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Alice + Freda Forever
Alexis Coe, illustrated by Sally Klann
Proprietor: Zest Books

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World ex: Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese simple and complex

224 pages
Ages 16+

Frankfurt 2014; Nonfiction; Translation

In 1892, America was obsessed with a teenage murderess, but it wasn’t her crime that shocked the nation – it was her motivation. Nineteen-year-old Alice Mitchell planned to pass as a man and marry seventeen-year-old Freda Ward, but when their love letters were discovered, they were forbidden to ever speak again. Desperate and isolated, Alice pilfered her father’s razor, and on a cold winter’s day, she slashed her ex-fiancée’s throat. Alice + Freda Forever is a tragic love story with over 100 illustrated primary sources and re-imagined scenes.

Adulthood in the 21st century begins early and ends late. And our new Pulp imprint celebrates those “new adult” years with equally open-ended books — full of messy lives, valuable mistakes, and profound punchlines. We’ll follow our authors and artists wherever their creativity may take them (surprises welcome) and publish books that have an identity Juicy. Messy. Truthy. Books. all their own. Because while facts may have a reputation for being dry, we’re firm believers in juicy nonfiction.

"This is a captivating account, and readers will quickly become absorbed in the suspense surrounding Freda’s murder. Additionally, the book provides a foundation for discussion of sociocultural themes, such as how LGBT relationships have historically been viewed by society, gender and femininity, and even journalism. - SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL *starred review*

"...a well-written effort that makes the most of its source material on two levels, both as true crime and as social commentary." - Publisher’s Weekly

Alexis Coe
Alexis Coe has contributed to the Atlantic, Slate, the Paris Review Daily, the Awl, the Toast, and many other publications. Before moving to San Francisco, Alexis was a research curator at the New York Public Library.
The Next Big Thing
by Richard Faulk, Proprietor: Zest Books
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208 pages
Ages 14+
Frankfurt 2014: Nonfiction; Translation

A History of Boom-or-Bust Moments That Shaped the Modern World

We're always hearing about The Next Big Thing. From the New World to the iPhone, such discoveries and innovations loom large in the collective imagination. This fun and comprehensive investigation into the hype and hysteria behind humanity’s greatest and worst innovations covers 50 successes and failures through 3,000 years of culture—from the printing press to plastics—that led us to where we are today.

IDEAL FOR PUBLISHERS OF:
Gift books, nonfiction, history, pop culture

Richard Faulk

Richard Faulk is the author of Gross America: Your Coast-to-Coast Guide to All Things Gross, a catalog of the most grandly gross medical museums, beautifully bizarre wildlife, and delightfully disgusting historical sites our fifty states have to offer. Faulk writes music reviews and profiles for the Silicon Valley Metro and Content magazine, and is chief editor of monthly children's newspaper The Firecracker Forum. He is a contributor to The Morbid Anatomy Anthology, has lectured at Observatory in Brooklyn, NY, and participated in a panel discussion on medical oddities at Death Salon in Los Angeles. Faulk has been interviewed a dozen times on radio, including segments on Midday with Dan Ricks, WYPR, Baltimore; Word of Mouth, New Hampshire Public Radio; and Take Two, KPCC, Pasadena.
Go to Hells!
by Onnesha Roychoudhui, Proprietor: Zest Books

A witty (and beautifully illustrated) twist on Dante’s Inferno, with 71 new hells for modern sins—such as talking during movies, PDA, and more!

In the 1300s, Dante described only nine circles of hell in the underworld. Since then? No new updates. Thankfully, Go to Hells picks up where Dante left off, providing readers with a much-needed expanded edition of the Inferno. Included in this volume-in-verse are helpful descriptions and illustrations of the contemporary hell circles that have cropped up since Dante’s times, like Canker Sores, for example. The guiding maxim of Go to Hells? We all know that the devil is in the details. So when you tell someone to go to hell, you should be as specific as possible.

Covering everything from Movie Talkers and Loud Typers, to Reply All-ers and those guilty of chronic PDA, Go to Hells provides all the details the savvy crank needs to keep pace with the new and ever-more-irksome irritations of the modern world.

* Dante's Divine Comedy, which describes his journey through Hell (Inferno), Purgatory, and Paradise, is regarded as a masterpiece of world literature, and represents the culmination of medieval Christian beliefs. Now it’s time for a reimagining to fit the modern age.
* Each of the hilariously pithy little poems offers a brief portrait of the given sin and then culminates in a devilishly apt punishment.
* With amusing illustrations on every page, the original artwork provides a detailed picture of the little things that turn our commute, our jobs, and our home life into “Hell on Earth.”

Onnesha Roychoudhui
Onnesha Roychoudhuri is a Brooklyn-based writer and editor. She is currently a fellow at the Center for Fiction, where she is at work on her first novel as well as a collection of essays. A 2011 and 2012 Pushcart Prize nominee, her writing has appeared in n+1, Virginia Quarterly Review, The Boston Review, McSweeney's, The Rumpus, Opium, The Nation, The American Prospect, Salon, Mother Jones, and others. She is a graduate of Bard College, a recipient of an MFA from San Francisco State University, and has been awarded residencies at Hedgebrook and Blue Mountain Center.
Bullshit
by John Grant, Proprietor: Zest Books
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192 pages
Ages 14+
Frankfurt 2014; Nonfiction; Translation

A Handbook for Skeptics

The world today is full of misinformation, much of it spread by the very people who are supposed to be guiding us forward—politicians, religious leaders, and broadcasters. So, if you’re looking for a little clarity when it comes to matters of climate change, history, evolution, medicine, and more, look no further. Expert and author John Grant shows how to identify, put into historical context, and respond to these distortions.

IDEAL FOR PUBLISHERS OF:
Nonfiction, history, edgy young adult books, pop culture

John Grant

John Grant is author of about seventy books, including the highly successful Discarded Science, Corrupted Science, and Denying Science. For a number of years he ran the world-famous fantasy artbook publisher Paper Tiger. He has won the Hugo Award (twice), the World Fantasy Award, and various other international literary awards.
So Bad, They're Great
by Eric Silver, Proprietor: Zest Books
Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 03 June 2015
World ex: Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese simple and complex
Ages 14+
Nonfiction; Translation; UK & Comm; Frankfurt 2014

A guide to the quotes, tactics, and unbelievable anecdotes from the most accomplished assholes from the last one hundred years.

As a society, we find several occasions to heap accolades on the artists among us: the musicians, painters, writers, actors, and athletes who inspire us with their accomplishments. But rarer is the celebration of an equally audacious and inspiring achievement: that of being the perfect asshole. This book collects and profiles the most accomplished assholes from the last hundred years, from Ernest Hemingway to Kanye West.

How was it they managed to offend an entire demographic and apologize by blaming them for not understanding? How did they somehow center themselves in the middle of a tragedy that had absolutely nothing to do with them? How is it that every single move they made in each “episode arc” of public life seems to troll horrified onlookers further and further, until they begin to question their own sanity? These are questions answered in the form of loving, nonjudgmental profiles reveling in the effectiveness of each move, as well as sidebars pulling out lessons for the novice asshole. For example, you may not know this, but claiming any selfish or sociopathic behavior on your part is simply “performance art” is one of the best ways to rise in the upper echelons of assholery—just ask Shia Labeouf!

Each profile includes an illustrated portrait, a short biography, a catalog of their achievements in the art of being an asshole, and an in-depth explanation of what makes these achievements so noteworthy. Other features include their score on the asshole scale, sidebars pointing out master maneuvers, and infamous quotes.

Profiles include: Ernest Hemingway, Kanye West, Paris Hilton, Shia Labeouf, Amanda Palmer, Donald Trump, Walt Disney, Ann Coulter, Barry Bonds, Lance Armstrong, John Mayer, Robert Moses, OJ Simpson, Paula Deen, Justin Bieber
Daisy to the Rescue
by Jeff Campbell, illustrated by Ramsey Beye
Proprietor: Zest Books
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320 pages
Ages 10+
Frankfurt 2014; Nonfiction; Translation
True Stories of Daring Dogs, Paramedic Parrots, and Other Animal Heroes

With their love and companionship, animals of all species help to make human lives better every day. But sometimes, to our utter amazement and everlasting gratitude, animals literally save our lives. This heartwarming book showcases more than 50 dramatic and thrilling real-life stories in which animals—dogs, cats, horses, pigs, dolphins and more—are the heroes.

The tales are divided into four sections: "Domestic Companions," mostly chronicling lifesaving actions by pets; "Trained to Serve, Inspired to Heal," about search dogs and various other kinds of animals trained to perform particular functions; "Wild Saviors," profiling unusual interactions between wild animals and humans; and "Legends and Folktales."

"...fascinating anecdotes.... Overflowing with information, fascinating tales and thought-provoking information; give it to animal-loving middle graders on up." - KIRKUS REVIEWS

"Well-documented....The text flows well, and the compact content is intense....The documentation shines in this presentation." - SCHOOL LIBRARY JOURNAL

Jeff Campbell
Jeff Campbell is a freelance writer and book editor. For twelve years he was a travel writer for Lonely Planet, coauthoring guidebooks on Hawaii, Florida, the Southwest, and other US destinations. As an editor for the past twenty years, he has specialized in animal intelligence and emotions, among other topics. In particular he has worked with Dr. Marc Bekoff on several books, such as the highly regarded The Emotional Lives of Animals. He lives in Northern New Jersey.
Members Only
by Julie Tibbot, Proprietor: Zest Books
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First publication: 01 January 2015
World ex: Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese simple and complex
208 pages
Ages 12+

Frankfurt 2014: Nonfiction; Translation

Secret Societies, Sects, and Cults- Exposed!

Clubs aren't just for kids anymore. Since the earliest days of human culture, people have banded together to pass on traditions, climb up the social ladder, and sometimes just avoid being excluded themselves. Some of today's groups have been around for centuries and others have developed in just the past few decades. But members of these clubs walk, talk, and live all around us; we just don't always know it.

Members Only provides a glimpse into the underground cults people love, fear, and cannot resist. Delving into different groups like Opus Dei, the Freemasons, and the Skull and Bones, the book uncovers the how, what, when, where, and why of these mysterious groups. Members Only reveals the shared beliefs and actions of these organizations so that we, too, can access secret worlds we didn't even know were there.

Julie Tibbot

Julie Tibbott is an editor of teen fiction at a major publishing house. She lives in New York City, and is not a member of any secret societies . . . or is she?
Rockin' the Boat
by Jeff Fleischer, Proprietor: Zest Books

Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 04 February 2015
World ex: Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese simple and complex
224 pages
Ages 14+

An inspirational look at 50 revolutionaries throughout history who changed the world

We love to root for the underdog, and that's part of why we're drawn to the stories of revolutionaries. They're the people who try to topple the massive institutions that dominate the world at any given time — and whether they fail, succeed, or succeed only to become a new kind of enemy, there's something inherently fascinating about the effort to disrupt the status quo.

Rockin' the Boat tells the stories of 50 legendary iconoclasts — including the gladiator Spartacus, Boudica, the woman who threatened Roman ambitions in England, the Carthaginian emperor Hannibal Barca, the inspired religious fighter Joan of Arc, the abolitionist John Brown, women’s rights icon Margaret Sanger, and Maori chief Hono Heke — from incredibly diverse places and times. Many of these men and women were born into virtual dystopias, and fought throughout their lives to find a path to a better future. (And, spoiler alert: Their plans didn’t always work out.)

The men and women in Rockin’ the Boat include the good, the bad, and the ambiguous — both winners and losers. Each of the entries will include a mix of the person's biography, the story of their revolution from its cause to its impact, and their own actions during the revolution. Each entry will also include a photo, two or three sidebars of "fun facts" trivia about their lives and their impact. The revolutionaries included represent a diverse sampling from across time, regions, and cultures. Their causes are also varied, including anti-slavery issues, women’s rights, LGBT rights, civil rights, workers’ rights, national independence movements, as well as human rights and champions of socio-cultural reform.

* History presented in a fun, illustrated, and easy-to-read format for teens
* This engrossing and original mix of history and pop culture is a fantastic gift
* Eye-catching, full-page photos supplement each of the historical and biographical entries to draw in readers
* The perfect blend of information, history, and entertainment to keep reluctant readers riveted
* Something to pique the curiosity of readers of all backgrounds, genders, and areas of interest

Jeff Fleischer

Jeff Fleischer writes non-fiction books and articles for national and international publications - about politics, climate change, the Pacific, history, and heaps more.
So... a gamer, huh? Here are a few things you ought to know.

Bone up on your gaming knowledge with this gently ironic yet thoroughly informative guide to video game terminology, presented as a picture book for all ages. Attack! Boss! Cheat Code! A Gamer's Alphabet is an indispensable guide, a lively look at the language of video games that might actually bridge the gap between game-obsessed kids and their often-perplexed parents.

A is for Attack
Pressing the buttons at the right speed in the right pattern and at just the right time so you can jump, throw, grab, spin, hammer, slam, swing, fling, flip, or fly.

B is for Boss
The big, bad leader of the bad guys -- the last enemy you’ve got to beat in battle before you can advance to the next level or win the whole thing.

C is for Cheat Codes
Simple tips and tricks from other players -- like, “Press CTRL + SHIFT + C, then type “armoredChihuahua on” and press ENTER” -- for making a game easier or more fun or (ahem) not entirely fair.

Chris Barton
Chris Barton is the author of the picture books SHARK VS. TRAIN (a New York Times and Publishers Weekly bestseller) and THE DAY-GLO BROTHERS (winner, American Library Association Sibert Honor), as well as the young adult nonfiction thriller CAN I SEE YOUR I.D.? TRUE STORIES OF FALSE IDENTITIES. His 2014 publications include picture book ATTACK! BOSS! CHEAT CODE! A GAMER'S ALPHABET and his YA fiction debut as a contributor to the collection ONE DEATH, NINE STORIES, and 2015 will bring picture book biographies THE AMAZING AGE OF JOHN ROY LYNCH and PIONEERS & PIROUETTES: THE STORY OF THE FIRST AMERICAN NUTCRACKER. Chris and his wife, novelist Jennifer Ziegler (REVENGE OF THE FLOWER GIRLS), live in Austin, Texas, with their family.
These handsome guides to the language of sports decode the amusing, clever phrases that pepper commentary. This humorous mix of definitions and anecdotes makes the perfect gift for sports fans!*

Praise for HOW TO SPEAK BASEBALL:
"an elegantly designed little book...capturing the colorful, frequently fanciful vocabulary that describes the world of baseball." - Litchfield County Times

Series titles
HOW TO SPEAK BASEBALL (Chronicle Books, 2014): Translation rights only
HOW TO SPEAK GOLF (Flatiron Books, 2015): Translation and UK & Comm
HOW TO SPEAK FOOTBALL (Flatiron Books, 2016): Translation and UK & Comm
HOW TO SPEAK AMERICAN FOOTBALL (Flatiron Books, 2017): Translation and UK & Comm

James Charlton
James Charlton is the publications director for the Society for American Baseball Research, a founding editor of the Pushcart Prize, and a judge of the Casey Award, which is given annually to the best baseball book. He has written numerous books about baseball, and lives in New York City.

Sally Cook
Sally Cook is the co-author of many books on baseball including YANKEE MIRACLES: LIFE WITH THE BOSS AND THE BRONX BOMBERS, published in September 2012 by W.W. Norton and HEY BATTA BATTA SWING! THE WILD OLD DAYS OF BASEBALL, illustrated by Ross MacDonald (Simon & Schuster, 2007), as well as the picture book GOOD NIGHT PILLOW FIGHT, illustrated by Laura Cornell (Joanna Cotler Books/HarperCollins).

Before entering the magical world of books, Sally was a reporter for the Associated Press and interviewed and wrote features. Sally is the special advisor for the book club at Project Sunshine, a nonprofit organization that provides free social, educational and recreational programs to children living with medical challenges. Sally lives in New York City.

Ross MacDonald
Born and raised in Canada, Ross MacDonald lives in Connecticut with his wife, two children, two dogs, four cats, and a large collection of 19th century type and printing equipment. His illustrations have appeared in many publications and he has worked as a prop designer and as a consultant for movies and TV shows, including Boardwalk Empire.

He has written and illustrated four picture books: ANOTHER PERFECT DAY (Roaring Brook), ACHOOO! BANG! CRASH! THE NOISY ALPHABET (Roaring Brook), and HENRY’S HAND (Abrams). In addition, he has illustrated many other books for children and adults.
This comprehensive guide will empower tween girls to challenge stereotypes, examine their own feelings, and speak their minds confidently.

Middle school is a tough time for nearly everyone, but it can be especially hard on girls. Between social and cultural pressures, academic challenges, family dynamics, changing hormones, and a growing awareness of the world around them, middle school girls often end up feeling voiceless and powerless. They can struggle with speaking in class, standing up for their beliefs, navigating complicated social situations, and generally letting their voices be heard.

Speak Up confronts these issues head on. In a relatable, frank tone, Speak Up lets young girls know that what they have to say is important and that their thoughts are worth hearing. By presenting real issues and scenarios that girls will recognize from their own day-to-day lives, as well as exploring the negative thoughts and feelings that can hold them back, Speak Up will supply girls with the tools they need to understand their feelings and speak up in any situation. Interactive exercises, lists, real-life examples, and attractive graphics will keep the readers engaged from start to finish. More than a book about self-esteem, Speak Up addresses the cultural factors that hold girls back, and features real strategies to enable them in finding, and using, their voices.

* A relatable guide to empower young women.
* More than a self-help book, Speak Up! addresses the barriers that have historically held girls back and shows tweens how to break them
* Strikingly designed without being overly pink and girly, the book’s presentation says as much as the information inside about what it means to be empowered.

**Halley Bondy**

Halley Bondy is a Brooklyn-based writer who has worked as a news reporter for the Newark Star Ledger, an arts journalist for Back Stage, and as editor for MTV World. She is currently Editor for Oxygen Networks. A playwright, comedian, and the winner of the 2008 Fringe Festival NYC for Outstanding Playwright, she is the author of Don’t Sit on the Baby (Zest Books 2012) and 77 Things You Absolutely Have to Do Before You Finish College (Zest Books 2014).
Friends and Frenemies
by Jennifer Castle, Proprietor: Zest Books

Product type: Nonfiction
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192 pages
Ages 10+

Nonfiction; Translation; UK & Comm; Frankfurt 2014

Middle school friendships can be a source of great joy one day, then pain and anxiety the next. Friends and Frenemies examines the complexities of friendship and helps readers start building communication tools that will last a lifetime. The book tackles big questions such as: "How can I make friends?" and "What if I feel like I need to end a friendship?"

Friends and Frenemies includes not just advice, but also comments from real kids, advice from older teens who have been there and done that, quizzes, polls, and other interactive elements that encourage readers to engage with the book, adding their own thoughts and experiences.

*Includes quizzes, polls, activities, and advice from kids
*Tackles big questions such as: "How can I make friends?" and “What if I feel like I need to end a friendship?"
*Uses tactics that the author has developed over a decade of working with tweens to help them empathize with others and stand up more for themselves
*Ultimate guide to middle school friendships

Jennifer Castle
Jennifer Castle received her B.A. in Creative Writing at Brown University and worked as a celebrity publicist’s assistant, an advertising copywriter, and a struggling screenwriter (yes, that’s an actual job) before falling into a niche producing websites for kids and teens. Her first novel, THE BEGINNING OF AFTER, was a 2012 YALSA Best Fiction for Young Adults selection as well as a Chicago Public Library “Best of the Best” book. Her next novel, YOU LOOK DIFFERENT IN REAL LIFE, was published by HarperTeen in June 2013. She lives in New York’s Hudson Valley with her husband and daughters.
Questions and Answers about Daily Dramas, Disasters, and Delights

Tween girls have tons of questions about everything from best-friend squabbles to cell phone privileges to getting braces to surviving a bad grade. Girl Talk’s illustrated peer mentors answer more than 100 friend, family, growing up, and school questions in a way that’s on-level, true, and expert-approved.

*Answers important, age-relevant, everyday questions in a comfortable, peer-to-peer fashion
*Serious subject matter handled in a sensitive, easy-to-understand way
*Sound, expert-approved advice provided through a diverse group of older girls who’ve already experienced the situations raised by the tween audience

Nancy Loewen
Nancy Loewen writes fiction and nonfiction for children and young adults. Recent awards include: 2012 Minnesota Book Awards finalist (The LAST Day of Kindergarten); 2011 Bank Street’s Best Children’s Books of the Year (Share a Scare: Writing Your Own Scary Story); 2011 Book of Note, Tri-State Young Adult Review Committee (Stubborn as a Mule and Other Silly Similes); and 2010 Distinguished Achievement Award from the Association of Educational Publishers (Writer’s Toolbox Series). She’s also received awards from The American Library Association, the New York Public Library, the Independent Book Publishers Association, and the Society of School Librarians International. Nancy holds an MFA in creative writing from Hamline University, St. Paul. She lives in the Twin Cities with her husband and two teenage children.

Julissa Mora
Julissa Mora has been a freelance illustrator for more than eight years. She specializes in the children’s and tween markets. Her work has been featured by top industry publications such as American Girl as well as by the award-winning toy company Educational Insights. Julissa has been a part of the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization, helping to mentor her own little sister. Julissa currently lives and works out of her home/studio in Brooklyn, New York.

Paula Skelly
Paula Skelley is a blogger who writes about life, loss, and pediatric cancer awareness. She holds a BA in English and Sociology and an MA in English (creative writing concentration) from Minnesota State University, Mankato. She is a mother of two and lives in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, with her family.
Today's teens are faced with decisions not just about whether to have sex or how to protect themselves if they do, but they also need to navigate sexting, online dating, and sex-related bullying. This relatable resource gives them the information they need!

Sex: A Book for Teens provides honest, in-depth information about sex, sexual orientation, masturbation, foreplay, birth control options, and protection against disease. This revised and updated edition includes updated information about everything from STIs to new sex-related legislation as well as brand new sections on sexting, online dating and safety, and sex-related bullying of all kinds. The hilariously straightforward contents of the book will be augmented by a new foreword written by a trusted "sexpert" to lend added expertise to this new edition.

* This newly revised and expanded edition of an acclaimed resource for teens covers everything from sexting to STIs in a straightforward yet humorous way.
* Modern teens are faced with sex-related decisions on a daily basis and need this engaging and relatable resource for getting the right information.
* This isn't your mother's sex book: It's punchy and unapologetic, humorous and honest.
* Teaches teens the practical ins and outs of being sexually active and, above all, how to stay safe.
* May is National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month and April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

**YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Young Adult Readers, Top Ten List Winner***

CRITICAL PRAISE for Sex: A Book for Teens (first edition):
"Hasler . . . offers a book that's funny, accurate, and packed with the information readers need to make informed decisions. Hasler is a clear and precise writer, and her book can be referenced either by chapter or read cover to cover. This frank and unflinching book is perfect for older teens." –School Library Journal

"...This excellent resource takes a frank, funny approach to sex education." - Booklist

"...This is a solid, frank resource for teens." – Kirkus Reviews

“What a clever, well-written and creatively illustrated book that speaks to teens and their parents about teenage sexuality! Both the content and form are superb.” – M. Joycelyn Elders, MD, former Surgeon General of the United States, Professor Emeritus at the University of Arkansas Medical Sciences

"I love Nikol's fabulous sense of humor as she delivers straightforward and accurate sex information." – Betty Dodson, PhD, author, and one of Cosmopolitan's Top Ten Sexual Revolutionaries You Should Know

Nikol Hasler

Nikol Hasler is a Wisconsin native who spent years in the foster care system, an experience described as "tumultuous", but one that provided her with a diversity of life experiences. Hasler garnered attention in 2008 as the host of the video podcast Midwest Teen Sex Show, an informative comedy show known for frank discussions about teenage sexuality. She lives in Los Angeles with her three children. Michael Capozzola draws cartoons for the San Francisco Chronicle.
Don't just dream of changing the world. Take action with this book, complete with guidelines, practical tips, and hands-on experience from those who have gone before and actually done it.

Empower yourself in today’s highly connected, socially conscious world as you learn how to wield your passions, digital tools, and the principles of social entrepreneurship to affect real change in your schools, communities, and beyond.

Do you wish you could make a difference in your community or even the world? Are you one of the millions of high school teens with a service-learning requirement? Either way, Be a Changemaker will empower you with the confidence and knowledge you need to affect real change. You’ll find all the tools you need right here—through engaging youth profiles, step-by-step exercises, and practical tips, you can start making a difference today.

This inspiring guide will teach you how to research ideas, build a team, recruit supportive adults, fundraise, host events, work the media, and, most importantly, create lasting positive change. Apply lessons from the business world to problems that need solving and become a savvy activist with valuable skills that will benefit you for a lifetime!

"Teens looking to make a difference will find inspiration as well as real-world strategies for realizing their dreams of being the change they want to see in the world." (Kirkus Reviews)

"This book is packed with practical advice and inspiration for anyone who has a yearning to build a better world." (David Bornstein, author of How to Change the World and columnist for the New York Times)

A Junior Library Guild Pick for Fall 2014

Laurie Thompson

Laurie Ann Thompson grew up in rural northern Wisconsin. A former software engineer, she now writes for children and young adults to help her readers—and herself—make better sense of the world we live in so they can contribute to making it a better place for all of us. She strives to write nonfiction that gives wings to active imaginations and fiction that taps into our universal human truths. Her books include BE A CHANGEMAKER: HOW TO START SOMETHING THAT MATTERS, a teen how-to guide filed with practical advice and plenty of inspiration for beginning social entrepreneurs; EMMANUEL’S DREAM, a picture book biography about Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah, who changed Ghana’s perception of people with disabilities; and MY DOG IS THE BEST, an adorable picture book about the unconditional love that exists between a child and a family pet. Read more about her at lauriethompson.com.
Wouldn’t it be great if money grew on trees? But since it doesn’t, everyone has to learn how to earn and manage money in order to live—and it’s never too early to start.

Everyone has to learn how to earn and manage money in order to live—and it’s never too early to start. This book offers today’s teens the best and most up-to-date tips on how to make money, how to spend it, how to invest and save it, and how to protect it. Learn how to land that first job, figure out your paycheck, and negotiate a raise. Discover how to stretch your money to cover all of your needs and (at least some of!) your wants. Learn to be a savvy saver to vastly improve your life. Really!

Once you’ve started to accumulate property and money, you’re not done managing your financial life. Far from it! Find out what it takes and how much it will cost.

Kara McGuire

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The Babysitter's Backpack: Everything You Need to Be a Safe, Smart, and Skilled Babysitter

by Melissa Higgins, US Publisher Capstone Young Readers

Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 01 September 2014
Product line: Nonfiction
128 pages
Ages 8-14
Subject categories: Games & Activities/General
Translation; Nonfiction; Frankfurt 2014

You got your first babysitting job. Now what? Find the tools you need to be a responsible and successful babysitter. Get tips on starting your own babysitting business, keeping kids safe, and planning fun activities for children of any age.

Do you want to get started as a babysitter and be successful with kids and their parents? Everything you need to know is right here! You’ll learn about basic childcare skills, staying safe while babysitting, and starting your own babysitting business. Also find out how to communicate with and be professional around parents, plan fun and safe activities for children of all ages, find where to go for first aid and CPR training, and market yourself as a great babysitter. Get the facts and skills you need to become a confident and responsible babysitter!

Informative book for beginning babysitters including safety tips, advice, games and activities for playing with kids

Incorporates ideas for pleasing parents and boosting teens babysitting business

Melissa Higgins

Melissa Higgins has written over 30 fiction and nonfiction books for children and young adults. She especially like writing about animals, even scary ones. She has written three books about snakes. Ms. Higgins lives in the Arizona desert with her husband and two cats.
Mug It
by Pam McElroy, Proprietor: Zest Books

Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 13 May 2015
World ex: Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese simple and complex
192 pages
Ages 14+

This clever cookbook takes a new spin on the “one-pot meal” using “one mug” instead!

Dinner for one can be a lonely, tasteless prospect. But when dinner (or lunch, breakfast, or a snack, for that matter) is made in a mug, it suddenly becomes a whole lot more fun. From blueberry muffins and quiches to mac ‘n cheese and chocolate peanut butter cake, Mug It contains 60 simple, delicious, recipes for every taste and craving. Perfect for after-school snacks, dorm room dinners, quick lunches at the office, and more, this book will change the way you think about mealtime. Easy-to-follow recipes and four-color photographs make Mug It the perfect cookbook for nearly anyone who has a mug, a microwave, and an appetite.

* Easy and simple recipes for one in ten minutes or less!
* Recipes include healthy ingredients, vegetarian and gluten-free options.
* A great adaptation of the one-pot meal, perfect for students, office workers, and those on the go!
* Full color photos for each recipe feature fun and quirky mugs.

Pam McElroy

Pam McElroy is an editor and caterer living in San Francisco, California. She edits books of all genres and caters under the name Meatball Maven. Her favorite hobbies are reading cookbooks cover to cover and cooking epic meals for her friends and family. She lives with her husband, Albie, and cat, Stella.
The Ultimate Girls’ Guide to Drawing: Puppies, Polar Bears, and Other Adorable Animals

by Abby Colich, US publisher: Capstone Young Readers

From the series: Drawing Fun

Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 01 January 2015
Product line: Nonfiction
144 pages

Translation: Nonfiction; Frankfurt 2014

If you love animals as much as you love to draw, this book will make you roar with excitement!

With easy-to-use illustrated instructions for more than 60 drawing projects, The Ultimate Girls’ Guide to Drawing: Puppies, Polar Bears, and Other Adorable Animals provides something for every animal lover. Projects include many favorite and interesting animals and tips for drawing fur, feathers, and other key animal features. Grab your pencil and get up close with these incredible creatures.

*More than 90,000 copies sold of The Girls Guide to Drawing
*Easy-to-use illustrated instructions
*Full-color final projects
*Tips that provide additional information about the animals featured

Abby Colich
Abby Colich is a writer and editor who has been working in the book publishing industry for more than a decade. She loves learning interesting facts about all the animals she doodles and draws. The most amazing animal she ever saw was a coyote walking down the sidewalk in her Chicago neighborhood.
Sleepover Girls Crafts
by Mari Bolte, US publisher: Capstone Young Readers

From the series: Sleepover Girls Crafts

Want to throw a sleepover party your friends will never forget? Let the Sleepover Girls help! Every Friday, Ashley, Delaney, Maren, and Willow get together to make new memories. Easy recipes, crafts, and other how-tos combined with step-by-step instructions and colorful photos will help you throw the best sleepover party ever.

Sleepover Girls Crafts: Amazing Recipes You Can Make and Share
Everyone’s invited! The Sleepover Girls are helping Willow plan the best birthday party ever. Follow these recipes and party ideas to throw a sleepover that’s all kinds of awesome.

Sleepover Girls Crafts: Colorful Creations You Can Make and Share
Sleepover Girl Maren has to make a scrapbook for her teen idol, Luke Lewis. Follow these fun and creative crafts ideas to make a scrapbook and other awesome projects.

Sleepover Girls Crafts: Fab Fashions You Can Make and Share
Sleepover Girl Delaney volunteers to help with a fashion show fund-raiser for a local animal shelter. Follow these fun and creative crafts ideas to make fashion-forward projects for your own personal runway.

Sleepover Girls Crafts: Spa Projects You Can Make and Share
Sleepover Girl Ashley wants to transform the new girl’s look. Follow these fun and creative crafts ideas to make spa-worthy projects to give yourself a glamorous makeover.

Mari Bolte
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What Would Jesus Craft?


Product type: Illustrated book
First publication: 01 September 2015
Product line: Nonfiction
Ages 12+

Translation: Frankfurt 2014; Nonfiction

*A sincere, yet playful look at what our savior would make to create a blessed home.*

From Boardwalk Empire prop designer and fabricator Ross MacDonald comes WHAT WOULD JESUS CRAFT? Reminiscent of a Sunday school’s biblical craft book, simple projects are featured using commonly found items like paper plates, clothespins, and glitter and include step-by-step instructions for projects including Jesus Light Switch Plates, Last Supper Lunch Box, Jesus Jean Jacket, and more—all based on Christianity's biggest rock star.

EXAMPLE: Update your old jean jacket by adding a back panel made from a yard sale wall hanging rug. If you can’t find one of these at your neighborhood yard sales, then you live in the wrong neighborhood! (Cut rug panel and glue to back of jean jacket with Fabri-tac or fusible web)

Ross MacDonald

Born and raised in Canada, Ross MacDonald lives in Connecticut with his wife, two children, two dogs, four cats, and a large collection of 19th century type and printing equipment. His illustrations have appeared in many publications and he has worked as a prop designer and as a consultant for movies and TV shows including Boardwalk Empire.

He has written and illustrated four picture books: ANOTHER PERFECT DAY (Roaring Brook), ACHOO! BANG! CRASH! THE NOISY ALPHABET (Roaring Brook), and HENRY’S HAND (Abrams). In addition, he has illustrated many other books for children and adults. He is also the author of the forthcoming WHAT WOULD JESUS CRAFT.
Multicultural Fairy Tales
by Cari Meister, by Jessica Gunderson, US publisher: Capstone Young Readers

Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 01 September 2014
Product line: Picture Book
24 pages
Ages 5-7

Translation; Nonfiction; Picture books; Frankfurt 2014

Yes, the world IS big enough for more than one “Cinderella.” More than one “Snow White” and “Rapunzel,” too! Get reacquainted with beloved European fairy tale characters, then meet their counterparts in the global community. Multicultural Fairy Tales showcases stories from the Philippines, China, Egypt, Mozambique, and more.

Cinderella Stories Around the World: 4 Beloved Tales
by Cari Meister
Illustrated by Polona Kosec, Eva Montanari, Valentina Belloni, Carolina Farias

Think there’s just one fairy tale with an overworked girl and wicked stepsisters? Think again! Cultures all around the world have their own Cinderella stories. Visit Canada, China, Egypt, and France, and find out whose “glass slippers” are made of red silk, and whose “fairy godmother” is a fish.

Snow White Stories Around the World: 4 Beloved Tales
by Jessica Gunderson
Illustrated by Carolina Farias, Valentina Belloni, Eva Montanari, Colleen Madden

Think there’s just one fairy tale with a beautiful girl and an evil stepmother? Think again! Cultures all around the world have their own Snow White stories. Visit Albania, Germany, Mozambique, and Turkey, and find out who meets 40 dragons instead of “seven dwarfs,” and on whose forehead a bright star shines.

Little Red Riding Hood Stories Around the World: 3 Beloved Tales
by Jessica Gunderson
Illustrated by Eva Montanari, Colleen Madden, Carolina Farias

Think there’s just one fairy tale with a girl who meets danger in disguise? Think again! Cultures all around the world have their own Little Red Riding Hood stories. Visit Germany, Italy, and Taiwan, and find out whose “sick grandmother” is a tiger, and who is saved not by a “kind hunter” but by a talking river.

Rapunzel Stories Around the World: 3 Beloved Tales
by Cari Meister
Illustrated by Colleen Madden, Valentina Belloni, Eva Montanari

Think there’s just one fairy tale with a girl locked away in a tall tower? Think again! Cultures all around the world have their own Rapunzel stories. Visit Germany, Italy, and the Philippines, and find out who is guarded by a flesh-eating monster, and whose hero flies off on a magical winged horse.
The Other Side of the Myth
by Nancy Loewen, by Eric Braun, illustrated by Stephen Gilpin, US publisher: Capstone Young Readers

From the series: The Other Side of the Myth
Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 01 August 2014
Product line: Picture Book
32 pages
Ages 4-8
Translation; Nonfiction; Picture books; Frankfurt 2014

Was Medusa bullied for being beautiful? Was Polyphemus the Cyclops really a softie at heart? “Misunderstood” characters from classic Greek mythology come clean with their sides of the stories, challenging you to reconsider what you thought you knew about gods and monsters.

Helen of Troy Tells All: Blame the Boys
by Nancy Loewen

OF COURSE you think my beauty sparked a terrible war, that my heart’s to blame for that ridiculous wooden horse. You don’t know the other side of the myth. Well, let me tell you?

Cronus the Titan Tells All: Tricked by the Kids
by Eric Braun

OF COURSE you think I was the worst father ever, that swallowing my own children was utterly monstrous. You don’t know the other side of the myth. Well, let me tell you?

Nancy Loewen
Nancy Loewen writes fiction and nonfiction for children and young adults. Recent awards include: 2012 Minnesota Book Awards finalist (The LAST Day of Kindergarten); 2011 Bank Street’s Best Children’s Books of the Year (Share a Scare: Writing Your Own Scary Story); 2011 Book of Note, Tri-State Young Adult Review Committee (Stubborn as a Mule and Other Silly Similes); and 2010 Distinguished Achievement Award from the Association of Educational Publishers (Writer’s Toolbox Series). She’s also received awards from The American Library Association, the New York Public Library, the Independent Book Publishers Association, and the Society of School Librarians International. Nancy holds an MFA in creative writing from Hamline University, St. Paul. She lives in the Twin Cities with her husband and two teenage children.

Stephen Gilpin
Stephen Gilpin is the illustrator of several dozen children’s books and is currently working on a project he hopes will give him the ability to walk through walls—although he acknowledges there is still a lot of work to be done on this project. He currently lives in Hiawatha, Kansas, with his genius wife Angie and their kids.

Eric Braun
Eric Braun is a strange and handsome man who has written dozens of books for kids and teens, sometimes while wearing a hat. He lives in Minneapolis with his wife and sons and gecko. Learn more at www.heyericbraun.com
You THINK you know Cinderella, Snow White, and Little Red Riding Hood. But think again! It’s all about point of view. Get the “real” story behind some of the world’s most beloved classic fairy tales as their supporting characters spill the beans.

The Other Side of the Story: Fairy Tales from a Different Perspective
by Eric Braun, Nancy Loewen, and Trisha Speed Shaskan
Illustrated by Tatevik Avakyan, Cristian Bernardini, Gerald Guerlais, and Amit Tayal

“That’s NOT the way it was!” say five characters from some of the world’s most beloved fairy tales. In reality, Cinderella wasn’t the sweetest belle of the ball. She was an annoying chatterbox. Jack was a petty thief. And Little Red Riding Hood? Spoiled rotten! It’s all about point of view. Pull up a chair, and get the full scoop straight from the mouths of the wicked stepmother, the giant, the prince, Baby Bear, and the wolf. Get the Other Side of the Story!

Another Other Side of the Story: Fairy Tales from a Different Perspective
by Jessica Gunderson, Nancy Loewen, and Trisha Speed Shaskan
Illustrated by Denis Alonso, Cristian Bernardini, Gerald Guerlais, and Amit Tayal

“MY turn!” shout MORE characters from some of the world’s best classic fairy tales. This time the beast, the dwarves, Dame Gothel, the fairies, and the frog take center stage and share their points of view. Think Snow White was the most perfect girl ever? Wrong. She had a mind like a leaky bucket. Sleeping Beauty? A beautiful klutz. And Rapunzel? Such an ungrateful creature! Settle in, and take a listen. Time for ANOTHER Other Side of the Story!

Jessica Gunderson
Jessica Gunderson grew up in the small town of Washburn, North Dakota. She has a bachelor’s degree from the University of North Dakota and an MFA in Creative Writing from Minnesota State University, Mankato. She has written more than fifty books for young readers. Her book Ropes of Revolution won the 2008 Moonbeam Award for best graphic novel. She currently lives in Madison, Wisconsin, with her husband and cat.

Trisha Shaskan
Trisha Speed Shaskan has written more than 40 books for children. She was a recipient of a 2012 Minnesota State Artist’s Initiative Grant and won the 2009 McKnight Artist Fellowship for Writers, Loft Award in Children’s Literature/Older Children. Trisha received her MFA in Creative Writing from Minnesota State University, Mankato. She works as a literacy coordinator for an after-school program and teaches youth writing classes at The Loft Literary Center. Trisha lives with her husband, children’s book author and illustrator Stephen Shaskan, and their cat, Eartha, in Minneapolis.
The Young Ben Franklin
by Daniel Harmon, illustrated by Julian Hanshaw, Proprietor: Zest Books

Product type: Nonfiction
First publication: 18 March 2015
World ex: Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese simple and complex
208 pages
Ages 14+
Nonfiction; Translation; UK & Comm; Frankfurt 2014

This update of Ben Franklin’s incredible Autobiography gives us a new sense of how this “first American” willed himself into existence.

This graphic novel tells the story of young Ben Franklin’s quest for moral perfection—and relies primarily on his own words to do so! Adapted from The Autobiography and using additional text from Poor Richard’s Almanac, readers are visually transported into Ben Franklin’s world of printing presses, quills, and beer steins. Franklin undertakes an experiment to try and live out thirteen ‘virtues’ and achieve moral perfection—with mixed results. Readers will relate to his disillusionment at and disgust with the way people around him give into their vices, and, along with Franklin, learn that achieving moral perfection may be harder than it seems.

* An informative look at Benjamin Franklin’s younger years in graphic novel form!
* Supplemented with source material from his acclaimed Autobiography, this book presents us with the dynamic visual story of Franklin’s remarkable young life.
* By using Franklin’s “Thirteen Virtues” as a framing device (something he created when he was only twenty years old), readers can track both his successes and his failures following these civic and virtual virtues.
* Stunning artwork, the self-improvement lens, and a focus on Franklin’s formative years paint a compelling picture of a Ben Franklin that we simply haven’t seen before (and he looks nothing like the paunchy old man in glasses we’re now so familiar with).

Daniel Harmon

Pop Culture connoisseur Daniel Harmon, a longtime editor of pop culture projects for a variety of publishers, is the author of the book, Super Pop!: Pop Culture Lists to Help You Win at Trivia, Survive in the Wild, and Make It Through the Holidays. A former staff writer at Brokelyn.com, Daniel is currently the editorial director of Zest Books, as well as a provider of unsolicited feedback on a wide variety of topics. Also the author of “Oh, Hi Humanity”—an essay about Tommy Wiseau’s film The Room, published in the Cult Pop Culture anthology, Daniel loves free podcasts, midnight movies, and other things that are both cheap and fine.

Julian Hanshaw

Julian Hanshaw is an animator and illustrator based in England. He has written two graphic novels – The Art of Pho and I’m Never Coming Back – and received the Observer/Comica graphic short story prize for his 2008 work, “Sand Dunes and Sonic Booms.” His animated works have won Golden Reels and BAFTA Awards.
Nickolas Flux History Chronicles
by Nel Yomtov, illustrated by Mark Simmonds, illustrated by Dante Ginevra, US publisher: Capstone Young Readers

From the series: Nickolas Flux History Chronicles
Product type: Nonfiction
Product line: Graphic novel
40 pages
Ages 8-14
Translation; Nonfiction; Graphic Novel; Frankfurt 2014

Nickolas Flux is a teenage history buff with the power of unpredictable time travel. The slightest trigger sends him back in time to history’s most important moments and eras. With full-color, action-packed graphic novel storytelling, the Nickolas Flux History Chronicles series compels readers to learn about and experience history as Nickolas struggles to simply survive it.

Peril in Pompeii!: Nickolas Flux and the Eruption of Mount Vesuvius
by Nel Yomtov, Illustrated by Dante Ginevra. October 2014
When a spontaneous time leap sends Nickolas Flux back to the eruption of Mount Vesuvius, what’s a teenage history buff to do? Try to avoid being buried alive in Pompeii, of course! From hot falling ash to a catastrophic pyroclastic surge, Nick must survive one of the most famous volcanic eruptions in history.

Trapped in Antarctica!: Nickolas Flux and the Shackleton Expedition
by Nel Yomtov, Illustrated by Mark Simmons. February 2015
When a spontaneous time leap sends Nickolas Flux back to Ernest Shackleton’s ill-fated Endurance Expedition to Antarctica, what’s a teenage history buff to do? Try to avoid becoming stranded at the bottom of the world, of course! From the crushing of the Endurance by ice to the heroic lifeboat journey to South Georgia Island, Nick must survive one of the most amazing expeditions of the early 1900s.

Titanic Disaster!: Nickolas Flux and the Sinking of the Great Ship
by Nel Yomtov, Illustrated by Mark Simmons. February 2015
When a spontaneous time leap sends Nickolas Flux back to the Titanic’s maiden voyage, what’s a teenage history buff to do? Try to avoid going down with the ship, of course! From trying to help spot icebergs to getting off the sinking ship safely, Nick must survive one of the most disastrous events of the early 1900s.

Nel Yomtov
Nel Yomtov is a writer of children’s nonfiction books and graphic novels. He specializes in writing about history, country studies, science, and biography. His graphic novel adaptation, Jason and the Golden Fleece, published by Stone Arch Books/Capstone was a winner of the 2009 Moonbeam Children’s Book Award and the 2011 Lighthouse Literature Award. Nel is an avid American military history buff and has written two additional graphic novels for Capstone, True Stories of World War I and True Stories of the Civil War. He lives in the New York City area.

Dante Ginevra
Dante Ginevra’s work can be found in numerous publications in his home country of Argentina. These include comics and comic strips in Fierro, Télam, and a variety of other magazines. In addition, he has illustrative work in graphic novels that span the globe. They include Cardal, published in Uruguay, and Entreactos and El Muerto Zabaleta, both published in Spain. Throughout his career he has also participated in numerous exhibitions in Argentina, Italy, Russia, Brazil, France, and Germany.

Mark Simmons
San Francisco-based artist Mark Simmons is a 2009 graduate of the Academy of Art University. His specialties include comics, storyboards, sequential art, and giant robots. His work can be seen in the British sci-fi anthology “2000 AD,” the iPad games Santa’s Village, Run Monkey Run, and Get Rocky, board games from 1A Games and R.Talsorian Games, and his website at www.ultimatemark.com.