

Mrs Spitzers Garden

After getting caught in Miss Jaster's spring planting, Hedgie the hedgehog discovers he has become a four-legged, walking flower garden. First published in 1972.

Jan's dad makes a corncob doll that looks just like her!

Fans of First Day Jitters will love spending the last day of school in Mrs. Hartwell classroom. What do teachers do for summer vacation? Mrs. Hartwell's students worry that their teacher will miss them while they are gone for the summer. The class comes up with a way to make sure Mrs. Hartwell won't be too sad. But Mrs. Hartwell and the other teachers have some plans of their own. Once again Julie Danneberg and Judy Love bring to life the crazy antics of Mrs. Hartwell and her class and show that teachers and students are more alike than we sometimes think.

Relates the adventures and misadventures of the four Moffat children living with their widowed mother in a yellow house on New Dollar Street in the small town of Cranbury, Connecticut.

After gathering lost seeds during the summer, a kind woman tends and instructs them throughout the fall and winter before sending them out in the spring to find roots of their own.

When a sudden storm destroys Charles' ship and he is presumed dead, Rose believes something sinister is at work and she sets off on a perilous journey, with the fate of the

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entire world at stake.

Do you know what a *Solanum caule inerme herbaceo, foliis pinnatis incisae, racemis simplicibus* is? * Carolus (Karl) Linnaeus started off as a curious child who loved exploring the garden. Despite his intelligence—and his mother's scoldings—he was a poor student, preferring to be outdoors with his beloved plants and bugs. As he grew up, Karl's love of nature led him to take on a seemingly impossible task: to give a scientific name to every living thing on earth. The result was the Linnaean system—the basis for the classification system used by biologists around the world today. Backyard sciences are brought to life in beautiful color. Back matter includes more information about Linnaeus and scientific classification, a classification chart, a time line, source notes, resources for young readers, and a bibliography. *it's a tomato! A handsome introductory book on Linnaeus and his work — Booklist, starred review A good introduction to a man in a class by himself — Kirkus Reviews Lends significant humanity to the naturalist — Publisher's Weekly The biographical approach to a knotty scientific subject makes this a valuable addition to STEM and biography collections — School Library Journal

A beautiful read-aloud picture book about the power of the imagination, inspired by the best-selling *Anne of Green Gables*. In this whimsical and magical picture book, Anne's boundless imagination takes flight! She imagines being all the things she loves so dearly. If I Couldn't Be Anne, Anne with an e, what would I be . . . Anne wonders what it

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would be like to be the wind dancing round the treetops. A tightrope walker, breathless and brave. A princess in a palace made of apple blossoms. A magical frost fairy or a plain little wood elf. . . . But even as Anne's imagination soars far and wide, she comes back down to earth, recognizing that some things - like friendship! - are even better than the imagination. With adorable illustrations, and a heartfelt message, this picture book is a perfect read-aloud introduction to L.M. Montgomery's beloved Anne and will delight her brand-new fans and lifelong readers alike.

The weekly routine of Mrs. Jolly Bones is far from typical—but tons of fun! It's Monday, Mrs. Jolly Bones, there's laundry to be done. So gather up the dirty clothes and sort them one by one. Wash them, dry them, iron them, and fold them nice and neat— Then fling them out the window so they brighten up the street! Mrs. Jolly Bones has a very busy week ahead of her—and a very unique style of doing her chores. Each day of the week brings a new thing to do. But with the help of her animal roommates, she'll grocery shop, clean house, and garden, getting everything done just in time for a wrestling match with her best gal pals! From bestselling picture book creators Warren Hanson and Tricia Tusa, this ebook is a days-of-the-week story like no other.

Small steps lead to big adventures for a pair of unlikely friends in this “charming modern fable” by the Newbery Medal-winning author of *Crispin* (Booklist). Avon the snail has never had an adventure. And adventure, he has heard, is the key to a happy life. So he sets out on an exciting journey with his new pal, Edward, a thoughtful but misinformed ant. Together they meet all manner of wise, weird, and intriguing creatures—including a dragon!—and discover that

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even tiny adventures can broaden your view of the world. "This finely-spun fantasy...features ingenious wordplay and heartfelt proof of friendship's rewards."—Parenting magazine
A novel in verse describes how an alcohol-fueled prank gone wrong changes the lives of eight teenagers in a small Midwestern town.

Show friends and family how much you appreciate them with the Very Hungry Caterpillar's colorful book of thanks. Perfect for Thanksgiving or any day of the year, this charming book of pictures is the colorful way to tell loved ones "thanks!" Featuring art from the World of Eric Carle, this joyful book follows The Very Hungry Caterpillar and celebrates all that makes us most thankful.

Celebrate graduation and achievements big or small with The Little Engine That Could! The determined Little Blue Engine is back, bringing inspiring and enlightening words of wisdom to graduates of all ages as they make the transition from one phase of life to the next. I Knew You Could! provides familiar comfort in changing times and serves as a wonderful gift that will be treasured for years to come. Readers will revisit the story again and again as they move forward along life's path. From "I think I can" to "I knew I could," The Little Engine That Could helps kids of all ages realize that anything is possible if you just put your mind to it!

This funny, touching picture book celebrates the difference a good teacher can make. Written as a thank-you note to a special teacher from the student who never forgot her, this moving story makes a great classroom read-aloud, and a perfect back-to-school gift for students and teachers! Dear Teacher, Whenever I had something to tell you, I tugged on your shirt and whispered in your ear. This time I'm writing a letter. So begins this heartfelt picture book about a girl who prefers running and jumping to listening and learning—and the teacher who gently

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inspires her. From stomping through creeks on a field trip to pretending to choke when called upon to read aloud, this book's young heroine would be a challenge to any teacher. But this teacher isn't just any teacher. By listening carefully and knowing just the right thing to say, she quickly learns that the girl's unruly behavior is due to her struggles with reading. And at the very end, we learn what this former student is now: a teacher herself. From award winning author Deborah Hopkinson and acclaimed illustrator Nancy Carpenter, this picture book is made to be treasured by both those who teach and those who learn.

Told from the point of view of a young child whose parents are divorced, *Fred Stays with Me* follows a girl and her dog, Fred, from one parent's house to the other's, giving her a sense of continuity and stability. With a simple text and childlike language, the story expresses and addresses a child's concerns, highlights the friendship between child and pet, presents a common ground for the parents, and resolves conflict in a positive way. Tricia Tusa's charming and whimsical artwork adds a light, happy feel to this poignant--but not overly sentimental--story.

This book is about your heart. (the little bit inside of you that makes you, you!) The words we listen to can affect how we feel. Some words can do amazing things and make us happy. And some words can really hurt us (we all know what sort of words those are). Our words have power, and we can choose to use them to make the world a better place. Simple, direct, and emotive, *Words and Your Heart's* message is that words have extraordinary power—to harm and to heal; to create and to destroy; and to spread love.

Lizzie loves school almost more than anything. First she loved Nursery school.

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She loved Kindergarten even more. When the time comes for Lizzie to start First Grade, she can't wait. Everyone tells her it will be a whole year of school. And Miss Giggliano, the first-grade teacher, tells her class to make this the best year of school ever. Yippee! thinks Lizzie--a whole year of school! And what a year it is. Miss G.'s class wins the Centipede Reading Award. And they even win the Nature Study Award for their bee and butterfly garden. It's a great year! But all great things must come to an end. When the last day of school arrives, Lizzie is dismayed. How can this be? It was supposed to be a whole year! But good news soon arrives and Lizzie, along with Miss G., finds herself in a different classroom and eager to learn!

A heart-warming and inclusive tale about how one small boy's dream of a garden unites a diverse community in a positive and enriching experience for everyone. Kirkus writes, "...sure to inspire young green thumbs in urban, suburban, and rural dwellings alike."

From the same team that brought you *My Momma Likes to Say* comes this delightful interpretation of maxims, idioms, proverbs, and clichés many students remember hearing on a regular basis in the classroom. From "Do you have ants in your pants?" to "Stick together!" and "Great minds think alike," readers will be intrigued by the history of these adages, told in poetry form as well as expository

text, and amused by the witty illustrations, depicting these sayings as a child might imagine them. Growing up with six sisters and one brother, there has never been a dull moment in Denise Brennan-Nelson's life. She continues to keep the pace lively as a motivational speaker, children's author, and mother. She is the author of *My Momma Likes to Say* and *Buzzy the Bumblebee*, also from Sleeping Bear Press. Denise lives with her family in Howell, Michigan. Jane Monroe Donovan's parents encouraged her to follow her heart and it led to her love of sketching and painting. In addition to *My Teacher Likes to Say*, Jane also illustrated *Sunny Numbers: A Florida Counting Book* and *My Momma Likes to Say*. She is currently working on a Christmas title for Sleeping Bear Press. Jane lives with her family in Pinckney, Michigan.

A beautiful, new edition of the beloved fantasy hailed as "the stuff of epic tale telling" (Booklist), perfect for fans of *Beauty and the Beast* from New York Timesbest-selling author Edith Pattou. Rose has always longed for adventure, so when an enormous white bear appears one evening and makes her a mysterious offer, she accepts. In exchange for health and prosperity for her ailing family, she must live with the white bear in a distant castle. But Rose soon realizes that all isn't as it seems. As she tries to settle into her new life, she makes a devastating mistake. Now she must choose: return to her safe and loving family or go on a

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dangerous quest to fix what she has broken--and perhaps lose her heart along the way. A sweeping romantic epic as timeless as any fairy tale and thrilling as only the best fantasy novels can be.

When Wesley overturns a plot of ground in his yard to see what new and unknown seeds might blow into it, he ends up with a self-sufficient civilization with its own staple food crop.

There has never been a museum in Cranbury...until now. Among its treasures are the first bike each of the Moffat kids rode, stardust from a meteor that fell to earth, a beautiful painting made by Sylvie, and--most spectacularly--Rufus, the Waxworks Boy, who is as funny as he is waxy. The museum is so interesting that Mr. Pennypepper even brings tourists to visit. But the museum is really for Jane, Joey, and Rufus themselves, so they can remember all the good times they've had. Because life is changing for the Moffats. Yet even if Sylvie gets married, or Joey goes off to work, or Rufus grows up, one thing will never change: The Moffats are still the sort to hilariously fill even the most ordinary day with extraordinary fun.

With her sure, loving, gardener's touch, Mrs. Spitzer nurtures the students in her classroom each year.

A treasury of poems invites youngsters to read entries that are positioned in

untraditional directions and celebrates the ways in which the world can sway, crash, rise, and fall and still remain magical.

The eighth book in Laura Ingalls Wilder's treasured Little House series, and the recipient of a Newbery Honor—now available as an ebook! This digital version features Garth Williams's classic illustrations, which appear in vibrant full color on a full-color device and in rich black-and-white on all other devices. Fifteen-year-old Laura lives apart from her family for the first time, teaching school in a claim shanty twelve miles from home. She is very homesick, but she knows that her earnings can help pay for her sister Mary's tuition at the college for the blind. Only one thing gets her through the lonely weeks—every weekend, Almanzo Wilder arrives at the school to take Laura home for a visit. Friendship soon turns to love for Laura and Almanzo. The nine Little House books are inspired by Laura's own childhood and have been cherished by generations of readers as both a unique glimpse into America's frontier history and as heartwarming, unforgettable stories.

Collun has always been happiest working in his garden. But his peaceful life is shattered when his sister, Nessa, mysteriously disappears. He sets off to find her and soon realizes that he and his traveling companions, including the feisty young archer Breo-Saight, have become involved in something much larger and more sinister than he had imagined.

Newbery Honor Book: “Delightful reading. An hour spent with the Moffats is fun for all ages.” —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) You’ve never met anyone quite like Rufus Moffat. He gets things done—but he gets them done his way. When he wants to check out library books, Rufus teaches himself to write...even though he doesn't yet know how to read. When food is scarce,

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he plants some special “Rufus beans” that actually grow . . . despite his digging them up every day to check on them. And Rufus has friends that other people don’t even know exist! He discovers the only invisible piano player in town, has his own personal flying horse for a day, and tours town with the Cardboard Boy, his dearest friend—and enemy. Rufus isn’t just the youngest Moffat, he’s also the cleverest, the funniest, and the most unforgettable, in this classic series about a single-parent family in WWI-era Connecticut praised for its “abundant humor” (Horn Book Magazine). “Rufus M. is . . . unbeatable.” —The New Yorker “[The Moffats are] as nice a group as ever pulled together through hard times.” —The New York Times Book Review

Alice wants everything in her bedroom to be blue before she falls asleep.

Presents an illustrated version of the preamble to the Constitution of the United States.

Miss Bindergarten and her class have had a great year in kindergarten! They have gone on a field trip, marked the 100th day, created a circus, and even survived a wild day. But now the school year is over, and it’s time to remember, to celebrate, and for Miss Bindergarten to say, Good-bye, kindergarten. It’s been a special year. The bestselling Miss Bindergarten series comes to a sweet and jubilant conclusion by honoring an important passage: the last day of kindergarten. Filled with last-day classroom ideas, it’s also a perfect gift to honor graduation and moving-up ceremonies. Miss Bindergarten Celebrates the Last Day of Kindergarten is the perfect way for teachers and students to commemorate their own end-of-the-year festivities. Outside the world is bright and colorful, but Lydia’s family is too busy with their gadgets to notice. She says Hello to everyone. Hello? Hello! Her father says hello while texting, her mother says hello while working on her laptop and her brother doesn’t say hello at all. The T.V

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shouts Hello! But she doesn't want to watch any shows. Lydia, now restless, ventures outside. There are so many things to say hello to! Hello rocks! Hello leaves! Hello flowers! When Lydia comes back home she decides to show her family what she has found, and it's hello world and goodbye gadgets!

An elderly woman sacrifices a treasured prize to help her friend, a young bird, make his first flight south.

Ethan eagerly anticipates making maple syrup with his father, but it will not be time until the days are warmer, the nights shorter, and Ethan's loose tooth falls out.

After hearing about winter from his friends, Hedgie the hedgehog tries to stay awake to experience its wonders.

At first, Trisha loves school, but her difficulty learning to read makes her feel dumb, until, in the fifth grade, a new teacher helps her understand and overcome her problem. Who is Jane Moffat, anyway? She isn't the youngest in the family, and she isn't the oldest-she is always just Jane. How boring. So Jane decides to become a figure of mystery . . . the mysterious "Middle Moffat." But being in the middle is a lot harder than it looks. In between not rescuing stray dogs, and losing and finding best friends, Jane must secretly look after the oldest inhabitant of Cranbury . . . so he can live to be one hundred. Between brushing her hair from her eyes and holding up her stockings, she has to help the girls' basketball team win the championship. And it falls to Jane-the only person in town with enough courage-to stand up to the frightful mechanical wizard, Wallie Bangs. Jane is so busy keeping Cranbury in order that she barely has time to be

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plain old Jane. Sometimes the middle is the most exciting place of all. . . . The sequel to Hero's Song from the bestselling author of East "has echoes of the genre's masters—Lloyd Alexander, C.S. Lewis, and J.R.R. Tolkien" (School Library Journal). Breo-Saight, the young archer from Hero's Song, has abandoned her lifelong mission to avenge her father's murder. But just as she stops pursuing the murderers, they turn up again, leading Brie to her birthright—a fire arrow. The magical arrow leads Brie to a strange country, where she finds the family and happiness she's never known. But she also finds evil at work—the doings of a sinister, one-eyed sorcerer named Balor. Though Brie has given up on vengeance, she knows she must follow her mission through to its bitter end if she is to save the people she's grown to love. "With sympathetic characterizations (both human and animal), gruesome foes, and a sinister mastermind, as well as fast pacing, a well-realized landscape, violent clashes, and all the expected elements of good fantasy, Pattou offers a rousing story that is not only a strong sequel that begs yet another sequel but also a fine fantasy adventure that holds up on its own."—Booklist "A much more accomplished book than its predecessor . . . replete with fascinating and fantastical images, creatures, and settings . . . an engrossing, well-crafted book, and will be much enjoyed by young fans of high fantasy."—SF Site "Memorable and well-crafted . . . The reader is left wanting another book . . . Excellent."—VOYA (5Q—highest rating)

Each letter of the alphabet is represented by important people, ideas, and events in the

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history of the United States.

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