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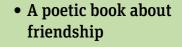




"If only you were here... we could make a new book together!In a way, you could say that 'Very Best Buddies' is our story. When we started making books together almost twenty years ago, we lived in the same building. Today, we live on the same street and still make books together. Our friendship is something very rare and incredibly precious to both of us."

Rüdiger Bertram was born in Ratingen on the last day of May 1967 and has been writing light-hearted and serious books for children and young readers for more than fifteen years. He lives in Cologne with his wife and daughter and what feels like a million books.

Heribert Schulmeyer worked in advertising for ten years after studying fine art and graphics in Cologne. He then went on to develop stories and characters for the long-running children's TV show Sendung mit der Maus. He has also illustrated and written numerous picture books. He has a long-standing friendship with the author Rüdiger Bertram, with whom he regularly collaborates on children's picture books.



• A gem of a picture book from the very best buddies, **Schulmeyer and Bertram** 



### Very Best Buddies

"If only you were here ...", daydreams the Stork and imagines all the incredible things he could do with his very best buddy: build a treehouse, head to the ice cream parlour or gaze wistfully at the distant horizon. After all, you can have so much more fun with your best friend than you can on your own. And while he's lost in his thoughts, his dreams are already coming true.

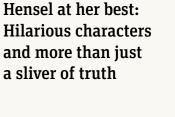
Poetic and beautiful - the perfect book for the best of buddies.



Heribert Schulmeyer / Rüdiger Bertram **Very Best Buddies** 

Age: 4+ years

32 pages

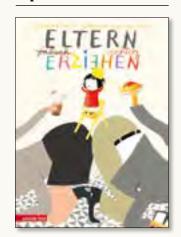








### Top seller



### **Raising Parents Right**

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Why Grown-Ups Have to Stay
Up So Late at Night
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Katharina Grossmann-Hensel studied Illustration in Hamburg. She lived for three years in Paris, where she published her first picture book. She currently lives in Berlin and works as a freelance author and illustrator for several publishers.

# Only Winners Know How To Lose

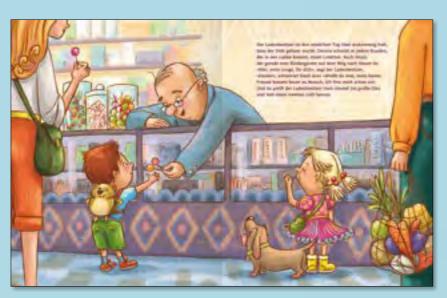
Which animal is king of the forest? Fox can't wait to find out, so he comes up with a great idea: The Woodland Olympics. Every animal will have a chance to show what they are made of. The squirrel races up the trunk of the tallest tree, the bird soars up above the clouds, the rabbit bounds across the meadow in no time at all, and the unicorn – of course – conjures up a rainbow. But who is the winner? As the animals bicker back and forth, someone steals the magnificent trophy. And without the trophy, there can be no winner ... or can there?

Losing has never been as much fun as in Katharina Grossmann-Hensel's latest picture book.

Katharina Grossmann-Hensel
Only Winners Know How To Lose
Age: 4+ years

32 pages







Stephanie Polák spent many years working in the media including as a music editor for MTV and in the production of international feature films at Studio Babelsberg. Then one day she started to come up with her own stories. Her books are available from numerous publishers. She lives with her husband and two children in Berlin.



Larisa Lauber is an illustrator and lives in Berlin. After graduating in 2000, she embarked on a career as an animator and worked on lots of animated films. In 2014, it was time to try something new, so she began to illustrate children's books.



### • A beautiful book about the power of a smile

- Spread the joy and it will come right back to you
- Try it for yourself!

### A Smile For You

Little Noah is really looking forward to this afternoon. His best friend is coming over! He can hardly contain his excitement on the bus that morning. And when he smiles at the miserable looking woman opposite, her frown transforms into a friendly grin in the blink of an eye. He's set off a chain reaction. Happiness spreads from one person to the next. And that afternoon, it is going to come full circle, right back to Noah! Although he doesn't know that, yet...

A simple smile can do amazing things!



Stephanie Polák / Larisa Lauber A Smile For You Age: 4+ years

32 pages





with a game at the book end

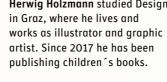


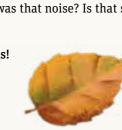




Herwig Holzmann studied Design







- An exciting story about the power of imagination
- The simplest things make the greatest toys
- A book with a fun game for readers to play!



# Little Fox And The Search For A Big Adventure

Out for a walk in the forest, Little Fox finds a stick ... sorry ... a sword, and can't wait to set off on a big adventure, just like a knight of old. But big adventures are not as easy to find as he thought. He's got no time to fight dragons because he has to help out in the garden; rather than catching robbers, he's got to stir the cookie dough; and before he can set off in search of daring deeds and princesses, he has to clear the toys out from under his bed. Somehow, that's not how Little Fox imagined the life of a brave knight. But what was that noise? Is that someone calling out for help ...?

For all little adventurers with big imaginations!





Herwig Holzmann Little Fox And The Search For A Big Adventure

Age: 4+ years

40 pages



### Top seller



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Kristina Dumas is an author and journalist. She has written numerous stories and articles for children. She is widely recognized for her Musical Picture Book series previously published and available from Annette Betz.



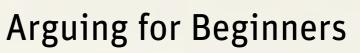
Ina Worms is a professional freelance artist for various agencies and publishers.



### book on "Arguing and Making Up"

PICTURE BOOK

- Full of fun facts and curious information
- With tips and tricks from children for children



Feathers are flying in the chicken coop - two birds are squabbling about who's cock of the roost. Outside the animal kingdom, we humans are also good at arguing. But why do we argue at all? Have humans always argued? And what's the best way to make up once the dust has settled and tempers have calmed? The squabbling birds not only know the answers to these questions, they also have lots of fun and interesting facts to share about other quarrelling animals, famous conflicts in history, bickering gods, famous mediators and peacemakers, and so much more...



Kristina Dumas / Ina Worms **Arguing for Beginners -**How to bicker and agree Age: 5+ years

32 pages

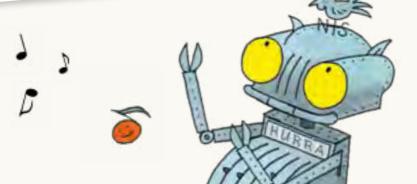
# VERP RUSTR, BUT "RUSTP KNIGHT" RUNS SMOOTHLY!







Photo above: Publisher Georg Glöckler with Walking Act "Ritter Rost" At Frankfurt Bookfair 2019 Photo below: Jörg Hilbert and Felix Janosa during their visit at our publishing house.



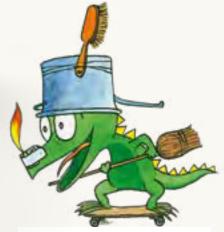
### Our absolute highlight from Autumn 2019



### Ritter Rost And The Unicorn

Well, what do you think of that? A unicorn at the Iron Castle! And it's not the only unexpected visitor. Animals of all stripes and sizes storm the castle and cause no end of chaos (and dirt). There's nothing Ritter Rost can do but swing into action, and onto the unicorn, to find out why all the animals have turned up at the Iron Castle. It's high time to join him for his latest adventure! Includes a fantastic CD full of new hits, including "This isn't a zoo" ("Das ist doch nicht der Zoo"), "Any child can do that" ("Das kann doch jedes Kind"), and more ...

Fantasy and humour combined with lots of music are the secret recipe behind the Ritter Rost musicals. The book comes with a song-filled CD, perfect for singing along, playing along or simply listening to.

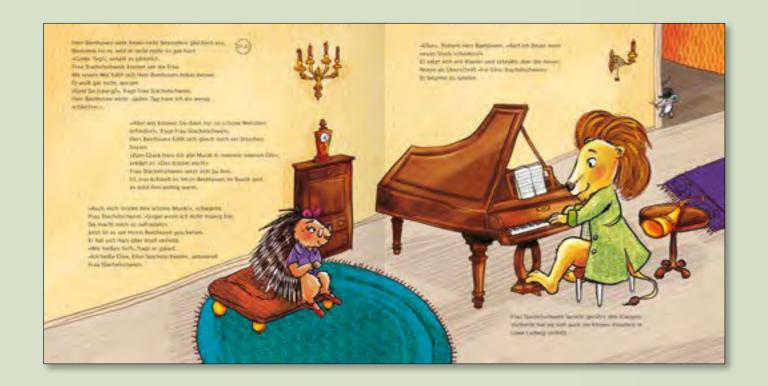


Jörg Hilbert / Felix Janosa **Ritter Rost And The Unicorn** Age: 4+ years

48 pages

Audio-CD

Playing time approx. 50 min.







Marko Simsa has brought concerts and plays for kids to the stage for 25 years. His venues include the Vienna Concerthall, the Salzburg Music Festival, and the Wiesbaden Theater. His award-winning books have been translated into 12 languages. www.markosimsa.at

Birgit Antoni illustrates board books, picture books and early readers for a variety of publishers. Her extraordinary books are frequently translated and highly reviewed.

Anna-Lena Kühler studied communications design in Wiesbaden with a focus on illustration. She has worked on a free-lance basis for agents and publishers in Germany and abroad since graduating.



- Celebrating Beethoven's 250th birthday in 2020: an inspirational musical picture book
- Find out all about Beethoven and his music
- Includes a CD with some of Beethoven's most famous compositions

### Music and text on accompanying CD

Composer: Ludwig van Beethoven Piano: Barbara Rektenwald Vocals: Matthias Helm violin: Thomas Fheodoroff German speaker: Marko Simsa

### Mr. Beethoven Makes Music

There's loud music coming from Ludwig van Beethoven's new apartment. And what beautiful music it is! Everyone is delighted by the wonderful sounds and delightful melodies that have filled the streets since he moved in. Surely it must be time to pay him a visit! Ms Owl, Mr Donkey join Elise Porcupine and end up inspiring the wild-maned musician to some of his most famous compositions.

A beautiful book about the (almost) true story behind Ludwig van Beethoven's »Für Elise«, »Mondscheinsonate« and other world-famous works.

Marko Simsa / Birgit Antoni / Anna-Lena Kühler

Mr Beethoven Makes Music Age: 3+ years

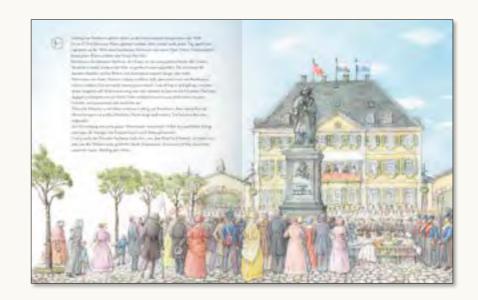
24 pages

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Playing time approx. 45 min.



# »Joy, fair spark of the gods, ...«



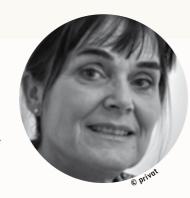




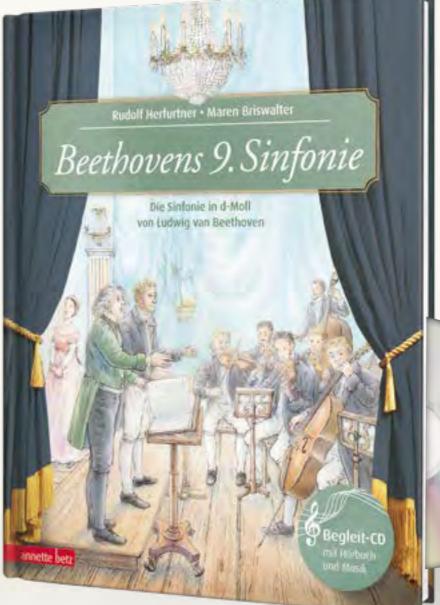


Rudolf Herfurtner has written children's books, stage plays, radio plays, screenplays and opera librettos since 1973.

He has received numerous awards, including the Grand Prize of the Academy of Children's and Youth Literature for his complete works.



Maren Briswalter studied in Dresden and Offenbach. She draw picture stories for TV, e.g. for "Die Sendung mit der Maus", and she has illustrated many children' and picture books.



- The Highlight of Beethoven`s Anniversary
- Beethoven`s last and most popular Symphony for Children

### Music and text on accompanying CD

Composer: Ludwig van Beethoven Orchestra: SWR Sinfonieorchester, Baden-Baden und Freiburg vocals: Rundfunkchor Berlin Soloists: Sigurd Brauns; Renate Behle; Yvonne Naef: Glenn Winslade: Hanno Müller-Brachmann Conductor: Michael Gielen German speaker: Dietmar Wunder

## Beethoven's Ninth Symphony

It's 1824 and the Kärntnertortheater in Vienna is a hive of activity in preparation for the premiere of Ludwig van Beethoven's latest symphony. Beethoven's nephew Karl is right in the thick of the action. He is doing everything he can to help his uncle and even gets to experience the premiere up close! To mark the 250th birthday of Ludwig van Beethoven, Rudolf Herfurtner takes us on a musical journey from the creation to the first performance of Beethoven's world-famous 9th Symphony. He takes a look back at Beethoven's life, tells gripping stories about the world premiere, and brings the composer's greatest music to life for readers young and old.

A fitting tribute to celebrate the 250th birthday of one of the world's greatest composers.

Rudolf Herfurtner / Maren Briswalter Beethoven's Ninth Symphony Age: 6+ years

32 pages

Audio-CD

Playing time approx. 60 min.

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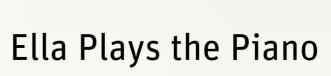




- An essential piano-playing picture book
- Music students love the piano more than any other instrument
- With a host of musical samples and explanations on the accompanying CD

### Music and text on accompanying CD

Piano: Giovanna Farigu und Peter Hofmann Cembalo: Jürgen Krömer Organ: Erke Duit **Violin: Thomas Fheodoroff** Baritone: Rudolf Katzböck German speaker: Marko Simsa



Ella can hardly contain her excitement. She's getting a piano! Now, of course, she wants to learn how to play. But that's not as easy as she'd hoped: First, she has to learn how to read music, then there's the question of where to put her fingers on the keys. Fortunately, Ella's grandfather, Antonio, is there to help. As is the cat, Tamino. Together, they find out all about pianos and other keyboard instruments.

For budding pianists and anyone who wants to learn about music and instruments.



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working as a graphic designer ever since she graduated from design college. In 2017, having attained a degree from the Academy for Illustration and Design in Berlin, she embarked on a career as a freelance illustrator. She specialises in books

for children and young adults.

Josephine Pauluth has been

Marko Simsa / Josephine Pauluth Ella Plays the Piano Age: 4+ years

32 pages

Audio-CD

Playing time approx. 55 min.



MUSICAL PICTURE BOOK

### Music and text on accompanying CD

Composer: Henrik Albrecht Orchestrra: NDR Radiophilharmonie Conductor: Andreas Hempel German speaker: Ulrich Noethen, Laura Maire und Stefan Kaminski

Henrik Albrecht / Lewis Carroll / Elisa Vavouri **Alice in Wunderland** Age: 5+ years

32 pages

Audio-CD Playing time approx. 60 min.

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## Lewis Caroll's Alice in Wonderland

Turbulent events happen to Alice in this world-famous story: She crawls into a Rabbit hole and plunges into a fantastic wonderland!

This extraordinary series combines children's book classics with specially composed orchestral music.

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 Music composed especially for the story, recorded by the renowned NDR Radiophilharmonie

 Additional explanations about the music and inst- ruments from the composer

 Many Christmas carols can be discovered in the music

## Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol

In Charles Dickens' world-famous story, three ghosts visit the hard-hearted Ebenezer Scrooge on Christmas Eve. On Christmas morning, Scrooge wakes up completely changed and Christmas suddenly has a very special glow ...

The series "World Literature & Music" conveys classical music in a fun and completely new way. World-famous literary works, renowned orchestras and voice actors as well as enchanting texts and images are the perfect way for children to engage with classical music and classic children's literature.

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Henrik Albrecht / Charles Dickens / Susanne Smajic **A Christmas Carol** 

Music and text on accompanying CD

Composer: Henrik Albrecht

Orchestra: NDR Radiophilharmonie

Maestro: Vassilis Christopoulos

Age: 5+ years

32 pages

Audio-CD

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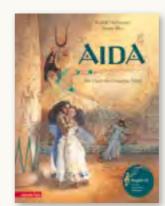


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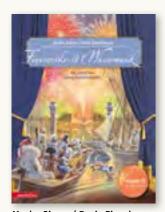
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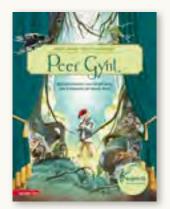
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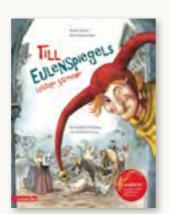
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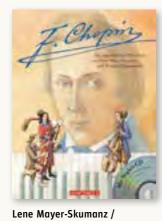
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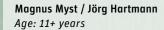








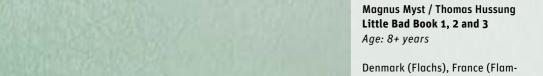




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- Citronella, the little fairy makes girls' hearts beat faster!
- A highly motivating and fast-paced read with short chapters
- Elaborate interior design by Màriam Ben-Arab



Tanja Schwarze grew up in Germany and America. As an adult she settled down near Hamburg where she lives with her family and works as a writer.



Màriam Ben-Arab studied Arts and Illustration in Barcelona and Llotja. She has illustrated numerous children's books as well as comics and books for adults.

# Citronella, The Little Fairy – Trouble With The Water Nymphs

Zitrönchen and her friends take a trip to Water Valley to visit the Water Nymphs. But disaster awaits! When Zitrönchen takes a tumble into the water, the Water Nymphs can't resist making fun of her. The Water Nymph Buntnebelchen is especially cruel with her jibes. Even worse, the Water Nymphs seem to be making friends with Zitrönchen's fellow fairies. And all while she sits off to the side, soaking wet. How cruel! But when the Water Nymphs and meadow fairies seek shelter from some heavy rain, what a surprise! Zitrönchen and Buntnebelchen snuggle up on the same petal bed. Will Zitrönchen be able to get over her initial mistrust and help the Water Nymphs in their hour of need?

Join Zitrönchen, the little fairy, and her friends for their second incredible adventure!



Tanja Schwarze /
Màriam Ben-Arab
Citronella, The Little Fairy –
Trouble With The Water Nymphs
Age: 7+ Jahren

160 pages



CHILDREN'S BOOK







Hendrik Lambertus lives with his family in Bremen and is well known for his fantasy literature. »The Mission of the daredevil Books« is his fourth book for children at Ueberreuter Verlag.



Alica Räth was born in 1999 in the very north of Germany. After studying at the Design Academy in Rostock, she said goodbye to the seagulls and hello to the pigeons in a small Bavarian town. Now, high up in her attic studio in Abensberg, she creates her loving, darkly colourful illustrations.



# The Mission of the Daredevil Books

They live undercover on the shelves of libraries and bookstores: the book agents! From their headquarters, these walking, talking books watch over all the other sleeping books and protect them from danger. But an unexpected threat haunts the world of books: The mysterious »censor« is up to his evil tricks. Whenever he reads a book, he sucks the story right from its pages. And then the head of the book agents, Tabula Smaragdina, is kidnapped! Now it's up to three out-of-control young book agents to save their boss and make sure no book is forgotten!

A quirky adventure story with special heroes: Books!

 An extraordinary story with books as main characters!

CHILDREN'S BOOK

- A dream comes true: an entire bookstore full of living books
- With witty, full-colour illustrations and a test to see if you can be a book agent



Hendrik Lambertus / Alica Räth The Mission of the Daredevil Books

Age: 8+ years

160 pages





»An exciting, funny ghost story, wonderfully designed and illustrated by Alexandra Helm. The pictures alone make this a real page-turner.«

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Hendrik Lambertus lives with his family in Bremen and is well known for his fantasy literature. »The Mission of the daredevil Books« is his fourth book for children at Ueberreuter Verlag.



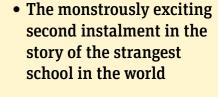
Alexandra Helm studied illustration in Offenbach, where she still works as illustrator.



# The Midnight School – Lesson Two: Siren Call

Excitement is brewing at the Midnight School. The kids are planning a huge concert. They're ready for crashing, banging and loud noises! But Milan is upset because he doesn't have magic powers like his night creature friends. And he's wracked with nerves because his parents are coming – and his father has no idea just how 'special' Milan's school is. Or that Milan's lessons don't ever start before midnight! When Ludmilla von Rothenturm, an arrogant vampire madam, attempts to sabotage the midnight concert, it's clear that Milan and his friends need to come up with a plan. And that's when things get really exciting ...

The creepily excellent sequel to the story of a more than unusual school!



- They may be monsters, but they come together in their hour of need!
- Cheeky, colourful illustrations make reading more fun than ever before



Hendrik Lambertus / Alexandra Helm The Midnight School – Lesson Two: Siren Call Age: 8+ years

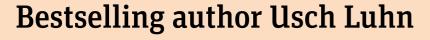
160 pages



• A self-contained novel for

• An orphan girl finds a home of her own!







Usch Luhn, born in Styria, worked for children's television and radio after studying. Today, she teaches dramaturgy at film school, writes novels and has been very successful writing books for children.



### Mala And The House of Whispers

Mala the orphan girls feels a bit uneasy when she moves in with Ophelia Wunder for the summer. Ophelia's house is full of strange things and every room seems to be filled with an odd whispering. But Mala loves Zimtlinde's candy shop on the other side of town! Zimtlinde even gives Mala a small marzipan pig. Far too sweet to eat, thinks Mala. Then, all of a sudden, the pig starts to talk. And that's only the beginning! All of the objects in Ophelia's house also come to life. There's the mop, Jammerlappen, the teapot, Frau Krötenfuß, and so many more. As soon as Ophelia gets home, the spell is broken. What is going on here? Is Ophelia a witch? Or Zimtlinde? And why can't they stand each other?

A magical summer adventure from the bestselling author, Usch Luhn

Usch Luhn Mala And The House of Whispers Age: 8+ years

224 pages



# Poetic and mythical: »Sky Pirates« – is our top children's book

CHILDREN'S BOOK

»There are lots of air holes in the sky, far beyond the clouds.

Unfortunately, people down on earth cannot see them.

First, air is invisible to them. And secondly, holes are invisible to them. Which makes air holes doubly invisible. But the fact that people cannot see them doesn't mean they aren't there.

On the contrary!

Air holes are great places to live. They're quite like holes in the ground, but instead of layers of dirt, the walls of the air holes are layers of air. And air is much denser than you think. People say that the higher you get, the thinner the air becomes. But the opposite is true!

It is gets denser and denser. And, up above, high in the sky, there is always trouble in the air. We can thank the strange inhabitants of the air holes – the Sky Pirates – for that!«

### Markus Orths

Markus Orths was born in 1969 in Viersen and lives and works as an author in Karlsruhe. He has published 12 books for adults, most recently the novel Picknick im Dunkeln, which was published by Carl Hanser Verlag.

He has received numerous awards, including the Telekom Austria Prize in 2008, the Lower Rhine Literature Prize of the City of Krefeld in 2009 and the City of Wetzlar's Phantastik-Preis in 2011. One of his novels, Das Zimmermädchen, was filmed in 2015. He has also taught poetry at the universities of Paderborn and Bamberg. Markus Orths is the father of three children.

Unsurprisingly, he also writes his books for his own children. As his kids get bigger, so does the scope of his imagination. While he was working on Luftpiraten, he read it to his two oldest sons. They loved it: »That totally blew us away, dad!«











Lena Winkel was born in Betzdorf (Sieg) in 1993 and always dreamt of becoming a Pokémon creator. She studied illustration in Hamburg and Paris before her life took a major detour! Now she makes children's books and comics and of course prefers to draw imaginary creatures.



- Fantastic, epic dventure in the sky
- From the award-winning author Markus Orths
- The work of a masterful wordsmith
- Children's literature at its best

## **Sky Pirates**

Sky Pirates are grey-skinned and grouchy. They can unleash terrifying thunderstorms from the lightning eyes they hide behind their eye patches. But starting storms is just one of the skills Sky Pirate children learn at school. They also learn how to channel their rage, a skill all Sky Pirates need. And there's no better teacher than Adiaba, at least until he meets peaceable Zwolle – an impossible, white-skinned Sky Pirate without a lightening eye! Before he knows it, Adiaba takes the little guy under his wing and decides to raise him in secret. Unfortunately, he can't keep Zwolle secret for long. Adiaba is captured, forcing Zwolle has to set out on a dangerous journey through the clouds to rescue Adiaba.

An exciting, puntastic adventure – especially for readers with a short fuse and a quick temper.

Markus Orths / Lena Winkel Sky Pirates Age: 9+ years

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256 pages

CHILDREN'S BOOK

Mirai, 13, book blogger: Lass mal lesen!

»I would give almost anything to be as brave as Charlotte.«

Nadia, 11

»This is such an exciting book, full of interesting ideas and it really made me laugh!«

Houke, 11



- Perfect mix of humour, action and magic
- Funny Siblings Gang





## **Family Quest**

In Scotland, Charlotte and Finn are playing in the McGuffin mansion and find a mysterious golden amulet hidden in a drawer in their parents' study. According to legend, the amulet is the key to a fabulous treasure! But before Charlotte and Finn can do anything, their uncle grabs it out from under their noses. Charlotte joins her little brother, a robot she built herself and the family butler to embark on a dangerous race against time that takes them to distant lands. They have no idea who they are dealing with. Or that the amulet is already working its strange magic ...

Daniel Bleckmann
Family Quest - Merlin's Amulet
Age: 9+ years

256 pages



Annie

Annie is 13 and the oldest of the four

sisters. She's serious about her role in the family. She loves working in

LU

 A summer adventure in the countryside

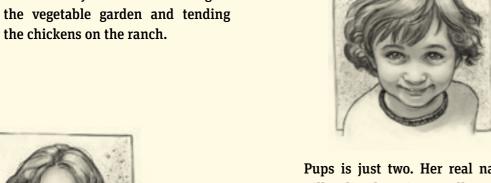
• A tale of four sisters that readers will quickly grow to love



Georgie is easily the wildest of the four sisters. If she's not busy inventing new rat traps, she's probably dreaming of adventure with her twin sister, Lu. There's nothing she wants more than to spend all her time on the Wahoola Ranch.



Billy. She's learning to talk and loves collecting stones. Every day is full of



Pups is just two. Her real name is adventure and excitement for Pups.



Jenny Dietrich was born in Geneva in 1985 and grew up in Schwabach near Nuremberg. She studied Theatre, Film and Media Sciences in Vienna and most recently worked as a managing editor for a children's television company. She lives with her family in Vorarlberg, surrounded by cows and mountains, and spends her days dreaming up stories for children and young adults.



# • A feel-good book for fans of »Penderwicks« and »Sommer in Sommerby«

## Four Sisters Against The World

Wild Georgina and her twin Lu, their even-tempered sister Annie and little sister Pups live with their parents and grandfather Joe on a farm. When young Alfred arrives at the farm to help out, the sisters' lives are turned upside down. Annie, the eldest of the four sisters, quickly develops a crush on Alfred. But Georgina's suspicions are aroused: Could Alfred just want to get his hands on the family's secret fertiliser recipe? After all, it's their secret fertilizer that helps the family grow so many award-winning potatoes ...

A turbulent, sisterly comedy full of heart and humour!



**Jenny Dietrich Four Sisters Against The World** Age: 9+ years

192 pages

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Lu is just a few minutes younger than Georgie. She loves reading and dreaming the day away. Her favourite animal on the Wahoola Ranch is

the donkey, John Wayne.

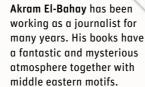
### »Anouk's Game«:

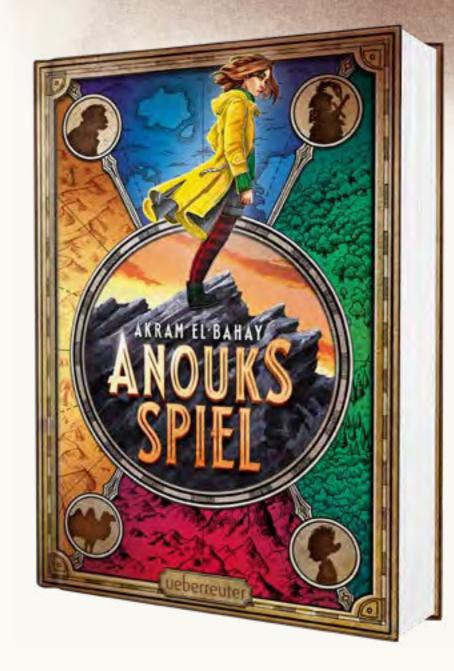
# How far can someone go to undo a mistake?

»In almost no time at all, Akram El-Bahay has become one of the leading voices in German fantasy fiction.«

Kai Meyer







- A tale of adventure and exotic magic
- Exquisitely crafted and beautifully written, delightfully clever and exciting from the very first line: all of the hallmarks of Akram El-Bahay!



### Anouk's Game

What has Anouk gone and done now? She uttered a single careless wish on her 13th birthday and little sister was swallowed by the ground. The only way to undo her wish is to emerge victorious from a devilishly magical game. If she manages to beat the Dark Prince in four rounds, Anouk will get her sister back. If the Dark Prince wins, Anouk will lose her sister forever. With each move, Anouk needs to show compassion, courage and wisdom. But the Dark Prince is always one step ahead - and finally confronts Anouk with an impossible choice ...

The latest thrilling adventure from the mind of Akram El-Bahay.

Akram El-Bahay Anouk's Game Age: 11+ years

384 pages



- Love, friendship and sex, Generation Z-style
- Captivatingly honest
- Young, up-and-coming author with a distinctive voice



»I count my lucky stars that I never fall in love.

I couldn't care less what other people think.

You want to know the problems love causes?

Just open your eyes and take a look around you.

You're all so hungry for the one thing you can't

have. Then it comes as a massive shock when you

end up with a broken heart. I'm not looking for

anything, but I still get what I want. Maybe you

should take a leaf out of my book.«

Michaele Kastel was born in Vienna in 1987. After graduating from high school, she studied a variety of subjects at university before entering the book industry. She lives in Vienna and works in a small bookstore, where she loves philosophising with people about literature. Michaela Kastel was awarded the 2018 Viktor Crime Award for her debut book.

### C'est la fucking vie

Why does something crazy like love always have to get in the way? So far, 18-year-old Sanni has enjoyed her wild and free life full of parties, alcohol, drugs and sex. Now that she's finished school, she hasn't even started to think about what comes next. Maybe she'll make up her mind after the summer. Her friend Niko has a very different take on life. Sanni and Niko might be as different as apples and oranges, but they are bound together by an unshakable friendship – which Niko wishes could be far much more. But everything changes after a night of celebration. For the first time, Niko confronts Sanni with his true feelings and issues an ultimatum – become his girlfriend or end their friendship. Sanni is torn. She knows she feels more for Niko than just friendship. But can she really give up her freedom for love? Mercilessly honest and intensely gripping, Michaela Kastel's book deals with the greatest of emotions and one summer that can change everything.

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**First Commandment:** The lighthouses belong to the Consortium. Whoever uses them pays.



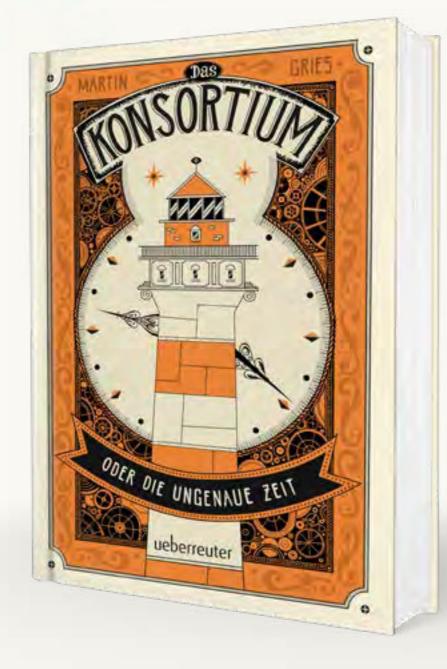
**Second Commandment:** The stars belong to the Consortium. Whoever watches the stars dies.



Third Commandment: Time belongs to the Consortium. Whoever measures time dies.



Martin Gries was born in 1972 and studied educational science. Today he is the pedagogical director of Bücherpiraten, the award-winning publisher of children's literature, where he runs creative writing workshops. Martin Gries lives in Lübeck.



- Intelligent science fiction - modern with a literary touch
- Transports readers into a world where people cross oceans by ship and use lighthouses to navigate
- Strong characters, complex love story

# The Consortium, or The Hour of Judgement

Are you a stickler for the letter of the law or more of a free thinker? The Consortium, with its lighthouses, holds a monopoly on time and space and doesn't waver in going after criminals. When the Consortium discovers that Marieta's father has been working on a precision timepiece, he is immediately arrested. Appalled, Marietta takes her father's watch from its hiding place and makes her escape. Elsewhere, Charles, the son of a lighthouse builder, suddenly inherits a sextant and starts to observe the stars. When this attracts attention, he also goes on the run. Marietta and Charles' winding paths soon intersect. With the clock and sextant, they possess something that can shake the Consortium to its very foundations ...

An ambitious adventure about an alternate past with astonishing parallels to our present.

**Martin Gries** The Consortium, or The Hour of Judgement Age: 14+ years

384 pages



# The online community can't get enough of »Silence & Chaos«:

»This book has it all and more: Action-packed, exciting, funny and emotional. Not only is it totally addictive, it also makes you think about what it really means to be a hero...«

Alisa from Zeilenschloss

»>Silence & Chaos is a truly epic superhero novel, set in a dark, dystopian world, full of humour and courageous heroes. An incredible literary adventure that makes my superhero fan's heart beat faster«

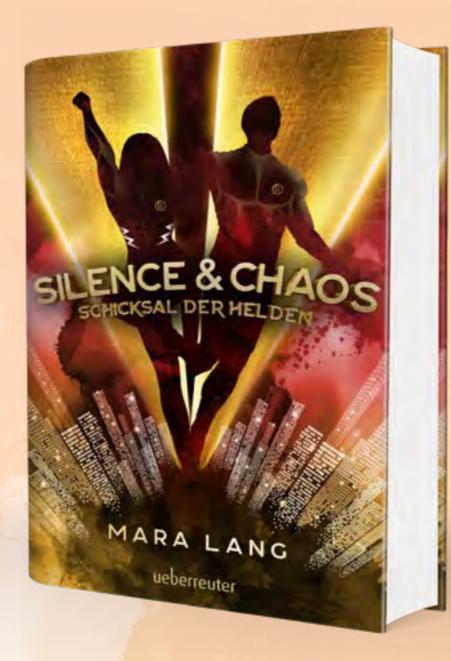
Leinani from leinanibookcorner

»Captivating, exciting and simply overwhelming from cover to cover. A movie-style superhero story in book form. This impressive work is filled with action and real emotions«

Sarah from valeria\_liest



Mara Lang, born in 1970, began to craft her own stories when she ran out of books to read. Torn between books and film, she originally wanted to give her imagination free rein as a film director, but then chose to study and become a teacher. Today she immerses her readers in incredible imaginary worlds. Mara Lang lives and works in Vienna.



- A modern, profound superhero story without clichés
- Heroes struggling to find their place in the world
- What happens when you have to save the world with your nemesis?

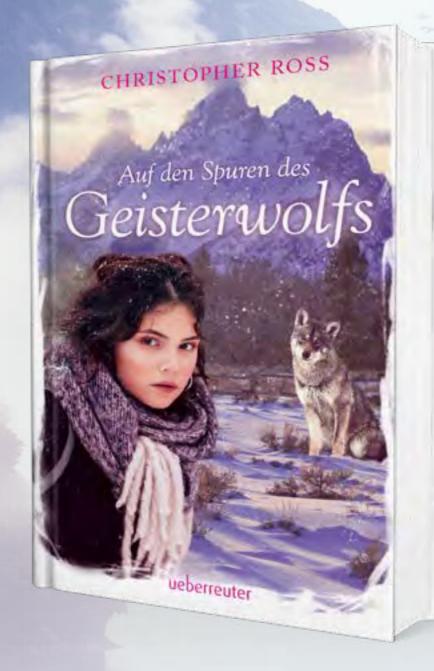
### Silence & Chaos

The world is in danger: The cruel Revenger is threatening humanity and only one person can stop him – Corvin West. But Corvin is dangerous. Deadly. Uncontrollable. That's why he was banished and locked away. But now – six years later – they need him to bring down the Revenger. 18-year-old Jill, of all people, has been chosen to persuade Corvin to help. Because, as a neutralizer, she is the only one who can tame Corvin. She can dampen superpowers, even switch them off. And now Jill and Corvin need to team up to hunt down the Revenger. There's only one problem: Corvin killed Jill's father. How can she possibly join forces with her archenemy to save the world?

Action-packed and breath-taking, Mara Lang has created a fascinating world of superheroes!

Mara Lang
Silence & Chaos
Age: 14+ years

416 pages



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## On the Trail of The Ghost Wolf

When Ashley's parents die in a car crash, she is devastated. Then a wolf appears in her dream and introduces himself as her guardian spirit. He advises her to search for the truth about her past and to uncover her connection to native Americans. With only an old black-and-white photo and the wolf as a guardian spirit at her side, Ashley sets off on a journey that will teach her how to heal the wounds of the past, give her life a new direction and bring her face to face with the love of her life ...

A mystical, romantic adventure for all Christopher Ross fans

Christopher Ross On the Trail of The Ghost Wolf Age: 12+ years

256 pages

