## FICTION BOOKS CHILDREN SPRING 2017



### **ALBATROS MEDIA**

#### **ABOUT US**

#### ALBATROS MEDIA A. S.

The flagship Albatros imprint, established in 1949, has played an essential part in the history of Czech literature for children. In 1964 it was one of the seven co-founders of the Bologna Children's Book Fair. Since 2010, the Albatros Media corporation has been the largest publishing house in the Czech Republic; with a combined production of up to 1,400 titles a year, it has been expanding rapidly in the Slovak Republic, too. Today Albatros Media a.s. is the largest Czech publishing group, with a portfolio of 15 imprints covering every target group, from children to senior citizens. These imprints are: Albatros, B4U Publishing, CooBoo, Plus, Motto, XYZ, Edika, BizBooks, Cpress, Computer Press, Management Press, Fragment, Egmont Czech Republic, Czech TV Edition and Kniha Zlín.

We offer a wide range of children's books for all international markets. The many leading world publishing houses with our work on their lists include Sterling Publishing Co. or Quarto Publishing Group, (USA), Prisma Media (France), De Agostini or Il Castello Group (Italy), Ravensburger (Germany), Clever Media (Russia) or Penguin Random House Grupo Editorial (Spain).

We have received a number of nominations in the Magnesia Litera Czech National book awards and won several Zlatá stuha (Golden Ribbon) prizes for our original titles for children.

#### **COMPANY MISSION**

We open up worlds of stories and knowledge. Our books in all their forms enrich the lives of both children and adults. We contribute to the development of individuals, culture and society as a whole.

#### **COMPANY VALUES**

- · a passion for books
- products that enrich people's lives
- responsibility for the spread of moral values, education, personal development
- a creative environment and motivating conditions for employees
- fairness and an ethical approach to everything we do

### ALBATROS MEDIA

presents



### Little Stories for Little Readers



**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 235×210 mm, 32 pages,

hardbinding



### LITTLE STORIES FOR LITTLE READERS Teaching Eddie to Fly







### LITTLE STORIES FOR LITTLE READERS Why Won't You Flower

**SOLD:** Armenian, Complex Chinese, Estonian, German, Italian, Korean, Russian, Simplified Chinese, Swedish ILLUSTRATED AND WRITTEN BY KATARÍNA MACUROVÁ

Ernest the bear has a new friend called Eddie. Eddie is a bird, but he doesn't ever fly. He goes everywhere on foot. "Why don't you fly?" Ernest asks his friend. "Because nobody has taught me how," replies Eddie. So Ernest the bear decides to teach Eddie how to fly. Will he be able to do it?



'How lovely it is!' rejoiced the bear, on discovering a strange plant in his garden. Every day he watered it and shielded it from the sun with a parasol, and he never forgot to say goodnight to it before bed-time. But the plant didn't react. 'Why won't you flower?' brooded the little gardener. But little did he know what was going on underground!



#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 235×210mm, 32 pages, hardbinding



LITTLE STORIES FOR LITTLE READERS

**Right Ball?** 

is too light, the second too heavy. The third is too small, the fourth too large. The fifth one is hot, and the sixth – ow, it prickles! Why don't you help Teddy find the right ball?



Teddy is looking for the right ball to play with. Which one should he choose? He tries all kinds. The first one



**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 205×210 mm, 32 pages,



LITTLE STORIES FOR LITTLE READERS



Lily is sad because she doesn't have anyone to play with. But one day she receives an unexpected parcel. The package is enormous, covered with stickers in foreign languages, and it contains Momo. What's Momo? And where has it come from? Lily has never seen anything like it before. "Come on, Momo," she says, "let's play." And so their great adventure begins...



### **My Animals**

suitable for age 0-2

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 200×200mm, 6 spreads + cover + cloth spine



MY ANIMALS **Domestic Animals** sold: Russian, Simplified Chinese, Japanese



MY ANIMALS Wild Animals sold: Russian, Simplified Chinese, Japanese

#### ILLUSTRATED BY MIRKO HANÁK

Charming portraits of animals in natural poses that highlight their characteristics. Two board books brings back the beautiful illustrations of the most acclaimed Czech illustrator of books about nature, Mirko Hanák (1921–1971), which originally came out in 1966–1971. In the following decades these illustrations were republished in France, Germany, and Japan, accompanied by texts written by famous local authors.



### **Poetic Vintage Tales**

suitable for age **3–5** 

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**



POETIC VINTAGE TALES The Little Girl and the Rain

sold: Korean, Simplified Chinese



The Stork



POETIC VINTAGE TALES Little Joseph and Fish

#### ILLUSTRATED BY JAN KUDLÁČEK WRITTEN BY MILENA LUKEŠOVÁ

Mood story about the rain enchantingly illustrated in beautiful color. The Little Girl walks in the street alone, until Plick! It begins to rain. Quickly, she runs inside to keep from getting wet. The rain misses her company, and begins to search for her. When the little girl reappears, dressed in boots and

a slicker, she and the rain are playfully united. The book was published for the first time in 1974 and it was translated into English, French, German, Hungarian, Japanese, Polish, Swedish, Norwegian, Spanish and other languages.

AWARDS Grand Prix de Treize 1976 IBBY honour list 1978



POETIC VINTAGE TALES Jacob and the Indian Summer



The White Winter



### Little Mole

The idea for Mole's creation came when Zdeněk Miler was commissioned to make an educational film for children about a production of fabric in 1956. Influenced by the films of Walt Disney, he looked for an animal as the main character. Later, he said that the idea to use the mole as his main character came to him when he stumbled over a mole-hill whilst on a walk. The first film was "How the Mole got his Trousers" won a Silver Lion in Venice in 1957.

- Timeless character continuous success since 1957
- Numerous merchandising products World popularity the cartoon has been seen in over 80 countries, the books have been published in **27 languages, over 6 million copies sold**
- Conquest of space plush toy joint astronauts aboard NASA's shuttle

#### LANGUAGES IN WHICH SERIES HAS BEEN PUBLISHED:

Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English (for Czech territory only), Estonian, Finnish, French, Galician, German, Hungarian, Japanese, Latvian, Lithuanian, Norwegian, Polish, Russian, Simplified Chinese, Serbian, Slovak, Slovene, Sorbian, Spanish, Swedish, Vietnamese, Ukraine

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 160 × 200 mm, case cover + 5 spreads

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How Little Mole Got His Trousers ILLUSTRATED BY ZDENĚK MILER WRITTEN BY EDUARD PETIŠKA

This legendary story, loved by generations of children, marks the beginning of the dizzying career of the little animated mole and his friends. Little Mole has lots of things, but he doesn't know where to put them. What he needs is a pair of sky-blue trousers with pockets. But how can he get them? Well, having figured out the answer, this curious little creature sets about making his own. He grows flax, picks it, dries it, makes it into fibre, weaves linen from the fibre, and from the linen cuts and sews the trousers he longs for. Luckily he has many friends in the meadow who

are more than happy to help him. How Little Mole Got His Trousers has delighted children for many years, and it's safe to say that your young reader will love it too.

The film won SILVER LION IN VENICE

SUITABLE FOR

age 3-5

BOOK PARAMETERS: Size 195×255mm, 36–88 pages, hardbinding





Little Mole and His Little Car



Little Mole and Eagle



Little Mole and Umbrella





LITTLE MOLE SERIES Little Mole and Mother



How Little Mole Cured Little Mouse



LITTLE MOLE SERIES Little Mole and Green Star



Little Mole in the City



Little Mole and Christmas



Little Mole and Snowman



LITTLE MOLE SERIES Little Mole and Spaceship



Little Mole series Little Mole and Little Fish

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#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 150×150 mm, 5 spreads + cover, board book



LITTLE MOLE BOARD BOOK Little Mole in Spring



LITTLE MOLE BOARD BOOK Little Mole in Summer



LITTLE MOLE BOARD BOOK



LITTLE MOLE BOARD BOOK Little Mole in Winter



little mole board book
Little Mole's Week



Little Mole found Little Finch crying – an absolute mess. "Little Mole, I'm so lost, I fell out of my nest."

ILLUSTRATED BY ZDENĚK MILER AND KATEŘINA MILER

When Mole first looks out of his underground room

finally come. Mole is glad to have gone through the winter well and looks forward to the spring sun. But

after a long winter, he can see that the spring has

WRITTEN BY HANA DOSKOČILOVÁ, MICHAL ČERNÍK,

**KATEŘINA MILER** 

how are all his friends doing?

Little Mole poked his head out. It was clear, Spring had arrived, just like last year.

> LITTLE MOLE BOARD BOOK Little Mole and Little Fish

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 160×200mm, case cover + 5 spreads



My First Herbarium

#### ILLUSTRATED BY ZDENĚK MILER WRITTEN BY MARKÉTA GLOZAROVÁ

White petals and a yellow centre – this is how a lot of flowers blooming in fields, on meadows or along roads look like. But which one of them is a camomile and which one is a daisy? Can you tell them apart? Let's discover and learn the beauties of meadows with Little Mole's Herbarium! The legendary character, popular with both kids and adults, made by the world-famous illustrator Zdeněk Miler, will let you get familiar with six flowers. On the left sides in the herbarium, you will find pictures of flowers and useful information about them while the right sides of the herbarium with a frame are here for you to stick your own flowers there.



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### **Max and Sally**

SUITABLE FOR age 6-8

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 235 × 235 mm, 152 pages, hardbinding



MAX AND SALLY Max and Sally at School

sold: Simplified Chinese, Russian, Hungarian, Vietnamese



MAX AND SALLY Max and Sally out of School

sold: Simplified Chinese, Russian, Hungarian, Vietnamese



MAX AND SALLY Max and Sally on a Trip



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sold: Simplified Chinese, Hungarian

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sold: Simplified Chinese, Hungarian,

ILLUSTRATED BY ADOLF BORN WRITTEN BY MILOŠ MACOUREK

Max and Sally have found a magic telephone receiver that can fulfil every wish. No wonder they experience strange things with it: they turn their dog friend Jonathan into a boy who comes along with them to school; they travel to the Ice Age; they enter the micro-world of germs and many other amazing things.

SELECTED IN 1001 CHILDREN'S BOOKS YOU MUST READ BEFORE YOU GROW UP (UNIVERSE 2009) a guide to the best classic and contemporary children's literature.



# Mach a Šebestová

MAX AND SALLY Max and Sally in the Past

**SOLD:** Simplified Chinese

### **Little Ape Sophie**

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 235 × 235 mm, 112 pages, hardcover



Sophie



**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 235 × 235 mm, 152 pages, hardcover



LITTLE APE SOPHIE **Sophie Runs** the Zoo

#### **ILLUSTRATED BY ADOLF BORN** WRITTEN BY MILOŠ MACOUREK

Humorous story about the adventures of a girl orangutan who thinks up all kinds of entertainment for the animals in the zoo. Sophie saves Mr Leopard, helps Mr Walrus as he departs for the North,

and puts on a masquerade ball and a sports day. She even makes progress in moral education. Sophie is simply priceless, as the zoo's director has to admit.

Let's have fun with the CRAZY LITTLE APE!

SUITABLE FOR

age 6-8

dpoledne, když už isou návštěvníci pryd ednou odpoledne, kdyż uż jsou navstevnie pryc skonči telovýchowná pithodnika, sejdou se členow auty v prázdné kleci po panu Pásovci a hned se zač iomlouvat o tom, co se dnes podnikne. Istanda Klokan navrhne, aby se rozdělili na družstva zahráli si na zloděje a policajty. Karolina Myšová zahráli si na zloděje a policajty. Karolina Myšová uspořádala slavnostní představení Kna pitomost, że by bylo lej y, za což se ji Emil Tučňák ajímavější ale Bořivo n a tukat si na čelo, až se me slova Žofka a navrhne, aby mezi sebou kuličkový turnaj, načež řekne Květoslav Sl

ně, to je ono! , protože každý nějakou tu kuličku má, udělá se 

More fun stories with Sophie the enterprising orangutan and her friends. This time she succeeds in tracking down a thief and teaching some lion cubs how to behave. She also brings a baby yeti to the zoo and turns down a tempting proposal of marriage. There's another offer she does accept, though - to become



director of the zoo!

### Harvie

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 216 × 276 mm, 64 pages,

hardbinding



### Harvie and the Magic Museum

Go through the adventure with HARVIE!

> **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 120×180 mm, 64 pages, hardbinding



Harvie Harvie and the Magic Museum (My First Reading)

### suitable for age **9–12**

What awaits Harvie is an adventure he could never have dreamed of. A very old puppet museum is under threat of demolition, a fact which Harvie refuses to accept. One day he breaks into the museum. In the basement he finds a magic disc that can bring to life all the puppets stored here. But the wicked Lord of the Puppets is keen to acquire the museum for himself, and so take over the whole town. Will Harvie get the better of the Lord of the Puppets? He will be supported in his struggle by his daddy, fox terrier Jerry and super-bright friend Monica. Jesper

Møller, the author of the story and one of the team of directors of the film of the same name, has been nominated for a European Union award for best director of animated films.

Harvie has been a hit with Czech children for generations. A ten-year-old boy with a sharp tongue, a mop of blond hair and sticking-out ears, he is known to be a good-hearted scallywag with a fine excuse for everything. What awaits him this time is an adventure

he could never have dreamed of. Now he will need to

This book is suitable for reading out-loud as well as for

prove that he has guts, as well as the gift of the gab.

beginning readers.

As seen in the **MOVIE** of the same name. **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 216×276 mm, 48 pages, hardcover



Harvie's Wish



HARVIE Harvie's Little Heaven WRITTEN BY DENISA KIRSCHNEROVÁ



Harvie's Trip to Tramtaria WRITTEN BY DENISA KIRSCHNEROVÁ, MARTIN KLÁSEK

### WRITTEN BY MARTIN KLÁSEK, ONDŘEJ LÁŽNOVSKÝ

Harvie doesn't enjoy being a little boy. He has to go to school and do as Daddikins tells him, and he's not allowed to go to the pictures to see his favourite film star. He's had enough of being a kid – he wants to be a grown-up! Only the magic hurdy-gurdy player can make this wish come true. Will Harvie be as happy in a grown-up's body as he expects to be?

Harvie has entertained Czech children and their parents already since 1926. Already the 4th generation is following his adventures and jokes. Harvie is accompanied by his daddy, faithful dog, friend and her grandma. Harvie is a typical little joker and rascal. But still has a good heart.



HARVIE Harvie in Donkeytown WRITTEN BY MILOŠ KIRSCHNER



CZECH PUPPET ICON

**Daddkins Tells a Fib** written by helena štáchová, miloš kirschner, miki kirschner

### Czech Goodnight Heroes

suitable for age 3-5

### **The Paper Dragon**

suitable for age 6-8

#### BOOK PARAMETERS: Size 165×235mm, 96 pages, hardcover



CZECH GOODNIGHT HEROES Gravelpebble and Agary sold: Polish, Hungarian, Russian,

Ukrainian

### BOOK PARAMETERS: Size 165 × 235 mm, 56 pages, hardcover



czech goodNight Heroes **Stepladder and Spaghetti** sold: Russian, Ukrainian

### ILLUSTRATED BY ZDENĚK SMETANA WRITTEN BY VÁCLAV ČTVRTEK

Two little guys from a house made of a stub: one is rather skinny, while the other is quite fat but they complement each other perfectly. They love their common household and they have time for a lot of amusing and useful activities. Who is the best at planting a seed, at making a swing, at shooting a big gun or greeting a little mouse, or setting alight a "flaming goblin"? Who? Gravelpebble and Agary!



ILLUSTRATED BY ZDENĚK SMETANA WRITTEN BY JIŘÍ MUNK, ALENA MUNKOVÁ

Children love to read about the doggy adventures of Stepladder and Spaghetti, and they delight in Zdeněk Smetana's splendid illustrations. Go out into the world with the doggy rascals and share in their fun-packed adventures as they learn all kinds of lessons. This lavishly illustrated book is intended to be read aloud. It is suitable for beginning readers, too.





BOOK PARAMETERS: Size 195×255mm, 32 pages, hardbinding



### ILLUSTRATED BY ZDENĚK K.SLABÝ WRITTEN BY VÁCLAV SIVKO

Albatros originally intended to publish this book in 1968. The illustrations were ready, the text had been sent to the printers – but the book never got as far as the reader. Perhaps you will understand why when you reach the point in the story where soldiers shoot at the museum. Such military adventures are not out of place in a bedtime story, of course. But just as the book was about to appear, soldiers really did shoot at a museum – foreign soldiers, who had entered Prague in tanks. It was as though the author had known what was going to happen and the manuscript was returned to him.

### **Zoo Post Office**

### suitable for age 6–8

### BOOK PARAMETERS:

Size 163×238mm, 104 pages, hardcover



#### ILLUSTRATED AND WRITTEN BY ONDŘEJ SEKORA

It may sound strange, but the animals at the zoo have their own post office. Of course they do – they want to know how their relatives in the wild are getting on. The main postie, a pigeon, brings letters from the tigers in the jungle, the hippos in the swamp and the acefootballer ostriches. Post is sent from the zoo to the lions, giraffes and zebras of Africa, the kangaroos and fruit bats of faraway Australia, and the anteaters and pumas of America.



### The Whistling Cornet



The Whistling Cornet, a book full of stories and fables

for the youngest of children, will entertain and warm

the hearts of the whole family. Read about two little

boars who scare themselves, how the lion cub couldn't

sleep, why the bear chased an echo through the forest,

and how a snake can become a little train. You can find

these and many other cheerful tales in beloved author

publishing with Miloslav Jágr's breathtaking original

illustrations. Pick up this remarkable book and read

Jiří Kahoun's 1984 literary debut, which we are

them to your children right away.

vypadá kornoi

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ILLUSTRATED BY MIROSLAV JÁGR

WRITTEN BY JIŘÍ KAHOUN

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 160×195 mm, 76 pages,

hardcover



soup: French

Book

**FULL OF** 

**STORIES** 

and fables that

will warm

vour heart



Pískací kornoutek

Jednou přišel kosík ze školky a povídá: "Tatí, u nás je kluk menší než já, a už umí pískat." "A kruciš," řekl táta kos, "to je nadělení." o," povídá kluk, "a píská jen tak na zobáček a vůbec ne

> ískací kornoutek?" zeptal se táta. A stočil zobák ı a zapískal: ol la si do, do si la sol fa mi re do." šel všelijak křivit zobáček. Ale kornout ne



"A foukej, foukej!" pobízel ho táta. A kosík foukal, až se mu

"Nejde mi to," povídá smutně kosík. "A vůbec nevím, jak

"No takhle," řekl táta kos a udělal zobák do kornoutku "A stejně to nevím a nevímí" dupal nožkou kosík. "A stejně to nevím a nevímí" dupal nožkou kosík. "Poleť za mnou," řekl táta kos. A letěli a letěli, až přiletěli

k cukrárně. Táta koupil kosíkovi červenou zmrzlinu v kor "Jo, takhle vypadá kornout," povídá kosík a lízal zmrzli-nu. Když ji vylízal, stočil zobáček do kornoutku a zapískal.

dělala v puse jablíčka. Ale pískání se neozývalo.

Krásně. Jako ten kluk ve školce. A možná ještě líp

### What Were the **Squirrels Excited About?**

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 205 × 290 mm, 72 pages, hardcover



**ILLUSTRATED BY BARBORA BUCHALOVÁ** WRITTEN BY IINDŘICH BALÍK

What were the squirrels excited about? Why shouldn't the bear sell its own coat? What prevents a cat from wearing a hat? Why were the scales unable to weigh the butterfly? These tales are amusing, thrilling, informative, beautifully written and exactly the right length, so pleasing younger and older readers alike. And thanks to Bára Buchalová's fun illustrations, the book will look smart in any child's bookcase. Eleven fun tales you'll return to again and again!



### **How the Elves** and the Children **Protected the Wood**

SUITABLE FOR

age 6-8

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 163×238mm, 176 pages, hardcover



**ILLUSTRATED BY ANDREA POPPROVÁ** WRITTEN BY RADOMÍR SOCHA

Until recently, everyone lived well in the elves' wood. People liked to walk and forage for mushrooms there. But then some uninvited guests came to this quiet place, and they wrecked whatever they could. The poor creatures who lived there didn't know what to do. So the woodland prince sent them to Flameheart the elf and Spellicia the mushroom fairy. They would know what to do with the rogues!

SUITABLE FOR age 3-5



### **This Will Make Your Jaw Drop!**

SUITABLE FOR age **3-5** 

### **Naughty Kids**

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 167 × 225 mm, 72 pages,

hardcover



**ILLUSTRATED VENDULA HEGEROVÁ** WRITTEN ROMANA SUCHÁ



This appealing, humorous interactive story about Johnny and his sister Hannah will delight fans of Goscinny's Little Nicholas and many other readers besides. What happens after little Johnny's unsuccessful magic show, and what trouble awaits Hannah, who is doing housework in an attempt to earn the guinea pig she longs for? The heart-warming story is supplemented with simple tasks that help child readers appreciate the world around them, acquire various knowledge and skills, and develop their logical thinking and reasoning.



Vzaly jsme Ferdu a začaly jsme ho soukat o v zaty jshife retuu a zavaty jshife no soukan se mu to asi nelibilo. Celý se nahrbil a najé iní přezku, položily jsme Ferdika do trávy Nikolka držela druhý konec voditka a obě jsme kaly, co Ferda na to. Ten však nějakou dobu vůbec nereagoval. naty, su retua na tu, seu vsak nejanou suou vuoe, necessorrat. Stál v trávě jako opařený. Nejspiš trucoval, Rikaly jsme si, jestli suai v trave 19400 opareny, rvepiptis tructorat, ranany pane su, penn jsme mu ty popruhy moc neutähly. Ale než jsme to stihly zkontpane nu vý popraný nave neurony, sne neo pone se anny osaní rolovat, Ferda změnil polohu. Protáhl se a už byl v tahu. Vodříko zústalo ležet jen tak v trávě a Ferda si vesele pobihal kolem.



**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 160 × 195 mm, 80 pages, hardcover



**The Naughty Girls** 

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

hardcover

Size 160×195mm, 72 pages,

**The Little Roques** 

NAUGHTY KIDS

hardcover

**Naughty Little** Monsters

Size 160 × 195 mm, 96 pages,

BOOK PARAMETERS:

ILLUSTRATED BY MARKÉTA VYDROVÁ WRITTEN BY MARTINA DRIJVEROVÁ

Once upon a time there were some little girls who were really, really naughty. One was forever claiming she was about to be bitten, one refused to wash, one kept pointing at people rudely, while others were forever wandering off, worrying or making an awful mess. And they weren't the only ones! Their parents just didn't know what to do with them. Everyone gets their comeuppance in the end, though, don't they? And the comeuppance of these little girls? Well, read for yourself that naughtiness really doesn't pay!

The hero of each short tale in this book is a little boy who behaves badly. The boys' roguishness includes thinking up very tall tales, climbing to great heights, having no manners, nibbling on pencils and incessant chewing. These humorous, imaginative, slightly scary stories will delight and entertain young readers.

HUMOROUS scary stories *about naughty* LITTLE BOYS

SUITABLE FOR

age 6-8

Humorous, scary stories about naughty little boys.

NAUGHTYKID **Roquish Little** Terrors **BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 160×195mm, 88 pages, hardcover



### Annie

Stories about Annie have become immensely popular with Czech children – they have sold in total over 200,000 copies. Annie's latest adventure is her tenth. These stories are also published as successful audiobooks.

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 145×205 mm, 120 pages, hardcover



**Annie and Her** Friends



**ILLUSTRATED BY EVA MASTNÍKOVÁ** 

WRITTEN BY IVANA PEROUTKOVÁ

Annie's parents have gone to work in Africa for a year, so Annie has moved to her grandma's place. She is about to attend the second year of primary school in a picturesque village. Although Annie knows the place well, she's a little worried at first. What will her new class be like? Will she make friends? What else lies ahead for her?

But she makes friends with two classmates straight away, and her worries are forgotten. Before long, Annie is sharing the adventures, joys and sorrows that only friendship among three girls can provide. A book for little girls about what they go through and what they like to whisper about.







ANNIF Annie and the Circus **BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 145 × 205 mm, 136 pages, hardcover



Annie in the Mountains **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145 × 205 mm, 124 pages, hardcover



ANNIF Annie in Australia **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145×205mm, 136 pages, hardcover



Annie and the Theatre BOOK PARAMETERS: Size 145 × 205 mm, 128 pages, hardcover



Annie and Easter BOOK PARAMETERS: Size 145 × 205 mm, 128 pages, hardcover



Annie in the Garden **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145 × 205 mm, 136 pages,

hardcover



Annie at the Seaside **BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 145 × 205 mm, 116 pages, hardcover



Annie in the City **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145 × 205 mm, 120 pages, hardcover



Annie on the River **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145×205mm, 136 pages, hardcover

### The Shadow's Boy

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 195 × 255 mm, 48 pages, hardcover



ILLUSTRATED BY KATARINA GASKO WRITTEN BY LENKA KRBCOVÁ

A picture book about a shadow that no longer wants to do whatever the person he belongs to does. There are times when we all have to do things we don't want to do – wash the dishes, eat broccoli, finish math homework. Now think about what it must be like for a shadow that has to do everything the boy he belongs to does. One day, however, the boy loses his shadow; now he finally has some freedom. He can go to the movies, ride a bike, cheer on a football team. But soon it discovers that it's sad to be on your own - especially when you're afraid of people. Will the shadow return to the boy or will he make some friends of his own?



**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 210×235 mm, 56 pages, hardcover



**ILLUSTRATED BY MARTINA MATLAVIČOVÁ** WRITTEN BY ESTER STARÁ

Uncombed hair, unwashed ears, unwiped noses, unbrushed teeth, untied shoelaces, messy toys, messy eating, tattling-these are things kids don't even want to hear about. But then something unbelievable happens, and the naughty kids better be good quick if they want to be nice happy children again! So read carefully! Ten tales about little things that kids don't mind and parents can't stand.

• Included in WHITE RAVENS • Golden Ribbon Award



A MAY JE TO STALO

Ten tales about little things that kids don't mind and parents can't stand.

ědění, hučení a šumění drou.

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TE STALO









SUITABLE FOR

age 6-8







### Larkfart and Vealfillet

suitable for age 6-8

### ILLUSTRATED BY GALINA MIKLÍNOVÁ WRITTEN BY EVA PAPOUŠKOVÁ



Classmates Larkfart and Vealfillet have ideas as funny as their names, and when they decide to escape from school, the adults can't keep up. The story takes place in preschool, where our hero, the oddly named Larkfart, happens to be trapped against his will, keeping him from what he really wants to do: finish building a model blimp with his dad. His feelings about this are quite obvious as he lies on his back, kicking and screaming. Luckily, Vealfillet-another odd kid with an adequately cute name-shares his attitude. Together they plan to escape, and after a sequence of brief episodes, mostly accidents and a little mischieftypical for their peculiar and wild nature—they finally succeed. The humorous text is complimented by Galina Miklínová's illustrations. A must-read for anybody who would ever like to teach at preschool.

#### BOOK PARAMETERS:

Size 163×238mm, 56 pages, hardcover



sold: Slovene

#### AWARDS

- This book won 1st prize in anonymous ALBATROS LITERARY COMPETITION IN 2012
- SUK (Librarians' award) 2013 winner
- MAGNESIA LITERA Nomination 2013
- GOLDEN RIBBON 2013 winner
- WHITE RAVEN 2014

Řeč dojala nejen paní Telecí, ale i pana Kosprda Pilot přistoupil k Rusalce. Chvíli si šeptali a pak slavnostně řekli: "No tak jo." A Kosprd se rozběhl k Telecí, vzal ji za ruku a vlezil si do indiňského stanu. A tam Kosprd povídá šťastně Telecí: "Až vyrosteme, vezmu si tě za ženu.

A byli rádi, že jsou zase spolu

### Typo and Skin

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 240×320 mm, 120 pages, hardbinding



### ILLUSTRATED BY DANIEL ŠPAČEK WRITTEN BY BARBORA KLÁROVÁ, TOMÁŠ KOČINSKÝ, TYPOGRAPHY PETR ŠTĚPÁN

SUITABLE FOR

age 6-8

Have you noticed how things get older? Of course you have – you can't fail to notice such things. Stop paying attention for a moment and you'll discover that what was shiny and new a while ago is now old and useless. Who's to blame? Well, living somewhere in our midst are little creatures who make all this ageing their business. And a pretty tough job they have too! One day, Typo, who specializes in printing errors in books, learns that when things get spoiled or old, people often aren't too happy about it. So he sets out on a journey of adventure to the Ravages of Time. Will he manage to bring ageing to an end? And what role does the talking dung beetle play in all this?



### Where Anna **Disappeared To**

SUITABLE FOR age 9-12

### **The Clock Master**

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 210×235 mm, 88 pages, hardcover



ILLUSTRATED BY ANETA FRANTIŠKA HOLASOVÁ WRITTEN BY LENKA JURÁČKOVÁ

Thirteen-year-old Adam and his family have recently bought a house, and Adam is helping his dad clean it up. The house is old, needs a lot of repairs, and there is something oddly mysterious about it. The mystery intensifies when Adam finds, in a hiding place behind a cupboard, a strange photograph with a dedication, dated 1946. What follows is a search for the boy in the photo and the girl he fell in love with.



Will the 13-years-old Adam reveal the secret of hidden room and a 1946 picture? This SUSPENSEFUL and **MYSTERIOUS BOOK** promises a breathtaking reading.

#### Zavoněl starý papír, plíseň a suché byliny

"Tady, podívejte," zbystřila. "Rok 1945, osvobození obce... Školní rok 45/46 ten potřebujeme. Události v obci, poslední válečné výstřelv... Oprava školní budo vy, to nás teď nezajímá... Seznam dětí, které ve školním roce docházely do jednotřídky, to je ono," ukazovala příslušné místo v knize Adamovi. Soustředěně si prohlížel úzké nahnuté písmo, tmavě modrý inkoust však po tolika letech výrazně vybledl. Ingeborg Reiner, Anna Görig, Johann Czerny... Stránka byla popsaná vesměs německými imény. Zmateně se podíval na paní Boháčkov



Jak se ten chlanec měl imenovat?" Pochopila, že hoši očekávali snadnější ces tu k rozuzlení jejich tajemného případu "Podle těch rozpitých písmen AEL jsme to tipovali na Pavel..." zaváhal Adam

BOOK PARAMETERS:

Size 163×238mm, 80 pages, hardcover



#### **AWARDS**

- The Clock Master is among **BEST BOOKS FOR CHILDREN** 2013-2014 (list of books recommended by Czech IBBY and Association of Czech **Booksellers and Publishers**) • MAGNESIA LITERA nomination
- GOLDEN RIBBON nomination

**ILLUSTRATED BY JURAJ HORVÁTH** WRITTEN BY VRATISLAV MAŇÁK

Why does the time change every fall? This fantastic story set in the Austro-Hungarian Empire weaves elements of detective fiction and steampunk together to create a riveting alternative history.

The narrative unwinds in the fictional town of Makovín during the turn of the century, La Belle Epoque, the Jugendstil days of the Habsburg Monarchy. An unusual family arrives at the train station - inventor Leoš Šína, his wife Ludovika, and their eight-year-old daughter Lenka. Mr. Šína is there to show the mayor one of his inventions - a portable hotel room. But when Lenka notices that the one hand of the train station clock is gone, replaced with a tiny man, the trip turns into a dramatic quest for the stolen clock-hand. Will the Šínas survive all the mysterious events to uncover the conspiracies emanating from town hall? (Parents will realize that the days of the monarchy are not so different from our world today.) The lush atmosphere of the story is complemented by the blue-and-brown illustrations of artist Juraj Horváth, multiple-

winner of the Most Beautiful Czech Book prize.

### FANTASTIC STOR

set in the Austroweaves elements and steampunk together.

This -Hungarian Empire of detective fiction

SUITABLE FOR age 6-8

### A Boy and His Dog

SUITABLE FOR age 6-8

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145×205 mm, 56 pages, hardcover



**SOLD:** Slovene, Hungarian, Polish

### **Smarties for Grandpa Ed**

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145×205mm, 96 pages,

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ILLUSTRATED BY EVA MASTNÍKOVÁ WRITTEN BY IVONA BŘEZINOVÁ

ILLUSTRATED BY EVA ŠVRČKOVÁ

WRITTEN BY IVONA BŘEZINOVÁ

A tender look at a sensitive topic: Disability. The story

focuses on the school year of second-grader Julian, who

uses a wheelchair, and his dog Caesar, who is being

and while the wheelchair helps him overcome his

the children's games. Caesar the dog is treated like

a member of the family, and becomes a crucial

trained as a service dog. The boy accepts his handicap,

physical disability, it is also naturally incorporated into

component of the boy's journey to independence. The

author treats the sensitive topic of disability without

sentiment and even with a liberating sense of humor.

who views everyday life from a dog's perspective and

details about the lives and training of service dogs.

A great deal of the fun comes from remarks by Caesar,

with a disarming levity. Readers will also learn fascinating



The beloved great-grandfather has started forgetting more and more, and he is doing some funny things. But what five-year-old Honzík considers funny are actually very real signs of an illness. Alzheimer's, the disease the whole family learns to live with, somewhat paradoxically brings Honzík and his greatgrandfather closer together, since in a certain way they are in similar positions. The

little boy becomes a great source of support in the everyday situations which are becoming much more diffi cult for his greatgrandfather. While the diffi cult topic may seem shocking for such a young audience, the book approaches it sensitively and humorously in a way that children will easily understand.

### Yell Quietly, Bro

### SUITABLE FOR age 9-12

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**BOY WITH** 

AUTISM

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 145 × 205 mm, 208 pages, hardcover



### ILLUSTRATED BY TOMÁŠ KUČEROVSKÝ WRITTEN BY IVONA BŘEZINOVÁ

Jeremy is different. He lives in a world with strict rules, in which each day of the week has its own colour, and slices of bread are round.

He doesn't really understand or know his way around the world his mum and sister live in - but as he has his own, he doesn't really mind. Although his behaviour sometimes makes other people a bit hot under the collar, his loving mum and his twin keep him out of trouble. They are determined that Jeremy should not be put in an institution. With sensitivity but also with the necessary detachment, Ivona Březinová describes the story of a boy with autism. This book shows that when all is said and done, nothing is more important than love and understanding.

Shortlisted for **MAGNESIA LITERA 2017**, Czech literary award.

Ivona Březinová (1964) graduated in Czech studies at the Pedagogical Faculty of the Ústí nad Labem university. She is one of the most agile authors of Czech children's literature, gaining Czech and international awards. Ivona also co-operates with the radio and is active in the Czech section of IBBY.



SUITABLE FOR age 6-8

### The Stories Behind Products

suitable for age 6-8

#### BOOK PARAMETERS:

Size 167×240 mm, 40 pages + inserted folio, harbinding



The Story of Water





The Story of Electricity

### ILLUSTRATED BY ALEŠ ČUMA WRITTEN BY KATEŘINA GANČARČÍKOVÁ

Johnny spends the holidays in a village with his grandparents, who have time on their hands and are willing to show him some interesting things in the neighbourhood. On their trips together, they come across lots of unusual things that are well worth investigation. The author provides easy-to-understand answers to children's most common questions asked questions on water:

- Where in nature does water come from?
- What do people and animals need water for?
- Certain things shouldn't be poured down the drain. What are they?
- Can water power machines?



ILLUSTRATED BY ALEŠ ČUMA WRITTEN BY PETR MRÁZEK

The author provides easy-to-understand answers to children's most common questions asked questions on electricity, such as:

- What is the buzzing in the wires overhead?
- Why shouldn't I explore power sockets?
- How does electricity get into my bedside lamp?
- Why won't they let me fly my kite near power lines?

### **Financial Literacy**

suitable for age 6-8

### BOOK PARAMETERS:

Size 155×210mm, 92 pages, paperback



FINANCIAL LITERACY Where Does Money Grow? sold: Bulgarian, Simplified Chinese



### FINANCIAL LITERACY Make Your Money Work for You (Not Fly Away) sold: Bulgarian, Simplified Chinese

ILLUSTRATED AND WRITTEN BY DENISA PROŠKOVÁ

Sooner or later every parent is bombarded with the questions: "How does an ATM 'make' its money?"; "Why can't I just buy everything I want?"; "What happens on 'pay-day'?"; "What are 'rent', 'debt' and 'interest'?"; and "What's the difference between a loan and a gift?". This book gets parents out of a fix by providing the answers. As they read with their parents, children in the first years of school will come to understand the connection between work and earning money and get to grips with basic money-related terms. The reader is accompanied around the world of finance by eight-year-old Adam, his younger sister Adele, their parents and – in fairy-tale form – the Squirrel and Bear families. Supplemented with thirty illustrations, this book provides a more than rough idea of how things work in the world of money. It shows children why it's silly to envy others and that there are many important things in life that money can't buy. And as books for children of this age should have a little added value, they can colour in some of the illustrations themselves.



### 4. Why no one said anything

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### 5. If only money grew on trees

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ney, they have to work for it, if a parent or anyone else wants to have money, they have to work for it. Then they get paid a salary. Do you two know what your parents get paid their salaries for?" Adam and Adele thought hard.



### The Mission of the Unicorns

SUITABLE FOR age 9-12

#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 152 × 228 mm, 288 pages hardcover



### The Guardians of the Good

sold: Serbian





THE MISSION OF THE UNICORNS The Treacherous Mountains of Dragor

### **BOOK PARAMETERS:**

Size 152×228 mm, 336 pages. hardcover SOLD: Serbian

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### THE MISSION OF THE UNICORNS The Rescue of Lilandgarie

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 152 × 228 mm, 392 pages,

hardcover solp: Serbiar

WRITTEN BY MICHAELA BURDOVÁ

A story of hope, love and desire for forgiveness. Set out for adventure in Lilandgaria - the country of sacred unicorns! The world of catcorns, centaurs and dragons. A Mission of the Unicorns is a story meant for children aged 11, but also for the older ones. It is a story about the balance of good and evil, the power of nature and discovering oneself.

> IMMENSELY POPULAR with Czech children



THE MISSION OF THE UNICORNS Snowy's Adventures

### **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 145 × 208 mm, 168 pages,

hardcover

### Seventh Sense Saga age 9-12

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** 

Size 114×194 mm, 352 pages, hardcover



SEVENTH SENSE SAGA Initiation Island SOLD: Polish

### **OTHER TITLES** IN THE SERIES:



Death of the **Magic Genie** 



**Slave to Beauty** 

ILLUSTRATED BY JAN PATRIK KRÁSNÝ WRITTEN BY ILKA PACOVSKÁ

Hana, Stu and Rafan live together in Cozy House, which has never ever been as cozy as the name implies. Children there labor all day for just a bit of gruel and old bread, a little like in Oliver Twist's orphanage. One day after a storm when the children are collecting washed up shells and amber on the beach, Hana finds a great ring in the sand... At that exact moment the mysterious stranger Vron receives a signal that sends him on a quest to find the one who has put on the ring. It leads him to Cozy House, where he recognizes the extraordinary aura around the children

and leads them to the Island of Choice. There the children discover that they have a seventh sense and they begin to study in Santarena: a world of magic that they never believed to exist!

The author has become **VERY POPULAR** thanks this saga. over 40,000 copies SOLD

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Leader of the

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**Return to the Dragon What** 





The Dragon's Mark

**Right to Death** 











The Dragon-

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### Images from the Old age all SUITABLE FOR and the New Testament

**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 210×235 mm, 112 pages, hardcover



### Images from the **Old Testament**



Images from the New Testament

PROROK DANIEL

ILLUSTRATED AND WRITTEN BY RENÁTA FUČÍKOVÁ

Mesopotamia, and Egypt. The world's creation, the flood, the journey of the wisemen, the Babylonian captivity, the founding of a new kingdom, its fall and renewal, gave rise to three world religions and forms a broad basis for human cultural history. The beautiful illustrations will captivate children and adult readers alike, drawing them into the ancient world. Rich maps help situate the stories within the Near and Middle East. Short chapters make this book ideal for reading at home as a family or in school. This is a perfect guide to understanding these pivotal works of world culture.

### **AWARDS**

- GOLDEN RIBBON nomination
- ALBATROS ANNUAL AWARD 2014 - Significant Literary Achievement



### The Monkey King

SUITABLE FOR age **all** 

hardbinding



**SOLD:** Simplified Chinese

### **Towns** in the Alphabet

### SUITABLE FOR age **6-8**



**BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 260 × 210 mm, 64 pages, hardbinding



### ILLUSTRATED AND WRITTEN BY JAN LAŠTOVIČKA

ILLUSTRATED BY ZDENĚK SKLENÁŘ

WRITTEN BY ČCHENG-EN WU, ADAPTATION JAN JIRÁŇ

novels, was written by Chinese man of letters Wu

Journey to the West, one of the world's most celebrated

Cheng'en at the end of the 16th century. Our modern

adaptation is illustrated by Zdeněk Sklenář, the artist

who loved China and receives amazement, delight and

respect from Chinese. Admirers included the most

the legendary Liou Xiao Ling Tong.

famous Chinese actor ever to play the Monkey King,

From A to Z, there is a town or a city for every letter of the alphabet. The author if this picture book has traveled them all and created a beautiful guidebook for those who want to learn their letters and towns of the world as well. Hop on board and get to know Antwerp, Delhi or Helsinki. You can travel as far as Zürich!





#### **BOOK PARAMETERS:** Size 240 × 290 mm, 208 pages,

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