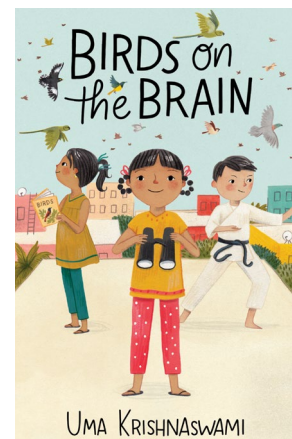
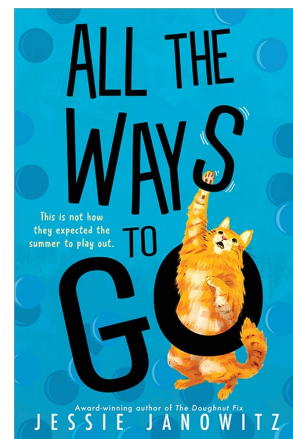




MIDDLE GRADE & YOUNG ADULT Spring 2024

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Little, Brown BFYR (July 30, 2024)
Hardcover, 352 pages

Romantic Mysteries & Thrillers

Hardcover | \$19.99 USD
Specs: 5.5 x 1.13 x 8.25 inches

THE GRANDEST GAME

by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

#1 *New York Times* bestselling author Jennifer Lynn Barnes delivers a brand-new series in the world of *The Inheritance Games*, where fan-favorite and new characters collide in a game you'll never forget.

Get ready for a new series that brings readers deeper into the lush, romantic, and puzzle-filled world of the #1 bestselling *Inheritance Games* series (over 3 million copies sold!), set a year after we last saw Avery and the Hawthornes.

Welcome to the Grandest Game, an annual competition run by billionaire Avery Grambs and the four infamous Hawthorne brothers, whose family fortune she inherited. Designed to give anyone a shot at fame and fortune, this year's game requires one of seven golden tickets to enter. With millions on the line, those seven players will do whatever it takes to win. Amidst it all is Grayson Hawthorne, tasked with a vital role in this year's game. But as tensions rise and the mind-bending challenges push the players to their limits—physically, mentally, and emotionally—it soon becomes clear that not everyone is playing by the rules.



Foreign Sales: Danish/Gutkind; French/Pocket Jeunesse; German/cbj; Polish/Media Rodzina; Portuguese (BR)/Globo; Russian/Eksmo; Spanish/Molino.

Upcoming Title: **THE GRANDEST GAME 2** (pub date in 2025)

For a complete list of Jennifer's foreign publishers please get in touch with us or refer to our Backlist Catalog.

THE # 1 BEST SELLING SERIES CONTINUES... THE INHERITANCE GAMES

★ #1 NYT Bestseller ★ #1 Toronto Star (Canada) ★ #1 The Globe and Mail (Canada) ★ IndieBound bestseller ★ USA Today bestseller ★ Amazon Editor's Pick September 2023 ★ B&N Best Books of the Year List 2023

WITH OVER 4 MILLION COPIES SOLD ACROSS ALL FORMATS!

GAMES UNTOLD

by Jennifer Lynn Barnes

Romance, luxury, and secrets abound in this thrilling new collection that take readers deeper into the world of the #1 bestselling Inheritance Games series.

There is nothing frivolous about the way a Hawthorne man loves.

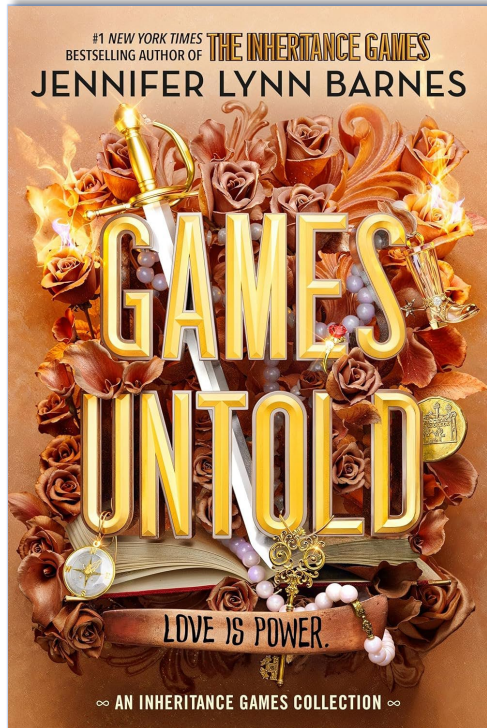
An amnesiac playboy and the woman with every reason to hate him. A daredevil, his favorite heiress, and three nights in Prague. An unlikely pairing between a cowboy and a goth. Four brothers with an inescapable bond, strengthened by the family they chose, in a house of wonders that promises to always deliver one more secret.

Discover their stories of love and loss, power, puzzles, and life-and-death secrets in this mind-blowingly romantic collection that proves that when you love the way Hawthornes love, there is no going back.

Novellas and short stories included in this Collection: That Night in Prague (novella)

- The Same Backwards as Forward (novella)
- The Cowboy and the Goth
- Five Times Xander Tackled Someone (and One Time He Didn't)
- One Hawthorne Night*
- What Happens in the Treehouse*
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- Pain at the Right Gun
- *previously available only in a Barnes & Noble Exclusive Edition

*A GoodReads Choice Awards Finalist, a Kirkus Reviews Best Young Adult Book of the Year, a Publishers Weekly Best Book of the Year, a New York Public Library Best Book for Teens
An Amazon Top 100 Book*



Little, Brown BFYR (November 12, 2024)

Hardcover, 368 pages

Est. manuscript delivery: June 2024

Hardcover | \$18.99 USD



Foreign Sales: French/Pocket Jeunesse; Polish/Media Rodzina; pending offers in Spain, Germany, Brazil, Ukraine.

Jennifer Lynn Barnes is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of more than twenty acclaimed young adult novels, including The Inheritance Games trilogy, *The Brothers Hawthorne*, *Little White Lies*, *Deadly Little Scandals*, *The Lovely and the Lost*, and The Naturals series: *The Naturals*, *Killer Instinct*, *All In*, *Bad Blood*, and the novella, *Twelve*. She invites you to her online at www.jenniferlynnbarnes.com or follow her on Instagram @authorjenlynnbarnes.

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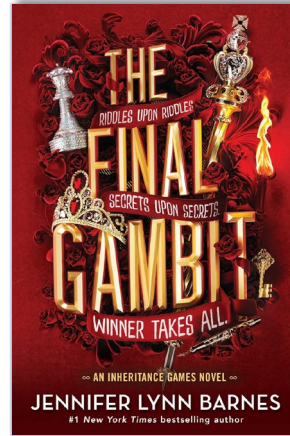
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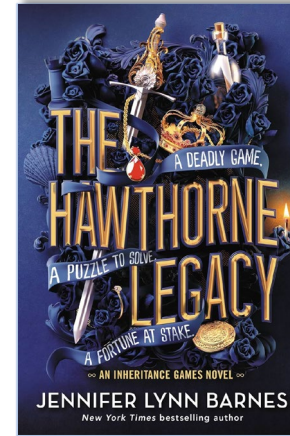
THE BROTHERS HAWTHORNE
Little, Brown BFYR (August 29, 2024)
Hardcover, 480 pages

Foreign Sales: Bulgarian/Egmont;
Czech/Euromedia; Danish/Gutkind;
Dutch/Blossom; French/Pocket Jeunesse;
German/cbj; Greek/Psichogios; Hebrew/Miskai;
Hungarian/Kiadoi; Italian/Sperling & Kupfer;
Polish/Media Rodzina; Portuguese (BR)/Globo Livros; Portuguese (PT)/Presenca;
Romanian/Storia Books; Russian/Eksmo;
Slovak/Ikar; Spanish/PRH Grupo;
Turkish/Epsilon.



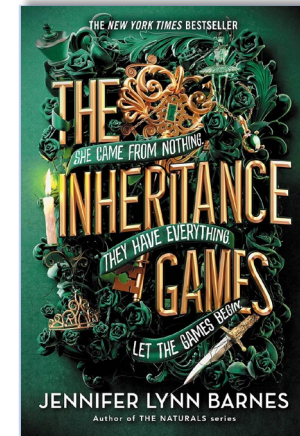
Book 3: THE FINAL GAMBIT
Little, Brown BFYR (August 30, 2022)
Hardcover, 384 pages

Foreign Sales: Arabic/Jarir; Bulgarian/Egmont; Chinese (Complex)/Sun Color Culture Co.; Croatian/Egmont;
Czech/Euromedia; Danish/Gutkind; Dutch/Blossom;
Estonian/Rahva Raamat; Finnish/WSOY; French/Pocket Jeunesse; German/cbj; Greek/Psichogios;
Hebrew/Miskai; Hungarian/Kiadoi; Italian/Sperling & Kupfer; Latvian/Latvijas Mediji; Lithuanian/Alma Littera;
Mongolian/Bolor Sudar; Polish/Media Rodzina;
Portuguese (BR)/Globo Livros; Portuguese (PT)/Presenca;
Romanian/Storia Books; Russian/Eksmo; Slovak/Ikar;
Spanish/PRH Grupo; Turkish/Epsilon; Ukrainian/Ranok;
Vietnamese/1980 Books.



Book 2: THE HAWTHORNE LEGACY
Little, Brown BFYR (September 7, 2021)
Hardcover, 368 pages

Foreign Sales: Arabic/Jarir; Bulgarian/Egmont; Chinese (Complex)/Sun Color Culture Co.; Croatian/Egmont;
Czech/Euromedia; Danish/Gutkind; Dutch/Blossom;
Estonian/Rahva Raamat; Finnish/WSOY; French/Pocket Jeunesse; German/cbj; Greek/Psichogios;
Hebrew/Miskai; Hungarian/Kiadoi; Italian/Sperling & Kupfer; Korean/Crayon House; Latvian/Latvijas Mediji;
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Polish/Media Rodzina; Portuguese (BR)/Globo Livros;
Portuguese (PT)/Presenca; Romanian/Storia Books;
Russian/Eksmo; Serbian/Vulkan; Slovak/Ikar;
Spanish/RBA Libros; Swedish/Modernista;
Turkish/Epsilon; Ukrainian/Ranok; Vietnamese/1980 Books.



Book 1: THE INHERITANCE GAMES
Little, Brown BFYR (September 1, 2020)
Hardcover, 384 pages

Foreign Sales: Albanian/BOTA SQUIPTARE; Arabic/Jarir;
Bulgarian/Egmont; Chinese (Complex)/Sun Color Culture Co.; Croatian/Egmont; Czech/Euromedia; Danish/Gutkind;
Dutch/Blossom; Estonian/Rahva Raamat; Finnish/WSOY;
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Mongolian/Bolor Sudar; Polish/Media Rodzina;
Portuguese (BR)/Globo Livros; Portuguese (PT)/Presenca;
Romanian/Storia Books; Russian/Eksmo; Serbian/Vulkan;
Slovak/Ikar; Spanish/RBA Libros; Swedish/Modernista;
Turkish/Epsilon; Ukrainian/Ranok; Vietnamese/1980 Books.



Dial Books (April 9, 2024)
Hardcover, 288 pages

Historical Fiction, World War II,
Survival, Self-Esteem

Hardcover | \$17.99 USD
Specs: 5.5 x 0.72 x 8.25 inches

THE NIGHT WAR

by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

★ "A gripping, humane tale that examines what war demands of children and what it costs them." – *Kirkus*, starred review

From the two-time Newbery Honor-winning author of *THE WAR THAT SAVED MY LIFE* and *FIGHTING WORDS* comes a middle grade novel set at the border of fear and freedom in World War II France, at the Chateau de Chenonceau, where a Jewish girl who has lost everything but her life must decide whether to risk even that to bring others to freedom.

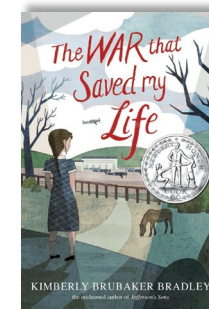
"We don't choose how we feel, but we choose how we act. Choose courage."

It's 1942. German Nazis occupy much of France. And twelve-year-old Miriam, who is Jewish, is not safe. Miri's quick thinking saves her from the roundup that takes her entire Jewish neighborhood. With help, she escapes Paris, landing in a small French village, where the spires of the famous Chateau de Chenonceau rise high into the sky, its bridge across the River Cher like a promise, a fairy tale.

But Miri's life is no fairy tale. Her parents are gone—maybe alive, maybe not. Taken in at the boarding school near the chateau, pretending to be Catholic to escape Nazi capture, Miri is called upon one night to undertake a deadly task, one that spans the castle grounds, its bridge, and the very border to freedom. Here is her chance to escape—hopefully to find her parents. But will she take it? One thing is certain: The person Miri meets that night will save her life. And the person Miri becomes that night could save the lives of many more.

Foreign Sales: Dutch/Kokboekencentrum; Portuguese (BR)/Darkside.

Also Available: *THE WAR THAT SAVED MY LIFE* (Dial BFYR, 2015).



A Newbery Honor Book. **Foreign Sales:** Chinese (Complex)/Global Kids Books; Chinese (Simplified)/Jieli; Dutch/Kokboekencentrum; German/DTV; Greek/Papadopoulos; Hebrew/Hakibbutz Hamechad; Italian/Piemme; Japanese/Hyoronsha; Korean/Lime Co., Ltd.; Lithuanian/Nieko Rimto; Polish/Entliczek; Portuguese (BR)/Darkside; Portuguese (PT)/Topseller; Romanian/Editura Art; Russian/Eksmo; Spanish/Santillana.

THE WAR I FINALLY WON (Dial BFYR, 2017).



A New York Times bestseller with 4 starred reviews.

Foreign Sales: Chinese (Simplified)/Jieli; Dutch/Kokboekencentrum; Greek/Papadopoulos; Hebrew/Hakibbutz Hamechad; Japanese/Hyoronsha; Portuguese (BR)/Darkside; Portuguese (PT)/PRH Grupo; Russian/Eksmo; Spanish/Santillana

Kimberly Brubaker Bradley is the author of nineteen previous books, including the Newbery Honor winners *FIGHTING WORDS* and *THE WAR THAT SAVED MY LIFE*. The sequel to latter, *THE WAR I FINALLY WON*, appeared on many state-award and best-books lists and was described as “stunning” by *The Washington Post* and “honest” and “daring” by *The New York Times*. She is also the acclaimed author of *She Persisted: Rosalind Franklin*.



Knopf BFYR (June 11, 2024)

Hardcover, 320 pages

Coming of Age, Foster Homes, Social Situations

Hardcover | \$17.99 USD

Specs: 5.5 x 8.25 inches

★ A Junior Library Guild Selection!

THE TENTH MISTAKE OF HANK HOOPERMAN

by Gennifer Choldenko

Readers will be rooting for a happy ending for Hank in Newbery-Honor-winner Gennifer Choldenko's gripping story of a boy struggling to hold his family together when his mom doesn't come home.

When eleven-year-old Hank's mom doesn't come home, he takes care of his toddler sister, Boo, like he always does. But it's been a week now. They are out of food and mom has never stayed away this long... Hank knows he needs help, so he and Boo seek out the stranger listed as their emergency contact.

But asking for help has consequences. It means social workers, and a new school, and having to answer questions about his mom that he's been trying to keep secret. And if they can't find his mom soon, Hank and Boo may end up in different foster homes--he could lose everything.

Gennifer Choldenko has written a heart-wrenching, healing, and ultimately hopeful story about how complicated family can be. About how you can love someone, even when you can't rely on them. And about the transformative power of second chances.

Also Available:



DOGTOWN (Feiwei & Friends) came out in September 2023 with a second book in the series coming in Fall 2024. Rights to DOGTOWN are handled via Rights People UK.

Foreign Sales: Dutch/Querido; UK/Welbeck; Turkish/Dogan; Japanese/Kaisei Sha.

Gennifer has previously been published in the UK by Bloomsbury, Hot Key and Welbeck. Gennifer is a Newbery Honor (*Al Capone Does My Shirts*) and NYT bestseller (*Al Capone Does My Shirts* and *Dogtown*).

Gennifer Choldenko is the bestselling author of eight middle grade novels including the Tales from Alcatraz series, which has been called “a cornerstone series in contemporary children’s literature.” *AL CAPONE DOES MY SHIRTS*—the first book in the series—was a Newbery Honor Book and the recipient of twenty other awards. All four books in the series were Junior Library Guild selections and garnered many starred reviews. She is also the author of *DOGTOWN*, co-written with Katherine Applegate. Gennifer lives in the San Francisco Bay area. Find out more at m.GenniferCholdenko.com



Knopf BFYR (March 2025)

Coming of Age, historical; WWI Great Depression

Est. manuscript delivery: April 2024

THE SECRET OF HONEY CAKE

by Kimberly Newton Fusco

In 1930, eleven-year-old orphan Hurricane McAdams has more bad-school-luck than even David Copperfield in her little one room schoolhouse high on the cliffs overlooking the Mighty Atlantic where her teacher – Miss Witherspoon -- doesn't think being quiet is a positive attribute.

But Hurricane likes this side of herself very much – it's how she knows her favorite seagull wants to race, how she can hear her yellow front door whispering how happy it is to see her after another terrible day at school, and how she knows what her old dog Brody-Bear is thinking, just by looking in his eyes. You have to listen with your whole heart to hear the things the world is trying to tell you, and be very still on the inside.

When her older sister is sent to a tuberculosis sanatorium in the mountains, Hurricane is pulled away from her home and the dog she loves so much. She is taken in by her forthright, Latin-quoting Great Aunt Claire to a fancy house in the city where everything matches and portraits of the ancestors hang from all the walls and where she is completely lost.

But as she learns to play chess, secretly adopts a stray cat as lonely as she, befriends an “unsuitable” fish peddler boy, and learns to bake the most amazing cakes with a WWI soldier suffering shellshock, Hurricane discovers another side to herself – a strength that requires her to stand up and unleash everything she's been holding back if she's going to rescue her

dog and bring her sister home again to their house wrapped in driftwood, overlooking the sea.

Kimberly Newton Fusco is the author of three other novels, **CHASING AUGUSTUS**, **THE WONDER OF CHARLIE ANNE**, and **BEHOLDING BEE**, which garnered many accolades. Before becoming a novelist, she was an award-winning reporter and editor for the Worcester Telegram & Gazette. Ms. Fusco lives in Foster, Rhode Island, with her family. Visit her on the Web at kimberlynewtonfusco.com and [@kimnewtonfusco](https://www.instagram.com/kimnewtonfusco).

THE WORLD OF CHARLIE ANNE (Knopf BFYR, 2010).



BEHOLDING BEE (Knopf BFYR, 2013).



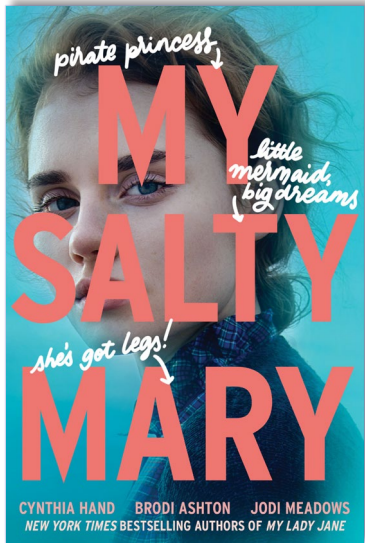
CHASING AUGUSTUS (Knopf BFYR, 2017).



THE BEST SELLING SERIES *THE LADY Janies!*

by Cynthia Hand, Brodi Ashton, and Jodi Meadows

★ *New York Times* Bestseller ★ *Publishers Weekly* Best Young Adult Book of the Year ★ *Bustle* Best Young Adult Book of the Year ★ *YALSA* Best Fiction for Young Adults ★
★ “This comical, fantastical, romantical, *NYT* bestselling, (not) entirely true story of Lady Jane Grey is “an uproarious historical fantasy that’s not to be missed” – *Publishers Weekly*, starred review



MY SALTY MARY
HarperTeen (August 20, 2024)
Hardcover, 448 pages

Historical fantasy; Action & Adventure; Romance

Hardcover | \$19.99 USD
Specs: 5.5 x 1.4 x 8.25 inches

Praise for MY IMAGINARY MARY: ★ “Energetic, clever, and absorbing. The authors responsible for this entertaining smashup series get better with every book they write.” – *Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

Praise for MY CONTRARY MARY: ★ “Fast-paced, well-plotted, frequently hilarious—as delicious as the finest French pastry.” – *Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

Praise for MY CALAMITY JANE: ★ “Witty and winsome, this rollicking tall tale makes its own rules.” – *Booklist*, starred review

Praise for MY PLAIN JANE: ★ “The authors’ affection for their source material is abundantly clear in this clever, romantic farce.” – *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

★ “A delightfully deadpan deconstruction of a Gothic novel, with a ghost almost no one can see providing the commentary. Marvelously self-aware and almost too clever for its own good.” – *ALA Booklist*, starred review

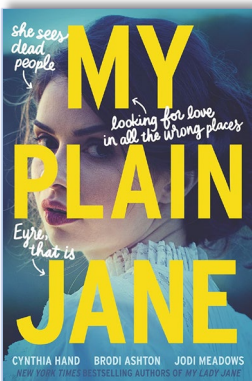
Praise for MY LADY JANE: ★ “Wacky, irreverent, and just plain fun. This fantasy-adventure politely tips its hat to history before joyfully punting it out of the way. An utter delight.” – *Booklist*, starred review

★ “An uproarious historical fantasy that’s not to be missed.” – *Publishers Weekly*, starred review



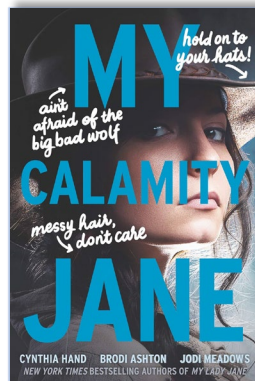
Book 1: MY LADY JANE
HarperTeen (June 7, 2016)
Hardcover, 512 pages

Foreign Sales: UK/Walker Books; Dutch/Uitgeverij Moon; French/Rageot Editeur; Italian/Mondadori; Spanish/Urano.



Book 2: MY PLAIN JANE
HarperTeen (June 26, 2018)
Hardcover, 464 pages

Foreign Sales: Portuguese (BR)/Autentica Editora; Spanish/Urano.



Book 3: MY CALAMITY JANE
HarperTeen (June 2, 2020)
Hardcover, 544 pages

Foreign Sales: Spanish/Urano.



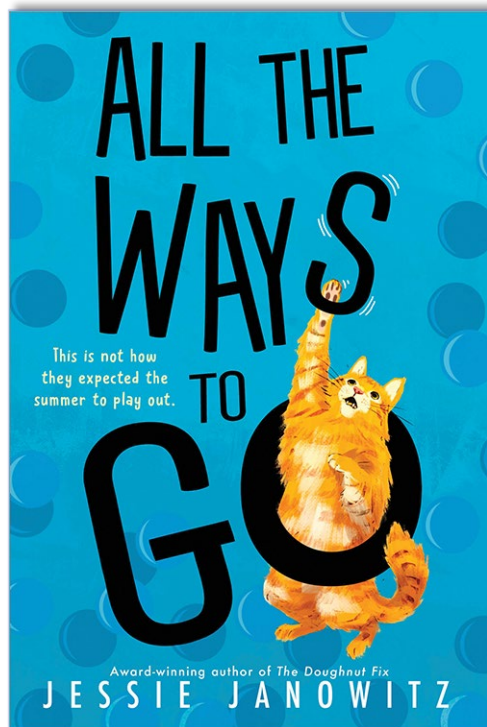
Book 4: MY CONTRARY MARY
HarperTeen (June 22, 2021)
Hardcover, 512 pages

Foreign Sales: Portuguese (BR)/Autentica Editora; Spanish/Urano.



Book 5: MY IMAGINARY MARY
Little, Brown BFYR (August 2, 2022)
Hardcover, 496 pages

Foreign Sales: Spanish/Urano.



Sourcebooks (September 3, 2024)
Hardcover, 368 pages

Coming of Age, Humor, Children's Games, Blended Families

Hardcover | \$16.99 USD
Specs: 5.75 x 1.17 x 8.5 inches

ALL THE WAYS TO GO

by Jessie Janowitz

From the author of *The Doughnut Fix* comes another funny, heartfelt book about overcoming the fear of letting down the people you love and the amazing things that can come from a summer of nothing going your way.

Milo Bloom, chess prodigy, has a secret: he doesn't want to play chess anymore. If only he had the courage to tell someone. Instead, he blows a major chess tournament on purpose. If no one knows he wants to quit, no one can be disappointed in him. The problem is, winning that tournament was a ticket to chess camp, and the loss means his summer plans are shot. Enter Roxie, a girl he's never met, who shows up at his door uninvited to tell him all about how he and his mom will be spending the whole summer with her and her mom in the "cat room" in their New Jersey home...what?

Surprise! Before Milo knows what's hit him, he's living at Roxie's house, where creepy cats rule, meat products are banned, and Roxie, who doesn't seem to understand the concept of personal space, won't give him a second alone.

But when Milo and Roxie stumble across two people playing a fascinating game they've never seen before, they become determined to learn the ancient game of Go. Between late-night library adventures and creating a Go club at their summer camp, Milo and Roxie form an unexpected friendship, realizing they have a lot more to learn from each other than just the game of Go. That is, if Milo can face his fears and tell his mom how he really feels about chess so he can stop living a lie.

Also Available: THE DOUGHNUT FIX (Sourcebooks, 2018).



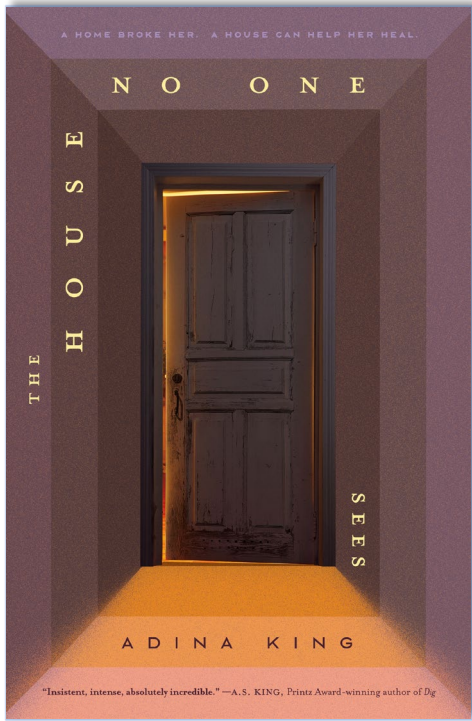
Superfudge meets *The Lemonade War* in this funny, heartwarming book about change, adventure, family, and of course, doughnuts. **JLG Selection** and **Amazon Best Book of the Month**. **Starred review from BCCB**. "Janowitz accurately portrays the chaotic emotions moving can trigger in this sweet, relatable story. Tristan's doughnut endeavor will hold wide appeal as a pleasure read, and may inspire young foodies or entrepreneurs to think beyond the lemonade stand." – *Booklist*.

THE DOUGHNUT KING (Sourcebooks, 2020).



Doesn't everyone love a good baking competition? If you or the kids in your life are into the hit show *Nailed It!* and if those kids have the entrepreneurial spirit, then this book is for you! When Tris tries to save his doughnut business and town by competing on a cooking show, will he have what it takes to win, or will he lose it all?

Jessie Janowitz is the author of **THE DOUGHNUT FIX** and **THE DOUGHNUT KING**. She grew up in New York City and is still living there with her husband and three children, all of whom love doughnuts as much as she does. Visit jessiejanowitz.com.



Feiwe! & Friends (Jan/Feb 2025)

YA Novel in verse & prose; Addiction;
family trauma

Est. manuscript delivery: May 2024

THE HOUSE NO ONE SEES

by Adina King (Baseler)

Debut hybrid verse and prose novel!

A home broke her. A house can help her heal.

Penelope Ross has always felt like a minor character in her mother's fairytale, until the night of her seventeenth birthday when she is forced to become the protagonist in her own. After a text from her estranged mother rips her away from a fun filled night with fiends, Penny is forced into a kaleidoscope of memories locked inside the dark labyrinth of her childhood home.

Forced to confront her mother's opioid addiction to mend her fractured story, Penny wanders between present and past—prose and verse—unsure if the house is guiding her out or leading her further into its maze. As Penny walks through herself to find herself, she isn't sure she has the courage to free the light she trapped inside.

This debut novel about survival, hope, and resiliency is perfect for fans of Cordelia Jackson, Laura Ruby, Patrick Ness, and A.S. King.

Adina King is a middle grade English Language Arts teacher from Maine. Aside from teaching, she has worked in book stores, played roller derby, and dabbled in dogsledding. She received her MFA in writing for children and young adults from Vermont College of Fine Arts.

When she isn't writing or covered in dirt from Olympic yard work, her natural habitat includes one or more of the following: roller skates, big dogs, mountains, chickadees, music, and really excellent food.

This title will be her debut as a novelist!

Kat Brzozowski at Feiwe! and Friends has acquired Adina King's YA debut **THE HOUSE NO ONE SEES**, a hybrid verse and prose novel in which a teenage girl confronts the dark labyrinth of her childhood home and her mother's opioid addiction to save the light she trapped inside and mend her fractured past. Publication is slated for winter 2025.



Balzer + Bray (January 25, 2025)

School Issues, Friendship, Humor

Est. manuscript delivery: April 2024

OLD SCHOOL

by Gordon Korman

Dexter Foreman is twelve... going on eighty. He has lived at The Pines Retirement Village with his grandmother since he was six years old, and as a result, he gets along better with senior citizens than kids his own age. He's been home-schooled by the residents up until the day the county's truancy officer shows up and announces that Dex has to go to the local middle school.

At school, Dex sticks out like a sore thumb. He dresses like a grandpa (and can be just as cranky). His taste in movies and music is decades out of date. Only a few students—like Gianna Greco, a reporter at the school's newspaper—find him intriguing. For most, he is a weirdo... or a target.

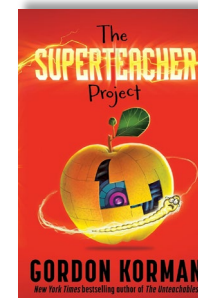
Raised among a generation of Mr. Fix-its, Dex can repair seemingly anything with his trusty Swiss army knife—which comes in handy since their old school building seems to be crumbling around them. It also ends up putting Dexter in a situation that could either make or break his school career.

Dexter would do anything to return to his old life at The Pines. But when his wish finally seems to be coming true, his old and new worlds collide in a way that surprises everyone—and Dexter most of all.

For a complete list of Gordon's foreign publishers please get in touch with us or refer to our Backlist Catalog.



Also Available:



SLUGFEST

Balzer + Bray (January 9, 2024)

Hardcover, 304 pages

★ **Amazon Best Book of the Month for Children's Ages 9-12 pick for January 2024**

★ "A middle school romp that takes the "Bad News Bears" premise for a wild ride. The pastries aren't all that's sweet in a tale rich in wins both public and personal." – **Kirkus, starred review**

★ "A rousing tale filled with hilarity and heart." – **BookPage, starred review**

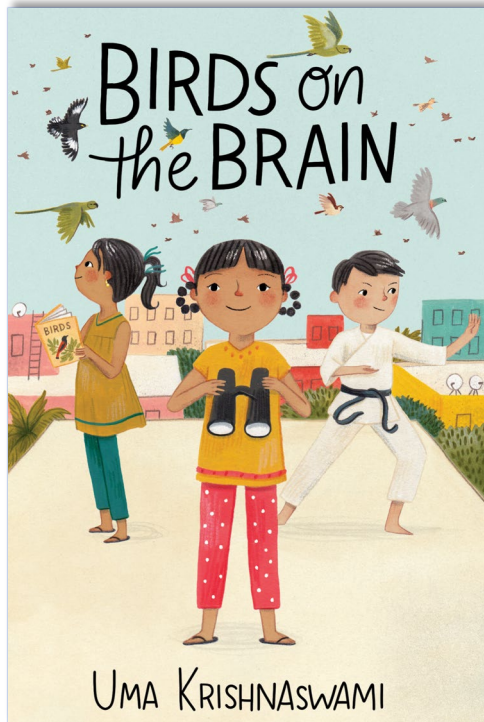
Foreign Sales: Canada/Scholastic Canada.

THE SUPERTeacher PROJECT (Balzer + Bray, 2023). **B&N Best Books of the Year List 2023** and **Amazon Best Book of the Month. Starred reviews from *School Library Journal* and *Booklist*.**

Foreign Sales: Canada/Scholastic Canada; Chinese (Complex)/Omnibook Press Co.; Turkish/Bilgi Yayınevi.

THE UNTEACHABLES (HarperCollins, 2019). **A *New York Times* Bestseller.**

Foreign Sales: Canada/Scholastic; Chinese (Simplified)/Beijing White Horse; French/Editions Bayard; Korean/Mirae; Polish/Literackie; Romanian/Editura Art; Turkish/Bilgi; Ukrainian/Vivat.



Groundwood Books (August 6, 2024)
Hardcover, 184 pages

Middle Grade chapter book; Nature, Friendship, Humor; Activism

Hardcover | \$16.99 USD
Paperback | \$11.99 USD

★ **The Book Uncle Trilogy, 2**

BIRDS ON THE BRAIN

by Uma Krishnaswami, illustrated by Julianna Swaney

The sequel to the award-winning **BOOK UNCLE AND ME** features bird lover Reeni and her quest to save her city's bird count event when the mayor tries to shut it down.

Reeni is wild about birds! So when she and her best friend, Yasmin, have to pick a survey topic for a school project, asking their neighbors what they know about birds is an obvious choice. They are shocked to learn that no one — not one single person! — has heard about Bird Count India and the major event it is about to launch all over the country.

Thousands of birdwatchers will be out counting birds as part of a global movement. Global means world, and isn't this city part of the world? How come people don't seem to care about the threats to city birds? And why is the mayor intentionally thwarting their city's bird count event?

Reeni and Yasmin enlist help from Book Uncle, Reeni's family and even their school bus driver. They must get people interested in the bird count, get them to ask the city government to support the event. After all, what's good for the birds is good for all of us... right?

A funny, triumphant story about learning to advocate for both the human and non-human inhabitants of your community.

Foreign Sales: French/Groundwood Books.



Companion Title: **BOOK UNCLE AND ME** (Groundwood Books, 2016), **winner of the International Literacy Association Social Justice Literature Award.** Foreign Sales: Japanese/Froebel House; Korean/Spring Garden; Turkish/TEAS Press

Upcoming Title: Book Uncle #3 Fall 2025

Uma Krishnaswami was born in India and now lives in Victoria, British Columbia. Her other publications include *Two at the Top*, illustrated by Christopher Corr; **BOOK UNCLE AND ME**, illustrated by Julianna Swaney, winner of the ILA Social Justice Literature Award; and *The Girl of the Wish Garden*, illustrated by Nasrin Khosravi. She has been nominated twice for the prestigious Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award.



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Animals/Marine Life, Science & Nature/Environment, Family

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GRACIE UNDER THE WAVES

by Linda Sue Park

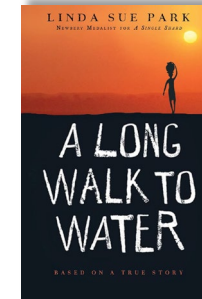
"Snorkeling is the best! Gracie loves floating above underwater reefs, watching colorful fish dart in and out of the coral. She convinces her parents let her plan a family vacation to Roatán, Honduras, where they can snorkel together. She even makes a new friend there. Now, if only her pesty little brother would leave her alone, everything would be perfect.

Things come to a screeching halt when Gracie hurts her leg, and all of her carefully made plans start to come apart. Worse still, she learns the reef itself is in serious danger. Gracie wants to help the reef...but she's just a kid. How can she possibly make a difference?

Inspired by her own experience, Newbery Medalist Linda Sue Park tells the empowering tale of a young girl learning how to impact a cause she cares about while navigating the ups and downs of sibling relationships and turning disappointment into opportunity."

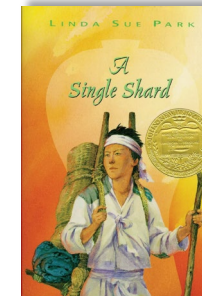
Linda Sue Park, Newbery Medal-winner for A SINGLE SHARD and #1 *New York Times* bestseller for A LONG WALK TO WATER, is the renowned author of many books for young readers, including picture books, poetry, and historical and contemporary fiction. Born in Illinois, Ms. Park has also lived in California, England, and Ireland. She now lives in western New York. Learn more at www.lindasuepark.com.

Foreign Sales for A LONG WALK TO WATER:



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Foreign Sales for A SINGLE SHARD:



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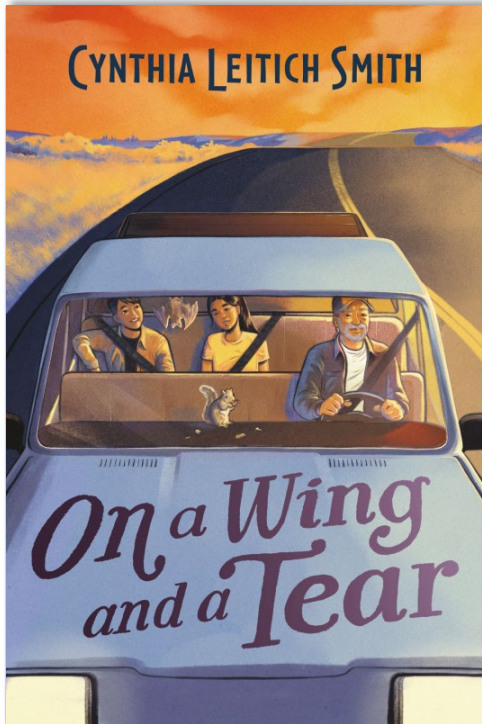
THE POETRY OF CAR MECHANICS

by Heidi E.Y. Stemple

A novel in verse consisting of approximately 15,000 words, in which an isolated teenager rescues an injured hawk and in the process rescues part of himself.

Dylan has always felt like an outsider in his small town. Isolated when he was younger as the result of his unpredictable, now absent mother and feeling like a disappointment to his increasingly right-leaning grandfather who has stepped in to raise him, Dylan finds relief in the woods behind his grandfather's auto shop. Amidst the cool quiet of the woods, Dylan thrives on bird watching and writing poetry. But one afternoon after spotting an injured hawk, Dylan finds himself pushing out of his comfort zone to track down help for the bird. And ends up rescuing a part of himself in the process.

Heidi Elisabet Yolen Stemple is the author of more than thirty books for children, some of which she coauthored with her mother, Jane Yolen, including **NOT ALL PRINCESSES DRESS IN PINK**. Heidi lives in Hatfield, Massachusetts.



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ON A WING AND A TEAR

by Cynthia L. Smith

A living legend roosting in the backyard. An unmissable game. A hair-raising mystery. A road trip full of adventure and danger. And all the overlapping circles that connect us throughout Creation.

Melanie “Mel” Roberts and Ray Halfmoon may be from different Indigenous Nations, but the friends have become like siblings since the Robertses moved in with the Halfmoons. And they soon welcome a distinguished guest: Great-grandfather Bat, whose wing is injured, has taken refuge in their old oak tree.

A rematch of the legendary Great Ball Game is coming up, with Bat as the star player. Grampa Charlie Halfmoon offers to drive Bat from Chicago down to the traditional playing field outside Macon, Georgia, and Mel and Ray are determined to help out.

Together, they all set off on a road trip—facing adventure, danger, and a hair-raising mystery—on the way to the historic game.

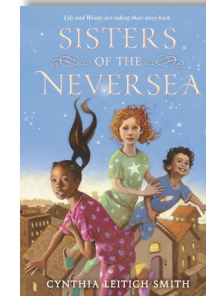
With loving care and boisterous humor, acclaimed author Cynthia Leitich Smith tells a modern folklore story about friendship, embracing the unexpected, and all the overlapping circles that connect us throughout Creation.

Perfect for fans of Kate DiCamillo, Brian Young, and Elana K. Arnold!

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HARVEST HOUSE
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reviews from
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SISTERS OF THE NEVERSEA (Heartdrum, June 2021). ★ **Starred**
reviews from *Kirkus*,
Publishers Weekly,
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Cynthia Leitich Smith is the *New York Times* and *Publishers Weekly* bestselling YA author of *HEARTS UNBROKEN* and both the *FERAL* trilogy and *TANTALIZE* series. These novels were released by Candlewick Press in North America, Walker Books in the UK and Australia/New Zealand, and additional publishers around the globe.

She also is the author of several award-winning children’s books, including: *ANCESTOR APPROVED*, a *Publishers Weekly* Most Anticipated Book of Spring 2021, *JINGLE DANCER*, *RAIN IS NOT MY INDIAN NAME*, and *INDIAN SHOES*, all published by HarperCollins.

In addition, Cynthia is the author-curator of Heartdrum, a Native-focused imprint of HarperCollins Children’s Books, which launched its first list in winter 2021.



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Middle Grade; Fantasy/Anime, Magic

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THE TIGER'S APPRENTICE

by Laurence Yep

★ Now an original **animated movie** streaming on Paramount+ starring Henry Golding, Lucy Liu, Brandon Soo Hoo, Academy Award winner Michelle Yeoh, and Golden Globe winner Sandra Oh!

Don't miss this middle grade fantasy adventure about a boy, a magical tiger, an outlaw dragon, and a mischievous monkey who carry the fate of the world on their shoulders. From two-time Newbery Honor-winning author Laurence Yep (*DRAGONWINGS*, *DRAGON'S GATE*), now with an all-new cover and introduction!

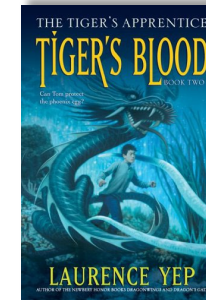
Tom Lee's life changes forever the day he meets a talking tiger named Mr. Hu and discovers that he has magical powers and great responsibilities that he never imagined. Despite his doubts and fears, Tom joins Mr. Hu's ragtag band of creatures in their fight to keep an ancient talisman out of the hands of the worst possible enemy.

This action-packed fantasy from two-time Newbery Honor-winning author Laurence Yep reveals a hidden world within our own where animals take human form, where friendship is the final weapon in the battle between good and evil, and where a young boy is responsible for saving the world he knows... and the one he is just discovering.

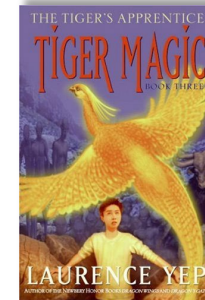
This updated edition includes an all-new introduction by Laurence Yep!

Foreign Sales: Polish/Muza; Russian/Eksmo.

Companion Titles: *TIGER'S BLOOD* and *TIGER MAGIC*.



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Russian/Eksmo.



Foreign Sales for
TIGER MAGIC:
Russian/Eksmo.

Laurence Yep is the acclaimed author of more than sixty books for young people and a winner of the Laura Ingalls Wilder Award. His illustrious list of novels includes the Newbery Honor Books *Dragonwings* and *Dragon's Gate*; *The Earth Dragon Awakes: The San Francisco Earthquake of 1906*, a Texas Bluebonnet Award nominee; and *The Dragon's Child: A Story of Angel Island*, which he cowrote with his niece, Dr. Kathleen S. Yep, and was named a New York Public Library's "One Hundred Titles for Reading and Sharing" and a Bank Street College of Education Best Children's Book. Mr. Yep grew up in San Francisco, where he was born. He lives in Pacific Grove, California, with his wife, the writer Joanne Ryder.

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