



# Picture Book Highlights

Autumn 2023



Maria Mac Dalland



## Tiny Toot and the Seahorses (2)

### Lille Tut og søhestene

The Tiny Toot universe is driven by curiosity and adventure, with an abundance of warmth and understanding for the smallest children. Tiny Toot also exists as a TV series made by Maria Mac Dalland and produced by Toolbox Film (premiere on Danish DR Minisjang in 2024, followed by Finnish YLE, Icelandic RUV, Norwegian NRK, and Swedish SVT).

**Maria Mac Dalland** is an animation director with a number of animated films and documentaries under her belt.

## SYNOPSIS

In this second book, Tiny Toot, Gato and Nisse go on an adventure in Nisse's ecolicopter. They land at the bottom of the sea where they meet a very busy seahorse father. He has just given birth to hundreds of small seahorse babies, and they are cold: because it takes quite some time to get them all dressed. Luckily, Nisse has brought his bag along and it is full of useful bits and bobs...

Come on a journey with Tiny Toot, Gato and Nisse! Tiny Toot is a small girl who lives together with her brother, mum and dad, and her cat, Gato. In Tiny Toot's room, there is a mouse hole in the wall and her small friend, Nisse, lives in there. Nisse has a ecolicopter, a flying walnut shell, and he is able to shrink Tiny Toot and Gato, so they can come with him on adventures everywhere. Only imagination sets the boundaries.

*With illustrations by Maria Mac Dalland, Edda Hrönn and Sofie Louise Dam.*



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *May, 2023*

40 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Fantasy*

Themes: *Family, Friendship, Courage, Imagination, Curiosity*

Available material: *English sample*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

Rasmus Bregnhøi



## I search and search and search...

### Jeg leder og leder og leder...

A White Raven 2023, this is a gorgeous "Search & Find book" in Bregnhøi's signature style - colourful, detailed and imaginative.

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

## SYNOPSIS

A boy "wakes up" in his room, surrounded by stuffed animals, toys, posters, and pictures. His favourite toy, the two "Wellie Sisters", are standing at the foot of the bed, but they disappear through a hole in the wall where the mirror had been hanging and the boy does not hesitate for a second - he runs after them.

He finds himself in a flamboyant world, a strange and lively chaos with flying crocodiles, dwarves, submarine captains, giraffes, penguins, and much more. He keeps catching a glimpse of the Wellie Sisters, but he must search high and low, passing through a forest, over and under water, until he finally catches up with them and the three of them return home together.

Included in the **White Raven 2023**, the committee says about it: "*With its merry »wimmelbook« style, teeming full of hidden items, »Jeg leder og leder og leder ...« includes many allusions to classics of children's literature, popular series, and comics. In other words, another great Bregnhøi! (Age: 4+)*"



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *June, 2022*

24 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Adventure*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

Cecilie Eken  
Maren Tjelta Thu



## Omnia's House

### Omnias Hus

A poetic and colourful picture book full of details that celebrates an embracing community with room for everyone.

**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](#).

**Maren Tjelta Thu** (b. 1997) is a talented Norwegian illustrator, known for her colourful and whimsical seek-and-find pictures.

## SYNOPSIS

Omnia's house has room for everyone. In fact, the house offers everything a child could possibly want: community, fun, a place where you can use your imagination and play and learn.

Omnia greets all the different children who come knocking on her door. Among them is Karl, who is anxious; Ida, who longs for a friend; Aisha, who is a refugee. Each and every one of them have special qualities and backgrounds, and every one of them is met with a "welcome here".

The book is beautifully illustrated by Norwegian artist, Maren Tjelta Thu, who unfolds the colorful, playful universe that you can emerge yourself in.

## REVIEWS

"Maren Tjelta Thu's illustrations are colourful and charming with a wide appeal because of the similarity to popular animation movies. The book is published in a big and exclusive format and the spreads are seek-and-find-like, allowing the readers to explore the corners of the house and the abundance of details... Omnia's house is light and airy in its visual expression, but you should not underestimate the underlying seriousness, which addresses society's approach to people with bumps on "the path of life" and the lack of "open hearts" in communities... The author has something to say about modern childhood, efficiency, integration and inclusion, and she reminds the reader about the values that cannot be described through curricula and competency goals." – Anna Skyggebjerg (Weekendavisen)

"This beautiful picture book leaves you with a warm and glowing heart. It has a



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *April, 2023*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Realism*

Available material: *English sample.*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

great message, a wonderful, poetic language and the loveliest, detailed drawings. You are left in no doubt about how welcoming, wise and open-minded Omnia is. Omnia's house is a paradise for children with love, community spirit and understanding, but also cool and fun things like a zip line, a swimming pool and a race court." – (Danish Library Centre (Dansk Bibliotekscenter))

Mikkel Sommer



# The Golden Porcupine

## Det gyldne pindsvin

A cute picture book for the youngest children about generosity, compassion and friendship.

**Mikkel Sommer** (b. 1987) grew up in Copenhagen, Denmark. He started freelancing in 2009, working in illustration, design for animation and comic books. He lives in Berlin with his wife and daughter.

### SYNOPSIS

News travel fast that the needles of the golden porcupine have magical powers. When you get a golden needle, you can make a wish and it will come true. The porcupine generously lets all the eager animals take a precious needle, so they can make their wishes come true. However, when winter comes, he has only one pin left and is getting quite cold. But then a little mouse comes by...



Original Language: *Danish*

Published: *October, 2023*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Fairytales*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

### Territories Handled

World except: Danish

### Territories Sold

Korean: *Seedosee*

Sabine Lemire  
Rasmus Bregnhøi



## Jamie Penguin saws in something that isn't his

### Jørgen Pingvin saver i noget, der ikke er hans

The long-awaited fourth instalment in the popular series about Jamie Penguin who loves to be creative and build things, but often ends up in trouble because he finds it difficult to sit still...

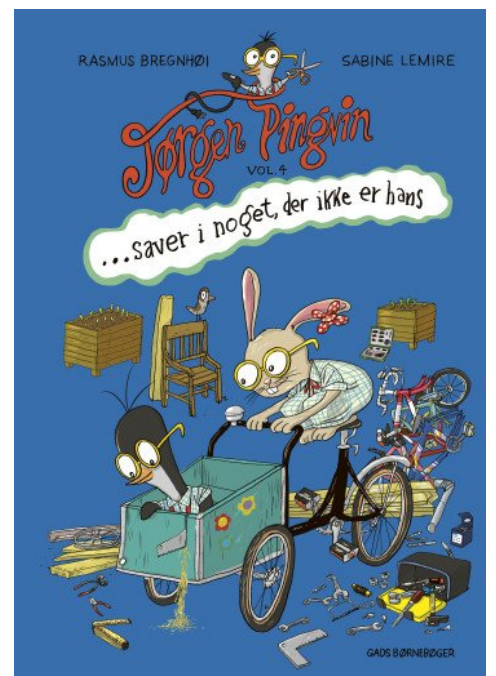
**Sabine Lemire** (b. 1974) is a graduate of the Danish Design School and The Duperré School of Applied Arts in Paris. Short-listed for Deutscher Jugendbuch Preis 2019 with MIRA.

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

## SYNOPSIS

Jamie Penguin is brilliant with a saw and Jamie Rabbit turns out to be good at finding material that you can saw in. But sometimes she forgets to ask for permission...

Another wonderfully detailed picture book with lovely everyday stories where imagination and creativity is given full rein.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *October, 2023*

56 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Humour*

Themes: *Curiosity, Imagination, Friendship, Belonging/Identity*

Film Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Available material: *English sample of the first book*

Thomas Brunstrøm  
Thorbjørn  
Christoffersen



## Sally's Dad on Slippery Slopes

### Sallys far på glatis

*Sally's Dad* is a modern day classic in Denmark with sales reaching over 1 million copies across all formats. The series is furthermore proving its ability to travel: it is a bestseller in Poland, and translation rights are currently sold to Faroe Islands, Finland, Italy and Norway. *Sally's Dad on Slippery Slopes* is the fourteenth book in the series.

**Thomas Brunstrøm** is a bestselling author, freelance journalist, film critic and podcast host - and real-life dad to Sally and Eddie.

**Thorbjørn Christoffersen** is a Danish illustrator, film director and animator.

## SYNOPSIS

Sally's dad takes the whole family along on a skiing holiday. He is looking forward to showing Sally how brilliant he is at skiing. Sally feels more like hanging out with her friend, Svend, who is also there with his family. Sally's dad does what he can to catch Sally's attention, but his plans are constantly ruined by Svend's dad who is a bit better than Sally's dad at EVERYTHING!

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Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *November, 2023*

40 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Humour*

## Territories Handled

Rights owner: Rights & Brands

## Territories Sold

Norwegian: *Cappelen Damm*

Polish: *Dwukropek*



Tomas Lagerman  
Lundme

Hanne Kvist



## SYNOPSIS

Birk and Thorbjørn are friends, even if they are quite different. They often play together. Also today, when they decide to build a den. They are having a good time. Until someone turns up who thinks that building a den and being friends means something completely different. But the friends in the end decide to show him that it doesn't.

With lovely illustrations by Hanne Kvist.

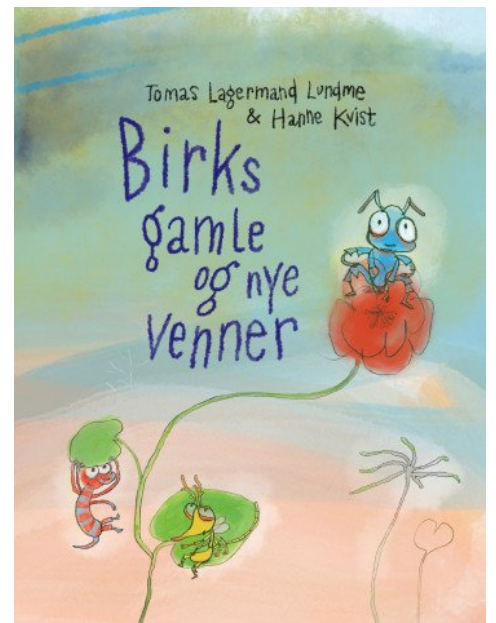
## Birk's Old and New Friends

### Birks gamle og nye venner

A story about place and displacement in an insect community in the middle of a big and sometimes impossible world.

**Tomas Lagermand Lundme** writes engagingly about first love and LGBT issues.

**Hanne Kvist** (b. 1961) is an award-winning Danish author/illustrator.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *March, 2023*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Themes: *LGBT, Friendship, Imagination, Courage*

Available material: *English sample upon request.*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Jørgen Stamp



## Book of Mess

### Rodebogen

Colourful seek-and-find book for the youngest, helping the Dog, Giraffe, Bear and Badger families find all the things they have lost in their homes.

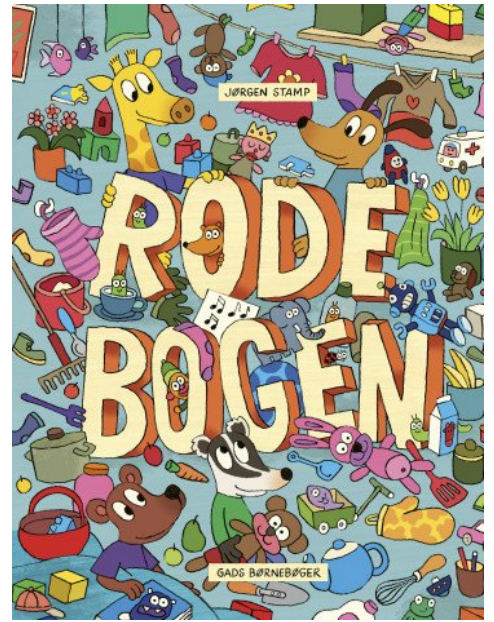
**Jørgen Stamp** (b. 1969) is a Danish graphic designer and author/illustrator.

### SYNOPSIS

In this book, everything is very messy.

The Dog, Giraffe, Bear and Badger families are very very busy. They have to put on their clothes, they have to cook, they have to put together a jigsaw puzzle ... and many other things. But they clearly need a helping hand from small readers, because nothing is to be found in its regular place.

This is a sweet seek-and-find book for the youngest. The solutions are found at the back of the book.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *June, 2023*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Available material: *English sample upon request.*

### Territories Handled

World except: Danish

### Territories Sold

Macedonian: *Sakam Knigi*

Norwegian: *Cappelen Damm*

Thomas Porsager  
Sofie Lind Mesterton



# Captain Bubblebeard and the Curse of the Cat Island

## Kaptajn Skumskæg og katteøens forbandelse

Funny new picture book series, starring a girl as an adventurous (bathtub) pirate. This is the second book in the series, written by Toke Lotz and Thomas Porsager, with illustrations by Sofie Lind Mesterton.

**Thomas Porsager** is a Danish screenwriter and a graduate of the National Film School of Denmark in 2015.

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

## SYNOPSIS

Captain Foam Beard still wants to be the most dangerous pirate on the thirteen seas. And this time a very special island appears in her binoculars. An island with a very special treasure. But the Foam Fleet is not the only ship that anchors next to the island...



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *January, 2022*

48 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Adventure*

Themes: *Courage, Curiosity, Imagination*

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

## Territories Handled

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Sabine Lemire  
Jenz Koudahl



# Charlie the Motorcycle

## Motorcyklen Charlie

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

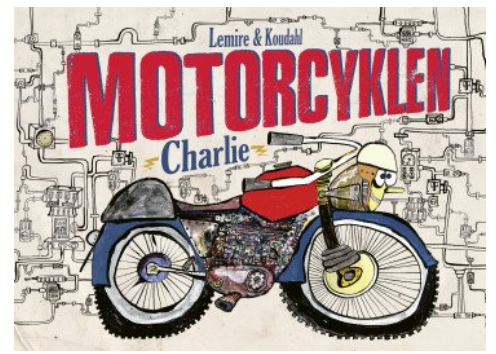
**Sabine Lemire** (b. 1974) is a graduate of the Danish Design School and The Duperré School of Applied Arts in Paris. Short-listed for Deutscher Jugendbuch Preis 2019 with MIRA.

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

## SYNOPSIS

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: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *March, 2023*

48 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Non-fiction*

Themes: *Friendship*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

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.

### SYNOPSIS

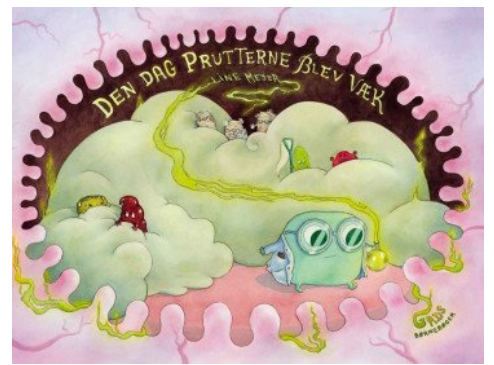
Professor Gut Flora creates both big and small farts, slimy and dry farts, bomb farts and stinky farts every single day in her fart laboratory.

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: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *June, 2021*

64 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Non-fiction*

Available material: *English sample*

### Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

### Territories Sold

Korean: Hyun Books

Merete Pryds Helle  
Charlotte Pardi



## Donna finds a friend

### Donna finder en ven

The fourth book in the popular series about the lovely puppy, Donna, who this time has to leave the safety of her home to venture into the unknown - in a puppy kindergarten.

**Merete Pryds Helle** is an award-winning Danish author.

**Charlotte Pardi** (b. 1971) has won the Danish Cultural Ministry's Illustrator Prize on several occasions and is loved for her gentle appealing artwork.

## SYNOPSIS

Donna and her brother Little Wee are fully integrated into the family and are enjoying the safety and comfort of their "pack". Up until now, Lillian Betty's father has worked from home and the puppies have therefore been able to have a lie-in and enjoy the peace of the house when the children were in school and daycare. But now he has a new job and Donna and her brother need to go to puppy kindergarten.

Donna is not impressed when she is dragged out of Lillian Betty's bed in the morning - she is not hungry and just wants to sleep. But the worst is that when she gets to the kindergarten it is full of other puppies she does not know. Little Wee blends right in, but Donna needs her time.

However, by the end of the day she has a new friend and when the alarm rings the next morning, Donna is more than ready to go.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: 2023

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Realism*

Themes: *Friendship*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

Annette Bjørg  
Signe Kjær



## SYNOPSIS

Frida is a bit clumsy. She pushes over the glass with milk, ruins the pearl necklace of the new girl and hits the neighbour's green house with the football. It is hard to be Frida, because she doesn't do it on purpose. Fortunately, Grandmother is good at consoling her. And she says that she has once broken something that was much worse: a heart...

The book is warmly and atmospherically illustrated by Signe Kjær, who received the Cultural Ministry's Illustrator Prize in 2021.

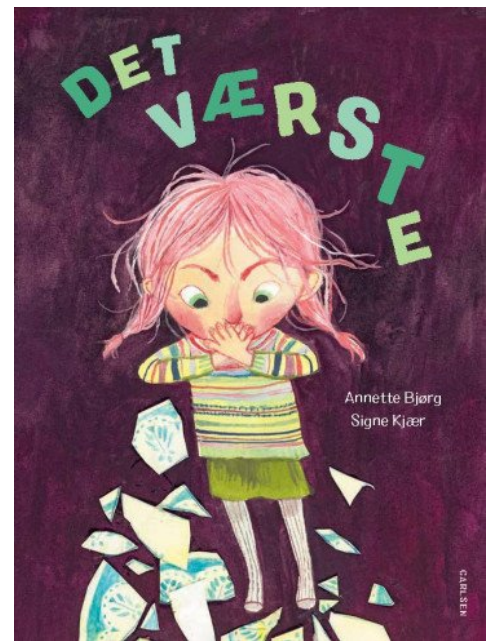
## The Worst

### Det værste

A powerful story about having the best intentions, but nevertheless ruining both things and relations around you.

**Annette Bjørg** is a journalist by profession and has attended the Writing School for Children's Literature in Copenhagen.

**Signe Kjær** is a Danish illustrator of books and magazines.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *December, 2022*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Realism*

Themes: *Love, Family, Fear & Anxiety, Courage*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Ane Bjørn



## Peacock

### Påfugl

A poetic tale about gender expectations and identity from celebrated author/illustrator, Ane Bjørn. Included in *White Raven 2023* and nominated for the Cultural Ministry's 2022 Children's Book Illustrator Prize.

Through her evocative illustrations, **Ane Bjørn** gives form to everything that children (and adults) sometimes find challenging to express with words: dreams, fears, sorrow, anger and imagination.

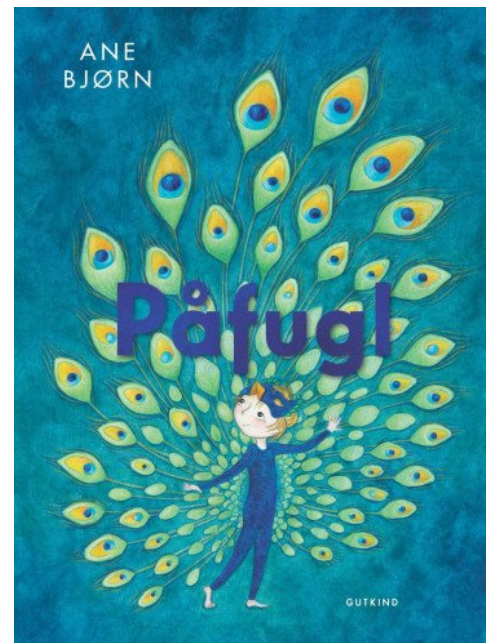
### SYNOPSIS

It's carnival time and Momo is scouting for a fancy dress costume. The shop is full of super heroes. Knights. Robots, Astronauts.

Dad gets excited about a flying dinosaur with wings you can move up and down. But Momo does not see it at all. He only has eyes for the stunning, sparkling bird costume with the bluish-green plumage.

*Peacock* is a poetic tale about the importance of being seen and met as the person you are.

Included in *White Raven 2023*.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *August, 2022*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Realism*

Available material: *English sample*

### Territories Handled

World except: Danish

### Territories Sold

Portuguese (Brazil): *Pingo de Luz*

Sinhala: *Dedunna Books*

Swedish: *Berghs Forlåg*



Oliver Zahle  
Siri Melchior



## Sausage does not want to go to Daycare (4)

### Pølse vil ikke i børnehave (4)

There is a lot of things that Sausage doesn't want and Dad is quite frankly finding it a bit confusing. But, magically, they always end up finding a way to agree.

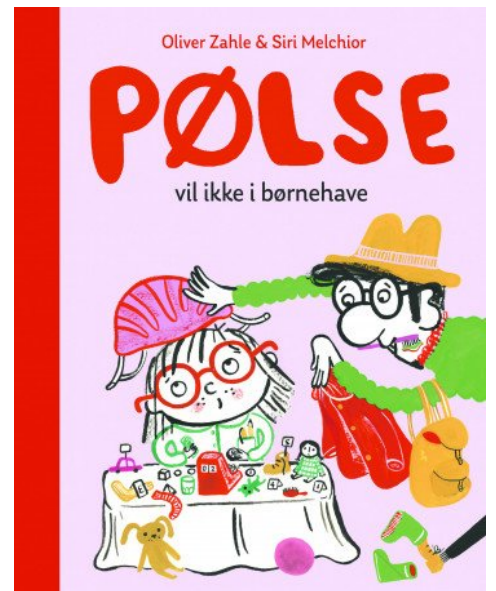
**Oliver Zahle** has written a charming picture book series about a little hard-nosed girl and her quirky Dad that is bound to make both parent and child laugh.

**Siri Melchior** has already proved that her illustration style travels, her books having been published in Germany and Spain.

## SYNOPSIS

Today, Sausage does not want to go to kindergarten. In the end, Dad lets her stay at home, but it turns out to be rather hard work playing with Dad for a whole day...

The *Sausage* series is a cute story about a little girl and her Dad; about the navigation of personalities, about the negotiation of values, all done tongue-in-cheek to ensure that both child and adult will get a laugh.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *October, 2020*

28 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Humour*

Themes: *Family*

Available material: *English sample of the first book in the series*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

## Territories Sold

Polish: Grupa Wydawnicza Filia

Ane Bjørn



## Magic Sight

### Trylleblik

*Magic Sight* is a timeless and universal picture book about the unconquerable imagination of children and their amazing ability to play, dream and simply be children. Even under the most impossible conditions.

Through her evocative illustrations, **Ane Bjørn** gives form to everything that children (and adults) sometimes find challenging to express with words: dreams, fears, sorrow, anger and imagination.

## SYNOPSIS

If you close one eye and cover it with two fingers, you will get magic sight: this is the frame in which Ane Bjørn places her tale of a refugee family and a little girl's insistence to see the beauty of the world in the middle of its horrors.

In a nameless country, in a city in ruins, a girl learns something very special from her grandmother: By covering one eye with two fingers, you can see things, you otherwise don't have an eye for. Wonderful things, you didn't think existed. Golden castles in dark forests. Mermaids in the deep. Beauty, light and hope.

The perilous journey of the family towards a new place is told only through the visuals. The words on the other hand belong to the girl and loyally portray her subjective view of the world around her. A world that contrary to the harsh reality is full of colours and magic, light and hope.

**Winner of the Danish Book Design Prize in the category "Best Children's Book of the Year" (2022)**

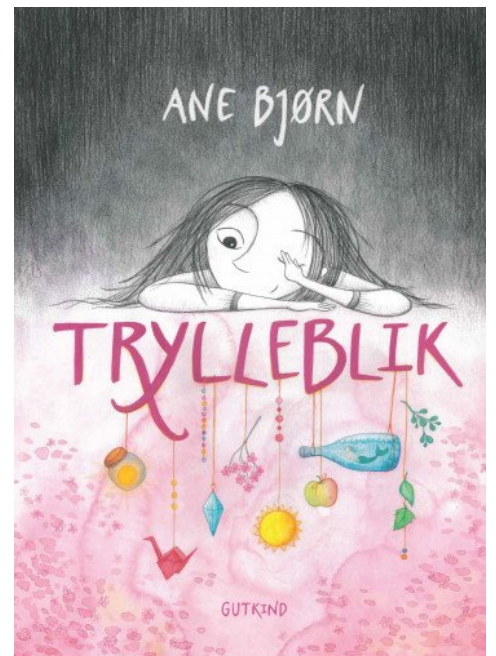
Part of Books from Denmark, Autumn 2021 (selected by the Danish Arts' Foundation).

Shortlisted for the Danish Cultural Ministry's Author and Illustrator Prizes 2022.

## REVIEWS

"The imagination diffuses the harsh reality in a moving tale about escape and loss and about undying hope... both aimed at those refugee children who have been through it all and those children who have only read or heard about refugees. Because of the gentle narrative form where the images bear the content, no one is at risk of getting hurt by the story." – (Weekendavisen)

"It is an incredible achievement that Ane Bjørn manages to create a transparent layer in the illustrations where we view both the girl and her grandmother's



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *June, 2021*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Themes: *Belonging/Identity, Family, Loss/Grief, Curiosity*

Available material: *English sample translation.*

magic movie from above. It really feels magical." – (Information)

## TERRITORIES HANDLED

World except: Danish

## TERRITORIES SOLD

Arabic: Sanad Publishing House, Bosnian: [Bajkologija](#), Korean: [Cheakyearnkids](#),

Macedonian: [Antolog Books](#), Swedish: [Berghs](#).

Thomas Brunstrøm

Thorbjørn  
Christoffersen



## SYNOPSIS

Dad complains how hard it is to be an adult. There are so many practical things at home that need to be taken care of. Eddie frankly can't see what the problem is. It all seems rather easy peasy. So he offers to help out a bit, while dad has a rest on the sofa. But things don't turn out the way dad was expecting...

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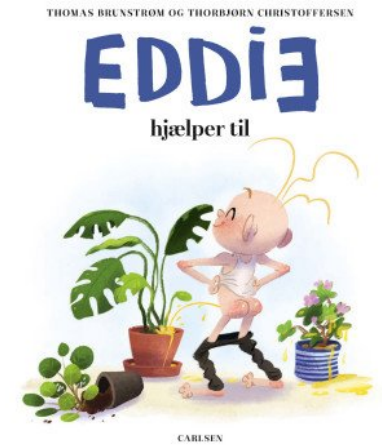
## Eddie helps out (4)

### Eddie hjælper til

The Eddie books form part of a new series for the youngest children about the popular little brother of Sally.

**Thomas Brunstrøm** is a bestselling author, freelance journalist, film critic and podcast host - and real-life dad to Sally and Eddie.

**Thorbjørn Christoffersen** is a Danish illustrator, film director and animator.



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Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *October, 2022*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Humour*

Film Rights: *Rights & Brands*

Theatre Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Available material: *English sample of the first books in the series.*

### Territories Handled

Rights owner: *Rights & Brands*

### Territories Sold

Polish: *Dwukropek*

Inger Tobiasen



## Fanni models a robot

### Fanni modellerer en robot

Playful series about the creative little girl, Fanni, who uses her skills and imagination to build adventures and new friends out of materials, such as beads, thread, playdough, and sand. Aimed at 2-6 year-olds.

**Inger Tobiasen** is one of the best-known Danish illustrators of children's books – with her recognisable style, she catches the sentiments of children beautifully and she has provided artwork for many books, also by other authors.

### SYNOPSIS

Fanni uses her creative little fingers to model a robot out of playdough. She names him Folmer. But are robots alive? Is Folmer alive? And what does it take to make him come alive?

The book is part of a series of five books where Inger Tobiasen mixes illustration and photography to create a playful, creative feeling.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Fannis Farver*

Published: *April, 2022*

48 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Adventure*

Themes: *Curiosity, Imagination*

Available material: *English sample upon request.*

### Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Peter Nordahl  
Rasmus Bregnhøi



## Something happens to an Animal: Anna rescues a Bumble Bee (1)

### Der sker noget med et dyr: Anna redder en humlebi (1)

A charming picture book series for the little ones about little animals – with facts about the animals at the end of the book.

**Peter Nordahl** is the author of a lovely and current picture book series.

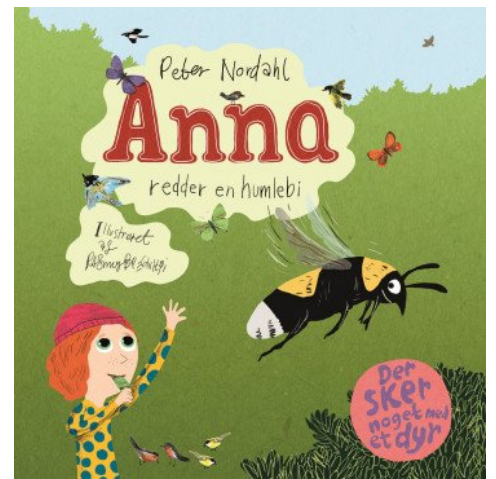
**Rasmus Bregnhøi** is a hugely popular and award-winning Danish illustrator, who was short-listed for the *Deutscher Jugendbuchpreis* in 2019.

## SYNOPSIS

Anna with the red beanie loves to sit by the big window and look out into her garden. And she loves animals. One day a bumble bee flies through the garden door and it cannot get out again. Anna has to rescue it.

There are now four books in the series:

- Anna rescues a Frog
- Anna rescues a Moth
- Anna rescues a Sparrow
- Anna rescues a Bumblebee



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gads Forlag*

Published: *August, 2020*

27 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Realism*

Available material: *English sample upon request.*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Inger Tobiasen



## Fanni's Red Book (4)

### Fannis røde bog (4)

A charming series of picture books about imagination, creativity and colours. Currently nominated for one of the prestigious prizes at the 28. *Biennale of Illustrations Bratislava* and sold in translation to China Mainland and South Korea.

**Inger Tobiasen** is one of the best-known Danish illustrators of children's books – with her recognisable style, she catches the sentiments of children beautifully and she has provided artwork for many books, also by other authors.

### SYNOPSIS

A bird takes Fanni's red strawberry. To catch the bird and the strawberry, she draws a motorcycle, and races off. On her way, she passes many things, all of them with red in colour. Eventually, she ends up in her grandfather's big strawberry field.

### REVIEWS

"A reader reported that her 5-year-old child suffers from high-functioning autism. This is the first time he has read a book in its entirety and read 5 titles at a time. Our editor felt sincerely happy. Thank you very much for your creativity and work. Somewhere in the world, there is a child who is happy because of reading your series. It is a very remarkable achievement." – (Note to the author from her Chinese publisher: Beijing Yutian Hanfeng Book Co., Ltd)



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Fannis Farver*

Published: 2018

40 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Film Rights: *Babel-Bridge Literary Agency*

Available material: *Danish originals and English sample translations. Chinese translation by UTOP.*

### Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

### Territories Sold

Chinese Simplified: UTOP

Korean: Montessori Korea Co., Ltd.

Christine Lund  
Jakobsen  
Zarah Juul



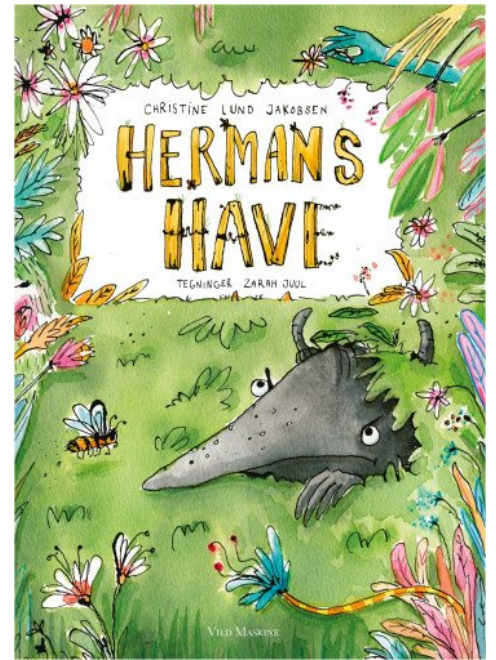
## Gregory's Garden

### Hermans have

*Gregory's Garden* problematises the tendency to focus on our differences rather than what unites us. It draws attention to the fear of the unknown and poses the question if our differences can indeed be a resource that benefits everyone.

**Christine Lund Jakobsen** writes thought-provoking picture books, always with a clear hook and with an ability to draw her target audience in.

**Zarah Juul** is a popular Danish illustrator, known and loved for her original artwork and colourful style.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Vild Maskine*

Published: *October, 2018*

40 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Available material: *English sample*

### Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

## SYNOPSIS

Gregory loves his beautiful garden, which he keeps firmly closed with a big gate. What he really wants is peace. One day a creature with green fingers knocks on his door to ask for a favour and soon after several more come knocking. Gregory is distraught and sends them all away. Until something happens that makes him realise that, despite their differences, together they will be stronger.

*"No one knew precisely how Gregory's garden looked, because all around the garden, a tall thick hedge grew which was kept together by two tall garden doors. Gregory's garden door needed polishing. He whistled a small melody and rubbed with his cloth until the doors were shining like gold."*

## REVIEWS

"A relevant tale" – (5 stars in *Nordjyske* (Danish newspaper))

"A beautiful pearl" – (*Forestilling om paradis* (Imagine Paradise))



Rasmus Bregnhøi



## Inventions, Knitted Beanies and a Mean Cat

### Opfindelser, strikkede huer og en dum kat

The internationally recognised Danish illustrator is now also the author of his own picture book series, sold in translation to Chinese Complex, Italian, Korean and Spanish.

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



Rasmus Bregnhøi  
*Inventions, woolly beanies  
and a mean cat*

## SYNOPSIS

The friends we make are not always the most obvious ones - this is one of the universal messages in this beautiful picture book about the mouse and cat that make best friends despite all odds.

Rasmus Bregnhøi is one of the best illustrators in Denmark with a recognizable and entertaining style. *Inventions, Knitted Beanies and a Mean Cat* won the *Blixen Prize* and translation rights thus far sold include Chinese Complex, Italian, Korean and Spanish.

## TERRITORIES HANDLED

World except: Danish

## TERRITORIES SOLD

Chinese Complex: Wu-Nan, Icelandic: Benedikt bókaútgáfa, Italian: Sinnos, Korean: Siwon School.

Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: Forlaget Carlsen

Published: *July, 2015*

48 pages

Category: Children's Books

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

Available material: *Danish original, full English sample translation.*

Jacinta Madsen



## Little Tree

### Lille Træ

*Little Tree* is a tale that plays in the intimate sphere but is concerned with global dilemmas. Nominated for the Cultural Ministry's 2022 Children's Book Illustrator Prize.

**Jacinta Madsen** (b. 1982) is a journalist with bachelor degree in Philosophy and a speciality in children's and youth television. She has hosted and produced innumerable programs on the Danish public TV channel, DR, specifically for their hugely popular children's channel, Ramasjang.

## SYNOPSIS

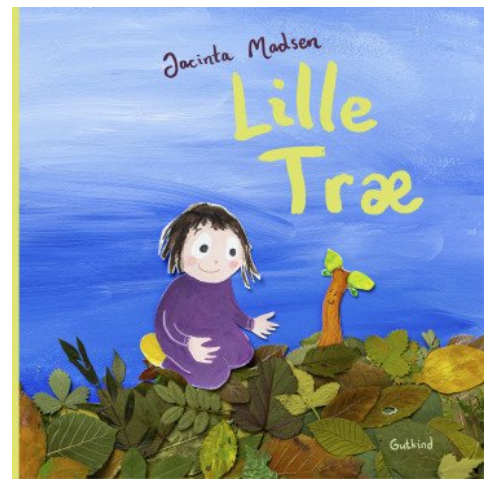
It is spring and Little Tree is about to burst into leaf when a small girl comes jumping through the forest. She pulls Little Tree out of the soil and brings it home, so they can live together in the city. The girl is full of good ideas and does everything she can to make sure her new friend is well – but Little Tree becomes weak and starts to fade. What is wrong with Little Tree?

Little Tree is a story about budding friendship between a girl and a little tree which is afraid to grow. It is difficult to play together when you are from different worlds, but perhaps the friendship can form the foundation for a completely new understanding?

A story in pictures about a friendship out of the ordinary, about empathy and the importance of seeing what others need.

Jacinta has developed a special collage technique where nature, paint brush, scissors and paper create a special aesthetic style which encourages children and grown-ups to creativity and play.

Take a look at Danish publisher, Gutkind's, extra Read and Talk-material [here](#).



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *May, 2022*

32 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Realism*

Themes: *Environment, Friendship, Imagination*

Available material: *Full English sample*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Carl Quist-Møller



# Pete the Reading Tortoise

## Læsepadden Pede

This heart-warming picture book is a celebration of the book and its ability to make us forget everything around us.

**Carl Quist-Møller** (b. 1964) is a popular Danish author, illustrator and musician.

## SYNOPSIS

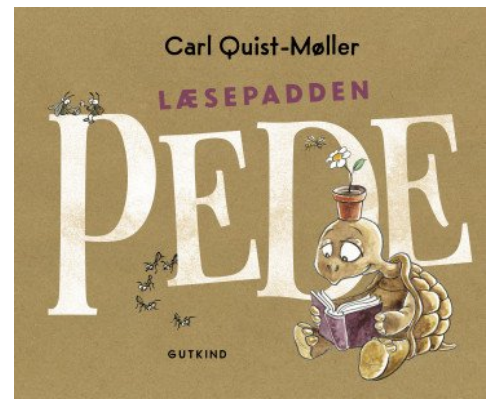
Pete is a lazy tortoise and one day when Fox, Hare, Mouse and Badger take him along to the library, Pete simply lies down and falls asleep. When he wakes up, he's been left behind and he is alone with a whole lot of books. But what is he supposed to do with all these book? Is he supposed to use them as building blocks? Is he supposed to sleep inside them?

Luckily, Pete is great at getting good ideas and when he finally thinks of opening a book, magical things start to happen.

Check out Danish publisher, Gutkind's, extra material [here](#).

## REVIEWS

"The Danish Minister of Cultur, Ane Halsboe-Jørgensen, thinks that the children's book, Pete the Reading Tortoise, is a good example of how the library can turn children into curious readers. She thinks that it has big impact on the reading interest of children that they are introduced to books at a very young age." – (Dansk Centralbibliotek for Sydslesvig)



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Gutkind*

Published: *January, 2022*

48 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

Sub-category: *Picture Books (2-5 years)*

Genre: *Humour*

Available material: *English sample*

## Territories Handled

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

Sophie Soud  
Emilie Rubæk Holm



## Sun over Inner City (1)

### Sol over indre by og historien om en ilder

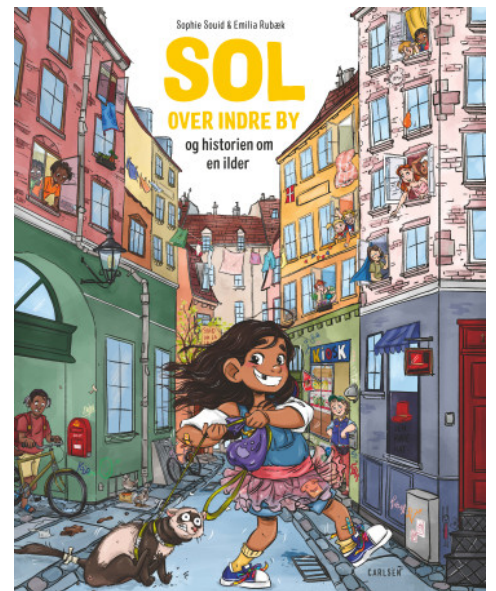
*The Story about a Ferret* is the first book in the series *Sun over Inner City* about the girl, Sun, who has a mind of her own and a heart of gold.

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

**Emilie Rubæk Holm** is an experienced freelance artist and illustrator with a Master's Degree focused on Visual Communication from The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts.

## SYNOPSIS

Sun would really like a pet and especially a dog. Mum says that they are not allowed to have pets in their flat. But Sun has the same relationship to rules as she has to the dentist. And new shoes that are too tight... So, if she is not allowed to OWN a dog, then she can just BORROW one... and forget to give it back again. Sun makes a plan and it will no doubt work out woofingly well, because Sun does not stop at anything. It's one of the things she has from her dad, Donor.



Original Language: *Danish*

Original Publisher: *Forlaget Carlsen*

Published: *November, 2022*

40 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Genre: *Humour*

Film Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Theatre Rights: *Babel-Bridge*

Available material: *English sample upon request*

## Territories Handled

World except: Danish

Bárður Oskarsson

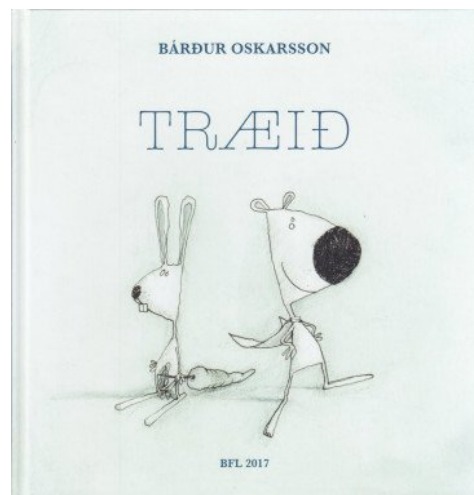


## The Tree

### Træið

Winner of the Nordic Literature Council's Children's Book Prize, *The Tree* is a classic Bárður Oskarsson story, written and illustrated in his simplistic and highly characteristic style.

The award-winning Faroese author, **Bárður Oskarsson**, has an impressive 15 foreign languages on his list of translation sales.



### SYNOPSIS

The characters in this pearl of a book are animals with recognisable human traits and feelings and Bárður Oskarsson lets them juggle some of life's ethical and existential question without offering any easy answers. With his subtle humour, we meet the rabbit, Bob, who timidly wonders what might be on the other side of the tree. His friend, Hilbert, claims he has not only been there many times, he has in fact seen the whole world, because he can fly. Who can we trust, what is on the other side of the hill, should we go see for ourselves?

### REVIEWS

"Genious read-aloud with philosophical after taste " – (*Jyllandposten*)

"He shaves us down to the bare essentials and leaves us with the question: 'What is behind that tree?'" – (5 hearts in *Politiken*)

### TERRITORIES HANDLED

World Rights (Babel Bridge)

### TERRITORIES SOLD

Bulgarian: Damyan Yakov, Danish: Torgard, English (UK): Darf Publishers, Icelandic: Dimma, Italian: C.E.D. Centro Editoriale, Korean: Jinsun Publishing Co., Macedonian: PNV Publikacii, Norwegian: Orkana, Slovene: Zalozba Zala, Swedish: Modernista.

Original Language: *Faroese*

Original Publisher: *Bokadeild Føroya Lærarafelags*

Published: *April, 2017*

20 pages

Category: *Children's Books*

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

Available material: *English translation*