

Little Flap Learns To Fly

Bursting with stories and informational text selections by award-winning authors and illustrators, the Wonders Literature Anthology lets students apply strategies and skills from the Reading/Writing Workshop to extended complex text. Integrate by reading across texts with the Anchor Text and its Paired Selection for each week. Build on theme, concept, vocabulary, and comprehension skills & strategies of the Reading/Writing. Expand students' exposure to genre with compelling stories, poems, plays, high-interest nonfiction, and expository selections from Time to Kids.

Anita de la Torre never questioned her freedom living in the Dominican Republic. But by her 12th birthday in 1960, most of her relatives have emigrated to the United States, her Tío Toni has disappeared without a trace, and the government's secret police terrorize her remaining family because of their suspected opposition of el Trujillo's dictatorship. Using the strength and courage of her family, Anita must overcome her fears and fly to freedom, leaving all that she once knew behind. From renowned author Julia Alvarez comes an unforgettable story about adolescence, perseverance, and one girl's struggle to be free.

Because he spends so much time perfecting his flying form instead of concentrating on getting food, a seagull is ostracized by the rest of the flock.

A child learns that there are consequences for thoughtless behavior, from feeding popcorn to a bear at the zoo to dropping an empty can out of a car window.

New York Times bestselling creators James and Kimberly Dean show us all the wonderful things about autumn. A great book to share with the family at Thanksgiving or anytime! Pete the Cat isn't sure about the changing of the seasons from summer to autumn. But when he discovers corn mazes, hay rides, and apple picking, Pete realizes there's so much to enjoy and be thankful for about autumn.

Author John Jacob Astor met his end in the sinking of the Titanic. Though he was born into wealth, Astor achieved fame as a popular science fiction writer. In this, his best-known work, Astor spins a captivating tale of what life would be like in the twenty-first century, including many technological predictions that are amazingly accurate.

"A collection of ten short stories that all take place in the same day about kids walking home from school"--

Considered by many to be mentally retarded, a brilliant, impatient fifth-grader with cerebral palsy discovers a technological device that will allow her to speak for the first time.

"A sweet story that could be used as a springboard to discussion of the pitfalls of making snap judgments about pets — or people." — School Library Journal Norman the goldfish isn't what this little boy had in mind. He wanted a different kind of pet — one that could run and catch, or chase string and climb trees, a soft furry pet to sleep on his bed at night. Definitely not Norman. But when he tries to trade Norman for a "good pet," things don't go as he planned. Could it be that Norman is a better pet than he thought? With wry humor and lighthearted affection, author Kelly Bennett and illustrator Noah Z. Jones tell an unexpected — and positively fishy — tale about finding the good in something you didn't know you wanted.

When Corduroy and his friends visit the local zoo, they learn about the animals who live there, in an interactive story with lift-the-flap illustrations.

Tractor Mac sees Plane Jane swooping across through the clouds, and he wonders what it would be like to be able to give hayrides in the sky. He even talks to birds to try to learn how they fly. Then one day Tractor Mac is driving downhill too fast, his wheels lift off the ground, and he can finally fly! But when Tractor Mac has a crash landing, he learns that he is better suited to life on the ground.

A lop-eared rabbit named Buddy finds himself in trouble with the Scruffy Varmint because he never listens.

Mouse, Hedgehog, Rabbit, Squirrel, and Snake are friends. But one day Mouse hears from Skunk (who heard it from Fox) that snakes are dangerous, especially to mice. Oh, dear! Can friendship survive gossip? Should friends stick together, no matter what? And what do friends do when a friend is in trouble? Or when a friend has hurt feelings? Do you know the answers? Mouse and Snake need your help!

Living with his little brother, Fudge, makes Peter feel like a fourth grade nothing. Fudge is never far from trouble. He's a two-year-old terror who gets away with everything--and Peter's had enough. When Fudge walks off with Dribble, Peter's pet turtle, it's the last straw.

"Teague proves that a picture can be worth a thousand words—and almost as many laughs." —Publishers Weekly (starred review) "Engaging illustrations and the baby bird's wild ideas will entertain audiences of all ages." —Booklist (starred review) "Funny, feathery finesse." —Kirkus Reviews (starred review) Mama bird thinks it's time for Baby bird's first flight, but Baby bird has other ideas in this humorous wordless picture book from New York Times bestselling author-illustrator Mark Teague. It's a big day up in the tree that Mama bird shares with her baby. Mama bird thinks Baby bird is finally ready to leave the nest and learn to fly so he can migrate south with the rest of their flock. But Baby bird isn't so sure. Can't his mother keep bringing him worms in their nest? Can't he migrate in a hot air balloon instead? Or perhaps a car? This silly wordless picture book will keep young readers giggling as Baby bird figures out that he must flap his wings and learn to fly—whether he likes it or not!

No matter how hard Little Wing tries to fly, he always flops . . . until one day when his fluttering takes him above the clouds and far away—maybe too far away! Lost in the sky, Little Wing has to find his way home. But thanks to a special someone, he learns the importance of dragon rules. And with a helping wing to guide him, Little Wing can be flip, flop, fearless! With Calista Brill's sincere story and Jennifer A. Bell's vibrant illustrations, Little Wing Learns to Fly is utterly convincing as a sweet coming-of-age tale. Fans of Finding Nemo and Giraffes Can't Dance will love rooting for Little Wing as the little dragon that could. Children and adults alike will get carried away on Little Wing's journey home!

Putting a twist on the bedtime book, this story is sure to comfort any child with a curiosity about the night. This lap board book edition is ideal for families and tots to read together. Full color.

A vital resource for pilots, instructors, and students, from the most trusted source of aeronautic information.

A paperback edition of E.B. White's classic novel about one small mouse on a very big adventure! With black and white illustrations. Stuart Little is no ordinary mouse. Born to a family of humans, he lives in New York City with his parents, his older brother George, and Snowbell the cat. Though he's shy and thoughtful, he's also a true lover of adventure. Stuart's greatest adventure comes when his best friend, a beautiful little bird named Margalo, disappears from her nest. Determined to track her down, Stuart ventures away from home for the very first time in his life. He finds adventure aplenty. But will he find his friend?

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING PHENOMENON More than 6 million copies sold A Reese Witherspoon x Hello Sunshine Book Club Pick A Business Insider Defining Book of the Decade "I can't even express how much I love this book! I didn't want this story to end!"--Reese Witherspoon "Painfully beautiful."--The New York Times Book Review For years, rumors of the "Marsh Girl" have haunted Barkley Cove, a quiet town on the North Carolina coast. So in late 1969, when handsome Chase Andrews is found dead, the locals immediately suspect Kya Clark, the so-called Marsh Girl. But Kya is not what they say. Sensitive and intelligent, she has survived for years alone in the marsh that she calls home, finding friends in the gulls and lessons in the sand. Then the time comes when she yearns to be touched and loved. When two young men from town become intrigued by her wild beauty, Kya opens herself to a new life--until the unthinkable happens. Where the Crawdads Sing is at once an exquisite ode to the natural world, a heartbreaking coming-of-age story, and a surprising tale of possible murder. Owens reminds us that we are forever shaped by the children we once were, and that we are all subject to the beautiful and violent

secrets that nature keeps.

George does not feel ready to learn to fly or leave his nest to go south with the other birds despite his mother's encouragement, but when a strong autumn wind gets hold of the nest, he finds that he has no choice--George is off whether he likes it or not!

From the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *All the Light We Cannot See*, perhaps the most bestselling and beloved literary fiction of our time, comes a triumph of imagination and compassion, a soaring novel about children on the cusp of adulthood in a broken world, who find resilience, hope, and story. The heroes of *Cloud Cuckoo Land* are trying to figure out the world around them: Anna and Omeir, on opposite sides of the formidable city walls during the 1453 siege of Constantinople; teenage idealist Seymour in an attack on a public library in present day Idaho; and Konstance, on an interstellar ship bound for an exoplanet, decades from now. Like Marie-Laure and Werner in *All the Light We Cannot See*, Anna, Omeir, Seymour, and Konstance are dreamers and outsiders who find resourcefulness and hope in the midst of peril. An ancient text—the story of Aethon, who longs to be turned into a bird so that he can fly to a utopian paradise in the sky—provides solace and mystery to these unforgettable characters. Doerr has created a tapestry of times and places that reflects our vast interconnectedness—with other species, with each other, with those who lived before us and those who will be here after we're gone. Dedicated to "the librarians then, now, and in the years to come," *Cloud Cuckoo Land* is a hauntingly beautiful and redemptive novel about stewardship—of the book, of the Earth, of the human heart.

Available again! Caldecott Medal winner Mordicai Gerstein's first picture book is even more whimsical and enchanting in its new edition than it was when it was first published twenty-five years ago.

It's Christmas time and Santa is almost here... IF you know how to catch him! From the creators of the New York Times bestsellers *How to Babysit a Grandpa* and *How to Babysit a Grandma* comes an equally charming and hilarious holiday must-read! After waiting for days and days and days, it's finally Christmas Eve. And that's when you can try to catch Santa. . . . but only if you know the right tricks! Pay attention to these clever tips for "catching" Santa (be crafty! be clever! be gentle!) on Christmas Eve. Santa can't resist cookies...or riddles! And don't forget to leave the Christmas tree lights on so Santa can see his way around! Filled with humor and holiday warmth, this is a jolly read-aloud for the whole family to enjoy! From Jean Reagan and Lee Wildish, creators of the bestselling *HOW TO...* series, comes a delightful new offering, written again in a hilarious instructional style. "A new hit this year is *How to Catch Santa*. . . . The picture book offers lighthearted tips on how kids can steal a glimpse of Mr. Elusive, aka Santa. . . ." —USA Today The fun doesn't stop! Check out all of the *HOW TO...* picture books: *How to Babysit a Grandma* *How to Catch a Santa* *How to Get Your Teacher Ready* *How to Raise a Mom* *How to Surprise a Dad* Lu loves her life on a white daisy. But she has a secret: Lu never flew before. One day, a strong gust of wind throws her into an amazing adventure. Will Lu get brave enough to finally open her wings and soar through the air? Embrace an unbelievable flying challenge with Lu, discover a hidden world of bugs, stunning nature and the art of being brave.

From the moment he is hatched, Gilbert the penguin dreams of flying one day and, despite being discouraged by family members, finally finds a way to do just that.

Afraid to swim, Pip the penguin would much rather learn to fly.

Henry the emu wanted to fly! But flying fish, eagles and launchers can't seem to help. It's only after meeting Wallagoot Jean that Henry learns about the science of orbit, and the importance of flying first with his mind...

Little Penguin wants to fly. He feels he can. He knows he can. But everyone says penguins can't fly... Or can they?

An emotionally charged debut novel of a family on the brink--an autistic child, his determined mother, and her distant father--who learn that when your world changes, you find out who you really are. . . . While she was growing up, Piper's father, Lance "the Silver Eagle" Whitman, became a national hero piloting a plane through an emergency landing. But at home, he was a controlling and overbearing presence in her life, raining emotional and verbal abuse upon the entire family. It's no surprise, then, that as an adult, Piper has poured all of her energy into creating a warm and loving home for her own family, while catering to her son Fred's ever-growing idiosyncrasies. Then Lance has a heart attack, leaving him with a brain injury--and dependent upon Piper for his care--just before tests confirm Piper's suspicions that Fred is on the autism spectrum. A powerful and extraordinary novel, *Flying at Night* gives voice to Fred, trying to find his place in a world that doesn't quite understand him; to Lance, who's lost what made him the man he was, for better and worse; and to Piper, who, while desperately trying to navigate the shifting landscape around her, watches as her son and father start to connect--in the most miraculous ways. . . .

Seven superb short stories from the bestselling author of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *The BFG*! Meet the boy who can talk to animals and the man who can see with his eyes closed. And find out about the treasure buried deep underground. A clever mix of fact and fiction, this collection also includes how master storyteller Roald Dahl became a writer. With Roald Dahl, you can never be sure where reality ends and fantasy begins. "All the tales are entrancing inventions." —Publishers Weekly Root and Walker introduce readers to a whole springtime full of babies taking that first thrilling step toward independence.--"The Horn Book." Full color.

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ILLUSTRATED BOOK Acclaimed artist Faith Ringgold seamlessly weaves fiction, autobiography, and African American history into a magical story that resonates with the universal wish for freedom, and will be cherished for generations.

Cassie Louise Lightfoot has a dream: to be free to go wherever she wants for the rest of her life. One night, up on "tar beach," the rooftop of her family's Harlem apartment building, her dreams come true. The stars lift her up, and she flies over the city, claiming the buildings and the city as her own. As Cassie learns, anyone can fly. "All you need is somewhere to go you can't get to any other way. The next thing you know, you're flying among the stars."

In this second adventure of the brand-new *Mia Mayhem* chapter book series, Mia learns to fly! When Mia gets placed in a beginner's flying class with kindergarteners, she struggles and is ready to give up! But luckily, with help from her best friend, Eddie, and the superschool's most talented flier, Mia finally learns how to get off the ground. With easy-to-read language and illustrations on almost every page, the *Mia Mayhem* chapter books are perfect for emerging readers.

Rubina has been invited to her first birthday party, and her mother, Ami, insists that she bring her little sister along. Rubina is mortified, but she can't convince Ami that you just don't bring your younger sister to your friend's party. So both girls go, and not only does Sana demand to win every game, but after the party she steals Rubina's prized party favor, a red lollipop. What's a fed-up big sister to do? Rukhsana Khan's clever story and Sophie Blackall's irresistible illustrations make for a powerful combination in this fresh and surprising picture book.

A read-aloud story designed to teach children phonics in a fun way.

From the New York Times and USA Today bestselling *How to Catch* series comes a new winter adventure! Our heroes'

entry for the snowman contest has magically come to life—and ran away! Can YOU help catch it? Get ready for snow much fun as you travel through a winter wonderland with running, skating, and bouncing through trap after trap to catch the snowman and claim the winning prize. Will the snowman teach our heroes a lesson they'll never forget? Who snows! I don't thumpity-thump or give warm hugs— that's for my snowman friends to do. Clever kids will try to trap me, but who will catch me...YOU? Also in the How to Catch Series: How to Catch a Unicorn How to Catch a Mermaid How to Catch a Dinosaur How to Catch an Elf How to Catch a Monster and more!

Flip-Flop sat on his favourite thinking rock and looked up into the sky. 'I wish I could fly,' he said to himself. All Flip-Flop the penguin wants is to fly. But not even his snow aeroplane can give him wings. What is a small penguin to do? Soft, luminous illustrations and cute animal characters make this a perfect story to cosy up to

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