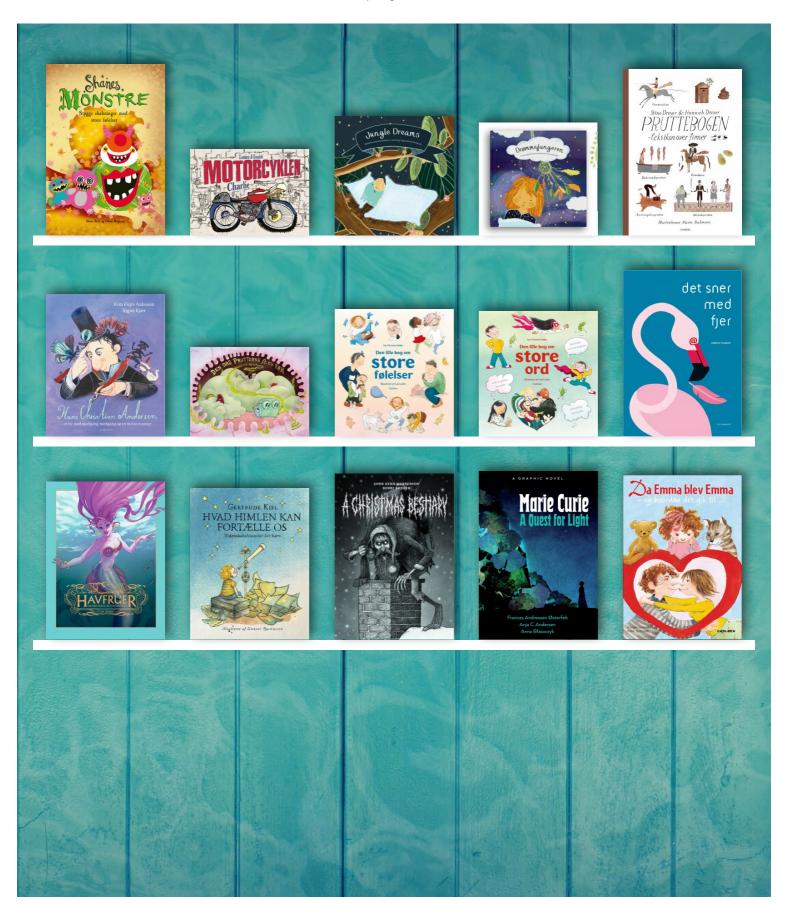




Non-fiction highlights

Spring 2023



Shane Brox



Monsters - Beastly Creatures with Big Emotions

Monstre - Stygge skabninger med store følelser

Emotions explained through monsters in colourful new book for 6-9 year-olds.

Shane Brox (b. 1968) is an author and multimedia artist with more than 20 creative books under his belt.

SYNOPSIS

Welcome to the world of monsters!

In this book, you will meet 12 creatures whose roots go back a long time. Some of them are more than 2000 years old. Back then, monsters were a natural part of our reality. They gave us a language and helped us to understand some of the emotions that dominated our everyday life.

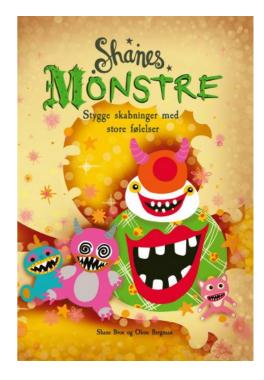
Feelings like anger, fear, sorrow and glee are all real, even the uncomfortable ones. And space should be given to all of them, as it allows us to show how we really feel.

Even if most of us don't believe in vampires and dragons nowadays, we still create monsters when we don't talk about our feelings. Then we create inner monsters. When we are hiding things, monster-large emotions develop in us and between people – just like in the old days.

If we are honest and talk about our emotions, they are easier to understand and accept and the chance of us being able to let go of them increases.

Meet Mare – the monster of fear, *Blemmya* – the monster of sadness, *Basilisk* – the monster of insecurity and *Krake* – the monster of love.

This book is based on an exhibition – *Monsters: Nasty Creatures with Big Emotions* - which took place in the ruins underneath Christiansborg.



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Gads Forlag</u> Published: April, 2022 36 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (5-8 years)</u> Genre: <u>Non-fiction</u> Available material: English sample upon

Territories Handled

request.

Sabine Lemire Jenz Koudahl





Charlie the Motorcycle

Motorcyklen Charlie

Big and colourful picture book about ignition pipes, socket wrenches, and friendship.

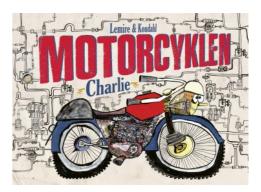
Sabine Lemire (b. 1974) is a graduate of the Danish Design School and The *Duperré* School of Applied *Arts* i in Paris. Short-listed for Deutscher Jugendbuch Preis 2019 with MIRA.

Jenz Koudahl is a Copenhagen-based illustrator and animator, specializing in magazine and newspaper illustrations, book and album cover and animated TV titles.



Charlie the Motorcycle loves to cruise without a destination in mind – just him and the road. He likes that much better than going to the garage for check-ups. One day his motor stops running when he is in the middle of nowhere with only cows in sight.

But then Britt appears out of the blue – she is a pretty gorgeous motorcycle, yellow and shiny and newly MOTed. She takes him along to her good friend, the mechanic. And he is a brilliant person to know, because it can be hard to tell if your clutch is out of order or if you just simply need a bit of loving oil...



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Gads Forlag</u> Published: March, 2023 48 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (5-8 years)</u> Genre: <u>Non-fiction</u> Themes: <u>Friendship</u> Available material: English sample upon request

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Anna Knakkergaard Jungle Dreams Julie Dam





Drømmejunglen

Never before have so many people battled with sleep issues and the problem extends to our children and young people too who struggle to process the day's experiences and fall asleep seamlessly.

Medical doctor and clinical hypnotist, Anne Knakkergaard, uses her specialised knowledge to create bedtime books based on soothing hypnosis techniques.

Architect. Julie Dam. uses her full artistic palette to create the sweet illustrations in bedtime story books

SYNOPSIS

Through a series of stories, the child is encouraged to help the animals in the Jungle Dreams to find peace, so that both the child and the animals can fall asleep.

There are many reasons why the animal children have difficulty sleeping. The sloth, Susan, worries and ponders. The parrot, Petra, talks too much and isn't tired at all. The tapir, Tom, has a tummy ache and Lisa the Leafcutter Ant is afraid of the dark. Hank, the Howler Monkey has his head full of busy thoughts and Jason the Jaguar is struggling with growing pains.

The six stories in the Jungle Dreams are carefully developed and written so that the child can find help to deal with the most common problems connected with falling asleep.

In addition to the bedtime stories, the book offers hands-on advice and information on sleep, as well as tips on how to create the right atmosphere when reading aloud. The book is aimed at families with children aged 4-10 years.

In the home-market, the Jungle Dreams is available in App Store and Google Play where the stories can be played with soothing jungle music that continues after the story is over.

REVIEWS

"Jungle Dreams' are stories on the children's premises combined with great professional ballast. These are stories that are easily accessible. Stories that normalize and acknowledge children's reactions at bedtime, and which in a simple way help the children to deal with difficult thoughts, feelings and bodily sensations. The stories help the children to provide self-care and master pondering at bedtime. Drawings and illustrations are beautiful." - Annette



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: Jungledrømme Published: April, 2021 80 pages Category: Children's Books Sub-category: Picture Books (5-8 years) Genre: Non-fiction Themes: Relaxation

Available material: English sample

Walsted - Psychologist, and mother of Benjamin (8 years) and Alexander (3 years) ()

"The book is easy to get started with and has good instructions for the adult along the way. It works very well with the "sleeping tips" in addition to the stories. Wonderful stories that help the child to relax, enjoy the breathing and form positive and imaginative stories in his head while he falls asleep." – Kathrine Lauritzen - Doctor, and mother of Jacob (7 years) and Emil (4 years) ()

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World Rights (Babel Bridge)

TERRITORIES SOLD

Chinese Complex: <u>Akker</u>, Chinese Simplified: <u>Grand China Happy Cultural</u> <u>Communications Ltd</u>, Polish: <u>Wydawnictwo Czarna Owca</u>, Swedish: <u>Lind & Co.</u>.

Anna Knakkergaard The Dream Catcher





Drømmefangeren

The sequel to *Jungle Dreams* is part magical bedtime stories, part manual for parents to help them gently calm the anxiety that sometimes hit children before bedtime.

Medical doctor and clinical hypnotist, **Anne Knakkergaard**, uses her specialised knowledge to create bedtime books based on soothing hypnosis techniques.

Architect, **Julie Dam**, uses her full artistic palette to create the sweet illustrations in bedtime story books

SYNOPSIS

'The Dream Catcher' uses the same hypnotic techniques that were introduced in Jungle Dreams and is meant as a read-aloud bedtime story about feelings and good dreams. The book helps the child to handle bedtime fears and contains sleep-inducing hypnotic techniques.

Hubert has lost his dream catcher and without it, he has trouble falling asleep. Therefore, he must go on a trip in the Dream Jungle to get help from his dear animal friends. Along the way, he has to deal with difficult emotions like disappointment, anxiety and anger. Luckily, Hubert has both sweet friends and a good imagination, and eventually he falls asleep...

The book also contains: facts about children's dreams, creative exercises for child and parents to handle nightmares and bedtime fears, a DIY dream catcher tutorial and sleep advice from Doctor Anna Knakkergaard.



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: Jungledrømme Published: October, 2021 Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (5-8 years)</u> Genre: <u>Non-fiction</u> Themes: <u>Relaxation</u>

Territories Handled

Stine og Hannah Dreyer



Book of Farts: an Encyclopeadia of Farts

Pruttebogen: leksikon over fimser

A funny and informative picture book with brilliant illustrations by Maria Buchmann. Sold in translation to Korean, Poland and Norway.

Stine Dreyer and **Hannah Dreyer** are the mother/daughter duo who let their imagination run free and created an encyclopedia of 23 different types of farts.

SYNOPSIS

Everybody farts! Even Queen Elizabeth and Justin Bieber. You probably know farts best from yourself, your family, and your friends. But how does a fart become a fart?

This is exactly what mother/daughter duo, Stine and Hannah Dreyer set out to examine and they have developed their own *Fartotology*, the teaching of farts and how they develop.

Some farts are noisy, some a completely silent - and all research shows that loud farts smell less whereas silent farts smell of death and destruction. You choose freely between pest or cholera: do you want to hold the fart back and risk that it develops into a *Silent Stinker*? Or do you prefer to release the *Firecracker*?

Something all farts have in common is that they are funny, even if they appear at the worst possible moments: in class, in the middle of a good game, during dinner.

This book invites curious children and their parents to talk about shared experiences with different fart types, including the *Bubbler*, the *Firecracker*, the *Horror Honk* and the *Serial Fart*.



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Turbine</u> Published: May, 2019 44 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (5-8 years)</u> Film Rights: Babel-Bridge Literary

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Agency

Available material: Danish original, English sample translation. Translations into Korean, Norwegian and Polish.

Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Territories Sold

Korean: Yellow Pig

Norwegian: Solum Bokvennen

Polish: Czarna Owca

Kim Fupz Aakeson Signe Kjær





Hans Christian Andersen - a life of ups and downs and lots of adventure

Hans Christian Andersen et liv med modgang, medgang og en masse eventyr

A new exciting biography about Hans Christian Andersen for children aged 6+ by the successful author/illustrator duo Fupz and Kjær (see The Children's Bible).

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.

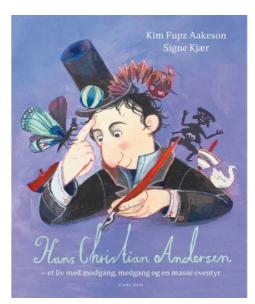
SYNOPSIS

Hans Christian Andersen was a master storyteller! We all know the fairy tales about the Ugly Duckling, the Emperor's New Clothers and Clumsy Hans. But did you know that Hans Christian Andersen actually wanted to be an actor? Or that he had a teacher who called him a toilet poet? Or that he never went travelling without a long rope?

Hans Christian Andersen had a lot of tales to tell, but there is also quite a lot to be told about him.

REVIEWS

"A serious and reable biography. Imaginative and fabulating in its illustrations." – Alice Buchhave Nørlem (Folkeskolen (industry magazin for teachers))



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Forlaget Carlsen</u> Published: June, 2022 96 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Middle-Grade</u> Genre: <u>Non-fiction</u> Available material: English sample available upon request

Territories Handled

World except: Danish

Territories Sold

Bulgarian: Vakon

Line Meyer



The Day the Farts Disappeared

Den dag prutterne forsvandt

A really inviting and beautiful picture book about one of the body's very important functions. Inside the body a lot of unexpected things take place – it is almost like a factory where a lot of different departments have to collaborate in order for the body to work properly.

Line Meyer (b. 1989) is a graduate of the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna and lives and works in Berlin.



Professor Gut Flora creates both big and small farts, slimy and dry farts, bomb farts and stinky farts every single day in her fart laboratory.

And she is really good at it. There is just one problem... even when Flora does her very utmost to make some really good, stinky farts, her friends in the body never says anything nice about them. And neither do the people outside of the body.

It just cannot be right. Because Flora is genius at what she does - she deserves recognition.

One day enough is enough and she leaves her fart laboratory. And sure enough, not long after, chaos rules – because when no one is there to create the farts, the body does not work.

Now all Flora's friends have to set out to find her ... before the Brain Bosses start a devastating purge cycle...



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Gads Forlag</u> Published: June, 2021 64 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (5-8 years)</u> Genre: <u>Non-fiction</u> Available material: English sample

Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

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Korean: Hyun Books

Ina Victoria Haller Lea Letén





The Little Book of Big Emotions

Den lille bog om store følelser

A series of books by child psychologist, Ina Victoria Haller, and illustrator, Lea Leten, providing parents with valuable tools for encouraging empathy, mindfulness and interest in language in their little ones.

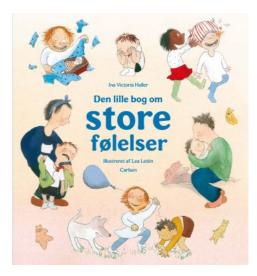
Ina Victoria Haller offers a series of books that turn reading with children into a fun and educational activity.

Lea Letén has a wonderfully recognisable style and is a popular illustrator of children's books.

SYNOPSIS

The emotional development of children needs to be supported and guided in a similar way to linguistic and motoric development. The role of the adult is to help the child understand and regulate emotions and this book provides a helping hand in how to go about this important task. This is done by looking at an active day in a fictitious family

Pelle, Ronja and their parents are going to Sophie's birthday. We follow the family throughout the day and experience all the feelings that arise in the encounter with other adults and children. The book includes suggestions for conversations and play, enabling the child to address the emotions actively. It is written by a child psychologist in collaboration with two children's NGOs in connection with the project "Block Bullying."



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Forlaget Carlsen</u> Published: February, 2016 40 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (2-5 years)</u>

Territories Handled

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Korean: Siwon School

Ina Victoria Haller Lea Letén





The Little Book on Big Words

Den lille bog om store ord

Sequel to the bestseller, *The Little Book on Big Emotions*; this time about universal words and concepts, such as responsibility, wealth and truth.

Ina Victoria Haller offers a series of books that turn reading with children into a fun and educational activity.

Lea Letén has a wonderfully recognisable style and is a popular illustrator of children's books.



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Forlaget Carlsen</u> Published: September, 2022 40 pages

Category: <u>Children's Books</u>

Sub-category: Non-Fiction

Genre: <u>Realism</u>

Available material: English sample upon request

Territories Handled

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SYNOPSIS

In the book, we follow two good friends who have a playdate in a playground. Through play, imagination and conversation, the two children move through some of the many big words in our language and attempt to describe and explain how they understand each of the word. Some of the words covered are "friendship", "courage" and "imagination".

Every page in the book concerns a specific word, with questions and explanations which are meant to spark conversation between the child and the adult. The book also contains illustration sequences that make it suitable for dialogical reading, and it is meant to help develop the linguistic skills of the child along the way. In this way, the curiosity of the child is stimulated, so that he or she actively considers the content of the book and is encouraged to philosophise about the concepts of the book together with an adult.

Karen Filskov



Feathers fall like snow

Det sner med fjer

Feathers fall like snow are charming and clever figure poems about birds.

Karen Filskov is an innovative Danish author/illustrator, who was shortlist for the Cultural Ministry's "Author Prize".

SYNOPSIS

Part of the WHITE RAVEN LIBRARY 2021 and shortlisted for the BIENNALE OF ILLUSTRATIONS BRATISLAVA 2021

The Cuckoo never gets to know his mum, the Vulture has his own internet high up above the savanna, the Vogelkop Bowerbird uses art to attract his mate. Follow the legs of the Ostrich, the wings of the Albatross and the small arrows.

Discover the world of the birds, maybe you will recognize traits from your own world?

REVIEWS

"A lovely experience ... characterised by word play and humour" – (Information)

"An exceptionally beautiful picture book" – (Weekendavisen)



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Vild Maskine</u> Published: September, 2020 36 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Graphic Novels</u> Available material: English sample translation

Territories Handled

Stine Bødker Emil Landgreen





SYNOPSIS

Mermaids Havfruer

All you need to know about one of the ocean's most magical creatures, the mermaid.

Stine Bødker is behind a brilliant new non-fiction title on mermaids.

Emil Landgreen is a Danish illustrator, drummer and author, based in Copenhagen.

Mermaids are the most stunning creatures imaginable. Beautiful and otherworldly with mesmerizing voices. Strong, independent and sometimes dangerous.

But who are they really? Are they nature spirits? Fable animals? Goddesses? Or just secret ocean creatures?

In this beautiful, densely illustrated, non-fiction book, aimed at a 6-9 audience, you will be introduced to the myths and the fairy-tales, get lots of funny and magical facts – and become much more informed of the mermaid's strength, her equipment and her exciting history.



Original Language: *Danish* Original Publisher: <u>Gads Forlag</u> Published: September, 2021 40 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (5-8 years)</u> Genre: <u>Non-fiction</u>

Available material: English sample

Territories Handled

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 <u>Wissenschaft Magazine</u>

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: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Tween</u> Genre: <u>Historical</u> Themes: <u>Curiosity</u> 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: <u>Humanitas</u>, Serbian: <u>Odiseja</u>, Spanish (World): Siruela.

Benni Bødker John Kenn Mortensen





SYNOPSIS

A Christmas Bestiary Julebestiariet

A mesmerizing peak at the beasts that enter our world during the cosy time of Christmas.

Benni Bødker is one of Denmark's leading writers of horror fiction for children and YA. His books have been translated into 12 languages.

John Kenn Mortensen, the Danish cult illustrator, celebrated by fans around the world for his incredibly detailed illustrations of monsters.

Christmas is full of traditions that we love to take part in, but that we ultimately do not know the background of. This wasn't the case for our ancestors. They knew that Christmas isn't just the season of joy, but certainly also a season of pain. For them the month of Christmas was not only the darkest time of the year; it was also a dangerous time when the creatures of the netherworld appear among humans, and the portals to other worlds are thrown open.

This is still how it is. It's just that we are no longer equipped to cope.*A Christmas Bestiary* will hopefully help you survive.

REVIEWS

"How could you possibly do without this charming book?" – (5 hearts in *Politiken*)

"Rich on details and scary illustrations... and with tongue in cheek" – (Weekendavisen)

TERRITORIES HANDLED

World except: Danish

TERRITORIES SOLD

Czech: Argo, English (World): <u>Fantagraphics</u>, French: <u>Les éditions de la Fabrique</u> <u>Électrique</u>, Russian: AST Mainstream.



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Forlaget Cobolt</u> Published: October, 2017 104 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Tween</u> Genre: <u>Horror</u> Themes: <u>Christmas</u>

Available material: Danish original; English, Czech and Russian professional translations.

Frances Andreasen Østerfelt Anja C. Andersen Anna Blaszczyk







SYNOPSIS

Marie Curie's life and research changed the world and paved the way for new opportunities for all women. Her unique drive - against all odds - to understand nature and its laws lead to ground-breaking research, which changed the science of medicine - both in terms of diagnoses and treatment. She was the first female recipient of a *Nobel Prize* and the first - and to date the only - person to receive a *Nobel Prize* in two categories, first physics and later in chemistry.

REVIEWS

"Ambitious and expertly communicated" – (4 hearts in Politiken)

"Many funny and interesting details about Marie Curie's life which are sure to give you something to think about" – (*Weekendavisen*)

TERRITORIES HANDLED

World except: Danish

TERRITORIES SOLD

Armenian: Paradigma Educational Foundation, English (US): <u>IDW</u>, German: <u>Impian Verlag</u>, Polish: Media Rodzyna, Romanian: Editura Art.

Marie Curie: a Quest for Light

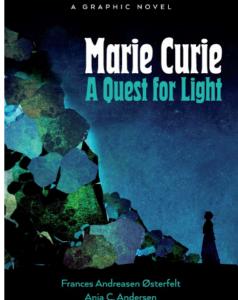
Marie Curie: et lys i mørket

A stunning-looking authorised biography, making Curie's fascinating story available to children and adults alike, published October 2021 by IDW Publishing in the US.

Frances Andreasen Østerfelt is the driving force behind the graphic novel, *Marie Curie: A Quest for Light*, which she wrote in close collaboration with the Curie Estate.

Anja C. Andersen is an award-winning Professor at the *Niels Bohr Institute* in Copenhagen.

Anna Blaszczyk's stunning artwork has enriched the storytelling in *Marie Curie: A Quest for Light*



Anna Błaszczyk

Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Forlaget Cobolt</u> Published: August, 2018 136 pages Category: <u>Graphic Novels</u> Sub-category: <u>Children</u> Film Rights: Babel-Bridge Literary Agency Available material: Danish original;

Available material: Danish original; English, German, Polish and Romanian professional translations; French, Spanish full sample translations.

Peter Gotthardt



When Emma became Emma and how it happened

Da Emma blev Emma - og hvordan det gik til

A great book for the youngest about how they were made – describing the way from egg to birth in a charming way. Published in South-Korea.

Peter Gotthardt is the author of over 60 books for children, among them the charming picture book, *When Emma became Emma - and how it happened*.

SYNOPSIS

Emma is her own - and then again, she is not quite. Everyone says she has her mum's nose and her dad's curly hair. But why is it that she looks both like mum and dad?

Emma is 4 years old and very interested in how she was made. She discusses her creation with her teddy and her cat, who are both throughout the book comment on the events in an amusing way - from the moment when her parent's decide to have a child, to the egg and sperm cell meet, while Emma grows in the womb, until her delivery. The whole process is told in a straight-forward and very charming way.

With lovely illustrations by Kirsten Raagaard.



Original Language: Danish Original Publisher: <u>Forlaget Carlsen</u> Published: April, 2008 28 pages Category: <u>Children's Books</u> Sub-category: <u>Picture Books (2-5 years)</u> Genre: <u>Realism</u> Themes: <u>Love, Family,</u> <u>Belonging/Identity</u>

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World Rights (Babel Bridge)

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Korean: Dhampus