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After Philly teenager Alexis Duncan is injured in a gang shooting, her dreams of a college scholarship and pro basketball career vanish in an instant. To avoid becoming another Black teen trapped in her poverty-stricken neighborhood, she shifts her focus to the school's STEM team, a group of nerds seeking their own college scholarships.

Academics have never been her thing, but Alexis is freshly motivated by Aamani Chakrabarti, the new Indian student who becomes her mentor (and crush?). Alexis begins to see herself as so much more than an athlete. But just as her future starts to reform, Alexis's own doubts and old loyalties pull her back into harm's way.

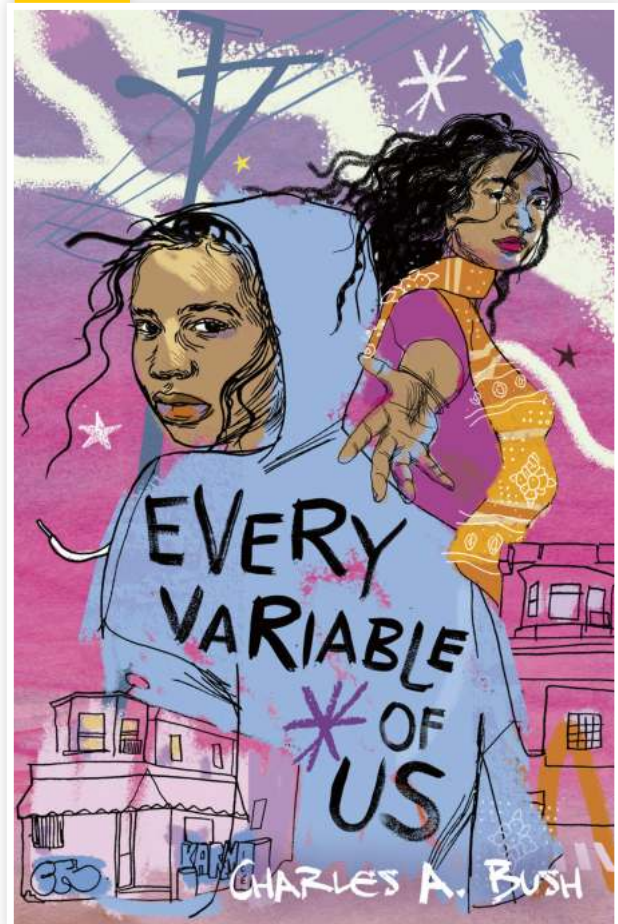
"Every Variable of Us highlights the importance of taking advantage of every opportunity when on the hardwood."
—Danielle McCray, WNBA player for the Connecticut Sun

"Every Variable of Us really captures and brings to life all the challenges a female athlete living in the inner city faces. . . . This book is full of emotion, from laughter to tears."
—Betty Lennox, 2004 WNBA Finals MVP and WNBA Champion with the Seattle Storm, 2000 Rookie of the Year and All-Star with the Minnesota Lynx

Warehouse Date: February 4, 2022
Publication Date: March 1, 2022

ISBN: 978-1-63583-074-3
Format: Trade Hardcover Original
376 pages
Price: \$17.99 US
Imprint: Flux
Age: 14–18
Trim: 5.5 x 8.5

NEW!



Ebook ISBN: 978-1-63583-075-0
Ebook Price: \$9.99 US
BISAC Code: YAF031000
YOUNG ADULT FICTION / LGBTQ+
Rights: Translation
Selling Territory: Worldwide

Charles A. Bush was raised in Philadelphia, and attended Cabrini University before honing his craft at the University of Oxford. In addition to writing young adult novels, he played professional basketball overseas, spends far too much time obsessing over all things Marvel, has long run out of places to store his mountains of books, and dreams of someday debating literature with Rory Gilmore. *Every Variable of Us* is his first novel. You can follow him on Instagram (@Charles_A_Bush).

Home State: Pennsylvania

Victory is the only option.

Once a year, the Olympian Empresses grant the wishes of ten people selected by a lottery—for a price. Seventeen-year-old Gen, a former circus performer, wants the freedom of her father, who was sentenced to life in prison for murders she knows he didn't commit. Castor plans to carry the island Arcadia into the future in place of her brother, Pollux, but only after the Empresses force a change in her island's archaic laws that require a male heir.

To get what they want, Gen and Castor must race to complete the better half of ten nearly impossible labors. They have to catch the fastest ship in the sea, slay the immortal Hydra, defeat a gangster called the Boar, and capture the flesh-eating Mares, among other deadly tasks.

Gen has her magic, her ability to speak to animals, her inhuman strength—and the help of Pollux, who's been secretly pining for her for years. But Castor has her own gifts: the power of the storms, along with endless coin. Only one can win. The other walks away with nothing—if she walks away at all.

NEW!**Warehouse Date: May 6, 2022****Publication Date: June 7, 2022**

ISBN: 978-1-63583-076-7

Format: Trade Paperback Original

400 pages

Price: \$14.99 US

Imprint: Flux

Age: 14–18

Trim: 5.25 x 8

Ebook ISBN: 978-1-63583-077-4

Ebook Price: \$9.99 US

BISAC Code: YAF019000

YOUNG ADULT FICTION / Fantasy / General

Rights: None

Selling Territory: Worldwide

Duology: Book 2 releasing Spring 2023

Rachel Menard was born in New Jersey, raised in Arizona, and then relocated to Rhode Island. Throughout her life she has been a barista, college radio DJ, singer in an alt-country band, marketer, designer, and finally, a writer. Her short fiction has been featured on *Cast of Wonders*, and her editorial work has been seen in *Writer's Digest*.

Home State: Rhode Island

Lemon Drop Falls

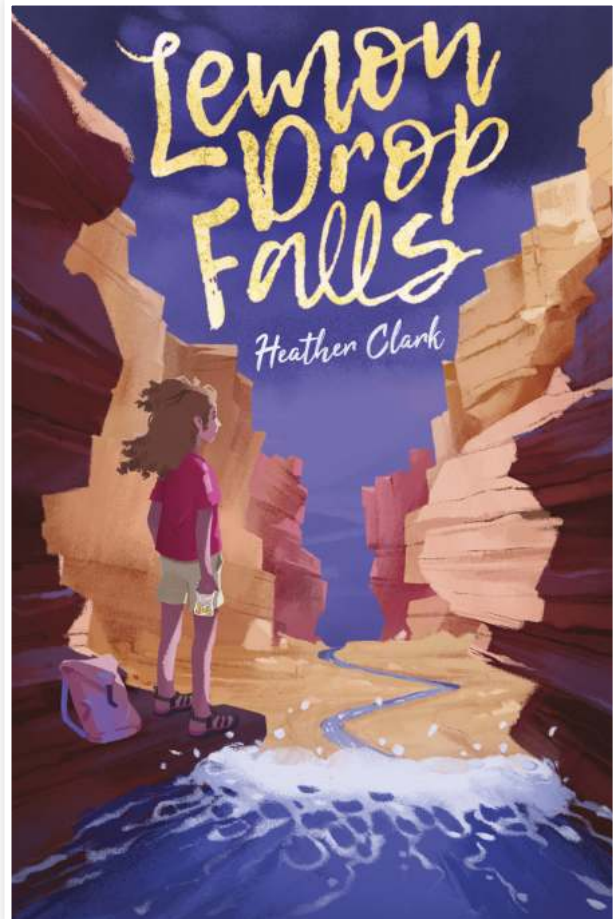
by Heather Clark

NEW!

Brave the sour to taste the sweet.

Morgan is devastated by her mother's sudden death. Before, Mom's amazing organizational skills kept the family on track, and her bowl of lemon drops was always on hand to make difficult conversations easy, turning life's sour into sweet. After, there's no one to help Morgan navigate her new role caring for her younger siblings, her worries about starting junior high, and her increasingly confusing friendships. All she can do is try to fulfill her mother's final request: Keep them safe, Morgan. Be brave for them. Help them be happy.

When Dad insists on taking the family on their regular summer camping trip, and Morgan's efforts to keep her promise to Mom seem doomed to fail, Morgan's anxiety spirals into a panic attack, and Dad treats her like she's impossibly broken. Unable to share her fears and needs with Dad, and desperate to prove she's got the strength to hold the family together, Morgan sets off alone to hike a flooding canyon trail. But somewhere on that lonely and dangerous journey, Morgan will encounter the truth about the final words her mother left her, the power in finding her own voice, and the possibility of new beginnings.



Warehouse Date: December 27, 2021
Publication Date: January 25, 2022

ISBN: 978-1-63163-579-3
 Format: Trade Paperback Original
 280 pages
 Price: \$11.99 US
 Imprint: Jolly Fish Press
 Age: 8-14
 Trim: 5.25 x 8

Ebook ISBN: 978-1-63163-580-9
 Ebook Price: \$9.99 US
 BISAC Code: JUV039030
 JUVENILE FICTION / Social Themes / Death, Grief, Bereavement
 Rights: English Audio Only
 Selling Territory: Worldwide

Heather Clark grew up near the Rocky Mountains of Canada, then followed the mountain range south to her current home in Utah, where she lives with her husband and three children who inspire the books she writes. Heather's work as a writer, photographer, and teacher helps her see the beauty and unique value in every person. After dealing with her own childhood anxiety and OCD, Heather is passionate about representing neurodiverse children powerfully in fiction. When she's not working, you can find Heather camping, hiking, boardgaming, or reading and celebrating books at MGBookParty.com. You can learn more about Heather and her books at HeatherClarkBooks.com. *Lemon Drop Falls* is her debut novel.

Home State: Utah



JORDIE & JOEY FELL FROM THE SKY

by Judi Lauren

Twin brothers Jordie and Joey have never met their parents. Maybe it's because they aren't from this planet?

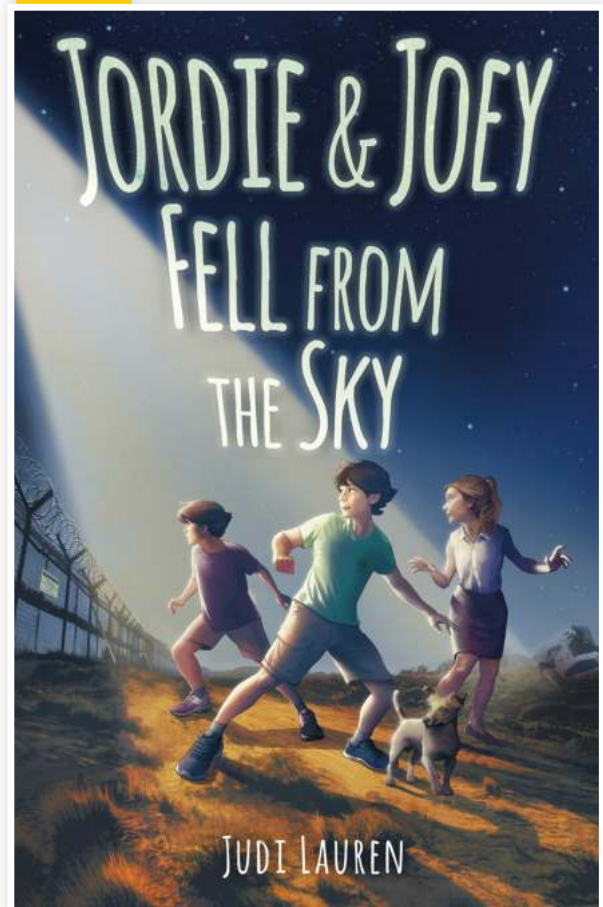
When another kid at school tried to force Jordie to show him the “crop circles” on his back that prove he’s an alien, it was Joey who took the kid to the ground. And when the twins got kicked out of their foster home because Joey kissed the other boy who lived there, it was Jordie who told him everything would be okay. And as long as Jordie and Joey are together, it will be. But when the principal calls their current foster mother about a fight at school, the boys know she’ll be done with them. And, from spying in their file, they also know they’re going to be separated.

Determined to face the world side by side rather than without one another, Jordie and Joey set off to find their birth parents. From Arizona to Roswell to Area 51 in the Nevada desert, the twins begin a search for where they truly belong. But Jordie’s about to discover that family isn’t always about the ones who bring you into the world, but the ones who help you survive it.

Warehouse Date: March 20, 2022

Publication Date: April 19, 2022

NEW!



ISBN: 978-1-63163-581-6

Format: Trade Paperback Original

240 pages

Price: \$11.99 US

Imprint: Jolly Fish Press

Age: 8–14

Trim: 5.25 x 8

Ebook ISBN: 978-1-63163-582-3

Ebook Price: \$9.99 US

BISAC Code: JUV013050

JUVENILE FICTION / Family / Orphans & Foster Homes

Rights: Audio, Translation, and Dramatic (excluding Stage Plays or Theatrical Productions)

Selling Territory: Worldwide

Judi Lauren has been reading since she could first hold a book. Following her passion for working with books, she became an assistant editor at Entangled Publishing and is now an editor at Radish Fiction. When not editing, she writes books for kids and teens about family, friendship, and surviving impossible things.

Home State: South Carolina

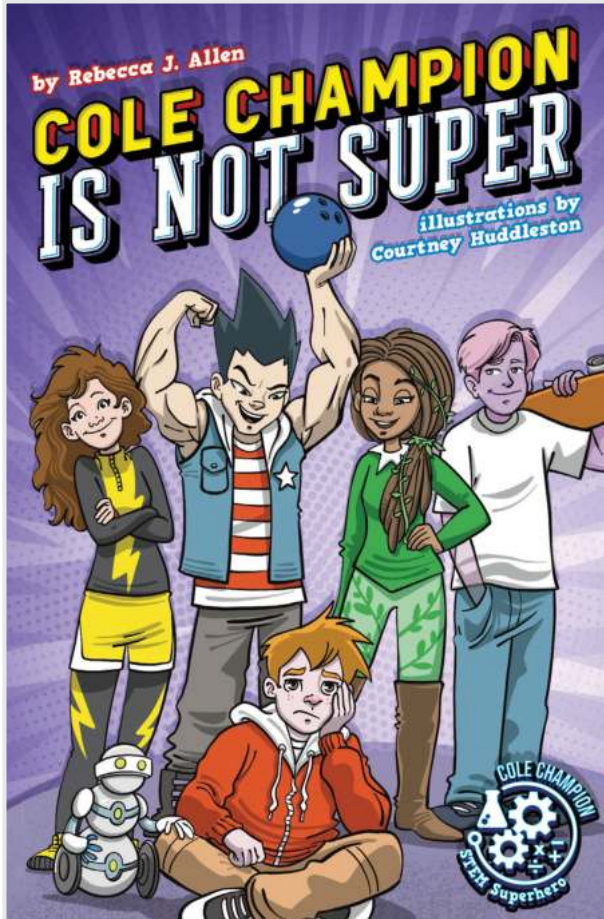


NEW! MIDDLE
GRADE FICTION

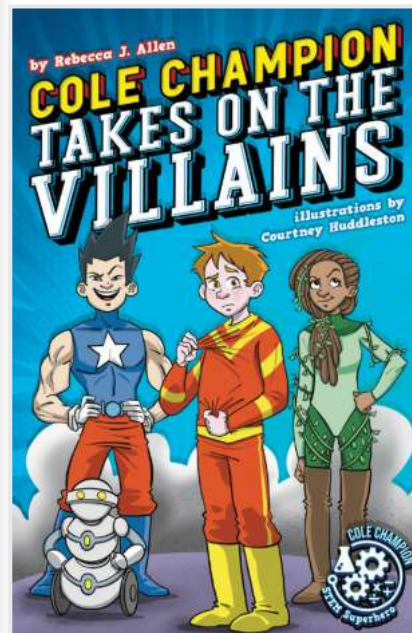
Interest Age 8–12

COLE CHAMPION: STEM SUPERHERO

by Rebecca J. Allen | Illustrated by Courtney Huddleston



As the only “normal” at a school for the superpowered, Cole Champion is often challenged to prove why he deserves to be there. But with the help of robot Sidekick and fellow STEM lover Mireya Morales, can he save the day his own way?



TITLE	LIBRARY BOUND ISBN	PAPERBACK ISBN	EBOOK ISBN	BISAC CODE	CATEGORY
Cole Champion Is Not Super	978-1-63163-587-8	978-1-63163-588-5	978-1-63163-589-2	JUV071000	JUVENILE FICTION / Superheroes
Cole Champion Takes On the Villains	978-1-63163-591-5	978-1-63163-592-2	978-1-63163-593-9	JUV071000	JUVENILE FICTION / Superheroes

Hardcover Library Bound: \$16.99 US Library / \$24.27 US List | Paperback: **\$6.99 US**

Ebook: **\$6.99 US** | Trim: 5.25 x 7.5 | Pages: 112 | Age: 8–12

Rights: Worldwide, all languages | Selling Territory: World

Hardcover Library Bound Set of 2 (978-1-63163-583-0): \$33.98 US Library / \$48.54 US List

Paperback Set of 2 (978-1-63163-584-7): \$13.98 US

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Publication Date: January 1, 2022

Rebecca J. Allen writes middle grade stories that blend mystery and adventure and young adult stories with kick-butt heroines. Her middle grade mysteries *Showtime Sabotage* and *Math Test Mischief* were published under the pseudonym Verity Weaver. When not writing, she loves to Rollerblade, hike, practice Pilates, or attempt to reclaim her garden from encroaching weeds.



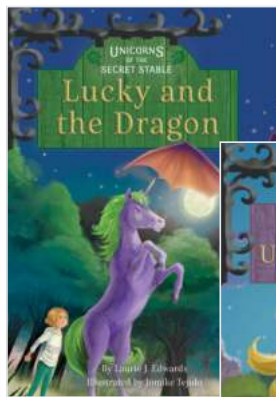
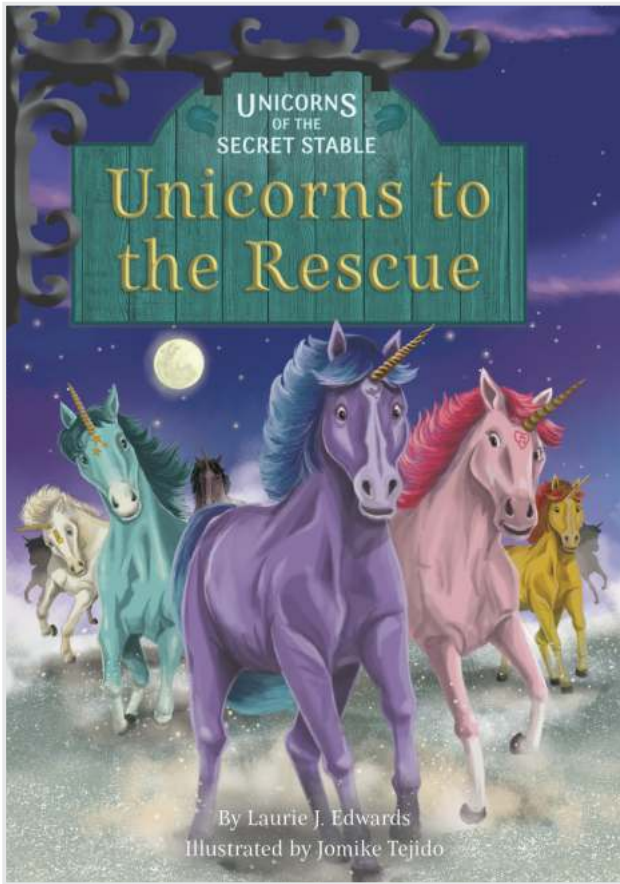
**NEW! EARLY
CHAPTER BOOKS**

Interest Age 6–8

Unicorns of the Secret Stable Set 3

by Laurie J. Edwards | Illustrated by Jomike Tejido

There are unicorns behind Magic Moon Stable, but no one except Iris and Ruby knows they exist. As Unicorn Guardians, it is their job to protect the unicorns and their magic to keep them safe from the outside world.



TITLE	LIBRARY BOUND ISBN	PAPERBACK ISBN	EBOOK ISBN	BISAC CODE	CATEGORY
Unicorns to the Rescue	978-1-63163-599-1	978-1-63163-600-4	978-1-63163-601-1	JUV002270	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Dragons, Unicorns & Mythical
Lucky and the Dragon	978-1-63163-603-5	978-1-63163-604-2	978-1-63163-605-9	JUV002270	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Dragons, Unicorns & Mythical
Magical Unicorn Horns	978-1-63163-607-3	978-1-63163-608-0	978-1-63163-609-7	JUV002270	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Dragons, Unicorns & Mythical
Mermaid Magic	978-1-63163-611-0	978-1-63163-612-7	978-1-63163-613-4	JUV002270	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Dragons, Unicorns & Mythical

Hardcover Library Bound: \$18.99 US Library / \$24.27 US List | Paperback: **\$4.99 US**

Ebook: **\$4.99 US** | Trim: 5.25 x 7.5 | Pages: 72 | Age: 6–8

Rights: Worldwide, all languages | Selling Territory: World

Hardcover Library Bound Set of 4 (978-1-63163-595-3): \$75.96 US Library / \$97.08 US List

Paperback Set of 4 (978-1-63163-596-0): \$19.96 US

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Publication Date: January 1, 2022

Laurie J. Edwards has always loved books. In school, she got in trouble for reading during class. When she grew up, she chose jobs that let her spend time with books. She became a librarian and then an author. Now she not only reads, but she also creates stories for others to read.



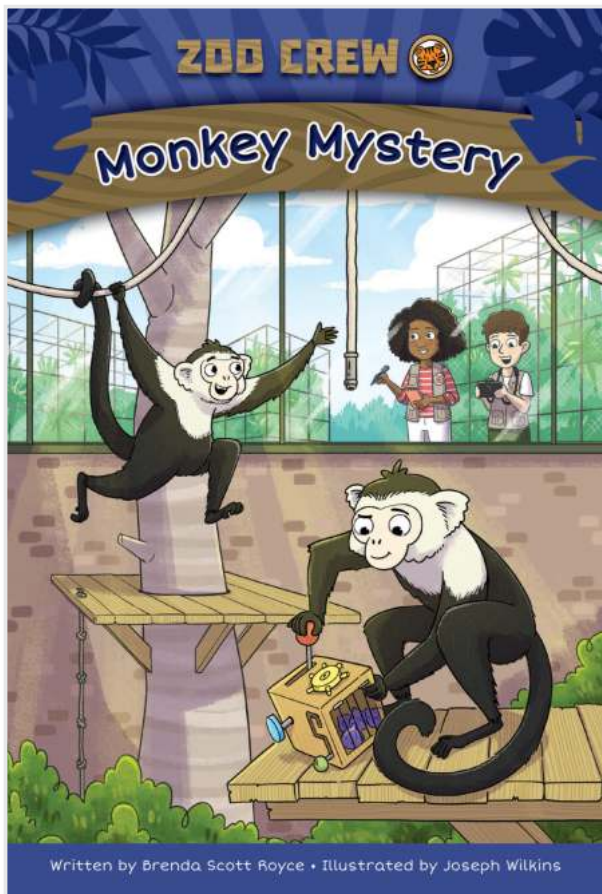
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CHAPTER BOOKS**

Interest Age 6–8

ZOO CREW

by Brenda Scott Royce | Illustrated by Joseph Wilkins

Welcome to Mountain Bluff Zoo, where Katy Nichols (9) and Micah Draper (7) are Junior Volunteers! There's always something new going on at the zoo and so much to learn about the animals that live there. The friends never know where they'll be asked to lend a hand!



TITLE	LIBRARY BOUND ISBN	PAPERBACK ISBN	EBOOK ISBN	BISAC CODE	CATEGORY
Monkey Mystery	978-1-63163-619-6	978-1-63163-620-2	978-1-63163-621-9	JUV002260	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Zoos
Tiger Twins	978-1-63163-623-3	978-1-63163-624-0	978-1-63163-625-7	JUV002260	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Zoos
Habitat Hints	978-1-63163-627-1	978-1-63163-628-8	978-1-63163-629-5	JUV002260	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Zoos
Antelope Hope	978-1-63163-631-8	978-1-63163-632-5	978-1-63163-633-2	JUV002260	JUVENILE FICTION / Animals / Zoos

Hardcover Library Bound: \$16.99 US Library / \$24.27 US List | Paperback: **\$6.99 US**

Ebook: **\$6.99 US** | Trim: 6 x 9 | Pages: 48 | Age: 6–8

Rights: Worldwide, all languages | Selling Territory: World

Hardcover Library Bound Set of 4 (978-1-63163-615-8): \$67.96 US Library / \$97.08 US List

Paperback Set of 4 (978-1-63163-616-5): \$27.96 US

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Brenda Scott Royce is the author of more than 20 books for adults and children. Animals are her favorite subject to write about. She has worked as a chimpanzee keeper at an animal sanctuary and traveled on wildlife expeditions to Africa and South America. In her free time, she helps injured birds as a volunteer with SoCal Parrot Rescue.

THE GENIUS KID'S GUIDE TO PRO BASKETBALL

Amazing players and teams have been thrilling National Basketball Association fans for more than 70 years. Before stars like LeBron James and Steph Curry took over the court, it was all about Michael Jordan and the dominant Chicago Bulls, or Bill Russell's unshakable Boston Celtics. This guide covers them all, taking readers into the superstar players, the dominant dynasties, and the thrilling games that have made the NBA into the exciting league it is today. Accessible chapters detail the history of the league and each team, including its history and key players. Stand-alone bios introduce basketball's all-time great players. Combined with action-packed photos, some of the sport's most essential stats and records, and plenty of trivia, this book has everything readers want to know about their favorite NBA athletes and teams—plus plenty of info they can use to impress their friends.

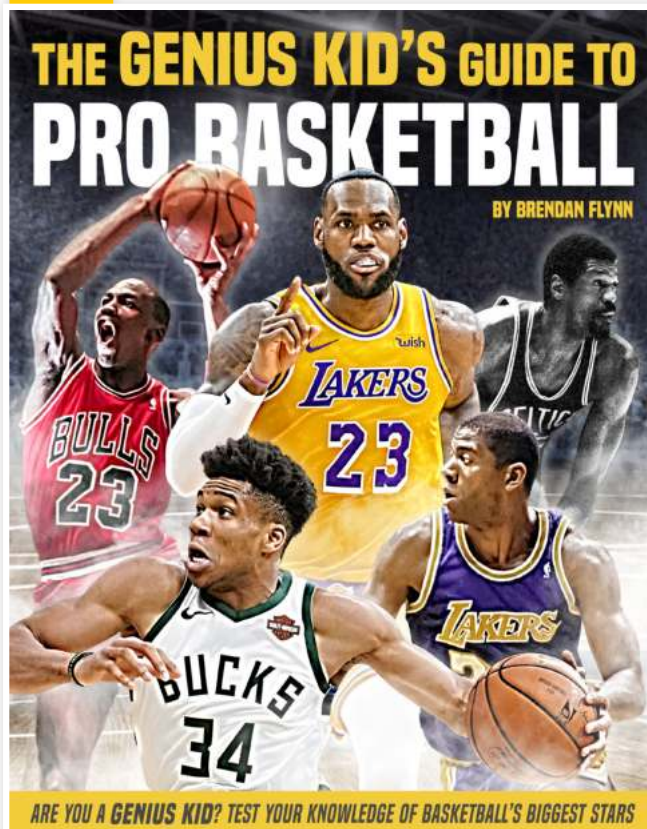
Special Features:

- Overview of every NBA team
- Colorful photographs
- Subheads aid reading ease and comprehension
- Sidebars provide additional information

Back Matter:

- The Star Players section gives additional information on the NBA's superstars
- The Honorable Mentions section offers details on additional players
- A statistics spread highlights the stats from the NBA's greatest players
- Glossary
- Resources for further reading
- Index

NEW!



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JUVENILE NONFICTION / Sports & Recreation / Basketball
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Selling Territory: World

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Publication Date: January 18, 2022

ABOUT NORTH STAR KIDS

North Star Kids nonfiction books fuel young readers' passion for the topics they love the most. Bite-size text sections and bold, engaging photos make these all-encompassing resources a must-have for any young reader who wants to be a GENIUS KID!

THE GENIUS KID'S GUIDE TO THE OLYMPICS

Sports take on a new meaning when a gold medal is on the line, and whether it's the Summer or Winter Olympics—or the Paralympics that follow—the athletes always find a way to deliver. From the enduring dominance of swimmer Michael Phelps to gymnast Nadia Comaneci's perfect routine or the thrilling performances of snowboarder Chloe Kim, the Olympics just seem to draw people in. This guide covers all the thrilling moments and greatest stars from Olympic history. Accessible chapters detail the stories of the Games as well as more than 40 Olympic sports, revealing each event's history and greatest competitors, as well as how they have changed over time. Combined with action-packed photos, essential stats and records, and plenty of trivia, this book has everything readers want to know about their favorite Olympic athletes and sports—plus plenty of info they can use to impress their friends.

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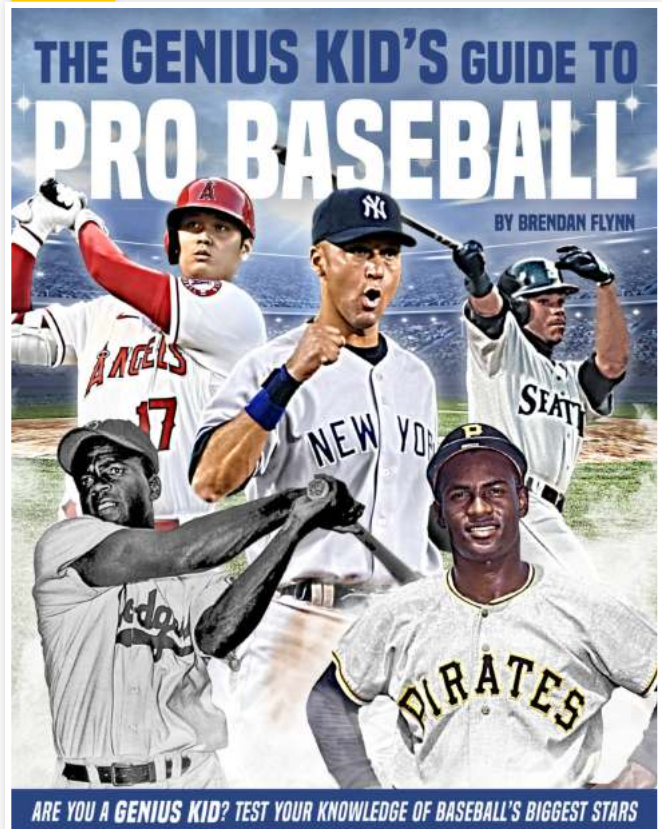


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THE GENIUS KID'S GUIDE TO PRO BASEBALL

Legendary players and teams have been putting on a show for Major League Baseball fans for more than a century. Before stars like Mike Trout and Jacob deGrom dominated the diamond, fans were cheering on Babe Ruth's historic home runs or the unhittable pitching of Bob Gibson and Pedro Martinez. This guide covers them all, taking readers into the superstar players, the dominant dynasties, and the thrilling games that have made MLB into the exciting league it is today. Accessible chapters detail the history of the league and each team, including its history and key players. Stand-alone bios introduce baseball's all-time great players. Combined with action-packed photos, some of the sport's most essential stats and records, and plenty of trivia, this book has everything readers want to know about their favorite MLB athletes and teams—plus plenty of info they can use to impress their friends.

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LOS ANGELES DODGERS

TEAM STATS AND RECORDS

- **ALL-TIME RECORD**
 - Regular Season: 11,017 wins, 9,835 losses
 - Postseason: 122 wins, 135 losses, seven World Series titles

TOP MANAGERS

- **Walter Alston (1954–76):** 2,040–1,613 (regular season); 23–21, four World Series titles (postseason)
- **Tom Lasorda (1976–96):** 1,599–1,439 (regular season); 31–30, two World Series titles (postseason)

CAREER BATTING LEADERS

- Home runs: Duke Snider, 389
- RBIs: Duke Snider, 1,271
- Runs: Pee Wee Reese, 1,338
- Hits: Zack Wheat, 2,804
- Games played: Zack Wheat, 2,322

CAREER PITCHING LEADERS

- Wins: Don Sutton, 233
- Saves: Kenley Jansen, 339
- Strikeouts: Don Sutton, 2,696
- Shutouts: Don Sutton, 52

Players such as Reed Johnson, left, Matt Kemp, center, and Andre Ethier helped the Dodgers become contenders again during the 2000s.

The Dodgers rush to congratulate each other after the World Series win on October 27, 2020.

GREATEST SEASONS

The Dodgers have had a number of amazing seasons. But no season was quite like 2020. The season didn't start until late July due to the COVID-19 pandemic. When play finally began, fans weren't allowed in the ballparks. Nonetheless, the Dodgers quickly took control of the NL West. Manager Dave Roberts pushed all the right buttons. Veteran ace Clayton Kershaw led a deep pitching staff. Right fielder Mookie Betts thrived in his first season in Los Angeles.

The Dodgers had made the playoffs in each of the previous seven seasons, but they had only reached the World Series twice and lost them both. This time would be different. With their backs against the wall in the NLCS, they won three straight against the Atlanta Braves to reach the World Series. Then, in a World Series played at a neutral site in Texas, they knocked off the Tampa Bay Rays in six games to win their first title since 1988.

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THE GENIUS KID'S GUIDE TO PRO FOOTBALL

Sundays have long been showtime for National Football League stars. Before Tom Brady and Aaron Donald were creating highlights under the bright lights of today's NFL stadiums, star players like Jim Brown, Jerry Rice, and Roger Staubach were moving the chains—while defenses with nicknames like the Purple People Eaters and Fearsome Foursome were trying to stop them. This guide covers them all, taking readers into the superstar players, the dominant dynasties, and the thrilling games that have made the NFL into the exciting league it is today. Accessible chapters detail the history of the league and each team, including its history and key players. Stand-alone bios introduce football's all-time great players. Combined with action-packed photos, some of the sport's most essential stats and records, and plenty of trivia, this book has everything readers want to know about their favorite NFL athletes and teams—plus plenty of info they can use to impress their friends.

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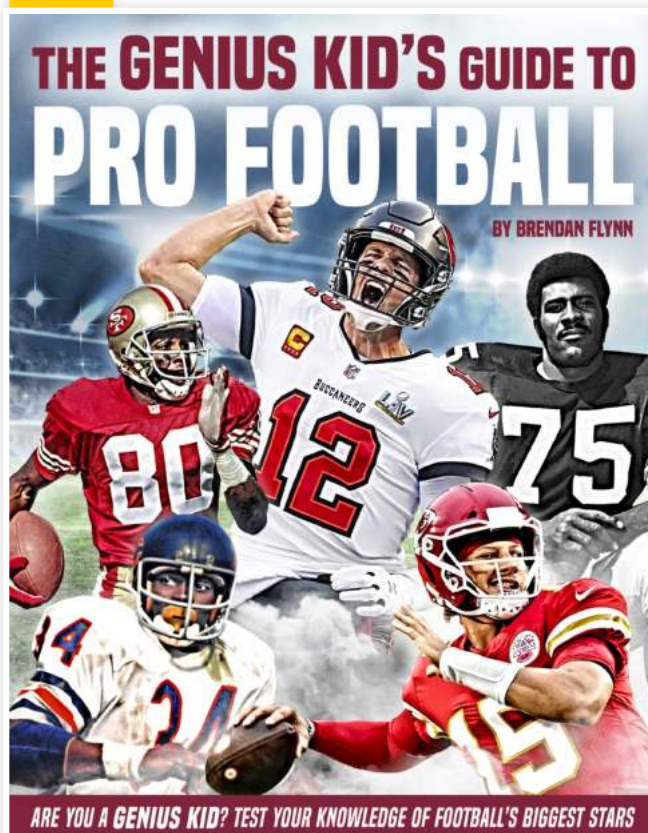
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Quiet No More

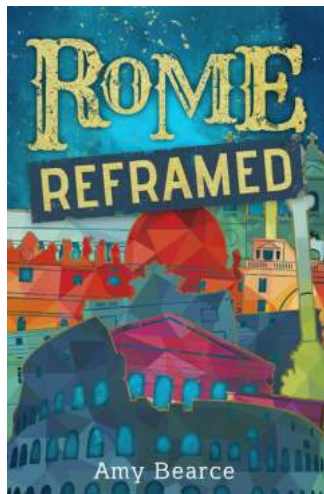
Nikki Barthelmess

978-1-63583-063-7 • \$14.99

Trade Paperback Original • 5.25 x 8 • 360 pages

College freshman Victoria Parker is moving on with her life after surviving her father's sexual abuse and six months of foster care. She's navigating the adult sphere for the first time and balancing old friendships with new adventures. But when Victoria's long-lost aunt shows up, asking Victoria to lie about her father's assault so he'll get a lighter sentence, Victoria's fractured past collides with campus politics as she figures out whether and how to share her truth as a survivor.

"A sensitive and satisfying story of surviving sexual abuse." —Kirkus Reviews



Rome Reframed

Wish & Wander

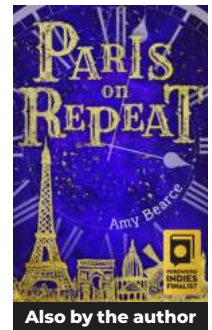
Amy Bearce

978-1-63163-516-8 • \$11.99

Trade Paperback Original • 5.25 x 8 • 256 pages

Lucas is on the trip of a lifetime, traveling through Europe, but he wants nothing more than to be home in Austin, Texas, with his friends. When his teachers tell him to either turn in a phenomenal last project or fail the eighth grade, Lucas has to decide whether to give up or give in to the mystery of Rome.

"A charming fictional travel companion and inspiring message for burgeoning artists that sharing art takes courage." —School Library Journal



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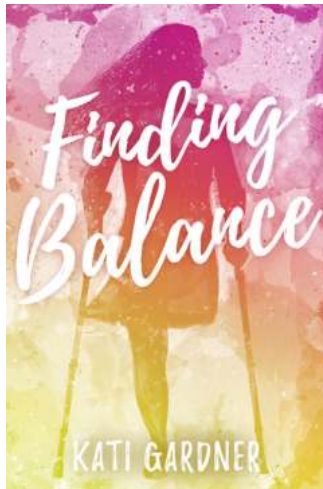
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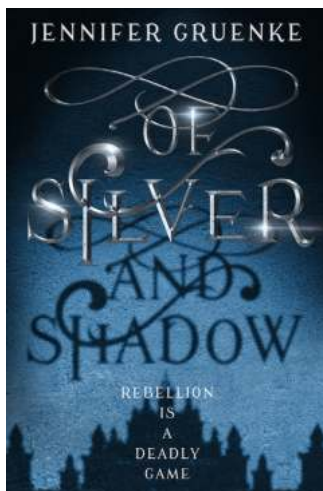
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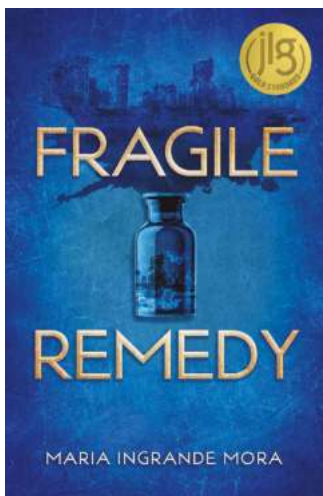
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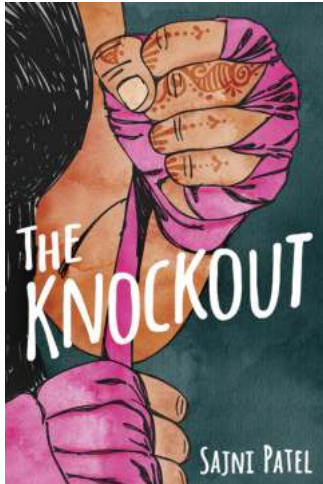
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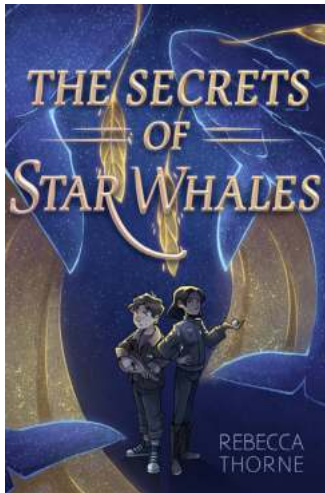
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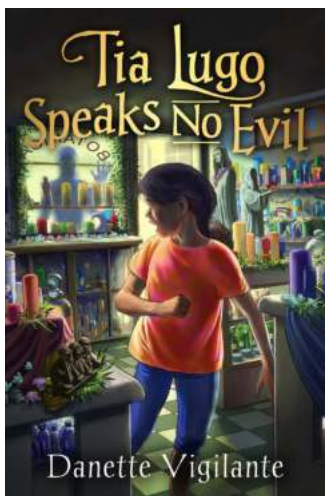
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