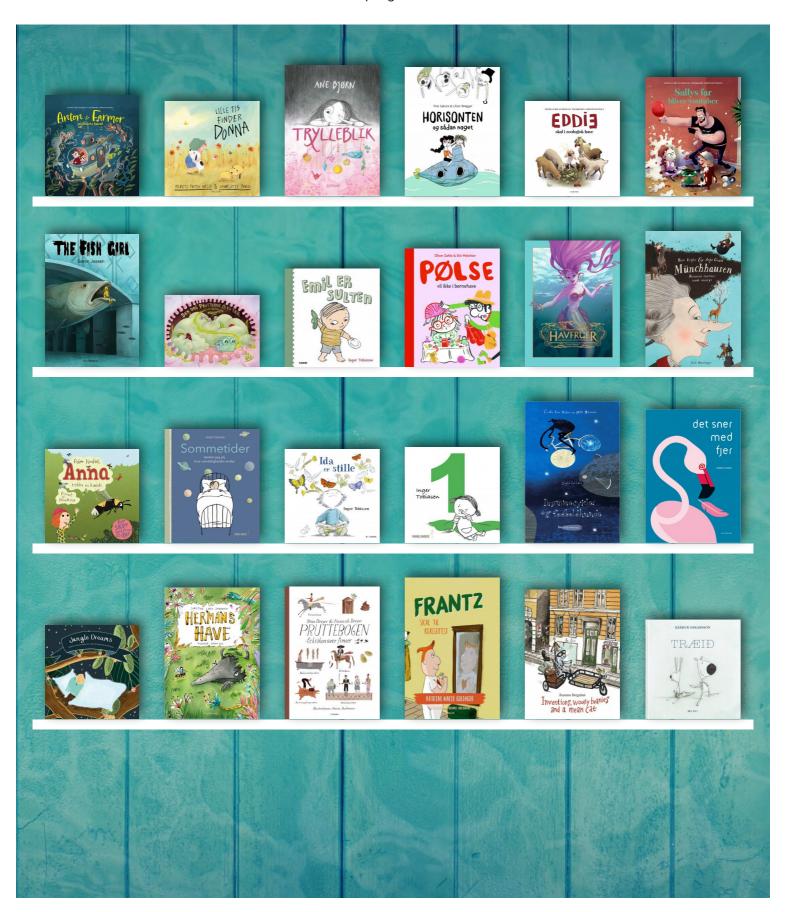




# **Picture Book Highlights**

Spring 2022



#### Thomas Brunstrøm Thorbjørn Christoffersen





# **Anthony &** Grandma at the **Bottom of the Sea**

#### Anton & farmor på havets bund

The first installment in a brilliant new picture book series by the author/illustrator duo behind the bestselling Sally's Dad series.

Thomas Brunstrøm is a bestselling author, freelance journalist, film critic and podcast host - and real-life dad to Sally and Eddie.

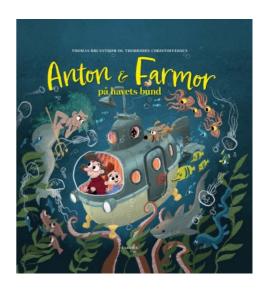
Thorbjørn Christoffersen is a Danish illustrator, film director and animator.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Anthony's parents are really busy, so the regular visits to Grandma are popular with the little boy.

And no wonder: in this first book a boring bath situation is swiftly turned into the most amazing adventure, as Anthony and Grandma travel to the bottom of the sea in order to find Grandma's lost ring. On their way, they are faced with dangerous monsters and stressed-out mermaids and Anthony has to be extra switched on, if he is to succeed and in bringing the ring back.

There's never a dull moment with Grandma around...



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: March, 2022

40 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Genre: Adventure

Themes: Friendship, Courage, Curiosity

Film Rights: Babel-Bridge

Theatre Rights: Babel-Bridge

Available material: English sample upon

request

#### **Territories Handled**

World except: Danish

#### **Territories Sold**

Macedonian: Sakam Knigi

Polish: <u>Dwukropek</u>

#### Merete Pryds Helle Charlotte Pardi



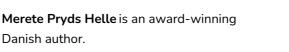


# **Little Wee Finds** Donna

#### Lille Tis finder Donna

This is the third book in the utterly charming picture book series about the world's cutest puppy, Donna. However, this time the title of "The World's Cutest" is suddenly contested, when Donna's brother, Little Wee, is in need of a new home.

Charlotte Pardi (b. 1971) has won the Danish Cultural Ministry's Illustrator Prize on several occasions and is loved for her gentle appealing artwork.





Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: June, 2022

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Genre: Realism

Themes: Jealousy, Belonging/Identity, Family, Pets, Courage

Available material: English sample translation

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Donna is happy in her family and is the center of everyone's attention. However, out of the blue, she has to learn to share that attention, when the elderly owner of her brother, Little Wee, has to go into care. Little Wee needs a new home fast and Donna's family volunteers.

Suddenly Donna has to give up her space in Lillian Betty's bed, share her food bowl and not least all the kisses from the family. In fact, they forget to kiss her altogether, in the turmoil to get Little Wee to settle in.

But then Donna sets off on an adventure of her own and needs help getting back. Luckily, Little Wee comes to her rescue...

#### Ane Bjørn



# **Magic Sight**

#### **Trylleblik**

Magic Sight is a timeless and universal picture book about the unconquerable imagination of children and their amazing ability to play, dream and simply be children. Even under the most impossible conditions.

Through her evocative illustrations, **Ane Bjørn** gives form to everything that children (and adults) sometimes find challenging to express with words: dreams, fears, sorrow, anger and imagination.

# ANE BJØRN TRYLLEBLIK GUTKIND

Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Gutkind

Published: June, 2021

32 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Themes: <u>Belonging/Identity</u>, <u>Family</u>, <u>Loss/Grief</u>, <u>Curiosity</u>

Available material: *English sample translation*.

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Bosnian: Bajkologija

Korean: Cheakyearnkids

#### **SYNOPSIS**

If you close one eye and cover it with two fingers, you will get magic sight: this is the frame in which Ane Bjørn places her tale of a refugee family and a little girl's insistence to see the beauty of the world in the middle of its horrors.

In a nameless country, in a city in ruins, a girl learns something very special from her grandmother: By covering one eye with two fingers, you can see things, you otherwise don't have an eye for. Wonderful things, you didn't think existed. Golden castles in dark forests. Mermaids in the deep. Beauty, light and hope.

The perilous journey of the family towards a new place is told only through the visuals. The words on the other hand belong to the girl and loyally portray her subjective view of the world around her. A world that contrary to the harsh reality is full of colours and magic, light and hope.

Winner of the Danish Book Design Prize in the category "Best Children's Book of the Year" (2022)

Part of <u>Books from Denmark</u>, Autumn 2021 (selected by the Danish Arts' Foundation).

Shortlisted for the Danish Cultural Ministry's Author and Illustrator Prizes 2022.

#### **REVIEWS**

"The imagination diffuses the harsh reality in a moving tale about escape and loss and about undying hope... both aimed at those refuge children who have been through it all and those children who have only read or heard about refugees. Because of the gentle narrative form where the images bear the content, no one is at risk of getting hurt by the story." – (Weekendavisen)

"It is an incredible achievement that Ane Bjørn manages to create a transparent layer in the illustrations where we view both the girl and her grandmother's



#### Tina Sakura Bestle Lilian Brøgger





## The Horizon and whatnot

#### Horisonten og sådan noget

A beautiful illustrated book, full of love, imagination and the belief in the best in people, by award-winning author/illustrator duo.

Tina Sakura Bestle is an experienced Danish writer with a poetic and precise language. She has won the Danish Cultural Institute's 2022 Author Prize for the story, The Bear.

Lilian Brøgger is an esteemed Danish illustrator of both picture books, as well as a graphic novel, and the winner of several awards.



The Horizon (and that sort of thing) is a fairy tale-like story about war, loss, love and miracles.

It is the story about Daimi who is at cross-roads in her life after her husband has left her – she decides to become a pirate and sets off to sea.

Then she meets the girl, Noura. Noura means light. But darkness is all Noura can remember. How did she end up in a mysterious submarine? Where does she come from?

When Noura meets Daimi, she gradually starts to remember. That she had to flee her country because it had become consumed by evil. That she had to leave her little brother and grandmother behind. That she lost both her parents on the perilous journey.

Meeting Daimi becomes her rescue – she helps her find the courage to return and save her little brother. And Noura and Daimi travel towards the horizon, towards the longing and the magic: they look for their own sound, they search for courage. But will Noura be strong enough when faced with evil itself?

Fully illustrated by Lilian Brøgger.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: March, 2022

184 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: <u>Middle-Grade</u>

Genre: Adventure

Themes: Love, Friendship, Loss/Grief,

Courage, Family

Available material: English sample

#### **Territories Handled**

#### Thomas Brunstrøm Thorbjørn Christoffersen





**SYNOPSIS** 

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# **Eddie goes to the** Zoo

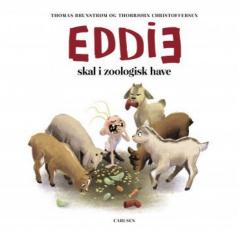
#### Eddie skal i zoologisk have

The Eddie books form part of a new series for the youngest children about the popular little brother of Sally.

Thomas Brunstrøm is a bestselling author, freelance journalist, film critic and podcast host - and real-life dad to Sally and Eddie.

Thorbjørn Christoffersen is a Danish illustrator, film director and animator.

Eddie is going to the Zoo. He has been looking forward to it all week. And fortunately it will be even more fun than Eddie had anticipated and Dad had



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: November, 2021

32 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Genre: Fantasy

Film Rights: Babel-Bridge

Theatre Rights: Babel-Bridge

Available material: English sample

available on request

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Finnish: Kvaliti Oy

Polish: Juka-91

#### Thomas Brunstrøm Thorbjørn Christoffersen





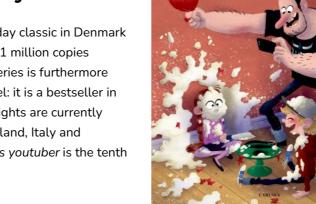
# Sally's Dad turns YouTuber

#### Sallys far bliver youtuber

Sally's Dad is a modern day classic in Denmark with sales reaching over 1 million copies across all formats. The series is furthermore proving its ability to travel: it is a bestseller in Poland, and translation rights are currently sold to Faroe Islands, Finland, Italy and Norway. Sally's Dad turns youtuber is the tenth book in the series.

Thomas Brunstrøm is a bestselling author, freelance journalist, film critic and podcast host - and real-life dad to Sally and Eddie.

Thorbjørn Christoffersen is a Danish illustrator, film director and animator.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: June, 2021

40 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Genre: Humour

Film Rights: Nordisk Film

Theatre Rights: Babel-Bridge

Available material: English sample.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Sally's dad has a problem. Sally thinks that it is much better fun to watch YouTube videos rather than listening to his stories. So he embarks on a new career. He wants to become a youtuber and starts filming everything from irritating pranks to disgusting pizzas and cringe-worthy dance videos. But as is most often the case with Sally's dad it is not necessarily the best idea.

#### **REVIEWS**

"We didn't have any doubts about this series. We knew right away that it would be perfect for the Polish market, though we didn't expect such great success. We have trouble seeing the series as picture books, not because of the amount of text, but the format and the target reader, because it's directed at a double reader: at kids that are a bit older than the usual picture book readers and at their parents (as in the case of Shrek). I'm not sure who has more fun reading these books: parents or children?" – Katarzyna Biegańska (Polish editor at Dwukropek)

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Polish: Juka-91

#### Søren Jessen



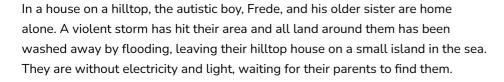
#### The Fish Girl

#### **Fiskepigen**

An IBBY Honour nominee - an absolutely stunning graphic novel on the highly current subject of flooding and climate change - aimed at reading aloud for 10+ or reading alone for 12+.

Søren Jessen is an award-winning Danish author/illustrator of children's books and graphic novels.

#### **SYNOPSIS**



Fred's sister does everything in her power to create an illusion that everything is normal – to protect her fragile younger brother. She plays with dinosaurs, makes a cozy camp underneath the dining table, bakes pancakes on the gas fire and tells a fairy tale of a girl who lives in the sea.

At the same time, she is worried and scared. Where are their parents? Will the water rise further? And how does she make the old generator in the outhouse work, so that she can create light and signal to the helicopter above that they are alive and waiting?

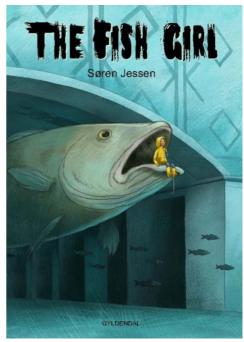
The book provides a beautiful and moving point of departure for a dialogue on climate change and on the importance of caring for each other when the going gets tough. There is a strong sense of hope and community in the story and the stunning illustrations provide a complete extra layer of meaning for this pearl of a story.

Check out the IBBY Honour List Online Exhibition here.

#### **REVIEWS**

"An eerie, intensely well-wrought and -written novel (...) the way that Søren Jessen mixes text and images is simultaneously elegant and fiercely anchoring you in the present." - (Børn & Bøger (Children and Books magazine))

"The Fish Girl is an outstandingly beautiful publication, in which the illustrations - on land, in the ocean and in the air - contribute to a unique experience." -(Bogbotten.dk)



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Gyldendal

Published: March, 2020

116 pages

Category: Graphic Novels

Sub-category: <u>Children</u>

Genre: Realism

Themes: Environment, Courage, Family

Available material: English sample

translation

#### **Territories Handled**

World except: Chinese Complex, Chinese Simplified

#### **Territories Sold**

Italian: Camelozampa

#### Line Meyer



# The Day the Farts Disappeared

# Den dag prutterne forsvandt

A really inviting and beautiful picture book about one of the body's very important functions. Inside the body a lot of unexpected things take place – it is almost like a factory where a lot of different departments have to collaborate in order for the body to work properly.

**Line Meyer** (b. 1989) is a graduate of the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna and lives and works in Berlin.



Professor Gut Flora creates both big and small farts, slimy and dry farts, bomb farts and stinky farts every single day in her fart laboratory.

And she is really good at it. There is just one problem... even when Flora does her very utmost to make some really good, stinky farts, her friends in the body never says anything nice about them. And neither do the people outside of the body.

It just cannot be right. Because Flora is genius at what she does - she deserves recognition.

One day enough is enough and she leaves her fart laboratory. And sure enough, not long after, chaos rules – because when no one is there to create the farts, the body does not work.

Now all Flora's friends have to set out to find her ... before the Brain Bosses start a devastating purge cycle...



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Gads Forlag

Published: June, 2021

64 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Genre: Non-fiction

Available material: English sample

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Korean: Hyun Books



# **Emil is hungry**

#### Emil er sulten

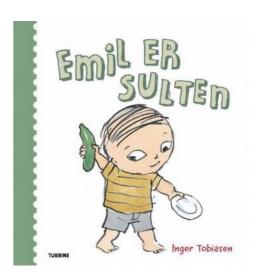
A new board book series by Inger Tobiasen - with small recognizable stories for the youngest children.

Inger Tobiasen is one of the best-known Danish illustrators of children's books – with her recognisable style, she catches the sentiments of children beautifully and she has provided artwork for many books, also by other authors.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Emil is hungry. He finds a bun. Lettuce and tomato. Cucumber and cheese. And a burger. What's he up to?

This is a robust board book series made for small, eager hands. The books are ideal for language training and vocabulary enhancement. The series also include *Emil gets dressed, Emil in sun and rain* and *Emil's paint book*.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Turbine

Published: December, 2021

20 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Genre: Realism

#### **Territories Handled**

#### Oliver Zahle Siri Melchior





# Sausage does not want to go to Daycare (4)

#### Pølse vil ikke i børnehave (4)

There is a lot of things that Sausage doesn't want and Dad is quite frankly finding it a bit confusing. But, magically, they always end up finding a way to agree.

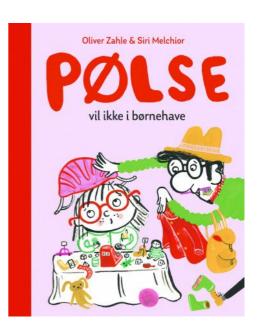
Oliver Zahle has written a charming picture book series about a little hard-nosed girl and her quirky Dad that is bound to make both parent and child laugh.

**Siri Melchior** has already proved that her illustration style travels, her books having been published in Germany and Spain.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Today, Sausage does not want to go to kindergarten. In the end, Dad lets her stay at home, but it turns out to be rather hard work playing with Dad for a whole day...

The Sausage series is a cute story about a little girl and her Dad; about the navigation of personalities, about the negotiation of values, all done tongue-incheek to ensure that both child and adult will get a laugh.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Gads Forlag

Published: October, 2020

28 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Genre: Humour

Themes: Family

Available material: English sample of the first book in the series

#### **Territories Handled**

World except: Danish

#### **Territories Sold**

Polish: Grupa Wydawnicza Filia

#### Stine Bødker **Emil Landgreen**





# **Mermaids**

#### Havfruer

All you need to know about one of the ocean's most magical creatures, the mermaid.

Stine Bødker is behind a brilliant new nonfiction title on mermaids.

Emil Landgreen has illustrated a stunning new book on mermaids, as well as Ida Marie Rendtorff's MG series about The Ice Conjurers.



**SYNOPSIS** 

Mermaids are the most stunning creatures imaginable. Beautiful and otherworldly with mesmerizing voices. Strong, independent and sometimes dangerous.

But who are they really? Are they nature spirits? Fable animals? Goddesses? Or just secret ocean creatures?

In this beautiful, densely illustrated, non-fiction book, aimed at a 6-9 audience, you will be introduced to the myths and the fairy-tales, get lots of funny and magical facts - and become much more informed of the mermaid's strength, her equipment and her exciting history.

Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Gads Forlag

Published: September, 2021

40 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Genre: Non-fiction

Available material: English sample

#### **Territories Handled**

#### Tore Leifer Anja Gram





# Münchhausen: the Baron's (almost) true tales

# Münchhausen: Baronens (næsten) sande eventyr

A refreshing, funny new take on Baron von Münchausens tall tales, tweaked for the age group 6+, and colourfully illustrated.

**Tore Leifer** has written a wonderful new version of Baron von Münchhausen's fabulations.

**Anja Gram** is an experienced Danish illustrator.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

In this new book about Baron von Münchausen's stories, he has been given a bunch of grandchildren (in reality he was childless) and is telling them stories in front of the fireplace. Thus the scene is set for children and childish souls to be mesmerized and entertained by stories of cannon ball travel, horses on church towers and deers with cherry trees growing out of their heads.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Gads Forlag

Published: October, 2021

96 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: <u>Middle-Grade</u>

Genre: Humour

Available material: English sample

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Dutch: Van Goor

#### Peter Nordahl Rasmus Bregnhøi





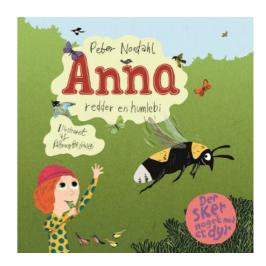
# Something happens to an Animal: Anna rescues a Bumble **Bee (1)**

#### Der sker noget med et dyr: Anna redder en humlebi (1)

A charming picture book series for the little ones about little animals – with facts about the animals at the end of the book.

Peter Nordahl is the author of a lovely and current picture book series.

Rasmus Bregnhøi is a hugely popular and award-winning Danish illustrator, who was short-listed for the Deutscher Jugendbuchpreis in 2019.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: <u>Gads Forlag</u>

Published: August, 2020

27 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Genre: Realism

Available material: English sample upon request.

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Anna with the red beanie loves to sit by the big window and look out into her garden. And she loves animals. One day a bumble bee flies through the garden door and it cannot get out again. Anna has to rescue it.

There are now four books in the series:

- Anna rescues a Frog
- Anna rescues a Moth
- Anna rescues a Sparrow
- Anna rescues a Bumblebee



# **Sometimes I** Wonder where **Infinity Ends**

#### Sommetider tænker jeg på, hvor uendeligheden ender

A philosphical, aestethic and well-written picture book about a small boy and all his thoughts before he goes to sleep. Aimed at 4+ and their parents.

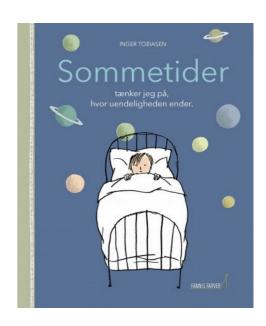
Inger Tobiasen is one of the best-known Danish illustrators of children's books – with her recognisable style, she catches the sentiments of children beautifully and she has provided artwork for many books, also by other authors.



Before you go to sleep is often the moment when all sorts of thoughts announce their arrival. The boy in Inger Tobiasen's lovely and heart-warming picture book has an avalanche of thoughts – about sleeping fish, the universe, love and the origin of words - all to keep the one thought he does not want to think about at bay – the thought about his best friend, Carla, and the bad thing he did...

#### **REVIEWS**

"A fantastic, philosophical and heart-warming picture book about existential pondering...I am crazy about this well wrought and moving picture book\*" - (DBC (Danish Library Centre))



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Fannis Farver

Published: 2019

60 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Genre: Realism

Themes: Friendship, Fear & Anxiety,

Courage, Curiosity

Film Rights: Babel-Bridge Literary

Agency

Theatre Rights: Babel-Bridge Literary

Available material: Danish original and English sample translation.

#### **Territories Handled**



#### **Ida series**

#### Ida serien

A series of 18 small books about the little girl, Ida, and her her everyday life, the challenges she meets, the valuable moments she experiences. These are small books about big

**Inger Tobiasen** is one of the best-known Danish illustrators of children's books – with her recognisable style, she catches the sentiments of children beautifully and she has provided artwork for many books, also by other authors.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Inger Tobiasen speaks directly to the child who will have no difficulty recognising the feelings, neither when it comes to the language used, nor the expressive illustrations, which invite the child to "read" the story by just looking at the pictures. These books will widen the horizon of small children and fuel their imagination, as well as spark conversations between parent and child about the big emotions we all experience, regardless of nationality or gender.

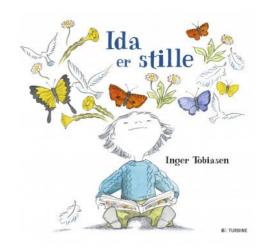
#### Summaries of key titles:

In Ida is Quiet, we meet Ida when she is reading a book. The story becomes alive to Ida and her imagination builds on the story in the book, while she lies on the grass and closes her eyes. It is a very harmonious, almost poetic book, which leaves the reader as calm as Ida herself.

In Ida is Angry, Ida's mum has had the audacity to sew a new tail unto Ida's giraffe teddy, Ebbe. And it is all wrong! She tears the tail off and resolutely throws Ebbe out of the window. But after the burst of anger, comes regret. The book is concisely depicting the enormous anger children of 2-4 experience – and the feeling of unhappiness that follow.

Ida is Scared is about those sounds you can hear when it is dark and how your imagination can play tricks on you. A moth is on the loose in Ida's room, and because it is dark, her imagination creates a most awful swarm of "thingies". Ida gets terribly scared. When she switches on the light, and realises what is actually buzzing around, everything is quickly well again.

In Ida and the Happiness Fairy, Ida is envious because her best friend, Kalle, is playing with his cousin. She does not know how to become part of the game and has many frustrated thoughts about Kalle's cousin. Luckily, Ida has another best friend, her happiness fairy, a small doll that she always carries around. When the fairy disappears, something unexpected happens.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Turbine

Published: 2018

26 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Film Rights: Babel-Bridge on behalf of

Turbine

Theatre Rights: Babel-Bridge on behalf

of Turbine

Available material: Danish originals and English sample translations. Chinese translation by King-In Culture.

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Chinese Simplified: King-In Culture

Mongolian: King-In Culture

Polish: Mariusz Jachimczuk Edgard





# Fanni's Green Book (1)

#### Fannis grønne bog (1)

Fanni's Green Book is the first in a series of 10 small book, about the imaginative play of Fanni. Currently nominated for one of the prestigious prizes at the 28. Biennale of Illustrations Bratislava and sold in translation to China Mainland and South Korea.

**Inger Tobiasen** is one of the best-known Danish illustrators of children's books - with her recognisable style, she catches the sentiments of children beautifully and she has provided artwork for many books, also by other authors.



Fanni wants to sleep. Dragon wants to sleep too, but his stomach rumbles, and he farts, and Fanni does not like that. She moves farther away, but Dragon's fart sounds very loud, so eventually Fanni wipes him away with her eraser. She still can't sleep because now she misses Dragon and therefore she draws him again with her green crayon. Now they can both sleep. Good night.

#### **REVIEWS**

"A reader reported that her 5-year-old child suffers from high-functioning autism. This is the first time he has read a book in its entirety and read 5 titles at a time. Our editor felt sincerely happy. Thank you very much for your creativity and work. Somewhere in the world, there is a child who is happy because of reading your series. It is a very remarkable achievement." – (Note to the author from her Chinese publisher: Beijing Yutian Hanfeng Book Co., Ltd)



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Fannis Farver

Published: 2018

40 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (2-5 years)

Film Rights: Babel-Bridge Literary Agency

Available material: Danish originals and English sample translations. Chinese translation by UTOP.

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Chinese Simplified: UTOP

Korean: Montessori Korea Co., Ltd.

#### Carsten René Nielsen



# Dream Bikes and Soccer Dogs -Poems for Children

#### Drømmecykler og fodboldhunde - digte for børn

Included in the White Raven 2020 catalogue, *Dream Bikes and Soccer Dogs*, is children's poetry at its best.

Carsten René Nielsen is an award-winning and acclaimed Danish poet, whose work is translated into several languages.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Dream Bikes and Soccer Dogs is a wonderful collection of poems for children, packed with unusual imagery, and with stunning illustrations by Mette Marcussen.

In the words of the White Raven committee:

Dream Bikes and Soccer Dogs is a poetic gem, featuring poems illustrated with delicacy that all tell little stories – lyrical, off-beat, and melancholic narrative poems, rich in language. There are poems about adults who are as boring as shopping carts, about a cowboy who loves the ocean, or about the eponymous dogs who secretly meet at dusk to play soccer. Readers hear about horses who wear too much lipstick, or witches who snore »like a swarm of bees buzzing in and out of an elephant's trunk«. The unconventional visual language and the astonishing ideas make Dream Bikes and Football Dogs a book that inspires readers to marvel, spin out the tales, and create their own poems; a book they will want to pick up again and again. This is children's poetry at its best!



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Vild Maskine

Published: December, 2019

36 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Genre: <u>Poetry</u>

Available material: English sample, Dutch sample, Danish original.

#### **Territories Handled**

#### Karen Filskov



# Feathers fall like snow

#### Det sner med fjer

Feathers fall like snow are charming and clever figure poems about birds.

Karen Filskov is an innovative Danish author/illustrator, who was shortlist for the Cultural Ministry's "Author Prize".

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Part of the WHITE RAVEN LIBRARY 2021 and shortlisted for the BIENNALE OF **ILLUSTRATIONS BRATISLAVA 2021** 

The Cuckoo never gets to know his mum, the Vulture has his own internet high up above the savanna, the Vogelkop Bowerbird uses art to attract his mate. Follow the legs of the Ostrich, the wings of the Albatross and the small arrows.

Discover the world of the birds, maybe you will recognize traits from your own world?

#### **REVIEWS**

"A lovely experience ... characterised by word play and humour" – (Information)

"An exceptionally beautiful picture book" – (Weekendavisen)



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Vild Maskine

Published: September, 2020

36 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: <u>Graphic Novels</u>

Available material: English sample translation

#### **Territories Handled**

# Anna Knakkergaard Jungle Dreams

#### Julie Dam





#### Drømmejunglen

Never before have so many people battled with sleep issues and the problem extends to our children and young people too who struggle to process the day's experiences and fall asleep seamlessly.

Medical doctor and clinical hypnotist, Anne Knakkergaard, uses her specialised knowledge to create bedtime books based on soothing hypnosis techniques.

Architect. Julie Dam. uses her full artistic palette to create the sweet illustrations in bedtime story books



Through a series of stories, the child is encouraged to help the animals in the Jungle Dreams to find peace, so that both the child and the animals can fall asleep.

There are many reasons why the animal children have difficulty sleeping. The sloth, Susan, worries and ponders. The parrot, Petra, talks too much and isn't tired at all. The tapir, Tom, has a tummy ache and Lisa the Leafcutter Ant is afraid of the dark. Hank, the Howler Monkey has his head full of busy thoughts and Jason the Jaguar is struggling with growing pains.

The six stories in the Jungle Dreams are carefully developed and written so that the child can find help to deal with the most common problems connected with falling asleep.

In addition to the bedtime stories, the book offers hands-on advice and information on sleep, as well as tips on how to create the right atmosphere when reading aloud. The book is aimed at families with children aged 4-10 years.

In the home-market, the Jungle Dreams is available in App Store and Google Play where the stories can be played with soothing jungle music that continues after the story is over.

#### **REVIEWS**

"'Jungle Dreams' are stories on the children's premises combined with great professional ballast. These are stories that are easily accessible. Stories that normalize and acknowledge children's reactions at bedtime, and which in a simple way help the children to deal with difficult thoughts, feelings and bodily sensations. The stories help the children to provide self-care and master pondering at bedtime. Drawings and illustrations are beautiful." – Annette



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Jungledrømme

Published: April, 2021

80 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Genre: Non-fiction

Themes: Relaxation

Available material: English sample

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Chinese Complex: Akker

Polish: Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca

Swedish: Lind & Co.

Walsted - Psychologist, and mother of Benjamin (8 years) and Alexander (3 years) ()

"The book is easy to get started with and has good instructions for the adult along the way. It works very well with the "sleeping tips" in addition to the stories. Wonderful stories that help the child to relax, enjoy the breathing and form positive and imaginative stories in his head while he falls asleep." — Kathrine Lauritzen - Doctor, and mother of Jacob (7 years) and Emil (4 years) ()

#### Christine Lund Jakobsen Zarah Juul





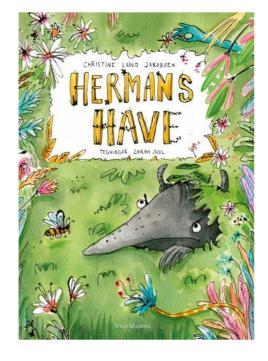
# **Gregory's Garden**

#### Hermans have

Gregory's Garden problematises the tendency to focus on our differences rather than what unites us. It draws attention to the fear of the unknown and poses the question if our differences can indeed be a resource that benefits everyone.

Christine Lund Jakobsen writes thoughtprovoking pictures books, always with a clear hook and with an ability to draw her target audience in.

Zarah Juul is a popular Danish illustrator, known and loved for her original artwork and colourful style.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Vild Maskine

Published: October, 2018

40 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Available material: English sample

# **SYNOPSIS**

Gregory loves his beautiful garden, which he keeps firmly closed with a big gate. What he really wants is peace. One day a creature with green fingers knocks on his door to ask for a favour and soon after several more come knocking. Gregory is distraught and sends them all away. Until something happens that makes him realise that, despite their differences, together they will be stronger.

"No one knew precisely how Gregory's garden looked, because all around the garden, a tall thick hedge grew which was kept together by two tall garden doors. Gregory's garden door needed polishing. He whistled a small melody and rubbed with his cloth until the doors were shining like gold."

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **REVIEWS**

"A relevant tale" – (5 stars in *Nordjyske* (Danish newspaper))

"A beautiful pearl" – (Forestilling om paradis (Imagine Paradise))

#### Stine og Hannah Dreyer



# **Book of Farts: an Encyclopeadia of Farts**

#### Pruttebogen: leksikon over fimser

A funny and informative picture book with brilliant illustrations by Maria Buchmann. Sold in translation to Korean, Poland and Norway.

Stine Dreyer and Hannah Dreyer are the mother/daughter duo who let their imagination run free and created an encyclopedia of 23 different types of farts.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Everybody farts! Even Queen Elizabeth and Justin Bieber. You probably know farts best from yourself, your family, and your friends. But how does a fart become a fart?

This is exactly what mother/daughter duo, Stine and Hannah Dreyer set out to examine and they have developed their own Fartotology, the teaching of farts and how they develop.

Some farts are noisy, some a completely silent - and all research shows that loud farts smell less whereas silent farts smell of death and destruction. You choose freely between pest or cholera: do you want to hold the fart back and risk that it develops into a Silent Stinker? Or do you prefer to release the Firecracker?

Something all farts have in common is that they are funny, even if they appear at the worst possible moments: in class, in the middle of a good game, during dinner.

This book invites curious children and their parents to talk about shared experiences with different fart types, including the Bubbler, the Firecracker, the Horror Honk and the Serial Fart.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Turbine

Published: May, 2019

44 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Film Rights: Babel-Bridge Literary

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Theatre Rights: Babel-Bridge Literary

Agency

Available material: Danish original, English sample translation. Translations into Korean, Norwegian and Polish.

#### **Territories Handled**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **Territories Sold**

Korean: Yellow Pig

Norwegian: Solum Bokvennen

Polish: Czarna Owca

#### **Katrine Marie** Guldager Rasmus Bregnhøi





# Frantz goes to a **House Party (9)**

#### Frantz skal til klassefest (9)

The Frantz series is made up of 9 charming and funny stories about the boy with a big belly and an even bigger heart. Suitable as early reading, as well as reading aloud.

Katrine Marie Guldager is an award-winning writer whose work has been translated into several languages.

Rasmus Bregnhøi is a hugely popular and award-winning Danish illustrator, who was short-listed for the Deutscher Jugendbuchpreis in 2019.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: Relaunched, 2019

56 pages

Category: Children's Books

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Genre: Realism

Themes: Friendship

Available material: English sample from

the first book in the series

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Frantz is going to his first house party at Charlotte's place.

He is looking forward to it, but his friend, Karl, thinks that this party is for babies. And he repeats this comment so many times that he almost ruins the party. Especially for Charlotte.

Frantz does not want to put up with that, because he has a soft spot for anyone who is finding it difficult to stand up for themselves. And of course it ends with a fight. Between Frantz and Karl. Will the party be saved?

#### **Territories Handled**

#### Rasmus Bregnhøi



# **Inventions, Knitted Beanies and a Mean** Cat

#### Opfindelser, strikkede huer og en dum kat

The internationally recognised Danish illustrator is now also the author of his own picture book series, sold in translation to Chinese Complex, Italian, Korean and Spanish.

Rasmus Bregnhøi is a hugely popular and award-winning Danish illustrator, who was short-listed for the Deutscher Jugendbuchpreis in 2019.



The friends we make are not always the most obvious ones - this is one of the universal messages in this beautiful picture book about the mouse and cat that make best friends despite all odds.

Rasmus Bregnhøi is one of the best illustrators in Denmark with a recognizable and entertaining style. Inventions, Knitted Beanies and a Mean Cat won the Blixen Prize and translation rights thus far sold include Chinese Complex, Italian, Korean and Spanish.

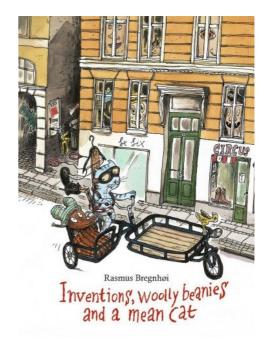
#### **TERRITORIES HANDLED**

World except: Danish

#### **TERRITORIES SOLD**

Chinese Complex: Wu-Nan, Icelandic: Benedikt bókaútgáfa, Italian: Sinnos,

Korean: Siwon School.



Original Language: Danish

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: July, 2015

48 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Available material: Danish original, full English sample translation.

#### Bárður Oskarsson



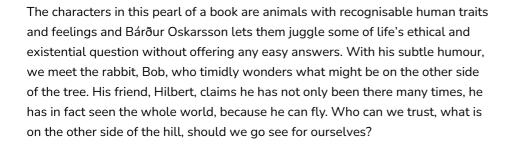
#### The Tree

#### Træið

Winner of the Nordic Literature Council's Children's Book Prize, The Tree is a classic Bárður Oskarsson story, written and illustrated in his simplistic and highly characteristic style.

The award-winning Faroese author, **Bárður** Oskarsson, has an impressive 15 foreign languages on his list of translation sales.

#### **SYNOPSIS**



#### **REVIEWS**

"Genious read-aloud with philosophical after taste" – (Jyllandposten)

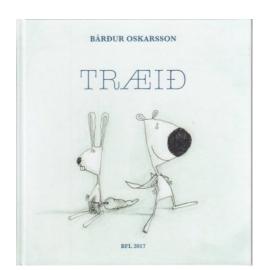
"He shaves us down to the bare essentials and leaves us with the question: 'What is behind that tree?'" – (5 hearts in Politiken)

#### **TERRITORIES HANDLED**

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

#### **TERRITORIES SOLD**

Bulgarian: Damyan Yakov, Danish: Torgard, English (UK): Darf Publishers, Icelandic: Dimma, Italian: C.E.D. Centro Editoriale, Korean: Jinsun Publishing Co., Macedonian: PNV Publikacii, Norwegian: Orkana, Slovene: Zalozba Zala, Swedish: Modernista.



Original Language: Faroese

Original Publisher: Bokadeild Føroya <u>Lærarafelags</u>

Published: April, 2017

20 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years)

Available material: English translation