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Editor's Note

Hello Readers,

January is my favorite month as it's my birthday month, the coldest month of the year, and the beginning of the New year.

New Year is a new beginning....

It is the perfect time to look back and learn from past experiences and make resolutions for the new year. It is an opportunity to try new things, make changes in our life, start on a new path, and say goodbye to bad habits and problems. I really hope that 2022 will be kinder and healthier for all of you.

In this edition, we have fun and exciting games like Winter magic, My year review 2021, DE-Coding, and a lot more. I hope you will like it, and please do not forget to share your feedback. We are looking for writers and artists like you, so please send us your stories and drawings at kidliomag@gmail.com.

Wishing you all a very happy and healthy 2022!
Happy Reading!

Dhruvin Dharmendra

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DHARMENDRA**



Ring Tail Raffi

MINDFULNESS IN MADAGASCAR

Shari LaRosa



Q: Tell us something more about your book?

I don't want to give it all away, but the main character Ring Tail Raffi, a ring-tailed lemur, ventures on a journey seeking a mysterious magical red owl to help him conquer his worries and fears. Along the way he befriends a beautiful comet-moth, and together they travel to the Blue Ombre Cave, avoiding some danger along the way. Does Ring Tail Raffi find the Red Owl? You'll have to read it to find out. This book also provides relevant discussion questions to foster better understanding of mindfulness skills and facilitate conversation about anxiety. Included is a glossary to reinforce related vocabulary terms as well as Interesting Fun Facts about Lemurs.

This book can be appropriate for young readers with the assistance of their parents, and in focus groups has held the interest of children all the way through age 12.

Q: Why do you choose kids as your reader? is there any specific reason?

The concepts of Mindfulness are not often introduced to young minds. As a therapist, I am often first introducing mindful concepts and techniques to adults struggling with intrusive anxious thoughts. Why not introduce mindfulness when children are young and provide them with skills to handle various levels of stress affecting their lives?

Schools are starting to incorporate mindfulness into their curriculums due to many positive effects shown in the mental health and well-being of children who practice these techniques. Research has shown that children engaging in mindfulness skills experience reduced stress, anxiety and reactivity. Additional benefits include improved self-esteem, self-awareness, improved empathy, and improved ability to manage emotions. The list goes on... Mindfulness has also been shown to help children increase their focus and attention spans, improve sleep, enhance positive outlooks and help with self-regulation. It has been very exciting to see my book being used in school curriculums and have received wonderful feedback from teachers!

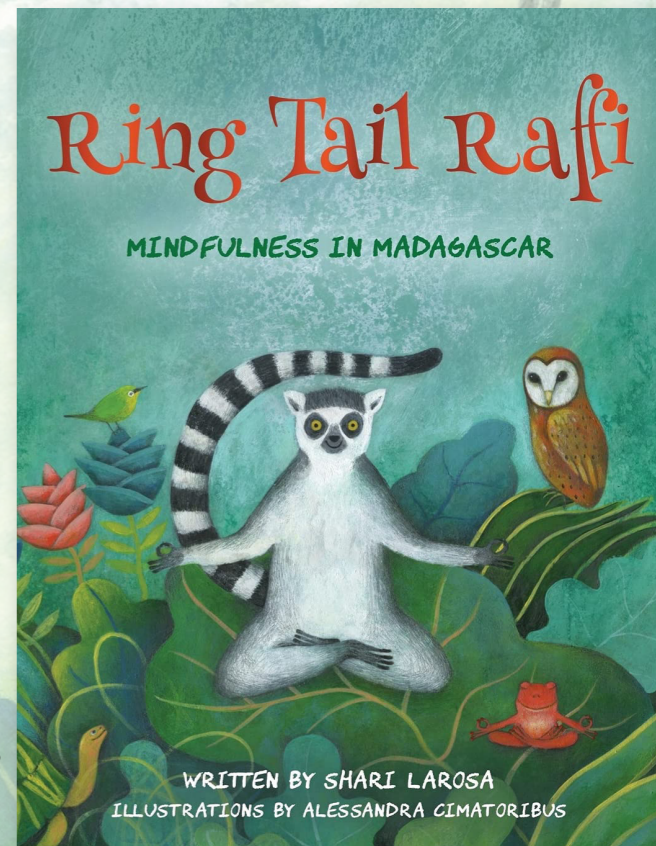
Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

I partook in an educational interactive Lemur experience and I learned much about lemurs and their native habitat. I found them to be such fascinating animals. This would be my future character of choice! I learned how critically endangered they are, and should not be considered as a pet. There are various conservation foundations set up to help preserve many lemur species. I felt a connection to the lemurs that I wanted to share with others and that led to casting my main character in my book as a lemur.

Q: Do you want to leave any message for your readers?

It has been my greatest pleasure writing and releasing this book! You can see further information as well as links to purchase on my author page ShariLaRosa.com and follow on Instagram @connectedmindcounseling

I hope to encourage open dialogue about anxiety so when children recognize symptoms of worry, there is greater comfort in disclosing their feelings with others they trust!



Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I am a licensed clinical therapist in private practice working with both adolescents and adults with a focus on treating anxiety. I am also a new empty-nester as both of my daughters are now enjoying their college years. I have an additional degree in childhood education with past experience teaching in elementary schools. In my spare time, I enjoy dance fitness, spending time with family and friends, time outdoors in nature walking my dog, time on the water and winding down with a good tv series in the evenings. I do have a passion for helping others relieve stress in their lives and I enjoy writing meaningful children's books that can help families enjoy more positive experiences together.

Q: How and when did your journey start as a writer?

As a therapist, I've witnessed how anxiety has been so prevalent in society, especially since the start of the pandemic.

I began my journey as a writer with the intention to help children in particular, learn coping skills through the power of a story, allowing them to connect with the message in a deeper, more meaningful way. In efforts to reduce the stigma surrounding anxiety, my hopes were to facilitate conversation between children and their parents, teachers, therapists or other caregivers in their lives.

Q: When did you write your first story? Is it published or not?

I began drafting my first story 'Ring Tail Raffi – Mindfulness in Madagascar' in August of 2020. It was officially published with Gatekeeper Press, a hybrid publisher in July, 2021. I very much enjoyed the creative process and the collaboration between myself and my illustrator Alessandra Cimatoribus. She is a very talented, award-winning illustrator. I am a huge fan of the way she depicts animals in nature and credit her with bringing my story to life.

Ring Tail Raffi is a story about a Lemur living with anxiety who ventures on a life changing journey, ultimately learning mindfulness skills to cope with his worries and fears. This story introduces young minds to beginner's mindfulness concepts, followed by interactive questions fostering dialogue between children and caregivers such as parents, teachers or therapists.

For all those interested in nature and animals, we also learn some fun facts. Let's experience learning Mindfulness in Madagascar with this lovable Lemur!

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A Smile Away

A Charlie Sunshine Story

Charles Washington

Along with regularly losing his keys and wallet, there were moments in life where he was desperately trying not to lose hope. And as a result, finding purpose became the alarm clock that awakened the courage to pursue his dreams. As a father, educator, song writer, author and lover of art, Charles David Washington paints portraits with words to inspire the inner child in us all.



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Charlie Sunshine puts his problem-solving skills to the test when a rainy day causes a dilemma for Gianna. Her mom tries unsuccessfully to salvage their day before enlisting the aid of a special friend. With some help from Charlie, Gianna learns that even being inside on a rainy day can be fun when we choose to look on the bright side! This enjoyable story is perfect for helping young children navigate their emotions when faced with situations they wish were different.

My Year Review

2021

My Family

My Friends are

My Birthday

My Best Idea!

My Favourite Book!

My Achievements

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My Grades

My Goals

To Be Proud of

My Efforts

SALMA SOLIMAN



THE SERIES OF KINDNESS

Karim, Hanna, Fares, Farida, and the little people, are not super people with superpowers or princes and princesses, neither do they own talking animals or magic lamps. Yet, they are all heroes of kindness. Each has changed the world into a better place with their very own minds and hearts. They understood that only by true freedom, freedom to love, freedom to live, and freedom to be only themselves, can they change whatever they don't like in this world, love fearlessly and fully, achieve their best potential, be the best version of themselves and make the world a better place.

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The Series of KINDNESS

Volume 1

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

Well, My name is Salma Soliman, I am a 35 years old Egyptian and a proud mother of 2. A girl, Malak 3 and a half years old and a boy, Selim 2 years. I've always been so passionate about 4 main and constant things ever since I was a little girl; kids, reading, writing and dancing, and as I grew up, my passion for them grew as well and never changed or dimmed.

Q: How and when did your journey start as a writer?

I started writing in my early teenage years on things that consumed me back then like feelings I felt for the first time, the first heartbeat and the first heart ache, friendship, fears, that sort of things. Then my writing really started flowing when my precious grandmother passed away during my first year in college. The grief I felt made the words start pouring and my writing matured with the experience a little. Then I got married and started to pursue my motherhood dream, only to find out that it probably might never happen for me that's when ideas started racing in my head and words erupted on paper.

Q: When did you write your first story? Is it published or not?

Well, as hard as it still feels to talk about it, but the truth is that I started writing my first book "The Series Of Kindness, Volume 1" in the middle of a significant trauma. When I was diagnosed with unexplained infertility and undergone several failed IVF attempts only to be more certain that it is never going to happen for me, that's when my husband told me it was time we tried something new and Oh my! Thank God we did! We traveled to the UK to undertake another round of IVF with a new approach and for the first time I conceived triplets, but sadly I lost my boys in my 6th month which somehow pushed me towards the darkest yet brightest phase of my life. The darkness of losing my precious babies and the light that after all I CAN conceive. Those two opposite and profound feelings lead me into a rollercoaster of emotions that I found myself writing stories to my unborn children manifesting through them the human beings I would wish them to grow up into and as I wrote I felt closer and closer to them and my dream felt so attainable. My book includes 5 stories and as I finished my fifth, I was ready to give birth to my beautiful miracle "Malak".

My book is published now by Austin Maculey publishers. You can find it on all major online retailers like amazon, Barnes and Noble, Waterstones, WHSmith and Book Depository under the name "The Series Of Kindness, Volume 1". You can also find it on my very new Instagram page KINDKIDS21 by Salma Soliman where you will soon find a bunch of interesting and appealing ideas on how to advocate Kindness to your kids, so please follow and stay tuned!

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

I believe in my series to the very core, because it was written with all my heart and with great intentions, so I hope it touches parents and children and speak to their hearts. The book talks about Karim, Hanna, Fares, Farida and the little people who are neither super people with super powers nor are they princes and princesses, neither do they own talking animals or magic lamps, yet they are all heroes of kindness. Each have changed the world into a better place with their very own minds and hearts. They understood that only by true freedom, freedom to love, freedom to live and freedom to be only themselves can they change whatever they don't like in this world and make It a better place, can they love fearlessly and fully, can they achieve their best potential and be the best version of themselves.

5 different stories of KINDNESS, each story includes songs and a direct message in the end to make sure the intended moral sticks with our children. They are all stories of taking actions and making things happen, of positivity and power, of faith and believing. The values presented in this book are of Love and Appreciation, Inner Beauty and Compassion, Peace, Courage, and Passion. This book is a manifestation of the human beings I wish my children grow up into.

Q: Why do you choose kids as your reader ? is there any specific reason?

Well, first I am in love with kids, with how fresh, receptive and simple they are, In love with the amount of curiosity, liveliness, playfulness they add to everything they do. Second, kids are the future, they are all our tomorrows and new beginnings, they are the ones to shape the destiny of our days to come. So building their hearts and minds can not only change fate, but can recreate the world in a better and kinder sense. I really wish that my series of kindness can be engraved in at least one of my reader's heart and one day motivates him or her to do even one act of kindness that changes someone's life or maybe even everyone's lives.

Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

As I mentioned earlier, they came to my mind through the course of a very long and emotional experience, however, I believe that all characters of authors are embedded somewhere within them,

either they are some kind of hidden version of themselves, or the version they wish themselves to be, or a version of a person they have met or they wish to meet. So characters all come from within, they come from our own perspectives and the multiple manifestations of ourselves and people we know or wish to know.

Q: Do you want to leave any message for your readers?

To my beautiful readers and their amazing mothers and fathers. Help your children believe that their essence is good and kind. Help them believe that they have the strength and wisdom to change whatever they don't believe is right. Help them believe in the beauty of everything they see and embrace the world with all the love in their hearts then let it be. Help shape the hearts and souls of the next generation, believe in utopia and heaven and bring up your children believing the same. KINDNESS can create miracles, so allow your children to make their own miracles!



Winter Magic!

Find The Missing Pair
Of The **BROWN SLIPPERS!**

Find The Missing
SNOW GLOBE!

Which Plant Can't
grow Here?

Which Animal
Can't Live Here?



SHARMANE D. GRADY



First Day Jitters

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I live in Virginia with my family and our pet turtle. I have one son who is four years old and all of my books are based on him. In my free time, I love shopping, traveling, and being creative.

Q: How and when did your journey start as a writer?

I first became interested in writing as a child, it started out as poetry and then later evolved into wanting to write short stories just for fun. I did not begin to really explore the possibilities of having my work published until the last few years after becoming a mom.

Q: When did you write your first story? Is it published or not?

I wrote my first story as a teen and it was a fictional story about robots. That story is not published but it was such a fun story to write especially from the eyes of a thirteen year old. First Day Jitters is my first published book.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

My books are a collection of the Kendall Kronicles which is named after my son Kendall. The book, First Time Jitters is about Kendall beginning to start school. There will be at least two more published books this year and they will be just as enjoyable as the first.



Q: Why do you choose kids as your reader ? is there any specific reason?

I chose to write books for children because I recognize the importance of reading to children early on in life to help with vocabulary, imagination, and growth. My son loves books and seeing his eyes light up from reading books makes it a no brainer for me.

Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

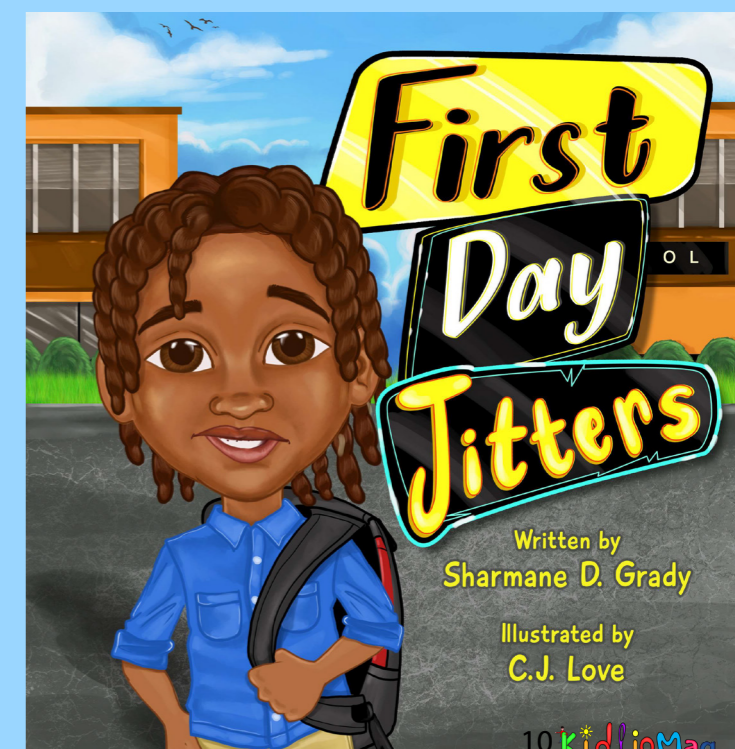
The stories are actual depictions of my life with my family and all of the characters are the people in my family. My son is the main character and the stories are generally from his point of view on things. I ensured that each character was illustrated in a manner that resembles us and leaves Kendall knowing that his image is beautiful.

Q: Do you want to leave any message for your readers?

I want to thank everyone for their support as I move forward with new books and ask that they continue to speak positively into our young readers. Please be on the lookout for my upcoming work later in 2022 and please follow us on Instagram.

First Day Jitters sends a message to children and parents as they prepare for the first day of school. It is a story that every family can relate to that will promote fearlessness, encouragement, and acknowledging feelings. Your little one will feel empowered after reading this story of a little boy as he nervously prepares for his first day of school and relies on his parents' support to know that he is prepared to take on the world!

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Written by
Sharmane D. Grady

Illustrated by
C.J. Love



A Very Special Gift

"A very Special GIFT" is a fairy tale for children with special needs. When a child is given as a gift to the fairy kingdom as a present from above, a terrible curse is given by a black cloud called Mr. Shadow, giving difficulties to walk talk and learn hoping to bring sorrow, anger and pain to the kingdom. 3 magical fairies give the little baby 1 gift each to try bring hope to the kingdom. This little princess is not like any other and demonstrates that nothing in life is easy, but with love and kindness to each other we can learn of each other's differences and we can help make each other's dreams come true.

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LAURA LOYOLA



Laura Loyola is a mum of a beautiful girl called Emma, who was born with a rare syndrome. Laura, originally from Chile in South America studied Architecture and moved to Australia 11 years ago to do a masters in restoration. In Australia she met her husband and felt pregnant. Even though her pregnancy was not planned they expected to be able to continue her studies and work. Laura at the time was working in a disable school in Canberra as a learning support assistant, Laura always felt joy every day at work, seeing the kids have fun and learning new things every day and being part of their life as a person that help with some of the goals that each of them was working on. She never knew that this experience could be her life one day very soon.

Laura had her baby and quickly everything in her life turned dark. The simple everyday task became unthinkable, and her daughter was a question mark everywhere she went. No one knew what was wrong and many hospital trips and surgeries happened in the first years which meant for Laura and her Husband a loss of their job and a move to Melbourne where the children hospital was going to be part of their everyday life.

Laura joined multiple support groups around the world with the hope to find some answers, and one day a mum from the other side of the world seeing Emma with a patch in her eye, sent her a book. This book called "The patch" was the first book that resonated with Emma, at the time 2 years old. She could finally relate to what she was in front of her and this gave Laura an idea. Since Laura's Favorite books of Disney were no longer fit for the new circumstances of Emma's life, she wrote her own fairy tale. "A very special GIFT"

Now 8 years later the book will be available to all children. The book looks to burst the bubble of the world of disability and show the new generations that we are all different and THAT make us unique. To make inclusivity a new NORMAL and allowing every child to be their own person with no limitations on their dreams.

Kids need to understand that we are all going through something, and is OK to not fit in in a stereotype. We don't need to all be the same, or have the same wants and dreams, it is important that we understand from the very beginning that YOU are unique and being RESPECTFUL to people that are different to US.

If we are in a world where we are all open to every reality that is not our own, we will NOT find so strange to see a person in a wheelchair, or without hair, or that communicate with signs, or that have a different colour of skin.

We MUST change the world for the future generations and what a better way to do it through the children that are the future."

NEWS 2021



Four SpaceX tourists landed in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Florida after spending three days in space, successfully concluding the first orbital mission in history with no professional astronauts on board.



Norway just hit a record in its move to phase out cars that rely on fossil fuels. More than 9 in 10 new cars sold there in September were either electric or rechargeable hybrids, according to the Norwegian Information Council for Road Traffic, or OFV. Of all new passenger cars sold so far in 2021, less than 5% are gas-powered. A slightly smaller percentage use diesel.



India rolled out the world's largest vaccination drive on January 16 to vaccinate around 300 million priority groups against the coronavirus disease (COVID-19).



Tokyo 2020's 339 events in 33 sports—the most in Olympic history—included the Olympic debut of sports such as skateboarding, sport climbing, surfing and karate, as well as events such as BMX freestyle and 3x3 basketball.



Kamala Devi Harris is an American politician and attorney who is the 49th and current vice president of the United States. She is the first female vice president and the highest-ranking female official in U.S. history, as well as the first African American and first Asian American vice president.



Cristiano Ronaldo's removal of two Coca-Cola bottles at a Euro 2020 news conference coincided with a \$4 billion drop in the market value of the American drink giant.

Diva Magic

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I am a mom to a funny, bright, kind, caring, and beautiful 20-month little girl. I enjoy writing, reading, exercising, baking, cooking, and spending quality time with family and friends, as well as taking nature walks and adventurous trips to zoos, museums, beaches, and parks.

Q: How and when did your journey start as a writer?

My writing journey began after I discovered my love for reading books as a kid. As a teenager I would write poetry as a form of self-expression, having always enjoyed diving into a good book. Reading a book always felt like I was going on an adventure into someone else's shoes, in which I could learn, understand and/or glean in from someone else's point of view.

Q: When did you write your first story? Is it published or not?

I decided to write my first children's picture book "Diva Magic" in 2020, before self-publishing it in April 2021. My second children's picture book "The Divatastic Be's," A Girls Guidebook to STEM careers, was written in July 2021 and will be released in fall 2021.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

"Diva Magic" and the soon-to-be-released "Divatastic Be's," A girl's guidebook to STEM careers, offers an engaging insight into how to improve self-esteem and learn self-awareness, as well as delving into non-traditional career choice options. A compelling, beautifully illustrated book to build confident girls, this riveting tale explores all-important elementary school topics, from friendships to goal-getting, providing a must-have toolkit of empowerment. "Diva Magic" and "The Divatastic Be's" are books that will inspire, encourage, and serve as a reminder to girls that they can choose to be their best self every day, DARING by trying something new, INSPIRED by kindness, VICTORIOUS by keeping a positive attitude, and AWESOME by having respect for herself and others.

Q: Why do you choose kids as your reader? Is a specific reason?

My decision to write children's books stems from my innate passion for empowering youths to grow into confident, responsible, and focused adults. Working as a mentor, coach, teaching assistant, and volunteer within an after-school program served as a reminder that all children are valuable, amazing, and awesome.

Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

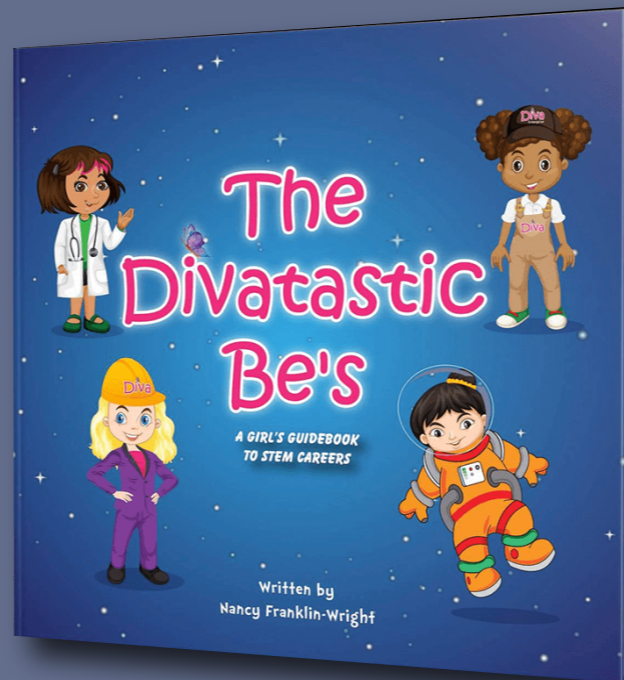
The characters starred in my books are reflective of the diverse friendships I developed as a kid, as well as the varied groups of girls that I had the honor of mentoring while attending the

D.I.V.A's (Determined, Inspired, Victorious, Awesome) Club, which I founded in 2015. The club focuses on helping girls between the ages of 6-12 develop leadership skills, enhance their self-esteem, outline career choice options, and other positive character traits; something my books aim to address.

Q: Do you want to leave any message for your readers?

Being a kid is hard, with plenty of new challenges and tough days ahead. As someone who understands specifically the challenges that young girls face, I expertly share a touch of DIVA magic with hopes of reminding our society's girls that they are Daring, Inspired, Victorious, and Awesome.

Please be sure to stop by my website www.authornfranklinwright.com to purchase your empowerment books today.



It's never too early to teach girls about the possibilities of becoming anything they want to be, from life dreams to day-to-day goals. More than ever, diverse girls in today's world can focus on non-traditional career paths within Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM).

Through The Divatastic Be, girls are guided through the process of using their natural gifts and abilities to consider career and entrepreneur adventures, helping to create a better world for all.

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The Divatastic Be's Nancy Franklin-Wright



Little Nikki

Her Journey To Self-Love

NICOLE MARSHALL



Nicole Marshall is an up-and-coming author and in a writing journey fueled by memories of childhood experiences, Nicole writes relatable and educative content intending to impart the young ones with positive values, lessons of self-love and positive affirmations from an early age. In an authorship journey that spans over a few years now, Nicole has several titles under her name, most notably her debut title Little Nikki Her Journey to Self-Love. In this intriguing and exciting read for children, Nicole artistically takes children through a motivational story about Little Nikki and her bullying experiences at school. She highlights its psychological impact and the resilience children develop to counter such. More importantly, the book helps children accept and appreciate their differences, embrace, and develop self-love and confidence. Other titles by Nicole include Ebony and Her Crown and The Last Room. Currently, Nicole lives in Atlanta, Georgia. When she is not in her official attire, you will often find her writing, drawing, photographing, cooking and spending time with family.



This book follows the journey of a young girl who experiences bullying at her school and overcomes it by re-building her self-esteem. The story sheds light on the purity and innocence that all young boys and girls are born with, until they enter an environment that slowly dims their light. The narrative explores the resiliency of children when they are faced with life's challenges. The book also exposes the effects of bullying at a young age, the influence of public opinion and the negative psychological impact.

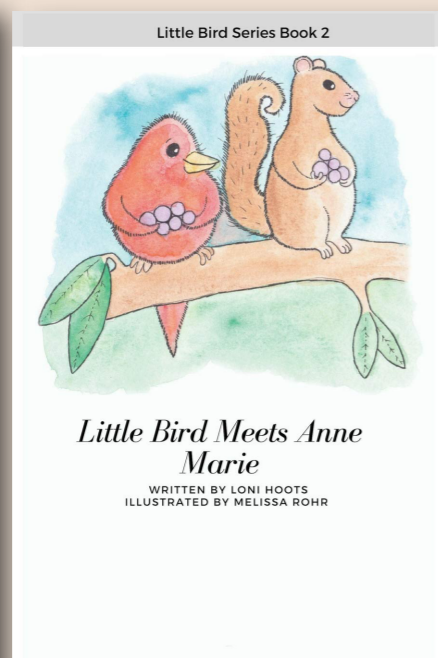
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Have A Fabulous 2022!



The Little Bird Series

Loni Hoots



Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I am an author, writer, and an educator that focuses on teaching not only kids, but adults as well.

Q: How and when did your journey start as a writer?

My journey as a writer started when I was rather young, in fact, I was in elementary; but it wouldn't be till middle school when I became more serious about it. As an introvert I have had difficulties expressing how I feel verbally, and as a writer, I have been able to express how my mind processes everything around me.

Q: When did you write your first story? Is it published or not?

The first story I ever wrote was back in middle school; while it was never published, I was extremely proud of it, because it was something that I had poured my heart and soul into. Unfortunately, I do not have the story anymore, it was lost along time ago.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

The Little Bird series is a series that I had created in honor of my nephews who were rather young at the time (they are still young), as a bedtime story that would help them dream of an unknown land where they would escape to in the dream world. The series follows a young red bird, Little Bird, and the many adventures he has including making friends, exploring the world, and going to school; it is a reflection of young girls and boys who are still driven with curiosity and imagination.

Q: Why do you choose kids as your reader ? is there any specific reason?

We are living in a time where technology has become a huge part in every day life, making it more entertaining to watch a video on YouTube rather than reading a book; studies have shown that kids are more interested in staring at a screen than a book. It seems as though kids are not actually able to be just kids: explore the world through books, creating imaginary scenes that were inspired by their mind, etc.; this inspired me to create a book that lead into a series that are perfect for bedtime.

Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

Several characters are inspired by the family pets, as well as wild life that lives nearby. When it comes to the storyline I reflect on the kids that I've worked with in the past, and incorporate the lessons they were learning, or how they were unsure of meeting new people.

Q: Do you want to leave any message for your readers?

It is important to encourage your child to read a book at a young age; even if they are unable to speak or actually read any word yet, it is best to let them hold the book. This is to let them absorb the texture of the pages, while they acknowledge the different colors that are on the page. They may not fully comprehend what the illustration or photo is representing, they will be able to notice certain elements in their own life; an example of this could be them seeing a dog in a book, then later on they could see the same dog in the yard next door.

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A Little Bird Holiday

Piles of snow have taken over Little Bird's town, and while it is chilly he doesn't let it get him down. Instead during this holiday season Little Bird and his friends have taken it upon themselves to make the most of it. Building a snow castle, having snow fights, and even making new friends are the adventures Little Bird will have in this fairytale-like holiday special. Published by Middle Island Press.

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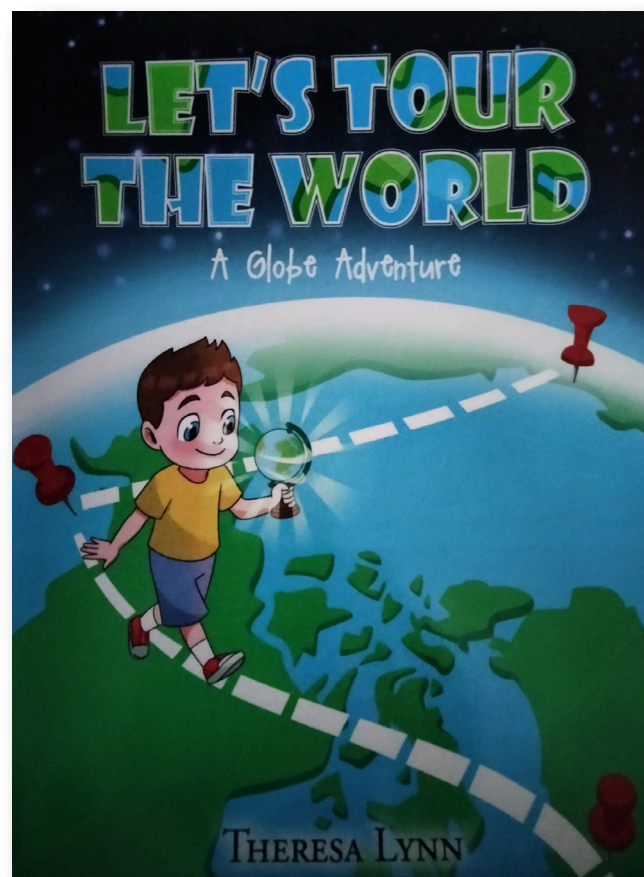


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NEW RELEASE

LET'S TOUR THE WORLD

A Globe Adventure



Theresa Lynn

My name is Theresa Lynn, and I am a children's book author. I have taught elementary education for 27 years and hold an Elementary Education K-6 bachelor's degree and a master's degree in Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment. I published my first children's book with the publication company Fulton Books, entitled: Let's Tour the World: A Globe Adventure. I enjoy writing children's poetry, and I am currently working on my second book in this adventure series. My message for children is to, "enjoy the adventure of reading and have fun learning new things!"

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Imagine spinning the globe and finding yourself in many wonderful places around the world. A family is making plans for a summer trip. A young boy grabs his globe and gives it a spin. He realizes this is not just an ordinary globe. As it spins and glows, he is whisked away to many fun and exciting places. He is on a journey to find ideas for summer vacation.

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ACTIVITY

CODING!

DECODE THE MESSAGE



GAIL MORIN

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I am a past educator who resides in Virginia and I love spending my time writing.

Q: How and when did your journey start as a writer?

I started a few years ago. I have always loved writing but I decided to write books that make a difference in kids' lives and teach important lessons.

Q: When did you write your first story? Is it published or not?

My first book was published earlier this year Adventures of Super Alert Dog

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

My books teach important lessons

Q: Why do you choose kids as your reader? Is there any specific reason?

I want to make a difference at a young age to teach valuable lessons in a fun way.

Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

Polly the main character is named after my late mom who passed away. She had a love for animals.

.Q: Do you want to leave any message for your readers?

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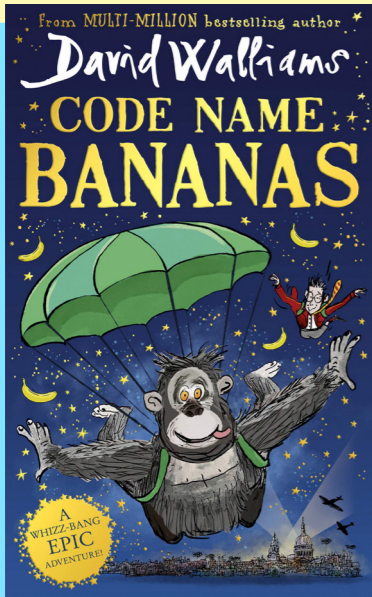
The Adventures Of Super Alert Dog



Super Alert dog magically appears when there is cyber bullying, as well as any online dangers and stranger danger. Super Alert dog saves the day on different adventures. He also wears a cape. He is a superhero dog when he gets alerted on his super alert tablet. When a child is in danger, or experiences cyber bullying, or any online danger, Super Alert dog magically shows up to save the day and to teach good moral lessons. He offers advice on sharing, getting along, and spreading joy and peace. He teaches children about using manners too. As he becomes friends with the children, he has many different adventures. Super Alert dog is so fun to watch and to learn from.



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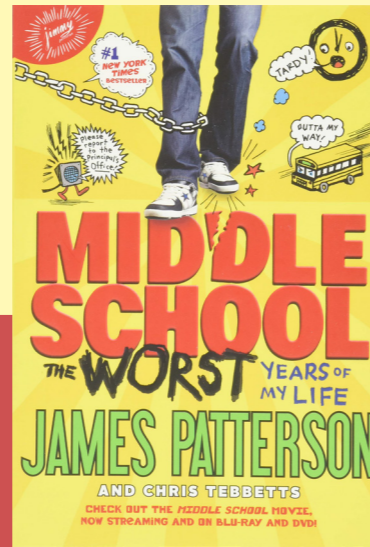


Name: Code Name Bananas

Author: David Walliams

Publisher: HarperCollinsChildren'sBooks

Description: Go back in time with No. 1 bestselling author David Walliams for a whizz-bang epic adventure of action, laughter and secret plots – and the extraordinary friendship between a little boy and a huge gorilla that just might save the day... 1940. Britain is at war with Germany. Eleven-year-old Eric spends his days at the place that makes him most happy: London Zoo. And there's one animal in particular he loves: Gertrude the gorilla. With bombs falling all over London, Eric must rescue Gertrude. Together with his Uncle Sid, a keeper at the zoo, the three go on the run. But while hiding out at the seaside they uncover a top-secret plot...

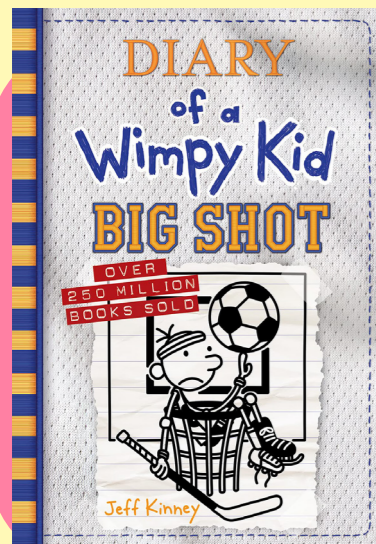


Name: Middle School, The Worst Years of My Life

Author: James Patterson & Chris Tebbetts

Publisher: Jimmy patterson

Description: Rafe Khatchadorian has enough problems at home without throwing his first year of middle school into the mix. Luckily, he's got an ace plan for the best year ever: to break every rule in his school's oppressive Code of Conduct. Chewing gum in class: 5,000 points! Running in the hallway: 10,000 points! Pulling the fire alarm: 50,000 points! But when Rafe's game starts to catch up with him, he'll have to decide if winning is all that matters, or if he's finally ready to face the rules, bullies, and truths he's been avoiding.



Name: Big Shot Diary of a Wimpy Kid

Author: Jeff Kinney

Publisher: Harry N. Abrams

Description: After a disastrous field day competition at school, Greg decides that when it comes to his athletic career, he's officially retired. But after his mom urges him to give sports one more chance, he reluctantly agrees to sign up for basketball. Tryouts are a mess, and Greg is sure he won't make the cut. But he unexpectedly lands a spot on the worst team. As Greg and his new teammates start the season, their chances of winning even a single game look slim. But in sports, anything can happen. When everything is on the line and the ball is in Greg's hands, will he rise to the occasion? Or will he blow his big shot?

Love



A rose is a symbol of Love,
Love is something you should never shove,
This fondness can be seen in someone's eyes
Always listen to your heart it never Lies,
Have some patience it always takes Time
Love is worth every dime.

**-Riya Sikka
9 years old**



The HALLOWEEN GIFT

"How r u?" said Emily, as I looked startled at her in the shopping mall. She appeared to be a lady in her mid thirties, tall, fair and having curly hair. Her stature resembled someone in my life but I could not relate to her at that moment. There were several thoughts in my mind which made me dumbstruck to respond at that moment. I gained **COMPOSURE** and said "I am fine, how are you? How can I help you?"

Being a **salesperson** of a cosmetic company, I come across many unknown faces in a day, but this face was known and related in some way. My thoughts began to race through all situations and places in my life to find the connection but it was in vain. As I was showing her the new range of cosmetics my mind was busy figuring out her identity in my life.

"How much is this eye liner for?" asked Emily. And I was back from my thought travel, to reality and got hold of my **PROFESSIONAL** personality. "It is for \$10, Mam", I replied. "Ok, I liked it. Please pack it for me", said Emily. She paid the amount and took the parcel. "Have a good day", she smiled and left.

"Who is she? I think I know here", I went back to my thoughts.

It was 5 p.m in the clock which marked the end of my working hours. I closed down my counter, submitted the purchase and closing report to the concerned personnel and left the mall. I usually park my car in the first lane of the parking area but since I was late today I had to park at the last spot in the 5th lane. As I was walking towards my car it struck me that the lady could have been

the one I saw on the internet the night of **HALLOWEEN** last year. "Yes, it was her. The same face and eyes are so captivating that it was difficult to forget her".

I vividly recall I was at the Halloween party at my friend's place. And as part of the celebrations my friends decided to play tricks, tell **SCARY STORIES**, watch **HORROR FILMS**, etc. But we were kind of bored of these traditional games of enjoying that eve. So, we thought of doing something different which will be of interest to everyone. We hooked up to the internet

and began to play. The game was to pick up a **GHOST** figure from the internet and imagine it to be your friend. We named the game "Friendly Ghost". Now the aim is to prove that your ghost is a friendly one or else it will come back to you before the next Halloween and make your life hell. Everyone enjoyed the game and no one was serious enough of the ghost to come back to haunt you and all that crap. So I picked up my friendly ghost from the internet. "And yes, it was her"!

I was shivering with fear as I was keying my car door to open. I went cold and could not react to this situation. After I gained consciousness fear surrounded me, I was utterly scared. I sat inside my car and put the ignition on fire and off I drove at full speed to my house.

As I entered my house every corner looked suspicious to me. I found myself seeing the lady's face wherever I looked. It took me quite some time to forget her after the last Halloween night, but I had managed. I did not think a game would ruin my life to this extent. But now I was more scared. "Was losing in the game really going to destroy my life?" Panic struck me and I called my friend. I recited the entire episode to him which made it hard for him to believe. He said he will come over to comfort me.

"Hi Eric. Come in", I said as I opened the door for my friend. He was quite handsome, 6 feet tall and a smile to die for. He came in and sat on the couch. He consoled me saying that it was just my imagination and nothing to worry at all. But it was hard for me to take it as my illusion. "I had seen her in person, moreover shook hands with her, how can I be wrong?"

Days rolled by with a dreadful feeling of meeting the lady somewhere in the walks of my life. I began to forgo places that were lonely and isolated myself from my contacts. I used to spend days just gazing in zero and had sleepless nights. My health deteriorated and I needed to consult a doctor. I took treatment from a psychiatrist, but everything reached zero conclusion. My story was thought fictitious and so people either ignored it or made fun of it. I preferred to stay all by myself and resorted to not getting involved in any social activity.

"It's been a month I have not seen her", I heard myself speak. I thought it was a good span to assure myself she will never appear anymore in front of me. I was happy to believe in this and got up from the bed to restart my life with a new vigor. I wore the best dress I had and put on some makeup to have a fresh look. I wore my silver sandals, took my car keys and left home. I drove down the road merrily to the mall and set my counter in style. I had a number of customers since morning and had my target sales figures seemingly increasing until I heard it again "How r u?"

I convinced myself not to look up and ignore the greeting. But again I heard "How r u?". I gathered all the courage I had and raised my head. It was her again. I could feel droplets of sweat appear from my forehead and my tongue stuck in awe. Before I could faint I could hear familiar voices behind greeting me "Happy Halloween! How was the surprise?" I was perplexed. I could not believe it; I was tricked by my friends.

Later in the cafeteria I seemed to be a fool in front of everyone. But I was happy to be a fool rather than continue living a dreadful life. I too laughed over myself and my belief that the ghost had

really come back to take revenge. Martha revealed that she had **DISGUISED** herself as the lady ghost who I saw on the internet and it was this game in store for me this Halloween. This was the first and hopefully the last deadly Halloween celebration I could ever have!

Written By Neha Sama



DINO – MIGHT

"Stop digging in our **Backyard** Timmy! Naughty dog!" Lily yelled. She was a poor and kind-hearted school girl. She had sandy brown hair, green eyes and plump cheeks. Timmy kept on digging until...his mistress' eyes popped out! She saw a giant hard thing covered with mud. "What is this?" exclaimed Lily. She uncovered the mud out of the strange looking thing and deafeningly screamed. "It's a **Fossil**", she said, "I better make a few phone calls." So, Lily called the Inspector. She importantly spoke to Inspector Jenks. He suggested visiting the **Museum** and speaking to the **Curator**. You'll get money too, he said.

After Lily handed over the fossil, she came to know the fossil was of a **DINOSAUR**. She lived a lavish life after receiving lakhs of money.

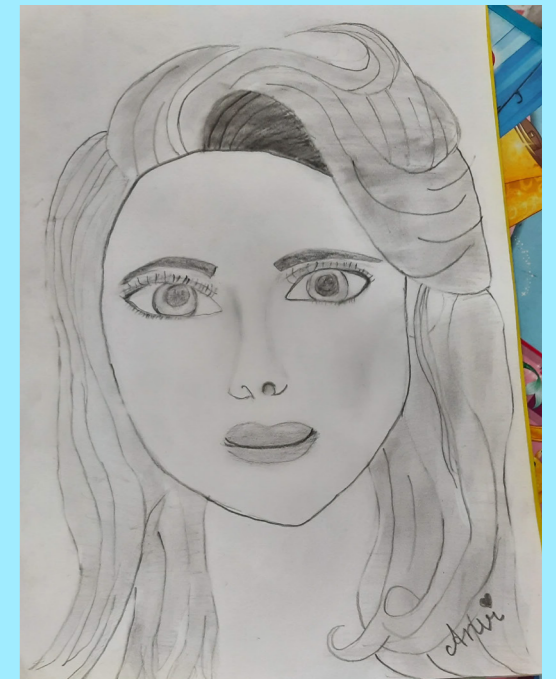
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