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Editor's Note

Dear Reader,

As we all know, many rare animal species are extinct, and many aquatic animals suffer due to plastic and garbage in the oceans. Wildlife species and animals suffer when they get stuck in plastic or eat it. These activities affect our ecosystem and disrupt the balance in nature. We should preserve our environment and resources for future generations and save our wildlife. Our one small step to save Earth can bring a big change, so we all should come forward to save our beautiful planet.

In this edition, we incorporated books, articles, environment-related games, and activities, I hope you all will like it, and please share your feedback at kidliomag@gmail.com.

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Save Earth!
Save Oceans!

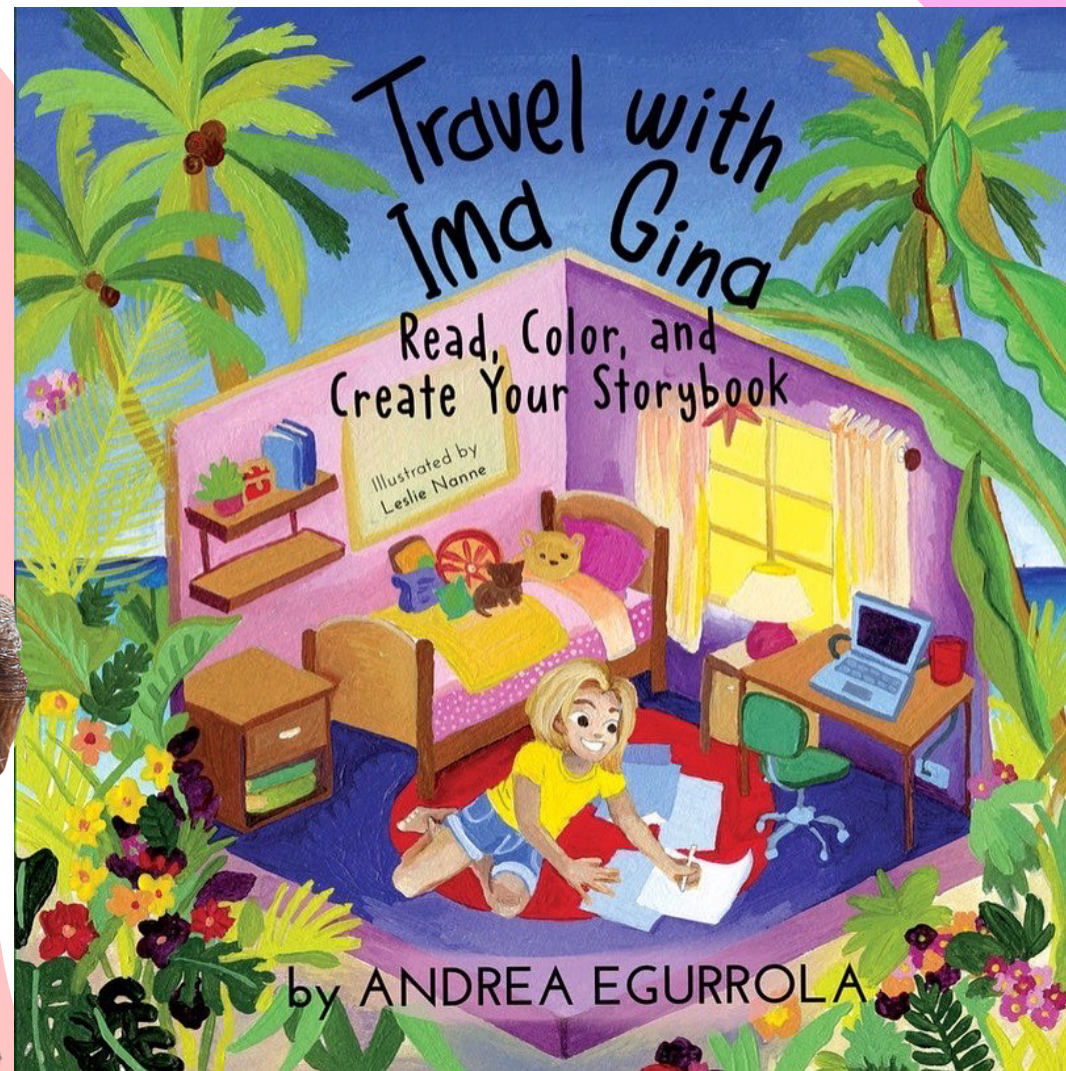
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ANDREA EGURROLA



Q: First tell us something about yourself?

Since my husband and I got married, I decided to be there for my family. Therefore, I have worked or stayed at home, depending on the circumstances. I have also been designing my life around the idea of being a present mom. My academic background: I am a Guatemalan architect with a master's degree in Business Administration. Furthermore, I have taken many courses, such as interior design, event planning, and landscape design. When COVID-19 spread in our country, we all stayed at home, so my main purpose was to assist my girls with their distance learning. After noticing their emotional ups and downs while juggling between online and in-person education, I decided to write a book with fun and interactive activities to help kids get the most out of the time they spend at home.

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

During the quarantine, I got inspired while watching my daughters write their own stories by creating imaginary worlds through their drawings and crafts. Meanwhile realizing how blessed we were during such a difficult time, I came up with the idea to write this book to spark children's imagination. And because I wanted this book to be a piece of art as well, I invited Leslie Nanne to create illustrations and portray everything I was just imagining at the time.

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

If I go back to when I was in school, I really loved writing stories, but I never thought about publishing anything until now. My first book, Travel with Ima Gina, was self-published on Amazon because I wanted to reach many children from all over the world to share the passion of reading, writing, and crafting.

TRAVEL WITH IMA GINA

Read, Color and Create Your Storybook

Dare to have an adventure and use your imagination? Through this rhyming story, Ima Gina will inspire your kids to be creative and travel in their imagination. They will have the chance to color the illustrations and make 3d paper crafts! The book has easy to follow instructions to make the activities and links to see the instructions on video, as well. The activities include:

COLORING
CUTTING
FOLDING AND PASTING PAPER
ORIGAMI
PAPER CRAFTS
MAKING A MOBILE

Travel with Ima Gina is a great gift for young ones with a vivid imagination!

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Q: Tell us something more about your book?

The work is meant to be an all-inclusive book. As school-aged kids read the story, they'll be able to color the illustrations on the pages and do some crafts and activities in order to bring both the characters and story to life. For younger children, their moms can read the story and do the crafts with them. The book has easy-to-follow instructions and QR codes for those 3D crafts that require watching a video.

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

During the lockdown, I noticed that kids, not only those who were sick but all of them, were suffering from not being able to attend school. This reminded me of when my youngest daughter was sick and we were going from one hospital to another for treatments and check ups. Sometimes days in hospitals or waiting rooms might feel endless, so I had to figure out how to stay positive by playing games, reading stories, or entertaining my daughter to help her feel emotionally better. These were the reasons why I decided to write a book for children. I want to encourage kids everywhere to use their imagination to create wonderful worlds and brighten their days.

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

Sometimes, late at night or early in the morning, I began writing the story by imagining the kids who would be reading this book. I also pictured a little voice inside every kid's mind, encouraging them to imagine and create great things.

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

Yes, I encourage all children to be creative and to believe in themselves. This book is just a small spark to their imagination. No matter where you are, if you are feeling bored, sad, or can't go outside, you can change your mood and create wonderful things. Think of imaginary worlds or recall those places that you like the most. Grab a piece of paper and start writing, drawing, or doing crafts; you will soon notice that your day has changed and you will be smiling.

APPRECIATING THE SMALL THINGS IN LIFE



TARA SYDNOR

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

My name is Tara Sydnor- Evins i reside in San Antonio. I am a mother of 2 and enjoy reading and writing. It's always been a huge hobby of mine and is my personal best learning style.

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

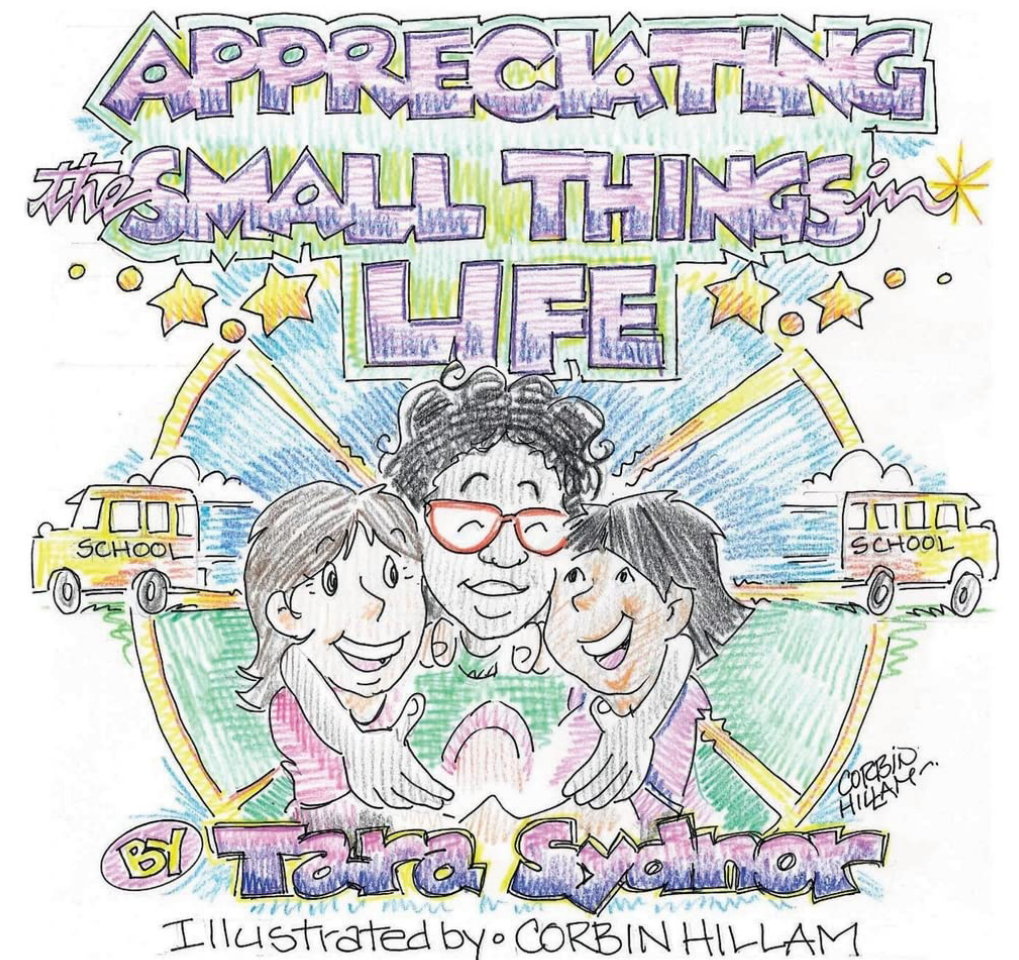
I would like to say that my journey began in middle school that is where I learned keeping a diary or a journal helped me express my feelings, process my day, then shortly after i began writing poetry, I even had a book with songs in it (my 2 best friends were rappers thank God that didn't work out for me lol) then started writing books, once I began writing books I knew that was home.

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

I wrote my first book in college but I didn't publish one until I was in my 30's.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

My books are designed to help kids process their feelings throughout adversity.



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

I choose children as my audience because one, I'm an educator, I also think there aren't as many kids reading as there use to be and want to change that, and finally they are a future whatever they are doing at a young age they will do later in life so my lessons to learn in the books are things they can use in adulthood.

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

My characters are based off on current events, experiences with some of my students, my children and many other things.

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

Always pursue your dreams no matter how far-fetched or outrageous they may seem. You are the only one that can stop them from coming true.

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YOU CAN SAVE THE OCEAN!

**COLLECT THE GARBAGE FROM THE BEACH
AND BE THE ENVIRINMENTAL HERO!**





Dr. Arian T. Moore

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

A little bit about me...well, let's see. I'm a wife, mom, and professor by day. I have been teaching college courses for over a decade and enjoy expanding the knowledge of my students while learning from them as well. At night I sneak away and write stories.

Q: When did you fall in love with writing?

I would say I fell in love with writing in the fifth grade. I started writing poetry and fiction stories. My love for writing stems from my love for reading. Reading a book can take you to a place you've never been and meet people you've never met. Writing takes the experience a step further in that I can create characters and scenarios with my imagination.

Q: You've written two other children's books, what inspired your third?

I sat on the sofa with my family watching as President Biden signed the bill into law that made Juneteenth a holiday. I was filled with joy and the words for this book just came to me. I wanted young children to know the meaning of Juneteenth and why we celebrate it.

Q: What is the story about?

Juneteenth Jellybean is about a little girl named Jellybean asking her grandma questions about Juneteenth. She sees the parades in the street outside her window and the marching bands on TV and she asks her grandma, "what does all this mean?" Throughout the story, the Grandmother explains why everyone is celebrating and why Juneteenth is such an important day.

Q: Why did you choose a picture book for this topic?

I think it's important for children to know and understand history. I thought a picture book would be a fun way to introduce them to Juneteenth and provide a resource for teachers.

Q: You had Opal Lee write the foreword to the book. Tell us about that experience.

Opal Lee was given the title Grandmother of Juneteenth for her unwavering fight to make Juneteenth a holiday. She is an amazing woman. I wanted to include her in my book in some way so I reached out to her team and had a chance to speak with her. Having her write the foreword meant so much to me.

Q: What is unique about your book "Juneteenth Jellybean?"

I think illustrations play a major role in children's books so I am very strategic in the illustration process. The images make this book unique. I feature Kamala Harris, Dr. King and a few more history making African Americans.

Other notable features include the back cover, affirmations and the Juneteenth coloring page. The back cover is inspired by a kente pattern. Kente is a cloth pattern that originated in West Africa and is often worn as a symbol of history, culture and pride.

I also included affirmations in the book to empower young children and encourage them to have self-love and to believe in themselves.

Q: Any final thoughts for your readers?

I just want you all to know that I'm writing these books for you. I am inspired by my children and the children I see at the park and at church. All of you inspire me to keep writing.

Whatever it is you want to be, find that source of inspiration. It will take you far!

Juneteenth Jellybean



Foreworded by the Grandmother of Juneteenth, Opal Lee, "Juneteenth Jellybean" presents the history of Juneteenth in a fun and engaging way. The book includes bright, colorful illustrations and a relevant, kid-friendly storyline. "Juneteenth Jellybean" also features positive affirmations and a coloring page for children to enjoy. "Juneteenth Jellybean" is sure to be a favorite for years to come.

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The Fast Little Fox



Have you ever wanted to go on an adventure through the forest? Follow the fast little fox as he discovers more than he can imagine along the way! What will he learn? Can he make it home in time for supper? Read on to find out!

The Fast Little Fox is a receiver of the 5-star seal from Readers' Favorite. This picture book is perfect if you are looking for a sweet and fast-paced story with themes of family, friendship, kindness, thankfulness, and forgiveness!

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amazon

Jill Horton

Jill Horton loves creating magical worlds for children to learn in and explore. She and her husband have four kids who love the adventures found in good books. One dog, two cats, and four parakeets joined the family's fun and literary travels. Now, Jill is inviting you to pick up one of her books and start your own family's storytime traditions too!



FACTS

Do You Know?

One hundred mature trees can intercept about 100,000 gallons of rainfall per year.

Volcanoes have done wonderful things for the Earth. They helped cool off the earth removing heat from its interior.

Roughly 80,000 to 160,000 trees are cut down each day around the world to make paper.

If all the ice covering Antarctica, Greenland, and in mountain glaciers around the world were to melt, The ocean would cover all the coastal cities.

People around the world buy a total of one million plastic bottles per minute. That's almost 1.5 billion plastic bottles per day!

Ganpati immersions leave behind 2,033 metric tonnes of garbage on Mumbai beaches

A total of 300 million tons of toxic plastic waste is produced every year.

The Girl Who Can



Martha Lumatete



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

Children's books are fun to write. They take me back to reliving parts of my childhood and emulating many of the authors I loved growing up. We need to encourage diversity of voice when it comes to children's books, and hence why I author my books with a representation of children based in Africa. Children globally need to know that their challenges are similar worldwide and that overcoming them is not impossible. I write to ensure that regardless of a child's background, they identify themselves with the stories in my books. My children's book is available in many languages spoken across the world. It is currently available in English, Swahili, Xhosa, French, Spanish, Hebrew, Swedish, German, and Italian. In addition, the book will be available in Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Igbo, Pigeon English, Jamaican patois, Hindi, Bengali, and Marathi in 2022.

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

The character in the book "The Girl Who Can" is based on my own life as a child in Kenya. The stories in the book touch on how important my parents, siblings, teachers, and community were in helping me overcome reading challenges, build confidence and self-acceptance and overcome esteem issues. All these are issues children and adults deal with at a global level. Even though my books are written for children, the life lessons apply to teenagers and adults. The hope here is to share how my parents are significant influences in my life and how they taught me to find courage and strength in difficult situations and grow from them. I was lucky to have incredibly hands-on parents, teachers, and a wholly invested community in my growth. Although the story happened at a tender age, the impact and lessons learned are lifelong and have made a good grounding in my adult life. To inspire young boys & girls to aim for more incredible things while doing so courageously, with kindness and fortitude.

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

Yes, I do. As an author who grew up in Mombasa, Kenya, I can't say enough about the primary school I attended. Living in Mombasa and going to Ganjoni primary taught me to appreciate diversity, even though I did not realize that then. As an adult looking back, I can confidently say that I grew up and went to an incredibly diverse school. We had many religions and students from various diverse backgrounds. One of the things I loved and still love about Mombasa is the ability to practice tolerance. Let me give examples of what I mean: In primary school, we learned about other religions not just through theory, but it was part of our weekly requirements. We prayed for the school every Friday morning, and these prayers were alternated. We would have Christian, Islam prayers, etc., said at the weekly school assembly. This encouraged us to respect other beliefs and religions regardless of what they were. It taught acceptance, kindness, and the ability to understand and appreciate what was different and not similar to one's background experiences.

I hope that this book will be a testament to the power of believing in oneself and never giving up. It will inspire parents and teachers alike to value the importance of books, introduce the love of reading at an early age to children, and encourage children and adults to find strength in what makes them unique. Books were a vital escape for me as a child, and they still serve that purpose as an adult. Second, the love of books has inspired me to want to mentor and be a beacon for other generations to step into their purposes what that might be. The love of books has helped me seek professional speaking engagements and fostered the drive to empower the younger generation and leave a legacy worth remembering.

This book is part of my lifelong mission to continue changing the lives of children, young adults, women, and men through publishing captivating stories and sharing her own unique life experiences on different platforms, personally and professionally.

My Website: **www.thegirlwhocanbook.com**

The Girl Who Can

Martha is shy. She wants to fit and blend in with her classmates, but that's not who she is. She wants to be brave, and confident but does not know how. After an embarrassing accident, Martha goes on a heartwarming journey, with the help of her parents, teachers and family, Martha learns the importance of simply being herself and why it matters.

This beautifully illustrated book opens up a world for children to find inspiration in being themselves, while learning valuable life lessons along the way.

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Q: First, tell us something about yourself?

I am a globally known author of my first children's book "The Girl Who Can." I am a part author - mentor - coach - and supply chain/procurement expert from Mombasa, Kenya. I have a supply chain/procurement background and a love for mentoring and coaching. I earned her LLB (Undergraduate in Law) from the University of Moi in Kenya. I then went on to receive my Masters in Law and an MBA from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas. My work in mentoring and coaching and participating in many professional speaking engagements re-energized my love for books and drive to empower the younger generation. Now, harnessing all the skills learned in these capacities, I am on a mission to continue changing the lives of children, young adults, women, and men through publishing captivating stories and sharing my own unique life experiences in the books I author.

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

My journey as a writer began early in primary school in Mombasa, Kenya. I loved reading children's adventure books, comic books, history books, encyclopedias, and any exciting material for children. Attending primary school in Mombasa, one of the expectations in primary school was to write suitable compositions (essays) in English and Swahili. This is where I developed a love for writing and trying to capture my imagination into fascinating pieces (essays). Outside of being exposed to writing early in school, I come from a family of book lovers. Both of my parents are avid readers who impressed upon me the joy of books.

Q: When did you write your first story?

When I was ten years old. No, it is not published. My first published story was written in December 2020 and published on August 31, 2021. Is it published or not? It is published.

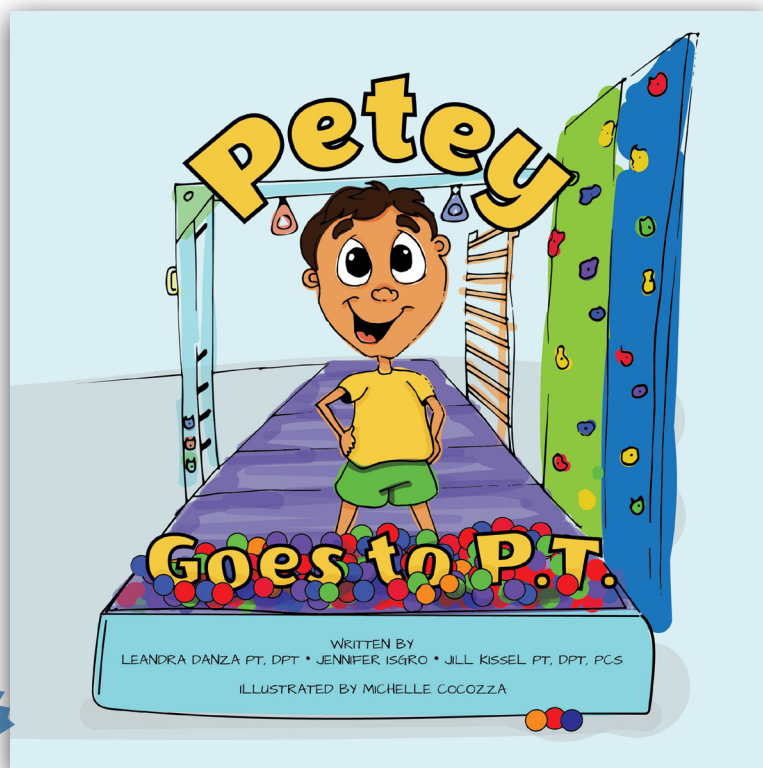
Q: Tell us something more about your books?

I have published "The Girl Who Can," the first book in a series of two. The second book in the series will be published by December 2022. Life circumstances and experiences inspire my second book and the people I have connected with. The illustrations have a different style, a more mature feel, and direction. The unequivocally multi-talented Chris Shabay of <https://www.chrisshabayphotography.com>; Instagram: Chris Shabay Photography (@shabayphotography) • Instagram photos and videos] is the inspiration behind the incredible illustrations. Chris Shabay has this unique, innate ability to capture the expected and unexpected intensity in the most meaningful moments, refining them into timeless, ageless, scintillating, and awe-inspiring images. The illustrations are profoundly personal, and they will come alive on the pages taking readers on a more profound journey in the upcoming book.

Thieves Of Time

Petey Goes to P.T.

Join Petey as he enters the world of physical therapy! Petey is excited about playing soccer, but doesn't know if he will be ready. Together with his new friends at therapy, Petey will overcome his obstacles and learn just how strong he can be.



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Jill Kissel

Jill Kissel is the owner of Leaps and Bounds, PT with over 18 years of clinical experience. She is a pediatric certified specialist and has two beautiful children of her own.

Jennifer Isgro

Jennifer Isgro is a mom of two beautiful girls, one of whom has special needs. She has been watching some amazing physical therapists for ten years, eight of which she has spent working alongside them.

Leandra Danza

Leandra Danza is a physical therapist who has worked with children in both outpatient and home based settings. She became a new mom this year to a beautiful baby boy.

My name is Doniyor. My **NEIGHBOR** Abdullah and I have become close friends. One day we couldn't find any way to have fun. We had no goal. We didn't know what to do. When we were making something from a piece of wood, my father suddenly woke up. His eyes were half open when he said: "Hey, thieves of time! Are you wasting your time?"

I didn't understand the meaning of my father's "**TIME THIEVES**" at all. I wanted to ask, but he fell asleep. My friend Abdullah also asked "Are we thieves?"

When daylight came, he went into his house. I also fell asleep from **EXHAUSTION**. But I remembered that I was late for school, so I quickly washed my face and drank tea in a hurry. I do not remember what I ate.. I thought I would be late for school, but class had not yet begun. As soon as I arrived, the teacher came in. We all greeted the teacher with respect "My dear students! I am overjoyed to see you. My joy is boundless."

Just as our teacher was explaining the subject to us, one of my classmates came in and said, "Teacher, I'm sorry I'm late today."

"Doniyor, don't be late anymore.", the teacher said. "This time I forgive you, but next time I will punish you."

"Dear students," the teacher said, "you must build a new Uzbekistan, and at the same time justify the trust of your parents, ready to give their lives for you. If you become famous, I will be proud to say on the street that I taught this student," she said.

These words of my teacher had a special effect on me and increased my self-confidence. Various **whispers** began in the classroom.

"Will you come to my **birthday** tomorrow?" I also heard those words. It was clear that our teacher also heard these words.

"Time thieves," said the teacher Her sharp gaze at the students was marked by regret. "Thieves of time".

I had heard these words from my father while I was playing with my friend. That's why I was not surprised to hear them. My classmates were stunned.

Doniyor, trembled with fear, as if I, his friend Abdullah, had committed a crime.

"Doniyor, why are you trembling?" the teacher asked.

"You called us thieves, didn't you? After all, aren't those who steal punished?"

"Time thieves are punished by time itself. By doing so, you are hurting yourself." the teacher said.

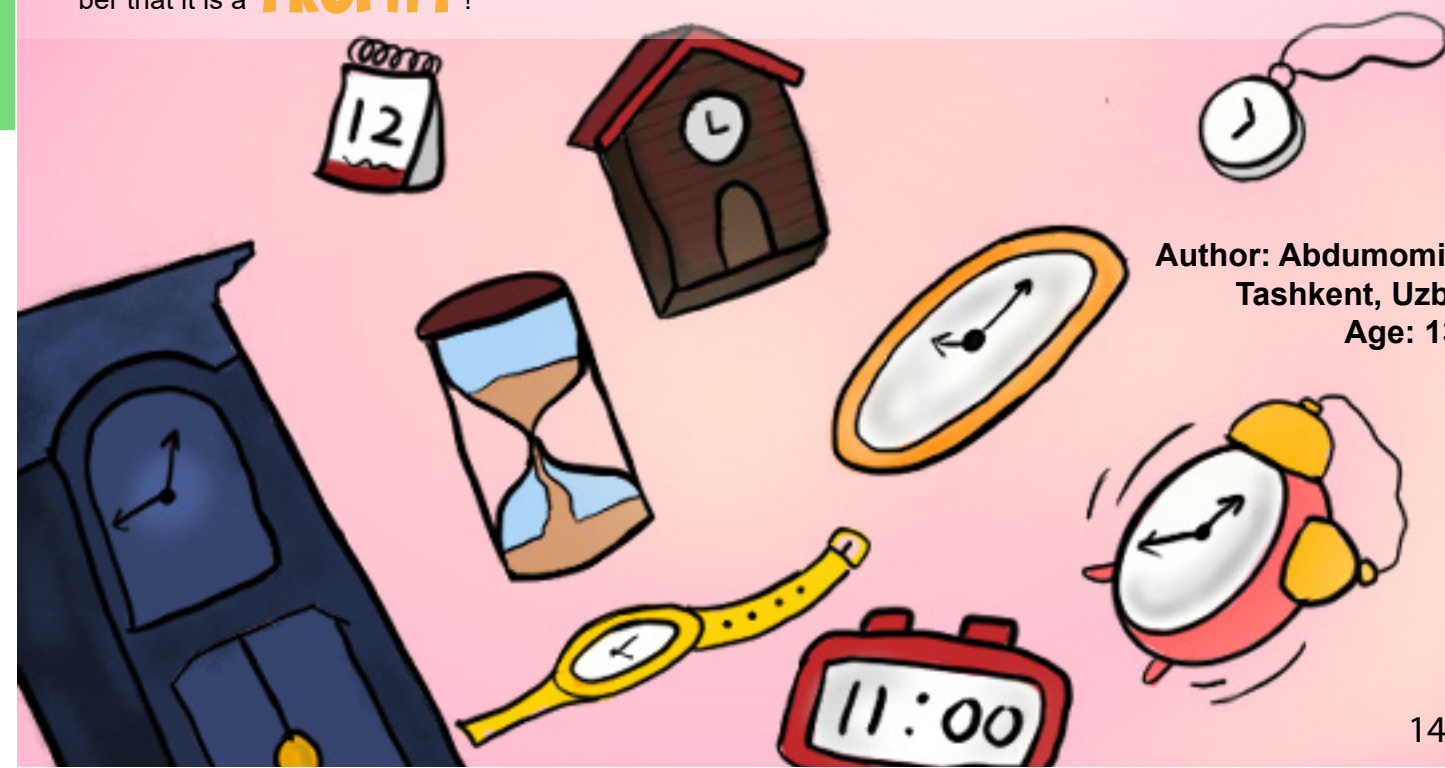
"Teacher, I do not understand the meaning of this sentence at all. Please tell us about the theft of time."

"Usually, those who steal are punished," said the **TEACHER**. "Time thieves are no exception. True, the thief of time is not punished. He is not even accountable before the law. But wasting your time now is tantamount to stealing your time, your future. If you spend all your time in science, you will save time and become a mature person in the future.

Ohh, my friend Abdullah and I are the thieves of our future. Doniyor thought. These words of the teacher inspired Doniyor and at that moment, he realized what a "time thief" was.

He even came to our house in a hurry: "Anvar, are you there? Starting today, I can say that I understand the value of time.

"Yes, Abdullah, you understand, now we are not stealing our time, we are just following the path of knowledge. In the future, we will be among the mature people mentioned by my teacher. I agree with you. Don't waste your time! I will always remember that it is a **TROPHY**!

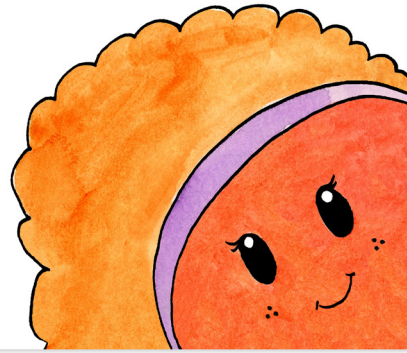


Author: Abdumominov Abdulloh
Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
Age: 13

JELLYBEANS



written by kiersten hall
illustrated by shaina ryther
designed by chelsea farr



Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I drink coffee, I drive fast, I procrastinate, I think outside of the box with my 'vivid imagination', I lose track of time, I have an insatiable appetite for black jellybeans, I'm an expert nap-taker, I am that one person in the tour group who gets lost, I have a knack for run-on sentences, and I like to think I'm funny. I also write books.

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

In third grade, to be specific. I turned all of my childhood books into scripts for plays and then persuaded my elementary teachers, over the years, to agree to the idea of having the class act them out. I was a weird kid... I'm now a weird adult.

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

I wrote my first story in 2005 - actually a memoir of my time spent in the bridal industry as a professional wedding videographer. I wrote that book in 28 days (essentially a 'brain dump') and had it edited and printed for all the world to read. The book did well, but I had four young children at home to raise, so I put my active publishing journey on hold (I kept writing, though), raised the kids, and then re-published my first book in 2015. I wrote my first novel in 2016, another in 2018, and then published my first children's book, 'JELLYBEANS' in 2019. I have since published two more children's books in 2020 and 2021.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

I write about whatever piques my interest so I'm a 'multi-genre' author. So far it's a memoir, two general fictions, and three children's books. In the works, I have more novels in various genres, more children's books, and a couple more non-fictions: A humorous take on my life and one about life, in general. All I have to do now is sit still long enough to get the books written. Ha!

JELLYBEANS BY KIERSTEN HALL

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

For the fact that I write about anything that piques my interest, my audiences span the age range. But I will say, my children's books are a lot of fun to read and look at; a lot more exciting than looking at my other books of 97,000+ words printed with no colorful pictures.

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

I could not tell you where JELLYBEANS came from, let alone the fact that it's a poem. I wasn't thinking about jellybeans, and I wasn't eating any jellybeans at the time... I wasn't even writing anything or trying to be creative. I'll go with the answer, 'an artistic/creative muse visited me.' As for the poetic aspect, I *really* couldn't tell you where that came from since I'm not a poetic person (at all) and really haven't been since. It took 45 minutes to write JELLYBEANS, and then that poetic talent left as quickly as it appeared.

My second children's book, The Blue Frog, is dedicated to my mom and her creative imagination while raising two kids. My most recent book, Scout, is dedicated to all the dogs I've had in my life and my grand-puppy.

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

Read and read and read! Read everything! Books, magazines, pamphlets, maps, newspapers, notes, graffiti, whatever lands in front of your eyes. Oh, and don't forget dictionaries, encyclopedias, and thesauruses! Fascinating information in those books, too. Don't fall into a rut of one specific genre; push your comfort zone. Do something you wouldn't ordinarily do. Live the way you want to live; read what you want to read; do what you want to do. Get swept up in life and live with vigor (and books!)



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KIERSTEN HALL





Monah is a first-generation Guyanese American, raised in Mount Vernon, New York. Growing up, she desired to “fit in” but was often met with challenges because of her differences. Reflecting on her past, Monah understands that everything that made her unique molded her into the woman she is today. She’s inspirational, funny, beautiful, and a creative who is always ready to take on new endeavors. When she’s not making her gourmet cupcakes, Monah is creating joy by hosting and curating special events.

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RAINBOW OF ENVIRONMENT!

CAN YOU SPOT ALL SEVEN OF THESE ENVIRONMENTAL THINGS.



Trees are sometimes called the lungs of the Earth because they absorb pollutants through their leaves. Like all green plants, trees also produce oxygen through photosynthesis and lower air temperatures and humidity.



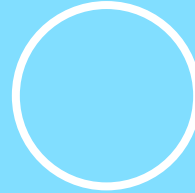
Earth is the only planet in our galaxy that can support life. Our planet is unique for many reasons, but its available water and oxygen are two defining features.



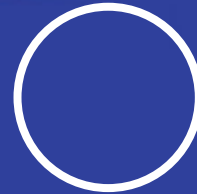
Solar energy decreases greenhouse gas emissions and The electricity produced by solar panels is clean, renewable and emission free.



Wind turbines do not release emissions that can pollute the air or water (with rare exceptions), and they do not require water for cooling.



Butterflies play vital role in the ecosystem, there is co-evolutionary relationship between butterflies and plants, their lives are interlinked.



The manufacture of plastic bags uses cancer-causing chemicals such as benzene and vinyl hydrochloride, and the toxic by-products pollute our air, water and soil.



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle – are all about minimising the amount of waste we produce, reusing products as much as we can,



Dalia Explores the Haitian Creole Alphabet

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

Hello! My name is Justine A. P. Louis and I am an author, educator and a mother to two wonderful children. Writing is my passion as I find it to be very therapeutic. Aside from this hobby, I enjoy exercising and participating in dance fitness classes, especially Zumba. I also enjoy spending time with my family, going on walks to the park, traveling, visiting my favorite coffee shops and just spreading positive energy!

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

My journey as a writer started at a very young age. I was in elementary school when I began journaling. I often wrote about my daily activities, experiences and recorded memorable events in my many diaries and journals.

In terms of writing stories, I was inspired by my family's storytelling routines in Haiti. Almost every night before bedtime, my family gathered around and narrated popular Haitian tales, stories and we told jokes to each other. My grandmother was also a great storyteller and I enjoyed hearing her stories the most. These storytelling routines eventually led me to pick up a pen and to create my own stories.

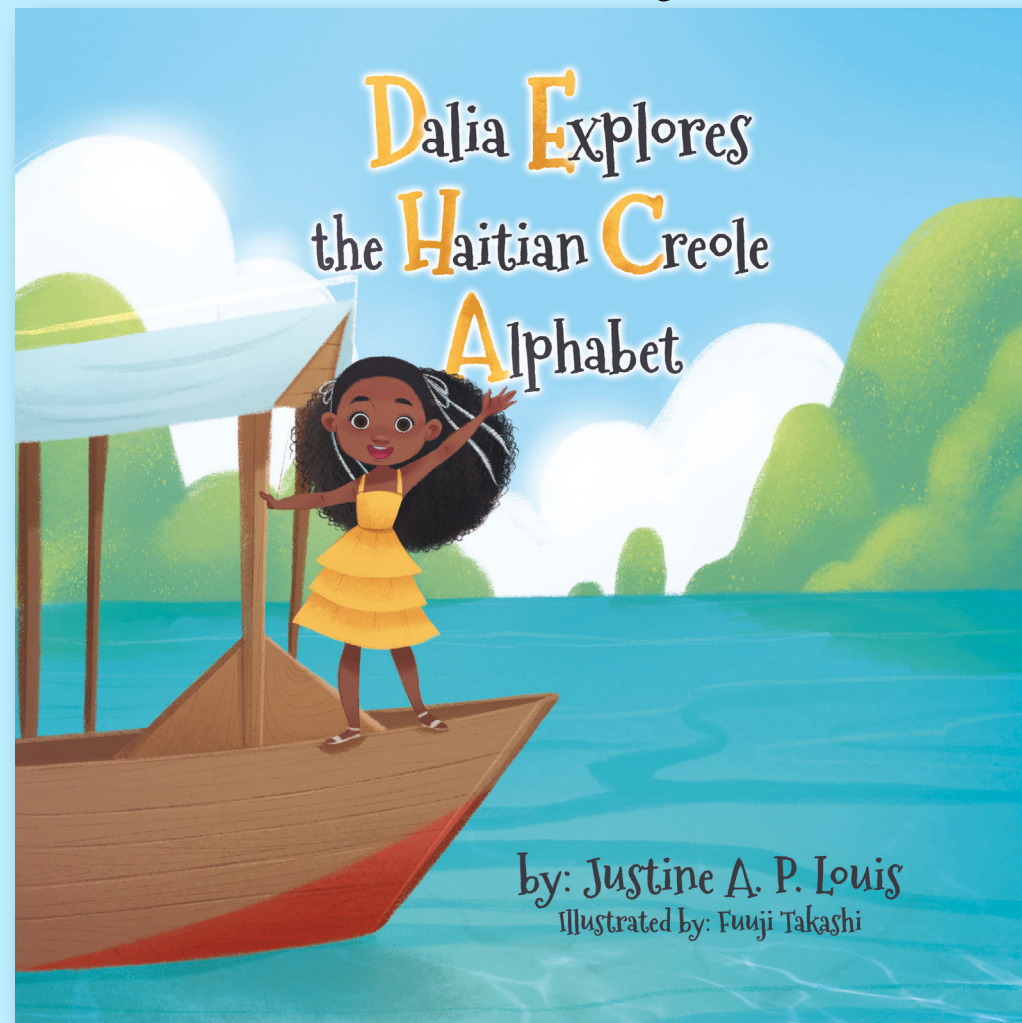
I had such a huge imagination as a child and I wrote so many poems and stories that I vividly recall my father saying that I will become an author one day!

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

I officially completed my first book when I was in middle school. This book was written in French. It is not yet published. However, at the time it was written, I recall starting a book club in my Catholic School in Haiti where I had a group of girls read my books and we would also discuss chapters from each others' books weekly or bi-weekly. This mini book club that we created brought me satisfaction at the time and encouraged me to write more. My earlier books focused on the genres of adventure, fantasy, fiction, mystery, and historical fiction.

I eventually continued writing a number of chapter books in middle school and in high school (in French) that have not yet been published. However the good news is that I still have most of them saved here with me and I think it would be a great idea to share them with the world one day.

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Q: Tell us something more about your books?

My children's books focus on increasing and promoting diversity as well as bilingualism in children's books. I want my young readers as well as their families to go on a journey through my books and to experience all the beauty that Caribbean countries have to offer. My books will also tell stories of the Caribbean, including Haitian culture in a fun and adventurous way through diverse characters.

My first picture book: "Luke visits Jacmel" is about a boy who visits Jacmel Haiti for the first time during the carnival season. Through this book, readers will discover Jacmel's vibrant and artistic carnival through the eyes of the adventurous Luke on his journey back home. This picture book also allows young readers and their families to experience the famous carnival of Jacmel which celebrates Haitian culture and art. This book is also available in Haitian Creole.

My newly released picture book is entitled: "Dalia Explores the Haitian Creole Alphabet." This book follows Dalia, a young girl from Haiti, as she shares her language and culture through the Haitian Creole alphabet! Through this fun and educational book, young readers will enjoy learning about the Haitian alphabet, its language and culture while having Dalia as a guide.

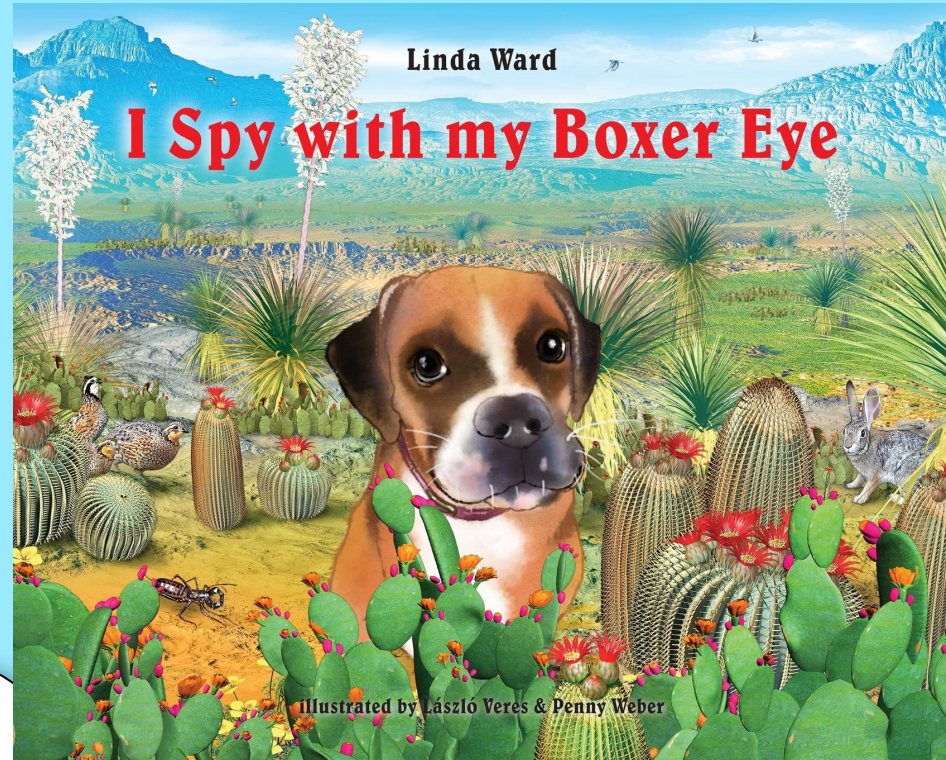
Q: Do you want to give any message for your readers?

I would like to tell my young readers to always be themselves and to always embrace and appreciate the beauty of their culture no matter where they are from. I would like my readers to also tell and share stories from their cultures with the world. Furthermore, I would like my readers to always pursue their dreams and to follow their passions because it will definitely bring them happiness!



JUSTINE A. P. LOUIS

I Spy with My Boxer Eye



I Spy With My Boxer Eye is a playful form of "spying" the beautiful and changing landscapes and regions of Texas through the eyes of our Boxer dog, Ginger. It is written in poetry form and is beautifully illustrated by two professional illustrators. Although it is about the Texas landscapes, readers can look and "spy" the many plants, animals and features that are described in this book. When we got Ginger as a puppy, we were going through major life changes; empty nest, retirement, children getting married and having children of their own. Ginger was our joyful and playful companion as we moved our kids from place to place, celebrated milestones, holidays and family vacations. Like most dogs, she is happiest when she's with her peeps and enjoying the things they enjoy. Always ready for a walk wherever we are, she explores the landscapes like an inquisitive explorer, wanting to take it all in and go home and dream about it over and over again. I hope that readers will enjoy this journey around Texas through the eyes of our girl Ginger and the extraordinary illustrations that bring her story to life.

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LINDA WARD

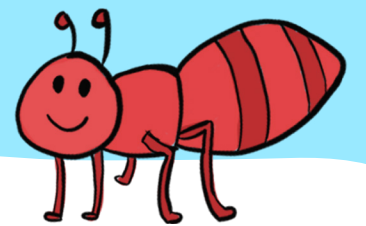
Linda Ward is a retired elementary school teacher who has been married to her husband and best friend since 1982. They have three grown children, their spouses and five grandchildren. Her passion as a teacher was teaching students to read. Her first book, Jesus In The Manger was published in 2017. As a teacher in Texas, one of her favorite themes to teach was Texas history and explore the many environments, landscapes, wildlife, and sheer vastness of the state. She moved from the deserts of West Texas in 2019 to be closer to her children and grandchildren who live throughout the state of Texas. Linda's hobbies include Bible studies, cooking, gardening, and being "Nana" to her precious grandkids and fur babies.



How do catterpillars swim?

**THEY DO THE
BUTTERFLY!!**

**GET
WHALE SOON**



Why don't ants get sick?
Because they have

ANTY-BODIES

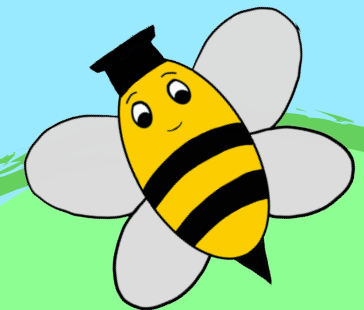
What do you call an
undercover Spider?

A SPY-DER



Where Do Dogs Go When
They Lose A Tail?

RE-TAIL STORE



Who's the smartest insect?

A SPELLING BEE!!

I AM TREE

I am a tree,
All birds sit on me!

I am always free,
I can hear the buzzing bee!

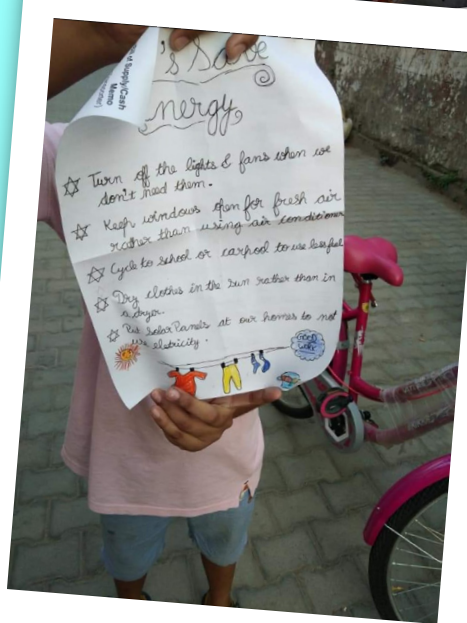
If you give me care,
I will give you fresh air!

I will be an umbrella shady,
Whether it sunny or rainy!

I am a tree,
All birds sit on me!

Shamika Sama
8 yrs

Environmental Warriors



CURIOUS TIME STORY

Mr. Areeb grabbed his bag and walked out of the house. As soon as he arrived, He opened the car and sat down. His **NEIGHBOR** Mrs. Ruby greeted him from a distance and waved his hand. Mr. Areeb also greeted them by shaking hands.

" I am going to **Poland** for a week. I hope you will pray for me in connection with one of your most important meetings." He said with a smile. Oh Mr. Areeb, "this is a good thing you are developing your business, you come back successful, I pray. " Thank you very much Ruby,

As soon as he said that Mr. Areeb drove the car towards the **airport**. It was eight o'clock at night, Mrs. Ruby was looking out of the window in her room, suddenly her eyes were startled with **SURPRISE**. She saw Mr. Areeb's house lights on. Moments later, they heard the sound of a vacuum moving from their house, and then from behind the curtain they saw someone walking behind them. She wondered who might be at the moment while Mr. Areeb had been in Poland for a week on business. Maybe Mr. Ruby is back, she thought and straightened the curtains and went to bed.

Unexpectedly, she waited for Mr. Areeb left the house in the morning, but she was nowhere to be seen. It was late in the evening. That night he looked at Mr. Areeb's house as he leaned forward, there was nothing but complete silence.

Thus four days passed and he forgot that he had seen the **LIGHT** on Mr. Areeb's house that day. A week had passed, and today Mr. Areeb had to return home.

It was five o'clock in the evening, and Mrs. Ruby was sitting in her garden enjoying the evening tea. She was, of course, a good neighbor. Taking care of the neighbor, she made some biscuits that she wanted to give to Mr. Areeb today.



Then he asked Mr. Areeb

" if there was anything you didn't have here. "

Mr. Areeb replied that" everything is in place here", Then the robot went to the kitchen and brought a mug of coffee from inside and presented it to Mr. Areeb. As soon as the police saw the **robot**, they said something understandable.

Mr. Areeb, did you just instruct him to offer you **COFFEE**?

"No, I instructed him before leaving the airport."

Oh well, Mr. Areeb, it makes sense now. Well, did you give any more instructions to this robot?

Yes," I sent him signals this **evening** from my mobile application asking him to clean the house and offer me coffee when I arrived at about eight o'clock." Mr. Areeb said smiling.

Oh oh. Now the policeman turned to Mrs. Ruby said, Mrs. Ruby,

" By now you must have understood that the voices were actually those of a robot cleaning. This is a digital robot

that works according to the IoT. Wherever we are sitting, we install the **APPLICATION** of the company that makes this robot in our mobile and we can give instructions to it from there."

It is very useful, of course Mr. Areeb." I bought it so that their house would be clean in their presence.

Yes, that's right you can now become known as a Lord of the Rings. Oh, that's really interesting, Mrs. Ruby said with a smile.

She addressed the policeman in an **embarrassed** tone.

"I'm sorry, I took your time because of my ignorance. From now on I will search for digital things so that there is no such mistake." No matter, Mrs. Ruby, you have earned the right to be a good neighbor. We are proud that you are

also a good **citizen** and aware of your surroundings. Thank you, I would like to offer something to you all, if you allow me to bring it ?Mrs. Ruby said respectfully.

Yes, of course . When she returned, she had a plate of biscuits in her hand and she was presenting them to all the policemen. Everyone enjoyed the biscuits and left, thanking Mrs. Ruby.

Mrs. Ruby saw the smiling robot and walked home with permission from Mr. Areeb.

She was still thinking. **SURPRISINGLY**, they noticed a light in Mr. Areeb's house, and again the sound of a vacuum running, and then it was as if someone was fixing things in the house.

Mrs. Ruby was surprised, because Mr. Areeb was not married and he was living alone. He felt something was wrong. He got up and went to ring the doorbell of Mr. Areeb's house. Did not open. They suspected that someone had broken into Mr. Areeb's house and was breaking into his house. Due to this suspicion, he called the police.

Soon the **POLICE** had arrived, the lights were off and the voices had stopped. Police were concerned about Mrs. Ruby, but she said "she had seen the light with her own eyes and heard voices."

When police inquired about Mr. Areeb, Ruby said he was about to arrive. He had called Mr. Areeb informed him. Shortly after Mr. Areeb's arrival, he was devastated. His only source of income for years was his house and his valuables, such as his valuable

paintings, which he had bought for **MILLIONS** of rupees.

Now Mr. Areeb's house was opened, and the police searched the whole house, but the house was found to be completely clean, everything was in place. When police asked Mrs. Ruby again, she gave her the same answer as before.

Written By Tahniyat Iftikhar



Name: Beware! Space Junk!

Publisher: Scholastic Paperbacks

Description: MouseStar 1 is surrounded by floating space junk! It's yucky -- and dangerous. It's coming from a nearby planet, Cleanix. Geronimo Stiltonix goes to visit, and discovers that the aliens there are very wasteful. Even worse, robots that they've thrown in the trash have started to rebel! Can the spacemice restore harmony before the robots take over?



Name: PEPPA PIG: PEPPA LOVES OUR PLANET

Publisher: PENGUIN

Description: It is Love Our Planet Week at playgroup, and Madame Gazelle asks the children to make a scrapbook of all the things they can do to help look after our planet.

Peppa and George recycle, grow their own vegetables, turn off the taps when they are brushing their teeth and scooter to playgroup instead of going in the car. They learn that every little thing makes a BIG difference!

Book Recommendations



Name: What a Waste: Trash, Recycling, and Protecting our Planet

Author: Jess French

Publisher: DK Children

Description: In this informative book on recycling for children, you will find everything you need to know about our environment. The good, the bad and the incredibly innovative. From pollution and litter to renewable energy and plastic recycling.

This educational book will teach young budding ecologists about how our actions affect planet Earth and the big impact we can make by the little things we do.

ARTICLE

Top Tips to Develop Your Childs Love for Reading by The Founders of Eden Tutors

VOCABULARY

COMPREHENSION

At Eden Tutors, we recognise that developing the foundations are essential when supporting your child with their reading fluency. Responding to an increasing post-pandemic demand, Eden Tutors have seen a significant increase in home-school learning and families seeking after-school tuition. Given the last two years, the crisis has significantly disrupted the education system, affecting children within classrooms throughout the UK. Although some children have continued to thrive with their reading skills, others have returned to school in need of further support with their vocabulary and overall reading fluency. Identifying any learning difficulties at an early stage is paramount to improving your child's confidence and can help to develop a love of reading. Some ways in which you can begin to develop a love of reading at home include:

READING TOGETHER:

Some of the earliest objectives in teaching, when supporting children with their reading, involve the introduction of a child to stories. Making bed time stories a regular habit will help to familiarise your child with creating meaning out of words. By pointing to the words and showing that each letter, or a group of words, has meaning allows your child to associate stories and words in an enjoyable way. Also, allowing children to interpret the story from the pictures, provides them with an opportunity to develop an initial understanding of story-telling, which forms one of the first building blocks to nurturing early reading skills.

PHONICS FUN:

Having been introduced as recently as 2005, phonics has become the focal point of a child's initial reading fluency within schools across the UK. Phonics has been developed to support children's early understanding of letters and sounds. This may be taught through different methods such as 'Jolly Phonics', 'Letters and Sounds' or 'Read Write Inc'. Different schools undertake slightly differing approaches when introducing phonics within Early Years and Key Stage 1. Supporting your child at home with phonics sounds, phonics flash cards and blending activities can help to bolster their reading success!

ASKING QUESTIONS:

Once your child begins to develop confidence with their reading fluency, it is important to delve deeper within the story itself. Asking your child questions about the story, including how the characters might feel and predicting events, helps your child to further develop their comprehension skills. At Eden Tutors, our tutors regularly use Blooms Taxonomy to support a child's understanding of the text and classify educational learning objectives into levels of complexity and specificity. During group and 'one to one' tutoring sessions, we introduce a variety of questions to challenge children to discuss the text using a well-rounded approach towards comprehension skills.

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT:

Whether providing tutoring sessions or supporting your child further at home, the most important key to success is regular practise. Children who read more regularly have a greater chance of developing excellent reading skills. Even if your child reads for 10 minutes a day this will ultimately benefit their overall reading fluency and comprehension skills. Additionally, your child doesn't have to be limited to reading set texts provided by the school. Keeping your child engaged with different reading material can also help to instil a love of reading that will benefit them in years to come!



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