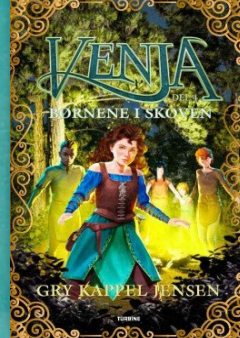
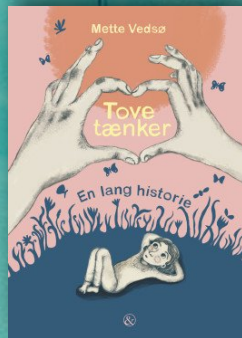
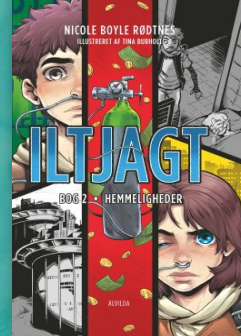
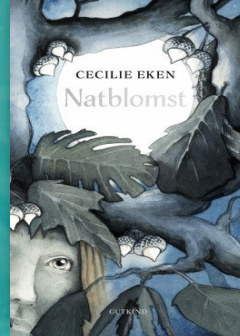
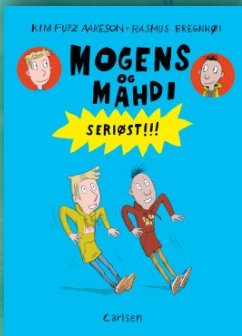
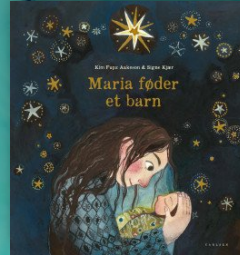
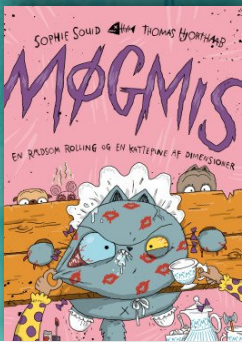




# MG Highlights

Autumn 2023





Sophie Souid

Thomas Hjorthaab



## Kitty Poo III

### Møgmis: en rædsom rolling og en kattepine af dimensioner (3)

The third instalment in the hugely popular new graphic novel series, about a life and death pet war between a boy and his cat. A bestseller in Denmark and winner of several awards, the series is sold in six translation markets so far. There are currently five books planned in the series.

**Sophie Souid** is an award-winning Danish children's book author known for her great humorous writing.

**Thomas Hjorthaab** is a well-known Danish children's book illustrator whose art style is known to be funny, punk and bursting with emotion.

## SYNOPSIS

In the third book, teenage boy, Ziggy, and his vengeful, cunning cat, Kitty Poo, continue to blame, fight and love to hate each other.

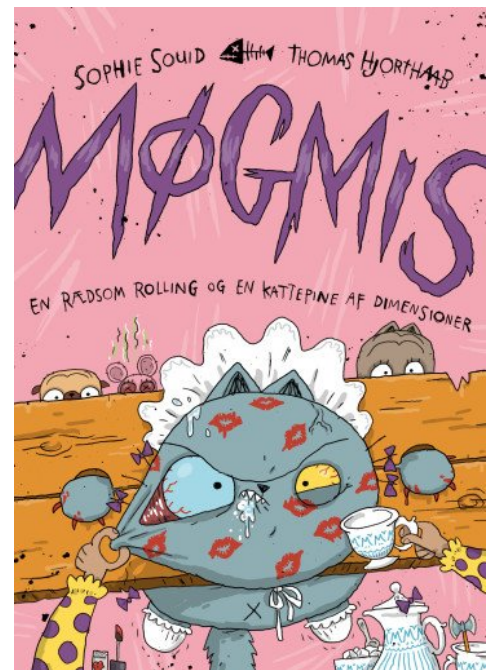
However, a small distraction enters the scene, as Ziggy's small cousin, Marie, comes to visit. Suddenly, someone wants to play with Kitty Poo. She calls him Sweetie Pie and Farty Poopy and she is in general a terrible brat. In fact, here is for once something Kitty Poo and Ziggy can agree on. Kitty Poo puts his evil plans to eradicate Ziggy on hold and decides to teach Cousin Marie a lesson. But it does not go according to plan. Not at all, actually...

**The first book, KITTY POO: REVENGE IS SWEET AND REEKS OF FISH! won the Best Graphic Novel of the Year Award by The Copenhagen Libraries.**

**Both the first and second books were nominated for the Ping Prize.**

**The fourth book is currently nominated for the Orla Prize.**

**Option publishers include:** Dutch (*Blauw Gras*), Faroese (*BFL*), Finnish (*Otava*), French (*Jungle, Steinkis*), Italian (*Il Castoro*), Norwegian (*Gyldendal Norsk*), Polish (*Nowa Basn*), and Swedish (*Berghs*).



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *October, 2023*

72 pages

Category: *Graphic Novels*

Sub-category: *Children*

Available material: *English sample of the first book*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

## Territories Sold

Finnish: *Otava*

Polish: *Nowa Baśń*

Anne Sofie Hammer  
Sofie Lind Mesterton

# Me & Milla: In the deep end



## Mig og Mille: På dybt vand

The third instalment in the popular illustrated middle-grade series in the Tom Gates/Wimpy Kid vein, starring two feisty, funny girls. The series is so far acquired by Forlagid (Iceland), Il Battello a Vapore (Italy), Mangschou (Norway) and B. Wahlstroms (Sweden).

**Anne Sofie Hammer** is one of the most popular Danish children's books writers, and author of the bestselling series about Villads from Valby.

**Sofie Lind Mesterton** is an illustrator and visual storyteller, with a degree from the Royal Danish Art Academy's School for Design.

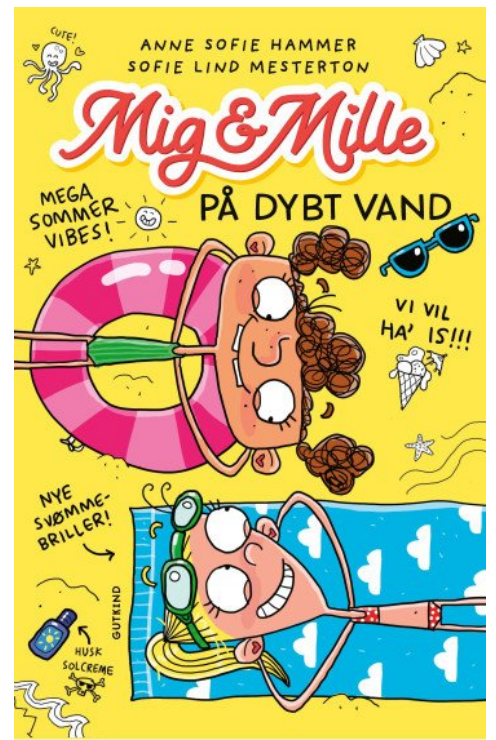
## SYNOPSIS

It is the run-up to the summer break and the sun burns down on Milla and Milla. It can be really hard to come up with good ideas in this heat. Luckily, a new covering teacher steps into the class room - and that is something that can get their summer-lazy brains kickstarted again! Of course they need to check if the covering teacher can deal with a bit of fun and games.

At the same time, the two girls realise that summer vacation doesn't just mean that they are off school - it also means that they are going to be on holiday in two different countries. Not an option! Luckily, Milla and Milla come up with a genius plan, involving Milla's big brother and his girlfriend, the dog Molly, a burger, a pair of binoculars, a skipping rope and a phone.

All set for the best summer holiday ever.

**Option publishers include:** Dutch (*De Fontein*), Finnish (*Otava*), Icelandic (*Forlagid*), Italian (*Il Battello a Vapore*), Norwegian (*Cappelen Damm & Mangschou*), Swedish (*B. Wahlstroms*).



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *June, 2023*

160 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Humour*

Film Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Theatre Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Available material: *English sample of the first book.*

## Territories Handled

World except: Swedish, Danish

## Territories Sold

Swedish: B. Wahlströms

Kim Fupz Aakeson  
Signe Kjær



# Maria Gives Birth to a Child

## Maria føder et barn

Kim Fupz Aakeson retells the most well-known tale from the Bible - the Christmas Gospel - in a playful language, full of humour.

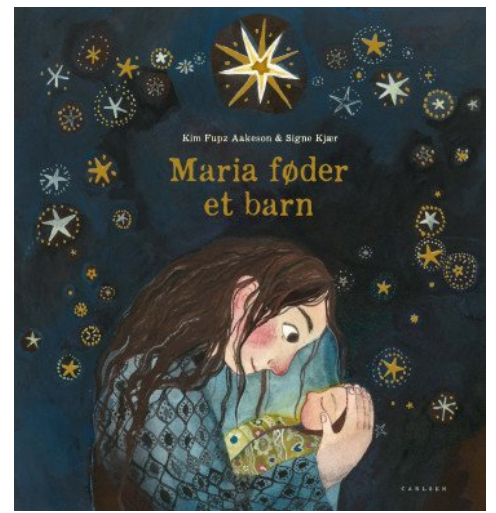
**Kim Fupz Aakeson** is an award-winning, best-selling writer of children's books.

**Signe Kjær** knew she wanted to draw books from the age of seven. Today, she has illustrated over 30 books and in 2021 she was awarded the Ministry of Culture's Illustrator Award.

## SYNOPSIS

Maria is in love and engaged to be married with Joseph. Everything is as it should be. Until the archangel, Gabriel, shows himself to her and says: "You will give birth to a child. A son. A human child." But how can that be right, when Maria has never been with a man?

"The son you will give birth to, is God's son, the Son of Heaven", the archangel Gabriel tells her. And Maria gets it, but what on earth is she supposed to say to Joseph?



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *October, 2023*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (5-8 years)*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

## Territories Sold

German: *Fischer Verlag*



Sarah Engell  
Signe Kjær



## The Golden Clock

### Gulduret

A thought-provoking story about seeing the beauty in the ordinary.

**Sarah Engell** is one of the most popular YA writers on the Danish scene, coining perfectly what it is like being young today, with no trace of moralisation or judgement. She is currently nominated for the Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award.

**Signe Kjær** knew she wanted to draw books from the age of seven. Today, she has illustrated over 30 books and in 2021 she was awarded the Ministry of Culture's Illustrator Award.



## SYNOPSIS

The everyday is my favourite day. That's what grandpa used to always say. But Sophia is tired of the boring old everyday with homework, rainy weather and the same old fare for supper. When she turns ten years, she luckily gets a very special and magical birthday present which can help her skip all the boring bits. From now on, every day will be a party. Glittery clothes, cakes, gifts! Sophia feels like the queen of life. But things derail completely and suddenly Sophia is all alone in the world.

## REVIEWS

"A magical tale, beautifully composed in a smooth and delicious language, which mesmerizes from start to finish." – (Børn og Bøger (Children and Books))

Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *November, 2022*

64 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Realism*

Film Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Theatre Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

## Territories Sold

Dutch: *De Vier Windstreken*

Annie Bahnson



## Along came a Dog with the Ferry

### Der kom en hund med færgen

*Along came a Dog with the Ferry* is a funny, moving and original tale about friendship and courage – and about taking matters into your own hands.

**Annie Bahnson** (b. 1969) is a Danish author of realistic YA and funny and quirky MG.



## SYNOPSIS

Ruth lives on a small island and there are only seven children in her class. She is the only girl and the others are hanging out in pairs, so she feels a bit left out. She'd love to be friends with Snorre, but he only dares to be her friend when Carl isn't around.

Instead Ruth spends her time collecting insects. But it's not quite the same, as having a good friend. Even if she names them all after people around her and goes to great lengths finding insects that fit the personality of the people in her life.

One day, a dog arrives, alone, with the ferry. A fantastic dog. And it wants to be Ruth's friend. The only challenge is that Ruth's mum hates animals. Oh, and of course there is the small problem that the dog must belong to someone else...

## REVIEWS

"A sweet and warm story about having a difficult time, but finding solutions anyway and about learning to take matters into your own hands and stand up for yourself. A lovely book for dog friends with lots of island- and summer atmosphere. The book is illustrated with both vignettes of insects and funny drawings of Ruth and the sweet dog." – (Library Review – lektøruddtalelse, Dansk Bibliotekscenter)

"Along came a Dog with the Ferry is the sweetest, loveliest, heart-warming tale about loneliness, friendship, island communities, dogs and insects. About different types of people, love and friendship" – (The Book Experience – Bogoplevelsen)

Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Turbine*

Published: *August, 2022*

184 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Realism*

Themes: *Courage, Friendship, Family, Pets*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Kim Fupz Aakeson  
Rasmus Bregnhøi



## Mogens & Mahdi - Seriously!

### Mogens & Mahdi - Serløst!

Mogens and Mahdi is a prize-winning and acclaimed comic book series from Denmark - capturing the friendship of two 9-year-old boys spot-on. Translated into German, Norwegian and Swedish.

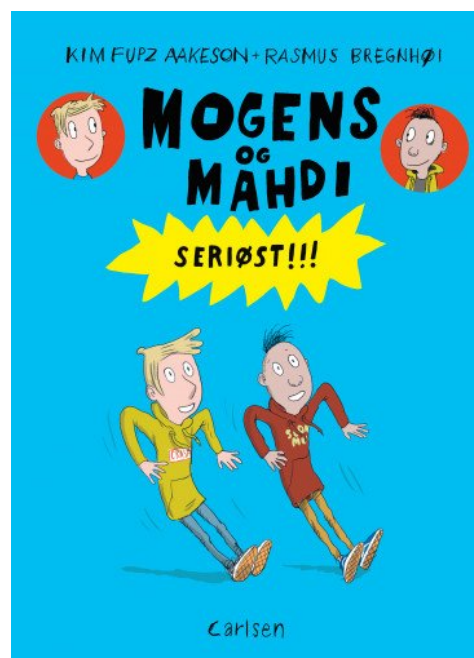
**Kim Fupz Aakeson** is an award-winning, best-selling writer of children's books.

**Rasmus Bregnhøi** is a hugely popular and award-winning Danish illustrator, who was short-listed for the *Deutscher Jugendbuchpreis* in 2019.

## SYNOPSIS

In *Mogens and Mahdi - Seriously!* hormones have made their appearance on the scene. What's happening when Asta comes near?! Is the friendship between Mogens and Mahdi going to survive the class party, the Christmas procession and the horror movie sleep-over?

Fupz and Bregnhøi have created a feisty cocktail of laugh-out-loud moments and "boys will be boys" tales and as usual humour, sweetness and the seriousness of life are tied together in the most original and hilarious way.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *August, 2021*

120 pages

Category: *Graphic Novels*

Sub-category: *Children*

Available material: *English sample of the first book + full German translation*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

## Territories Sold

German: *Klett Kinderbuch*

Tore Leifer  
Anja Gram



## Münchhausen: the Baron's (almost) true tales

### Münchhausen: Baronens (næsten) sande eventyr

A refreshing, funny new take on Baron von Münchhausen's tall tales, tweaked for the age group 6+, and colourfully illustrated.

**Tore Leifer** has written a wonderful new version of Baron von Münchhausen's fabulations.

**Anja Gram** is an experienced Danish illustrator.

## SYNOPSIS

In this new book about Baron von Münchhausen's stories, he has been given a bunch of grandchildren (in reality he was childless) and is telling them stories in front of the fireplace. Thus the scene is set for children and childish souls to be mesmerized and entertained by stories of cannon ball travel, horses on church towers and deers with cherry trees growing out of their heads.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *October, 2021*

96 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Humour*

Available material: *English sample*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

## Territories Sold

Dutch: Van Goor



Cecilie Eken



## Night Bloom

### Natblomst

This *White Raven* 2022 novel is about longing and loss - and about the mysterious realm of nature, which can reveal itself even in the middle of a completely normal town.

**Cecilie Eken** is an award-winning author who writes with beauty and imagination in a language that encompasses both the every day and the poetical. Her works tackle the big themes of life: parents and children, friendship, love, and finding our place in the world and a sense of connectedness. She is currently nominated for the prestigious [Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award](#).

### SYNOPSIS

Mia has moved to a new town with her mother, her little brother and her stepdad. She has a new house and a new school and she hates it all and just wants to go back to her old life, where her dad and the dog, Matti, were a part of her daily life.

One day she runs off after an argument and hides in the deserted garden of one of the houses on her street. It turns out that it isn't all that deserted. But not only the magical tree in the garden holds a secret. Mia also has something she would like to hide...

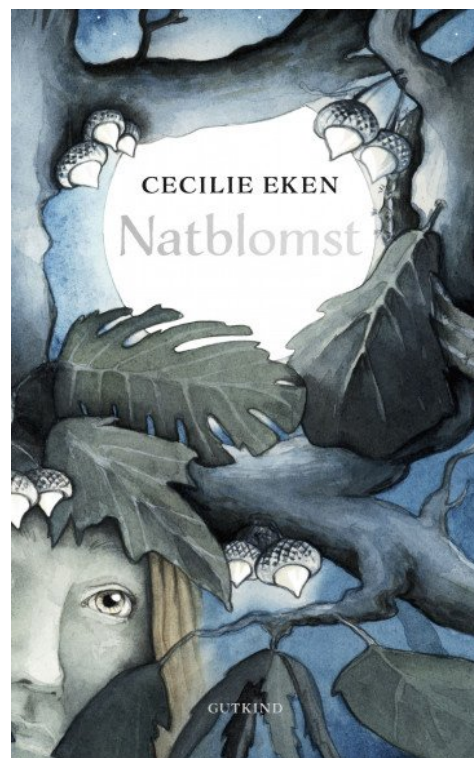
*Night Bloom* is a story about loneliness, loss and friendship and not least about our relationship to the nature we are a part of. It is a stand-alone sequel to the bestselling novel, *Silver Bloom*, and can be read from 10 years up.

Nominated for **Weekendavisen's Literature Award 2022**:

"*Night Bloom* is a fantastical tale which combines tradition and renewal; reality and magic. Cecilie Eken draws on the literary inheritance from Hans Christian Andersen and at the same time addresses the current agenda of biodiversity and nurture of nature. The novel keeps its reader gripped in an effective plot which continues to surprise, while the linguistic register reaches from beautiful poetry to authentic dialogue in the mouth of a teenage girl under pressure. Eken steers clear of clichés by using subtle humour which never talks down to the reader. *Night Bloom* is a work of literature that offers up both challenges as well as solidarity."

Included in **Books from Denmark, Spring 2022**

Included in **The White Raven 2022 Library**.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *October, 2021*

208 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Fantasy*

Themes: *Friendship, Environment, Growing up, Belonging/Identity*

Available material: *English sample translation*

### Territories Handled

World except: Danish

### Territories Sold

Lithuanian: *Terra Publica*

## REVIEWS

"It is a beautiful and visionary children's book" – (Five hearts in Politiken)

"Awe-inspiring...a well-written, exciting novel for children and young people, which can easily be read as a stand-alone novel without having read Silver Bloom first, even if it would be a pity to skip the first installment" – (Six stars in Kristeligt Dagblad)

Nicole Boyle Rødtnes **Oxygen Hunt (2) -  
Secrets**



**Iltjagt (2) -  
Hemmeligheder**

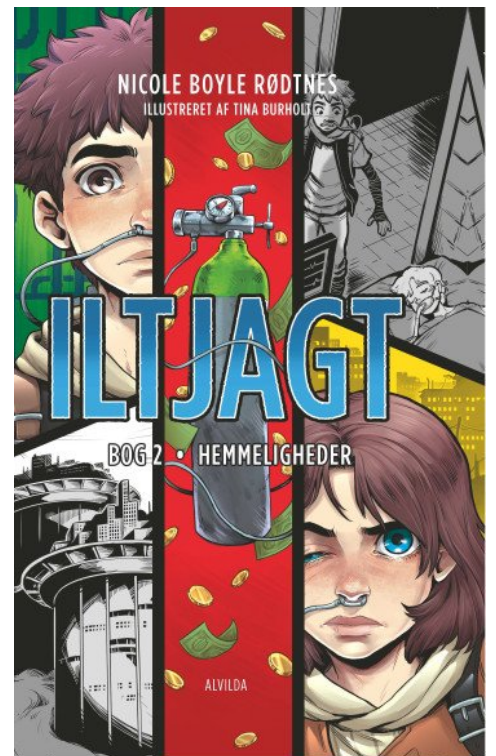
The page-turning sequel in a dystopian series set in a world where survival is only possible if you can afford to buy oxygen.

**Nicole Boyle Rødtnes** (born 1985) is a popular Danish children's book and YA writer

**SYNOPSIS**

Liam now has an internship as oxygen repairman. He thinks he has made it. But his boss has a dark secret and suddenly Liam is caught in a dangerous web of deceptions. And when his sister, Alex, discovers what he is up to, she is faced with a difficult choice. Does she protect her brother or put her own secret job, working as an informer for the police, on the line?

*Winner of the Orla Book Prize 2024 in the category "The Book I Could Not Put Down".*



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Alvilda*

Published: *November, 2022*

160 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Fantasy*

Available material: *English sample available upon request.*

**Territories Handled**

World except: Danish

**Territories Sold**

Swedish: Alvilda



Cecilie Eken



## Silver Bloom

### Sølvblomst

Fantasy and the realistic everyday life meet in this novel about a boy who is made responsible for a magic plant girl with unpredictable powers.

**Cecilie Eken** is an award-winning author who writes with beauty and imagination in a language that encompasses both the every day and the poetical. Her works tackle the big themes of life: parents and children, friendship, love, and finding our place in the world and a sense of connectedness. She is currently nominated for the prestigious [Astrid Lindgren Memorial Award](#).

### SYNOPSIS

Jonas and his best friend, Simon, have a secret den in the big, overgrown garden on the other side of the woods. One day, Jonas spots the owner, an elderly lady, being taken away in an ambulance and she doesn't return. Her house with the many potted plants is empty and locked up. But it seems as if someone is still in there. Someone who needs help.

*Silver Bloom* has been a hit with readers since it came out in 2002. It is an atmospheric and poetic tale about friendship, change and the magical power of nature and it is the prequel to the new standalone novel, *Night Bloom*, published for the first time in 2021. The book can be read from 10 years up.

### REVIEWS

"An incredibly beautiful and precious tale... rarely have I read a book where a character has moved me so deeply... a fantastic tale about friendship, despair and the wonderful world of nature" – (Literature for Danish teaching (Litteratur til danskfaget))

"A piece of climate literature without any wagging fingers" – (Pædagogen.dk)



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *October, 2021*

170 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Fantasy*

Themes: *Friendship, Belonging/Identity, Environment, Growing up*

Available material: *English sample*

### Territories Handled

World except: Danish

### Territories Sold

French: *Hélium*

Italian: *Editrice Il Castore*

Gertrude Kiel  
Gunvor Rasmussen



## Tales from the Sky: Science Stories for Children

### Hvad himlen kan fortælle os: videnskabshistorier for børn

In the tradition of *Sophie's World*, this book offers insight into a topic that is normally not easily accessible to children. Sold in translation to 11 languages at this point.

**Gertrude Kiel** is a Danish author of international caliber, who writes engagingly about big universal topics.

**Gunvor Rasmussen** produces dreamily beautiful illustrations using water-colours.

## SYNOPSIS

If there is one thing that children and scientists have in common, it is their curiosity. Curiosity about the world around us, our role in it and the meaning of it all.

William is nine years old and fed up. It is school holiday and his parents are away on work trips; he is deposited at his mad aunt's place and she has absolutely no clue about kids. But crazy aunt Gudrun knows a thing or two about science and the week at her place turns out to be filled with stories of exciting people, funny anecdotes and fascinating machines.

Shortlisted for „Wissensbuch des Jahres 2022“ (Knowledge Book of the Year) by [Wissenschaft Magazine](#)

## REVIEWS

"From the pile (of knowledge books for children) especially one book stands out. It is Gertrude Kiel's science book, TALES FROM THE SKY (...) A boy called William has to spend a week at his grumpy star-gazing aunt's place. During the course of those days, we are taken around the entire solar system and all the big names. For example Einstein." – Steffen Larsen (Politiken) (Bogforum Magazine )

## TERRITORIES HANDLED

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

## TERRITORIES SOLD

Bulgarian: [Iztok-Zapad](#), Chinese Complex: Yuan-Liou, Chinese Simplified: United



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Character Publishing*

Published: *August, 2018*

251 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Tween*

Genre: *Historical*

Themes: *Curiosity*

Film Rights: *Babel-Bridge Literary Agency*

Theatre Rights: *Babel-Bridge Literary Agency*

Available material: *English sample, full Chinese, German, Italian and Spanish translations.*

Sky, Estonian: Varrak, German: Hanser Verlag, Italian: Gallucci Editore, Korean:  
BIR Publishing, Polish: Czarna Owca, Romanian: Humanitas, Serbian: Odiseja,  
Spanish (World): Siruela.



Mette Vedsø



## Tove Wonders - a Long Story

### Tove tænker - en lang historie

Moving, heartfelt and thought-provoking at the same time, this book combines four previously published short novels about Tove, which were rewritten to form a coherent narrative.

**Mette Vedsø** (b. 1968) studied chemistry and biotechnology, then trained at the Writer's School for Children's Literature. Since 2010, she has written several critically acclaimed children's books, including picture books and tween novels. Her work is suffused with an implicit understanding for children, especially the slightly displaced ones with big hearts – her observations and writing are moving, subtle and poetic.

### SYNOPSIS

There's enough to think about in Tove's life!

There's Kuk who is 16 and Kioko from the island of Fyn.

There is cool uncle Don in London and nasty Elvira who has the class in her iron grip.

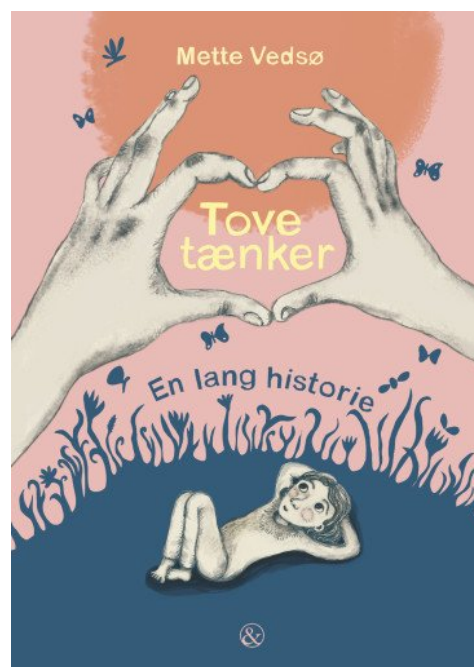
There is Lulu from Aarhus, who has changed way too much since last summer.

And what about odd cousin, Frank?

Luckily, there is also Gudrun and then there is of course athletics and music and crazy cakes and perhaps Tove will turn vegetarian?

Over a period of a year, you are invited into Tove's life with school and family, and on trips to Sweden, London and Aarhus (but not Madagascar!).

*With black and white illustrations by Stine Illum.*



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Jensen & Dalgaard*

Published: *October, 2022*

244 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Tween*

Genre: *Realism*

Available material: *English sample*

### Territories Handled

World except: Danish

Gry Kappel Jensen



## Venja (4) - The Children of the Forest

### Venja (4) - Børnene i skoven

Suspense, adventure and magic for readers from 8 years up. *The Children of the Forest* is the fourth book in an easy-read series comprising 6 books by the author of award-winning YA series, *The Rosenholm Trilogy*.

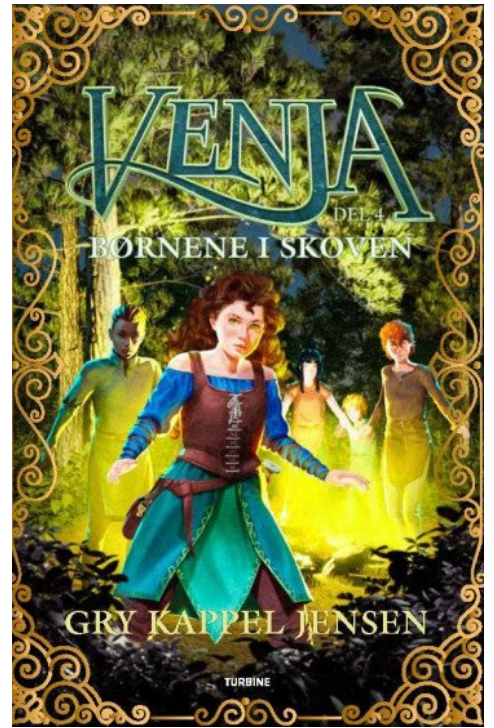
**Gry Kappel Jensen** is the author of the bestselling YA fantasy series, *Rosenholm*, published in Germany, Italy, Poland and US.

## SYNOPSIS

A small group of children live in the forest. They used to live at the big castle, together with Venja. But then they were hit by a curse.

In the daytime, Rana and the other children take the form of animals, but at night they become children again. Venja has promised to help them, so now she has to break the evil magic. She just doesn't know how. Together with the boy, Theo, Venja ventures deep into the forest to seek help.

New easy-read fantasy series by Gry Kappel Jensen with illustrations by Andreas Erstling. At the back of each book are fact sheets, as well as a drawing templates, if the reader feels like drawing one of the characters from the book.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Turbine*

Published: *November, 2022*

115 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Middle-Grade*

Genre: *Easy Read*

Themes: *Courage, Friendship*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

## Territories Sold

Swedish: Nypon