

Spring/Summer

2022 RIGHTS GUIDE



Opening children's hearts, minds and worlds

New
this season!

NEW!

HOPE and Resilience

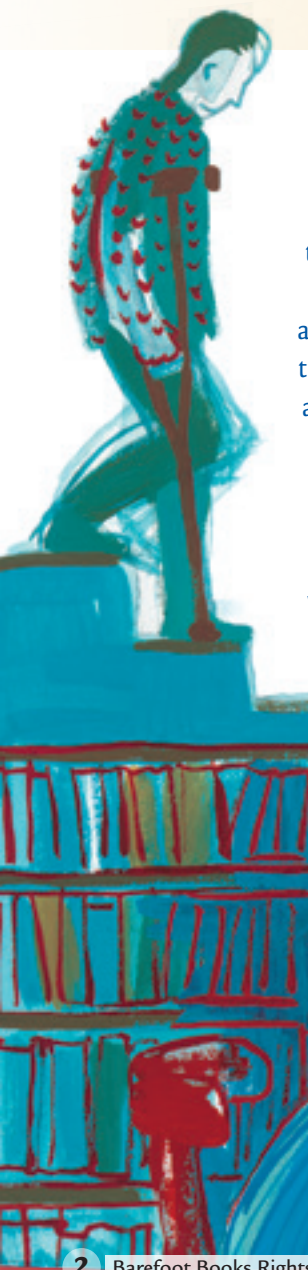
BASED ON
A TRUE
STORY

Discover how brave Nour creates
a beautiful, secret world of books
amidst the hardships of war.



Wafa' Tarnowska is an award-winning writer, translator and storyteller. She was born in Lebanon and currently lives between the UK and Poland, writing and translating books and documentaries as well as offering storytelling sessions in English and Arabic. Wafa' has also written *The Arabian Nights* for Barefoot Books.

Vali Mintzi was born in Romania and studied at the prestigious Bezalel Academy in Jerusalem. She works as an illustrator and graphic editor for the children's art magazine *Einayim*. Her vibrant and evocative style is influenced by painters such as Bonnard, Hockney and Matisse. She has also illustrated *The Girl with a Brave Heart* for Barefoot Books.

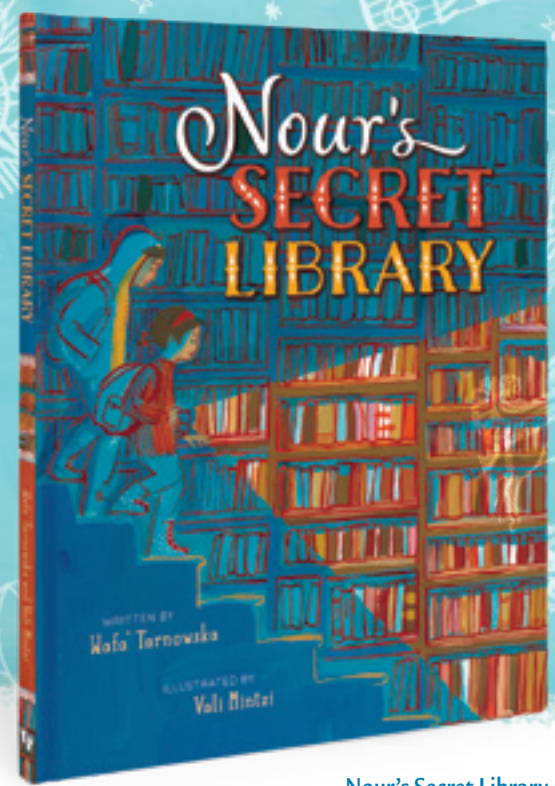


Illustrations and interiors
from *Nour's Secret Library*

An age-appropriate window into the lives
of children who are surrounded by war.



Detailed endnotes include information
about Syria, the real secret library of Daraya
and famous libraries of the Middle East.



Nour's Secret Library
Written by Wafa' Tarnowska and illustrated by Vali Mintzi
AGES 6-10 | Forced to take shelter when their Syrian city is plagued with bombings, young Nour and her cousin begin to bravely build a secret underground library. Based on the author's own life experience and inspired by a true story, *Nour's Secret Library* is about the power of books to heal, transport and create safe spaces during difficult times. Illustrations by Romanian artist Vali Mintzi superimpose the colourful world the children construct over black-and-white charcoal depictions of the battered city.
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A RAMADAN BLESSING

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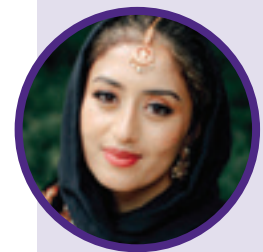
Zahra's wish for a sister gets fulfilled in an unexpected way in this beautiful, multi-layered story of story of loss, empathy and hope.



When Shirin Shamsi became a mother, she began writing stories her own children would see themselves in. When she's not busy writing for children, Shirin spends her days sharing her love of Barefoot Books as an independent bookseller in her community. She currently lives in the city of Darien, Illinois, USA, with her husband and cat.



Manal Mirza is a designer and illustrator based in Chicago, Illinois, USA. Being a young Muslim American Pakistani woman, her illustrations highlight the different identities that she juggles day to day. Manal brings her own positive outlook to her work, aiming to empower women around the world.



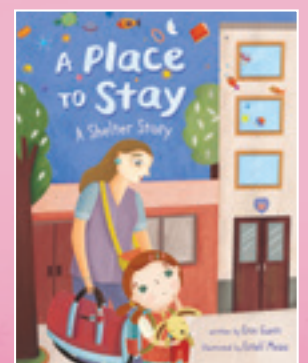
- Learn about asylum seekers, refugees, shelters and long-term foster care.
- Endnotes provide additional facts about Ramadan, Islam and Eid al-Fitr.



A prayer rose from Zahra's heart like a sigh and floated up into the starry sky.

Zahra's Blessing
A Ramadan Story
Written by Shirin Shamsi and illustrated by Manal Mirza
AGES 4-9 | Zahra hugs her cherished teddy bear and prays that Ramadan will bring her a longed-for sister. When her bear subsequently goes missing, Zahra finds herself grappling with intense feelings of loss. Over the next few weeks, as she volunteers with her mother at a local shelter for asylum seekers, Zahra befriends a displaced child, resulting in a newfound sense of gratitude and an unexpected Ramadan blessing.
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Illustrations and interiors from Zahra's Blessing



Also About
Displacement

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URBAN Growers

Join the fun as a community gathers together to grow their own food!

Rooftop Garden

Written by Danna Smith, illustrated by Pati Aguilera and sung by Holly Turton

AGES 3-7 | A group of city friends work diligently together to grow herbs and vegetables in a rooftop garden. Set to a foot-tappin' original tune, this rhythmic, rhyming story will have kids singing enthusiastically about the six stages of plant growth. The story concludes with a summer harvest and feast that celebrates the gardeners' commitment. Includes online access to singalong audio and video animation.

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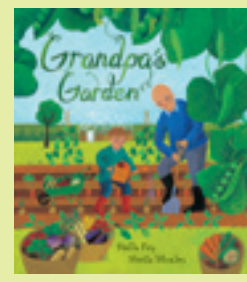
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Our singalongs with this icon include a song and video animation!



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NEW!



Endnotes contain information about plant science and care

Introduces the six stages of plant growth



Illustrations and interiors from Rooftop Garden

Danna Smith is a poet and an award-winning author of numerous books for children, including the critically acclaimed nonfiction picture book, *The Hawk of the Castle: A Story of Medieval Falconry*. She currently lives and writes in northern California, USA.



Chilean artist Pati Aguilera has lived a large part of her life in the city of Santiago, where she studied design and became a book illustrator. Pati creates her artwork digitally so she can change the composition and palette until she achieves the desired balance and harmony.



Taking care of the planet is a form of empathy — and we can nurture it! But how do we inspire the next generation of Planet Protectors? We start by teaching children about conservation, community and connectedness. Our sustainability titles present scientific information in ways children can understand — and provide concrete ideas for how they can make a difference in their communities every day. To find more titles about sustainability, look for our Planet Protector badge throughout this catalogue!



FROM RUBBISH TO Riches

Watch creativity flow from unexpected places as neighbours gather to clean up a local riverfront!

Joanne Linden grew up in Kinney, a small town in northern Minnesota, USA, where everyone knew each other and children spent their free time at the small library or playing outside. Joanne loved to read picture books. She still does! Today, she lives in the woods of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, USA.



When Estrellita Caracol was a child, she loved stars, books and cutting out shapes from paper . . . and none of that has changed! Estrellita lives in Buenos Aires, Argentina, with her son and three cuddly cats. She loves to travel and make collages with artists young and old wherever she goes.



Scrap Metal Swan
A River Clean-Up Story

Written by Joanne Linden and illustrated by Estrellita Caracol

AGES 3–7 | When community members work together with trucks and ships to clean up the town's riverfront, an artist and her child hammer, chisel, weld and zap the found materials into something beautiful. Young makers will find inspiration in the playful, rhyming text and mixed media illustrations, while endnotes provide recycled-art activity ideas.

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Inspire kids to create art from recycled or found materials

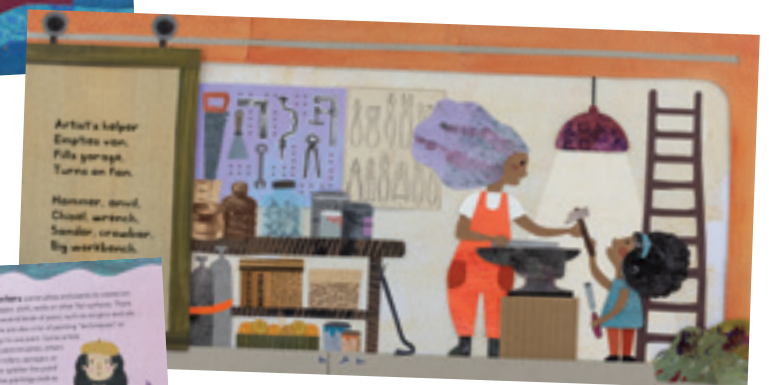


Illustrations and interiors from Scrap Metal Swan

Spark interest in environmentalism



Pore over land and water vehicles



Endnotes introduce many types of visual artists



More Titles About Earth's Treasures



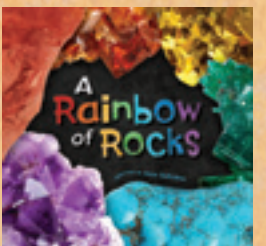
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Yoga Tots

Bolster courage and happiness with the newest additions to our yoga board book series!

Yoga Tots: Happy Tiger

Written by Tessa Strickland and illustrated by Esteli Meza

AGES 2–4 | Delightful illustrations and clear step-by-step instructions take little ones through a series of simple yoga poses. *Happy Tiger* playfully invites young children to pretend to be a tiger, moving their feline bodies into specific yoga poses known for increasing feelings of happiness.

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Interior from Yoga Tots: Happy Tiger



Fun, rhyming text on one side, and step-by-step instructions on the other



‘Clear and bright illustrations will be helpful to readers as they begin to attempt their own [yoga] routine’ — *School Library Journal*

Yoga Tots: Brave Bear

Written by Tessa Strickland and illustrated by Esteli Meza

AGES 2–4 | Easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions take little ones through a grounding series of basic yoga poses. Simple, descriptive language invites young children to pretend to be a bear, moving their furry bodies into specific yoga poses designed to both energize and inspire bravery.

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Interior from Yoga Tots: Brave Bear



Each book includes a short yoga routine



Be Still • Breathe Out • Look over your shoulder • Flick your tail

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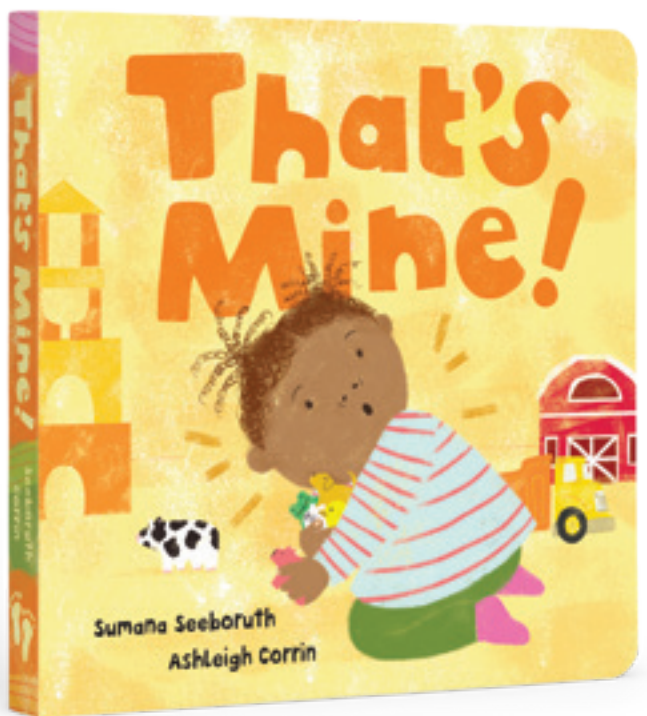
NEW!

Toddler Time

Our adorable must-have series helps navigate the highs and lows of new experiences.



Talk about sharing and taking turns



Models realistic language children can use

That's Mine!

Written by Sumana Seeboruth and illustrated by Ashleigh Corrin

AGES 1-4 | When one toddler in a childcare setting takes all the toy animals for herself, she discovers that monopolizing all the toys can be a bit lonely. Will offering one of the animals to another child help bridge the gap? In this gentle exploration of early friendship, toddlers will recognize the tension between wanting everything to be 'mine!' and the desire to connect with other children.
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Illustrations and interiors from *That's Mine!*



Support potty training!



Undies, Please!

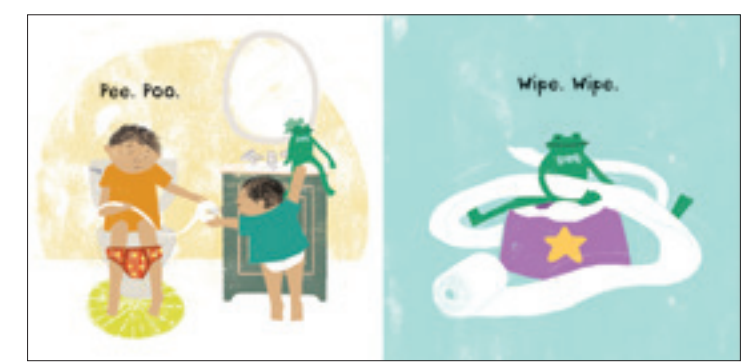
Written by Sumana Seeboruth and illustrated by Ashleigh Corrin

AGES 1-4 | Motivated by new undies and Daddy's support, a relatable toddler adorably navigates the excitement and challenges of learning to use the potty. Age-appropriate language and engaging illustrations make this simple and sweet story a perfect potty training support for little ones and adults alike.
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Illustrations and interiors from *Undies, Please!*



Gender-neutral main character creates a relatable story for everyone

Sumana Seeboruth writes books inspired by the natural world and her two young children. A night owl, she is most likely to be found writing when her husband and children are fast asleep. Sumana is based in London, UK.



Ashleigh Corrin is an award-winning children's book illustrator and graphic designer. Ashleigh lives in Virginia, USA with her young daughter and her husband. Visit AshleighCorrin.com.

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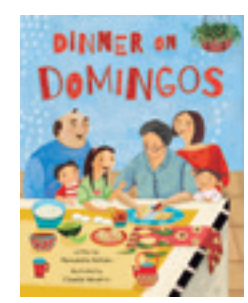
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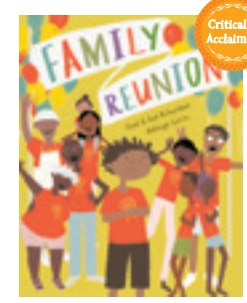
Illustrations from Rooftop Garden

Social Emotional Learning

Early Learning



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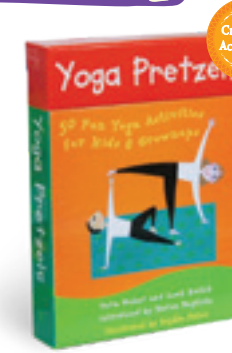


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UN Sustainable Development Goals, 'Life Below Water' Reading List, 2021



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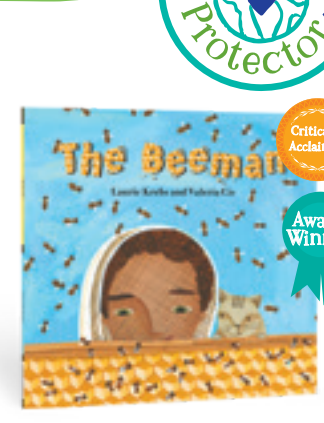


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Sustainability



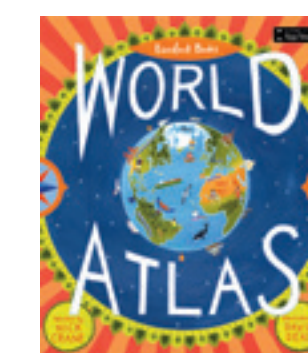
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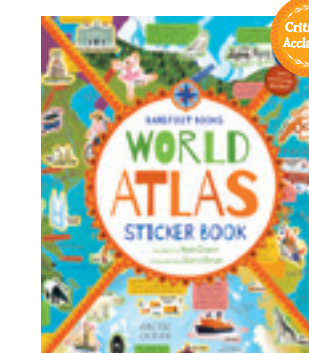
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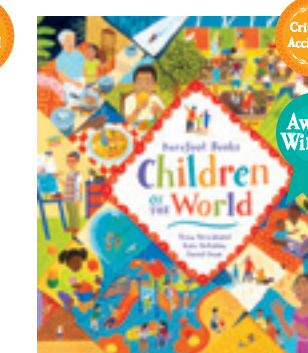
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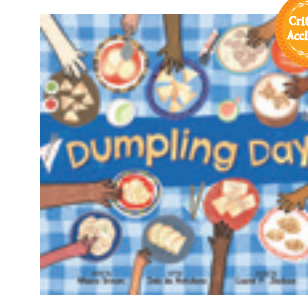
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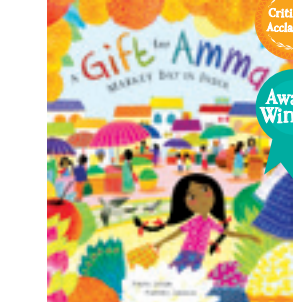
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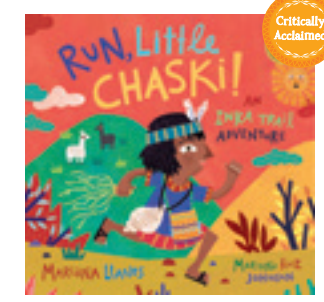
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