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Non Fiction Illustrated

A CITY ON MARS

Altarriba | Anglada-Escudé | Kaid-Salah | Sureda

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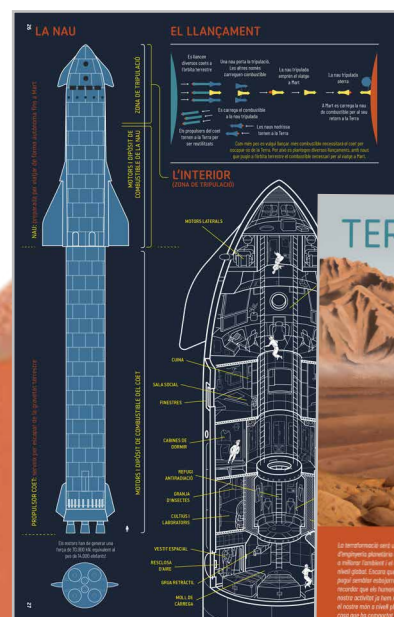
24,5 x 31,5 cm

56p. | 8+

NEW!

Humans are curious animals. We found big mountains and we climbed them, we discover the poles and went to conquer them, we saw vast seas and we decided to cross them.

Now there is this Red Planet, also known as Mars, and we want to live in it. Is that possible?



For many this is an inevitable destination if we want to become a multiplanetary species. As the Earth is finishing its resources we need to find new ones. Sure it will be a long difficult process, but nothing is impossible. Imaginative men created before the wheel, submarines rockets or internet.

What will the journey from Earth to Mars be like? Where will we get oxygen and food? Here we will find answers to many questions about the day-to-day life in a Martian city.

It's not scifi, it's a far reality, ok, but it will become real.

Created by a **Dream Team:**

A Physicist, an Astrophysics, an Aeronautical Engineer and a Graphic designer & Illustrator.

Could you imagine a better combo for such a complex and exciting book?



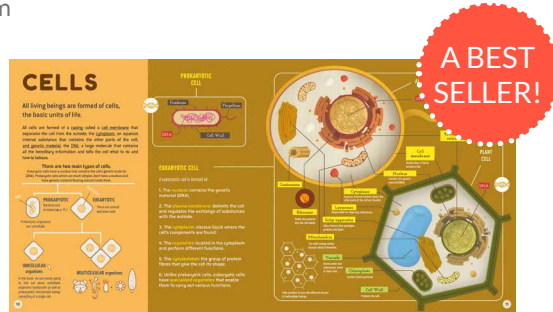
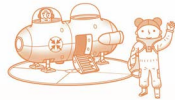
PROFESSOR DARWIN BOOKS. A series

Eduard Altarriba & Sheddad Kaid-Salah

48 p | Hardcover 24,8 x 24,8 cm

Age 7+

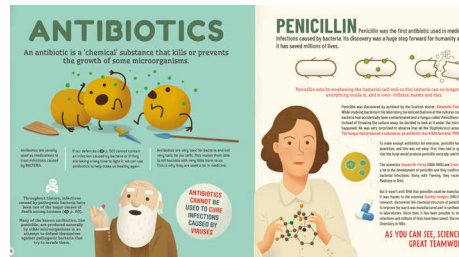
#SciencIsEasy
#LearningScience
#Evolution



Microbes

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What are microbes? Individual living organisms formed by a single cell that are essential for life on Earth. Capable of the very best and the very worst, from releasing the oxygen that we breathe into the atmosphere to making us ill and even causing epidemics and pandemics.

Let's venture inside this miniscule world of microorganisms and discover these fascinating creatures.

Professor Darwin Books is the perfect series to learn what we are, where we come from, what are we made off. Would you miss it?

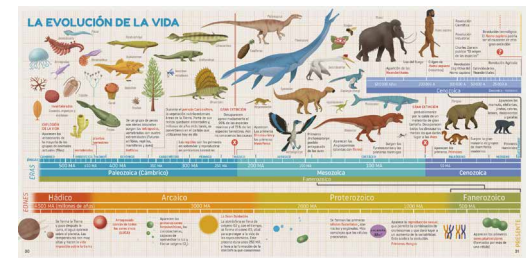


Evolution

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Catalan: Andana
Spanish: Andana

Follow and learn the evolution of all humans beings with Professor Darwin Books!



How can it be that there is so much variety of life on Earth and that all living things seem to be made on purpose? In this book we explain how biological evolution has shaped life and you will also discover that we are all family, that we have a common ancestor with absolutely all the beings that have inhabited the Earth.

Immerse yourself in the fascinating history of life on our planet. Are you coming with us?



Eduard and Sheddad have been lifelong friends Sheddad is a physicist and pharmacist who is passionate about knowledge. Eduard is an illustrator and graphic designer. Both share the same inclination and interest in making understandable what ordinary mortals do not think so: physics, engineering, genetics... that is, science and technology.

DR. ALBERT SERIES

Eduard Altarriba & Sheddad Kaid-Salah
Catalan: Joventut
48 p | Hardcover 24,8 x 24,8 cm
Age 7+

**SOLD TO 16
LANGUAGES!**

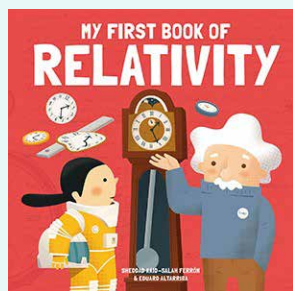


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#SciencelsEasy
#LearningScience
#BeingEinstein



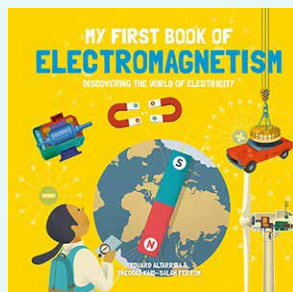
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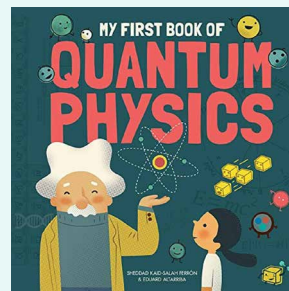
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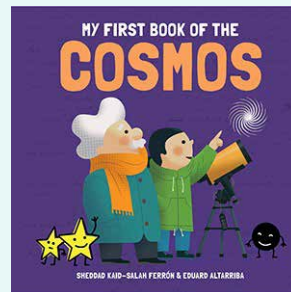
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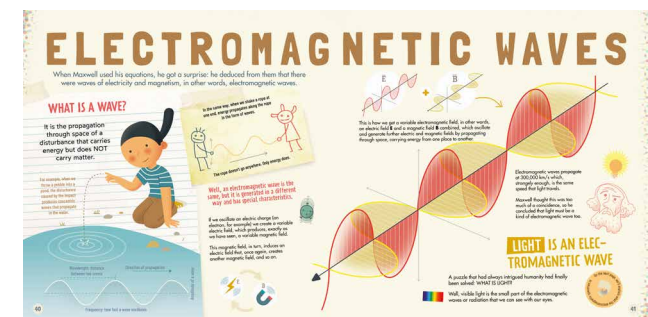
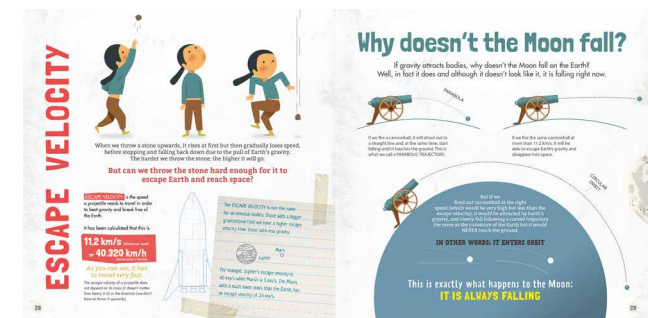
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**DR. ALBERT
SERIES AUTHOR'S MADE
THE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE:
THAT WE ALL GET TO
UNDERSTAND HOW THE
WORLD WORKS!**



IN THE WONDERFUL BOX

A Journey to the Interior of Life

Salvador Macip & Emilio Urberuaga

Rights Sold:

- **Catalan** – Flamboyant
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- **Portuguese** – Telos

60 p. | Hardcover | 23 x 29 cm

Illustrated book

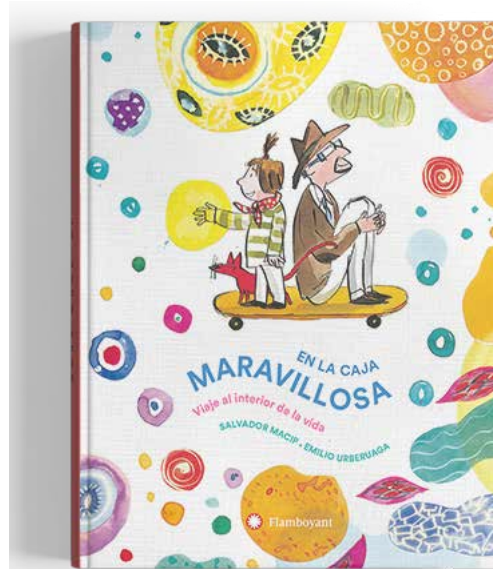
age 7+

“
*Discover how fascinating
life is through science.*
”

Alicia is a very curious girl. She likes to understand everything, for example: How do we know if a thing is alive or not? How does a cell work? What does it keep inside?

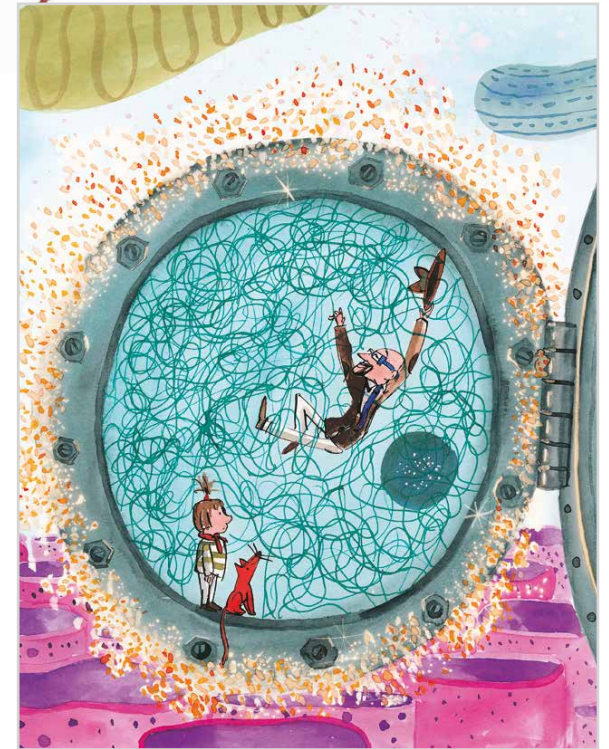
Wouldn't you like to accompany Alicia and her father inside the human body? Let yourself be fascinated by the world of cells, DNA and mitochondria. Nothing seems complicated if you go hand in hand with a good guide.

#DiscoveringHumanBody
#Father&Daughter
#ScientistCanHelp



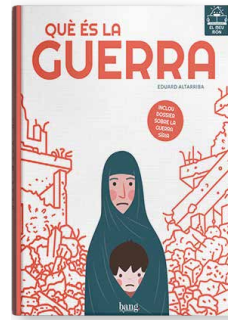
SOME STRONG POINTS:

- Includes a glossary of the main concepts
- Ideal for young curious readers willing to keep learning
- Grant available



Salvador Macip | (Blanes, Girona, 1970) has a doctorate in Medicine from the Universitat de Barcelona. He is a researcher and a writer. He moved to New York in 1998 to work as a researcher of molecular bases of cancer at the Mount Sinai Hospital. Since 2008, he continues his research at the University of Leicester (UK), where he directs the group of cell death mechanisms and is a professor of the Biochemistry Department. Salvador Macip has published several books, both for adult readers, children & YA.

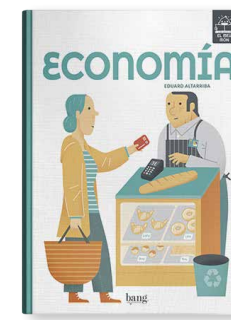
WAR MIGRANTS ECONOMY



WHAT IS WAR?
Eduard Altarriba



MIGRANTS
Eduard Altarriba



ECONOMY
Eduard Altarriba



POLITICS
Eduard Altarriba

coming soon!!

**SOLD
TO 9
LANGUAGES**

My World is a series of books designed to explain the current events in our society in the simplest and most objective way possible, so to offer all the information needed to understand them. Within the series we also find: *What's War* (published in 8 languages) *Migrants* (Serra d'Or Critics Award 2021), and *Economy* (in press).

**YA
Literature on
Knowledge
Award**

/// **WHEN THE BIG
ISSUES ALSO
APPEAL TO
YOUNG
READERS.**

/// **AN INNOVATIVE
PROPOSAL TO
EXPLAIN THE
GREAT UNIVERSAL
THEMES TO THE
MOST DEMANDING
READERS, THE KIDS.**

**Excellent illustrations.
Accurated & contrasted
information.**

**Economy, War or Migration have
never been so easy to explain to
our children.**

**Clear answers for your curious kid
on difficult subjects.**

**Simple explanations for relevant
subjects.**

**From the awarded illustrator of
the successful series of "Dr. Albert"
sold to more than 15 languages.**

ECONOMY

Eduard Altarriba

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- **Polish** – Nobel Ed
- **English** – Button Books
- **French** – Editorial Bang
- **Spanish** – Editorial Bang
- **Catalan** – Editorial Bang

Album illustrated.

Hardcover (23 x 29 cm)

54p. | 8+

NEW!

- #ToExplainEconomyToKids
- #LearningToThink
- #MoneyMakesTheWorldGoAround



“What if one person has fish and needs firewood to cook it and another person has wood but doesn't need fish but needs a new axe? And how do we establish how many apples a fish is worth, or how many fish an ax is worth?”

Economy is at the heart of our current society and it seems that everything depends on it. But what is Economy about? What is stock market? Where do our salaries come from? How do banks work? In a simple and didactic way, accompanied by illustrations and graphs **Eduard Altarriba** makes easy what seems difficult: the various aspects of a complex system such Economics.



WHEN THE BIG ISSUES ALSO APPEAL TO YOUNG READERS.



AN INNOVATIVE PROPOSAL TO EXPLAIN THE GREAT UNIVERSAL THEMES TO THE MOST DEMANDING READERS, THE KIDS.



WHAT IS WAR?

Eduard Altarriba

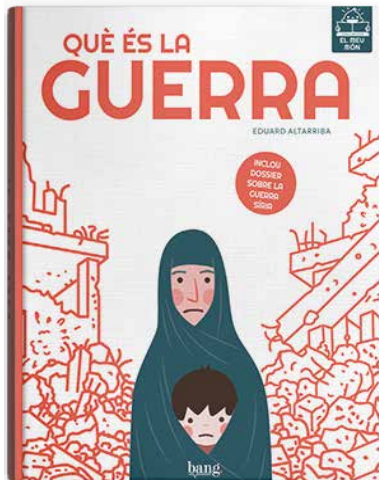
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Album illustrated. Hardcover
(23 x 29 cm) 48 p. | 8+

#ToExplainWarToKids
#LearningToThink
#UnderstandingHistory

Dad, how do soldiers killing each other solve the world's problems? Bill Watterson



Knowing the war is the first step towards peace.

There have always been wars, but there have also always been people who have thought that conflicts can be resolved peacefully. But to do so, we need to understand war, to understand the other, to learn to sympathize and first of all: that violence is not the solution. This is a book designed to be able to answer in a flat way all the questions that the child can ask us after seeing the news about the war.

Sold to 9 Languages

YA Literature on Knowledge Award

MIGRANTS

Eduard Altarriba

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Migration it is a very difficult and delicate subject. This book is a way to make children understand it. Don't doubt!

#ToExplainImmigrationToKids
#LearningToThink
#Geography&History



"All thinking beings are different, and they all look alike for the simple gift of having thoughts and desires."

Voltaire

Humanity has always been nomadic. Sedentary lifestyles, the setting of borders and the creation of identity documents for an increasingly strict control of the population are a very recent phenomenon. And the world has never been so globalized which is paradoxical. The emergence of populist movements in the West, focused on closing borders and rejecting others, raises serious questions about our fraternity, especially in the beginnings of the great climatic migrations that are approaching, as they could affect us directly. **This book summarizes what migration is, which are its causes and consequences and what humanistic and legal aspects concern it.**

COMMUNICATION

Eduard Altarriba

Rights sold:

· In Press

64 p

Age 7+

hardcover (26 x 31 cm)

NEW!

ALL SPECIES COMMUNICATE,
SO WHAT MAKES US
SO SPECIAL?

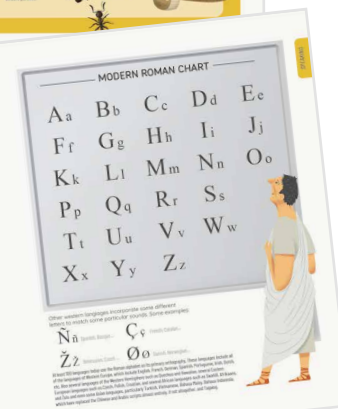
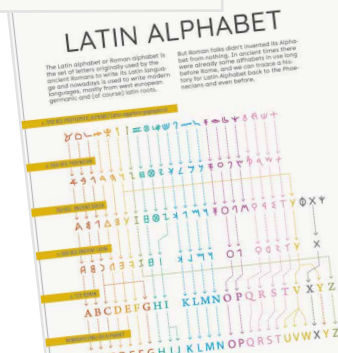
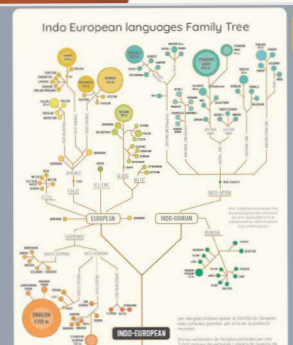
DISCOVER THE MANY WAYS
WE HAVE TO COMMUNICATE
AND SHARE IDEAS!



#WillingForComunication
#GoingFurther #History

Like all animals, people communicate, but we have been able to go much further, creating languages and symbols to explain ideas, feelings and abstract concepts. Through communication we are able to do science, create art, tell lies or create publicity and, in order to communicate faster and farther, we have created technologies ranging from handwriting to Internet.

This book pays attention in all different kinds of languages: Ideogram, Alphabets, Graffiti, Emojis, Music, War Drums, Flags, Screens, Printings, Telephones, Cryptography, Signal, Symbols, Lighthouses, Maps...



CONTENTS

Introduction

All species communicate, so what makes us so special?

Orality

Human languages and their origins. How many languages are there in the world? Ancient sagas and epics. Modelling language.

Writing

Early symbols and scriptures. Ideogram languages. The evolution of the

alphabet. World alphabets. Literature. Fonts. Graffiti. Emojis.

Sound and art

Music. War drums. Whistling. Singing together. Opera. Drawing and painting. Power and art. Theatre and opera.

Technology

Writing media: from clay to screens. The first books. Printing. The modern press. Post. Morse code. Telephones. Cryptography. The

Enigma machine. Radio communication. Films and television. The internet.

Visual signs and symbols

Flags. World flags. Heraldry. Light signals. Lighthouses. Traffic lights. Maps and cartography. Traffic signals. Symbols. Symbology: Freemasons. Military insignia. Corporate logos. Advertising.

THE AUTHOR

Eduard Altarriba has been working for two decades in graphic design and illustration, and for some years he has worked in Alababalà, his small and independent studio. In it, they are focused on offering editing services and creating their own editorial projects aimed at children. He likes to make books, games, exhibits, animations, apps, and workbooks that are practical, instructive, meaningful, and of course, fun.



GIRLS REBELLION

Gemma Lienas & Laura Caldentey

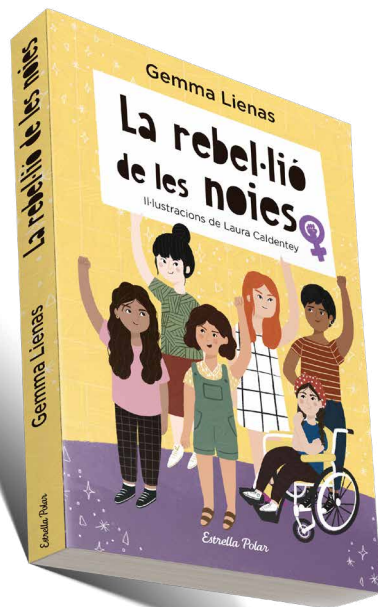
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- **Catalan** – Estrella Polar
- **Spanish** – Planeta infantil

Illustrated book

9+ | 80 p.

#FeminismFirst
#WomenRebellion
#Rights&Equality



Spanish

My First Book of Feminism.

By the best-seller author,
Gemma Lienas, arrives this new
reference book!

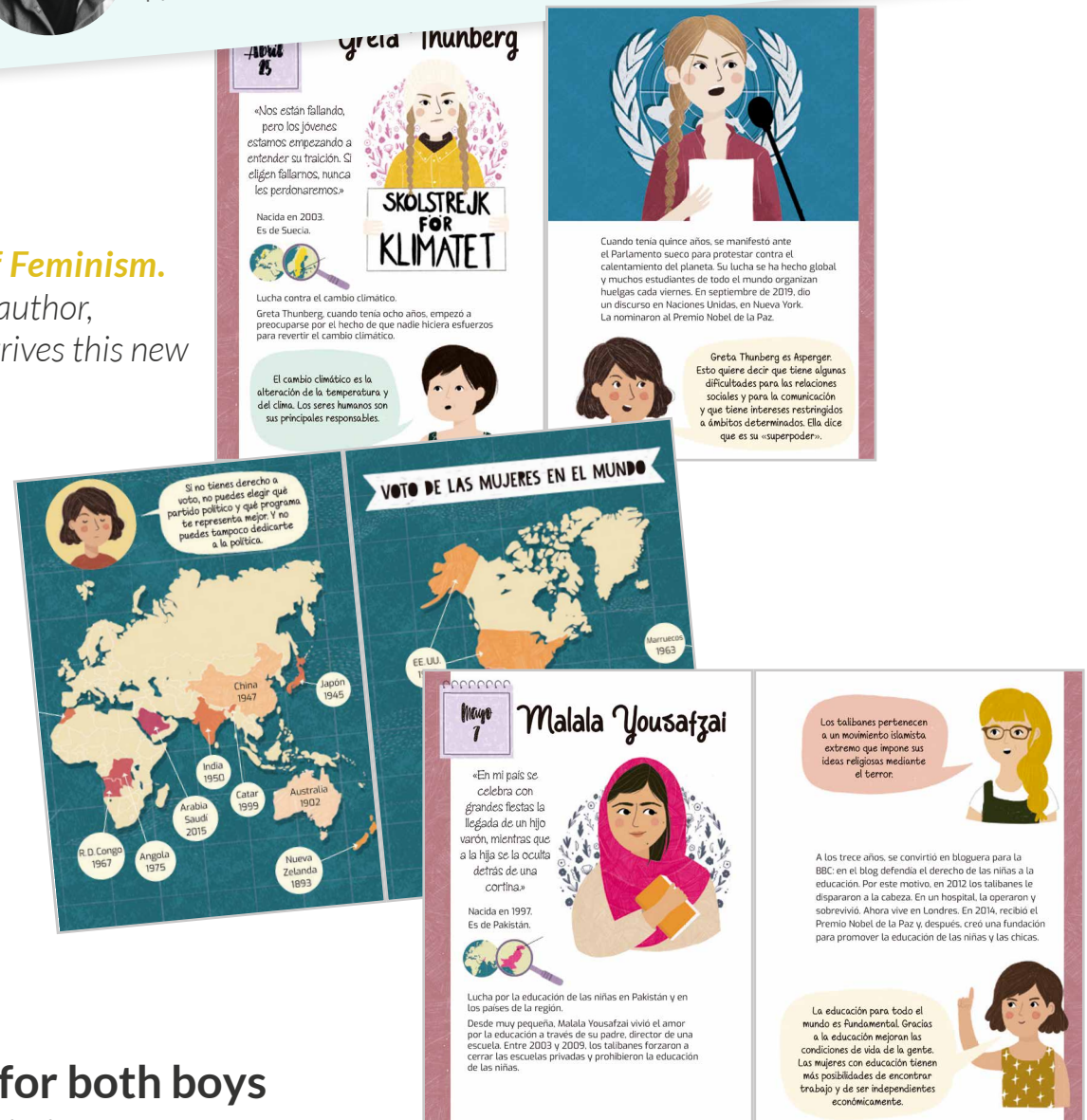
It is in a school classroom where the protagonist begins to realize the injustices suffered by the girls in her class for the simple fact of being a girl: patriarchy, use of language and stereotypes.

This book presents a visual journey through different macho situations in our society, shows us examples of strong and courageous women and teaches the little ones to live in feminism, that is, in equality.

«A rigorous book with a sense of humor for both boys and girls. The handbook for budding feminists.»



Gemma Lienas | Gemma is a writer and Catalan activist. She has written more than ninety books of fiction and non fiction. Writing for children (*The Tribe of Camelot*), youth (*Carlota's Diary*) or adult (*Caught in the Mirror*). She has received several national awards (Ramon Llull Award) and the internationally known Honorable Mention IBBY recognition. Her works have been translated into nine languages.



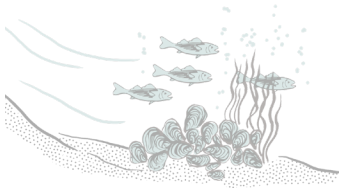
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THE FIRST OYSTER

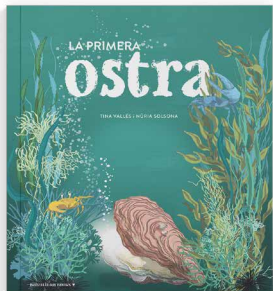
Tina Vallès & Núria Solsona

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- 24 X 27,5 cm
Hardcover with flaps
56 p. | Age 4+



**A STORY THAT OPENS LIKE A SHELL AND
PUSHES US TO LOOK AT OTHERS.**



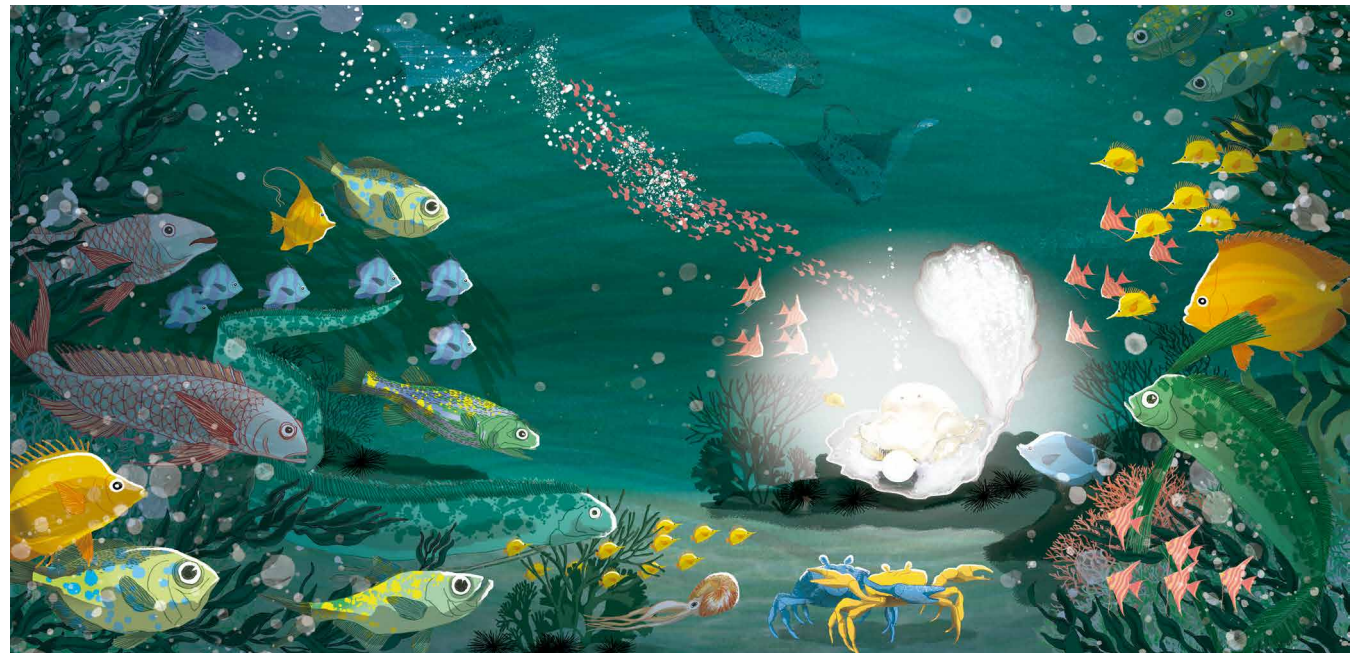
NEW!

#AnimalWelfare
#Shyness
#Friendship

**They say the first
oyster was very shy.
Very much!**

And that's why she lived closed in her shell. Until one day she opened her shell a bit, just a tiny bit to look outside and a little grain of sand jump inside!

And then, an extraordinary event changed everything forever.



Tina Vallès is a powerful literary voice. She has received very important awards that recognise her talent. She is mother of twins and loves to write for them for whom she has already written half dozen books. **Núria Solsona** is a plastic artist trained in Fine Arts and director of Art and Visual Communication at La Central Bookstore in Barcelona. Together have created an impressive and wonderful journey to the depths of the ocean. Welcome in!

BAD REPUTATION

Bel Olid & Naida Mazzenga

Rights Sold:

- **Catalan** – Combel
- **Spanish** – Combel

38 p.

Hardcover with flaps

21x24 cm 38 p

Age 4+

#AgainstPrejudice
#RereadingClassics
#BeingDifferent

NEW!



“Once upon a time there was a very ferocious bad wolf...
-Hey, wait a minute, wait a minute.”

And so begins this book... Two girls chatting and challenging the myth of the Bad Wolf, put off by folklore and fairy tales. There are many animals that have a bad name. And the purpose of Bel Olid is to clear their reputation with facts and figures. Throughout the conversation, the reader will be able to lift the flaps and find out the truth behind wolves, sharks, spiders, horses and crocodiles.

Accompanied by the amazing illustrations of Naida Mazzenga, children realize to which extent we have a misleading image and why they are so important to us and to their habitats.



Bel Olid is an excellent and successful writer with tonnes of imagination and easiness to connect with the youngest ones. **Naida Mazzenga** is an imaginative and contemporanean illustrator.



Don't be afraid of lifting the flaps! They are not as bad as they say

YOU MAYBE | NIM & BLAU | I'M HUNGRY

NEW!

#HeSheThey
#NoGenderMarkers

Bel Olid &
different illustrators

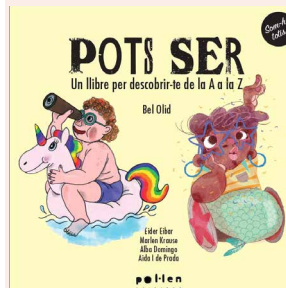


Bel Olid is a writer, translator and gender activist to the bone. Olid writes both for adult and children with success and usually tries to explain the diversity on gender through their stories. There is no need to go on the rules if those rules make you feel uncomfortable and makes no harm to the rest. Be you, be free, that would be Olid's lema.

A SERIES FEATURING EXPLICITLY NON-BINARY CHARACTERS & LANGUAGE

The books are meant to be fun, while providing children with a space to talk to their grown-ups about the challenges of being themselves in the 21st century

You May Be *A Book to Discover Yourself*



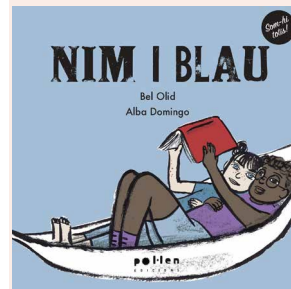
Pol-len Edicions
Album | 56 p.
age +3

An alphabet in which each letter represents an invariable adjective (sometimes

a noun), and which, in addition to serving adults as a long list of things we can say to children instead of “how pretty” or “how strong”, is also a “catalogue” of expressions of gender, corporeality and differences in which everybody can find themselves.



Nim & Blau



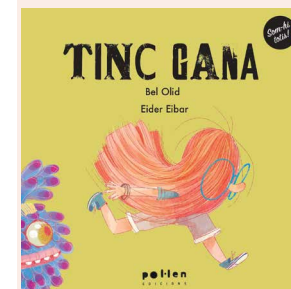
Pol-len Edicions
Album | 36 p.
age +3

Why everybody wants to know if we are a boy or a girl? There are many ways to be

and feel. So Nim and Blau prefer other kind of questions. Why we don't ask them if they want an ice cream or if they know where is the sea.



I'm Hungry



Pol-len Edicions
Album | 36 p.
age +3

A story that in a particular way explains abuse and bullying in a very early age.

This 'monster'

that Edelbais just met wants to eat her because he's very hungry. Edelbais gets scared and will try to feed him with all different kind of things and I'll ask for help. In the end Edelbais and her friends will find a way to win the 'monster' that would like to eat them all.



The 7 Witches of Tleven and the Misterious Egg They Found Lying There

Bel Olid & Pep Montserrat

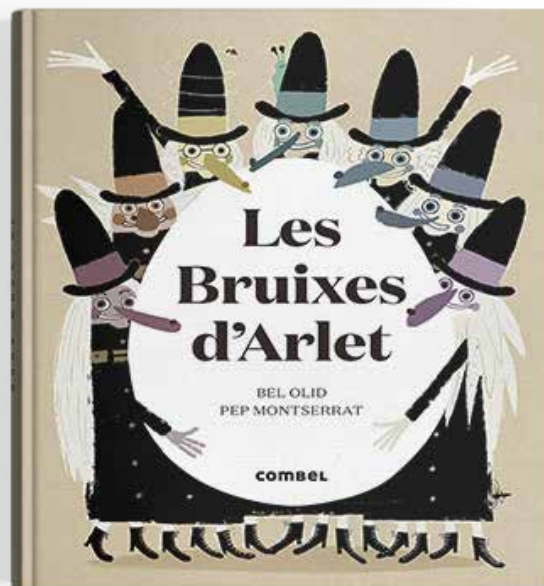
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- **Catalan** – Combel
- **Spanish** – Combel

32 p.

Age: 5+

#CrazyForest
#RainbowWitches
#SurpriseUnicorn



*Seven, they were
seven, the Witches of
Tleven...
Until they found a
mysterious egg.*

*What would they do?
A potion?
A fried egg?
Or boiled with slugs?*

*Ah, that mysterious
egg, how many
possibilities!*



The
Duo

Bel Olid & Pep Montserrat | **Bel** is an excellent writer with tonnes of imagination and easiness to connect with the youngest ones. **Pep** is a brilliant illustrator with hundreds of illustrated books and magazines from all over the world. Put these two together and you will get extraordinary books like this one!

[More info on Pep](#) | [More info on Bel](#)

ENOUGH WITH COSTUMES!

Bel Olid & Anna Baquero

Rights sold:

• **Catalan** – La Galera

Illustrated book

62 p.

+7

#LGTBI

#DiscoveringOneself

#OnGender



Full
English
version
available

A book to discover the contagious joy of daring to defy absurd norms.

Why do they force me to dress up to go to school?

Pau can't bear to dress like all the kids at school. He likes to wear tutus, fairy wings or astronaut suits. He would always dress differently and according to his mood, but his parents only dress let him dress differently at home: "There are rules, you know?"

One day, Pau secretly takes his favorite tutu and puts it on at the playground. Most of his friends love that wonderful shiny skirt and they all want to try it on... until some sixth-grade bullies take it and tore it completely.

How will Pau and his circle react to this situation?



—De res, és la meua roba normal. Només me la deuen posar a casa perquè diuen que a l'escola tothom ha d'anar vestit més o menys igual, però he pensat que si a l'hora del pati podem jugar amb gronxos, també m'he de poder vestir amb la meua roba, no?

—Aquest tutú és preciós! Me'l deixes? —va fer la Sheila.
—Sí, a mi també m'encanta. Vaig després de tu, d'acord, Sheila? —va dir en Moha amb els ulls brillants.



vint ho feien. Al cap d'uns quants mesos, sense ni adonar-se'n, l'aspecte de l'escola havia canviat radicalment.

La directora va començar a aparèixer amb un barret diferent cada dia de la setmana. El dels dilluns duia plomes, el dels dimarts semblava un su-

L'Izan tirava més cap a les capes de superheroï, i si estava de molt bon humor recuperava el barret pirata. El pegat no se'l posava, però, perquè no s'hi veia bé.

Capítol 4 Caos a la font petita

—Eh, Pau, vine, mira —La Jordina parlava molt baixet, com si fos en una petita llotja d'espies, i estava clar que amagava alguna cosa.
—Què portes, tan amagat?
—Aquí no t'ho puc ensenyar, vine a darrere de la font petita.
Van anar cap a la zona de la font petita, on no hi solia haver gaire gent perquè els de parvulari, que solien anar a la font, sortien abans. La Sheila, l'Izan i en Moha els van seguir i els van seguir, i tot i que a la Jordina no li feia gaire gràcia, es van apuntar a descobrir quina una en portava de cap.



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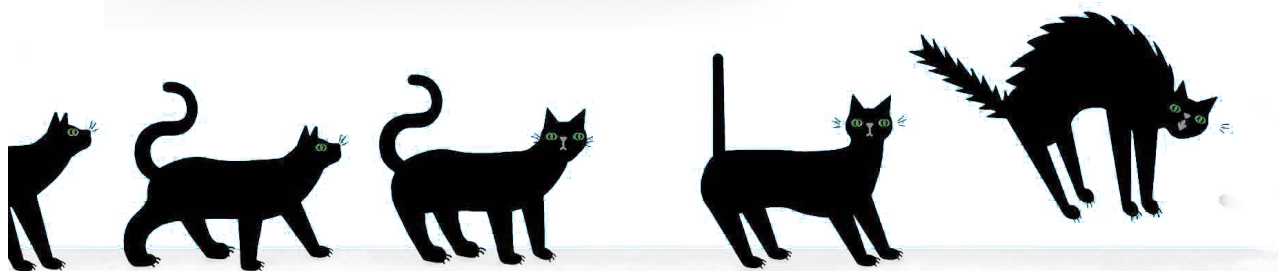
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Nica (the little girl) and Nano (the black cat), seem made for each other. Nobody understands as well as the girl the whims of this wild black cat. They are, in fact, two free and irreducible animals, which roll with a talent that human beings envy. But (there must always be one but), Nica is growing and Nano seems to get wilder and wilder.

M. Aurèlia Capmany is one of the classic women Catalan writers from the 70's. She as many of her time were significantly important for the Catalan feminism and female revolution. Now, Natalia Zaratiegui wants to pay tribute to this excellent woman with this extraordinary illustrated book.



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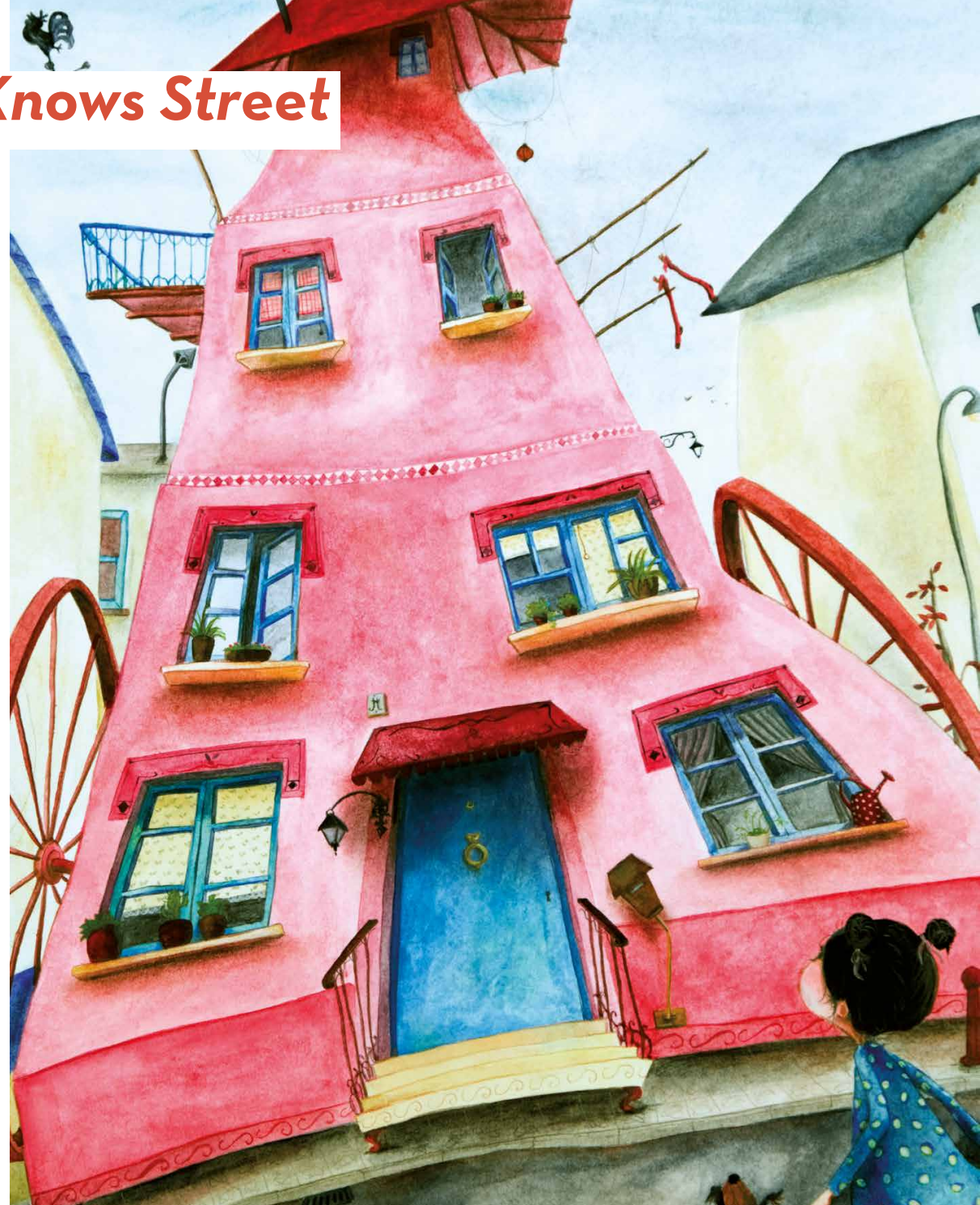


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Beyond the original solutions of the neighbors, there are feelings of coexistence and solidarity that remind us of how we all always have the key to helping someone who needs it.

Mr. Umbrellas can not scratch his back because he has umbrellas instead of hands! But he is lucky because his neighbor from 1st floor, Mrs. Salmmin, has one thousand hands and can help him scratching. But... how does Mrs Salmmin cuts her nails when she needs to? Well, she calls Rosseti sisters, from 2nd floor, who have no legs but scissors!

A series of strambotic characters suddenly appear in the building of WhoKnows street. Each one of the neighbours that live in it, hides a terrible or hilarious problem and there is always a friendly neighbor willing to give him a hand.



Middle Grade

Bergold. The varied life of little Bergold in one aria and thirty variations

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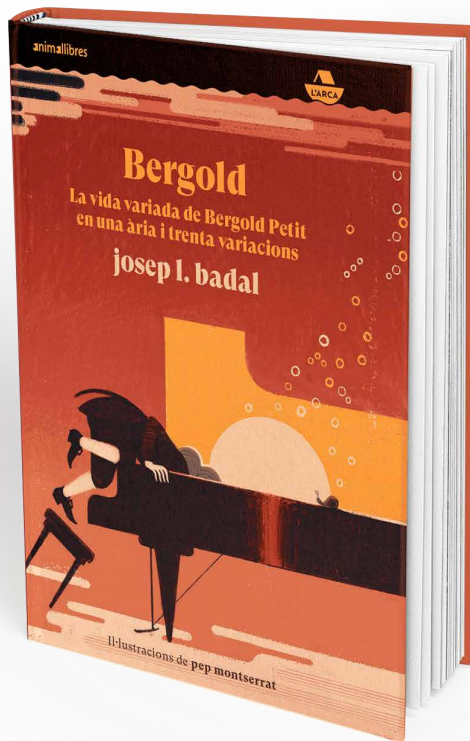
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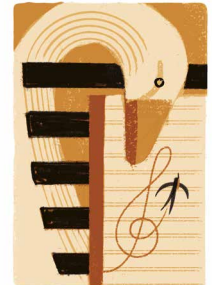


Days pass as if they were dreams, and Little Bergold wakes up every morning being something different: a watchmaker, a cowboy, a mountain, a whale... He never has enough: there are so many lives to live, Bergold can be so many Bergolds! And in the background there is always music, a sleepless harpsichord that doesn't always sound the same, while the adventurer asks himself: "Who am I? Who will I be tomorrow?"

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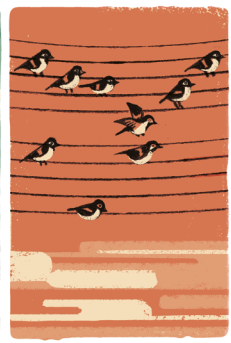
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Variatio 6. Canone alla Seconda. a 1 clav.



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The Duo

Josep Lluís Badal and Pep Montserrat, author and illustrator, share one passion and it's called Johann Sebastian Bach. Together they created this beautiful book base on the Goldberg's Variations with a young protagonist called Bergold. Badal and Montserrat have published many books translated to in different languages.

MIRA

Tina Vallès & Mercè Galí

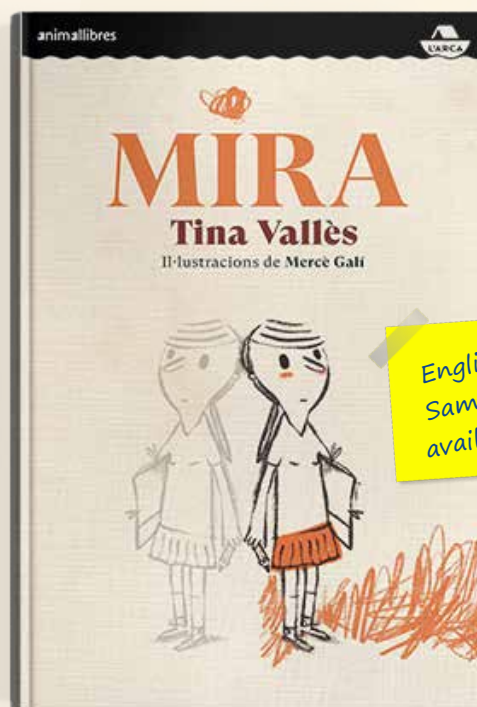
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GOOGOL

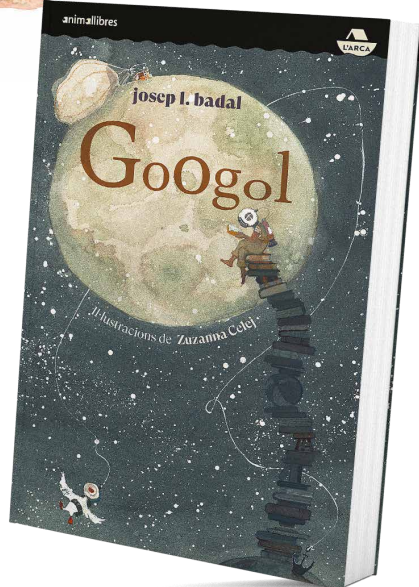
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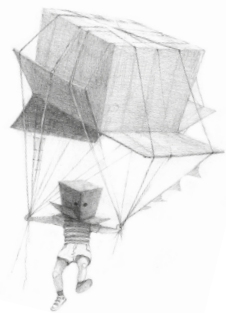


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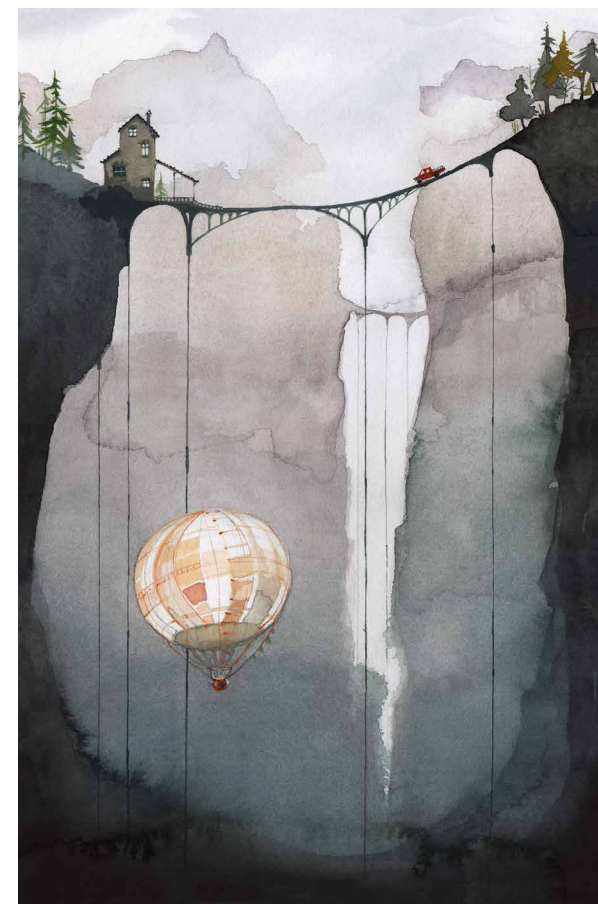
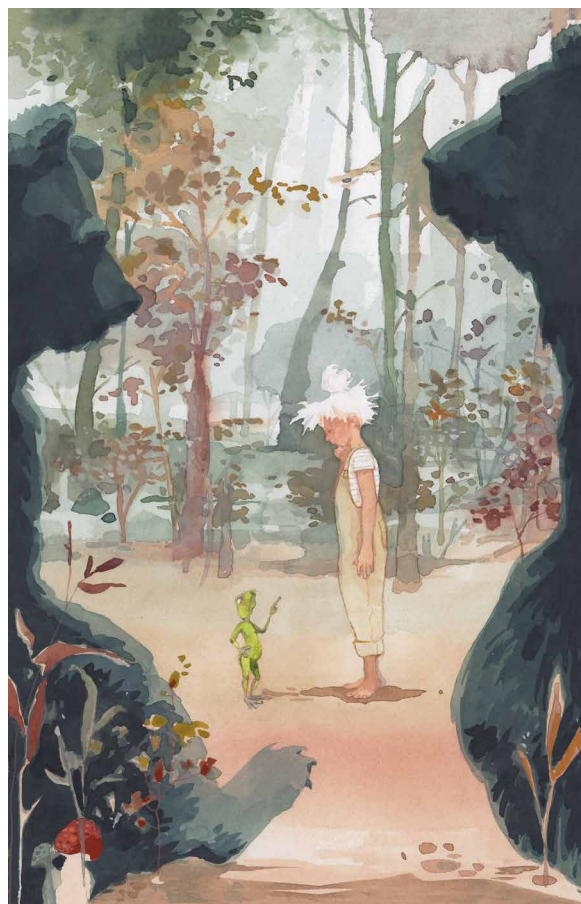
«The New Little Prince»

His name wasn't Bennett nor Nicholas nor Camila. He had decided to call himself Googol, period. Googol is also the name of a really huge, almost infinite number.

"You can call me Googol." But who is, Googol? Or what is it? Googol is not what others want it to be: it wants to be who it is, different from its parents and from the thirteen siblings they are. Everybody asks questions and questions. And Googol starts its own way to discover, free as it is, fantastic places like the vain Theatrum Mundi, the country of the stubborn, a forest all made of words. Fantastic territories full of future and unforgettable friends. Can you imagine?



badal and celej, write their names in lower case, but they are great artists, one of the best tandems in the country. Everything they publish generates expectation.



MR. NOT THERE POST-ITS

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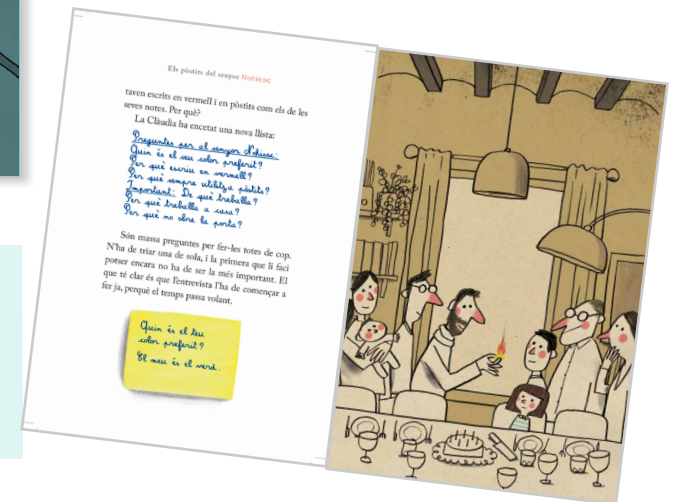
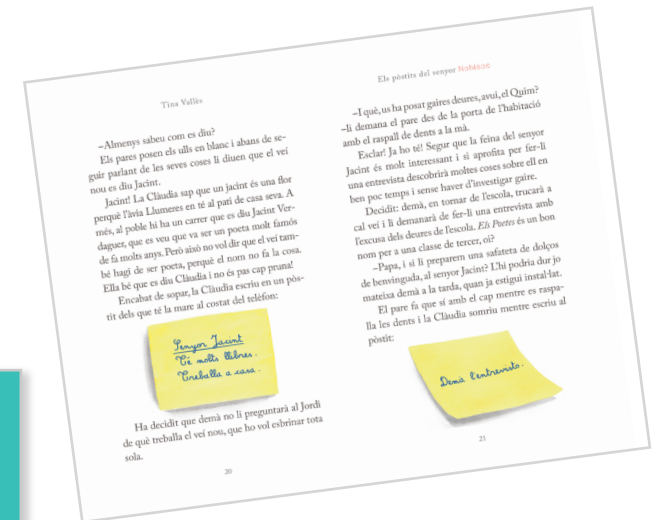
#Friendship
#CuriosityMoves
#Adults&Kids

There is a moving truck parked in front of the building where Claudia lives. A new neighbor! What is he like? What does he do? Why does he live alone? The enigmatic neighbor has arrived with a shipment of boxes of books and Claudia has set out to discover who he is. But it will not be easy. The neighbor seems never to be at home. After a week, all she knows is that she communicates with Post-its. How must someone be who in mobile times still sends paper notes?



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A mysterious story of Post-its coming and going on the stair landing!



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“

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By the multiawarded author with more than 10 awards in his long career.

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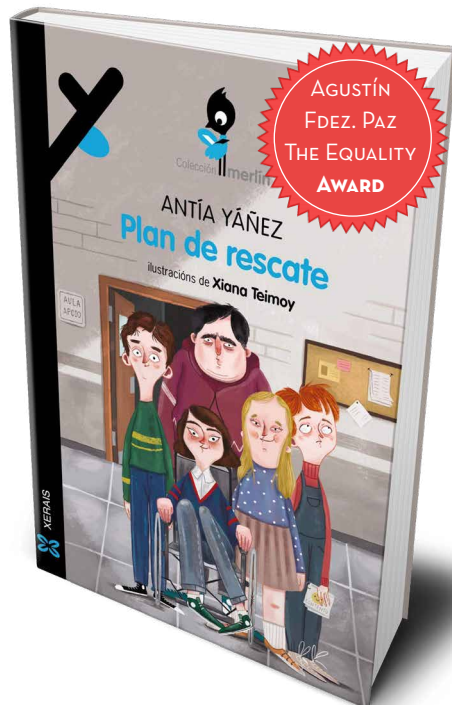
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Antía Yáñez | Writer and civil engineer, although she has never worked as such: her paths and roads are totally literary! She received some awards and she loves to invent amazing adventures for the young readers. She currently combines writing with teaching and helping girls and boys. She published some successful titles as *O misterio de Portomarino* or *O misterio do torque de Burela*. Her last book, *The Rescue Plan*, has deserved the 3rd Agustín Fernández Paz for The Equality Award (2020).



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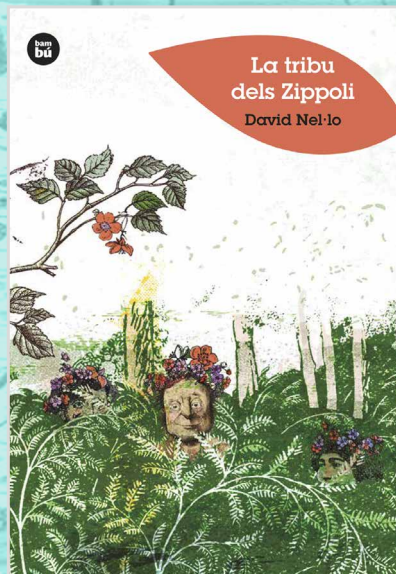
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Jan Plata is a dreamy, nautical book-eating boy who lives in a shack on the beach with his mother. He knows nothing about his father, and he gets no answers to his questions. There is a golden bell in the house that has been forbidden to ring. One day, Jan breaks this rule and his life changes forever. He will start an unexpected magical adventure with his father.

The Serapion Broadsword



Jan is alone and lost in the midst of the vastness of the sea. His all alone on a boat and rounded by sharks. He has no food or water left. He has escape from "The Star of the Sea", his fathers ship. In short: he has fled from his ship and he is now in an ocean of troubles...

Death and Violet



Jan is back at school but he feels he is wasting his time. He knows things are happening at the sea and sirens have realized that something is not going well on the abissal waters. The sea calls again to Jan Plata.

The Lords of the Sea



Jan must repeat the school year. His absence in class has made him neglected the study. And real life is like this: if you don't study, you fail. In real life there are no pirates, no powerful swords, no sea monsters, no sirens that take your heart away, no mechanical whales ... life,

dear Jan Plata, is something else!

Unicorn



Jan continues his adventures aboard his father's ship and the situation is dangerous. Jan will have to leave the security of the sea, the boat and his friends to start a difficult return path. And if he comes out alive, he knows that it will not be the same as before, but the time

for sacrifices has come.

The End of the World



The young Jan Plata has lived so much in such a short time that he has the feeling that life is a handful of sand that crumbles between his fingers. The end is near. But the life he has lived, the friends he has made, the family he has recovered and the love he has met have all been worth it. Now he has to see what the future holds for him.

Narcís Monturiol and the Stones of Hell

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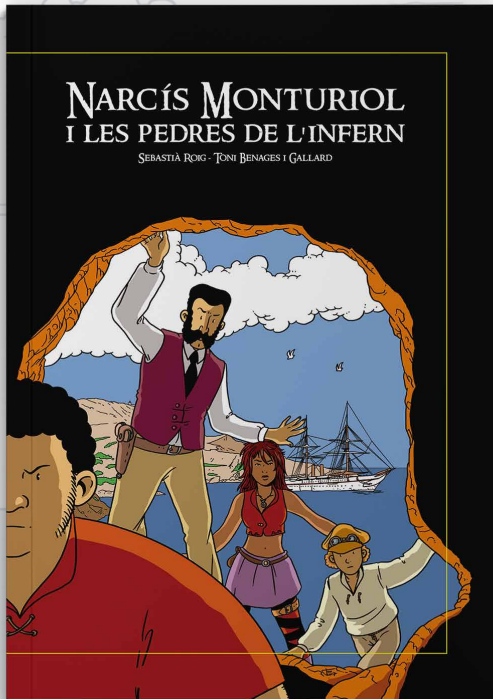
I will create a submarine, a fish boat that will be able to go underwater and discover new places and release us forever from the servitude of the surface. Narcís Monturiol on 1855

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The Duo

Roig & Benages work pretty well together. They have already published few books together for adults and this is the first one for younger readers. All their works have a hint of science fiction or a magic touch. Hilarious and ironic sense of humour, their stories are enjoyable and do not have other intention but amuse the reader.



YA *Books*

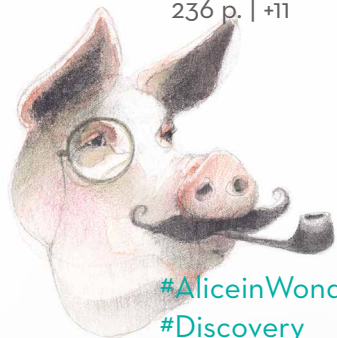
THE HIGHEST BRANCH OF MELANCHOLY

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#AliceinWonderland

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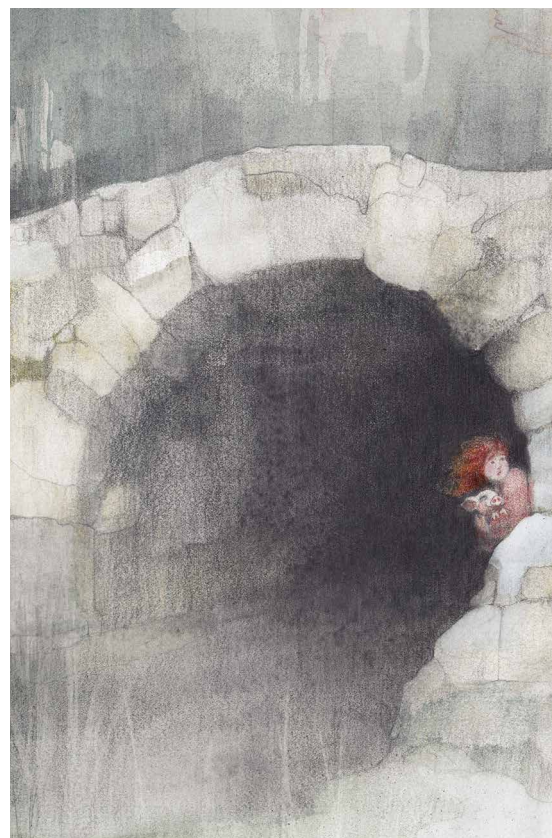


Badal and Celej did it again. After Googol's success they surprises us now with this *new Alice in Wonderland*. They keep writing their names in lower case, but they are one of the best creative tandems. Everything they publish generates expectation.

This book is a place. Here the destiny of the characters that live in the golden branch of melancholy is narrated: Lilit and Perotin, the monsters that inhabit real life and those that survive in the floating past; real unicorns and different parents and children; and Zepenni and a grandmother, and Durer and velvet fish. It is the wind that tells us the story if we know how to listen. We had heard it before we grew up and we will have learned it again after living many years.



The story grows in the dazzling universe of badal and celej. To enter it, you just have to read or listen to the words of the wind.



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“I am no longer accepting the things I cannot change. I am changing the things I cannot accept.” Angela Davis



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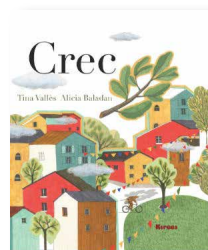


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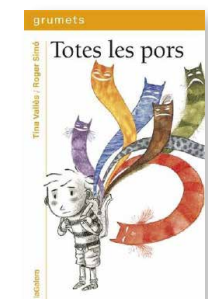


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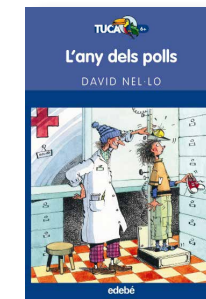


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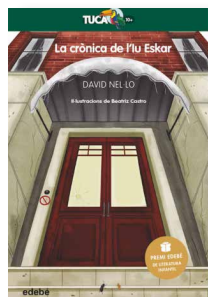
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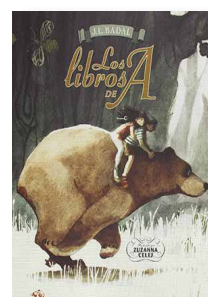


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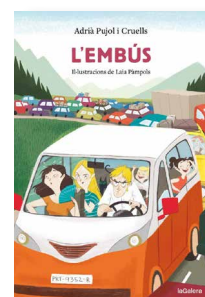


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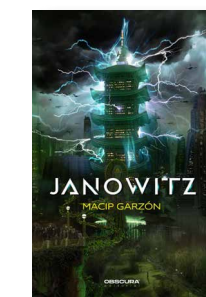


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