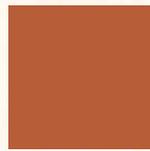




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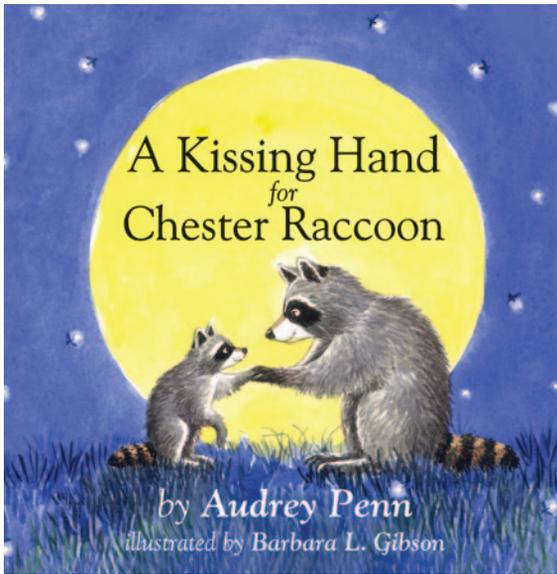
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A Kissing Hand for Chester Raccoon

by Audrey Penn and illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson



During the last twenty years, parents and teachers have passed along the secret of the Kissing Hand to children facing first days of kindergarten, first grade, and other separations. Now younger children can get in on Mrs. Raccoon's secret and find comfort in *A Kissing Hand for Chester Raccoon*, a board-book adaptation of the original picture book.

The Kissing Hand has become a children's classic that has touched the lives of millions of children and their parents. *A Kissing Hand for Chester Raccoon* conveys the heart of the story in rhyming verse, perfect for read-aloud and easy for even the little ones to remember and recite. With illustrations by Barbara Gibson that capture the warmth and beauty of the original artwork, toddlers will benefit from Mrs. Raccoon's secret for making a child feel safe and secure.

Chester could feel his mother's kiss

Leap straight into his heart.

*"With a Kissing Hand," said Chester's mom,
"We'll never be apart."*

*"Just press your hand upon your cheek
And feel that loving glow.*

*It's Mommy saying, 'I love you,'
Wherever you may go."*

Publication Date: April 2014

Format: Board book

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-77-4

US Price: \$7.99

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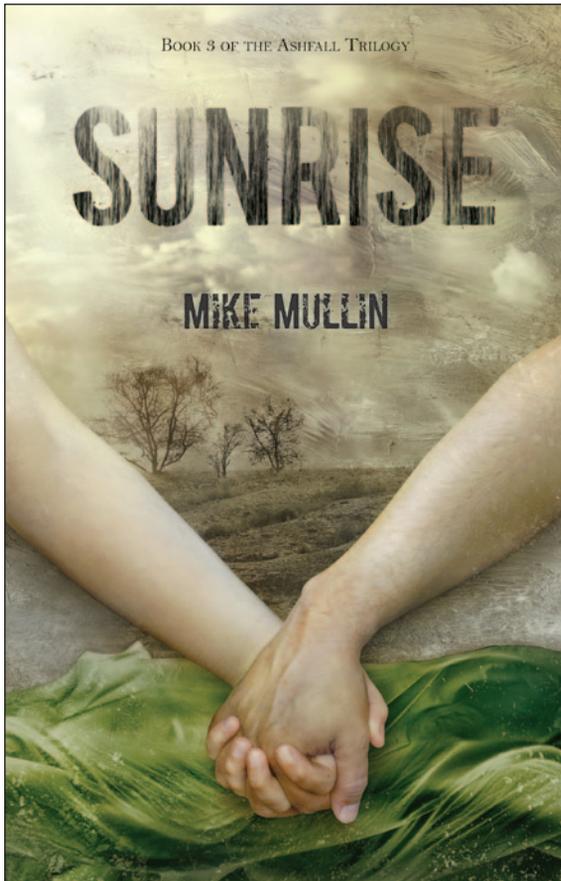
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Ages: 2-4



Sunrise

by Mike Mullin



★ *A story about how hope is earned, as heart-pounding as it is heart-wrenching.*

—Kirkus Reviews, starred review

BOOK THREE IN THE ASHFALL TRILOGY

The Yellowstone supervolcano nearly wiped out the human race. Now, almost a year after the eruption, the survivors seem determined to finish the job. Communities wage war on each other, gangs of cannibals roam the countryside, and what little government survived the eruption has collapsed completely. The ham radio has gone silent. Sickness, cold, and starvation are the survivors' constant companions.

When it becomes apparent that their home is no longer safe and adults are not facing the stark realities, Alex and Darla must create a community that can survive the ongoing disaster, an almost impossible task requiring even more guts and more smarts than ever — and unthinkable sacrifice. If they fail . . . they, their loved ones, and the few remaining survivors will perish.

This epic finale has the heart of *Ashfall*, the action of *Ashen Winter*, and a depth all its own, examining questions of responsibility and bravery, civilization and society, illuminated by the story of an unshakable love that transcends a post-apocalyptic world and even life itself.

Publication Date: March 2014

Format: Cloth

ISBN-13: 978-1-939100-01-6

US Price: \$17.99

Trim: 5.5" x 8.5"

Pages: 534

Ages: 14+

Praise for *Sunrise*:

SUNRISE follows in Mr. Mullin's tradition of great Young Adult writing. It is a seamless continuation and fitting end to the story began in *ASHFALL*, and built upon in *ASHEN WINTER*. *SUNRISE* and the entire Ashfall Trilogy are a must read, and not just for 'young adults'!

–**Examiner.com**

SUNRISE, the third book in what I consider the best YA/Teen series being published right now ... [is an] absolutely brilliant ending to this wonderful series. I am sorry that this is the last book but it provided many hours of gripping adventure and a wild, exciting ride.

– **Susan Wasson, Bookseller, Bookworks**

About the Author

Mike Mullin first discovered he could make money writing in sixth grade. His teacher, Mrs. Brannon, occasionally paid students for using unusual words. Mike's first sale as a writer earned ten cents for one word: tenacious.

Since then, Mike has always been involved with literature. One of his early jobs was shelving books at Central Library in Indianapolis. Mike worked in his mother's business, Kids Ink Children's Bookstore, for more than twenty years, serving at various times as a store manager, buyer, school and library salesperson, and marketing consultant.

Since the publication of *Ashfall*, Mike has been on signing tours in the Midwest and Northeast, entertaining kids with his traveling volcano and dazzling them with his ability to break concrete blocks with his bare hands.

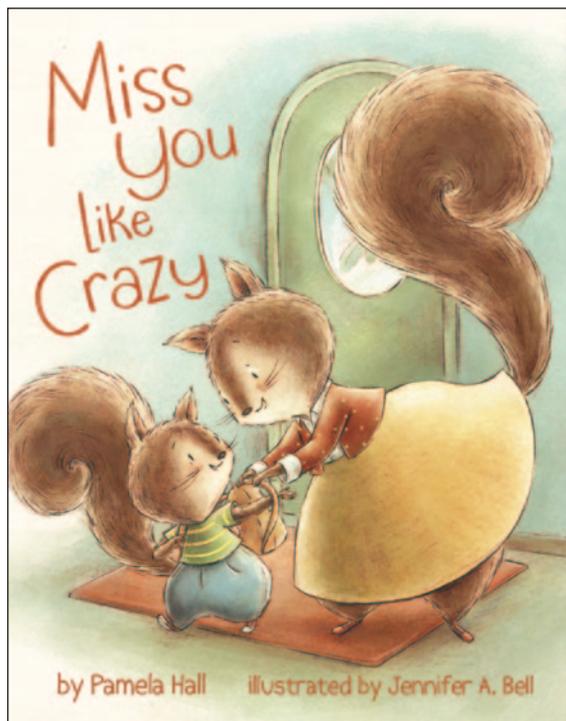
Mike holds a black belt in Songahm Taekwondo. He lives in Indianapolis with his wife and her three cats. Visit www.mikemullinauthor.com for more info about Mike.

For more about the Ashfall trilogy, see pages 26-27.



Miss You Like Crazy

by Pamela Hall and illustrated by Jennifer A. Bell



Walnut and his mom agree that it would be fun if he could go to work with her, and they fantasize about the adventures they could share. While they realize that scenario can't always happen, Walnut's mother assures him that he is always on her mind, and together they come up with ways to have a physical presence for each other even when at work or at school.

Working parents know that in spite of time away from home, their children are never far from their hearts and minds. This light-hearted story provides parents an opportunity to reassure children on their importance in busy parents' lives.

Hall offers adults concrete tools for combating separation anxiety, and Bell's cozy, earth-toned art sweetly conveys Walnut's loving and playful rapport with his mother.

—Publishers Weekly

Publication Date: March 2014
 Format: Cloth
 ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-91-0
 US Price: \$15.99

Trim: 8" x 10"
 Pages: 32
 Ages: 3-8



A Mom's Story:

After transitioning to a full-time job, I took MISS YOU LIKE CRAZY home to read to my 5-year-old daughter. Afterward she told me Walnut had given her the courage to tell me that during the first two weeks of full-time aftercare, she wrapped herself up in her blanket on her nap mat and cried herself to sleep, but she hadn't told me because she wanted to be a big girl. She absolutely loved MISS YOU LIKE CRAZY and latched onto the idea that Walnut's mom had photos of Walnut at her workplace. My daughter asked if I could take pictures of the photos I had of her at my office, which I did, and they were very reassuring for her. I love that this book gave my daughter the courage to speak out.

– Angela M., Berkeley, CA

About the Author & Illustrator

Pamela Hall lives in Lakeland, Minnesota with her children, their Puggle Delilah, and an aquatic frog named Nubbins. She serves up school lunch on the side to keep her inspired, balanced, and around children every day. Pam is happy spending time with the people she loves, writing, walking, feeding the birds, and being adventurous.

Jennifer A. Bell is an illustrator whose work can be found on greeting cards, magazines, and almost a dozen children's books. She studied painting at the Columbus College of Art and Design and spent many years designing seasonal decor before establishing herself as a freelance children's illustrator. She lives in Minneapolis MN with her husband and son. You can learn more about her at www.JenniferABell.com.

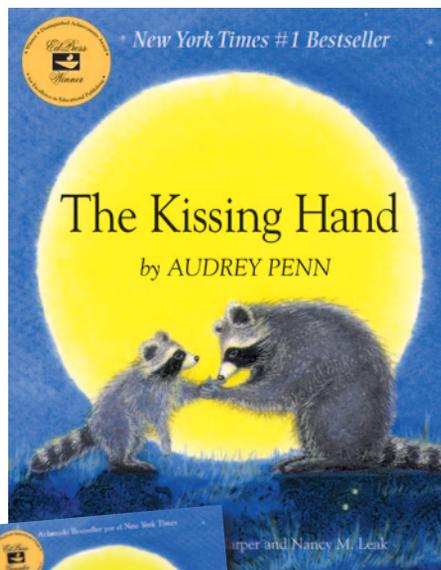
Praise for *Miss You Like Crazy*:

MISS YOU LIKE CRAZY fills an important niche in the life of a working mother (who pays the rent, is good at her work, and values it!) and a child who misses her when she's away. The mother assures the child he comes first in her heart. Together they devise a touching way to keep a piece of each one close during the day.

–**Patricia MacLachlan, author of Newbery winner
Sarah Plain and Tall and *Snowflakes Fall***



Chester Raccoon and *The Kissing Hand* Series!



The Kissing Hand

by Audrey Penn

illustrated by Ruth E. Harper and Nancy M. Leak

School is starting in the forest, but Chester Raccoon does not want to go. To help ease Chester's fears, Mrs. Raccoon shares a family secret called the Kissing Hand to give him the reassurance of her love any time his world feels a little scary. Since its first publication in 1993, this heartwarming book has become a children's classic that has touched the lives of millions of children and their parents, especially at times of separation, whether starting school, entering daycare, or going to camp. It is widely used by kindergarten teachers on the first day of school. Stickers at the back help children and their parents keep their Kissing Hand alive.

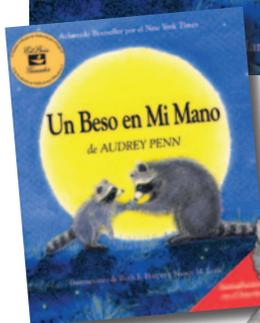
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Spanish edition | ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-01-9 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-01-3
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Chester Raccoon Puppet | 9 inches | \$13.95

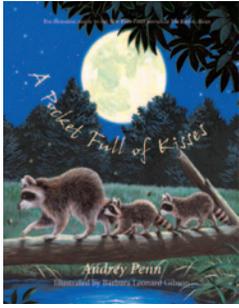


Kissing Hand Zipper Pull

Kissing Hand stickers are easily lost, especially once a child gets to school. With this item, kids won't have to worry about losing their sticker again. With a paw and hearts on one side and *The Kissing Hand* heart on the other, kids can feel the comfort of a permanent Kissing Hand. It can be used as a zipper pull on a coat or backpack or hung from a belt loop. No matter where it is, the warmth will be felt by the child.

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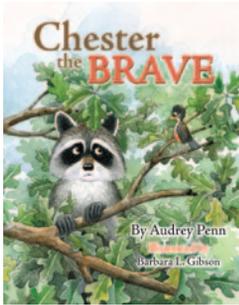
A Pocket Full of Kisses

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

Chester Raccoon has a baby brother—and the baby brother is taking over his territory. When Chester sees his mother give his baby brother a Kissing Hand—*his* Kissing Hand—he is overcome with sadness. But Mrs. Raccoon soothes his fears with her own special brand of wisdom, finding just the right way to let Chester know he is deeply loved. Brought to life by Barbara Leonard Gibson's warm illustrations, this story is perfect for families who are adjusting to all the changes new members can bring.

The focus . . . is clearly on the loving mother-and-child relationship. —**Booklist**

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-02-6 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-02-1 | Cloth | 8" x 10" | 32 pp | Ages: 3-8 | \$16.95



Chester the Brave

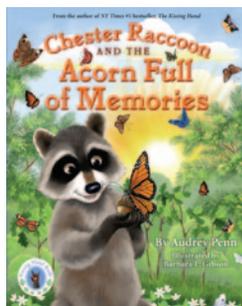
by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

Little Chester Raccoon, the beloved character who has helped so many children with issues in their lives, learns the meaning of bravery and a method for overcoming his fears in this new Kissing Hand title. Mrs. Raccoon teaches Chester an important strategy: Think-Tell-Do. When he thinks he is afraid, he tells himself he can do it, and then he does it. Of course, getting a Kissing Hand helps a little, too. This simple strategy can be helpful to children in many different situations.

A truly lovely story that will help children in all aspects of their lives. —**Feathered Quill Book Reviews**

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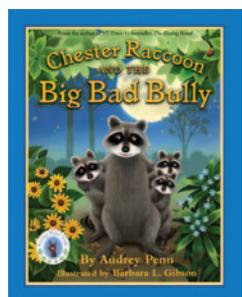
Chester Raccoon and the Acorn Full of Memories

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

Chester Raccoon's good friend Skiddil Squirrel has had an accident and will not be returning—ever. Chester is upset that he won't get to play with his friend anymore. Mrs. Raccoon suggests that Chester and his friends create some happy memories of Skiddil. This sweet story will help children to understand the positive purpose behind memorial services and how “making memories” can provide cheer and comfort when missing an absent loved one.

Despite the tough subject, this fifth book in the [Kissing Hand] series . . . has a reassuring tone and provides an opening for a discussion on death and remembering loved ones. —School Library Journal

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-29-3 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-29-3 | Cloth | 8" x 10" | 32 pp | Ages: 3-8 | \$16.95



Chester Raccoon and the Big Bad Bully

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

The beloved characters from *The Kissing Hand* must tackle a new, universal problem for school-children: a bully. This book gives young children some simple yet effective steps in dealing with bullies, wrapped up in an entertaining story and beautifully detailed illustrations.

The peaceful and loving resolution of conflict will also appeal to parents and educators.

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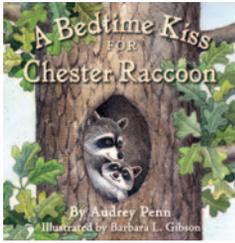
A Kiss Goodbye

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

Moving is hard on everyone, but especially children. Chester Raccoon, whom readers have come to know and love in *The Kissing Hand* and *A Pocket Full of Kisses*, is facing another dilemma common to the lives of many children: He and his family are moving. Mrs. Raccoon helps Chester learn how to say goodbye to his old home and be open to the exciting new prospects of his new one.

Chester continues to help make the journey an easier one for children everywhere. —MyShelf.com

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-04-0 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-04-8 | Cloth | 8" x 10" | 32 pp | Ages: 3-8 | \$16.95



A Bedtime Kiss for Chester Raccoon

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

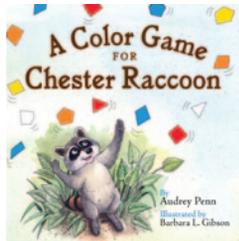
The sun is up, it's time for little Chester Raccoon to go to bed, but he is frightened by the shadows the sun is creating on the walls. Mrs. Raccoon soothes him with a Kissing Hand, and he is able to go to sleep. This sweet and decidedly unscary board book is both a lighthearted way to calm children's fears at bedtime and an introduction to Chester Raccoon and the Kissing Hand for the younger child. Funny illustrations will gentle the scary-looking shadows in a bedroom.

It's a tricky thing to make broad daylight seem spooky, but readers may still see their own bedtime fears in Chester's overactive imagination. —Publishers Weekly

Designed for younger children, this board book features rounded corners, rhyming couplets, and a simpler text than the earlier books in the series. It should find an audience in most public libraries.

—School Library Journal

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-52-1 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-52-8 | Board | 6" x 6" | 14 pp | Ages: 2-5 | \$7.95



A Color Game for Chester Raccoon

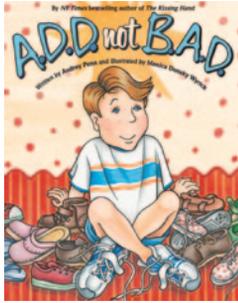
by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

In this new Kissing Hand board book, Audrey Penn brings us more maternal wisdom to solve another of early childhood's little issues. Whether on a trip, in a restaurant or in a store, children can become bored and fussy. *A Color Game for Chester Raccoon* provides an activity that will entertain young children anywhere—finding things in many colors: white, blue, yellow, red, orange, brown, and black.

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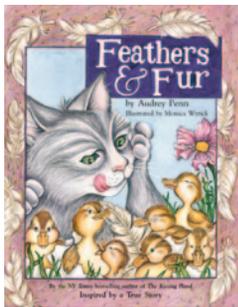


A.D.D. not B.A.D.

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Monica Wyrick

Jimmy Jumpingbean can't sit still, and his classmates can't understand why—until a wise teacher helps the students put themselves in Jimmy's shoes.

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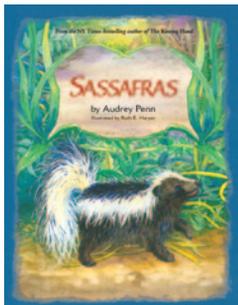


Feathers and Fur

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Monica Wyrick

When Tuesday the Cat sees duckling eggs in danger, he takes heroic action, and lifelong friendships result in spite of major differences! Based on a true story from the author's own neighborhood.

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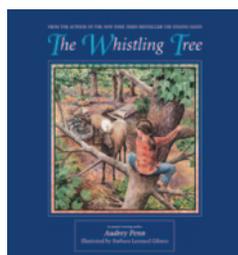


Sassafras

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Ruth Harper

Sassafras is a little skunk embarrassed by his own stink. But when danger enters the forest, he learns that what makes him different is what makes him special.

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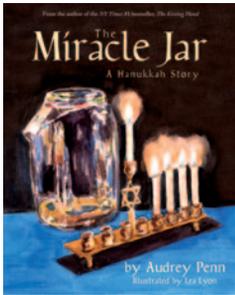


The Whistling Tree

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Barbara L. Gibson

A girl is led to her family roots in the Cherokee nation. A wonderful book concerning ancestry and self-discovery.

ISBN-13: 978-0-9749303-9-8 | ISBN-10: 0-9749303-9-3 | Cloth | 10" x 10" | 32 pp | Ages: 4-9 | \$16.95



The Miracle Jar: A Hanukkah Story

by Audrey Penn illustrated by Lea Lyon

Sophie's family is excited by the arrival of Hanukkah and the special treats they will be eating on each of the eight nights of the holiday. But with a shortage of cooking oil echoing the original Hanukkah story, the family decides to create a Miracle Jar in the hopes that they, too, will be blessed with a miracle.

In this old-fashioned tale of tradition and family, in which the flicker of the menorah candles links past to present, bestselling author Audrey Penn brings the spirit of Hanukkah and the possibility of modern miracles to readers in her familiar, warmhearted style.

A nice addition to classic retellings. —**Kirkus Reviews**

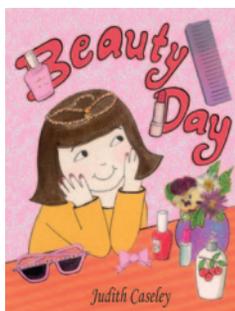
A satisfying holiday tale with a nostalgic feel. —**School Library Journal**

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Picture Books



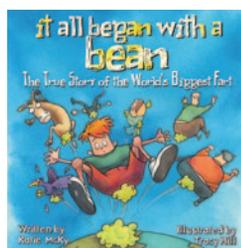
Beauty Day

by Judith Caseley

Rosie goes to spend a day with her grandmother at the beauty salon where she works and has a day full of adventure. Interactive features for readers and lots of additional cute activities on the Tanglewood website.

Frivolous but fun, this delivers a tantalizing, humorous exhibition of the ups and downs of this secret world of glamour. —**Kirkus Reviews**

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-06-4 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-06-4 | Cloth | 8.5" x 11" | 32 pp | Ages: 4-8 | \$15.95



It All Began with a Bean

by Katie McKy illustrated by Tracy Hill

What happens when, one day, a dropped bean is devoured by ten flies, and hundreds of dogs eat cheese fallen from a truck, and thousands of runners begin gulping air, and all the people at home that morning have eggs for breakfast, and then they all fart at once? This hilarious book answers that intriguing question, as readers learn the aftereffects of the world's biggest fart on the poor town where it happens, from poodles' curls going limp to elephants plugging their trunks with bananas.

The right audience is sure to get a laugh. —**School Library Journal**

If there is one subject that reduces all children to giggles, it is farting. In this imaginative picture book, inspired by a second grader's question, McKy focuses on a topic that adults usually find embarrassing, annoying or try to ignore. For a child, however, little is as amusing as that sound . . . for a reluctant reader (in particular the boys), this may be just the right choice.

—**Barnes and Noble Children's Literature, Sharon Oliver**

ISBN-13: 978-0-9749303-0-5 | ISBN-10: 0-9749303-0-X | Cloth | 9" x 9" | 32 pp | Ages: 4-8 | \$14.95

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-23-1 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-23-4 | Paperback | 9" x 9" | 32 pp | Ages: 4-8 | \$8.95



As featured on
“Ace of
Cakes”

The Mice of Bistrot des Sept Frères

written and illustrated by Marie LeTourneau

Chef Marcel is the proud owner of the coolest mouse café in all of Paris, but it is Petite Michelle who must save the day when he runs out of the secret ingredient on the day of the cheese soup contest! Told in English with French words woven in, and including a pronunciation guide using English phonetics. A recipe for the famous cheese soup is on our website.

The illustrations are wonderful and the reader will pick up a few words of French.

—Daniel Pinkwater, “Books Worth Giving,” *Wondertime magazine*

A winning picture book. —Washington Parent

With fanciful illustrations, an amusing gastronomical story, and everyday French words and phrases effortlessly incorporated into a primarily English text, this is an engaging introduction to French culture and language. There’s even a pronunciation guide and, on the publisher’s website, a recipe for Chef Marcel’s delicious cheese soup. Ooh la la! —50 Must-Read Books for Kids, *Atlanta Parent*

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ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-18-7 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-18-8 | Paperback | 8.5” x 11” | 32 pp | Ages: 4-8 | \$7.95



My Dog, My Cat

written and illustrated by Ashlee Fletcher

In this bright and colorful book, the author describes differences between her dog and cat, who don’t always get along. Her dog barks; her cat meows. Her dog’s tongue is wet; her cat’s tongue is rough. But the story ends on a delightfully sweet note when the author also tells us what the dog and cat have in common—a love of pizza and a love of their owner. This book is perfect for the child ready for a little text or a beginning reader.

Preschoolers will enjoy this as an early, simple story, and its straightforward text adapts well to beginning readers. —Kirkus Reviews

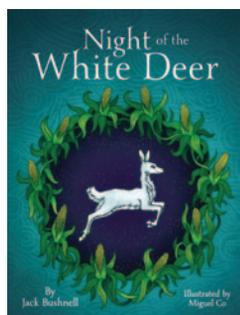
The trim size, simple text, predictable story pattern, and obvious picture clues make this book a fine choice for beginning readers. A good start for a first-time author/illustrator. —School Library Journal

This simple yet fresh book gives insight into how dogs and cats differ. . . . An engaging treat.

—Booklist

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ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-81-1 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-81-1 | Board | 4.5” x 6.25” | 16 pp | Ages: 1-3 | \$7.99



Night of the White Deer

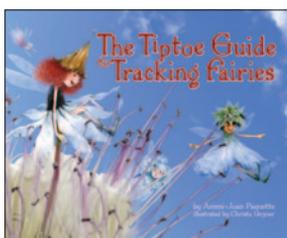
by Jack Bushnell illustrated by Miguel Co

The boy had heard the old stories about a mysterious white deer that appeared among the fields of corn. Some said she had been formed from a star that fell to the earth; others said she had risen from some tanks of spilt milk. But to the young boy, it seemed that's all she was, the stuff of stories—until one night when she appears on his farm, standing in the field, her coat a sparkling white. During this magical nighttime encounter, the deer leads the boy into the skies on a flight through the lights of the aurora, among the countless other creatures living in its glistening colors. But the boy will discover more the next day, when he tells his family about his experience.

This modern folk tale will inspire young readers to see the magic that comes from the twinkles of the nighttime sky.

Paired with Co's beautifully intriguing illustrations, this unique tale carries with it a special message about believing. —Michigan Reading Journal

ISBN-13: 978-1-933718-80-4 | ISBN-10: 1-933718-80-3 | Cloth | 8" x 10" | 32 pp | Ages: 4-8 | \$16.95



The Tiptoe Guide to Tracking Fairies

by Ammi-Joan Paquette illustrated by Christa Unzner

Could a tulip be a good place for hide-and-seek? Could a bit of dandelion fluff be a pillow? They could be, if fairies live nearby. This book invites kids to have a backyard adventure, searching for the telltale signs of fairies who might be residing all around them. Not only can children “search” for fairies in the book’s unique blend of art and photography, but they will also be encouraged to discover the wonder and magic in nature, whether in a backyard or a local park.

Readers should be enticed by the idea of magic infusing the natural world. —Publisher’s Weekly

A positive quality of this book is that it seeks to inspire children to notice the magnificent natural world in their own backyard. —School Library Journal

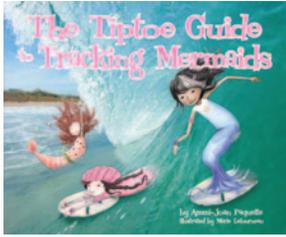
With a delightful mix of photos and illustrations, The Tiptoe Guide To Tracking Fairies is a wonderful way to get your imagination in gear for your own fairy-spotting adventure. —Fairy magazine

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Selected as one of the
“Best Books for Children 2009”
 by the Association of
 Booksellers for Children



The Tiptoe Guide to Tracking Mermaids

by Ammi-Joan Paquette illustrated by Marie Letourneau



Have you ever walked on the beach and looked for shells or clams? There are creatures, more like you and me, who are even more interesting to look for. Most people don't see them, but they might just not know how to look for signs. That sand dollar—why, that could be a mermaid-size surfboard. Those twisted reeds—a bed for a lovely afternoon mermaid nap. And if you peer closely into the water, you might see a mermaid market.



This is a lovely activity for a fun day at the beach and a way to encourage paying close attention to all the interesting things that can be found on the beach or in the water.

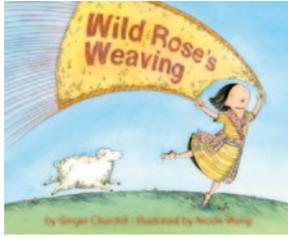
★ *A fun read-aloud, and one that would lend to a creative writing lesson, this energetic new book will surely be a great addition to any elementary library. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.*

—Library Media Connection

This seaside ramble mingles facts and fantasy with photographs and whimsical drawings to encourage young children to imagine mermaidly goings-on at the beach. Here the creatures are sparkly, spindle-armed creatures that use sand dollars as boogie boards. —Wall Street Journal

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Wild Rose's Weaving

by Ginger Churchill illustrated by Nicole Wong

Rose's grandmother wants to teach Rose how to weave, but Rose is enjoying the beautiful day outside far too much to come in and learn. It is not until Grandma shows Rose how she has woven the elements of nature into her rug that Rose wants to create a rug of her own. But now Grandma has spied a rainbow. Hand in hand, she and Rose head outside, and the next day, that rainbow reappears in Rose's own rug.

Just as the grandmother teaches Rose to weave the beauty of nature into her rugs, so the author weaves into this simple tale the richer themes of creativity, art, and nature, and the way in which these gifts are passed down from woman to girl. A perfect gift book for a daughter or granddaughter.

An afterword discusses the role of rugs in the world's societies and invites readers to visit the author's website to learn how they can make their own loom. Gold foiling emphasizes the connection between nature and art.

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Wolf Camp

by Katie McKy illustrated by Bonnie Leick

Maddie's mother agrees to send her daughter to a new camp—Wolf Camp. But when Maddie returns, she seems, well, changed. She snaps at flies, howls at fire trucks, and chases squirrels—on all fours. She quits eating candy and starts eating meat—only meat. And the dog is now afraid of her when she lifts her lip and shows her teeth.

What child hasn't fantasized about being an animal? And what parent hasn't exclaimed over the transformation in their child when picking him or her up from camp? This book intertwines these two themes in a hilarious story of a very different kind of camping experience.

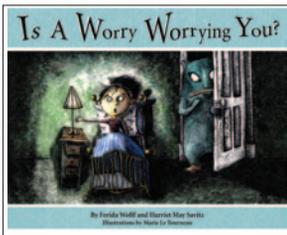
This story is so well crafted that it is sure to become one of your children's favorite books. Very highly recommended. —**MyShelf.com**

A fun picture book that kids will enjoy . . . I will definitely order it for our school library.

—**anabundanceofbooks.blogspot.com**

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Is a Worry Worrying You?

by Ferida Wolff and Harriet May Savitz
illustrated by Marie LeTourneau

Suppose, just suppose, one hundred elephants come to tea and you discover you don't have any tea bags. Uh, oh. What will you do with a herd of thirsty elephants? Now that's a worry! But you can get rid of that worry by offering the elephants lemonade instead.

Adults think of childhood as a carefree time, but the truth is that children worry, and worry a lot, especially in our highly pressurized era. This book addresses children's worries with humor and imagination, as hilarious scenarios teach kids the use of perspective and the art of creative problem-solving.

Is a Worry Worrying You? . . . offers a lighthearted way for kids to confront, and then get past, their anxieties. —**Teacher Magazine**

Highly fun and thought provoking, this worry-less book is a must for today's overstressed kids.

—**Copley News Service**

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Yes, Let's

by Galen Goodwin Longstreth and illustrated by Maris Wicks

*Let's get into the station wagon, roll those windows down,
Let's sing out loud and wave to cows as we drive out of town.
Let's park the car beneath the trees and trade our shoes for boots,
Let's set the timer, all say "Cheese!" then head into the woods.*

In this book about a family's day out in the woods, the simple, rhyming text is enhanced by comical illustrations that bring wit and energy to every page. Packaged in a smaller size for little hands and easy to pack up, this book makes a perfect read-aloud during the car ride, along with a great way to recap a trip at the end. The illustrations inside the front cover serve as a reminder of things to pack, and the story inspires activities to plan, plus things to spot in every spread. This little book serves as a loving tribute to family togetherness.

★ *From the children's creative ideas and Wicks's illustrations of their inventiveness, children and families everywhere will be inspired to head outside to make memories together.*

—Shelf Awareness, starred review

★ *Debut talents Longstreth and Wicks remind readers of the things that matter: family outings, the vitamin D that comes from time spent outdoors, and the memories that accompany such excursions.*

—Publishers Weekly, starred review

Longstreth and Wicks have created an Everyfamily that most readers will be able to identify with, even if they have never been on a family hike. . . . Not only are there endpaper checklists of animals, hiking gear, and groceries to find, but very observant readers will notice a whole other subplot going on in the illustrations. Ready the backpacks—this is sure to inspire many a family. —Kirkus Reviews

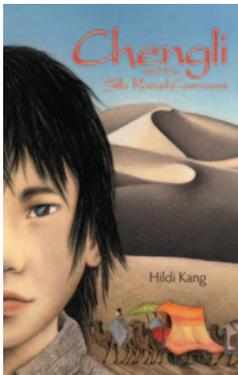
I LOVE Yes, Let's and have given it to lots of kids and their parents, who always let me know that it is a favorite in their house. It is a fantastic read-aloud for the rhythm and the fun and adventurous story. . . . The book has that 'best day of childhood' feeling that the reader wants to come back to.

—Kristin Russ, Powell's Books

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Middle Reader Titles



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Chengli and the Silk Road Caravan

by Hildi Kang

Chengli is an orphaned errand boy who lives in Chang'an, China, in 630 A.D. His mother has died from illness, and his father is presumed dead after disappearing into the desert when Chengli was a baby.

Now thirteen, Chengli feels ready for independence. He is drawn to the desert, beckoned by the howling of strange winds and the hope of learning something about his father—who he was and how he died.

Chengli joins the caravan to travel down the merchant route known as the Silk Road, but it is a dangerous life, as his father knew. The desert is harsh, and there are many bandits particularly drawn to Chengli's caravan because a princess, her servants, and royal guards are traveling with them.

This story invites readers to experience the sights, sounds, and smells of this fabled desert route.

Readers who forge ahead will enjoy an interesting adventure. —**Kirkus Reviews**

Hildi Kang's captivating story brings the pathways and cities of the historical Silk Road to life while offering vivid lessons in tenacity, integrity, and friendship.

—**Nan Kim, assistant professor of history, University of Wisconsin**

This fast-paced adventure is filled with friendship, historical detail, changing scenery, and action. It will appeal to a wide range of readers. —**School Library Journal**

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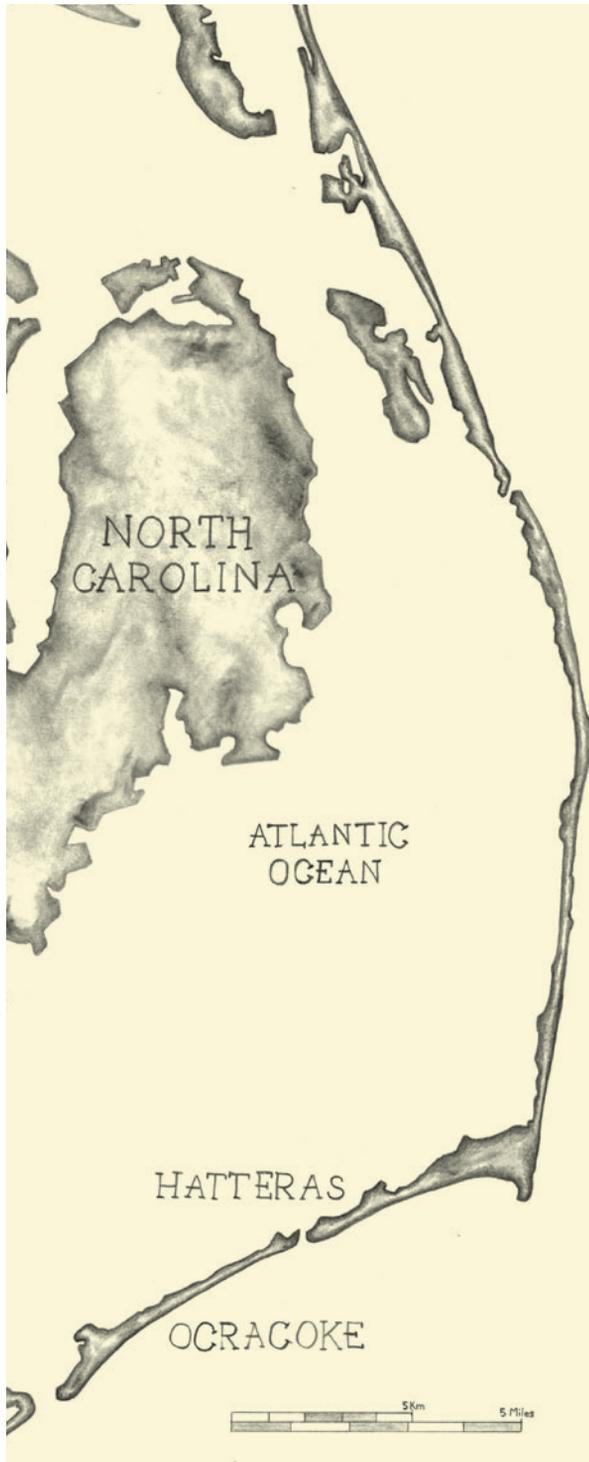
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The Blackbeard Quartet for Middle Readers

Fun stories that both boys and girls ages 8 and up will love!



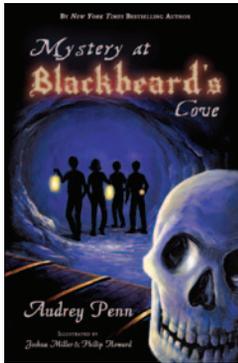
The Story Behind the Books

The setting of *Mystery at Blackbeard's Cove*—Ocracoke Island, NC—is a very real and unusual place. In the early 1700s, it was the playground and hideout of the notorious pirate Blackbeard and his crew and pirate mates. On a morning after one of their all-night parties, Blackbeard was surprised by the troops of Governor Spotswood. The soldiers cut off his head and threw his body overboard, at which time the headless body swam around the ship several times. The place where that happened is now called Teach's Hole.

Blackbeard's quartermaster, William Howard, eventually bought Ocracoke Island and invited fellow pirates to settle there. To this very day, there are descendants of those pirates still living on the island. Indeed, Philip Howard, a direct descendent of the quartermaster, drew the illustrations at the beginning of each chapter.

Ocracoke is full of mysteries, from resident ghosts and appearances of ghost ships to strange portents of trouble. But Ocracoke is also a small community that has been tightly knit for hundreds of years, which makes for a very different life than most kids know today.

Audrey Penn, the author, has captured all of these elements—the community, the history, and the mysteries—in this series of books, beginning with the fun, action-packed adventure of *Mystery at Blackbeard's Cove*.

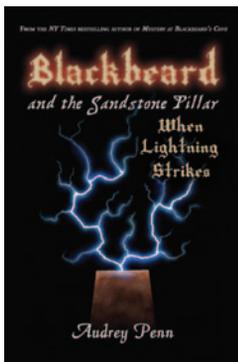


Mystery at Blackbeard's Cove

by Audrey Penn

This rollicking tale magically combines an unruly group of youngsters, Blackbeard's ghost, secret tunnels, skeletons, hidden treasure, a very mysterious inheritance, the Bermuda Triangle, the Underground Railroad, and a hurricane hitting the Outer Banks in a page-turning delight, full of mystery, laughs, suspense, and adventure.

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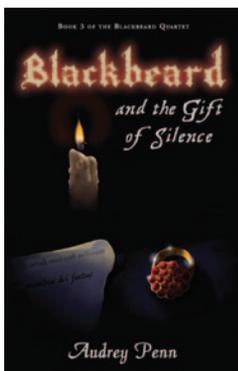


Blackbeard and the Sandstone Pillar: When Lightning Strikes

by Audrey Penn

Four teens from Ocracoke Island, NC, set out on their quest to locate and return some ancient pirate loot to its rightful owners. This second book of the Blackbeard Quartet is a great mix of comic adventure, pirate lore, historical mysteries, and the supernatural.

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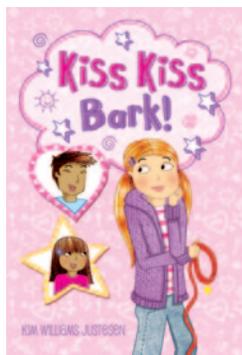


Blackbeard and the Gift of Silence

by Audrey Penn

Daniel, Billy, Stefanie, and Mark are delivering the pirate loot to its rightful owners in London. But the teens have only begun to scratch the surface of the deeper mysteries they have unwittingly uncovered, mysteries of the Stone of Scone, the Knights Templar, and a burglary at Westminster Abbey.

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Kiss Kiss Bark!

by Kim Williams Justesen

Mattie has a couple of dilemmas. First, her parents are making her babysit her humiliating younger brother nearly nonstop. What could BE more awful than the constant company of a four-year-old brother who acts like a dog? Then, her best friend's brother begins to show serious interest in her. Mattie thinks all her prayers have come true, that is, until her best friend Livvy stops returning her phone calls. Is this how a best friend should act? Will she have to choose between her best friend and a budding romance, and who should it be? A family crisis will force Mattie to make some difficult decisions.

This very funny and very relatable story will appeal to a broad swath of young teen girls.

Mattie's narration effectively renders the experience a cohesive and accessible one; the tonal range from sarcastic to tremulous to plaintive is absolutely believable. This will strike a chord with middle-schoolers experiencing their own sibling issues and romantic yearnings.

—Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books

It's a summer of choices regarding taking on responsibility, about new relationships, about friendship. That these issues are addressed in a constantly funny way is a tribute to the author's fine hand.

—Bookviews.com

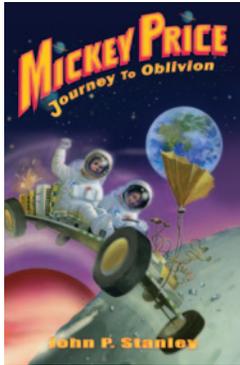
Mattie's a funny, compassionate narrator, one that tween girls can instantly relate to; Williams Justesen has neatly captured the nervousness, the awkwardness, the sheer, unmitigated torture of being fourteen. —Entertainment Weekly's EW.com

A quick read, it's light and breezy in tone and would be a great summer read for girls ten and up. . . . The book touches on some more serious topics in Mattie's life, such as nearly losing her best friend over a boy and how it sometimes takes a crisis to make you appreciate your family, but these are all woven in lightly with the mini-dramas of day-to-day life. —Leslie Hawkins, Spellbound Books

Williams Justesen keeps the action lively and the interest level high in this well-written story of teen angst and the little brother syndrome. Teens will be able to relate to Mattie's conflicting feelings about her parents, her brother, her best friend, and her new love interest. —MyShelf.com

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Mickey Price: Journey to Oblivion

by John P. Stanley

It's 1977. Mickey Price is a kid growing up in an orphanage in Orlando; Trace Daniels just won her first go-kart championship in Nevada; Jonah Trotsky is a budding scientist in Illinois. They don't know each other yet, but they are all being visited by men in short-sleeved white shirts, thin black ties, and distinctive gold-colored glasses—men who have been watching and studying them.

Four kids are invited to a NASA camp but discover that this camp isn't for summer fun. It's a training camp for a mission unlike anything they ever dreamed of: a secret mission to the moon to save it from a nuclear meltdown. MICKEY PRICE is an adventure full of danger, thrills, kid-friendly humor, and an interesting cast of characters, not all of which are human.



This rocket-speed adventure captures all the danger, mystery, and excitement of NASA moon missions with laugh-out-loud moments along the way. It also reminds us that there are still great mysteries on the moon and beyond, just waiting to be discovered and explored. I know kids will love this story, and I hope it inspires them. Go outside at night—look up at the moon—dream big!

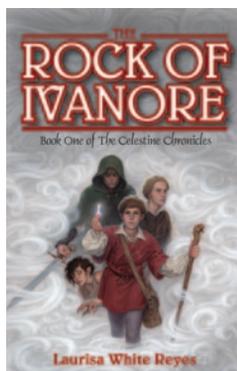
—Buzz Aldrin, NASA astronaut

Exciting and witty...readers will demand a sequel. **—Frances Mayes, author of *Under the Tuscan Sun***

This suspenseful and exciting story is a surefire suggestion for a wide variety of readers.

—School Library Journal

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The Rock of Ivanore Book One of the Celestine Chronicles

by Laurisa White Reyes

The annual Great Quest is about to be announced in Quendel. The wizard Zyll commands Marcus and other boys from the village to find the Rock of Ivanore.

Marcus must reach deep within himself to develop new powers of magic and find the strength to survive the wild lands and fierce enemies he encounters as he searches for the illusive Rock. With more twists and turns than a labyrinth, this tale of deception and discovery keeps readers in suspense until the end.

This is a swift and compelling epic that readers of high fantasy will love!

—Tony Abbott, author of *The Secrets of Droon*

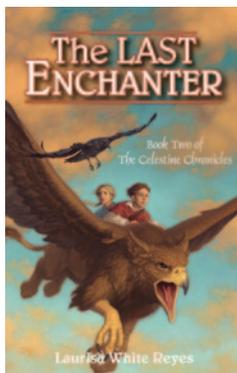
This is an old-school quest fantasy, but Marcus is a hero who engages challenges in a way that is both human and admirable. —Publishers Weekly

This title will satisfy the hunger for weaponry and battles, leaving readers anticipating the next installment. —Booklist

The book not only had a great story, but the plot keeps you interested with some unexpected twists. A "Top Choice." —12-year-old reader, Flamingnet

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The Last Enchanter Book Two of the Celestine Chronicles

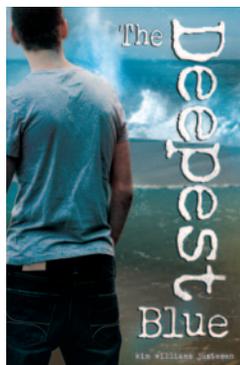
by Laurisa White Reyes

When King Fredric is murdered and Kelvin becomes king, Zyll and Marcus head back to Dokur in hopes of protecting Kelvin. With the help of his old friends Clovis and Bryn, joined by new friend Lael—a feisty girl in search of her mother—Marcus uncovers a powerful secret that will change the course of his life forever.

Fantasy enthusiasts will appreciate the simple writing, the sweet nobility of the characters, and the goofy adventure. —School Library Journal

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Young Adult Titles



The Deepest Blue

by Kim Williams Justesen

Mike hasn't spoken to his mother in years, and what few memories he has of her are painful. When Mike's dad is killed in a car accident, Mike wants to stay in his hometown and live with Maggie, his dad's girlfriend, who has been like a mother to him for the last five years. But Mike's mother reappears in his life and demands that he return to her custody and live on the other side of the country with a family he doesn't know. The law is on his mother's side, and Mike will have to grow up quickly and take on the legal system to have the life he wants.

This deeply moving story of a young teen's difficult family relationships reflects the reality of many children and teens with strong emotional ties to adults who have no legal rights in the instance of death or divorce.

A wrenching, mesmerizing story of deepest loss—and deepest love.

—Claudia Mills, Author of *One Square Inch*

Justesen hits the emotional points perfectly, using first-person narration to reveal Mike's impressive powers of observation and his puzzlement over his own unfamiliar behavior. Teens . . . will be drawn into Mike's struggle to keep going after death has changed everything.

—Kirkus Reviews

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Ashfall

by Mike Mullin

For Alex, being left alone for the weekend means having the freedom to play computer games and hang out with his friends without hassle from his mother. Then the Yellowstone supervolcano erupts, plunging his hometown into a nightmare of darkness, ash, and violence. Alex begins a harrowing trek to search for his family and finds help in Darla, a travel partner he meets along the way. Together they must find the strength and skills to survive and outlast an epic disaster.

★ *In this chilling debut, Mullin seamlessly weaves meticulous details about science, geography, agriculture and slaughter into his prose, creating a fully immersive and internally consistent world scarily close to reality.* —**Kirkus Reviews, starred review**

This is a riveting tale of survival. —**Publishers Weekly**

Mullin's debut novel is carefully researched and vividly imagined, a post-apocalyptic backdrop for an intense tale with adventure, graphic violence, and two young teenagers learning to love. A sure hit for older readers who like intense action, a believable narrator, and a dystopia that could actually happen. —**Horn Book**

★ *Readers will be propelled along to find what happens to Alex, the environment, and his love life while also asking what they would do in a similar disaster.* —**Library Media Connection, starred review**

An amazing debut novel. —**Diane Chen, School Library Journal Practically Paradise blog**

I found it hard to stop reading ASHFALL. Common sense told me to quit at midnight, but I soon turned the light on again and read two more hours. —**Carol Chittenden, Owner, Eight Cousins Children's Books**

Mike Mullin's ASHFALL glows and throbs with everyday life and the business of survival in a dystopic future, after an unthinkable disaster.

—**Richard Peck, Newbery Medal-winning author of *A Year Down Yonder* and *Three Quarters Dead***

Mike Mullin's ASHFALL is way too real for comfort: you'll live the panic and despair and know that all of this could really happen.

—**Michael Grant, New York Times bestselling author of *Gone, Lies, Hunger, and Plague***

If you aren't exhausted by the end of the first thirty pages, you may want to check your pulse.

—**Dave Richardson, The Blue Marble Children's Bookstore, International Reading Association's READING TODAY book reviewer, and Cincinnati State College children's literature professor**

*This is riveting. Fans of post-apocalyptic thrillers like *The Hunger Games* will love ASHFALL.*

—**Cinda Williams Chima, New York Times bestselling author of *The Exiled Queen* and *The Warrior Heir***

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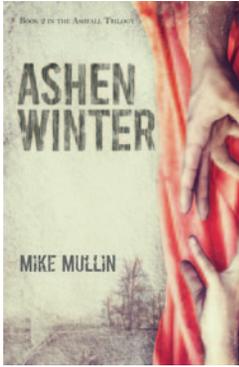
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**ABC 2011 Best
Books for Children**



Ashen Winter

by Mike Mullin

It's been over six months since the eruption of the Yellowstone supervolcano. Alex and Darla have been staying with Alex's relatives, trying to cope with the new reality of the dark, cold, and primitive world so vividly portrayed in *Ashfall*, the first book in this trilogy.

It's also been six months of waiting for Alex's parents to return from Iowa. Alex and Darla decide they must retrace their journey into Iowa to find and bring back Alex's parents to the tenuous safety of Illinois. But the landscape they cross is even more perilous than before, with life-and-death battles for food and power between the remaining communities.

When the unthinkable happens, Alex must find new reserves of strength and determination to survive.

As fast, furious, action-packed, and, yes, gruesome as ASHFALL . . . what will stay with readers is how the characters save each other from the worst. —**Booklist**

*Mullin's heroes are forced into horrendous situations where they deal with cannibals, slavers, corrupt government officials, and other nasty characters. Stomach-turning descriptions of brutality and strong language may offend some readers, but teens who enjoyed Suzanne Collins's *The Hunger Games* (Scholastic, 2008) and Michael Grant's *Gone* (HarperTeen, 2008) will find Mullin's story equally engaging.* —**School Library Journal**

"Perfect 10" Award —**VOYA**

Awesome writing, amazing characters, some great romance, and lots of action.

—**Carina Olsen, Carina's Books**

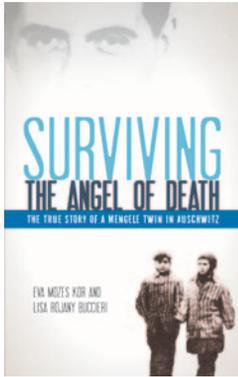
We all know that it's not easy for the second book in a series to live up to the first one, especially if the first one was as fantastic as ASHFALL. Luckily, ASHEN WINTER did not disappoint . . . Harrowing, gripping, and full of tension, Mike Mullin's second book is one of the post-apocalyptic books I would recommend to everyone. —**Tynga's Reviews**

Wow, what a freakin' thrill ride. —**Carol Oates, author of *Shades of Atlantis***

ASHEN WINTER is just amazing. It's packed with fast-paced action and obstacles to overcome. A definite addition to my favorites list! —**Sarah Hollis, Bookish Sarah**

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Surviving the Angel of Death: The True Story of a Mengele Twin in Auschwitz

by Eva Kor and Lisa Rojany Buccieri

Eva Mozes Kor was ten years old when she arrived in Auschwitz. While her parents and two older sisters were taken to the gas chambers, she and her twin, Miriam, were herded into the care of the man known as the Angel of Death, Dr. Josef Mengele. Mengele's twins were subjected to sadistic medical experiments and forced to fight daily for their own survival. In a narrative told with emotion and restraint, readers will learn of a child's endurance and survival in the face of truly extraordinary evil.

The book also includes an epilogue on Eva's recovery from this experience and her remarkable decision to publicly forgive the Nazis.

A curriculum for this book is found on our website.

A very moving and vivid account of an extraordinary and horrific experience. It is an important document.

—Archbishop Desmond Tutu

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