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Editor's Note

Dear Reader,

Yay! Summer is here! It is the most fun season for kids because we can spend all day having fun visiting places like beaches, Water parks, and zoos. There are many good things about summer, and my favorite is to eat lots of mangoes, the king of fruits.

Although Summer is a fun season for kids but it's difficult for birds or other animals, so keep some water and food for birds or animals outside your house and make this summer easier for birds or stray animals.

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

Happy 4th Of July
Happy Summer!

Dhruvin Dharmendra

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DHARMENDRA**



Itty Bitty Betty & The Cookies Sandrian Nelson-Moon

Cover Story

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

Ans: Well first and foremost I'm a Minister I'm a mom to 4 great kids, and I'm a wife to the most amazing husband on the planet and I love the beach. I am a best selling author, a certified business and life coach, a transformational speaker, an elected county committee member, entrepreneur, an public and trauma advocate and Future Public Interest, Civil Rights Attorney.

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

Ans: My actual journey as a writer began as a child dealing with trauma writing helped me out my thoughts down. Writing children's books began 2 years ago and I was surprised at myself when I did it. I wanted to portray a minority character as the main story character in a book. There are still not many stories with minority leads and I hope to change that.

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

Ans: My first story isn't published yet actually. It will be soon. My first story or thing I wrote was more personal. It wasn't for children.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

Ans: My books are written with the hope children learn or grasp a lesson from them. I want when they read the story they find humor and the gift of solace within the pages. I want it to transcend not only their eyes but their thoughts as well. Itty Bitty Betty is a story of a little girls tenacity to get something she wants although she's determined she's impatient. Each story portrays a unique message and this story is no different. It explores love, patience and determination something each child should understand after reading. The book was recently able to help an autistic child with his word struggle as well. It's a fun story the kids will gravitate to. The book also has an accompanying coloring and activity book available.

Itty Bitty Betty was small as can be,
About as tall as her mom's knee.
After a fun day out by the sea,
Itty Bitty wanted cookies for tea!

Join Itty Bitty Betty in this thrilling story as she tries to sneak a tasty treat without Mommy knowing! In this beautifully illustrated children's book, Itty Bitty learns a lesson in patience and is encouraged share her thoughts and wants. This story is a perfect addition to your children story book shelf, full of vivid imagery and a important lessons for children to learn.



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

I began with kids as my reader because of their ability to see beyond a page. A child's mind can create even more fascinating ideas from even a small picture their ability to put into scope something they seems dull to others fascinated me. They can find the beauty and the most sincere note from anything I wanted to expand on that.

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

These stories are based from many different ideas. Many from my own kids the things they say and do. Children have no filter and there is so much you can learn from them I wanted to expound on the mere moments, thoughts, feelings and expressions they live daily and to put some of that on paper tied in with a lesson in a way they understand.

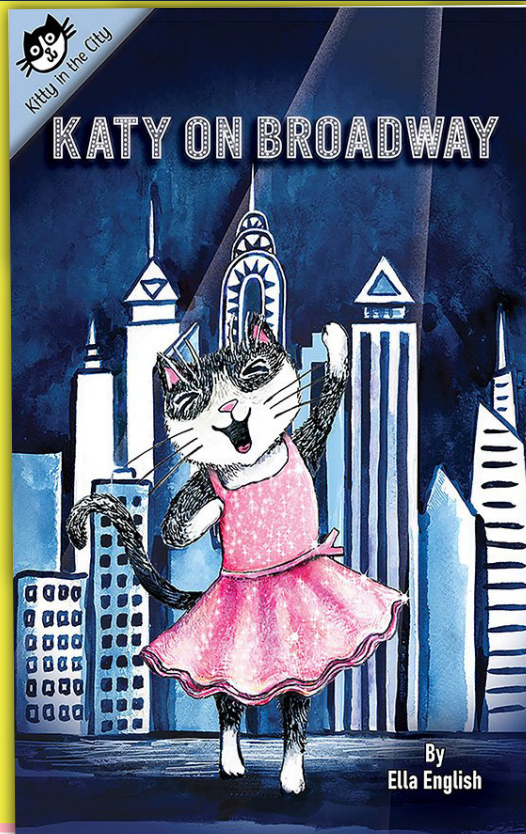
Q: Do you want to leave any message for your readers?

I want to tell my readers that there is beauty even in the thing that seems impossible. My stories focus around obstacles and finding gems we think are lost. In this story Itty felt determined to get what she wanted and I hope her tenacity transcends that you can have anything you want it you keep trying. Never give up.

available at
amazon



KATY ON BROADWAY



Katy loves to sing and practices every day. Gerry says she can't sing, and Lillian says New York is too dangerous for such a small kitty. But now she's ready to try! She escapes her yard and makes it to the city. But it IS a big scary place! Now she's all alone and lost. How will she find her way? Can she really become a superstar?

ELLA ENGLISH

Ella English has been passionate about art ever since she held her first paintbrush at age three, and was encouraged by her family to pursue art ever since. She is the mother of two grown daughters who loved books, ballet and singing when they were small. She decided to start writing and illustrating books when she realized how important it was to nurture creativity in children. Her hope is that this book will encourage parents to be proud of their children's singing, no matter what it sounds like!

She lives in Baltimore with her three cats, including a singing black and white tuxedo called Mouse. This yowling kitty inspired her to write this story about a lovable New York cat who is bored with her everyday life and longs to break free and sing to an audience beyond the critters in her garden who tell her she can't sing.

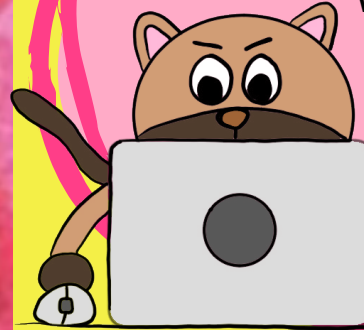
She can be found online at <https://ellaenglish.com>.

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Why do cats hate laptops?

**THEY DON'T HAVE A
MOUSE!**



What is a cat's favorite movie?

**THE SOUND OF
MEWSIC**



What's a cat's favorite dessert?

CHOCOLATE MOUSE

What's a cat's
favorite color?

PURR-PLE!



What do you call a cat
wearing shoes?

A PUSS IN BOOTS!



What should you say to your
cat when you leave the house?

"HAVE A MICE DAY!"

ON BRIGHTER DAYS

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I am a mother to an amazing 6 year old daughter, an early childhood educator, a certified yoga instructor, and the author of the new children's book *On Brighter Days*. I am originally from Chicago but currently live in Columbia, South Carolina with my husband, daughter, and our dog, Nia.

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

I have been keeping journals ever since I could write. On every family vacation or trip we took, I would record all the things we did, saw, and experienced. I liked writing everything down and then reading over it later to reminisce. As an early childhood educator, I am obsessed with high quality children's books. There are so many great stories being written that really grab children's attention and open their eyes to the world. However, there is a lack of quality children's books for only children and families that struggle with secondary infertility so I hope to fill in that missing demographic with *On Brighter Days*. Every child and family should be represented in books so they can see their reflection.

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

I wrote my first book in August 2021 and with the help of my wonderful editor and publisher, it was released in May 2022.

Q: Tell us something more about your book?

The inspiration for the book, *On Brighter Days*, came from my personal struggle with secondary infertility. I am the youngest of five children and wanted my daughter to have siblings. We started trying for another child when she was about two years old. After many doctors appointments and failed attempts, I found out I wouldn't be able to have any more children without expensive and invasive medical interventions because of fibroids.

When I realized we would not be able to have more kids, I began to look for books for my daughter to explain our experience to her and make sense of it since she asked almost everyday for a sibling. The bookshelves were empty. There were only a few books about being an only child and only one about secondary infertility. I am passionate about high quality children's literature and so we decided to write our own book addressing these feelings for other parents and only children. A therapist I worked with said that this would help both of us process our complex feelings. Now I get to share it with families who also may be struggling with infertility.

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

As a teacher of early childhood for 12 years, I am a huge fan and collector of children's literature. Children's books are a great way to explain to young people about the diversity of people and viewpoints in their world. Kids should see themselves reflected in the books they read. My daughter is heavily influenced by the books that what we read and she often asks questions related to them. Books are her window to the world and when we couldn't find one about our experience, we decided to write our own.

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

The characters are based on my daughter's experience as an only child as well as other only children we've met. I wanted to make sure the book showed a variety of only child families- from ones with two parents who are a man and a woman, gay couples, parents from every racial background, and single parents.

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

Children often want things they can't always have whether it be a pet, a toy, or even a sibling. This book highlights how lucky kids are to have all the love and support of their family no matter the size.

On Brighter Days

On Brighter Days focuses on only children and their feelings about wanting a sibling but ultimately realizing how lucky they are to be in a small loving family. It is pretty universal that children ask for things they want but that may not be possible (a puppy, a new toy, or a sibling). This book highlights the importance of appreciating all the wonderful things that children do have in their families, no matter the size.

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Kyla Saphir



Loro Parque, Spain

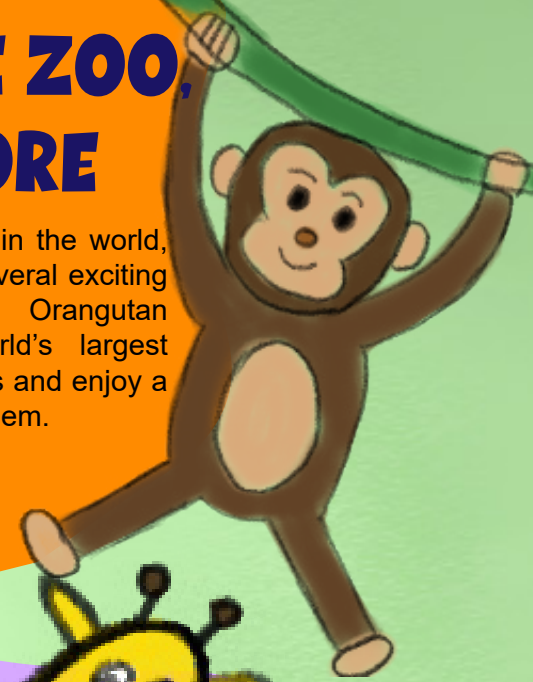
Watch the Sea Lions perform at Loro Parque, a 33-acre zoo with an extensive and diverse reserve of animal and plant species. Loro Parque is also one of the best zoos in the world to observe parrots.



WORLD'S BEST ZOO!

SINGAPORE ZOO, SINGAPORE

One of the best zoos in the world, Singapore Zoo has several exciting attractions, including Orangutan Island. See the world's largest tree-dwelling mammals and enjoy a jungle breakfast with them.



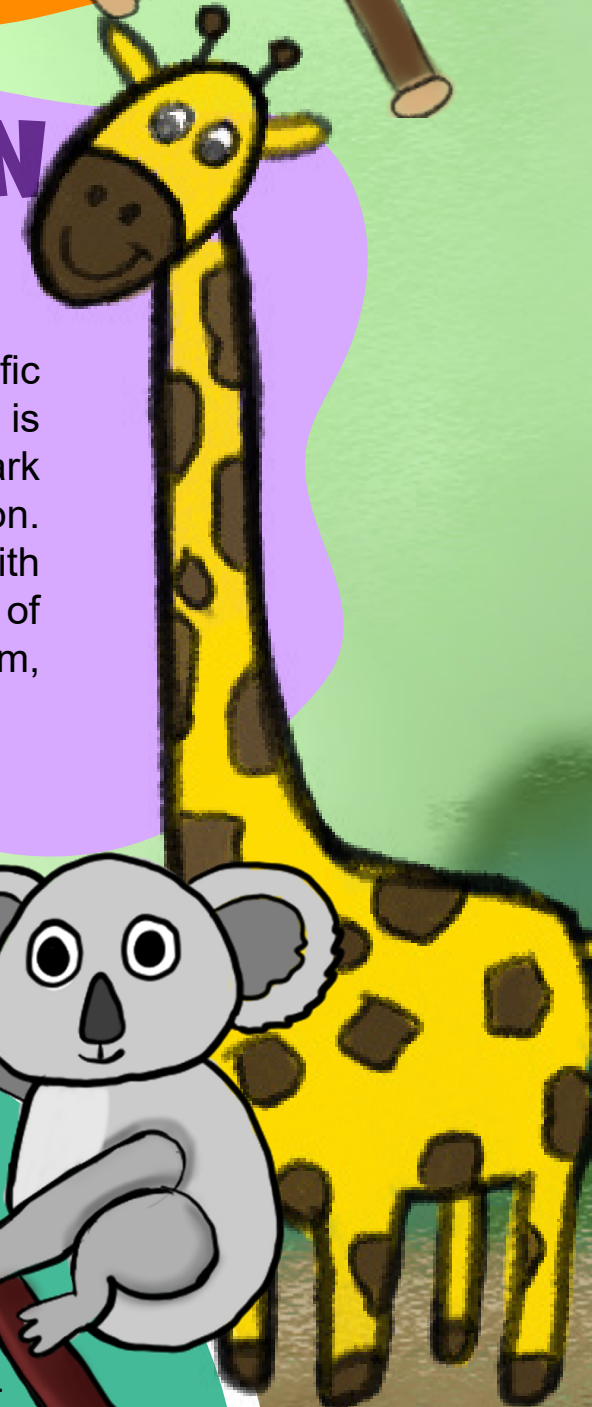
BEIJING ZOO, CHINA

Known for its panda house, Beijing Zoo is the biggest zoo in China and features 450 species of land animals. There's also an aquarium with 500 marine animals like dolphins and sharks.



ZSL LONDON ZOO, UK

The world's oldest scientific zoo, ZSL London Zoo is located in Regent's Park right in the heart of London. It houses 673 species, with exhibits including Land of the Lions, Gorilla Kingdom, and Tiger Territory.



SAN DIEGO ZOO, USA

Founded in 1916, San Diego Zoo houses more than 3,500 animals across 650 different species and has often been awarded as one of the best zoos in the world. It was also one of the first zoos to have open-air, cageless exhibits and is situated in the beautiful Balboa Park.



AUSTRALIA ZOO, AUSTRALIA

Billed as the "home of the crocodile hunter", Australia Zoo is synonymous with the late Steve Irwin and his family, who have helped rescue 90,000 animals. The zoo is over 1,000 square acres and sees over 700k tourists per year.



SRI VENKATESWARA ZOOLOGICAL PARK

Sri Venkateswara zoological park is the second largest zoo in the world by area and biggest zoo in Asia. It covers an area of 5,532 acres (22.39 square kilometers). This zoo is founded on 29 September 1987. This world's largest zoo is named after the Lord of Seven Hills in Tirupati "Sri Venkateswara".



ROTTERDAM ZOO, NETHERLANDS

The Dutch call it Diergaarde Blijdorp, but you'll know it as Rotterdam Zoo. It's one of the oldest zoos in the Netherlands and is spread across 65 acres, which houses more than 180 species.

Signs of Spring

Laura Dempster Elaine Dempster



Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I'm an early childhood educator, so I love working with children. I enjoy being creative either through writing, singing, or painting. I also love animals and have a dog, a cat and two baby cows.

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

I started creative writing as a child. I loved using my imagination to make up stories. I just decided to pursue it within the last few years.

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

I just published my first story last year which I wrote a few years ago.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

It is a rhyming book about things that happen that are signs of spring. It's for children ages 3-7. Also, my mom is the illustrator!

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

I enjoy being creative and writing cute, fun little stories.

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

This story doesn't have any characters, and came to me through observations in spring. Although, my next book will have characters inspired by real life.

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

I hope you enjoy my book and go outside and look at all the beautiful things nature has to offer!

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amazon



How do you know that it's spring? There are many wonderful things that happen in spring, such as birds start singing, it rains, and flowers come up! See if you can think of some other signs of spring that I haven't mentioned. Read along to learn spring vocabulary, and words that rhyme. Then watch for the signs of spring outside!

Just Janey's Way

Janey wants EVERYTHING her way and she won't take no for an answer. Her friends do their best to fit in with her demands until they decide that enough is ENOUGH!

Is Janey a stubborn bully?

Or is it that she just needs time to understand the true meaning of FRIENDSHIP?

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amazon



MANDY WOOLF

I am a wife and mother of five, I have four dogs, and a rabbit which I adore.

I am a qualified Montessori teacher with over twenty-five years of experience with special needs, and, in my spare time, I follow my passion for writing.

I am very passionate about helping children in overcoming their anxieties and life challenges and each story that I write has a gentle message in it to help guide children.

I draw from my own personal experiences and the children that I teach. Both my own children and the children that I teach are my inspiration.



MANDY WOOLF

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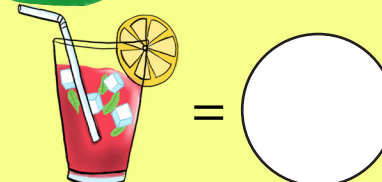
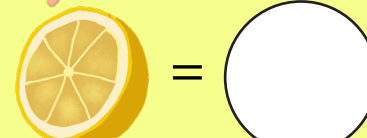
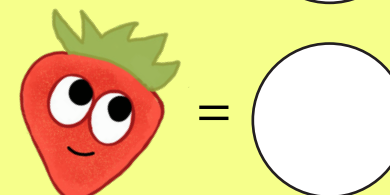
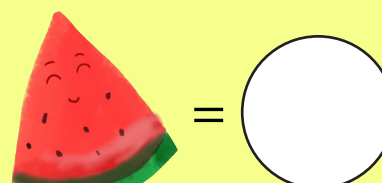
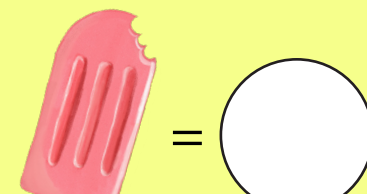
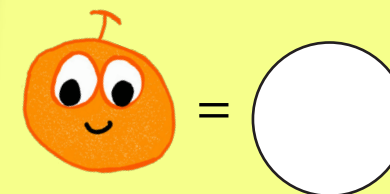
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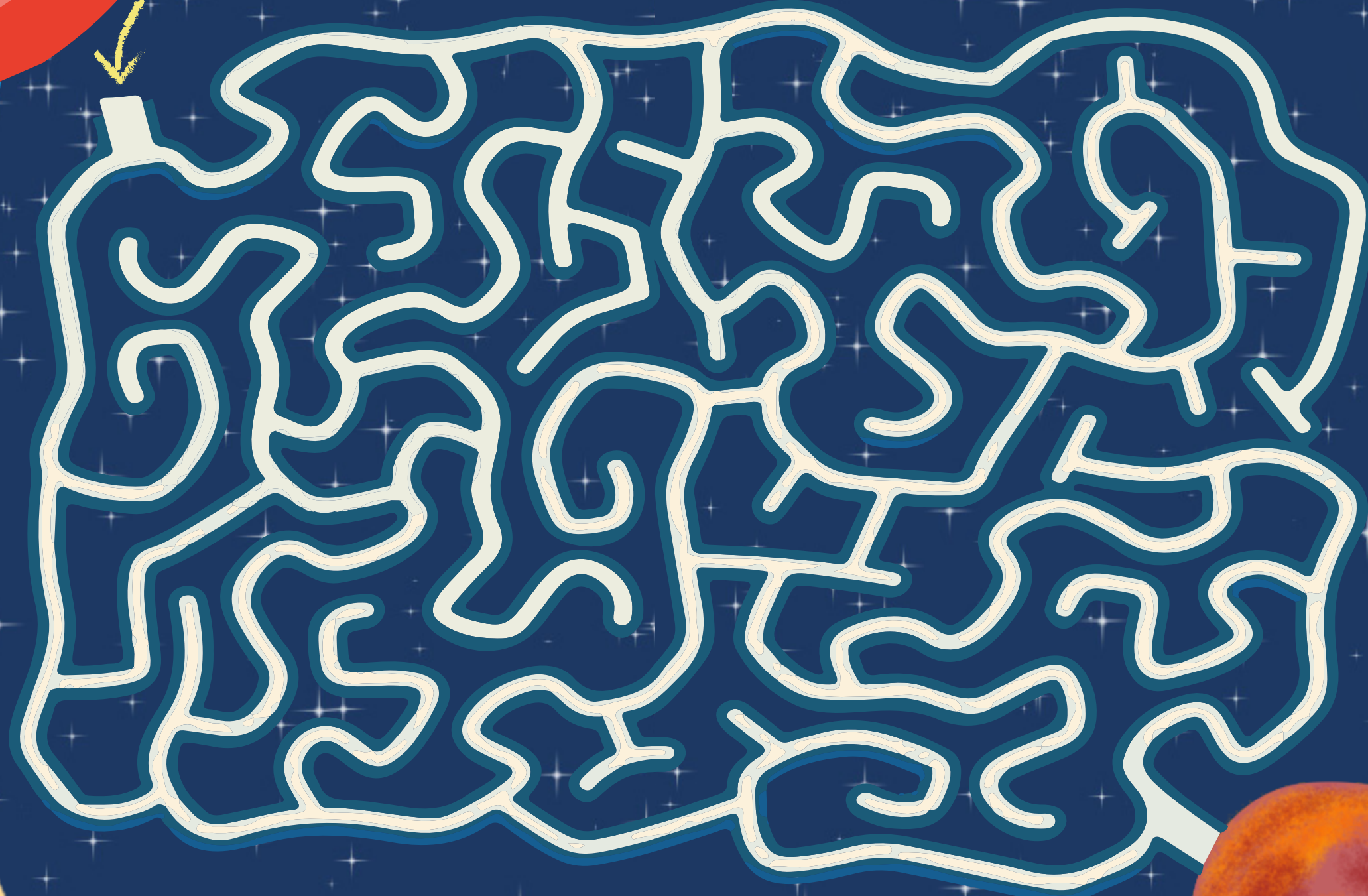
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EXPLORE SPACE!

START!



HELP THE SPACESHIP TO REACH MARS!

MARS

THE END!

MIMI MEMAW YAYA GAGA NANA GRANNY BIG MAMA AND ME

MIMI AND ME BY ISELYN HAMILTON-AUSTIN



Q: First tell us something about yourself?

Iselyn Hamilton Austin is a practicing Family Nurse Practitioner x 21 years, who specializes in pediatrics. She boasts a 43-year nursing career that started at the age of 17 as an LPN (licensed practical nurse) and pursued her education until she became an ARNP. Iselyn has worked in nearly every field of Maternal Child, including but not limited to OB, Neonatal NICU, Newborn Nursery, and many more, so children and women have always been her passion and love. Her love of children led her to become a self-published children's book author in October 2021. To date Iselyn has published three children's book in a 4-book series: MIMI, MEMA, YAYA, GAGA, NANA, GRANNY, BIG MAMA AND ME, and CHRISTMAS WITH MIMI, MEMAW, YAYA, GAGA, NANA, GRANNY, BIG MAMA AND ME. Both books are an ode to grandmothers and the celebration of the love they have for their grandchildren. Iselyn's newest book; DIFFERENT THAN ME, was inspired by a grandmother's love of her grandchild of a different nationality who was adopted into her family. The book celebrates that love has no racial boundaries because love can be different than you.

Iselyn is a 16-year breast cancer survivor and thriver. Her breast cancer diagnosis prompted her to start a non-profit organization I'M A SURVIVOR INC in 2007, and to spend the next year as the president of the Tampa chapter of Sisters Connected, the only national African American breast cancer organization. Both organizations mission is to support underinsured and uninsured women emotionally and financially. The organizations coordinate yearly fundraisers to raise funds for mammograms and financial assistance to women diagnosed with breast cancer. IM A SURVIVOR INC is hoping to become more active soon as Iselyn now resides in SC.

Iselyn is also the founder and CEO of Duckling to Diva LLC, (formerly Duckling to Diva INC) a young women's empowerment organization. The organizations mission is to empower and educate young women on self-esteem, finances and more to help them to navigate this ever-changing world with success.

Iselyn is the mother of two amazing adult children and the grandmother of two very busy and active two-year-old twins. Iselyn loves spending time with family and close friends. She spends her quiet time writing and reading. She loves music, concerts, traveling and spending time at the beach. To know her is to love her; she doesn't meet a stranger.

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

I started my journey as a children's book author in October of 2021, but I started writing in 2006 after being diagnosed with breast cancer. I was a contributing author in a compilation book entitled Fueled By Greatness.

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

My first children's book was written and published in October of 2021. I have written and published two more books since then.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

My children's book series MIMI and Me captures the joys of grand motherhood from multicultural perspectives, and my new book DIFFERENT THAN ME, is a cute picture book that celebrates and embraces the love of multicultural families and their traditions and cultures. This book shows children that love can come from someone that looks different than them and that no matter the race, culture, or traditions love is still love in any and every language.

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

I have always loved teaching and encouraging kids. I have worked in maternal child as a nurse for 40 years. My purpose which has always been to care for women and children led me to my passion of writing children's books.

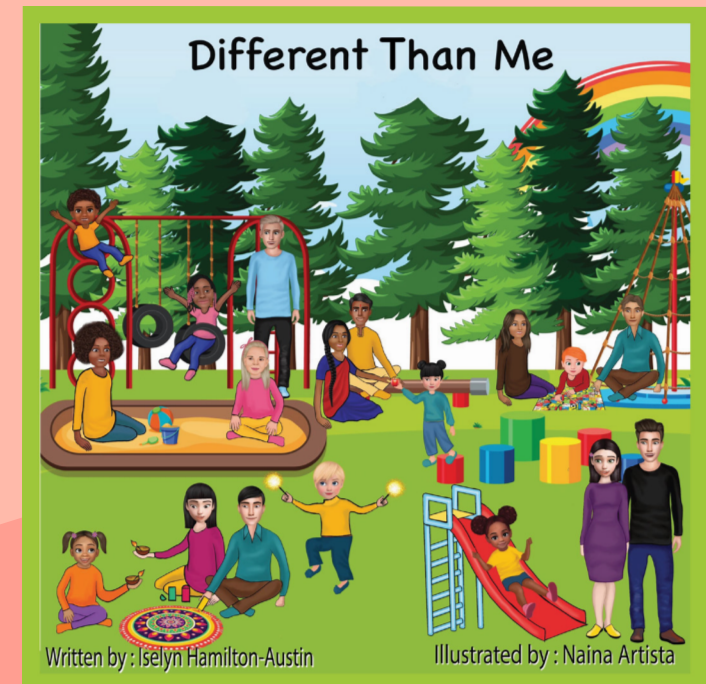
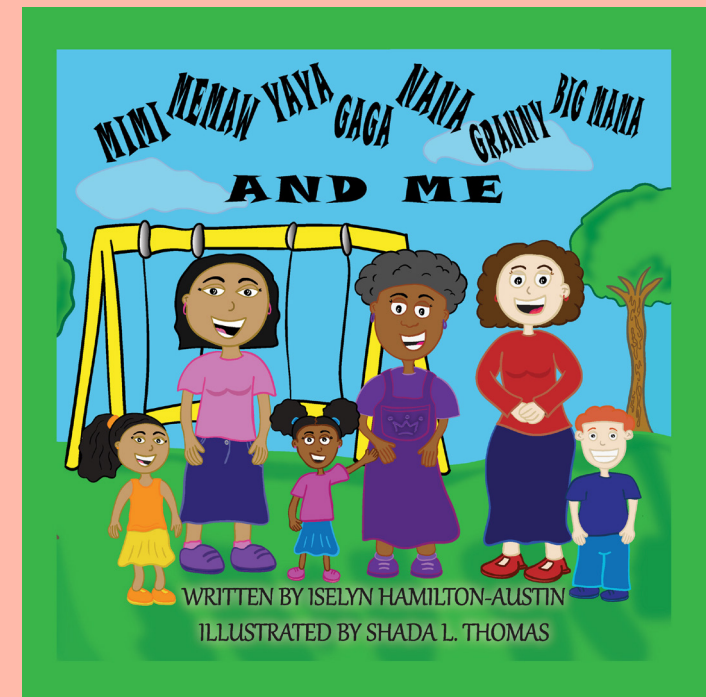
Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

My grandchildren were the inspiration for the books. Being a mom was great but being a grandmother is the most awesome experience.

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

Yes. Do what you love in this life because it will bring you the utmost joy. I love writing children's books but, I love the joy on the faces of children when I read them books I have written and they love them.

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Emily D. and the Fearful First Day

Sivan Hong's career spans over two decades in several industries and professions, including holding esteemed positions as a professor at New York University's Stern School of Business and former partner at The Bridgespan Group.

Today, Sivan authors and illustrates the best-selling children's book series The Super Fun Day Books, including Benny J. and the Horrible Halloween, George J. and the Miserable Monday, Emily D. and the Fearful First Day and Avery G. and the Scary End of School. Her inspiring books focus on neurodiverse children, who overcome their challenges with perseverance and bravery. Sivan also serves as a Trustee on the Boards of the Westport Public Library, the Rita Allen Foundation, Multicultural Children's Book Day and the ASPCA.

When she's not working, Sivan enjoys being a wife to her lovely husband and a mother to their two wonderful children. They have a dog and cat and live in Connecticut.

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amazon



Sivan Hong

Emily D. and the Fearful First Day

Written and Illustrated by Sivan Hong



Amitz Press

The first day of school can be filled with a flurry of emotions. Emily D. and the Fearful First Day is a wonderful story to share with children who are feeling nervous and worried about the first day of school. This instructional story will generate conversations about hard feelings and the joy in overcoming challenges.

Emily's Mom says school will be exciting. Her Dad says it will be an adventure. Emily does not agree!

Change can be hard for children. Emily will miss her teacher, her friends, her schedule and even her classroom from last year. She is especially worried about making new friends.

Will school ever be the same? What can Emily do to make her first day of school super fun?

Emily D. and the Fearful First Day is the third book in The Super Fun Day Books series by Sivan Hong. The Super Fun Days Books series is a collection of inspirational social stories through which young children learn how to work through and overcome challenges. They are purposefully illustrated with bright simple illustrations to keep children focused on the story, and are printed with dyslexic friendly font. All the Super Fun Day Books are available as audiobooks to make them accessible to all types of learners.

School Days...

School Days are a history for some,
And a discovery for some...
The best friendships last for lifetime,

Most enmities are forgotten in the meantime...
Morning prayers, short breaks and play time,
Are the memories we always wish to mime....

The best teachers often come in our dreams,
The exam fever still sends shivers in night
realms...

Those days no one can ever forget,
Those keep us going wherever we get!

-NEHA SAMA



MILOO AND FRIENDS ARCTIC ADVENTURE

Q: First, tell us something about yourself?

My name is Maryam Chehrazad. I'm an Iranian American first-time children's author. I have a PhD in International Law focusing on "Arctic Environmental Protection." I'm an environmentalist and an animal lover.

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

This journey is based on my personal experiences. I began as a volunteer in a children's cancer hospital in 2008, where I learned the value of educating young children and their thirst for understanding the world. Years later, in 2016, I joined the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs to work on marine biodiversity and ocean pollution. Studying and working in this area and my background working with kids led me to a life-changing decision that the best way to pass on my knowledge is to empower and educate children on environmental issues.

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

I consider myself more of a storyteller. I always daydreamed but never wrote anything down until I met my husband, who encouraged me to write my stories. My first official writing is "MILOO AND FRIENDS - Arctic Adventure" released on June 7th, 2022, and it's available on Amazon and Barnes and Nobles website.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

MILOO AND FRIENDS is a series of children's picture books about a bright young girl trying to make the world a better place with the help of her friends. These stories cover different topics such as protecting the environment, value of friendship, acceptance, respecting our elderly, and much more.

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

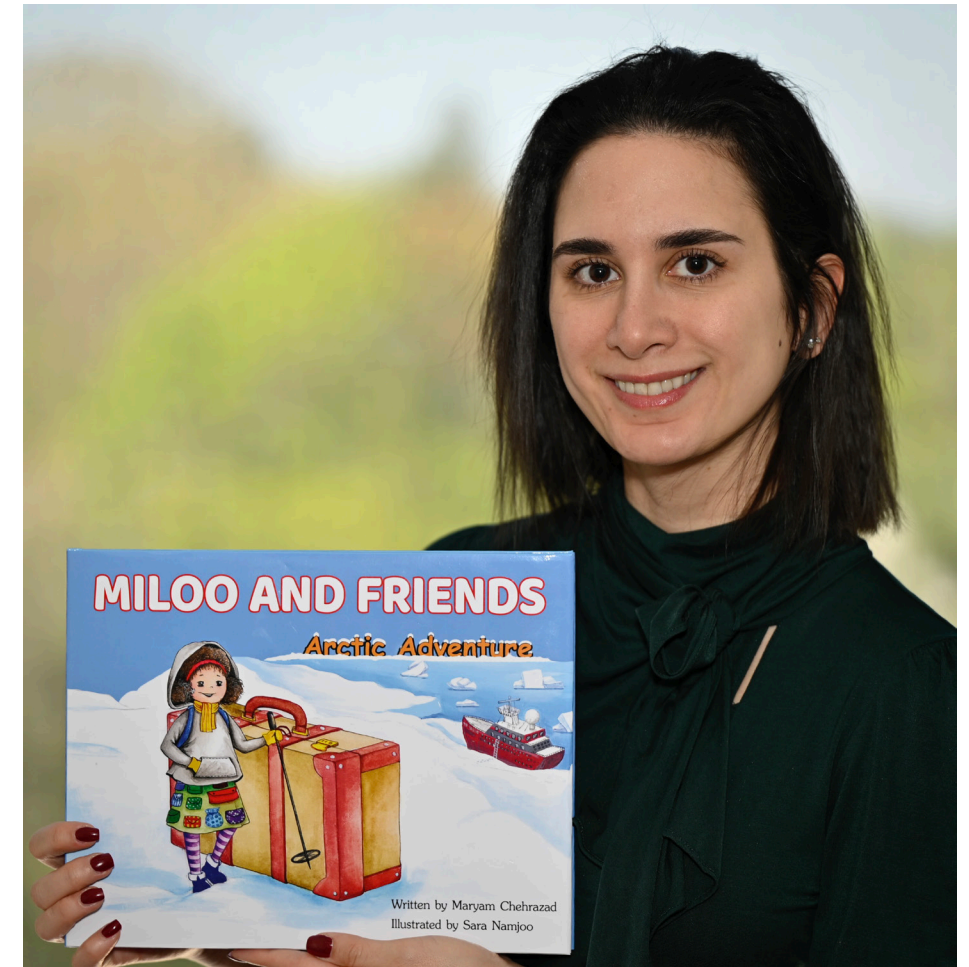
I genuinely believe that kids will build our future. I love the way children see the world as magical, simple, and full of love. Acquainting children with Miloo and her friends will help energize their desire to observe and solve various obstacles.

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

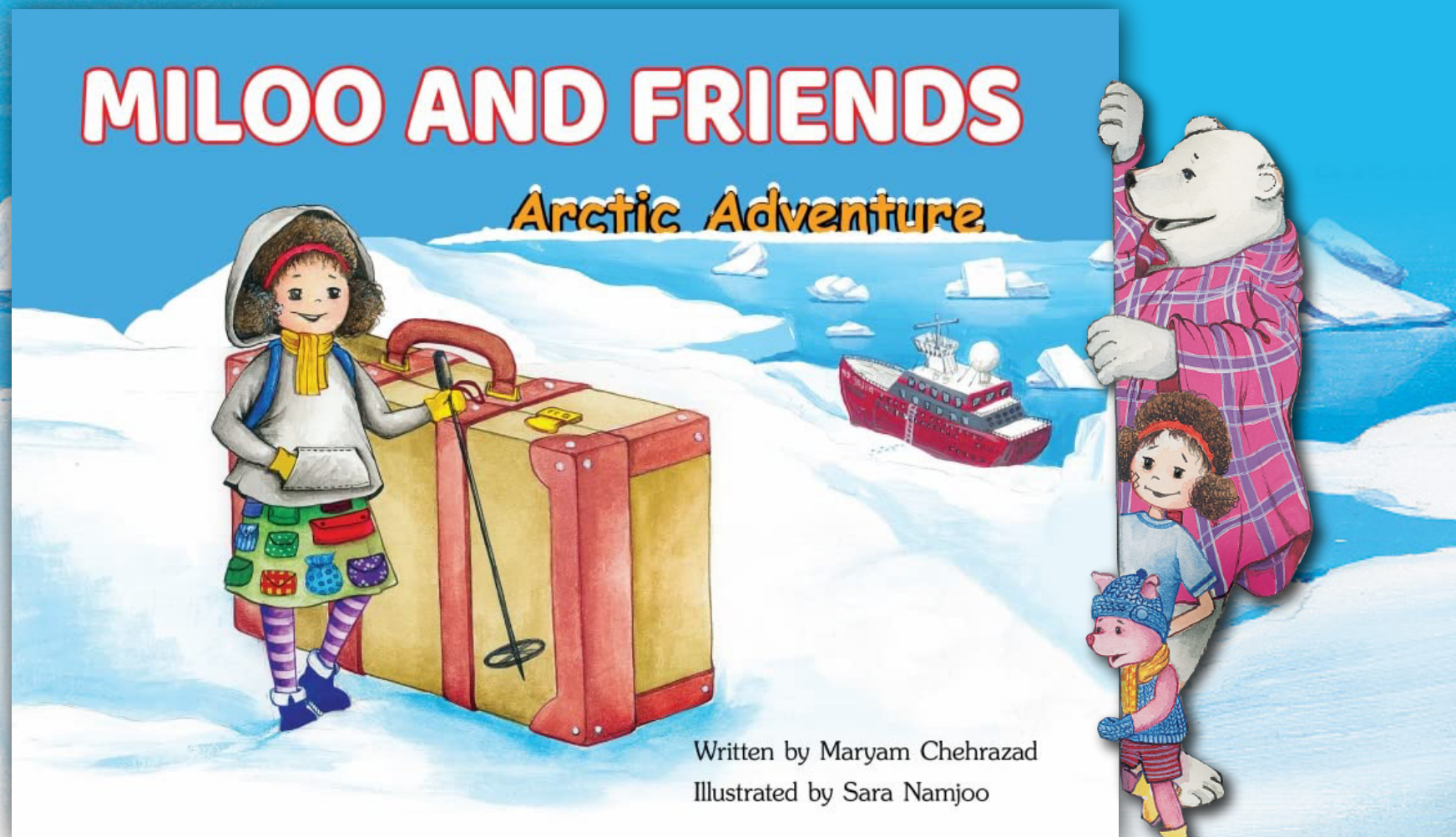
The main character is loosely based on me. All the other characters in the story are based on the stuffed animals I have had since my childhood.

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

We should start teaching and empowering our younger generation if we want to make a difference in the world. Children's education from an early age is the essential tool counted on in these epic times. I hope this book inspires kids never to stop pursuing their dreams.



MARYAM CHEHRAZAD



"Miloo and Friends, Arctic Adventure" is a story about a young girl (Miloo), who meets a Polar Bear (Eddie), on a cruise to the Arctic. Eddie explains his concerns about the changing conditions of the Arctic. Miloo decides to help out and sneaks Eddie back to her home. There, they decide to go to the United Nations and announce Eddie's dilemma to the world. MILOO AND FRIENDS is a series of children's picture books about a bright young girl who is trying to make the world a better place with the help of her friends. These stories cover different topics such as protecting the environment, value of friendship, acceptance, respecting our elderly and much more. Acquainting children with Miloo and her friends, will help energize their desire to observe and solve various obstacles.

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www.milooandfriends.com 

PUDDLE FUN!

Count The Number of
White Stripes In The Umbrella.

Find And Circle
The Hidden Duck.

Count The Number
of Frogs In The Scene.

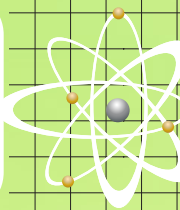
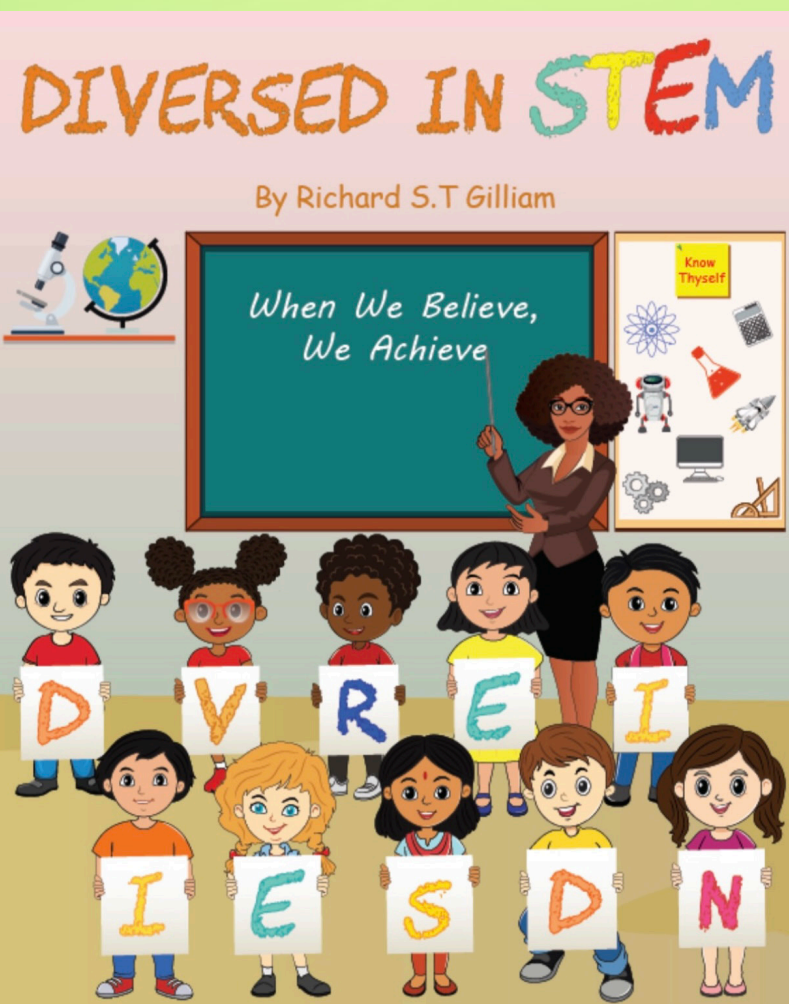
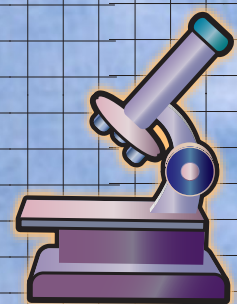
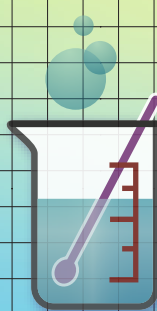
Count The Number of
Paper Boats In The Scene.

Which Pair of Boots
Has the Most Polka Dots?



Diversed In Stem

RICHARD S.T GILLIAM


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"Diversed In STEM" is an inspiring and easy to read children's book. This book goes into detail about self-knowledge and that anything is possible and can be created.

This book teaches children about different possible STEM Careers. And with the help of illustrations and stories, your child will learn that no matter what background you are from you can visualize yourself in a particular STEM Career. This book portrays the life of 10 different children with diverse backgrounds and qualities. As well as a teacher who helps teach them the knowledge of self-belief and in a successful STEM Career.

"Diversed in STEM" also goes into detail about how children from different backgrounds can collaborate together for success in life.

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Q: First tell us something about yourself?

My name is Rich Gilliam and I'm from Philadelphia, Pa. I'm located in North Carolina where I have resided since going to college at Saint Augustine university. I'm a robotic engineer and I love using my creativity to streamline processes. Some of my favorite things to do are cook, watch and go to live sporting events. And travel while capturing sceneries and amazing memories.

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

My journey as a writer actually started when I first graduated from college. I always enjoyed writing down my thoughts that come to me and telling short stories. For years I didn't really believe in the content or stories that I would write. Over the past few years I realized that I have to let fear just take the wheel and go for it. I came with the thinking that it would be selfish of me to not realize content that could actually have a positive impact on people's lives. So in 2021 I decided to pursue getting my first book "Diversed In STEM" published.

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

"Diversed In STEM" is my first story and was published on my birthday April 14th

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

My book "Diversed In STEM" is a children's book for target audience 6-12 years old. As well as educators, parents and individuals interested in STEM as a whole. Not only does my book go into areas of STEM and a list of many different areas of STEM that one may go into. My book goes into the unique qualities that one may have that they or someone else may look down upon can actually be positive. When we or have someone help us realize are unique qualities this can be used to our advantage.

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

I choose kids as my reader because I feel there are a large number of children that deal with self confidence issues. I wanted to create content for kids to actually see that they are unique no matter what personality they have. With the large amount of stem careers that are coming in the future. I feel it's important for kids to understand what they can do when they get older, and especially to know how to build on the qualities they currently have.

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

That is a great question! I ask myself the same thing sometimes. The story of Diversed In STEM really came from my life. With years of experience working in the STEM field I have been fortunate to work with many different cultures and I have seen the impact of how diversity can impact collaboration. The characters in Diversed In STEM are from all different backgrounds and all have unique qualities. But they learn that they can build up each other and learn from each other. When I first started to write "Diversed In STEM" I just begin to think about all the amazing people from different cultures that I worked with. My love for STEM and want for more diversity for people that look and come from areas like me to see themselves in STEM was a big factor of me coming up with the story.

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

A message that I would like to leave for readers is to just realize that we all have something unique within us. Something that some people might look down upon could actually be used to your advantage. Once we stop and realize that it can transform our life for the better and endless opportunities can be created!

Do You Know?



On Fourth of July
\$1 Billion
are spend on
Fireworks

150 Million Hotdogs
Eaten Every
Fourth of July



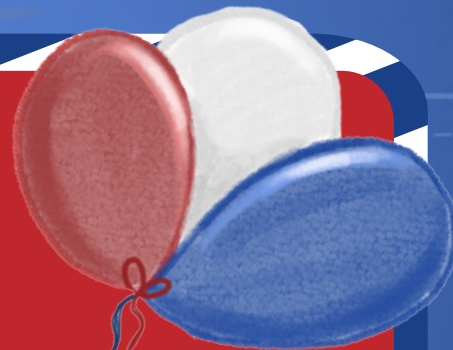
Although Fourth Of July
Has Been Celebrated For
Many Years, It Was Not
Declared A Federal Holiday
Untill **1870**

Fourth of July is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the Declaration of Independence of the United States, which was ratified by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776.

500
Million Gallons of
Ice Cream
Consumed at
Fourth of July
Picnics



Last Year We Sold
Enough **Red**
White Blue
Ballons To Lift 10
Liberty Bells



MOWGLI INVITES ALIBABA

"Dear Alibaba, you are cordially invited to attend a special feast in the Seonee Hills. You will get to meet all my friends including Bageera , Baloo, Akela, Bandarlog and Sher Khan too. Please feel free to wear the Jungle themed costume that I am sending for you. We will enjoy as we **explore** through the jungle . I will be eagerly waiting for your arrival. "

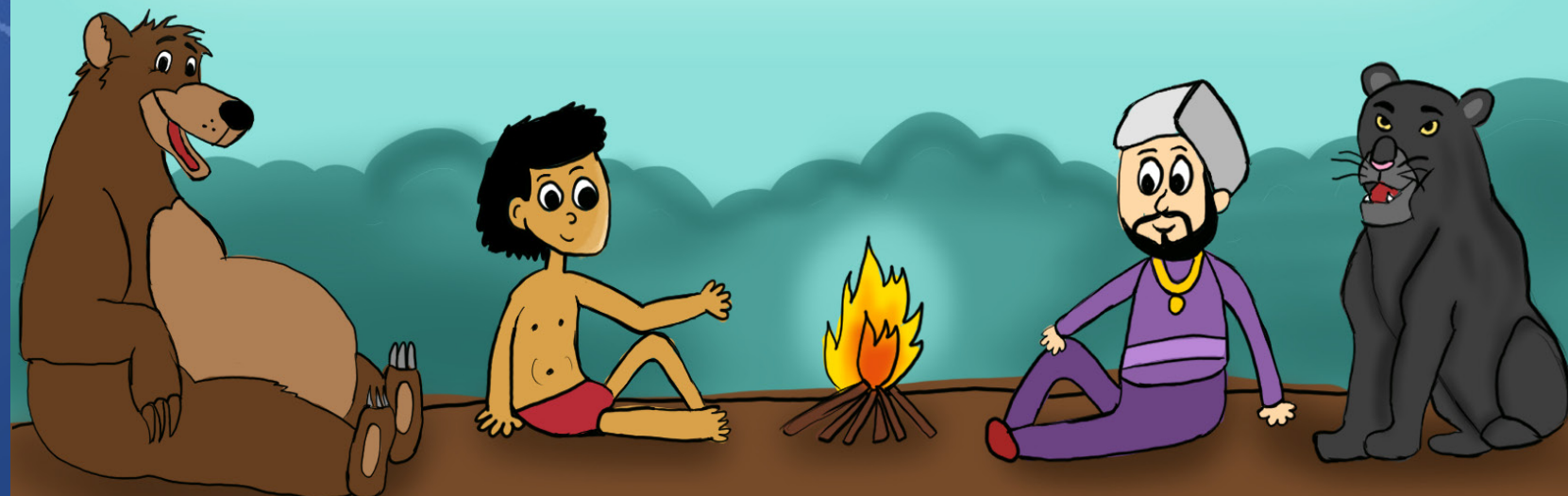
Alibaba was astonished to receive such an amazing invitation. He arrived without any further delay.

" This is a wonderful forest full of different **ANIMALS**. I want to share the story of my adventure with the forty thieves with all the animals of this beautiful jungle." Alibaba arrived in the jungle costume and told Mowgli.

" The **language** spoken in the forest is different from humans . Each animal has a different language . I will teach you each of these one by one. Lift your head and master howling today to narrate your story to the **wolves**."

Alibaba tried his best to howl based on Mowgli's suggestions, but realised it will take him a good amount of time to master howling on that day. Mowgli helped him in every way possible. A thick bond of friendship developed between both , ultimately.

WRITTEN BY HRIJOY LAHIRI
8 YEARS OLD



Bella's BIG Caribbean Adventure

Anne and Annabelle
John Ligali

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

Hello there, and first of all thank you for giving me a chance to contribute to your magazine.

Okay, so I love being a mum of two to my son and daughter, I have always loved writing and reading novels. Before writing I worked for many years as an I.T. administrator in the city of London, I love plant-based food, I make sure I do 10K steps at least most days of the week, I just started a tap-dancing beginners class and my favourite cities in the world are Paris and LA.

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

My writing journey began in 2007. Subconsciously it may have started way before that when I was in primary school and then a young adult. As a kid, I read everything for my age group. As a young adult, I devoured the entire Sweet Valley High series, Caitlyn Loving You series, and more. All that while little did I know I was absorbing story structure, characters, dialogue, world-building, and description. However, the urge for creative writing started in 2007 when I worked as a receptionist for an architectural firm. The phone hardly rang so I remember writing many scenes at my desk at the seat of my pants. Not only did this feel good to create scenes and be in charge of what happened to these characters, but soon after it became my hobby for many years and I've never stopped until the opportunity came for me to self-publish.

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

My first published story was in November 2017. Having acquired an interest in writing in 2007, I was not trying to get published all that time. From 2007 to 2017 I was learning my craft, and trying to learn everything. The story I first published started as a bit of homework from a writing group I attended in 2016. It was a brilliant class and I kept enrolling every term until I was there for an entire year. A year after the class finished, I found the short story, extended it by another four thousand words, and decided to self-publish it in November 2017. That short story became part one of a three-part series.

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

Everything I have published so far has been inspired by my life; my close friends, my professional author friendship circles (that inspired The Big Event) my kids who I adore, our adventures, news stories, places I have been, and funny questions my kids have asked me over the years. The Caribbean island of St Vincent is the backdrop to book two, Bella's Big Caribbean Adventure. I used to live there and always had it in mind to one day write about the island in a creative setting and to let people know more about how beautiful it is. Also, everything I have published was only supposed to be a one-off story, but somehow always ended up as a series. I felt comfortable writing about Bella and her friends as they are roughly the same age as my kids with similar personality traits and humor. Annabelle is my co-writing partner and brainstorming buddy. When we work together we love to use the Save the Cat beat sheet to plan out our scenes. Annabelle has always been a central part of our stories and after many discussions, some of her ideas helped shape a handful of scenes and character motives.

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

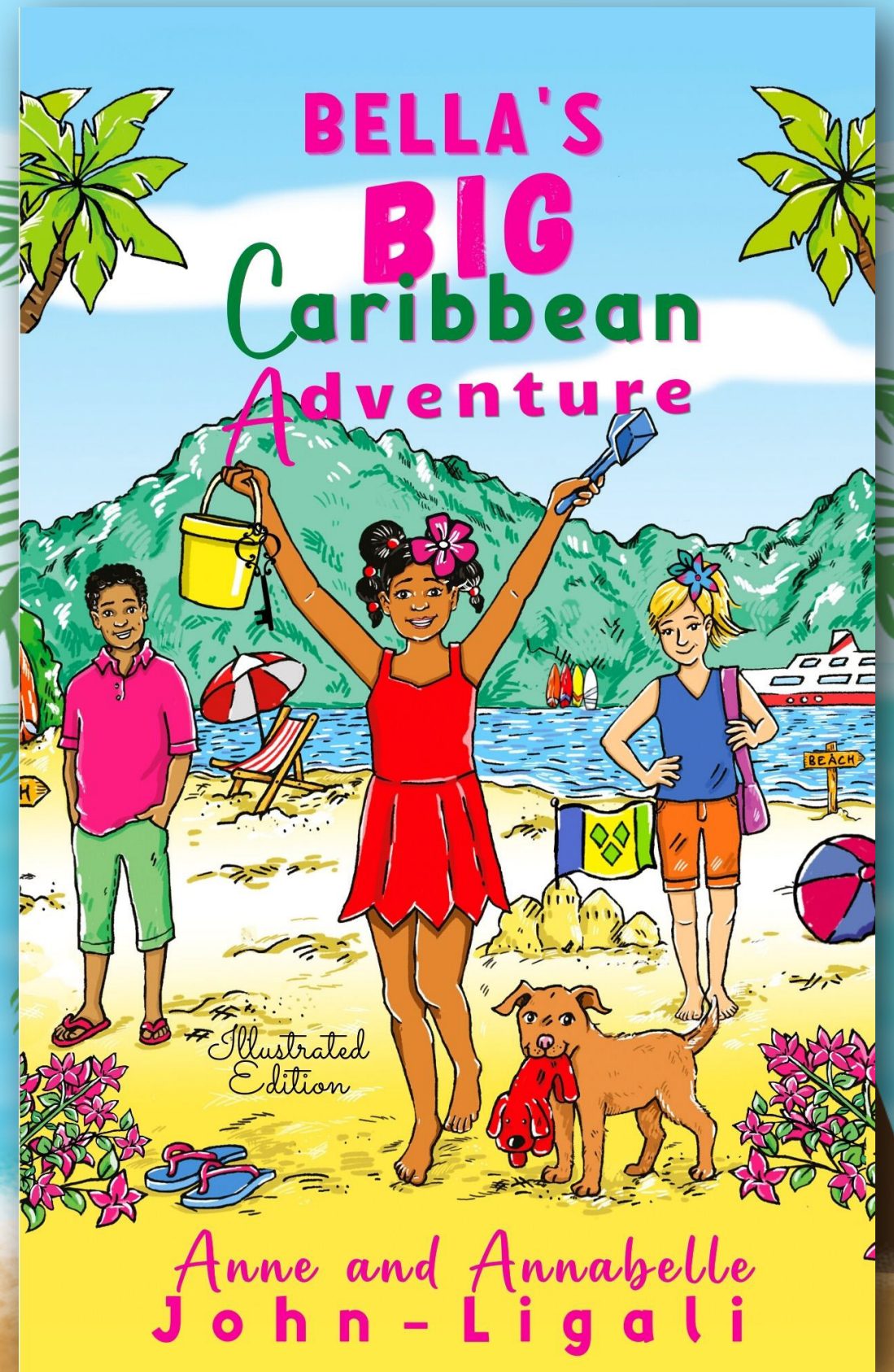
I love writing for this age group as it's fun and engaging and at this age, there are so many first lessons to be learned. I enjoy delivering the story lessons or certain themes through the eyes of these children's characters. There are so many exciting middle-grade books out there and I love them as much as my daughter does. What's also nice is Annabelle and I mostly share our reading lists and discuss what we loved about the books.

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

The inspiration for the Bella series started with a trip to London's annual Winter Wonderland theme park in November 2019. It's always held at Christmas time and it was here Annabelle thought how exciting to write a story about a girl who has an amazing adventure while visiting a theme park. After we finished the first book we had an idea to write a summer follow-up, Bella's Big Caribbean Adventure, and yes, we are working on a third for summer 2023. As for how the characters came to mind, Tommy and Iris who is Bella's best friends came naturally. Every little girl needs a best friend. We wanted to include a boy as part of the friendship circle to offer a different dynamic, and Iris, who compliments Bella. The supporting characters such as Granny Sylta are based on my late mother and grandmother to Annabelle whom we adored and wanted to make a part of our stories. Granny Sylta's character traits are the same in real life as they are in the books. She loved burgundy, loved to knit, had a sense of humour, enjoyed cooking coconut bakes, and was the heart of my family.

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

There will be more stories from Bella and her friends and we cannot wait to bring you the third instalment. Our books are available on Amazon and recently, in two bookshops in London; New Beacon Books and Owl Bookshop. I would also like to say thank you in advance to anyone who reads this and/or buys a copy of our Bella books. Thank you Kidliomag, thank you, everyone!





In the town of Nora, crows that did not caw endlessly and loudly, outnumbered all other birds. They were seen everywhere- on rooftops, chugging trains, trees, sidewalks, window-

sills, atop bell towers, sailing boats and parked vehicles. Crows, **RAVENS**, jays and magpies were as plenty as the leaves in the trees. They were also heard everywhere. Amusingly, ravens imitated the sounds of kids and few other animals. Teachers weren't surprised

by ravens joining the **kindergarten** kids as they sang their ABCs and rhymes. In fields, gardens and farms, the crows happily fed on caterpillars, armyworms, grubs and other pests. Around Nora, Oaks and pines grew in plenty because of the small caches of nuts hoarded for **WINTER** in nooks and corners by forgetful crows and jays.

Little Eugene loved crows that ate peanuts, rice, grains and cookies from her hand. Noticing

Eugene's **fascination** for the birds, her mom Lily set up a bird feeder and a birdbath in their backyard. Few Jackdaws, Jays and Magpies too relished the birdbath. After their bath, the birds preened their feathers with their beak and Eugene observed them up close. Every time Eugene accompanied her mom to the nearby park, she wandered around trying to befriend the birds that sat by and flew around the shrubs. Many of them even picked up cigarette butts, empty juice cans and wrappers and deposited them in dustbins. Eugene enjoyed sharing facts about crows with her friends. Two facts her friends liked the most were, crows can remember faces of humans and they can also mimic humans. The way crows behaved around Eugene made people wonder if she was a bird whisperer. Hordes of birds

followed her to school, park and **sewing** class. Not always for food, but to hear her talk and sing to them. Eugene loved the attention she received from her feathered friends. Crows pecked her gently and rubbed past her without a tinge of fear.

Nora never looked inviting to people because tourists and strangers who did not know much about crows felt intimidated by the unusually large number of crows that inhabited Nora. Many wondered if their existence everywhere, around rivers, lakes, mountains and jungles was due to an **evil spell**.

People of Nora decided to celebrate the blackbirds on a special day and the elders of the town requested little Eugene to come up with a date. Without a second thought, she blurted out, 'April 27th'.

'Wow! April 27 is just two months away', beamed Eugene's bosom friend Shelsa who had more than a dozen pet crows. 'And it's also International crow and raven appreciation day'.

From then on the young and old gave the birds tasty and healthy treats and never shooed them away. Often they dressed up in crow costumes and did crow dances to express their

appreciation for the birds. **GARDENERS** and farmers of Nora sang songs of crows, praising them for the good harvest. Everything was hunky dory. Big screens around the town played videos of startling murmurations while musicians practiced their trumpets and drums. Children who watched those videos along with the birds screamed Hip Hip Hurray in unison. On April 27th, people from far and near gathered together to witness the most spectacular corvid show of the century. Nora was bustling with energy. Many crows had coloured beads tied around their legs and glitter on their wings. When the trumpets sounded, the blackbirds flew up and exhibited beautiful formations just like a perfectly choreographed dance. In the sky, the birds tore open pouches of confetti glitter they carried in their feet.

'Whoa, raining gems!' trilled Lily, her cupped hands raised above her head.

All kiids exchanged looks of great surprise. Crows of Nora seemed to outwit the star performers of the sky, the Starlings. Their sky dance was a treat to everyone's eyes.

CORVID SHOW OF NORA



'Who trained them?' whispered Eugene.

Without taking her eyes off the sky, Shelsa replied, 'No one. But, the breath-taking one is yet to come'.

Eugene nagged Shelsa for more details, but Shelsa kept mum and gestured Eugene to watch the birds.

Eugene was then reminded of the big screens. For drum beats, hordes of crows flew in circles

flapping just one wing. **Cheering** from the crowd made the magpies circle above the tallest rain trees with shiny objects in their beaks. Everyone saw shiny glints in the eyes of another. It rained nuts and seeds as kids in hot air balloons threw peanuts, walnuts, hazelnuts, cracked corn, pumpkin seeds and pecans and the birds caught them in mid-air.

'Let me do my small part', said Lily as she connected her violin to the speaker. She played her favourite song 'What a wonderful world' and in no time the ravens began to sing. Some kid

from the crowd exclaimed 'That's a *magic violin*'. In a few minutes ravens were joined by the Eurasian blackbirds.

'Breath-taking, isn't it?', asked Shelsa.

'Indeed', gushed Eugene. 'I doubted mom was up to something when she disappeared with her violin many times a day'.

'Who is to tell the tourists that the Eurasian blackbird is our national bird?' asked Shelsa.

'I guess they already know', shrugged Eugene

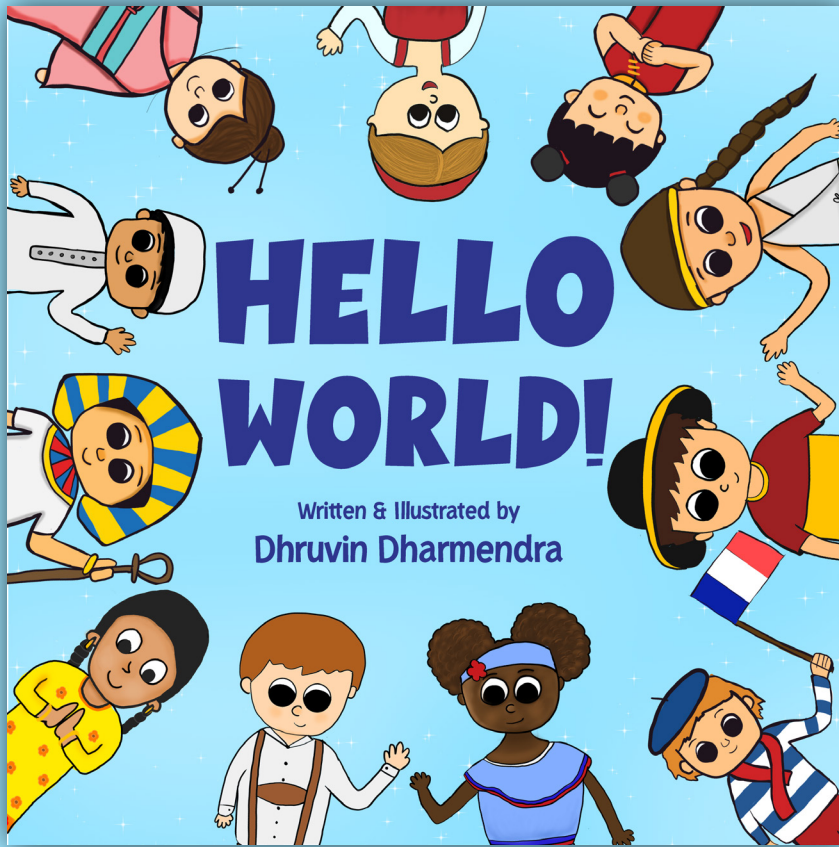
'You are wrong' Shelsa shook her head dismissively. 'They may assume the crow is our national bird'

Shouts of Bravo, the applause and cheering were deafening. So, Eugene didn't care to reply. Dusk was falling rapidly and the birds dropped candies, gifts, flowers and balloons. The way they carried stuff in their beaks and feet charmed many, especially outsiders.

The sounds and sights faded away with the setting sun. Stories of Nora, her birds, the little bird whisperer and the woman with her magic violin made the rounds never to end.

WRITTEN BY ELSA LYCIAS JOEL

HELLO WORLD!



Come! Watch your little ones learn how to say "Hello" in eleven different languages from around the world. This illustrated educational book celebrates children from eleven multicultural countries and is a great introduction to the joy of language in early childhood.



DHRUVIN DHARMENDRA

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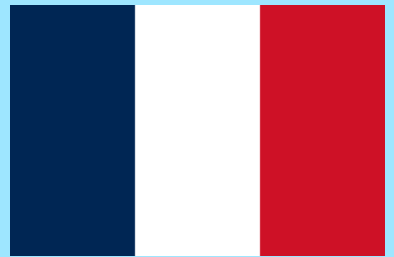
What have you learnt?

Then Match The Countries With Correct Language They Say Hello!

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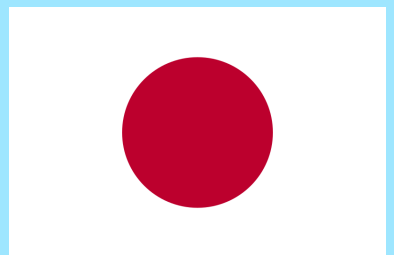
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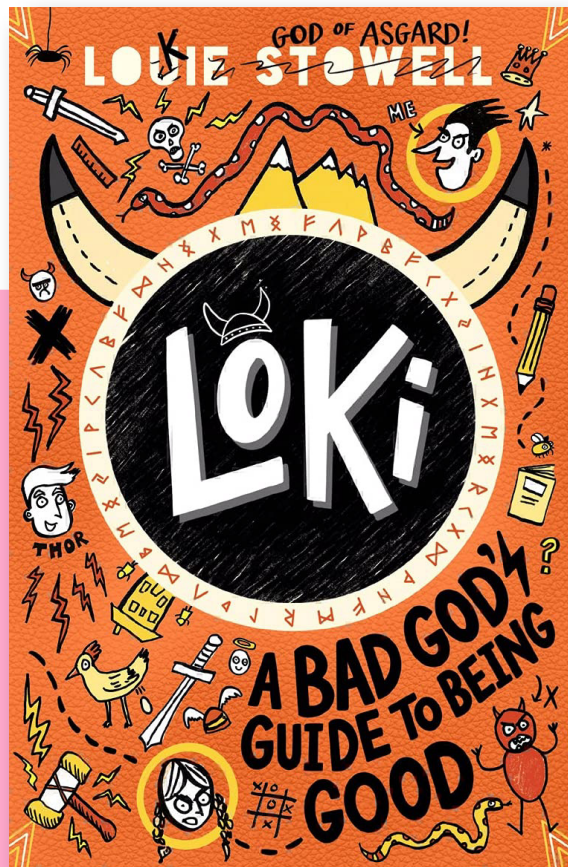


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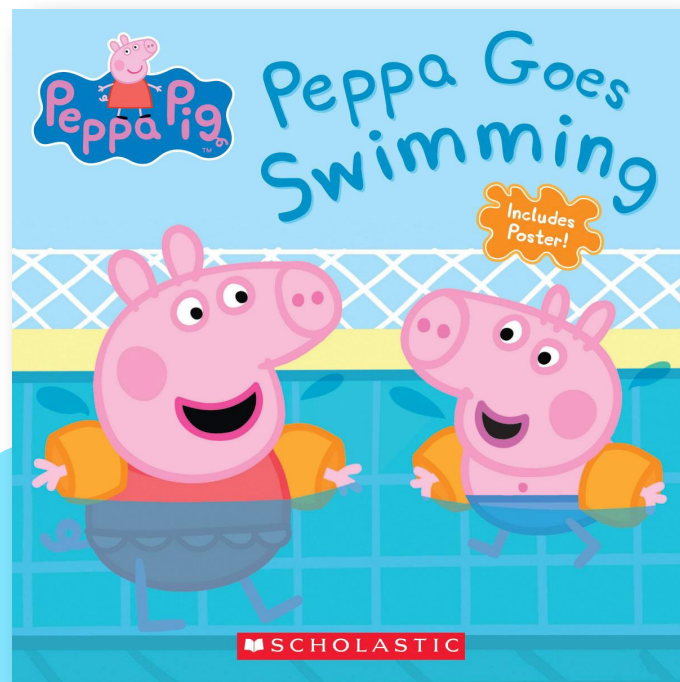
Name: Loki: A Bad God's Guide to Being Good

Author: Louie Stowell

Publisher: Walker Books

Description: Wry, witty and very funny diary-style story packed with doodles and comic strips about the frustration trickster god Loki feels at having to live trapped in the body of a weedy eleven-year-old boy. After one trick too many, Loki is banished to live on Earth as a "normal" school boy. Forbidden from using his AWE-SOME godly powers, Loki must show moral improvement. As he records his lies THE TRUTH in his magical (judgemental) diary, it becomes clear Loki hasn't a clue how to tell good from evil, trust from tricks, or friends from enemies.

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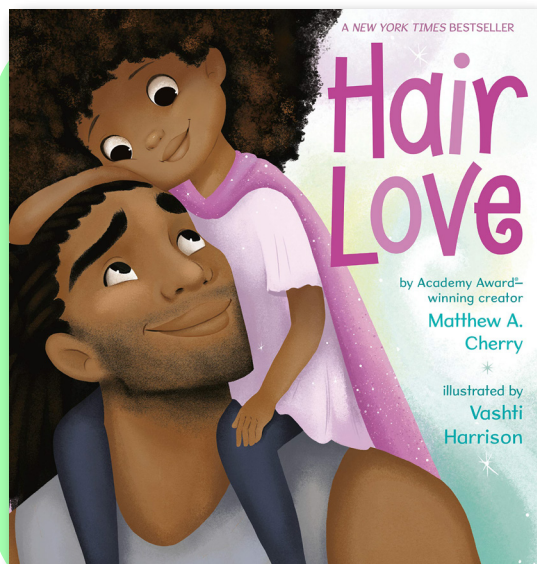


Name: Peppa Goes Swimming

Publisher: Scholastic Inc.

Pages: 24 pages

Description: An all-new storybook featuring Peppa -- a lovable, slightly bossy little piggy! Includes a poster! Peppa and George are going swimming, but George is a bit scared. How will Mummy and Daddy pig ever convince him to get in the pool? Includes a poster of family fun in the pool!



Name: Hair Love

Author: Matthew A. Cherry

Publisher: Kokila

Description: It's up to Daddy to give his daughter an extra-special hair style in this ode to self-confidence and the love between fathers and daughters, from Academy-Award winning director and former NFL wide receiver Matthew A. Cherry and New York Times bestselling illustrator Vashti Harrison. Zuri's hair has a mind of its own. It kinks, coils, and curls every which way. Zuri knows it's beautiful. When Daddy steps in to style it for an extra special occasion, he has a lot to learn. But he LOVES his Zuri, and he'll do anything to make her -- and her hair -- happy. Tender and empowering, Hair Love is an ode to loving your natural hair -- and a celebration of daddies and daughters everywhere. A perfect gift for special occasions including Father's Day, birthdays, baby showers, and more!

CREATIVE CORNER



JINESH SATYAN NANAL

-Age 17 years
-Passed out from Vikhe Patil memorial school
-Freestyle slalom skater
-India team member
Profession: Skater
International achievement: Asian Championship, World champion 2018
National achievement : Gold Medalist for last 6 years

If anyone thought all this along with being an academic achiever was not possible then meet Jinesh SATYAN Nanal who turn 18 on 6th June 2022.

As a casual evening activity, when his grandmother got him to join the skating class near his home, little did anyone expect to see Jinesh take this up seriously and grow leaps and bounds in it. His mother Dr. Sheetal Nanal recognised this early passion in him and decided to support his perseverance. Beautifully balancing her busy work life as a doctor and a social worker she ensured her son's talent was given equal attention. With the support of the entire family including her brother and husband, Dr. Sheetal has been able to bring Jinesh ahead with his academic and professional capabilities.

Jinesh understands his passion and the strict path it takes to keep himself fit and focused. He ensures his 8-hour sleep time that is much needed for his body to recoup and come back each day to give his best. His daily practise, planned diet, rigid workout and focus on improving himself has proven to the world that practise makes us perfect.

Jinesh doesn't stop just at this and he has made sure that he keeps his school teachers happy with an excellent academic record as well scoring 96% in his 10th board. He is currently preparing for his 12th board along with his IIT entrance exams too.

Jinesh and his family is a classic example of time management clubbed with passion driven learning. All a child needs is a little support and trust with their passion and when presented with it, they can prove themselves beyond expectations.

Jinesh has been honoured as the Brand Ambassador of the Swiss based company Micro Skates.

Keep an eye for this young adult at the upcoming Asian games.

As narrated to
Kavitha Krishnamurthy Singh
TZP Parenting Partner
Founder Director Head Over Heels School



Name: Pranshi Bansal
Age: 5.5 years



Name: Shubhkamna Kaushal
Age: 9 years



Name: Vinayak Sharma



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