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VERLAGSGRUPPE  
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Andrea Schomburg • Stefanie Reich

Otto  
der kleine  
&  
Herr  
Knörff

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Children's Books

Spring 2017

# A delightful story about the friendship between two very different creatures

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

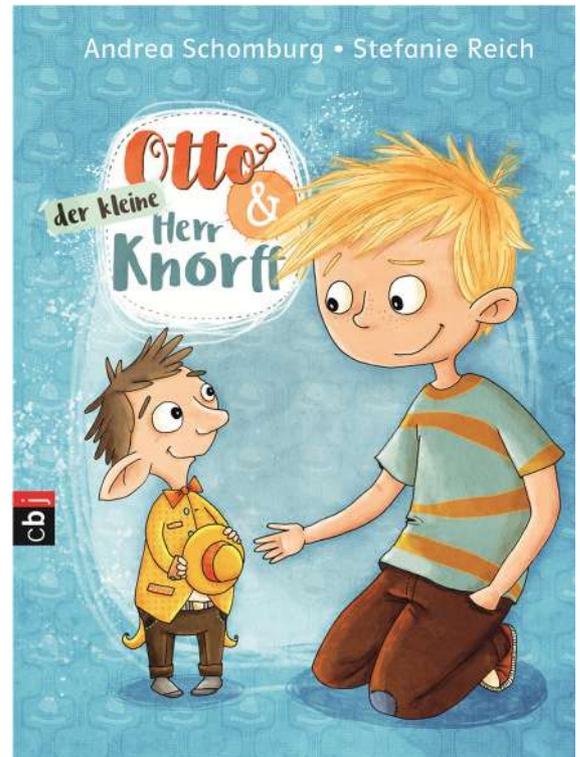
This heart-warming story for boys and girls about friendship, featuring fussy Mr Knorff and chaotic and cheeky Otto, focusses on something fundamental in the world of children: tidying up! And it is not Mr Knorff who can do nothing but get up to mischief but Otto, while little Mr Knorff has to rescue him from all sorts of predicaments.

A dream has come true for Knobelius Knorff: he has left the wilds of Knorffia to try his luck in the human world. There, so he hopes, every place will be clean, tidied up and scented with his favourite flowery soap. There won't be any Knorffs spending the whole day snoring and only interested in disorder.

But when Mr Knorff arrives in the human world he cannot believe his eyes. This is to be his new home? At Otto's it is even worse than in Knorffia!

- With a multitude of crazy ideas

**Andreas Schomburg** was born in Cairo and grew up in Germany. Even as a child she wanted to become a writer, but then she had so much fun being a grammar school teacher, writing poems and working as a cabaret artist before writing for children.



**Andrea Schomburg**  
**Otto and Little Mr Knorff**

88 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover  
illustrated by Reich, Stefanie  
March 2017

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Volume 1

Volume 2: Monster Hunt; out in August  
2017



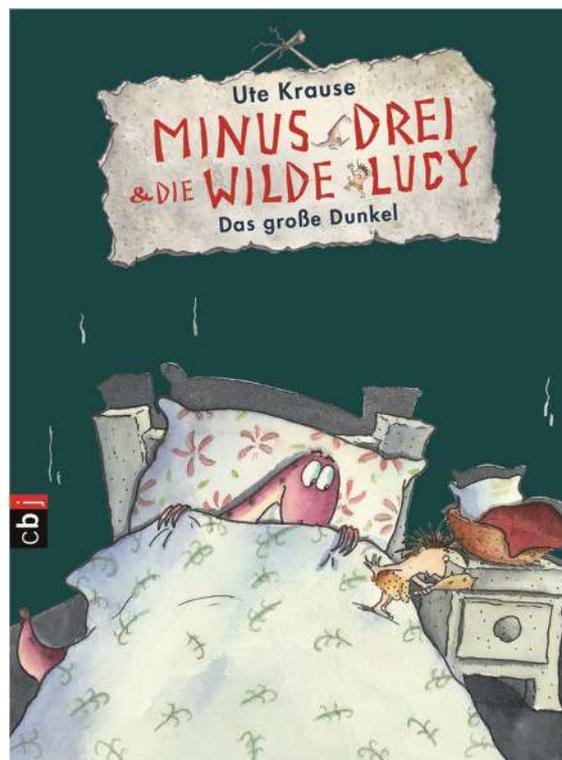
## Don't be afraid of the dark!

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Dino Mite is really very brave. There are, however, a few things he is afraid of. More than anything else he is afraid of the dark. And it gets very dark at night and even darker in the cave of his family. What a good thing that he has Lucy. She is not afraid and is always around when he goes to bed.

But one day, when he is to look after the shop of Mummy and Daddy, time flies by so quickly that he quite simply forgets everything. It is high time for him to go home, but where is Lucy? The shadows on the wall are getting longer and longer ...

- The popular series now with longer stories
- Ideal as bedtime stories and for early readers



### Ute Krause Dino Mite and Wild Lucy – The Great Darkness

80 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover  
July 2017

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Volume 3; spin-off series

Over 170,000 copies of the author's books  
sold

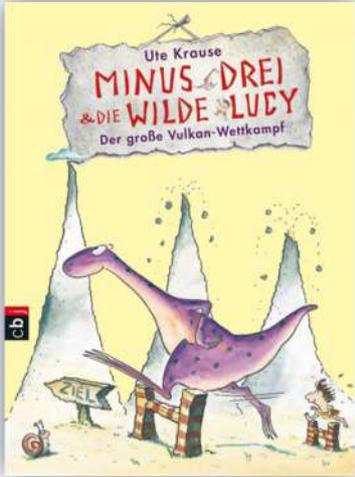
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**Ute Krause** was born in 1960 and grew up in Turkey, Nigeria, India and the USA. She is successful as a writer, illustrator, screenplay writer and director. Her picture and children's books have been translated into several languages and adapted for television. Ute Krause has been awarded prizes by the Book Art Foundation and nominated for the German Children's Literature Award.

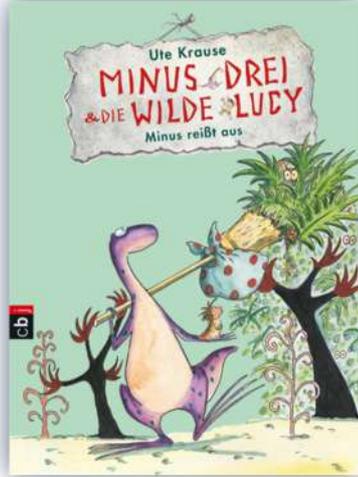
Read more at [www.ute-krause.com](http://www.ute-krause.com)

# Spin-off series Dino Mite and Lucy – Backlist

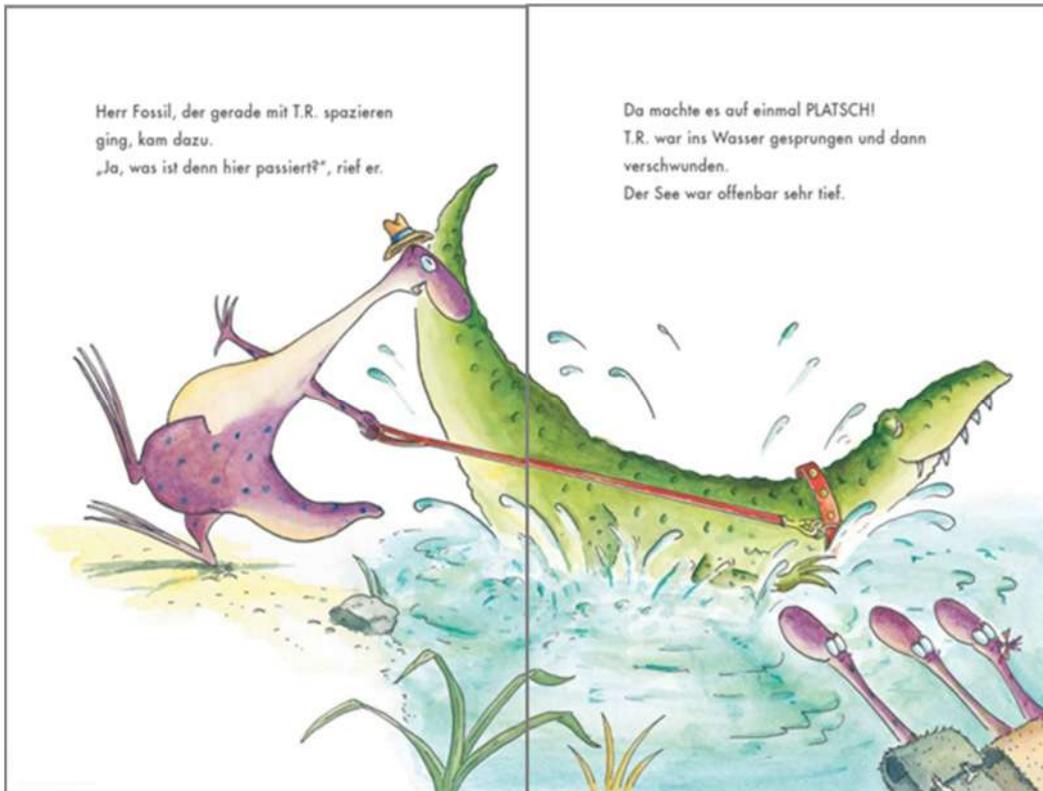
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The Big Volcano Competition  
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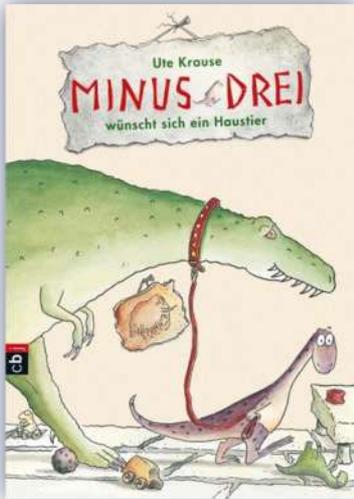


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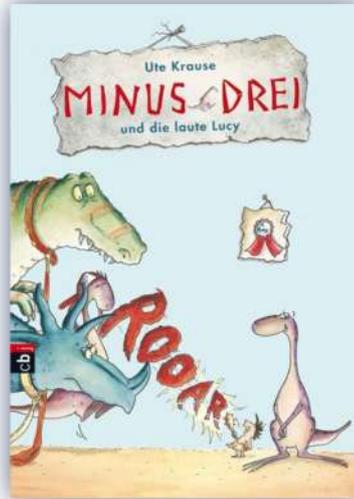


## Dino Mite – Backlist

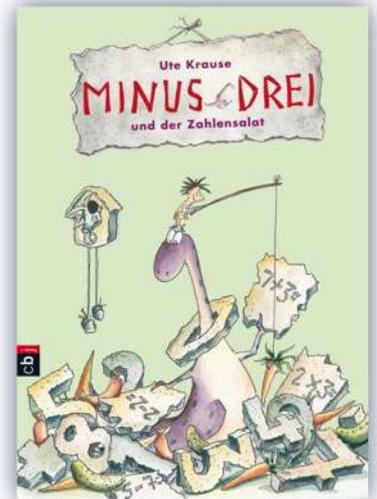
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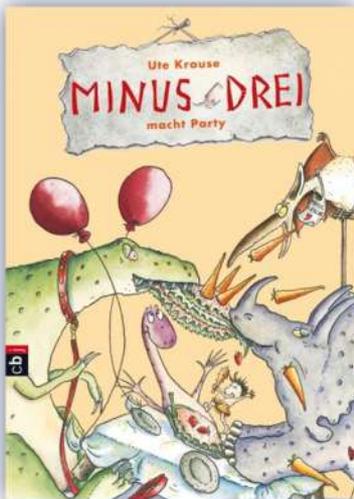
**Dino Mite Wants a Pet  
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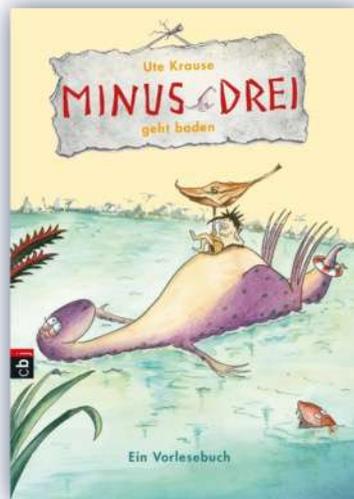
**Dino Mite and the Noisy Lucy  
Vol. 2**



**Dino Mite and the  
Number Jumble, Vol. 3**



**Dino Mite Throws a Party  
Vol. 4**



**Dino Mite Goes Swimming  
Vol. 5**

## Summer holidays with Krumpf chaos

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Holidays! The best time of the year? Not for Albi who has to go to a boring spa hotel up in the mountains with his parents. He would love to spend two weeks on the Italian camping site with Lulu and her family. As far as Mrs Artich is concerned, however, there is nothing worse than camping! When Krumpfling Egon sees his human friend looking so sad, he makes a bold plan: Albi is to have his longed-for camping holiday – no matter what the cost ...

- Everybody loves the cheeky little shaggy monster
- Turbulent holiday adventure with the Krumpflings

**Annette Roeder** is the successful illustrator and author of numerous children's books. In addition to many colouring books, she has published *13 Buildings Children Should Know* with Prestel.



**Annette Roeder**  
**The Krumpflings – Egon Goes on Holiday**

80 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover  
May 2017

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Volume 8

Over 100,000 copies of the series sold

Rights sold: Chinese (Simplified)

Volume 9 out in September 2017

## The Krumpflings – Backlist



Egon Comes into the House, Vol. 1



Egon on a Secret Mission Vol. 2



Egon Plays Truant from School, Vol. 3



Egon Disappears Vol. 4



Egon Saves Krumpf Castle Vol. 5



Big Brother Egon Vol. 6



Egon Wishes a Krumpfily Merry Christmas, Vol. 7

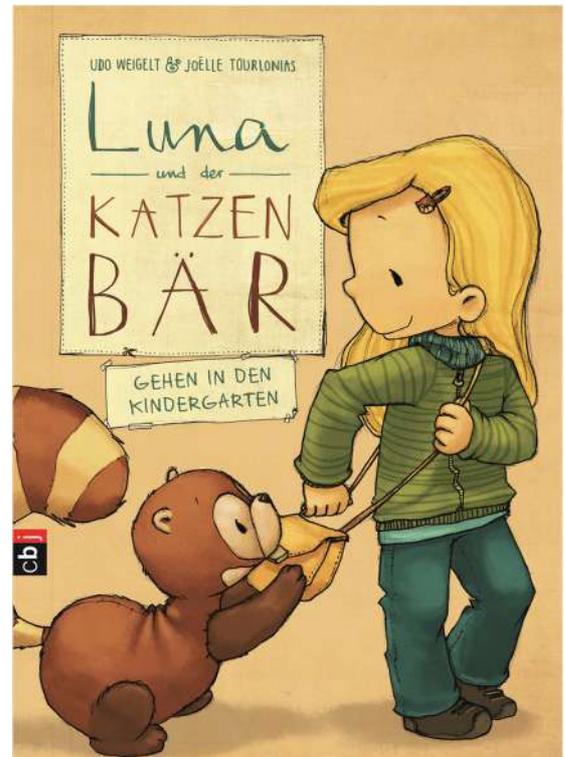
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## How Karlo gets fed up

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Luna is so excited – her first day at kindergarten! She quickly makes new friends to play with. Karlo is not amused about it. When he has to play Mummy-Daddy-Child he decides to let Luna go to kindergarten alone from now on. But then Luna and Carola decide to play together – where he lives!

- Volume 4 by the bestselling team of Tournalonias/Weigelt
- Topics from the everyday life with two adorable heroes



**Udo Weigelt** was born in Hamburg in 1960 and studied German literature and history. He has written about 50 children's books for various publishing houses, several of which have been translated into 15 languages. Since 2015 his has been the name behind the stories in the Beiersdorf Nivea nursery tales campaign. Udo Weigelt lives as a freelance writer on Lake Constance.

**Joëlle Tournalonias** was born in 1985 and studied visual communication at the Bauhaus University in Weimar, with the focus on illustration and painting. She started freelancing in 2009 and at present draws, paints, lives and loves in Düsseldorf. Since 2015 she has been responsible for the illustrations of the Beiersdorf Nivea nursery tales campaign.

**Udo Weigelt and Joëlle Tournalonias**  
**Luna and the Cat Bear Go to Kindergarten**

80 pages | 17,0 x 24,0 cm | Hardcover  
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**Volume 4**

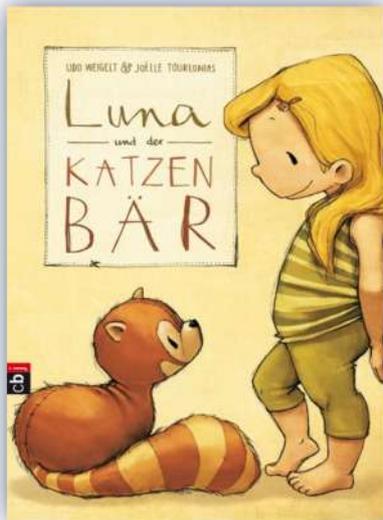
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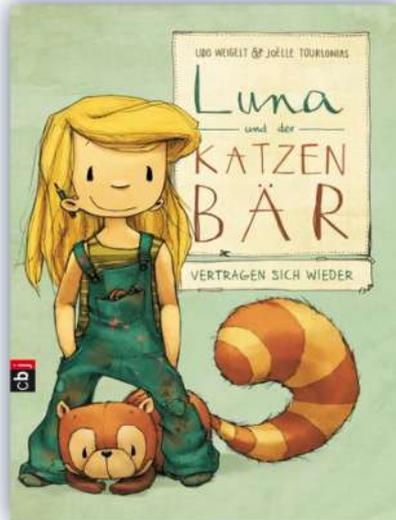
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## Luna and the Cat-Bear – Backlist

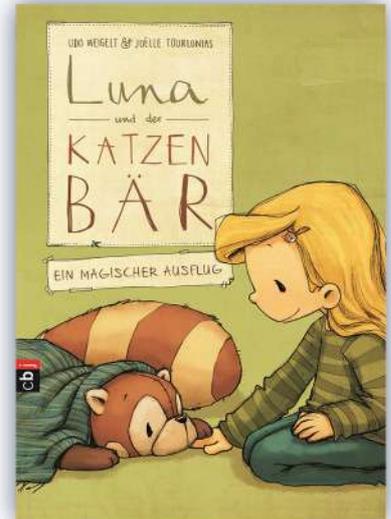
CHILDREN'S BOOKS



Luna and the Cat-Bear  
Vol. 1



Make Up Again  
Vol. 2



A Magical Trip  
Vol. 3





# Discover the World with ... The Little Dragon Coconut

- Children's series with 24 volumes available
- Target group: 2 - 6+
- More than 13 million products sold worldwide
- Filmed (Cinema and TV)
- Rights sold in 23 languages:

**Brazilian Portuguese\*** (Companhia das Letras)  
**Chinese Complex** (Greenland)  
**Chinese Simplified** (21st Century)  
**Croatian** (Planet Zoe)  
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**Korean\*** (Knowledge Power Station)  
**Latvian** (Janis Roze)  
**Polish** (Prozynski)  
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**Thai\*** (Nanmeebooks)  
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**Vietnamese** (Women's Publishing House)

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[www.drache-kokosnuss.de](http://www.drache-kokosnuss.de)

# Learning English with Coconut

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

What are all the objects in the dragon's cave called in English? Or the things at the dragon school? And what is a cup in English, or blackboard or bag? As Coconut and his friends Oskar and Matilda travel a lot around the world, they want to learn English!

Colourful scenes from Coconut's world have been labelled in English so that Coconut fans of pre-school and elementary school age can easily learn their first foreign language!

- A playful and easy way of learning English
- With more than 250 important everyday words

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## Ingo Siegner The Little Dragon Coconut – My English Picture Dictionary

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## A funny way to clean your teeth

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Cleaning teeth is stupid, thinks grass dragon Big Bo, until one day he has the most terrible toothache. What a good thing that Oskar, Matilda and the Coconut know what to do! They not only get the right medicine for Big Bo but also an extra big toothbrush.

- Important topic: cleaning teeth
- With the little dragon Coconut and his friends, cleaning your teeth is twice as much fun!

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**Ingo Siegner**  
**The Little Dragon Coconut – Let's Clean Our Teeth!**

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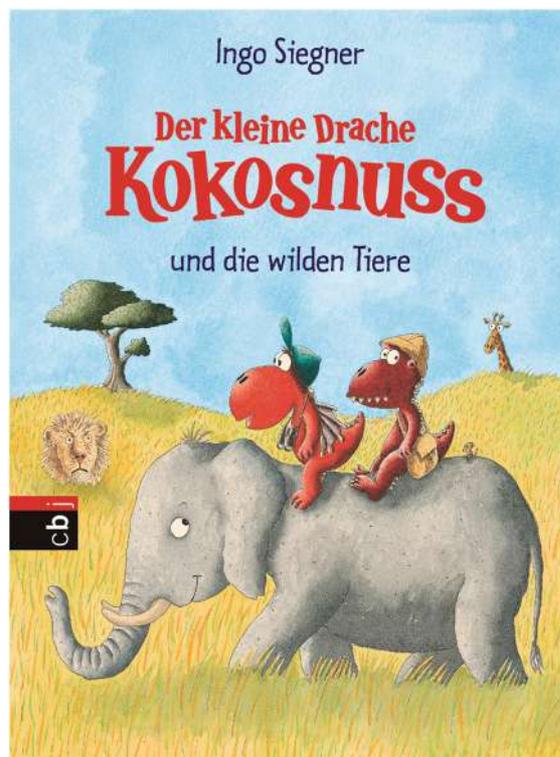
## Coconut on a memorable safari trip

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Coconut and his friend Oskar are missing their friend Matilda. For weeks she has been in Africa on this stupid school exchange. So without further ado they decide to visit Matilda. But when they find Matilda's host parents they are greeted by bad news: the little porcupine has been missing without trace for days. Coconut and Oskar waste no time and start a search expedition ...

- Coconut – one of the most popular children's characters
- Eagerly awaited – the 25th fire dragon adventure!

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### **Ingo Siegner** **The Little Dragon Coconut and the Wild Animals**

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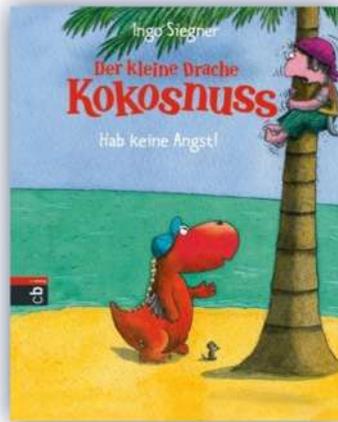
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**Rights sold into 23 languages**

## Classic Stories - Backlist



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Don't Be Afraid  
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Coconut and the Magician  
Vol. 3



Coconut and the Black Knight  
Vol. 4



The School Festival  
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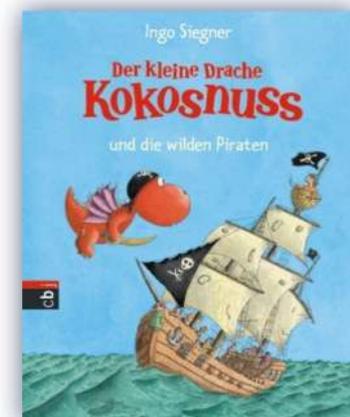
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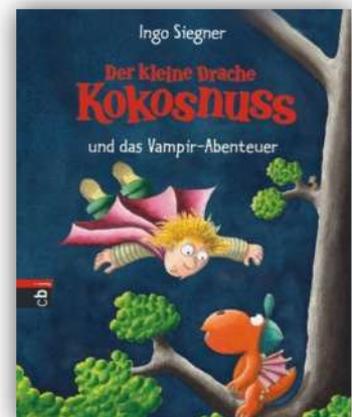
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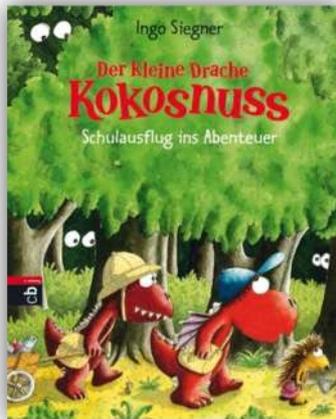


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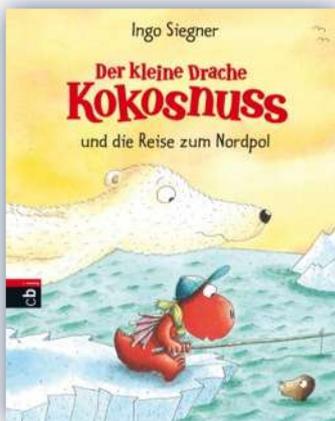
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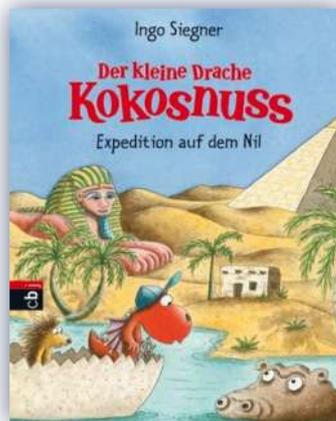
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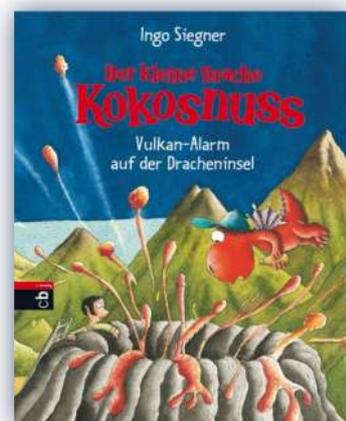
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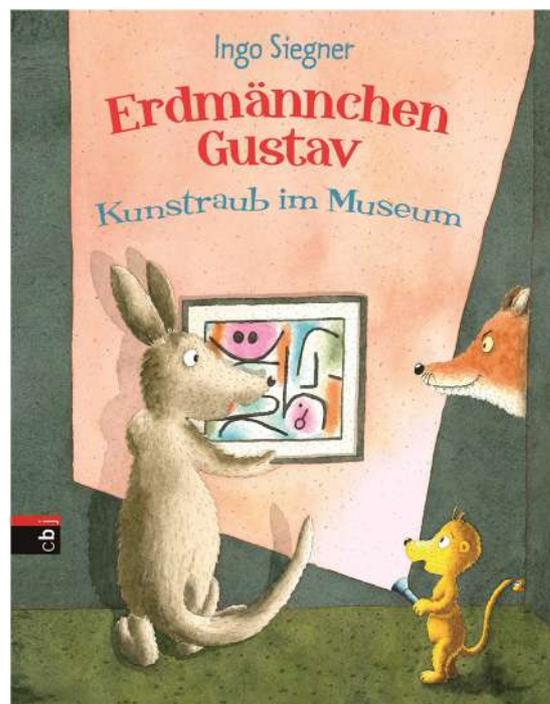
## On the paths of Sherlock Holmes

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Meerkat Gustav is in a great turmoil: detective fox is at the zoo looking for the thief who has stolen a valuable picture from the art museum. While the fox is comparing all the paws, claws and hoofs with the footprint from the museum, Gustav quickly realises who the culprit is. But all they wanted to do was give somebody some pleasure. Can Gustav prevent the picture thief from having to go to prison?

- By Ingo Siegner, the creator of *The Little Dragon Coconut*
- Delightful fun of searching: if you look hard enough you will find the tiny mouse who saw everything

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**Ingo Siegner**  
**Meerkat Gustav – Picture Robbery at the Museum**

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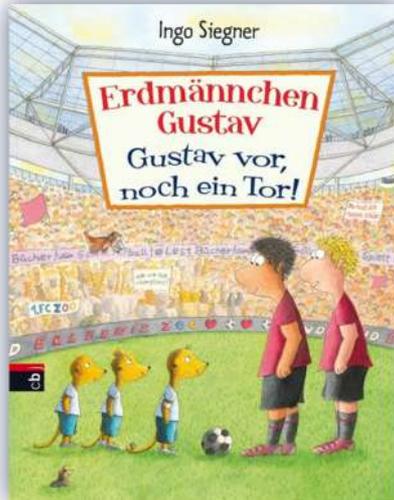
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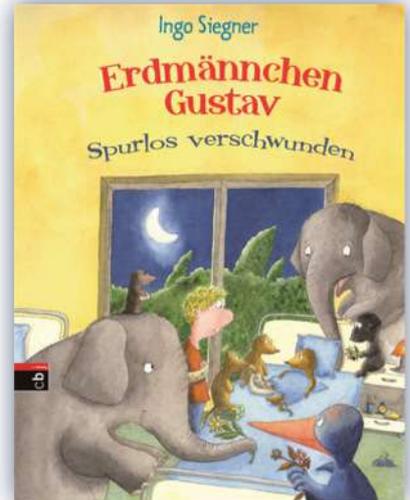
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At Night on the Sambesi  
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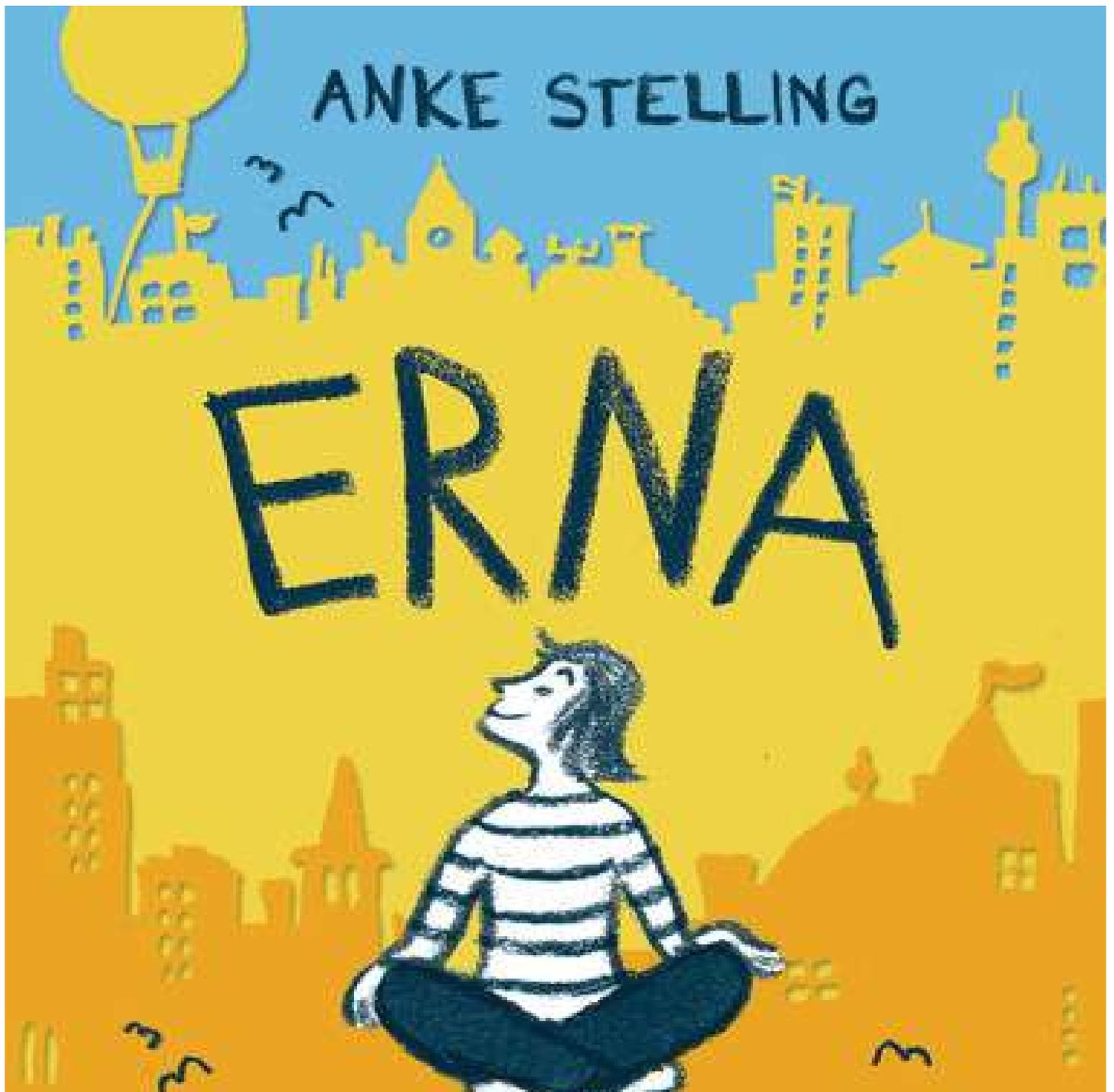
Go Gustav!  
Vol. 2



Missing Without a Trace  
Vol. 3

Heute regnet es. Schwere Wolken ziehen über den Himmel und unzählige Regentropfen fallen auf die Stadt herab.  
„Puh, Sauwetter!“, brummt Rocky.  
„Das hört ja überhaupt nicht mehr auf!“, sagt Pauline. Sie blickt zu den Wolken hinauf und seufzt.  
„Was ist das bloß für ein Sommer!“  
„Ich finde Regen super!“, ruft Gustav. „Man kann in Pfützen springen, bekommt eine kostenlose Dusche, und alle kriegen was zu trinken!“  
„Hmpf“, grummelt Kiburi der Gorillajunge. „Sonne ist aber schöner.“  
Gustav, Pauline und Rocky sitzen bei Kiburi am Gorillaberg. Heute ist nämlich Freitag, und wie jeden Freitag nach Feierabend spielen die drei Erdmännchen Tier-Ärgere-dich nicht bei den Gorillas.  
„Hat jemand Lust auf einen Stadtspaziergang im Regen?“, fragt Gustav. „Ach nö“, brummen Rocky, Pauline und Kiburi. Na, macht nichts, denkt Gustav. Dann gehe ich eben allein. Er huscht durch die Maulwurf-tunnel hinaus in die Stadt.

Gerade werden die Geschäfte geschlossen und die Menschen gehen nach Hause. Gustav schaut sich die riesigen Schaufenster an und hüpft singend durch den Regen und die Pfützen.



# Middle Grade

Spring 2017

## With a keen eye and tongue in cheek, an 11-year-old makes fun of adult logic.

MIDDLE GRADE

Why does a *community*, share the word for *common* (a medieval word for *mean*)? Erna, 11 years old, is interested in such questions. She goes to a so-called *community* school. She and her friends Liv and Rosalie live together in a *community* house.

The fact that all this stuff about *community* and *common* can be unfair is brought home to Erna and her friends when after the carnival party at school the loos are wantonly wrecked. No one owns up to having done it and so everybody is punished. What a mean, dirty trick! Liv isn't bothered, but Erna wants to get to the bottom of it. And she actually does find out what happened. But should she tell anyone? After all, as the saying goes, there are three truths: yours, mine and the truth. But who can bear that?

- Wise and profound coming of age novel
- This story feels which thoughts teens are dealing with
- Award-winning author: longlisted for the German Book Prize

**Anke Stelling** was born in 1971 and studied at the German Institute for Literature in Leipzig. Her debut novel, *Gisela* (co-authored with Robby Dannenberg) was filmed in 2004, and 2010 saw the publication of *Happy Chance*. Her novel *Full Length Windows* was on the 2015 longlist of the German Book Prize and the hotlist of independent publishers. *Erna and the Three Truths* is her first children's book.



**Anke Stelling**  
**Erna and the Three Truths**

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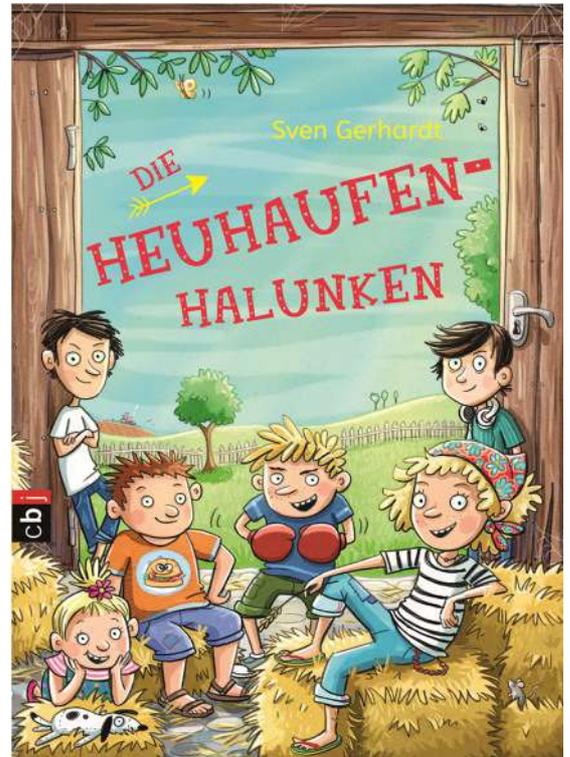
## Pull off a few crooked jobs and your name will be made here!

MIDDLE GRADE

There's no doubt about it, Meggy loves the place she lives in, even though outsiders tend to call it "the end of the world". Too dumb that the summer holidays are close and there's not a holiday trip in sight.

But Meggy has a brilliant crook of an idea. In the gang's headquarters in the old barn she convinces her friends of her grand plan to save the holidays: a real roguish tenting holiday by the lake for swimming – without parents, of course, but with the old Volvo from the barn – assisted by city kid Marius, who has allegedly already pulled off a few crooked jobs. And low and behold, the roguish plan is a success – until the adventurous trip comes to an abrupt end in Farmer Kunze's pasture.

- Fresh, witty and dauntless
- Enthralling story of friendship and life in a gang



**Sven Gerhardt**  
**The Haystack Villains**

**Sven Gerhardt**, born in 1977, would very much have liked to have been a scoundrel himself, but then decided to make a living by honest means. After several years in advertising, he now works as a graphic designer and writer. He finds there is nothing better than a well designed children's book with amusing illustrations and a super story. His wife and three children – who incidentally have no similarity with the *Haystack Scoundrels* – see it the same way.

160 pages | 15,2 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover  
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**8+**

**With 40 b/w illustrations**

# Danger for the Muscleteers!

MIDDLE GRADE

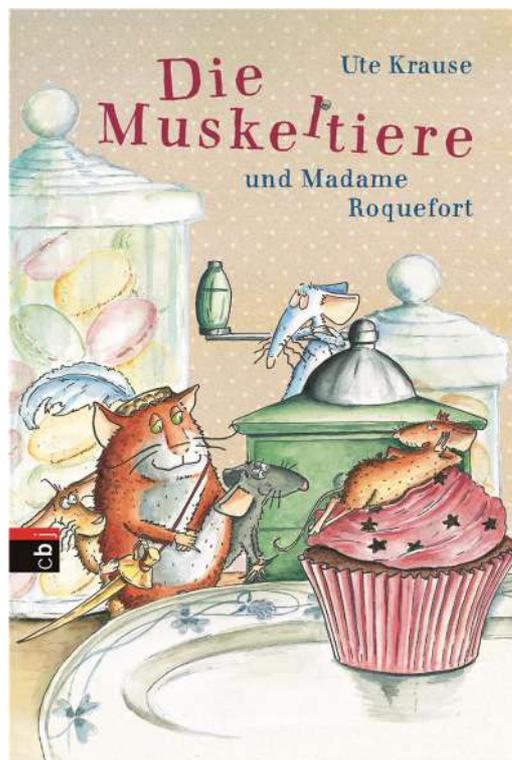
There are flames blazing in Francesco's pizzeria round the corner. It smells of danger – and a new adventure for the Muscleteers! Hamster Bertram von Backenbart, the two mice Picandou and Pomme de Terre and rat Gruyère immediately get to the scene.

But it is not just the fire that is making our four friends get into a sweat: a delightful lady mouse has just managed to escape the flames and needs their help. The Muscleteers take her home and it is not long before Madame Roquefort has stolen the hearts of the three fellows. There is one thing nobody realises: this lady mouse is a cunning old so-and-so and the friendship of the Muscleteers is going to be put to a tough test.

- A wonderful story about little heroes and big deeds, of courage, loyalty and a huge appetite.

"A story singing the praises of friendship and appealing for tolerance." Buchjournal Kids&Teens

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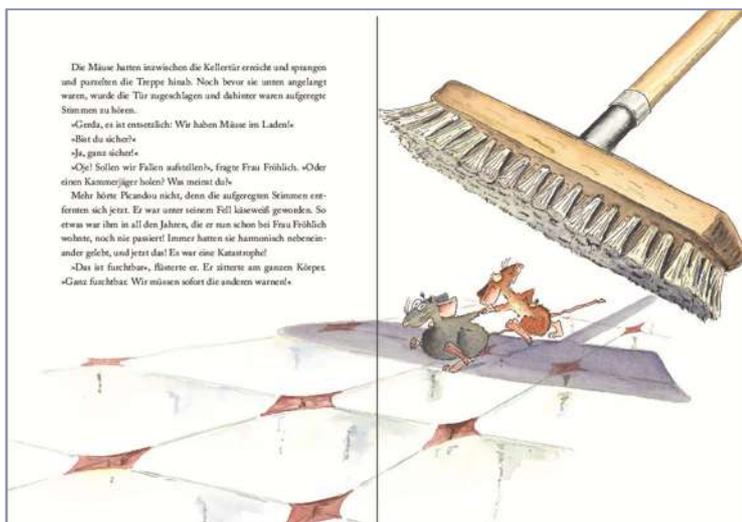
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Over 95,000 copies of the series sold

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# First teenie alarm: eleven years old and never been kissed!

MIDDLE GRADE

Everywhere around Milly kissing fever has broken out: her best friend kisses Leon, her worst enemy kisses whatever comes her way, her mother kisses the wrong guy and her dog kisses everybody with his wet, wet tongue.

Milly is really fed up. She will soon be twelve and still hasn't been kissed – it can't go on like this! She has to have a kiss. The only question is, how, where, when and more than anything else from whom. So Milly makes a plan. Calling herself Miss Kiss she has an ad published. But what then happens plunges Milly into the biggest crisis of her life.

- Witty and turbulent story about first kissing attempt
- Lively, hilarious and told with a lot of heart

**Eva Hierteis**, born in 1972, studied German, English and education before doing training with a publisher of children's and young-adult literature and spending several years working as an editor. She started freelancing as a writer and translator in 2005. Eva Hierteis writes mainly for a younger target group.



**Eva Hierteis**  
**Miss Kiss and Her Must-have Kiss**

208 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm | Hardcover  
March 2017

10+

Volume 1

Volume 2 out in September 2017:  
Miss Kiss Looks for Mr. Biss

## False clicks, false kisses, false friends

MIDDLE GRADE

Flo is never at a loss for words, but unfortunately always when it's too late. No matter whether she is at school or quarrelling with Moritz from next door: at the decisive moment she doesn't know what to say. Luckily her BFFs are quite different. Julia loves drama, and everyone loves Anouk. So does Flo's heartthrob Ben, it seems, for Anouk has kissed him.

Flo confides all her problem to an online agony column. An indignant email about Anouk the traitor, Moritz and the stupid German teacher. It goes without saying that she never dreamed of sending it off. But one wrong click – and the email is sent. She suddenly finds herself on the Web and a shitstorm breaks out over her head. The only glimmer of light is that Ben has suddenly started taking notice of Flo ...

- Current issue for teenagers today: cyber bullying
- A witty novel for girls with a likeable heroine

**Ulrike Mayrhofer** and **Carmen Schmit**, the two authors behind the pseudonym Anna Pfeffer, have been friends ever since going to the same school in Vienna. Even in those days they would think up stories that made teachers into paranoid spies and school mates into tragic heroes. They now live in Hamburg and Vienna, are together 71 years old, have two husbands, six children and a dog and are still involved in joint writing projects.



**Anna Pfeffer**  
**Flo or The Day the Mouse Slipped**

256 pages | 12,5 x 19,0 cm | Hardcover  
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MIDDLE GRADE

# Discover the world with Nele



- Children's books series
- Target groups: 3+ and 8+
- More than 550,000 copies sold
- *I'm Nele* series – Rights sold: Bulgarian, Chinese (Simplified), Turkish
- *Nele* series – Rights sold: Hebrew, Spanish



**Usch Luhn** is a communications scientist, teaches at a film school and writes her own scripts as well as books for children and teenagers.

## Crazy in love

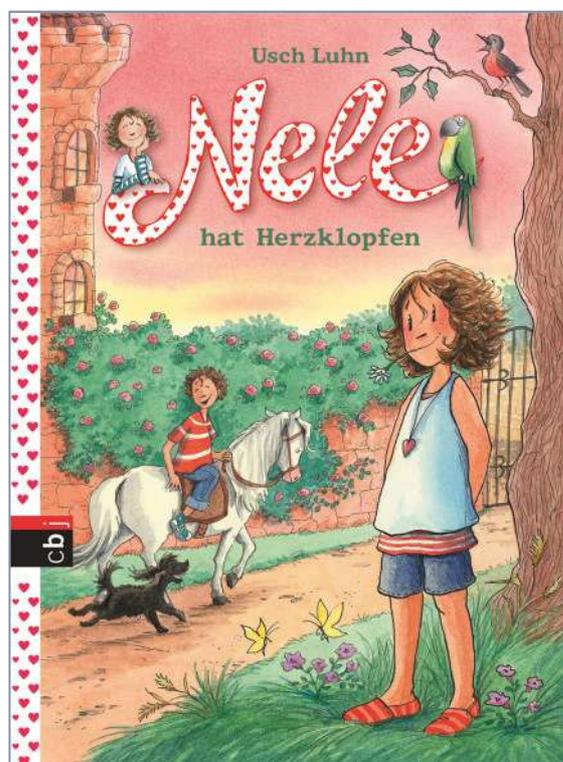
MIDDLE GRADE

Wonderful news at Cuckoo Stone: the castle is going to be made into a summer hotel, with spooky nights and parties with knights in armour. One of the first guests to come is Max, a year older than Nele and with twinkling blue eyes.

Whenever Nele sees him she gets such a funny feeling in her stomach. What's the matter with her? And why does it bother her when Max goes riding with Josefine? Nele knows only one thing: she simply has to find out who Max likes best. But how?

- Being in love is already relevant for elementary school children
- Harmless "heart-pounding" love – sensitive and amusing story

**Usch Luhn** was born in a small village in Austria in 1959. She studied German and journalism in Berlin and then spent quite a long time working for radio and children's television before starting to tell her own stories. She now lives as a writer partly in Berlin and partly on the North Sea. She teaches at a film academy, sometimes writes film scripts and has thought up stories for over fifty books for children and young adults that she loves presenting to the public on reading tours.



### **Usch Luhn** **Nele and her Pounding Heart**

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June 2017

**8+, Volume 17**

**Over 500,000 copies of the Nele series sold**

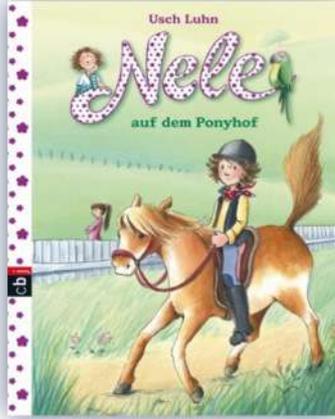
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Nele Saves a Foal**

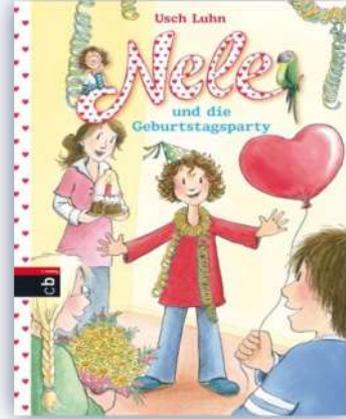
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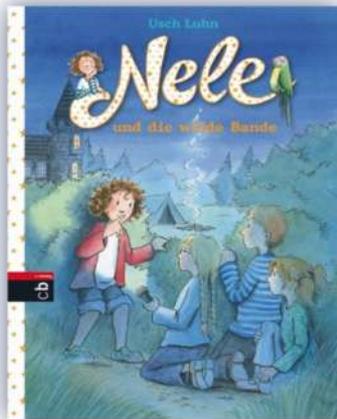
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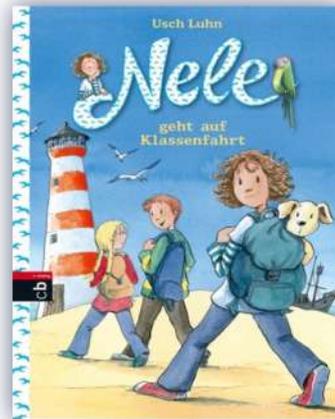
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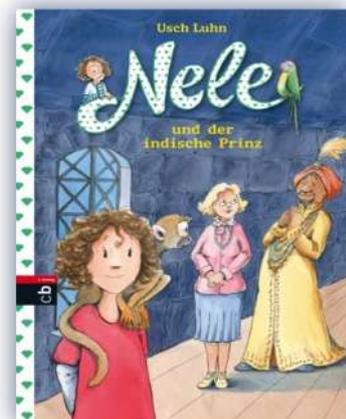
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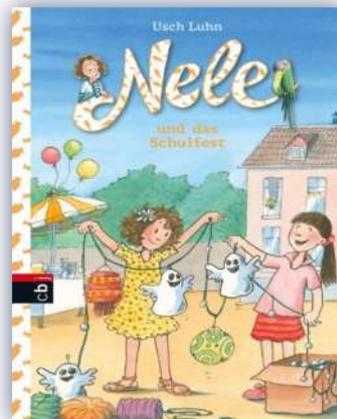
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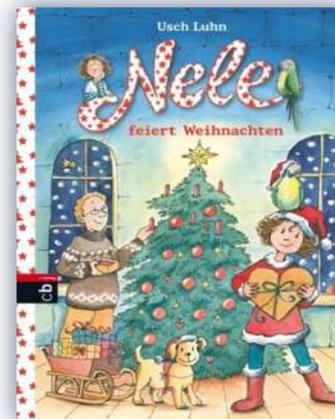
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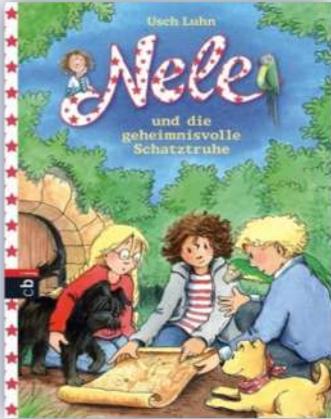


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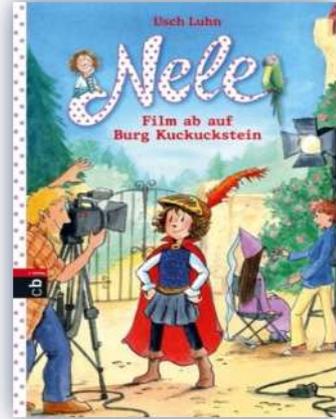
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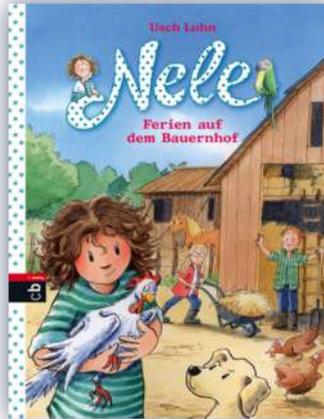
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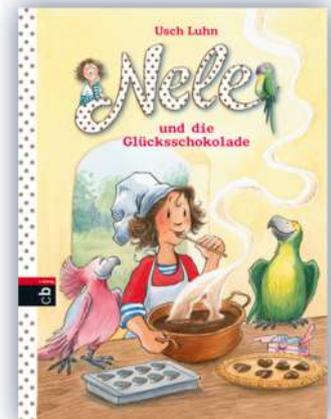
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# *Find the Culprit*

## Unique hide & seek detective series

- 9 volumes available
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**Julian Press**, born 1960, is the son of the famous *Black Hand* author, Hans Jürgen Press. Julian Press studied graphics and illustration, trained in a publishing house specializing in literature for young people and later worked for young people's magazines. Even at an early age he followed in his father's footsteps and began writing and drawing for children. His readings are very popular in Germany and France.



## Join in the interactive whodunits!

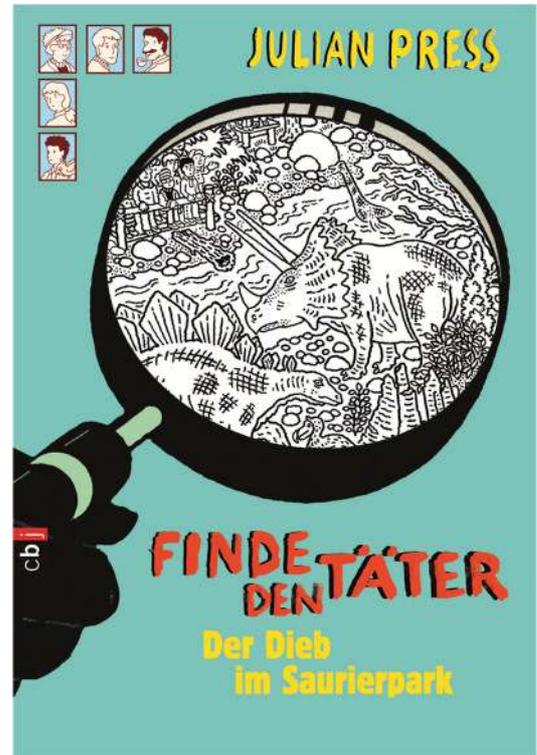
MIDDLE GRADE

The young detectives delve into the world of crime puzzles. Each page requires thoroughly studying and readers then have to look and compare very carefully to find decisive clues in the short texts and the busy hide-and-seek pictures in order to solve the case.

It could be the spectacles the culprit left behind at the scene of the crime or a wet umbrella that give the game away and prove that the suspect was not at home, and then it's "find the culprit"!

- Four exciting cases to be read and solved
- Generous layout and short texts

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### **Julian Press** **Find the Culprit – The Thief in the Dino Park**

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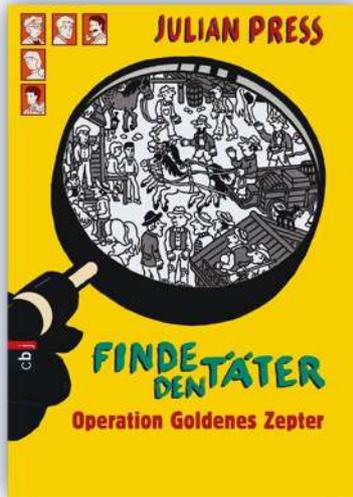
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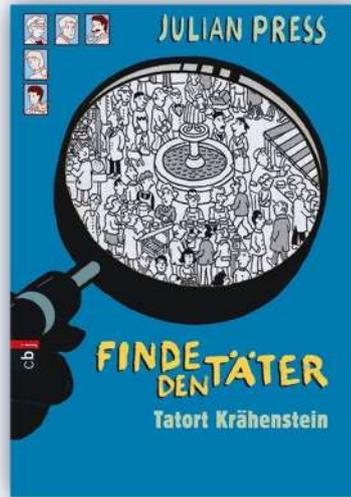
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## Find the Culprit – Backlist

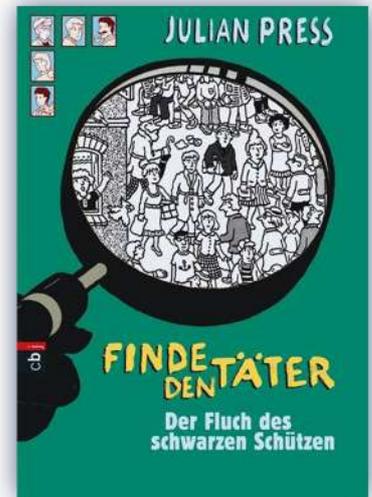
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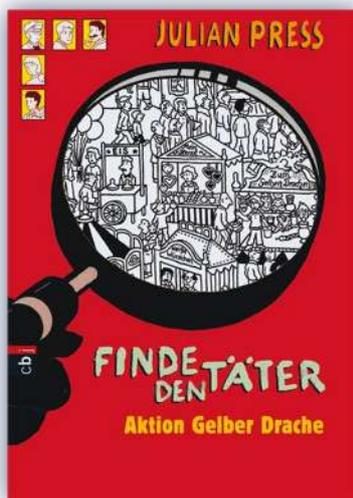
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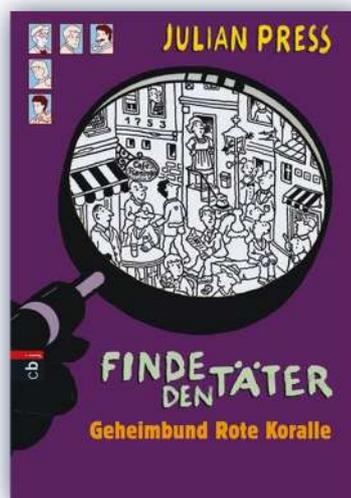
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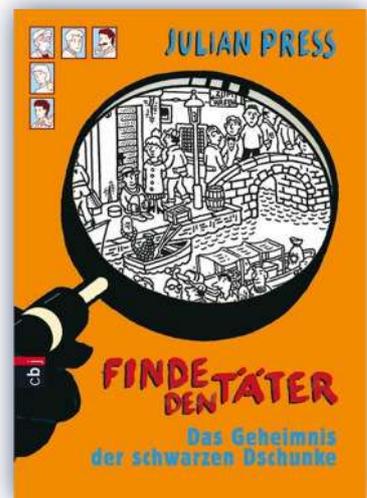
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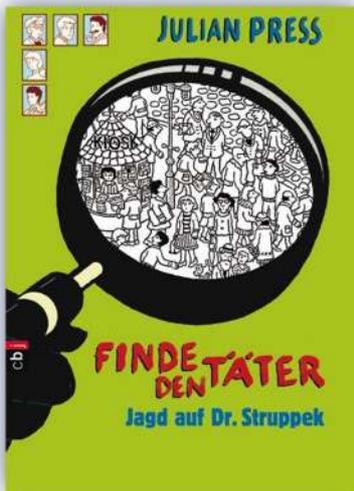
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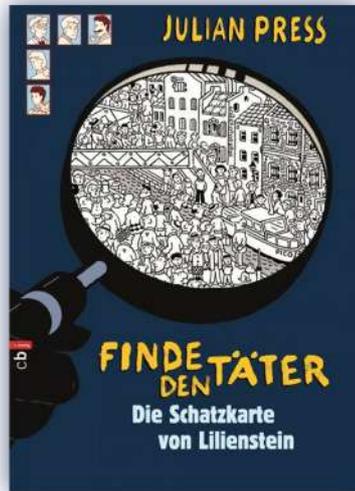
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### 5. In der Bildergalerie

«Jemand muss die Tabakspfeife und die Nippesfigur aus der Wohnung genommen haben!», bemerkte Caro, nachdem sie das Foto noch einmal betrachtet hatte.

»Sicher Meißener Porzellan!«, meinte Flo.

Die Lakritzbande war gerade im Begriff, die Wohnung zu verlassen, als Philipp in der Diele noch etwas auffiel.

»Schaut!«, rief er seinen Freunden zu und zeigte auf einen auffälligen Schmutzrand an der vergilbten Tapete. »Hier muss ein rechteckiger Bilderrahmen mit besonders ausgearbeiteten Ecken gehangen haben!«

Während Lars und Leo noch in der Wohnung blieben, um mögliche Fingerabdrücke zu sichern, schlug Caro vor, die Bildergalerie von Otto Rose in der Prinzenstraße aufzusuchen.

»Wäre doch Zufall, wenn wir hier das Bild mit der besonderen Rahmung aus Edwine Rubinsteins Wohnung wieder finden!«, meinte Philipp, als er das Geschäft betrat und damit die Tür-glocke auslöste.

»Ein solches Bild habe ich tatsächlich in den vergangenen Tagen aufgekauft, aber wo steckt es nur!«, meinte der Laden-inhaber, als er von der Lakritzbande befragt worden war.

»Also«, rief Philipp, »ich denke, das dort muss es sein!«



14 | ? Welches Bild meinte Philipp?



# Nerds and money rule the world

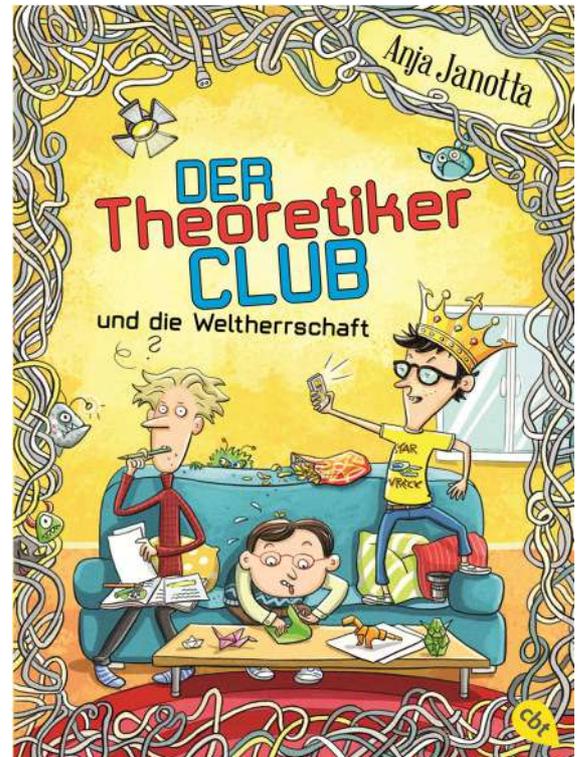
MIDDLE GRADE

"Welcome to *Ten Steps to World Domination*": the Theoreticians have started an off-beat YouTube channel. It is to bring them money and hence make them into the stars and bosses of the neighbourhood.

Theoretically, Linus has all it takes to become the world ruler – the knowledge and the necessary props: dictator's beard, loyal assistants and even a humour handbook. In practical terms, however, his opponents definitely have an upper hand. Archenemy Thomas lines his pockets simply with his casual grin. And Alba's dastardly mocking channel on "How to trick your brother" gets hundreds more clicks. Again Knut and his cute little kittens save the Theoreticians.

- Uproariously fun: the nerds want to become YouTube stars
- Brilliantly witty, fast-paced dialogues plus a flip book

**Anja Janotta** was born in 1970, spent her childhood in Saudi Arabia and Algeria and knew from an early age that she was going to be a writer of children's books. She studied journalism in Munich and now works as an online editor. Now that her two children have become readers and listeners, she has taken up literary writing again.



## Anja Janotta The Theoreticians' Club and World Domination

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Volume 2

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Volume 3 out in Spring 2018

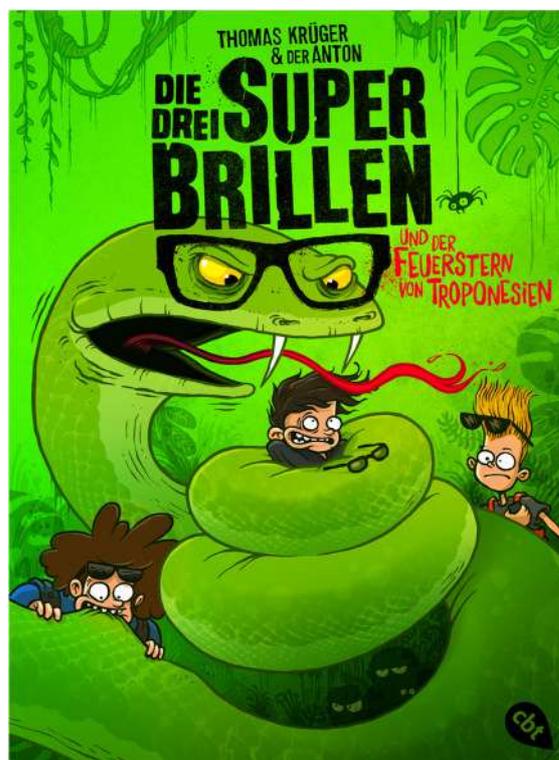
## Finale tropicale

MIDDLE GRADE

The three Superspecs are again on a special mission: a meteor has gone down in the jungle of Troponesia on the other side of the world. Without losing any time, Kiste, Chip and Noodle dash off in their falkokopter to help Troponesians.

But instead of finding the meteor when they get there, the three heroes come across not only clever Tatamiri (uaah, a girl!), but also the rogue Nosferatu Nox, who believes that the meteor was the spaceship of aliens. And he is determined to lay his hands on the revolutionary technology. Well, the three Superspecs and their new friends will obviously know how to prevent this from happening!

- Unique combination of suspense & action, jokes & facts
- Cool setting: ancient Maya settlements in the jungle



### Thomas Krüger The Three Superspecs – The Fire Star of Troponesia

192 pages | 15,5 x 21,0 cm | Hardcover  
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With 200 b/w illustrations

Volume 3; trilogy

**Thomas Krüger** was born in 1962 and initially worked as a journalist for daily newspapers and magazines. He now publishes audio and children's books and is the author of children's book and countless sonnets.

**Anton Riedel**, was born in Hartford/Connecticut (USA) in 1970. In 1999 he and some friends set up the FEEDME Design GmbH. He wears short trousers all year round and lives in Cologne with his family and a couple of XXL cats.

Nico Sternbaum\*

# SCHÜTTEL DEN APFELBAUM

- Ein Mitmachbuch -



**Non-Fiction**

Spring 2017

## Packed with playful educational activities

NON-FICTION

This picture book has more to it than meets the eye. You don't just read it or look at its brilliant pictures. It calls for children age 4 and up to become active themselves: to shake the book, rock it, rub it, knock on it and turn it upside down – depending on what the story requires.

You might have to shake the apple tree, for example, or give Ticklemonster Kalle a really good tickle or knock on the door of a mysterious castle to see what happens on the next page. A book packed with surprises and a source of endless games, fun and excitement.

- An activity book that literally moves
- Just reading and looking at pictures – that's yesterday's news. Today we join in.

Already as a child **Nico Sternbaum** loved drawing and making up his own stories. When he was older he studied at an art academy and now freelances as an illustrator and writer.

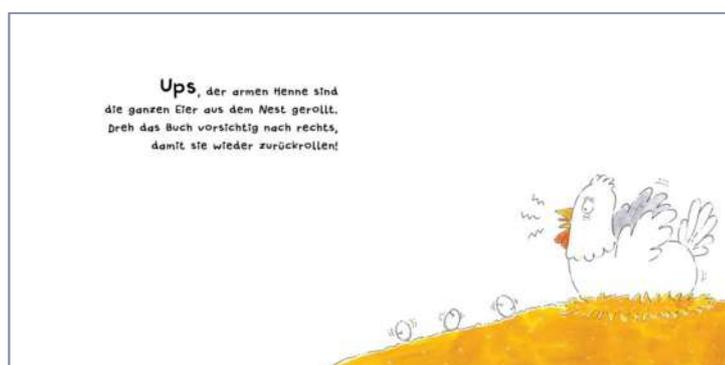


### Nico Sternbaum Shake the Apple Tree – An activity book

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With approx. 30 colour illustrations



# Inspiring creativity in young children

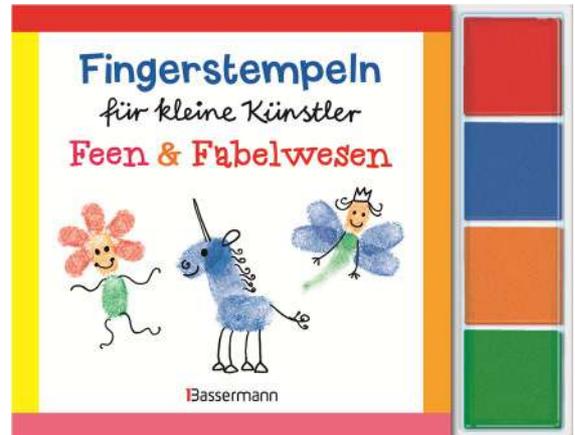
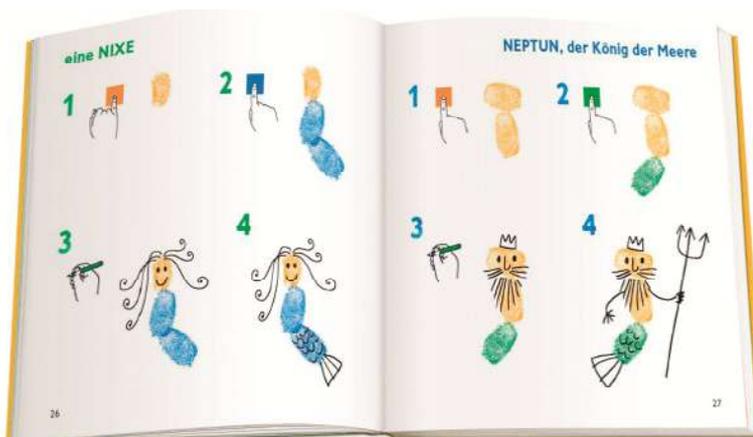
NON-FICTION

Do away with boredom! With this set of finger stamp pads children can wonderfully pass the time of day being creative. A sheet of paper, some coloured stamp pads, a pencil and their own ideas are all that is needed to create such delightful creatures as elves, witches, mermaids, angels and dragons.

The book contains step-by-step instructions on how to make a colourful fantasy world. What's more, the instruction manual and four stamp pads guaranteed free of harmful substances help young artists to start off as soon as they like.

- Each of these adorable characters is absolutely unique, bearing the signature of its creator
- 40 delightful motifs for creative fairies

**Norbert Pautner** has been drawing and painting ever since he has been able to hold a crayon. At some stage he started making up his own stories to go with his pictures and finally decided to make creating books into a full-time job.



## Norbert Pautner Finger Stamp Pads for Young Artists – Fairies and fabled beasts

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Over 550,000 copies of the series sold

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Jennifer Benkau

# SOUL SISTER



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**Young Adult**

Spring 2017

## Pretending to be someone else

YOUNG ADULTS

Although Polly is so very different from the quiet Romy, the two sisters have always been very close. Since Polly's accident, Romy has become very withdrawn. Then one day she bumps into a boy – in the truest sense of the word: while trying to catch her dog she collides with Killian. He is an up-and-coming soccer star and much older than herself. Why is he bothering with a shy girl? Romy pretends she is Polly and older than she really is. And indeed – it clicks between them. But when a photo of them is posted on the web he finds out that she is only 15. Not only Killian's love for her is now at stake but also his career is in danger.

- About growing up and being true to yourself
- Sensitive story about a teenager's love of a soccer star

**Jennifer Benkau** was born in 1980. After she had been writing stories on her antique typewriter in her childhood, she fell into a literary slumber during her teenager years. But in December 2008 she finally awoke after being kissed by her first novel. She was awarded the DeLiA literature prize for her dystopian novel *Dark Canopy* in 2013.



**Jennifer Benkau**  
**Soul Sister**

384 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm  
Quality Paperback  
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## A decision on life and death

YOUNG ADULTS

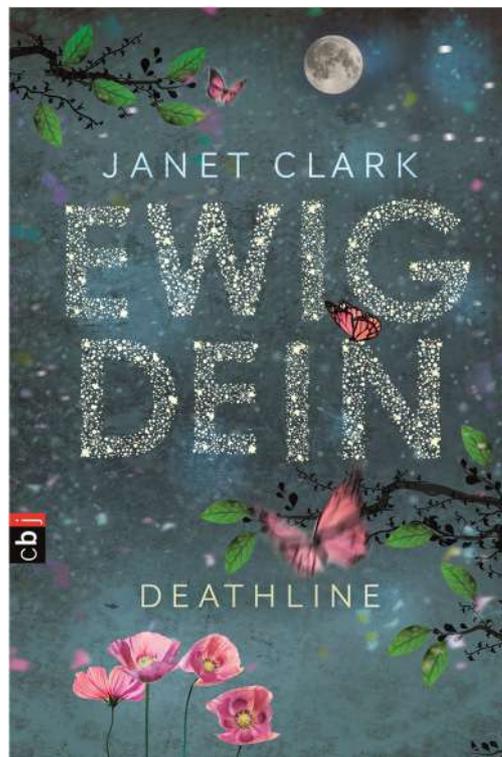
When 16-year-old Josie plunges into the summer holidays, she has no idea that this is the summer that will change absolutely everything.

According to the myths of the native population, the region she comes from used to be the scene of many mysterious goings-on, but nowadays there is little sign of this in the small town she now lives in. Josie gradually realises to what extent these two worlds are even today still interconnected when she gets to know the fascinating Ray and falls in love with him. But this is a love that must not be, for Ray has only ONE goal – to find his protective amulet again and cross over into the realm of the dead. For that is where he belongs ...

- Highly emotional romance with a twist of mystery about a big unfulfillable love
- For all fans of *Obsidian*, *Arcadia Awakens* and *Twilight*

**Janet Clark** worked as a research associate, university lecturer and head of marketing in Belgium, England and Germany. After a successful career in industry, she started again from scratch in 2010 – as an author. 2011 saw the publication of her first novel, and this has since been followed by four others and a four-part series. Apart from writing, Janet Clark campaigns for the rights of female crime authors as the president of *Mörderische Schwestern e.V.*

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**Janet Clark**  
**Forever Yours – Death Line**

400 pages | 15,0 x 22,7 cm  
Hardcover  
March 2017

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**Fantasy Genre: Death Romance**

**Volume 2 out in February 2018**

## "My sister is the stolen masterpiece. I'm just the fake."

YOUNG ADULTS

Mari is three when her sister goes missing without trace one day in a department store. The shadow of the lost daughter has been hovering over the family ever since Mari can remember, making the missing child almost more real than she herself. When Annika suddenly appears as if from nowhere after twelve years, nobody can cope with this withdrawn, unapproachable and enigmatic ghost of a girl.

Whereas the parents desperately pretend everything is fine, Mari feels she is being increasingly pushed to one side. Then the day comes when she feels she has no other choice than to disappear herself. Together with her friends Ole and Clementine she sets off on a crazy trip to Italy – and in the end finds her way back again.

- Impressive debut packed with true sayings
- *Tschick* meets *Vincent Wants to Sea*
- Nominated for the Children's and Young-Adult Book Prize Oldenburg in 2014

**Sina Flammang** was born in 1986 and studied literature and also script and creative writing at the University of Television and Film in Munich, where one of her lecturers was Doris Dörrie. Even while still a student she developed screenplays and wrote short stories. In 2011 she received the Junge Ulmer Kunst award for the most promising young writer, and in 2016 a similar prize by the "Initiative Fernsehen aus Thüringen" for her mystery series *Halbstark*.



**Sina Flammang**  
**Girl of Paper**

352 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm  
Hardcover  
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**14+**

## Love. Hurts.

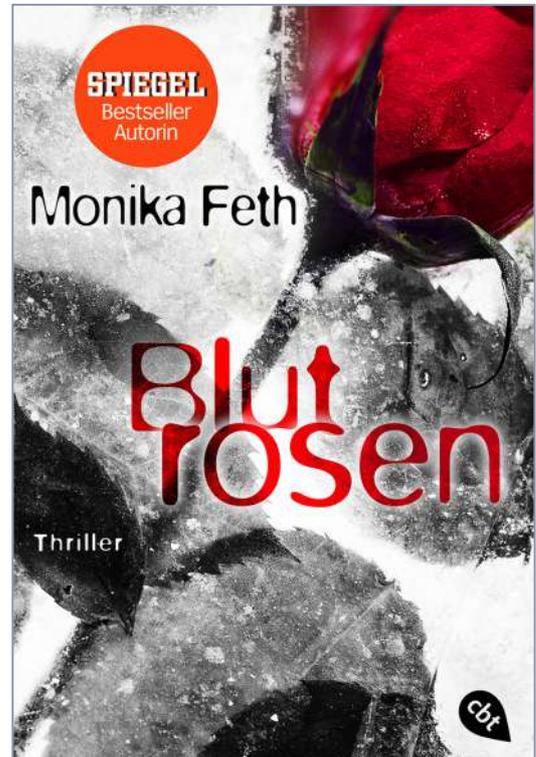
YOUNG ADULTS

Romy and her colleague Ingo are in the process of getting to know each other more closely when some research she is doing brings home to her what a relationship must not be like: nineteen-year-old Fleur has found shelter in a women's refuge in Cologne after managing to escape from her boyfriend, a medical student whose jealousy has taken control of her life and is threatening her.

She ought to be safe from him here, but he succeeds in tracking her down. Fleur ends up in a hospital in a vegetative state. A prisoner in her own body and unable to make herself understood, her nightmare is complete when her ex, no less, steals in as a medical orderly – and nobody except her knows his true identity. Romy alone has the key that could lead to the abuser ...

- The explosive finale of the Romy thrillers
- Brilliantly told, breathtakingly gripping, densely atmospheric and with fascinating characters

**Monika Feth** was born in 1951. After completing her literary studies, she was initially employed as a journalist. Today she lives and works as a freelance author in a small village in the lower Eifel, where she writes for both children and adults.  
[www.monika-feththriller.de](http://www.monika-feththriller.de)



**Monika Feth**  
**Blood Roses**

450 pages | 13,5 x 21,5 cm  
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**Volume 3 of the Romy-series**  
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**1.75 million copies of the author's books sold**

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