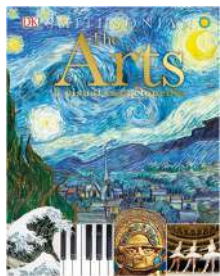


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Books for Kids



***The Arts: A Visual Encyclopedia* by DK — DK Children — 9781465461780 — TP — \$25.99 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 304 pp. — August 2017**

Kids can trace the development of a painting, from prehistoric cave drawings to the Mona Lisa to contemporary street art; read the story of music, from classical and jazz to rock and roll...stunning full-page images bring each subject to life, and clear text and annotations provide comprehensive, age-appropriate coverage. Created in association with the Smithsonian Institution, *The Arts: A Visual Encyclopedia* is the essential introduction to the cultural world for children.



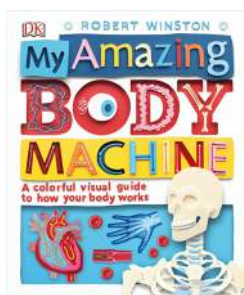
***Coding Projects in Python* by DK — DK Children — 9781465461889 — TP — \$25.95 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 224 pp. — June 2017**

Coding Projects in Python teaches kids how to build amazing graphics, fun games, and useful apps. All they need is a desktop or laptop, and an Internet connection to download Python 3. Step-by-step instructions teach essential coding basics, and when they are feeling more confident, kids can personalize and adapt each project. Teaches kids how to work collaboratively and reason systematically.



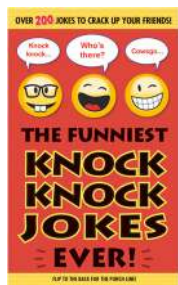
***What's Your Favourite Color?* by Eric Carle — Henry Holt and Co. — 9780805096149 — HC — \$24.99 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 40 pp. — May 2017**

Everybody has a favorite color. Some like blue balloons or brown buildings or mint green ice cream cones. Others prefer sunshine yellow, Maine morning gray, or Mexican pink. In this book, fifteen beloved children's book artists draw their favorite colors and explain why they love them. Contributors include: Eric Carle, Lauren Castillo, Bryan Collier, Mike Curato, Etienne Delessert, Anna Dewdney, Rafael Lopez, William Low, and Marc Martin.



***My Amazing Body Machine* by Robert Winston — DK Children — 9781465461858 — HC — \$25.99 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 128 pp. — May 2017**

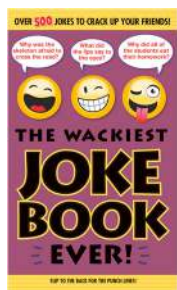
From the intricately wired brain to the relentlessly pumping heart, each part of the amazing human body is explored through the incredible paper-crafted artworks of Owen Gildersleeve. With clear text and fascinating bite-size facts, *My Amazing Body Machine* makes learning about the human body fun, and real-life examples show how the parts of the body work together in immediate and ingenious ways.



***The Funniest Knock Knock Jokes Ever* by the Editors of Portable Press — Portable Press — 9781626863651 — TP — \$6.99 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 128 pp. — May 2017**

Kids can't resist sharing jokes (even you try to stop them), so they always need a fresh supply. We've stuffed the pages of this little book with the funniest knock-knock jokes we could find. Old favorites, new favorites, and a few festering stinkers—all guaranteed to make kids laugh out loud.

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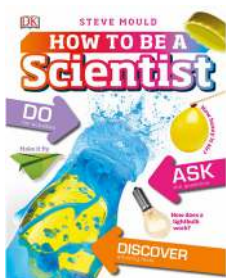
***The Wackiest Joke Book Ever* by the Editors of Portable Press — Portable Press — 9781626863804 — TP — \$6.99 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 128 pp. — May 2017**

Kids can't resist sharing jokes (even you try to stop them), so they always need a fresh supply. We've stuffed the pages of this little book with the silliest jokes we could find. Old favorites, new favorites, and a few festering stinkers—all guaranteed to make kids laugh out loud.



***This Is How We Do It* by Matt Lamothe — Chronicle Books — 9781452150185 — HC — \$24.99 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 52 pp. — May 2017**

Follow the real lives of seven kids from Italy, Japan, Iran, India, Peru, Uganda, and Russia for a single day! But while the way they play may differ, the shared rhythm of their days—and this one world we all share—unites them. This genuine exchange provides a window into traditions that may be different from our own as well as a mirror reflecting our common experiences.



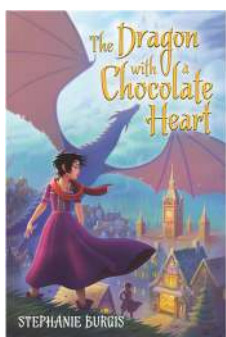
***How to be a Scientist* by Steve Mould — DK Children — 9781465461216 — HC — \$25.99 — Juvenile Nonfiction — 144 pp. — May 2017**

Kids can learn how to think like a scientist and look at the world to figure out how science works. More than 40 simple activities have undetermined answers, encouraging curious young readers to find new ways to test ideas, and fun questions, games, and real-life scenarios. The stories of the great scientists and their discoveries—and failures—are told in an entertaining way to provide even further inspiration for little budding scientists.



***Overboard! (Survivor Diaries)* by Terry Lynn Johnson — HMH — 9780544970106 — HC — \$13.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 112 pp. — July 2017**

Eleven-year-old Travis and his family are on a whale watching tour off the coast of Washington when disaster strikes. The boat capsizes, throwing everyone into the ice-cold waves. Separated from their families and struggling to stay afloat, Travis and twelve-year-old Marina must survive the freezing ocean water. Written by Terry Lynn Johnson, a real-life survival expert.



***The Dragon with a Chocolate Heart* by Stephanie Burgis — Bloomsbury USA — 9781681193434 — HC — \$22.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 256 pp. — May 2017**

Aventurine is a brave young dragon ready to explore the world outside of her family's mountain cave...if only they'd let her leave it. Her family thinks she's too young to fly on her own, but she's determined to prove them wrong by capturing the most dangerous prey of all: a human. But when that human tricks her into drinking enchanted hot chocolate, she's transformed into a puny human without any sharp teeth, fire breath, or claws—and now she's found her true passion: chocolate.



Wet by Carey Sookocheff — Henry Holt and Co. — 9781627797757 — HC — \$23.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 32 pp. — June 2017

A thoughtful exploration of the ways to get and be wet—from puddles and pools, to puppy-dog kisses. A boy describes how he gets wet at the swimming pool, at the playground, at home. Emotionally resonant and carefully observed, with a gentle bedtime ending, this is a poetic celebration of wetness—and childhood.



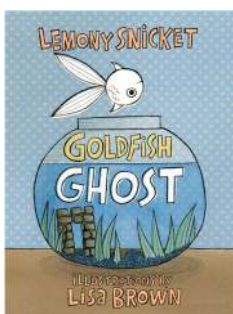
Green Green by Marie & Baldev Lamba — Farrar, Straus & Giroux — 9780374327972 — HC — \$24.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 32 pp. — May 2017

Green grass is wide and fresh and clean for a family to play in, and brown dirt is perfect for digging a garden. But when gray buildings start to rise up and a whole city builds, can there be any room for green space? The neighborhood children think so, and they inspire the community to join together and build a garden for everyone to share in the middle of the city.



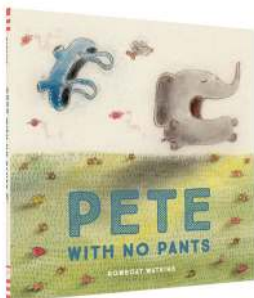
The Girl with the Ghost Machine by Lauren DeStefano — Bloomsbury USA — 9781681194448 — HC — \$22.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 224 pp. — June 2017

When Emmaline Beaumont's father started building the ghost machine, she didn't expect it to bring her mother back from the dead. But by locking himself in the basement to toil away at his hopes, Monsieur Beaumont has become obsessed with the contraption and neglected the living, and Emmaline is tired of feeling forgotten. Nothing good has come from building the ghost machine, and Emmaline decides that the only way to bring her father back will be to make the ghost machine work...or destroy it forever.



Goldfish Ghost by Lemony Snicket — Roaring Book Press — 9781626725072 — HC — \$24.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 40 pp. — May 2017

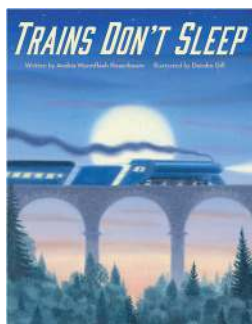
Goldfish Ghost was born on the surface of the water in the bowl on a dresser in a boy's room. The boy's room was pleasant and familiar, but Goldfish Ghost wanted company. He floats past the pier, and let the breeze carry him into town where he discovers that not many people pay attention to goldfish ghosts. Off he floats, searching for the perfect home and the perfect friend; and then he hears a voice...



Pete With No Pants by Rowboat Watkins — Chronicle — 9781452144016 — HC — \$23.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 40 pp. — May 2017

Join Pete in his quest to answer the world's oldest question: Why do I have to wear pants? Born from the one-of-a-kind imagination of Rowboat Watkins, this hilarious book (the asides just beg to be read aloud) about finding out who you are features a satisfying and touching ending that will encourage young readers to be true to themselves.

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***Trains Don't Sleep* by Andria Warmflash Rosenbaum — HMH — 9780544380745 — HC — \$23.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 40 pp. — May 2017**

Cross bridges and canyons, plow through snow, charge down mountains, and meander across fields filled with sheep. And when it is time to rest and dreams are just ahead, never fear—trains don't sleep so that you can. With the feel of a classic and vivid artwork that captures the power and majesty of trains, this is a fast-paced rhyming ode to the locomotive.



***A Place to Read* by Leigh Hodgkinson — Bloomsbury USA — 9781681193236 — HC — \$22.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 32 pp. — June 2017**

The little reader in this book is having a hard time finding the ideal reading spot. Everywhere has noise, or smells, or is too hot or cold...and our reader finds himself with lots of company in each reading spot he considers. But soon we discover the truth about reading books: A book is best anywhere...a book is best when you SHARE.



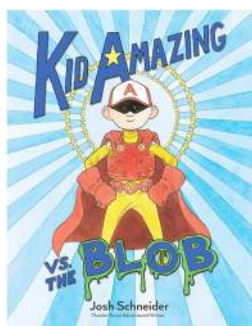
***Mine!* by Jeff Mack — Chronicle — 9781452152349 — HC — \$23.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 40 pp. — May 2017**

Start with one rock. Add two mice. The end result? A never-ending battle! Or is it? Using only one word, along with many brightly colored and lively illustrations, Jeff Mack brings his hallmark humor to this rollicking book that will have readers of every age reconsidering whether "Mine!" is the best answer.



***One For Sorrow: A Ghost Story* by Mary Downing Hahn — HMH — 9780544818095 — HC — \$23.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 304 pp. — July 2017**

Against the ominous backdrop of the influenza epidemic of 1918, Annie, a new girl at school, is claimed as best friend by Elsie, a classmate who is a tattletale, a liar, and a thief. Soon Annie makes other friends and finds herself joining them in teasing and tormenting Elsie. Elsie dies from influenza, but then she returns to reclaim Annie's friendship and punish all the girls who bullied her. Young readers who revel in spooky stories will relish this chilling tale of a girl haunted by a vengeful ghost.



***Kid Amazing vs. the Blob* by Josh Schneider — HMH — 9780544801257 — HC — \$23.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 32 pp. — June 2017**

Kid Amazing's secret base is equipped with every gadget a superhero needs to defeat evil, but there is one villain who remains elusive—the Blob (a.k.a. his baby sister). Will Kid discover the superpower needed to defeat her before the entire city succumbs to her stink and slime? From Theodor Seuss Geisel Award winner Josh Schneider, this reassuring take on a common childhood issue proves that laughter can defuse even the most epic sibling rivalries.

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***Venture* by Betsy Cornwall — HMH — 9780544319271 — HC — \$24.99 — Juvenile Fiction — 320 pp. — August 2017**

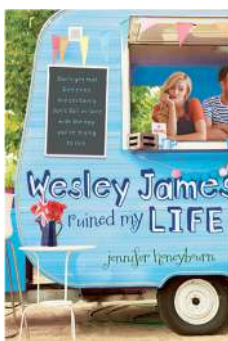
The young inventor Nicolette Lampton is living her own fairy-tale happy ending. She's free of her horrible stepfamily, running a successful business, and is uninterested in marrying the handsome prince, Fin. Instead, she, Fin, and their friend Caro venture to the lush land of Faerie, where they seek to put an end to the bloody war their kingdom is waging.

Mechanical armies and dark magic await them as they uncover devastating secrets about the past and fight for a real, lasting happily-ever-after for two troubled countries—and for themselves.



***Internet Famous* by Danika Stone — Swoon Reads — 9781250114372 — TP — \$15.99 — YA Fiction — 336 pp. — June 2017**

Internet sensation Madison Nakama has it all! Her pop-culture rewatch site has a massive following, and fans across the world wait on her every post and tweet. Even Madi's dismal romantic life seems ready to take off as Laurent, a fellow geek (and unfairly HOT French exchange student!) starts flirting with her in the comments section of her blog. But Laurent's not the only one watching for Madi's replies.



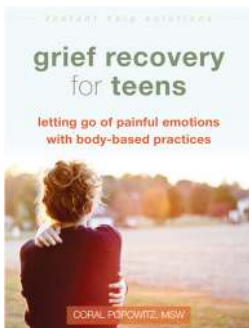
***Wesley James Ruined My Life* by Jennifer Honeybourn — Swoon Reads — 9781250123732 — TP — \$15.99 — YA Fiction — 256 pp. — July 2017**

Sixteen-year-old Quinn Hardwick's having a rough summer. Her worst enemy is back in town: Wesley James, former childhood friend and life ruiner. And when Wesley is hired to work with her at Tudor Tymes, a medieval England-themed restaurant, the last thing Quinn's going to do is forgive and forget. She's determined to remove him from her life and even the score for once and for all—by getting him fired. But getting rid of Wesley isn't as easy as she'd hoped. When Quinn finds herself falling for him, she has to decide what she wants more: to get even, or to get the boy.



***Follow Me Back* by A.V. Geiger — Sourcebooks — 9781492645238 — TP — \$14.99 — YA Fiction — 368 pp. — June 2017**

Tessa Hart's world feels very small. Confined to her bedroom with agoraphobia, her one escape is the online fandom for pop sensation Eric Thorn. When he tweets to his fans, it's like his speaking directly to her... Told through tweets, direct messages, and police transcripts, this thriller for the online generation will keep you guessing right up to the shocking end.



***Grief Recovery For Teens* by Coral Popowitz — New Harbinger — 9781626258532 — TP — \$23.95 — YA Nonfiction — 200 pp. — June 2017**

Did you know that grief can affect both your mind and your body? In this helpful and healing guide, the director of the Children's Grief Connection offers practices to help you deal with the physical aspects of grief and loss. In this compassionate guide, you'll discover how your mind can affect the way you feel physically, and discover body-oriented skills to help your body heal after experiencing loss.

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