

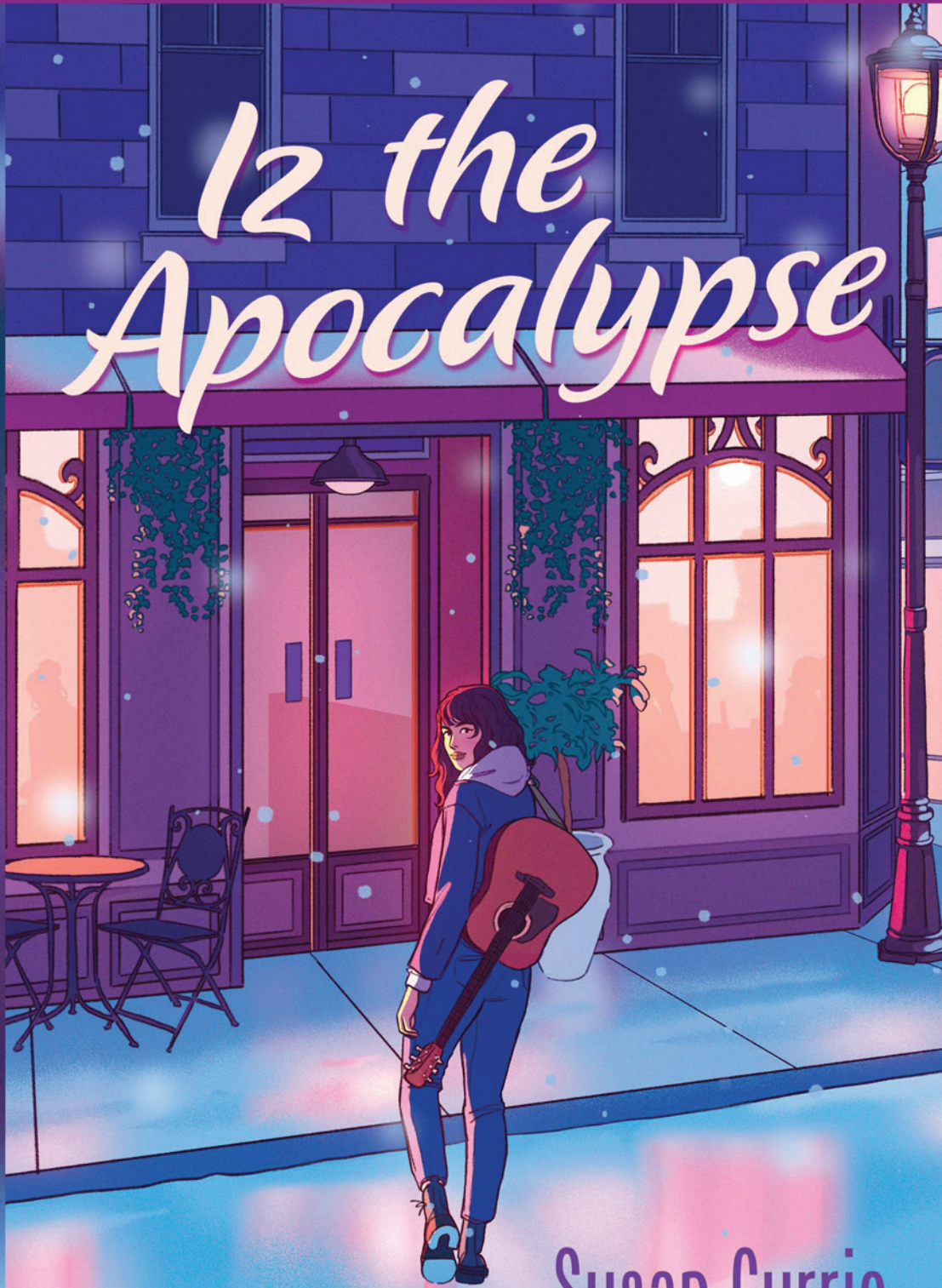


Common Deer Press

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Fall Catalogue 2023

12 the Apocalypse



Susan Currie

A Letter from the Publisher

We are excited for the Fall 2023
Common Deer Press book launches!

We got off to a brisk start with our spring releases bringing new additions to our popular existing series *Grandmasaurus*, *The Math Kids*, and *Asha and Baz*.

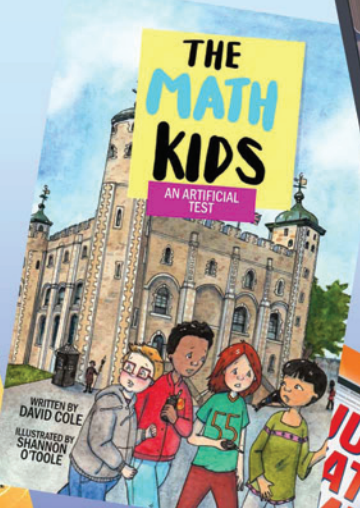
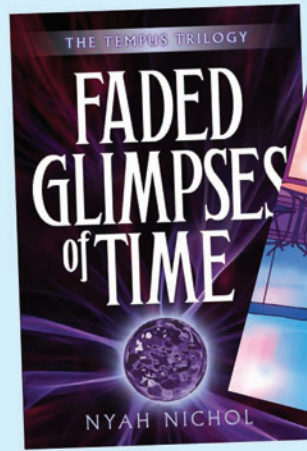
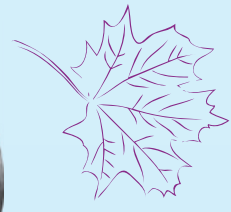
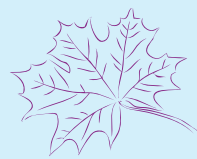
Our Fall releases continue the *Asha and Baz* and *Lucy and Dee* series. As well, there is an exciting new title, *Iz The Apocalypse*, on deck for young adult readers.

New deals are always a pleasure to announce, and we are so pleased to have signed agreements to extend *Asha and Baz* to books four to seven, *The Math Kids* to books ten through twelve, and *Lucy & Dee* to book three.

We are fortunate to work with incredible people who are as passionate about children and teen books as we are. Independent publishers work very hard to bring books to readers. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to bringing you more uncommon books in the fall of 2023.



My very best,
Kirsten Marion, Publisher
Common Deer Press



Marketing and Promotion:

- Outreach to national and regional television, trade and educational print, podcasts and radio for interviews and reviews
- Targeted pitches for live and virtual events to bookstores, libraries, and teachers
- PR outreach to bloggers
- Targeted ads on Amazon and Facebook.

Sales Points:

- Highlights historical women in science
- Ties to science, history, and English curricula
- Includes a helpful appendix for further learning
- Features a class activity sheet

Ship date: August 15, 2023**Pub. date:** September 3, 2023**ISBN (PBK):** 9781988761831**ISBN (Digital):** 9781988761855**Formats:** Trade PBK, Digital**Price (PBK):** \$9.99 CAD / \$7.99 USD**Price (Digital):** \$5.99 USD**Size:** 5.5 × 8.5 inches**Pages:** 110**Category:** Juvenile Fiction; Science Fiction/Time Travel; Biographical/United States;**Target age:** 6-9**Comparable Titles:**

- *World War II* by Mary Pope Osborne, ISBN 9781101936399, Random House Children's Books
- *Code Breaker, Spy Hunter* by Laurie Wallmark, ISBN 9781419739637, Abrams Books for Young Readers
- *Asha and Baz Meet Hedy Lamarr* by Caroline Fernandez, ISBN 978988761787, Common Deer Press
- *Asha and Baz Meet Mary Sherman Morgan* by Caroline Fernandez, ISBN 9781988761671, Common Deer Press

Asha and Baz Meet Elizebeth Friedman

Caroline Fernandez, illustrated by Dharmali Patel



Spies and secret codes await in Asha and Baz's latest adventure!

In the third book of the Asha and Baz series, readers travel to the past to learn about codebreaking during World War II! When Asha and Baz get stuck on a codebreaking challenge at school, they travel to 1942 to find help. Codebreaker Elizebeth Friedman seems like just the person for the job—but first, the kids must help her decode some secret messages from Nazi spies!

Caroline Fernandez is an award-winning author of children's books, magazine feature articles and blog posts. She is the author of the popular Boredom Busters (series), Stop Reading This Book, The Adventures of Grandmasaurus (series), Asha and Baz (series) and more! She writes, reads, and bakes in Toronto, Ontario. You can follow her on Twitter @parentclub and/or Instagram @parentclub.

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Asha and Baz
Meet Elizabeth Friedman
Interior Illustrations



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Sales Points:

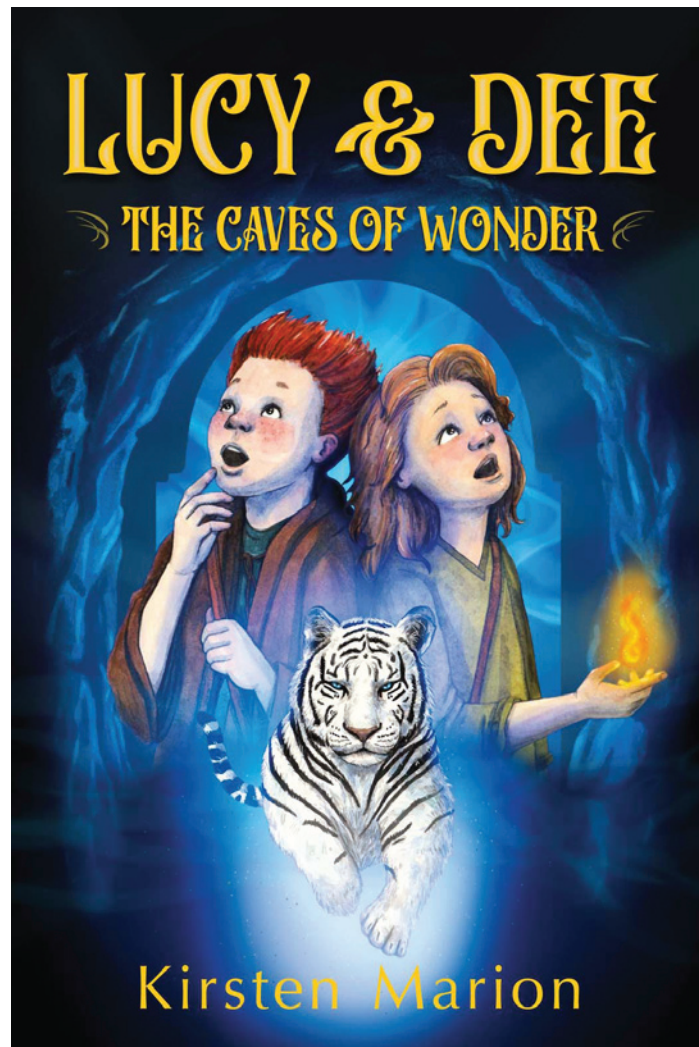
- Fantasy adventure story with resilient young heroes who overcome their fears in an imaginative and compelling battle of good over evil.
- An exciting quest on the uncertain path to maturity, where hard-won knowledge is a given, and a happily-ever-after is not.
- A satisfying story of growth, understanding, courage, and friendships
- Examines danger, embarrassment, disastrous choices and their consequences.
- Great for fans of: Ted Sanders's *The Keepers*, Lloyd Alexander's *The Chronicles of Prydain*, and Colin Melody's *Wildwood Chronicles*

Ship date: August 15, 2023**Pub. date:** September 5, 2023**ISBN (PBK):** 9781988761800**ISBN (Digital):** 9781988761824**Formats:** Trade PBK, Digital**Price (PBK):** \$16.95 CAD / \$12.95 USD**Price (Digital):** \$9.99 USD**Size:** 6 × 9 inches**Pages:** 282**Category:** Juvenile Fiction; Fantasy & Magic; Adventure; Friendship**Target age:** 11-14**Comparable Titles:**

- *Game of Stars* (Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond #2) by Sayantani DasGupta, ISBN 9781338185744, Scholastic
- *5 Worlds Book 2: The Cobalt Prince* by Mark Siegal, ISBN 9781101935897, Random House Children's Books
- *The Silk Road* by Kirsten Marion, ISBN 9781988761664, Common Deer Press

Lucy and Dee: The Caves of Wonder

Kirsten Marion

**Trapped and on the run!**

Lucy and Dee are stranded in the magical world of Sericea with the young emperor Yidi as they flee his stepmother Xixi, the sorceress queen.

Hiding their true identities to protect both themselves and their new friend Mai, the group must make the hazardous trip across Sericea to the Caves of Wonder to find the White Tiger, a fabled warrior who could help them defeat Xixi.

Along their risky journey, developing talents and rumors of revolution challenge their resolve and friendship.

Dangers lurk around every corner, and if Lucy, Dee, and Yidi can't face them together, their lives and the very fate of Sericea will be in peril.

Kirsten Marion completed undergraduate studies in English and Classics and a postgraduate degree in psychology, which helps inform the voices and motivations of her characters. She's spent decades traveling the world and has lived on three continents, giving her a unique mix of experiences to color her imaginary worlds. She currently lives in Victoria, Canada. Visit Kirsten at kirstenmarion.com, on Instagram @kirstenlmarion, or on twitter @kirsten_marion.

Marketing and Promotion:

- Outreach to national and regional television, trade and educational print, podcasts and radio for interviews and reviews
- Targeted pitches for live and virtual events to bookstores, libraries, and teachers
- PR outreach to bloggers
- Targeted ads on Amazon and Facebook

Sales Points:

- Foster kid protagonist
- Coming-of-age narrative
- Community and found family themes
- Discussion of social and systemic issues and mental health
- Classical music content
- Curriculum health/mental health; music theory, composition, history; English/literacy

Ship date: September 15, 2023

Pub. date: October 2, 2023

ISBN (PBK): 9781988761848

ISBN (Digital): 9781988761862

Formats: Trade PBK, Digital

Price (PBK): \$14.95 CAD / \$12.95 USD

Price (Digital): \$9.99 USD

Size: 6 × 9 inches

Pages: 290

Category: Young Adult Fiction; Coming of Age; Family/Adoption; Performing Arts/Music

Target age: 14+

Comparable Titles:

- *What I Carry* by Jennifer Longo, ISBN 9780553537741, Random House Children's Books
- *The Midnights* by Sarah Nicole Smetana, ISBN 9780062644626, Harper Collins
- *Far from the Tree* by Robin Benway, ISBN 9780062330635, Harper Collins
- *Just Lucky* by Melanie Florence, ISBN 9781772601046, Second Story Press
- *Azar on Fire* by Olivia Abtahi, ISBN 9780593109458, Penguin Young Readers Group

Iz the Apocalypse

Susan Currie



A fierce voice longs to break free.

A spark ignites inside fourteen-year-old Iz Beaufort when she hears school music group Manifesto perform. Even though she hasn't written a song since *That Place*, she recognizes herself in the moving performance and longs to be part of the group, certain that they might actually understand her.

But Manifesto is based at the prestigious Métier School, and Iz has bounced through twenty-six foster homes. Plus, there's no way Dominion Children's Care would ever send a foster kid to a private school when a public option is available. So Iz does what any passionate, broken, off-the-chart wunderkind might and takes matters into her own hands.

Iz fakes her way in only to face a new set of challenges: tuition fees, tough classwork, and new classmates she can't immediately identify as friends or foes. And if she can't handle all this while keeping how she got into Métier a secret, she could get kicked out of both school and her current home.

But a life with music—a life where Iz gets to have a voice—might be worth risking everything.

Susan Currie is an elementary teacher in Brampton, Ontario (22 years and counting). Before she entered the public school system, she earned a living as an accompanist, pit musician, music director, choir director, organist, dinner musician, leader of various music programs for children, and piano teacher. She has written two other books—*Basket of Beethoven* (Fitzhenry and Whiteside, 2001) and *The Mask That Sang* (Second Story Press, 2016). Susan is an adoptee who was in the foster care system briefly as a baby, and only learned of her Haudenosaunee heritage (Cayuga Nation, Turtle Clan) as an adult. She is happily married to John and has a wonderful daughter named Rachel.

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- Targeted pitches for live and virtual events to bookstores, libraries, and teachers
- PR outreach to bloggers
- Targeted ads on Amazon, Bookbub, and Facebook

Sales Points:

- Explores themes of intergenerational families, anxiety, school, food & nutrition
- Includes an appendix for hands-on learning
- Features fun illustrations

Ship date: February 15, 2023

Pub. date: March 3, 2023

ISBN (HBK): 9781988761701

ISBN (PBK): 9781988761695

Format: HBK, Trade PBK

Price (HBK): \$21.95 CAD / \$16.95 USD

Price (PBK): \$15.95 CAD / \$12.95 USD

Size: 8 × 8 inches

Pages: 40

Category: Juvenile Fiction; Animals; Dinosaurs & Prehistoric Creatures; Family; Fantasy & Magic

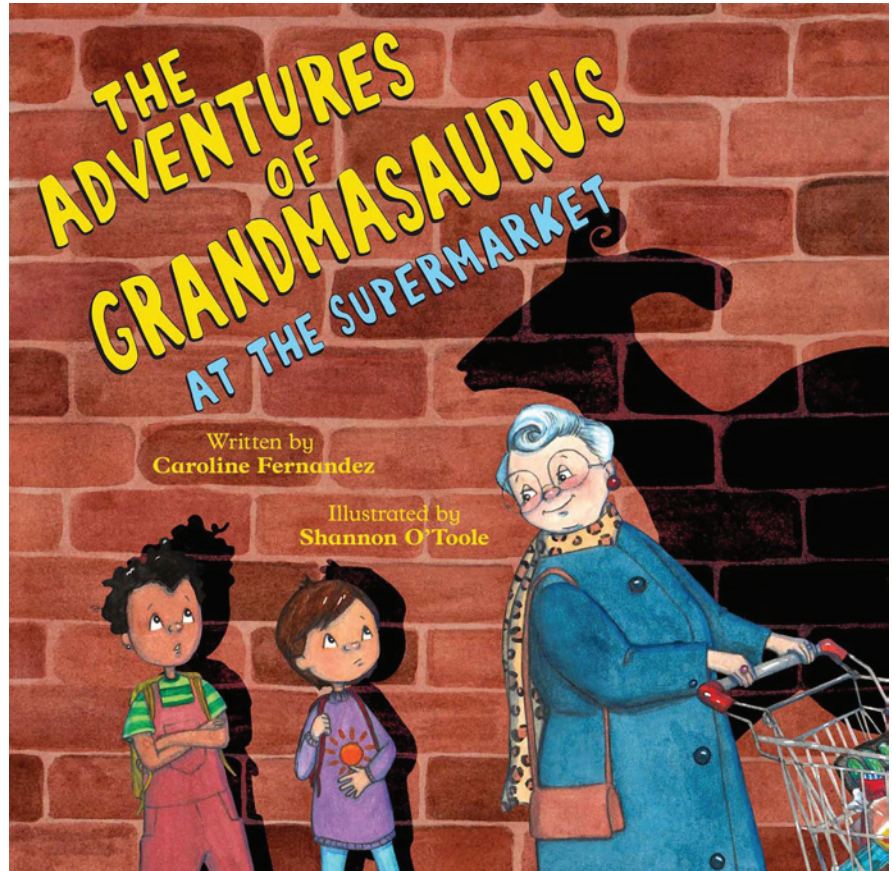
Target age: 3-8

Comparable Titles:

- *Jurassic Bark!* (PAW Patrol) by Hollis James and Fabrizio Petrossi, ISBN 9780399558801, Golden Books
- *If You Happen to Have a Dinosaur* by Linda Bailey, ISBN 9781101918913, Tundra Books

The Adventures of Grandmasaurus at the Supermarket

Caroline Fernandez, illustrated by Shannon O’Toole



Bite into a new adventure with Grandmasaurus!

The grocery store may be a normal place to visit, but there’s nothing normal about a Grandma who magically sneezes herself into different dinosaurs! When Grandma’s dinosaur antics threaten to make a mess of the store, it’s up to her grandchildren to find and stop her—even if they have healthy eating reports to write.

Nine new dinosaurs await in this fun addition to the Adventures of Grandmasaurus picture book series!

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- Targeted ads on Amazon, Bookbub, and Facebook
- Outreach to national and regional television, trade and educational print, podcasts and radio for interviews and reviews.

Sales Points:

- Highlights historical women in science
- Ties to science, history, and English curricula
- Includes a helpful appendix for further learning
- Themes: children's books on STEM/STEAM, Early reader, women in science, women in history, space, gender equality

Ship date: March 15, 2023**Pub. date:** April 3, 2023**ISBN (PBK):** 978988761787**ISBN (Digital):** 9781988761794**Formats:** Trade PBK, Digital**Price (PBK):** \$9.99 CAD / \$7.99 USD**Price (Digital):** \$5.99 USD**Size:** 5.5 × 8.5 inches**Pages:** 108**Category:** Juvenile Fiction; Science Fiction/Time Travel; Biographical/United States; Readers/Chapter Books**Target age:** 6-9**Comparable Titles:**

- *Magic Treehouse: A Big Day for Baseball* by Mary Pope Osborne and AG Ford, ISBN 9781524713119, Random House Books for Young Readers
- *Puzzled* (The Puzzled Mystery Adventure Series: Book 1) by P.J. Nichols, ISBN 9784910091006, Brilliant Owl Press
- *Bold Women In Science: 15 Women in History You Should Know* by Danni Washington, ISBN 9781648764318, Callisto Media
- *The Story of Marie Curie: A Biography Book for New Readers* by Susan B. Katz, ISBN 9781647391126, Rockridge Press

Asha and Baz Meet Hedy Lamarr

Caroline Fernandez, illustrated by Dharmali Patel



Readers once more dive into the past—this time to learn about famous actor and inventor Hedy Lamarr!

Computer class is off to a rocky start for Asha and Baz! They've been given a Coding Challenge and must correctly code instructions to send a digital frog across a computer screen. But they can't seem to figure it out. With their reputation as the smartest kids in their class at stake, the pair turn to their magic stick for answers. They use it to draw their coding problem in the sand and are transported back in time to 1941 Hollywood to meet Hedy Lamarr, leaving them even more confused: How can an actor help them solve the Coding Challenge?

But when they learn there's a war happening and that Hedy Lamar has been hard at work inventing a device to help with war efforts, the kids realize her problem-solving skills may be just what they need. Coding, frequency hopping, and more await in *Asha and Baz Meet Hedy Lamarr!*

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- PR outreach to bloggers
- Targeted ads on Amazon, Bookbub, and Facebook

Sales Points:

- Explores themes of friendship, loyalty, and responsibility
- Includes math problems and an appendix for hands-on learning
- Encourages creative problem-solving

Ship date: March 15, 2023**Pub. date:** April 3, 2023**ISBN (PBK):** 9781988761763**ISBN (Digital):** 9781988761770**Format:** Trade PBK, Digital**Price (PBK):** \$14.95 CAD / \$12.95 USD**Price (Digital):** \$8.99 USD**Size:** 6 × 9 inches**Pages:** 190**Category:** Juvenile Fiction; Mathematics;

Social Issues/Friendship;

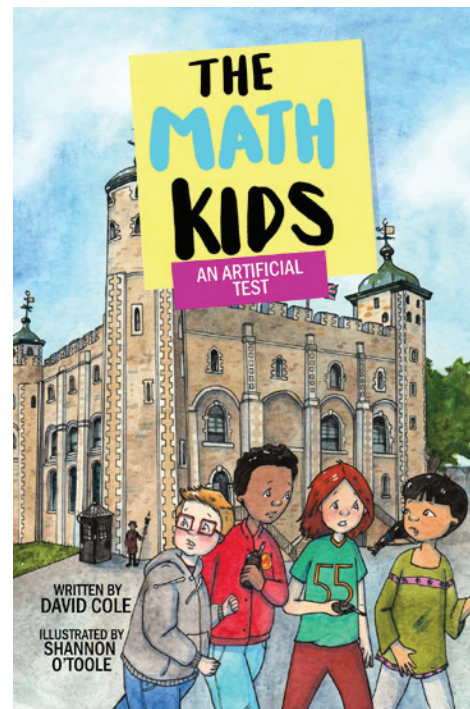
Mystery & Adventure

Target age: 9-12**Comparable Titles:**

- *Team BFF: Race to the Finish* (Girls Who Code #2) by Stacia Deutsch, ISBN 9780399542527, Penguin Workshop
- *Nick and Tesla's Solar-Powered Showdown* by Bob Pflugfelder and Steve Hockensmith, ISBN 9781594748660, Quirk Books
- *The Math Kids* series, Common Deer Press
- *The Birthday Blastoff* (Kate the Chemist #4) by Kate Biberdorf, ISBN 9780593116647, Philomel Books
- *The Queen Bee and Me* by Gillian McDunn, Bloomsbury Children's Books, ISBN: 9781681197517
- *Honey Bees and Frenemies*, ISBN 9781534438163, Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

The Math Kids: An Artificial Test

David Cole, illustrated by Shannon O'Toole



Jet off to London and a new mystery with the Math Kids!

After a tough end to the school year, the Math Kids—Jordan, Justin, Stephanie, and Catherine—take a jet to London for an exciting summer vacation. But between exploring the city and seeing the sights, they're quickly drawn into investigations of terrorist activity.

Authorities are on high alert because of threats to landmarks across the city. But there's something odd about the messages. Working alongside Bobby, a police officer tasked with being their trip guide, the kids must uncover the true purpose of a mysterious online message board or risk being sent home early.

With their vacation plans and the safety of London at risk, the Math Kids are in for their most complex case yet!

David Cole has been interested in math since he was a very young boy. He pursued degrees in math and computer science and has shared this love of math at many levels, including teaching at the college level, coaching elementary math teams, and running a summer math camp. He also has a love of writing and has written a number of plays that have been performed. The Math Kids was born of a desire to combine his interests and exercise both sides of his brain at the same time. Find him on his website TheMathKids.com or on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn.

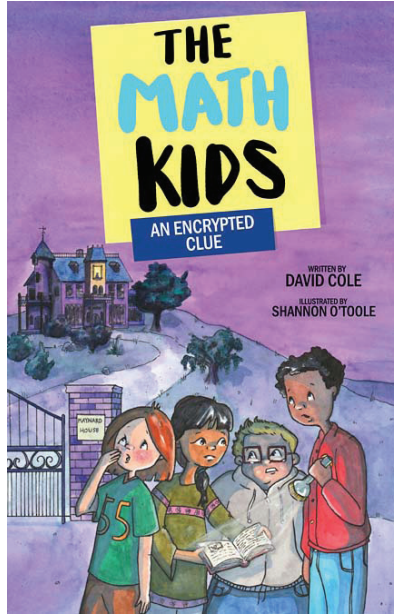
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The Math Kids: An Encrypted Clue

Author: David Cole
Illustrator: Shannon O’Toole
ISBN (PBK): 9781988761565
ISBN (Digital): 9781988761572
Format: Trade PBK, Digital
Price (PBK): \$13.95 CAD / \$11.95 USD
Price (Digital): \$7.99 USD
Size: 5.5 × 8.5 inches
Pages: 188
Category: Mystery & Detective Stories; Mathematics; Social Issues/Friendship; School & Education
Target age: 8-10

Praise for The Math Kids: An Encrypted Clue

“...the exciting conclusion is a true group solve, with the kids deciphering the overall metapuzzle, accomplishing as a team what they never could have solo.”
 —Kirkus Reviews



The Math Kids have a new puzzle to solve!

When Stephanie Lewis finds secret writing in the margin of an old book in the library, the Math Kids have a new puzzle to solve. But first, they must learn about codes and ciphers and how they can use their math skills to solve them.

As one clue leads to another, the kids are drawn into the mysterious old house that overlooks the town. Is it really haunted like some townspeople say? And who is the man with the long beard who keeps showing up everywhere they go? But that’s not their only problem. The math competition they’ve been training so hard for is about to be cancelled.

Awards

- ◆ Foreword INDIES Book of the Year Awards Finalist
- Purple Dragonfly**
 - » First Place: Mystery
 - » First Place (tie): STEM
 - » Second Place (tie): Middle Grade Fiction

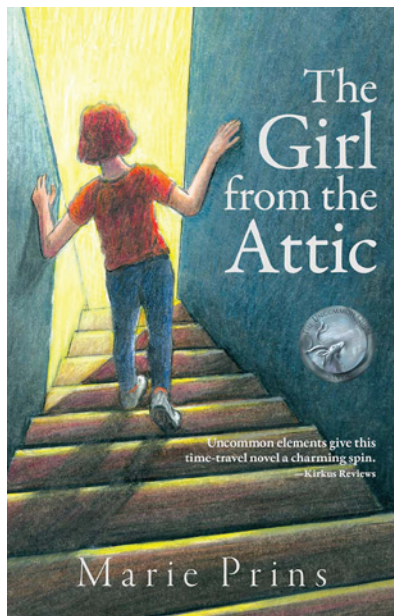


The Girl from the Attic

Author: Marie Prins
ISBN (PBK): 9781988761510
ISBN (Digital): 9781988761527
Format: Trade PBK, Digital
Price (PBK): \$14.99 CAD / \$12.99 USD
Price (Digital): \$8.99 USD
Size: 5.5 × 8.5 inches
Pages: 222
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Historical Fiction/Canada; Social Themes/Emotions & Feelings; Family/Blended Families
Target age: 9-13

Praise for The Girl from the Attic

“Uncommon elements give this time-travel novel a charming spin.”
 —Kirkus Reviews



To find a place in her family, Maddy must travel through time.

Maddy Rose lives in two worlds. A hundred years apart. In the same strange house built as an octagon. When a mysterious black cat leads her into the unknown attic, she meets Clare and his very sick sister, Eva. Together Maddy and Clare jump into a money-making scheme in his uncle’s dangerous soap factory to buy a cure for Eva. But an unexpected tragedy befalls them before Maddy is pulled back into her own time to confront the premature birth of her own sister. Will the skills she learned in the past help her solve the problems of the present? As the Girl from the Attic, Maddy must rise to the challenges of both worlds in order to find her own place in the life of the octagon.

Awards

- ◆ 2019 The Uncommon Quest for the Great Canadian Children’s Novel—Silver
- Purple Dragonfly**
 - » 2021 First Place: Family Matters
 - » Second Place (tie): Middle Grade Fiction



The Adventures of Grandmasaurus

Author: Caroline Fernandez
Illustrator: Shannon O’Toole
ISBN (HBK): 9781988761596
ISBN (PBK): 9781988761589
Format: HBK, Trade PBK
Price (HBK): \$19.95 CAD / \$16.95 USD
Price (PBK): \$14.95 CAD / \$12.95 USD
Size: 8 × 8 inches
Pages: 40
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Animals; Dinosaurs & Prehistoric Creatures; Family; Fantasy & Magic
Target age: 4–8

Praise for The Adventures of Grandmasaurus

“Readers with embarrassingly rambunctious relatives of their own will moo-roar in sympathy.”
—Kirkus Reviews

The Great & the Small

Author and Illustrator: A. T. Balsara
ISBN (HBK): 9781988761121
ISBN (PBK): 9781988761107
ISBN (Digital): 9781988761114
Format: HBK, Trade PBK, Digital
Price (HBK): \$34.99 CAD / \$29.99 USD
Price (PBK): \$17.99 CAD / \$14.99 USD
Price (Digital): \$11.99 USD
Size: 6 × 9 inches
Pages: 296
Category: Dark Fantasy; Political Fiction; Contemporary Fantasy
Target age: 12+

Praise for The Great & the Small

The Great & the Small has earned the Literary Classics Seal of Approval.”
—Literary Classics

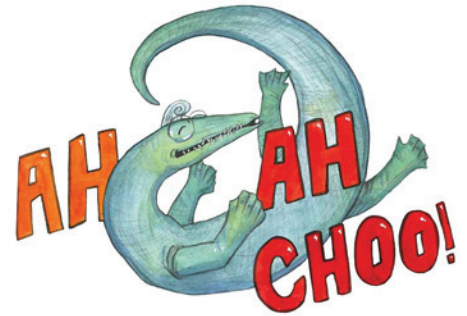


This picture book

- offers plenty of scientific facts
- features an intergenerational narrative

Grandma is at it again!

When aquarium dust makes Grandma sneeze and turn into different Mesozoic Era marine reptiles, it’s up to her grandkids (and readers) to track her down and stop her funny business!

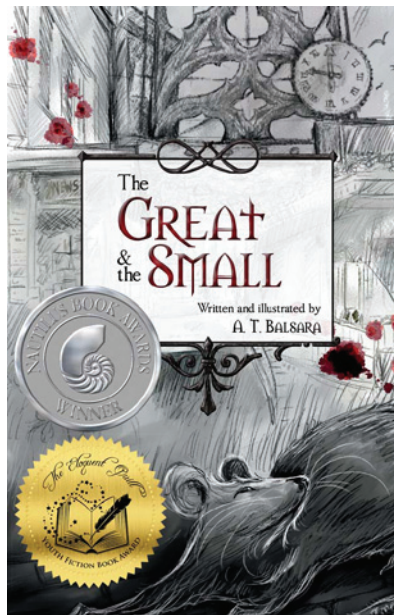


Awards

- ◆ 2022 SCWBI Crystal Kite Awards—Canada Division—Finalist

Purple Dragonfly

- » 2022 Second Place: STEM
- » 2022 Honorable Mention: Picture Books 6 and older
- » 2022 Honourable mention: best illustration



Where is the line between good and evil?

Deep below the market, in the dark tunnels no human knows exist, a war has begun. Lead by the charismatic Beloved Chairman, a colony of rats plots to exterminate the ugly two-legs who have tortured them in labs, crushed them with boots, and looked at them with disgust for as long as anyone can remember. When the Chairman’s nephew is injured and a young two-leg nurses him back to health, however, doubt about the war creeps in. Now the colony is split: obey the Chairman and infect the two-legs with the ancient sickness passed down from the Old Ones, or do the unthinkable . . . Rebel.

Awards

- ◆ 2020 Page Turner Book Awards—shortlisted and won a Spectrum Audiobook prize
- ◆ 2018 Nautilus Book Awards—Silver (given to books that promote peace)
- ◆ 2018 Literary Classics Book Awards—Top Honors, The Eloquent Quill Award
- ◆ 2018 Literary Classics Book Awards—Golds, Upper Middle Grade category and Epic category
- ◆ 2018 Screencraft Cinematic Book Competition—SemiFinalist
- ◆ 2018 Moonbeam Book Awards—Silver, YA Fantasy/Sci-Fi category

Stop Reading This Book!

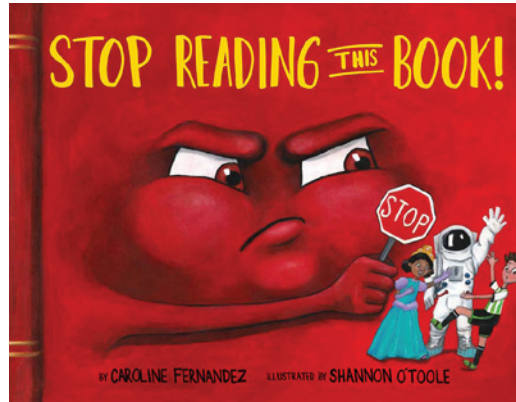
Author: Caroline Fernandez
Illustrator: Shannon O'Toole
ISBN (HBK): 9781988761428
ISBN (PBK): 9781988761411
Format: HBK, Trade PBK
Price (HBK): \$23.95 CAD / \$16.95 USD
Price (PBK): \$14.95 CAD / \$10.95 USD
Size: 11 × 8.5 inches
Pages: 40
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Interactive Adventures; Social Themes
Target age: 4-8

The Adventures of Grandmasaurus

Author: Caroline Fernandez
Illustrator: Shannon O'Toole
ISBN (HBK): 9781988761466
ISBN (PBK): 9781988761459
ISBN (Digital): 9781988761756
Format: HBK, Trade PBK
Price (HBK): \$21.95 CAD / \$16.95 USD
Price (PBK): \$14.95 CAD / \$10.95 USD
Price (Digital): \$6.99 USD
Size: 8 × 8 inches
Pages: 32
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Animals; Dinosaurs & Prehistoric Creatures; Family; Fantasy & Magic
Target age: 4-8

Asha and Baz Meet Mary Sherman Morgan

Author: Caroline Fernandez
ISBN (PBK): 9781988761671
ISBN (Digital): 9781988761688
Formats: Trade PBK, Digital
Price (PBK): \$9.99 CAD / \$7.99 USD
Price (Digital): \$5.99 USD
Size: 5.5 × 8.5 inches
Pages: 106
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Science Fiction/Time Travel; Biographical/United States; Readers/Chapter Books; Technology/Astronauts & Space; School & Education
Target age: 6-9

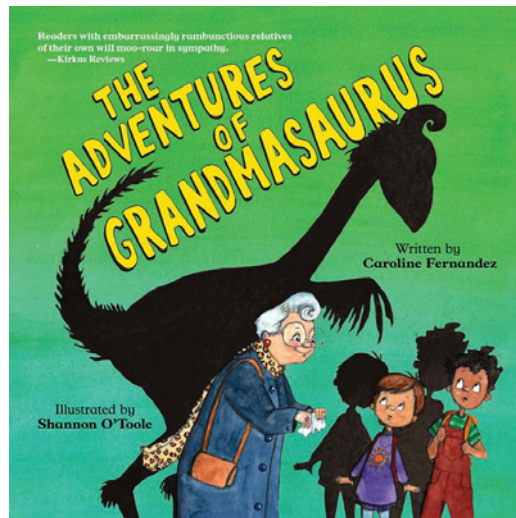


“A worthy addition to home, school and public libraries.”

—CM: Canadian Review of Materials

Once upon a . . . Wait. You? Not You! It is my duty to protect the page of this book from mischief-makers like you. Stop Reading This Book! Uh oh!

This book thinks you're a mischief-maker and it'll do anything to get you to stop reading. But who's the real villain—the reader or the book?



**Half Grandma.
Half dinosaur.
All mischief.**

—Series-Book 1

“Grandma keeps running off and doing funny business. On a field trip! And if she doesn't stop, we'll miss the school bus.”

With each sneeze, Grandma turns into a different dinosaur and takes off. It's up to me and Moonie to track her down and keep her from making a mess of the museum—before we miss the bus back home!



“A wonderful start to a new series centering STEM and history; great for any children's library collection.”

—School Library Journal starred review

—Series-Book 1

Asha and Baz have a paper rocket to launch! Whoever builds the rocket that travels the farthest will get to meet astronaut Chris Hadfield. The only problem is Asha and Baz don't know how to power their rocket.

Stuck and unsure, the kids brainstorm by drawing a rocket in the sand using a stick. But this is a very unusual stick. In fact, it's a magic stick! And it transports them back in time to meet a person who might be able to help them with their rocket problem: scientist Mary Sherman Morgan.

The Math Kids: The Prime-Time Burglars

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Illustrator: Shannon O’Toole
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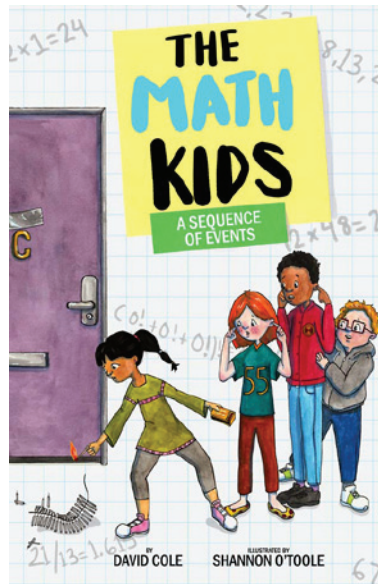
Meet the Math Kids!

Best friends Jordan and Justin are the only two kids in their class’s advanced math group until Stephanie Lewis marches into their classroom and they form the Math Kids. When mysterious burglaries rock their neighbourhood and the class bullies target them, they discover their new club—and a little math—might solve both problems.

Series-
Book 1

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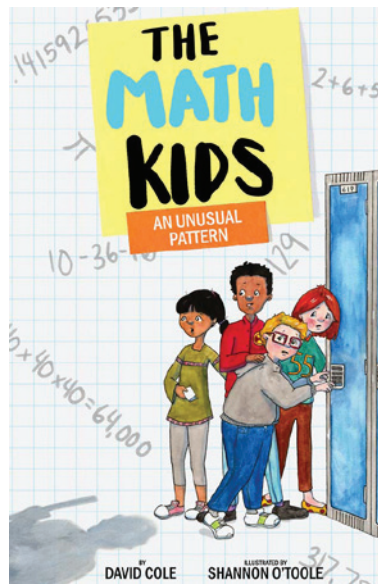
—CM: Canadian Review of Materials

Series-
Book 2

The Math Kids have set their sights on new club member Catherine Duchesne to help them win the upcoming Math Olympics. Although she has been quiet in class, she knows some really cool math tricks that are sure to help the Math Kids team. But when Catherine doesn’t show up for school and Jordan, Justin, and Stephanie find out her father’s been kidnapped, the group springs into action to help their new friend.

The Math Kids: An Unusual Pattern

Author: David Cole
Illustrator: Shannon O’Toole
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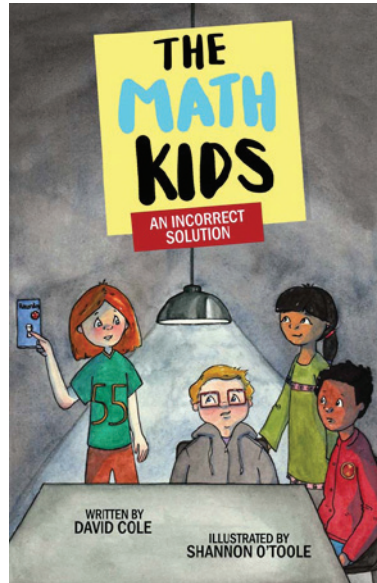
Series-
Book 3

When Special Agent Carlson asks the Math Kids to take a look at a cryptic poem written by a dying bank robber, they know they’ll need all of their math skills to crack the case. To complicate matters, the school janitor, Old Mike, has been accused of stealing from lockers!

The Math Kids will need math, bravery, and a little bit of luck to solve the bank robbery and get Old Mike his job back.

The Math Kids: An Incorrect Solution

Author: David Cole
Illustrator: Shannon O’Toole
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Target age: 8-11



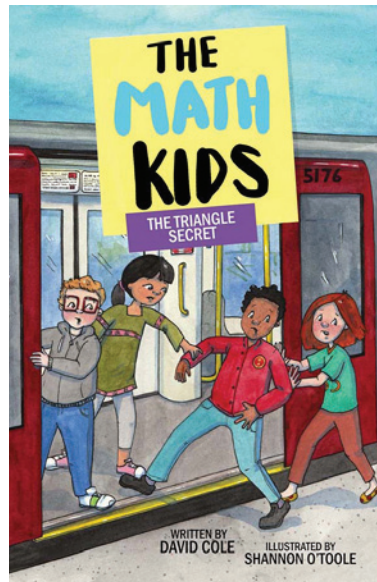
Fifth grade brings new adventures for the Math Kids!

Series
Book 5

The Math Kids have been split up, and new teachers and troubled classmates suddenly seem a lot more challenging than homework. But the right plan—and some math—might solve everything.

The Math Kids: The Triangle Secret

Author: David Cole
Illustrator: Shannon O’Toole
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Format: Trade PBK, Digital
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Target age: 10-12



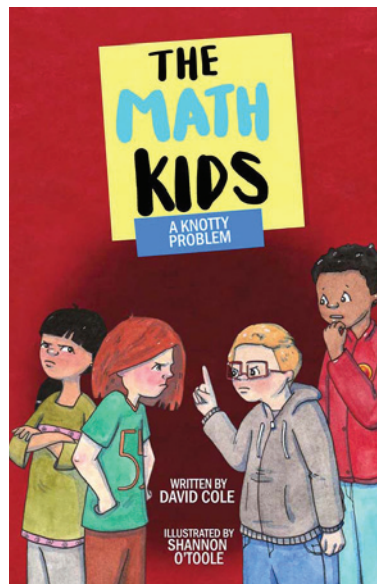
A mysterious will launches the Math Kids into their riskiest adventure yet!

Series
Book 6

When FBI Special Agent Carlson is kidnapped while investigating the plane crash of Willard Howell, an eccentric billionaire inventor, the Math Kids spring into action. If Catherine, Stephanie, Justin, and Jordan can figure out the Great Triangle mentioned in Howell’s will, they might just uncover who’s behind the crash and Agent Carlson’s kidnapping—if they don’t get caught themselves!

The Math Kids: A Knotty Problem

Author: David Cole
Illustrator: Shannon O’Toole
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Pages: 206
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Mathematics; Social Issues/Friendship; Sports & Recreation
Target age: 9-12



Tensions rise between the Math Kids!

Series
Book 7

When Stephanie finds out her soccer team has a tournament on the same day as the district math competition, an upset Justin offers her a choice: choose Math Kids or leave the club. Dismayed by his attitude, Stephanie quits and Catherine goes with her. With their club in shambles, the future of their friendships is further threatened by the news that Justin’s dad has been offered a new job and wants to move his family to St. Louis.

Jordan, Justin, Catherine, and Stephanie may face the permanent fracture of their friend group and a bleak end to their school year—unless they can come together to overcome some impossible situations.

Awards

- ◆ 2022 finalist — Forward Reviews Indie Award for Juvenile Fiction

Lucy & Dee: The Silk Road

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Target age: 11-14



Unexpectedly
 trapped in a fantasy
 kingdom, best friends
 Lucy and Dee embark
 on a quest.

Series
 Book 1

Adventurous Lucy dreams of being a world traveller. Science-focused Dee wants to find his missing parents.

When they chance upon a hidden road and the lord of stone offers them a quest, the opportunity for both arises. All they have to do is befriend a young emperor—which would be a lot easier if he wasn't a royal pain and an angry queen didn't want him dead.

With the entitled ruler in tow, Lucy and Dee must find a way home with a mysterious feather and a dragon-whisperer (who looks suspiciously like a hedgehog) their only defence against capture . . . or worse

Just Watch Me

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Pages: 134
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Target age: 10+



A hilarious, middle-grade novel about friendship, bullying, and the power and perils of social media.

Simon Rosen has qualified for the Canadian Video Game Championships in Vancouver. If he can get straight A's in school, his parents have agreed to take him. The stakes are especially high: his parents are always fighting, and if he can just get them to Vancouver—the place where they fell in love—maybe he can save his family from the brink of divorce.

The Extraordinary e-Tab of Julian Newcomber

Author: Michael Seese
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Pages: 156
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Science Fiction; Time Travel
Target age: 9-12



A time-travel novel with unexpected twists and adventure.

Julian believes he’s finally escaped his father’s calamities. Until a vaguely familiar 20-year-old man walks out of the bedroom closet and says he’s future Julian.

Turns out his (their?) inventor father’s latest contraption, the eTab, alters time. When grown-up Julian travelled into the past, he dropped his cell phone on a Civil War battle-field. It was, what the sarcastic crowd might call, a bone-headed move.

Now, Grown-Up Julian needs Young Julian to help him retrieve his cell phone before the future is unpredictably changed. No pressure.

Dear Earthling: Cosmic Correspondent

Author: Pen Avey
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Pages: 114
Category: Juvenile Fiction; Science Fiction; Friendship; Social Themes
Target age: 8-12



Great for new middle-grade readers.

Join Dethbert Jones in his blamstastic space adventures with his robot best friend, Andi Social! Misadventures abound, but Dethbert’s curiosity and enthusiasm can’t be crushed. Not by anything in this galaxy, anyway!

The Boatman

Author: Kat Hawthorne
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Category: Juvenile Fiction; Ghost Stories; Thriller & Suspense
Target age: 8-12

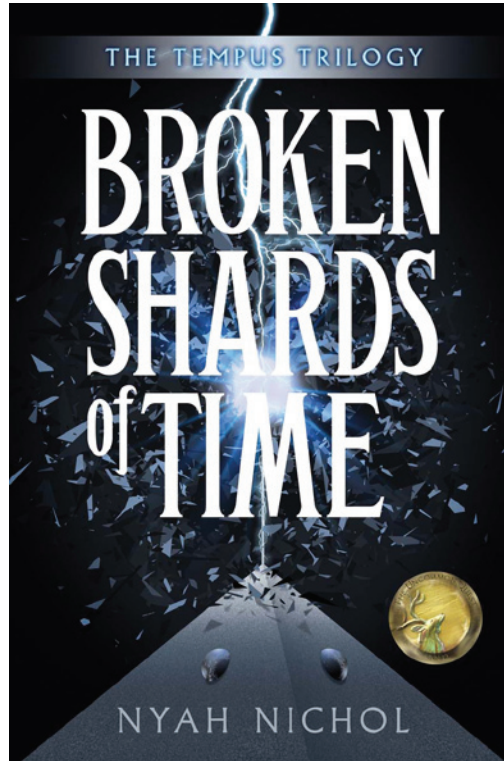


A tale of ghosts, grief, and recovery.

Isabel Wixon sees ghosts. Her friends consist of a talkative ventriloquist’s dummy and a gentlemanly spider living in her hair. Real friends? Too hard. Inventing friends—much easier. Inventing the Boatman—a terrible monster that lures kids into a permanent sleeping sickness—probably wasn’t one of her better ideas.

Broken Shards of Time

Author: Nyah Nichol
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Category: Young Adult Fiction; Science Fiction; Time Travel; Thriller & Suspense; Friendship; Dystopian
Target age: 14+



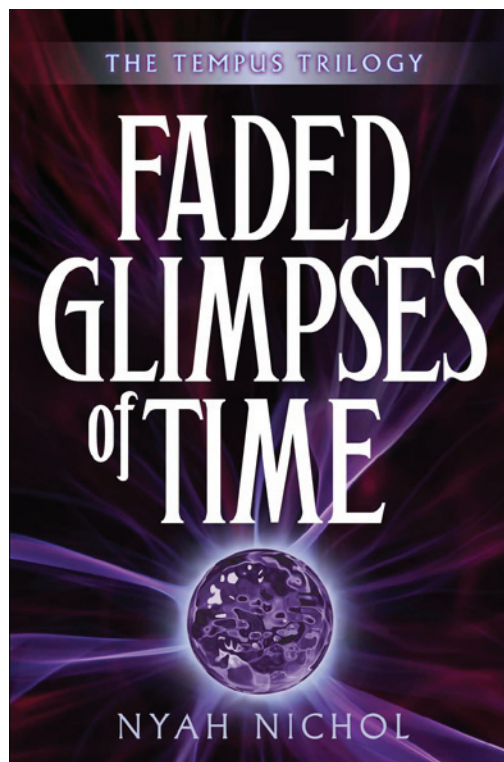
She's about to face her greatest enemy: her future self.

Series Book 1

Orphaned and made bionic after a mysterious accident, Wren Derecho becomes enmeshed with an enigmatic power source. During her journey to navigate the pain of grief and loss, she crosses paths with three individuals with talents and traumas of their own. Wren and her team quickly discover that the hero of any story can easily become the villain as they travel through time so Wren can defeat her greatest enemy: herself.

Faded Glimpses of Time

Author: Nyah Nichol
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Pages: 204
Category: Science Fiction; Time Travel; Survival Story; Dystopian; Social Issues/ Friendship; Thrillers & Suspense
Target age: 14+



Even with do-overs, saving the world can seem impossible.

Series Book 2

Wren Derecho has successfully time traveled back to the present, confident that the dangerous and powerful orb has been lost forever. However, her relief quickly turns to horror when she realizes the orb has mysteriously reappeared and things are not the same as when she left them. Wren must now navigate through the new timeline and overcome the unexpected obstacles and twists it presents.

An exciting whirlwind of science-fiction espionage for those who appreciate plot-driven stories.

—Kirkus Reviews

Awards

- ◆ 2022 finalist — Forward Reviews Indie Award for Young Adult Fiction

#NotReadyToDie

Author: Cate Carlyle
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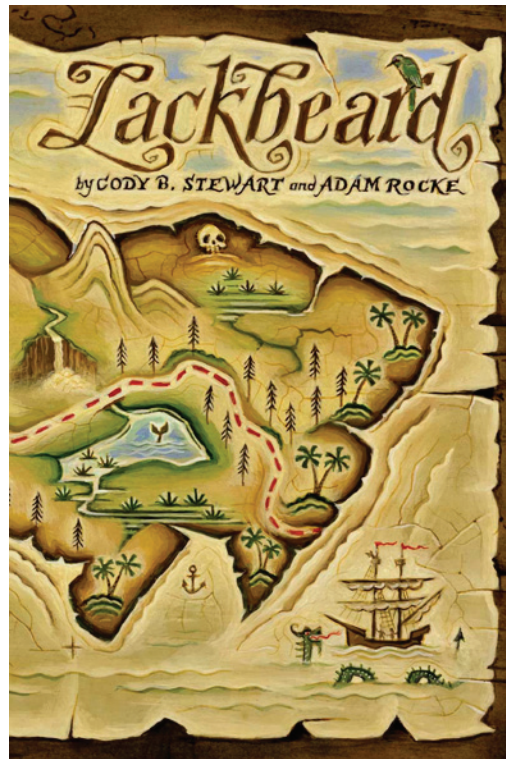
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—CM: Canadian Review of Materials

Ginny’s life suddenly comes to a screeching halt one fateful Monday when a shooter shows up at Southwestern High School during first period. In lockdown with both the homeroom sub and her secret crush badly wounded, Ginny finds herself teamed up with Kayla, one of the “Barbies.” Together, they must try to keep their classmates alive amid terror and pain.

Lackbeard

Authors: Cody B. Stewart and Adam Rocke
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