to break free of this candyfloss world and seek out its own adventures. On its journey it meets a raccoon who never listens, a dog who doesn’t give a damn and a princess who’s always answering back. And they make a great team. Because even being stubborn is much more fun together!

How do you control anger?
Perhaps it can be cuddled away!
Find out how in this delightful picture book – which also features lots of other tips for coping with anger.
Day after day, Amanda, Oskar and their friends work their fingers to the bone in an orphanage run by the nasty Agatha Stinkwort, manufacturing the famous ‘Choco-cadabra’ chocolate. Until one day they find a strange container with mysterious writing on it: the recipe for the legendary Happiness Cocoa! A frantic search for the seven ingredients begins...

Emma, along with her mother and siblings, has to move from Dublin to a rural part of northern Germany. She misses Ireland, the Atlantic and her Irish grandparents. Even the Baltic Sea is no consolation. All Emma wants is to return to Ireland as soon as possible. Levin, a boy in her new class who’s facing his own problems, offers to help her. But after a while, it seems he doesn’t really want her to leave. And Emma herself starts to doubt the merits of her escape plan...
Look Over Here! What Animal Is Near?

MARKUS SPANG
Illustrated by Markus Spang

Pages: 32, Format: 270 x 23.0 cm
Age: 4+, Price: € 14.−
ISBN: 978-3-570-17705-1

All rights available

Tricky picture book fun for clever kids and their parents!

This special search-and-find book for smart cookies challenges children to use their eyes. There's an animal hidden on every double page spread, in the rhymes as well as the pictures. The twists and turns of this search-and-find adventure take Nele and her friends from her backyard to the desert, the jungle, then up to the moon and back again. You have to look closely to find the well-hidden animals in unexpected places. And if you can’t find all the animals, you might want to have a look in the back of the book – or just keep on searching!

- Varied and entertaining hide-and-seek game with words and pictures

Benny and the Raccoon Gang – Adventures in the Humming Forest

ELENI LIVANIOS
Illustrated by Eleni Livanios

Pages: 128, Format: 24.0 x 17.0 cm
ISBN: 978-3-570-17682-5

All rights available

A magical birthday party

There's great excitement in the Humming Forest! A stranger has arrived, and it looks as if he's planning to stick around! His name is Benny – and he's rather a shady character, think Lola the owl, Indigo the tomcat and Maggy the sheep. Benny’s friend Radish, the miniature goose, seems a little sly as well. Nevertheless, Maggy invites the two newcomers to her birthday party. And what a day it turns out to be! Never before have the friends of the Humming Forest been to such an action-packed party. For Benny and Radish bring along a gift that enchants them all!

- As warm-hearted as Winnie-the-Pooh and as cheeky as the Peanuts
Pia & Poppy and the Missing Professor

KATHARINA RESCHKE
Illustrated by Anne-Kathrin Behl

Pages: 208, Format: 21.5 x 13.5 cm
Age: 8+, Price: € 11.25
ISBN: 978-3-570-17688-7

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Adventure-filled holidays with Poppy Williams!

When Pia hears that she and her family are going to San Francisco for their summer holiday instead of her beloved Baltic Sea, she’s shocked and horrified. Pia is determined to dislike the unknown city – but unexpectedly, the colourful metropolis by the sea grows on her. This is probably thanks to Grandma Maple’s brilliant biscuit shop and the crazy Villa Futura, where Pia and her parents stay.

The biggest surprise, however, is Poppy Williams – the extraordinary girl who suddenly appears barefoot in Pia’s room and whisks her off on the adventure of her life.

- Wonderfully unique, courageous and hugely likeable: Poppy is the new Pippi Longstocking!

FRRK! – My Alien and I

NICOLE RÖNDIGS
Illustrated by Zapf

Pages: 224, Format: 21.0 x 15.5 cm
Age: 9+, Price: € 13.25
ISBN: 978-3-570-17743-3

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A tentacled galactic monster joins the fifth grade

Tom has made it: all the boys in the class think he’s cool, including super-sporty Jonas. Then one day, a circular flying object crashes at Tom’s feet.

Out wobbles FRRK, a glibbery alien who asks Tom to help him repair his spaceship. The nitric acid they need can be found in the school’s chemistry lab.

Of course, FRRK can’t let himself be seen there in his true form. So he transforms himself into an eleven-year-old kid. But something goes terribly wrong…

A wildly funny story about boys, girls and other strange beings – and about what makes true friendship.

- Close encounters of the glibbery kind: wildly exciting, full of humour and quick wit
**All These are Pictures and Words – My Big Picture Dictionary**

ILLUSTRATED BY YAYO KAWAMURA

Pages: 16, Format: 33.6 x 27.1 cm  
Age: 18 months +, Price: € 15.–  
ISBN: 978-3-649-63333-4

Rights sold: The Netherlands

Special bonus feature: unique poster for children’s bedrooms (2 designs)
- Encourages speaking and naming things
- Includes over 200 words

**Come and Discover the Town**

ANN-KATRIN HEGER  
Illustrated by Antje Flad

Pages: 14, Format: 23.7 x 21.7 cm  
Age: 2+, Price: € 10.–  

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Facts for independent learning
- Understanding the world, with lots of special effects
- Expressive pictures teach basic facts
A whole day without getting cross – will the Grumbletroll manage it?

Of course he will! The Grumbletroll makes a bet with his friends. But when they swipe a delicious cake from right under his nose, all he wants to do is scream and stamp his feet. Then he remembers the bet – and puts the grumblestorm aside. He even manages not to grumble when a frightened crow does a poo on his nose, and when he trips over a branch and falls flat on his face.

But when his friends start laughing at him, he can’t take it any longer. Laughing at people is really mean. Now the Grumbletroll wants to grumble and rumble and thunder and flash with anger. He wants to throw himself on the ground and yell. And that’s exactly what he does! Oh no! Will his friends be able to make it up to him...?

BARBARA VAN DEN SPEULHOF
Illustrated by Stephan Pricken
Idea and concept by aprilkind

Pages: 32, Format: 30.7 x 23.8 cm
Age: 3+, Price: € 14.0
ISBN: 978-3-649-63164-4

Rights sold (series): Bulgaria, Denmark, Portugal, Romania, Spain (Spanish, Catalan), The Netherlands, USA (World English)

Falling Skye – Can You Trust Your Own Mind?

LINA FRISCH

Pages: 464, Format: 21.4 x 15.6 cm
Age: 14+, Price: € 20.0
ISBN: 978-3-649-63344-0

All rights available

Five years ago, the USA became the Transparent Nations. Its citizens had had enough of impulsive decisions, which had brought their country to the brink of catastrophe. Now people have finally stopped being judged by their skin colour, gender or religion: instead, they’re judged on whether they are rational or emotional. 16-year-old Skye is convinced she’s a Rational, with a glittering future ahead of her. But that’s not how the new order sees it...

Skye is excited: it’s not long until her Test, which will shape the course of her whole life. The exams at the test centre are disturbing, and the mysterious Examiner, who keeps flouting the rules to help her out of risky situations, is driving her out of her mind. When a fatal accident happens, Skye’s doubts begin to crystallise: where do the girls who slip down the daily ranking disappear to? Why doesn’t there seem to be a single Emotional among the boys? To her horror, Skye realises who is supposed to pay the price for the new order in the Transparent Nations: it’s her.
A dream of a book: magical reading for young bookworms!

It’s awful when your best friend moves away to another town! So it’s a good thing Clara still has Mrs Owl and her bookshop. Here she’s surrounded by her favourite books, as well as Gustaf the rhyming cat and Mr King the talking mirror, so she doesn’t feel too lonely. Especially not on snuggle-up moonshine reading nights. As Mrs Owl so beautifully puts it: “Today is not a day for feeling miserable!”

- Highly successful series: More than 100,000 books sold
- Warm-hearted stories about best friends, talking cats and the most wonderful place in the world
- 6 volumes available, to be continued
LOGICO PRIMO – Learning Game

RICHARD SCHNEIDER

Age: 3+, Price: € 16.50

Rights sold: Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Ukraine, Australia, P. R. China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Pakistan, Chile, Colombia

LOGICO PRIMO is an educational game with self-checking for children from 3 to 6 years. It promotes learning at kindergarten, at preschool and at home. The LOGICO PRIMO board with 6 handy moveable buttons is designed especially for young children. Using the LOGICO PRIMO learning cards, children practise concentration and perception, logical thinking, colours and shapes, numeracy, reading readiness, sequencing, sorting and classifying, and language development.

LOGICO PRIMO – Colours and Shapes

BRITTA VORBACH
Illustrated by Silke Reimers

Age: 3+, Price: € 14.90

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With LOGICO PRIMO, children will enjoy learning and practising basic skills. Each LOGICO PRIMO set includes 16 cards with motivational age-appropriate tasks. Colours and Shapes expands children’s understanding of colours and shapes. The puzzles are designed to promote concentration, visual recognition and logical thinking.
Each LOGICO PRIMO set includes 16 cards with motivational age-appropriate tasks. The title First Maths in Pictures introduces children aged 5 and above to the concepts of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. All tasks are shown in pictures and related to everyday life. Children learn addition by collecting items, subtraction by sharing things, etc.

BRITTA VORBACH
Illustrated by Nadine Bougie
Age: 5+, Price: € 14.90
Rights sold: Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Ukraine, Turkey, Australia, P. R. China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Pakistan, Chile, Colombia

LOGICO PRIMO –
First Maths in Pictures

LIZA NEUNZERLING
Illustrated by Alexa Riemann
Age: 5+, Price: € 14.90
Rights sold: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Ukraine, Australia, P. R. China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Syria, United Arab Emirates, Pakistan, Chile, Colombia

Each LOGICO PRIMO set includes 16 cards with motivational age-appropriate tasks. The learning cards of Learn About Vehicles help expand children’s knowledge of vehicles and develop the skills of logical thinking, sorting, matching, perception, concentration and finding missing parts.

LOGICO PRIMO –
Learn About Vehicles
**The Miracle of Metamorphosis**

HANS-CHRISTIAN SCHMIDT  
Illustrated by Andreas Német

Pages: 12, Format: 20.3 x 20.0 cm  
Age: 2+, Price: € 13.99  
ISBN: 978-3-7373-5695-4

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Colourful meadows bloom in their fullest splendour. Among the dandelions and poppies, beautiful butterflies flutter about. In this book, you can experience up close the miracle of a caterpillar turning into a butterfly. Featuring several slider, pop-up and turntable effects, including one on the cover.

**The Stories of the Story of the Penguin**

CHRISTINE NÖSTLINGER  
Illustrated by Barbara Jung

Pages: 144, Format: 21.8 x 14.7 cm  
Age: 8+, Price: € 12.–  
ISBN: 978-3-7373-5717-3

Rights sold: P. R. China (Simplified Chinese)

This is the story of a penguin who finds a home with a boy. The boy’s name is Emanuel. The penguin’s is Aptenodytes Pennantii. The story has three endings. A sad one (which nobody wants to read). A happy one (which is not very believable). And a true one – in which Emanuel’s father finds a new wife, Emanuel gets a new teacher, and the penguin falls head over heels in love with the neighbour’s cat...
“If you do not behave like an Eagle, you soon become prey.” That’s the motto of Bo, Jannik’s older brother. Bo is Jannik’s role model, and inspires the stories that Jannik and his friends re-enact.

At first their games are harmless, and winning is not the main aim. But once they become members of the ‘Eagles’, the most important thing is to be strong and to look and act the same. Loni has always been Jannik’s best friend, but now she stands out because her skin is a different colour. Fear spreads quickly – until one day, Loni suddenly disappears. And what was once a game becomes something very serious indeed.

“The year is 2099 and it is the most important day of Elaine’s life: she is taking part in the annual vortex race. During this competition, dozens of young people race around the globe – but not on foot. They move through the vortices that transformed and almost destroyed the world some decades ago. Jumping into a vortex is potentially fatal.

If you manage it, however, the vortex will transport you from one place to another within seconds, like a secret portal. Only the best competitors can become professional vortex runners – something Elaine has aspired to for a very long time. But the moment she succeeds, her allegiances are tested; and the person responsible is a boy who used to be her idol, but who turns out to be completely different from what she’d expected...

“Vortex is a fast-paced journey through an entirely new world, a captivating firework of ideas with a strong heroine. I couldn’t put it down.” Ursula Poznanski
Six illustrated stories about Korny's new preschool feature sweet episodes drawn from everyday life to look at and read aloud.

Korny is new to the Blue Polka Dot group at preschool. The children can play brilliant games of hide-and-seek and build a knight's castle in the sandpit. And Korny soon makes friends: Kati shows him around the school on his first day, and Paul does a super penguin jump in gymnastics and is very brave. But Korny's best day at preschool is his birthday, when they all celebrate together!

Korny is new to preschool and joins the Blue Polka Dot group. There are so many wonderful things to play with, and Korny makes new friends there too: Kati, for example, who is always helpful, and Paul, who is very clever. Only Eugene is sometimes mean. But then Bella the teacher steps in and helps resolve the tension.

Korny particularly enjoys gymnastics. Paul takes a tumble while jumping, and everyone is worried. Paul has hurt himself, but thankfully it's not serious. And soon Korny turns his attention to the next game with his preschool friends: scooter taxi!

A book about environmental activism from a child's perspective

Samuel is an inventor. For every problem he finds a solution. A dino-transformer, for example, that protects him from an annoying boy called Bela in the playground at school. But one problem still remains: Kiribati. This far-flung island nation in the Pacific will soon be swallowed up by the steady rise of the sea level. But couldn't the right invention avert this crisis, too? Samuel is certain something can be done.
Alphabet of Legends – Girls who Changed the World

BEN BROOKS
Illustrated by Quinton Winter

Pages: 64, Format: 22.8 x 20.7 cm
Age: 4+, Price: € 12.95
ISBN: 978-3-7432-0639-7

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26 brave people who have changed the world and made it the place we are lucky enough to live in today! Beyoncé, Greta Thunberg and Malala are portrayed in 26 short one-page biographies. An alphabet of legends in picture-book form, featuring lots of witty illustrations. A story for every letter in the alphabet, written by best-selling author Ben Brooks, for kids aged 4 and up. What a great gift!

Vincent – Off to New Adventures

SONJA KAIBLINGER
Illustrated by Fréderic Bertrand

Pages: 128, Format: 21.6 x 15.4 cm
Age: 7+, Price: € 12.–
ISBN: 978-3-7432-0020-3

Rights sold: Finland

Vincent the bat (a half-ghost) lives in the attic, where he feels pretty lonely. He’s convinced that the one thing he needs to help him succeed in life is a friend. WANTED! Together with Bowl, the owl, he puts up a lonely-hearts ad. HALF-GEHOST BAT LOOKING FOR A BUDDY! Easier said than done...
Moving to a new city, starting a new school, dealing with annoying parents... and all kinds of other nuisances. But the drama really began when Hoot Snoot the pony moved into our garden.

That crazy pony turned everything upside down. New drama every day.
OK, why don’t you just read my diary?
Come on in and find out. You’re most welcome.

Did you know that ants can identify themselves in a mirror, and dolphins have names? That rats like to laugh together, and orcas are real mummy’s boys who still live with their parents at the age of 30? Biologist Karsten Brensing tells amazing stories from the animal kingdom. From bees to meerkats, from monkeys to elephants, he shows how animals think and feel in very similar way to humans. Kids will even come to see their pet cats, dogs and hamsters in an entirely new and different light.
The Colourful World of Sebi the Seahorse

ANJA DREIER-BRÜCKNER
Illustrated by Yayoi Kawamura

Pages: 16, Format: 26.0 x 18.0 cm
Age: 3+, Price: € 8.95
ISBN: 978-3-96455-074-3

Deep in the ocean, Sebi the seahorse encounters the most amazing sea creatures. What does a goldfish’s tail look like? And which treasures do the crabs play with? Kids can decide for themselves!

Series: My Magical Colouring Book

A UNIQUE COMBINATION OF BOARD BOOK AND MAGIC BOARD

These magical colouring books invite children to use the magic board to create their very own stories. Kids can draw beautiful horns for the little dinosaur’s friends, help a fairy with her magic, give the fish lovely tail fins, or help the circus artists: they will love being able to continue the stories for themselves.

- Short stories for kids to add to themselves
- Board books with enchanting illustrations
- Magic board with plenty of space for kids’ creations
- A unique combination of board book and magic board

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Buzz Buzz – Explore the World of the Honey Bees

AYGEN-SIBEL ÇELIK AND MARKUS GERHARDS
Illustrated by Katja Jäger

Pages: 96, Format: 27.8 x 22.8 cm
Age: 6+, Price: € 14.95
ISBN: 978-3-96455-035-4

A VERY SPECIAL COMBINATION OF A FICTIONAL STORY AND FACTUAL INFORMATION – IN COLLABORATION WITH THE GERMAN BEE INITIATIVE ‘DEUTSCHLAND SUMMT!’

There are many books about bees, but this one is different: it invites children to strike up a personal relationship with Ari the bee through a fictional tale, then combines this with factual information about the life of a honey bee. This opens an emotional door for children, encouraging them to familiarize themselves with a creature we often react to initially with fear. Young (and older) readers will be drawn into Leni and Ari’s exciting story and finally come to understand just how closely connected we all are. The ideal combination of emotional appeal and facts about nature!

- Factual information with photos
- Story with illustrations

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HANDICRAFTS FOR A HOMELY – AND PRETTY – LIFE!

In this amazing book of crafts, Mouna and Lucia create purses from milk cartons and cardboard monsters from egg boxes, turn old toys into necklace pendants and transform T-shirts into bags. Follow the photo-illustrated instructions to design favourite pieces using simple household items.

- Personality: a book invented and created by the authors’ families
- Sustainability: features countless fantastic upcycling ideas
- DIY and a labour of love: make everything yourself – even the cover
- Design your own cover

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A new space adventure awaits: in Book 11, Little Major Tom and his friends Stella the astronaut and Plutinchen the robot cat rescue two young Chinese astronauts called Ming and Hu, along with their robot panda Neng Neng, from the damaged Space Camp 1. But soon their help is needed once more: the holes in the outer shell of the space station are in hard-to-reach places, and the children are asked to carry out repair work. Can the newly formed team master this task and successfully complete their dangerous cosmic mission? Another thrilling galactic adventure with plenty of fascinating information about the universe thrown in.

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In this book of experiments, little researchers will find lots of ideas about how to investigate their own senses as well as natural phenomena. What happens when you only look through one eye? Can you mix water and oil? What do two spoons have to do with a stethoscope? It’s easy to carry out exciting experiments using only air, water, our own senses and simple household objects. This book features lift-the-flap fact boxes and exciting additional information to spark children’s curiosity and deepen their knowledge.
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