

Moon Publishers

We are delighted to present to you our Foreign Rights Catalogue 2019. Since December 2018 we, Nynke de Groot and Luna Wong Lun Hing, are co-publishers of the wonderful publishing house that's called Moon Publishers. Moon Publishers is one of the biggest Dutch publishing houses for children's books and publishes books for all ages: beautiful colourful picture books, wonderfully illustrated middle grade books and all kinds of books for young adults.

In translation, we publish books by authors such as P.G. Bell, Gayle Forman, Jenny Han, Estelle Maskame, Jennifer Niven, Sibéal Pounder, Angie Thomas and many others.

But what you might be more interested in, is the books by our amazing Dutch authors and illustrators! For example, our beautiful picture books illustrated by Mark Janssen or Eefje Kuijl. The funny middle grade stories by bestselling author Carry Slee. The horror series for young readers by Tjerk Noordraven. Or the amazing young adult debuts by Pamela Sharon and Rima Orie. And there are many more!

And did you know that foreign publishers can apply for financial support for the translation of a Dutch children's book? This kind of subsidy is intended to encourage foreign publishers to publish Dutch literature in translation. More information can be found on the website of The Dutch Foundation for Literature, www.letterenfonds.nl.

We look forward to working together with you on some of our beautiful titles.

All the best.

Nynke de Groot & Luna Wong Lun Hing Publishers Moon



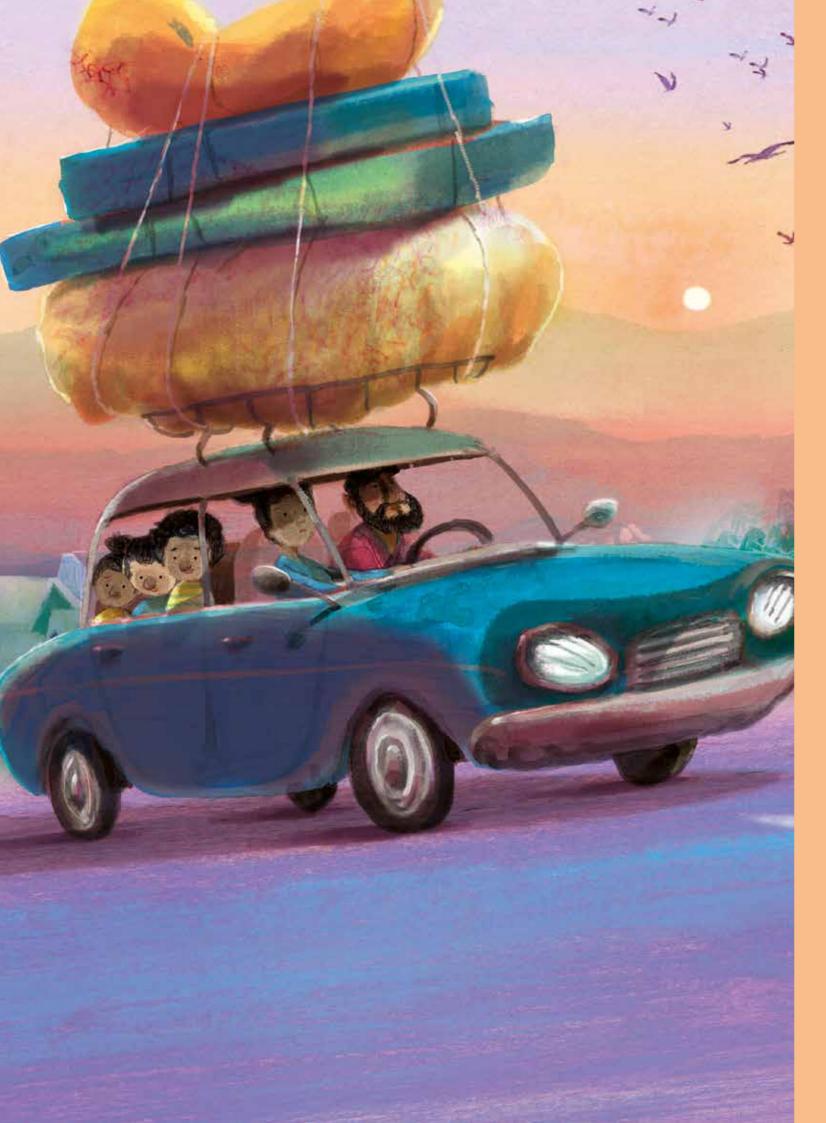


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From Zeppelin to Excavator

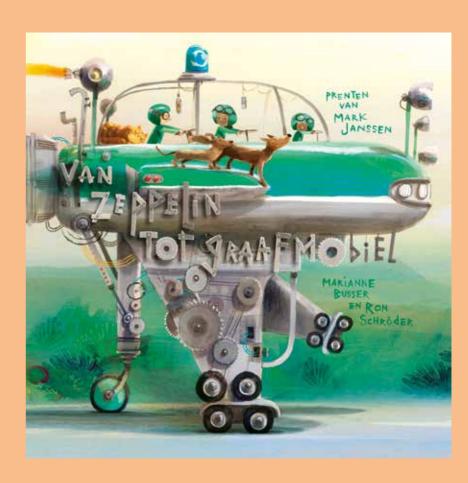
Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

Take a fantastical trip through this book in all kinds of vehicles!

Have you ever been on a wonderful train journey through a zoo? Or on a sculpture trip past several pieces of art, of which one is peeing? And have you ever heard of someone who mailed herself to her grandma in a box? You can read all about it in *From zeppelin to excavator*.

- Funny original verses about vehicles and travelling
- · With fantastic illustrations by Mark Janssen
- Almost 50,000 copies were sold of the other books in this series:

 All kinds of friends and Jellyfish gruel and snail custard
- · Hardback, 32 pages



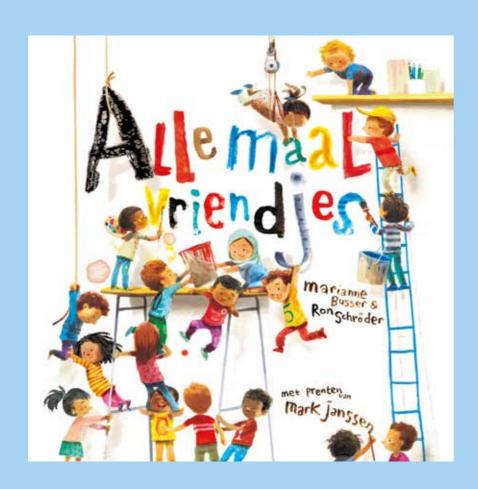
All Kinds of Friends

Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

A lovely picture book about friends in al shapes and sizes

What do you do when you have a secret friend that no one else can see? And how does it feel when no one wants to write in your friendship book? Can you invite all the kids from your school to your birthday party? And can you find new friends through an ad? Read all about it in the unique, funny and touching poems in *All Kinds of Friends!*

- With amazing illustrations by the very talented and internationally successful illustrator Mark Janssen
- International sales: Beijing Yutian Hanfeng Books, China
- English sample translation available
- Hardback, 32 pages



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Jellyfish Gruel & Snail Custard

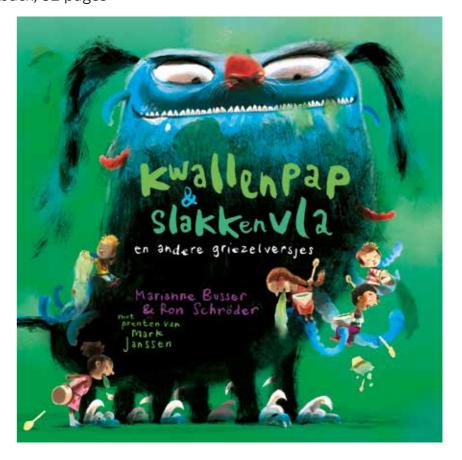
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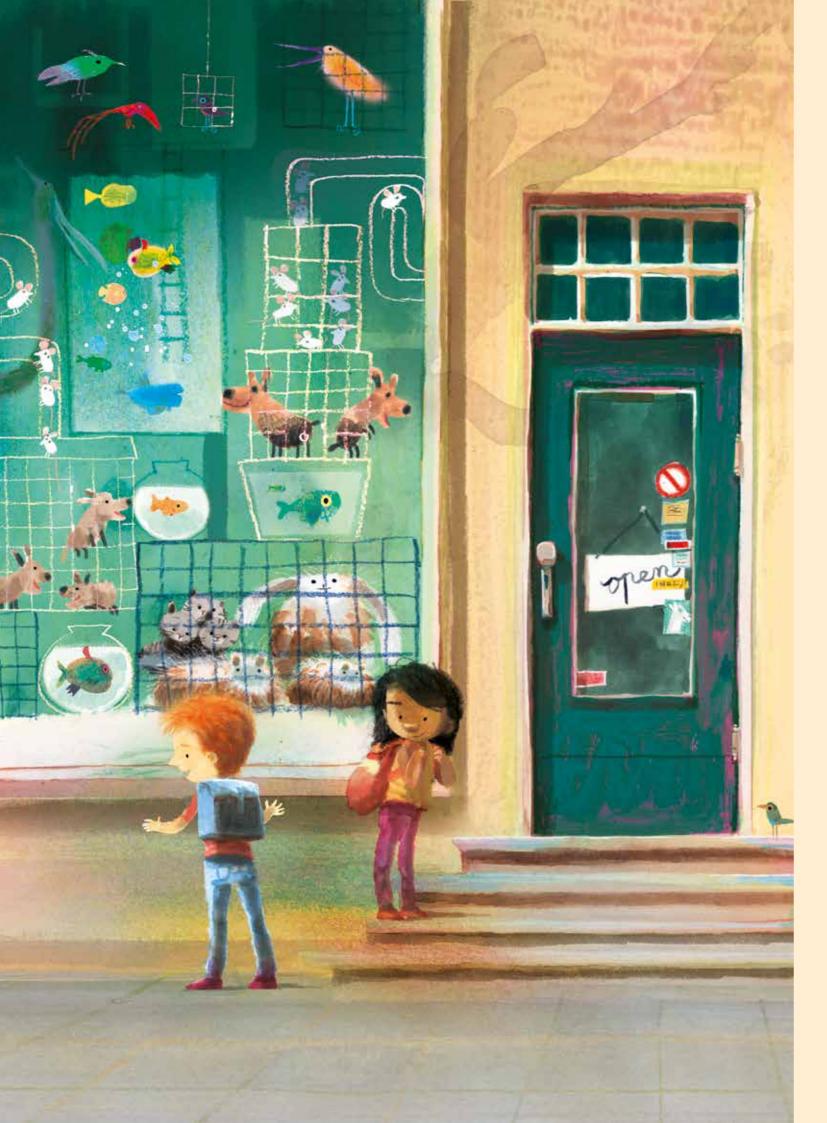
Do you like being creepy? Then join the creepiness with the rhymes of **Jellyfish Gruel & Snail Custard!**

On her birthday, Creepette gets a bowl of jellyfish gruel as a present. In Creep School bats are flapping around the classroom. Creep Restaurant has roasted rat in sow bug gravy and snail custard on the menu. Too creepy for your taste? Just pull the bed covers over your head!

"A fantastic picture book." - De Telegraaf (largest newspaper in the Netherlands)

- 20,000 copies sold in the Netherlands
- Ranked for eight weeks on the Dutch bestsellers list
- Fantastic colourful illustrations by Mark Janssen
- Delightful creepy rhymes
- Very suitable as a theme book for Halloween
- Hardback, 32 pages





One Unicorn, Please!

Mark Janssen

Extraordinary picture book about the immensely popular unicorn

Daan has been saving up to buy the one thing he wants most of all: a unicorn! A friend to join him on many magical adventures: diving for hidden treasures in the deepest ocean, travelling through the cosmos, saving old ladies in distress... Daan is made a laughingstock when he tells his friends he's going to the pet store to buy a unicorn. But then the shop owner informs him that there is still one left...

- A different view on the popular unicorn: not the plastic glitter version, but a real, soft, cuddly friend
- Splendid pictures, inviting to make discoveries
- A present for every toddler and parent
- Full-colour illustrations
- English sample translation available
- Hardback, 32 pages





Princess Leentje and Her Way to the Heart

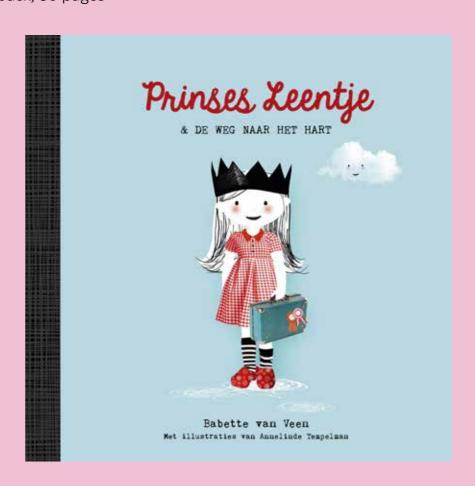
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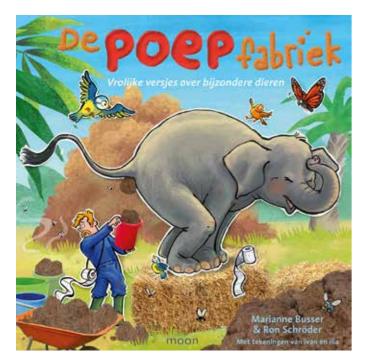
For princesses, princes, little footmen, generals, farmers, and all the other little heroes!

Leentje is a real princess, but even princesses don't always have it easy. Her parents, the king and queen, are acting pretty childishly by constantly fighting. Princess Leentje is done with that behaviour, so she packs her bag and makes her way to the big heart. Apparently, that's where you can make a wish. Well, she already knows what to wish for: that her parents will be nicer to each other and fall back in love!

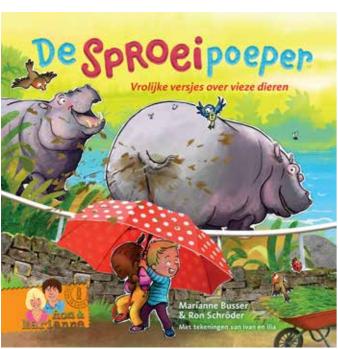
Princess Leentje and Her Way to the Heart is a picture book about a strong princess who is going her own way.

- Improtant themes: going your own way and divorce
- Unique full-colour illustrations by Annelinde Tempelman
- Babette van Veen is a well-known Dutch actress and singer
- English sample translation available
- Hardback, 56 pages













Funny, peculiar and somewhat smelly animal rhymes.





Guaranteed fun reading these books out loud!

The Poo Factory Series



Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

Every kid will savour this series of picture books full of smelly rhymes about animals

Funny, peculiar and somewhat smelly animal rhymes. For these four books, the authors got their inspiration from the animal kingdom. The rhymes might be incredibly odd here and there, but they are very true nevertheless! Guaranteed fun reading these books out loud! You are guaranteed to have fun when reading these books out loud.

- Five book series, and more to come!
- Over 100,000 copies sold!
- Joyful and informative rhyming verses
- Pictures full of cheer!
- Rich, colourful illustrations by ivan & ilia
- Hardback, 32 pages













The Read Aloud Boat, Train and Bicycle

Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

Are you coming along on a journey on The Read Aloud Boat, The Read Aloud Train and The Read Aloud Bicycle?

Welcome on board of the read aloud boat, train and bicycle! Who is traveling with us? A tailor, an astronaut, a baker, the queen, a dentist and many more share funny, silly and jokey verses in these three joyful read aloud books. Like the one about a hippo carrying all his things on his back, and the one about the crocodile's remarkable appointment at the dentist... All aboard? We're leaving right away!

- Funny, silly rhyming verses
- Various trades presented in these three joyful books
- Fresh, colourful illustrations by Eefje Kuijl
- Hardback, 32 pages



The Big Animal Book

Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

A nice big book with happy verses and funny facts about zoo animals!

Did you know that a giraffe's tongue is so long it can poke its ears with it? Did you know that a polar bear has anti-slip paws? And did you know that a gorilla really enjoys a portion of its own poo?

- Verses and facts about more than 40 different zoo animals
- Cute, refreshing illustrations by ivan & ilia
- Hardback, 128 pages





The Big Bug Book

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Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

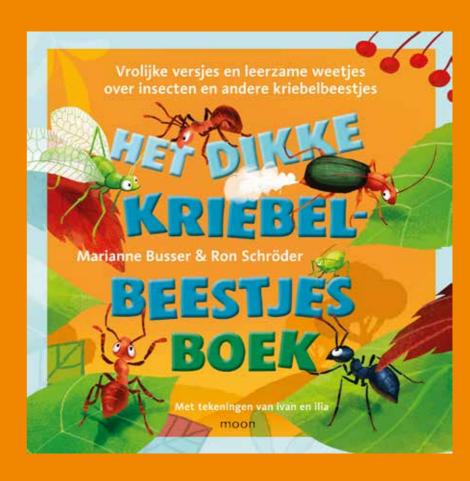
A nice big book with happy verses and funny facts about insects and other tiny animals!

A funny and educational book with many verses and facts about insects and other little creatures. Both children and adults will be amazed by all the special events that happen in nature. Because who knew, for example, that a housefly tastes with its paws? Or that a bumblebee can shiver itself warm when it is cold?

- Verses and facts about more than 40 different insects
- · Wonderful illustrations by ivan & ilia
- Hardback, 128 pages

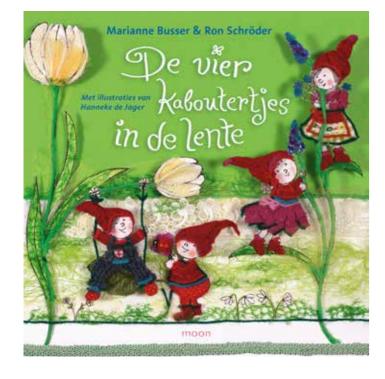






















The Four Little Gnomes Series

Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder



Learn about all seasons with the lovely little gnomes

The four little gnomes love all the seasons! The whole year round, they help out the forest animals that are in need. Would you like to go on an adventure with them?

Discover the four different seasons with the four little gnomes and their forest friends in the sweet and funny verses of this heartwarming read out loud books.

- Cheerful verses
- Sweet and colourful illustrations by Hanneke de Jager, in cut-and-pastestyle (collage)
- Perfect for the holiday season
- Hardback, 32 pages







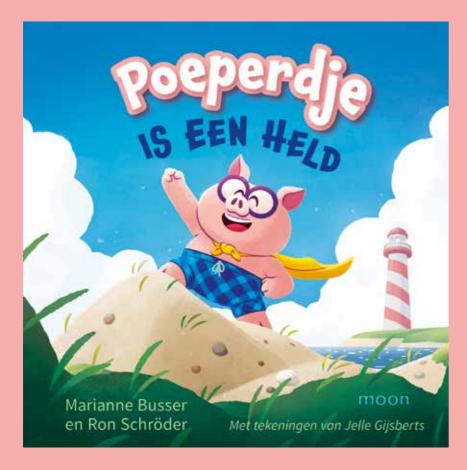
Little Pooper is a Hero

Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

A lovely new character that will steal your heart

Little Pooper and his dad go to the beach, which is super lovely! There's swimming, playing around, and they even build a sand castle. But then little Pooper sees a girl near the water, and she's crying. What's the matter? Maybe little Pooper can help the little girl?

- The first book in a new Busser & Schröder series
- · With cute, colourful illustrations by Jelle Gijsberts
- · A story told in rhyme for the littlest ones
- · Hardback, 24 pages



The Verse Tree

Marianne Busser & Ron Schröder

A verse a day keeps the doctor away!

This book is filled with extraordinary, humourous verses and stunning, colourful illustrations, which you can enjoy for a very long time!

- Funny, ridiculous and crazy rhymes
- Joyous and colourful illustrations by Charlotte Bruijn
- A different world on each page
- Hardback, 32 pages







Cat and Fish

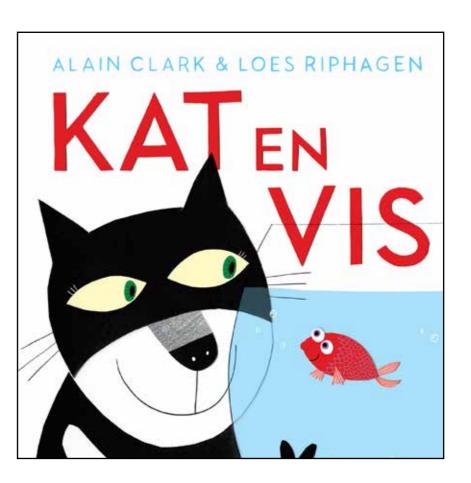
Alain Clark

Funny short stories, splendidly illustrated by Loes Riphagen.

Cat and Fish are living together in a house. Fish lives in his bowl on the side table by the window, and Cat mostly sleeps in the corner of the room. Fish is curious and asks Cat many questions about the world outside his bowl. Together they fantasize about getting famous, flying to the moon and so much more...

- Two lovable characters
- Relatable sketches for young and old alike
- With lovely illustrations by internationally successful illustrator Loes Riphagen
- Singer Alain Clark has fans all over the world
- English sample translation available
- Hardback, 48 pages







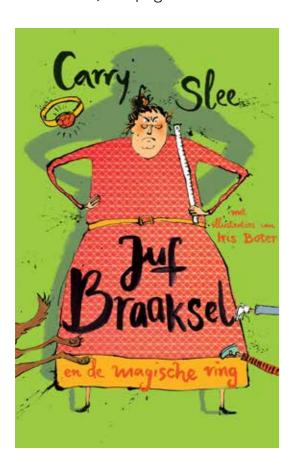


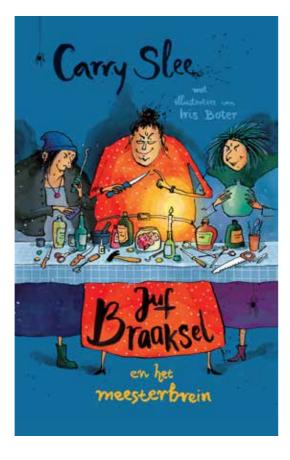
Miss Awful Series

Miss Awful makes life at school a living hell... Will the children find a way to get rid of her?

Lotte and Thijs attend a great school and have a very friendly teacher, Miss Evi. But then the scary Miss Averill becomes school director and everything changes: no birthday parties, no animals (not even on World Animal Day!) and no school trips. The class gives her a nickname: Miss Awful. They have to devise a plan to get rid of her! But that's not all: Lotte also has a problem of her own that has to be solved. Maybe Miss Evi's magic ring can help with that?

- A pleasing, very accessible story with an edge
- Winner of the Dutch Children's Jury Award
- With cheerful black and white illustrations by Iris Boter
- English sample translation available
- Hardback, 160 pages





Carry Slee

Miss Awful has unjustly been elected as the sweetest teacher of the province, but 6th grade is anything but happy about it! Lotte and Thijs are determined to compose a plan to drive Miss Awful away from the school. Unfortunately, it's not quite that simple. Their hope is revived when a new boy joins their class: Lucas is only 7 years old, but he is super smart. Maybe he can help create a new masterplan? But then they realise Miss Awful has different plans for Lucas, and they have to find a way to save him. Fingers crossed!

Carry Slee, born in 1949, lives in Bergen. She published her first story in a kids magazine in 1988 and published her first book a year later. Since then Carry Slee has been one of the biggest children's book authors in the Netherlands and she has published over a hundred books and has sold over 5 million copies of these books. She focusses on realistic YA and children's books, won a lot of prices and seven of her books were turned into movies.



The Scariest Series Ever







Tjerk Noordraven

Gruesome and great children's horror series do you dare to read it?

Zombies, a hellhound and bloodthirsty vampires... This is The Scariest series ever, a heart-stopping horror series for readers in the age of 9 to 12 years.

- Horror series for young readers
- · Young, talented author
- More titles coming soon!
- Easy to read
- Creepy black and white illustrations





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The Book of Wonderous Creatures That Really Exist



Tjerk Noordraver

Immerse yourself in the fantastical and thrilling world Tjerk Noordraven has created

Have you heard of the ahuizotl, the Erymanthisch pig, and the falajitax? Tjerk Noordraven will tell you all about them, and many more wonderous creatures, in this fabulous monster handbook. For instance, did you know that you can place a feather of an alicorn's wing below your pillow to ward off nightmares? And that it is very dangerous to walk between the rice fields in the Japanese countryside after sunset? The gashadokuro, a skeleton that's alive, will be lurking around ...

- By the author of The scariest series ever, which sold nearly 20,000 copies.
- · With gorgeous, detailed pen drawings by Madeleine Kuijper.
- Collector's edition: a must-have for anyone who is interested in monsters and other wonderous creatures.





Operation: Kidnap Granny

Lysette van Geel

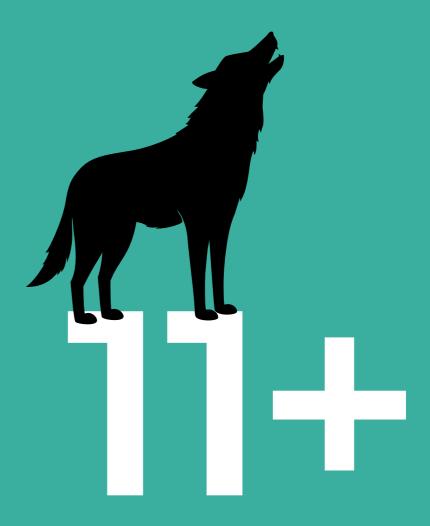
A hilarious, relatable and heartwarming story about a granddaughter who kidnaps her cool granny

Amare loves her grandmother. She helps her granny a lot, because granny's eyesight is getting worse and she keeps forgetting things. Amare's parents want to send granny to a nursing home, but granny HATES nursing homes! Amare comes to the rescue. She kidnaps her granny from the hospital and brings her to her parents' attic, so she herself can support granny. But what is she supposed to do when her parents (and the police!) start looking for granny? Amare has to pull out all the stops to keep their secret safe.

- With hilarious childlike comics by Karst-Janneke Rogaar
- · Illustrations in black and white
- Hardback, 208 pages



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Barbara Jurgens

The Wolf Tamer Series

A gorgeous, original children's novel, written by a successful playwright

The Wolf Tamer

Runa, her mother, and her sister Isa are staying with their grandma in an Italian mountain village, when one day Isa doesn't come home from het skiing trip. The police doesn't seem to do much about it, so Runa starts investigating on her own. A lot of villagers suspect the wolves from the surrounding mountains are behind Isa's disappearance, but Runa is convinced something else is up. It even seems like the wolves are trying to tell her something. Could it be that they know more about Isa's disappearance?

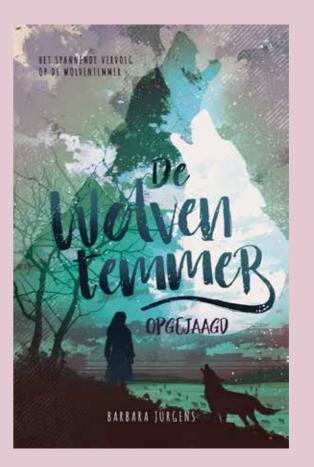
- Michelle Paver and Jodi Picoult fans will absolutely love this series!
- Original page turner, full of suspense, mystery and romance
- English sample translation available
- Hardback, 176 pages

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The Wolf Tamer 2 - The Hunt

It's Runa's duty, as tamer of wolves, to escort the endangered wolves from Italy to a safe location. She crosses the Alps northward with hybrid Rocco – who is part wolf, part human – and 49 wolves, while being hunted by Child Protective Services, the police, and journalists. As cherry on top, it turns out that Runa's biggest enemy and the wolf hunter, Giacomo, has escaped prison. Runa decides to take a hazardous alternative route, with the help of 11-year-old shepherd Vito, who Runa met in the mountains. Will she make it?

- A thrilling, magical, yet realistic, adventure
- The story continues in this second part of the series
- From the screenwriter of the successful Dutch TV Show *Keyzer & de Boer* and the film *Vechtmeisje*
- Hardback, 192 pages



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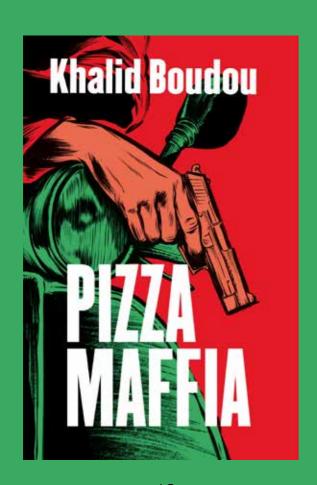


Pizza Mafia Series Khalid Boudou These are the books that keep

Pizza mafia

Brahim works in his dad's pizzeria, together with his cousin Haas. Since Brahims dad is ill, the pizzeria had been under the management of Brahim's favourite uncle, Faris. However, Brahim has to take charge of the restaurant when uncle Faris and Haas leave the pizzeria after an argument. In the meantime, uncle Faris and Haas have started their own pizzeria. This is the start of a pizza-war, fought with the craziest means available. Brahim gets involved in a fierce battle between both families. Even his girlfriend, Alice, fades into the background. Where does this nasty game end?

- Pizza mafia is very popular among Dutch high schoolers
- Pizza mafia won the debut prize for YA books in 2009
- With a brand new cover design
- · Will be published alongside the long-awaited Pizza mafia sequel!



Dutch young adults reading!

Pizza mafia strikes again

Five years have passed since the pizza-war in Pizza mafia and Haas is now running the successful pizzeria Melodia himself. He's leading a rather quiet life. Fortunately, Haas' new super-intern Hero - a proud high school student, nitrous oxide junkie, and the best worst rapper ever - spices things up. Melodia is turned upside down when they receive a frantic phone call from one of their friends, refugee Ziad, who is being chased by an angry mob that says he's an assailant. When the team decides to protect Ziad, the pizza-crew fears it might be their downfall. But is Ziad as innocent as he claims to be?

- Khalid Boudou's comeback: the sequel to the successful Pizza mafia, which was also turned into a feature film
- Accessible, humourous writing style, and filled with slang
- A socially involved story, with contemporary themes such as the reception of refugees, racism, and the downsides of social media







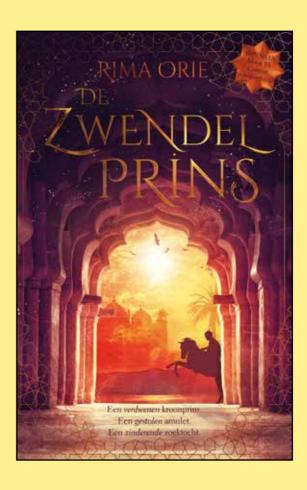
The Prince of Thieves

Rima Orie

Magical, mysterious and adventurous Young Adult fantasy

Simran works in the kitchen of the fairytale-like palace of the maharaja of the kingdom Surya. For as long as she can remember, she has dreamed about a life outside of the palace, but she has resigned herself to the fact that being a kitchen aid is her destiny. Until one day Simrans dreams come true and she is forced to go on an adventurous journey with a mysterious prince and his crew, through multiple kingdoms – to look for a magical amulet that can save a long lost prince.

- Vivid Middle Eastern fantasy world
- A magical, mysterious, and adventurous YA-fantasy by Moon YA Contest winner Rima Orie
- Contains beautiful black and white illustrations made by the author herself
- English sample translation first chapter available
- Hardback, 400 pages







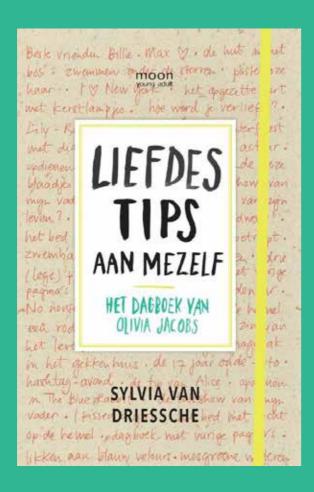
Love Tips to Myself

Sylvia Van Driessche

A laugh-out-loud, very relatable novel for YA's, with useful love tips

Olivia is forced to move in with her father (a well-known tv-host) who lives in a villa with her stepmother and stepsister, but she doesn't fancy her new, stuck-up family members. Together with her BFF, Billie, she tries to get closer to her crush, Max, but this leads to a series of blunders. Olivia then decides she wants to learn all about the inner workings of love and she writes down her love tips in her diary, until she meets someone who does not believe in any of these tips.

- Funny, personal diary by blundering 17-year old Olivia
- The YA-answer to Bridget Jones's Diary
- A blend of fiction and actual love tips
- Paperback, 304 pages



The Scent of Green

Pamela Sharon

Does the world have any color when you can't see?

Raven (16) is an ordinary girl. She likes to read and is very fond of her best friend May-Lin. The only aspect in which her life differs from most teenagers is that she is blind. Fortunately, May-Lin tells her what colours smell and feel like. She thus creates a world for them together. But then, something happens that turns Ravens life upside down and makes all colours disappear. In a world that has not only lost its colour but also lost its shine, Raven must find her own way.

- Contemporary YA
- Unique perspective: a blind girl
- A special and captivating story with a lot of emotion: original, beautifully written, deeply moving
- Paperback, 208 pages



Non-fiction



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Dare to Write!

Carry Slee

A writing guide filled with tips & tricks by one of the most famous writers in the Netherlands

"Carry, I want to be a writer, can you help me out?" Carry Slee gets this question very often. Now she gives all the answers: in Dare to Write! she shares all her writing secrets with you. How do you get inspired? How do you ensure that your story has a catchy start and that your characters come to life? And how can you make the plot of your book so exciting, moving or interesting, so that no one can put it down?

Carry guides you through the writing process with appealing assignments and funny anecdotes about her own writing experiences. In an accessible style, she shows you that nothing is as wonderful as writing. So get started, dare to write!

- For teenagers and adults
- An accessible and complete guide for aspiring authors
- With funny cartoons by Aimée de Jongh
- Paperback, 176 pages





Puberty Guide for Girls

Chariva

The book every 10 year old girl needs to have!

A book about the female body and everything else girls from the age of 10 upwards want to know. Olivia, the guide and 'big sister' in the book, accompanies the reader. From greasy hair to the do's and don'ts of shaving your legs, from hormones going crazy in your body to a balanced diet: this book has it all. A must-read for every girl!

- A reference book for every girl age 10 and up
- Beautifully illustrated with practical tips and need-to-knows by Studiosilvana
- Proof-read by professionals (doctors and psychologists)
- Softback, 128 pages

