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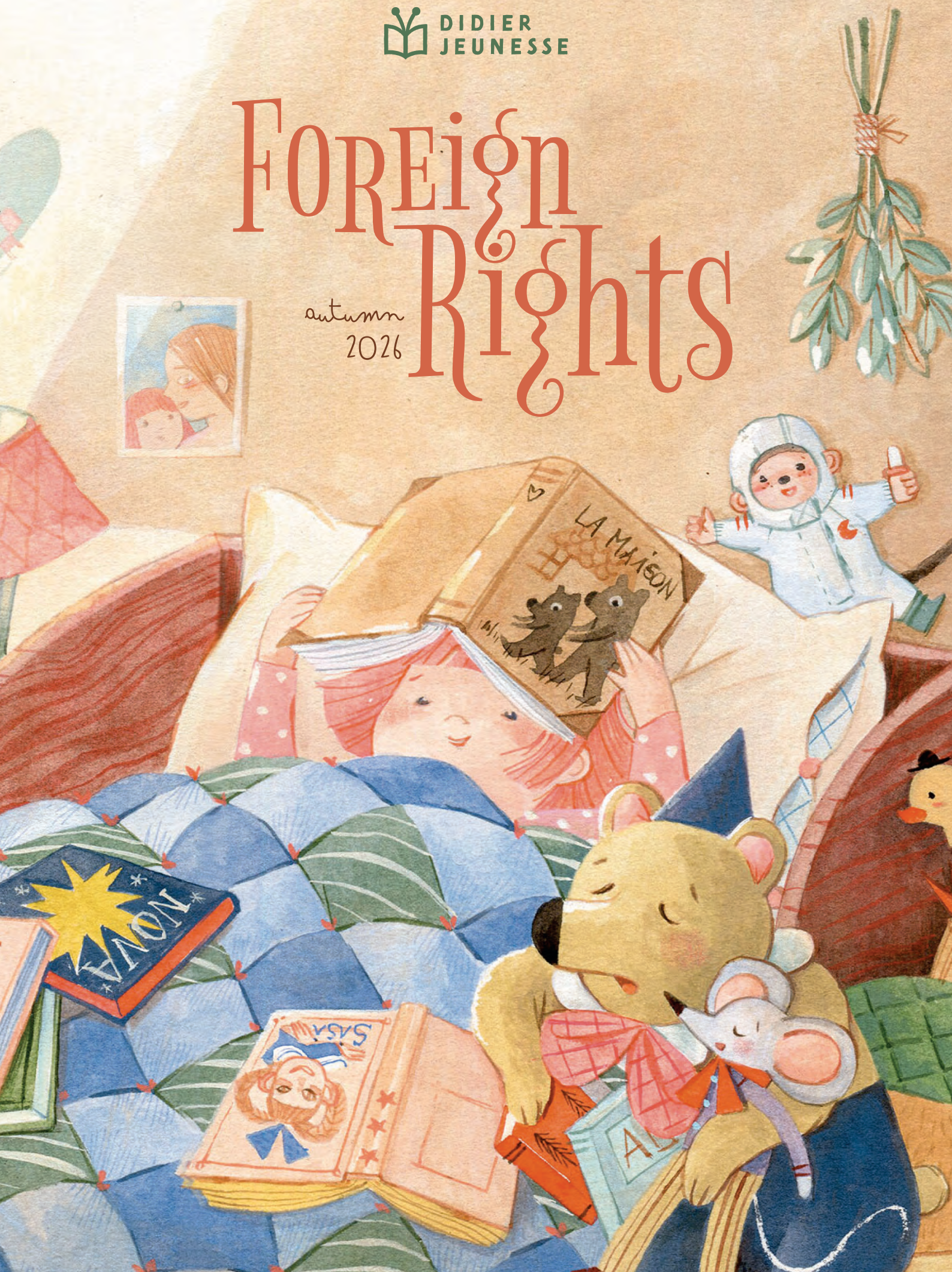


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Latest releases in our early childhood label



A sound-filled dive beneath the waves to discover marine animals in their natural habitats.

A refreshing sound book with five audio buttons (90 seconds of sound) introducing young readers to the calls of five marine animals: the humpback whale, harbor seal, common bottlenose dolphin, Adélie penguin, and European herring gull. Each animal's call is set within an authentic natural soundscape: the whale and dolphin beneath the rolling ocean, and the seal, penguin, and gull along the shoreline. The result is an immersive experience filled with the sounds of sea breezes and crashing waves.

This delightful sound book features animals that young children can encounter in oceans and coastal regions around the world.

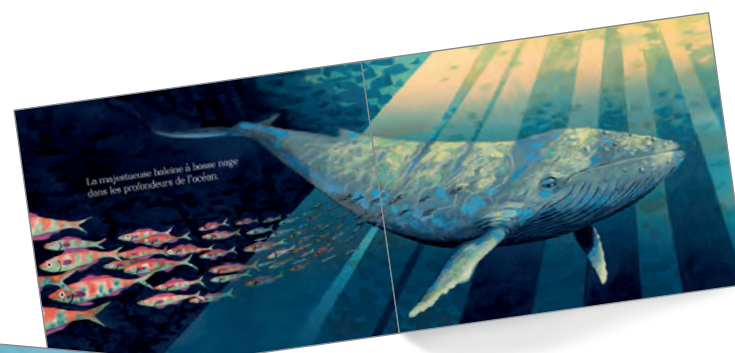
Following *Listen to Farm Animals*, Alexandra Huard turns her watercolor and painted illustrations to the marine world, creating vibrant seascapes alive with animals in motion. A playful variety of perspectives, with sunlight shimmering across the water's surface, brings each scene to life.



LISTEN TO SEA ANIMALS

Illustrated by Alexandra Huard
Sound Book – 19 x 15 cm – 14 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date : October 2026

IN THE SAME SERIES:



A heartwarming sound book introducing young children to the adorable calls of baby animals in the wild.

Young readers will delight in discovering the authentic sounds of five baby animals in their natural habitats: a kitten, duckling, wolf cub, lamb, and panda cub. Their charming calls will surprise, amuse, and captivate young listeners.

A sound book with five audio buttons (90 seconds of sound), perfect for sharing happy moments with little ones as they learn to recognize each baby animal and match it to its call.

Amandine Laprun, who spent her childhood playing in vegetable gardens, has a remarkable gift for depicting nature and animals. Here, she invites readers to follow these adorable young creatures as they roam freely through a garden, a pond, a forest, a meadow, and a jungle.



LISTEN TO BABY ANIMALS

Illustrated by Amandine Laprun
Sound Book – 19 x 15 cm – 14 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date : August 2026

IN THE SAME SERIES:



A lively and joyful first introduction to the piano and its many musical styles.

A sound book with five audio buttons (90 seconds of music) introducing young listeners to five piano styles: classical, jazz, rock, Latin American, and pop. A musical journey through time and around the world, offering a first discovery of this versatile and much-loved instrument.

Every piano piece featured in this sound book is original and previously unpublished. They were specially composed and recorded by François Combarieu to capture the distinctive character of each musical style.

To bring these different musical worlds to life, QU Lan has filled the pages with cheerful animals and created a unique colorful visual palette for each musical genre.



LISTEN TO THE PIANO

Illustrated by QU Lan
Sound Book – 19 x 15 cm – 14 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: September 2026

IN THE SAME SERIES:



PIOU
PIOU

A poetic first introduction to classical Christmas music, beautifully illustrated by Delphine Renon.

The sixteenth title in this bestselling series of classical sound books features five audio buttons (90 seconds of music) introducing young listeners to beloved Christmas-themed classical works by some of the world's greatest composers: Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker* (Waltz of the Snowflakes), Bach's *Christmas Oratorio*, Mozart's *German Dances* (The Sleigh Ride), Mendelssohn's *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*, and Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons* (Winter).

A carefully curated selection of world-famous classical pieces celebrating the holiday season, offering a delightful musical journey through the Romantic, Classical, and Baroque eras, alongside a magical visual stroll through enchanting winter landscapes.



MY FIRST CLASSICAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Illustrated by Delphine Renon
Sound Book – 19 x 15 cm – 14 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: November 2026
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IN THE SAME SERIE - more than 146.000 copies sold :





The first title in a fresh and joyful new series of nursery rhymes for babies!

"Little snail, little snail,
with your house upon your tail.
When the raindrops start to fall,
out you pop to greet them all!"

Illustrator Ekaterina Trukhan launches the *My Little Nursery Rhymes* series with her signature style: bright, playful illustrations, simple layered shapes and colors, an endearing little snail as the hero, and a single setting that brings every word of the beloved rhyme to life while echoing its gentle rhythm.

The sturdy board book opens horizontally like a miniature stage, allowing each large double-page spread to unfold like a theatrical scene in which young readers can immerse themselves. Each book in the series features a different colored spine, creating a charming, lively, and wonderfully colorful collection.

LITTLE SNAIL

Illustrated by Ekaterina Trukhan
Board Book – 13,5 x 24 cm – 18 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: August 2026



A beloved nursery rhyme comes to life in a charming board book designed like a little theater for babies.

"In the distant wood, hear the owl's song.
From his mighty oak, the cuckoo sings along.
Cuckoo, cuckoo, hear the cuckoo's song!"

Following *Little Snail*, this is the second title in our new nursery rhyme series for babies. Like a storyteller opening and closing a tale, each rhyme begins and ends with a playful refrain, making it easier to read aloud and inviting little ones to listen, delight in the rhythm, and immerse themselves in the music of language.

"Peekaboo, here I am. This is how my rhyme begins...
[...] Hoot, hoot, stars so bright. Now my rhyme will say
goodnight!"

Perfectly suited to very young children, Ella Coutance's illustrations play with layers of color and simple shapes. Filled with woodland animals at dusk, they mischievously echo the rhythm and words of the nursery rhyme.

PEEKABOO, OWL

Illustrated by Ella Coutance
Board Book – 13,5 x 24 cm – 18 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: October 2026



A sturdy lift-the-flap board book that invites babies to guess which animal is hiding behind each flap.



"Who sings in the rain? Who bothers the bees? Who slinks through the night? And who watches over little ones while they sleep?"

Swann Meralli has created a playful series of riddles filled with onomatopoeia and delightful sound patterns. Each flap reveals only a monochrome animal head with its ears peeking out, while simple visual clues—a few drops of honey, splashes of mud, or raindrops for the frog—help even the youngest readers guess who's hiding underneath.

The thick black-and-white flaps are especially sturdy and easy for little hands to lift again and again, encouraging babies to explore, discover, and joyfully repeat each answer.



WHO?

Written by Swann Meralli
Illustrated by Anne Crahay
Board Book – 15 x 15 cm – 14 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: October 2026



A tender, golden bedtime story to share together.

Evening is falling, and it's time for Moufi, the little bedtime star deliverer, to begin his nightly rounds. He fills his satchel, climbs aboard his cloud boat, and delivers a sleepy star to everyone he meets, whispering: "Good night, little ones. Good night, high above. Good night, down below. Good night, you nibblers. Good night, you twirlers..." As the world drifts off to sleep, Moufi hangs a few more stars across the vast night sky. And once every little one is tucked into bed, Moufi curls up in his cloud and falls asleep too. Good night, Moufi!

Set in a world that floats gently between dream and reality, this soothing story celebrates bedtime and the night, making it perfect to share with little ones before sleep.

The book's delicate illustrations are enhanced with shimmering gold foil, highlighting each bedtime star Moufi delivers and the sparkling trail of stardust he leaves behind across the sky.



A STAR FOR BEDTIME

Written & Illustrated by Delphine Renon
Board Book – 19 x 15 cm – 14 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: October 2026





I LIKE KING CAKE

Written and Illustrated by Atelier Saje
Novelty Book – 16 x 28 cm – 14 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: November 2026

IN THE SAME SERIES:



An interactive board book that follows, step by step, a nursery rhyme and recipe for the beloved galette des rois.



A playful nursery rhyme celebrating baking is expanded and reimagined by Atelier Saje, following the real recipe for the epiphany cake. Clever, engaging flaps and moving parts bring each step to life: the rolling pin rolls out the dough, the knife cuts the butter, then it's time to pour in the sugar, crack the eggs, slide the cake into the oven, and watch the clock tick as it bakes!

Young readers will fall in love with the round, caramel-colored bear chef, whose little paws guide them through the recipe in a cozy pastel kitchen.

Perfect for baking together!

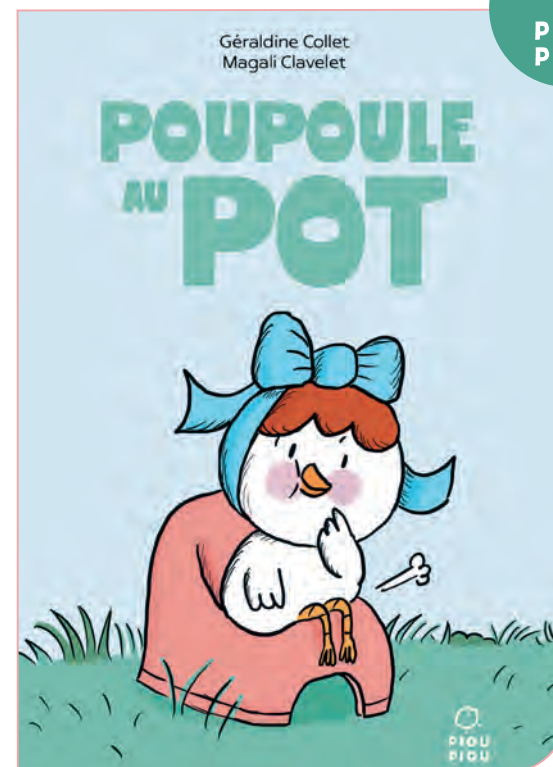
The seventh title in a bestselling series with more than 30,000 copies sold

This new volume follows the success of *Five in the Bed*, *Roll Along, Fox*, *My Hedgehog*, *Oh! The Mitten!*, *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*, and *Lovely Weather for Frogs*, all beloved favorites in bookstores.

Poupoule just wants a little peace and quiet to use the potty. That's not easy with such an enthusiastic family!

Poupoule is surrounded by loving relatives who are eager to help and encourage her... perhaps a little too much! All Poupoule wants is a bit of privacy to sit on the potty and do her business! A cheerful, lighthearted story that gently introduces potty training to young children.

As in Géraldine Collet's previous book, *I Wet the Nest*, this story avoids heavy-handed lessons or moralizing about potty training. Told entirely through lively dialogue, it explores a young child's need for privacy, the well-meaning presence of family, and the sometimes overwhelming enthusiasm of grown-ups, all with warmth and humor.



PEACE ON THE POTTY

Written by Géraldine Collet
Illustrated by Magali Clavelet
Board Book – 15 x 21 cm – 18 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date : August 2026

IN THE SAME SERIES:



PIOU
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A playful,
poetic word book
where 1 + 1 = 1!

One letter plus another makes a word. One tree becomes a forest, one twig becomes a nest, and two squirrels become one family. With each page, simple pairings blossom into a gentle story in this imaginative word book.

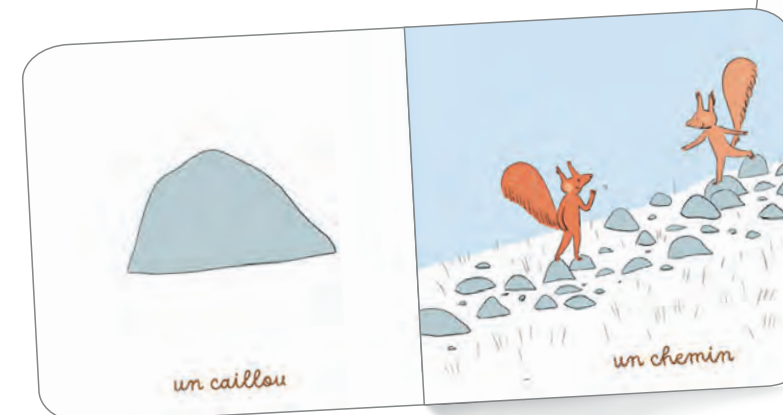
This delicate storyline adds warmth and emotion, enriching the reading experience and inviting young children to look closely, talk about what they see, and return to the book again and again.

For the illustrations, Chloé Almeras has created two bright fluorescent-orange squirrels whose lively expressions and playful movements seem to dance and scamper from page to page. Clean, airy, childlike artwork gives the book a fresh and inviting visual style.

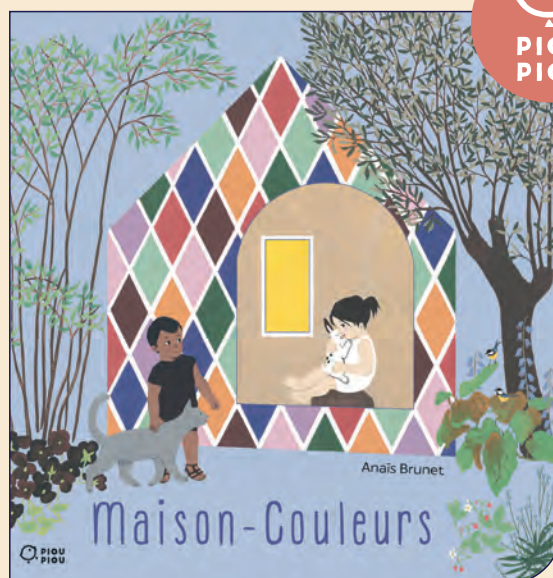


ONE LEAF, ONE SHELTER

Written & Illustrated by Chloé Almeras
Board Book – 15 x 15 cm – 28 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: September 2026



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THE HOUSE OF COLORS

Written & Illustrated by Anaïs Brunet
Board Book – 31,5 x 31,5 cm – 18 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: October 2026

FROM THE SAME AUTHOR:



Step inside this extraordinary house and dive into a world of color!

Young readers are invited to open the book and follow two children through the House of Colors, where every room is devoted to a different color palette. The courtyard is filled with shades of white and beige, the entrance studio glows with yellows, the living room blooms in pinks, the kitchen radiates reds, the patio is lush with greens, the hallway shines in oranges, the bathroom is awash in violets, and the bedroom is bathed in blues.

This immersive picture book invites children on a rich visual experience!

The book is printed using a seven-color process: in addition to standard four-color printing, it features three vibrant Pantone spot colors—a fluorescent pink, a fluorescent yellow, and an ultramarine blue.

Throughout the spacious House of Colors, each room connects to one or more others through die-cut doors and windows. These playful cutouts allow the colors to echo from room to room while encouraging children to explore and make their way through the house.





A playful and poetic Christmas story about a little girl counting down the sleeps until Christmas.

Christmas is almost here! Little Lou decorates the tree, bakes cookies, and, most importantly, counts the sleeps. "Three sleeps. One, two, three. Then Santa will be here!" The first sleep and the second sleep arrive quickly, fresh and full of promise. Then comes Christmas Eve... Lou lies in bed waiting for the third sleep—but it doesn't come. She grows impatient and searches everywhere for it, scolding it and nibbling Christmas cookies in hopes of luring it out. When the third sleep finally arrives, Santa can at last make his visit... But this year, he won't find any cookies waiting for him—because Lou has eaten every last one!

A fun, mischievous story to count down the days to Christmas.



THREE SLEEPS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

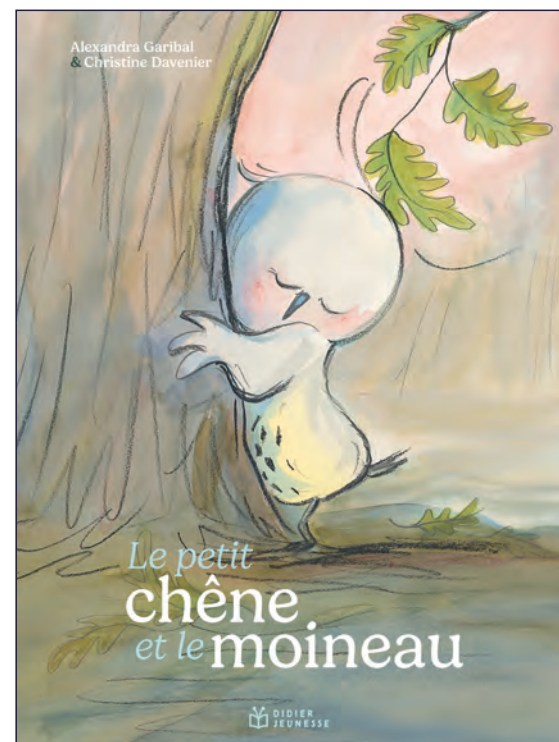
Written by Nadine Brun-Cosme
Illustrated by Elodie Coudray
Picture Book – 25 x 23 cm – 24 pages
For ages 2-5
Publication date: October 2026



A fable-like story that celebrates kindness and encourages every child to flourish just as they are.

"Once upon a time, in the forest, there was a little oak tree that was growing very crooked. All the animals wanted to straighten it. Only the sparrow thought to stop and listen..."

In a world that expects everyone to grow up straight and fit the mold, Alexandra Garibal's story reminds us that it is possible to grow crooked and still flourish. It encourages readers to look at others with kindness and understanding, giving them the confidence to thrive and grow into exactly who they are.



THE LITTLE OAK TREE AND THE SPARROW

Written by Alexandra Garibal
Illustrated by Christine Davenier
Picture book - 21 x 28,5 cm - 32 pages
For ages 3-6
Publication date: September 2026



A new adventure about getting lost in the snow. The eighth title in the Barnaby series.

It's winter, and there is snow everywhere! Swish, swish... Barnaby, Constance, and Claire wander out away from the house to have fun sledding and building a snowman. Before long, the snow begins to fall and it's time to head home. But none of the three friends can remember which way to go! "I think it's this way." Worried, they climb to the top of a hill for a better view. Just then, Lucien the fox comes by and asks them what they saw along the way. "A pond!" cries Barnaby. Once they've found the pond, Lucien points them in the right direction: "Head down to the big rock, go past it, then keep going straight to get home." Swish, swish... They make it safely back to the house. Phew, what an adventure!

A picture book about the fear of getting lost, echoing those small childhood scares—the moments when we begin learning to find our way in the world.



BARNABY IN THE SNOW

Written by Gilles Bizouerne
Illustrated by Béatrice Rodriguez
Picture book - 21,5 x 16,5 cm - 32 pages
For ages 0-3
Publication date: November 2026

Previous books in the series sold in Basque, Catalan, Chinese (simplified characters), English, German, Italian, Romanian, Russian and Spanish languages.

IN THE SAME SERIES:

MORE THAN 35.000 COPIES SOLD IN THE SERIES



and more...



The new title by the duo behind bestselling picture books!

In the middle of the night, in his pajamas and lying in bed, Little Elf's eyes are wide open. Cock-a-doodle-doo! What? At this hour? It can't be morning yet! What's gotten into the rooster? Throwing on his clothes, Little Elf goes to find out. It's not the rooster's fault—the cat woke him up, and once he's awake, he crows. And so begins a journey that leads Little Elf from the meowing cat to the howling wolf, the hooting owl, and finally to a little mouse who is crying. It's not her fault either—the night keeps growing darker and darker... Fortunately, Little Elf is there to comfort her and help her understand that it isn't the end—it's winter, and sometimes we all need to rest before beginning again.

A heartwarming cumulative tale about the cycle of life and the importance of rest.

The sequel to *Little Elf is Really Hungry*, with more than 100,000 copies sold in hardcover and 57,000 in paperback.



LITTLE ELF'S LONG NIGHT

Written by Pierre Delye
Illustrated by Cécile Hudrisier
Picture Book – 25 x 25 – 24 pages
For ages 6-9
Publication date: October 2026



A beautiful picture book about facing fear together.

Storms make me shiver—and I'm not the only one. My cat, Monsieur Balthazar, scratched at the door, eager to come inside. As dark clouds rolled across the sky, a pair of robins tapped at the window. The scent of rain arrived with a family of hedgehogs. With every raindrop, another visitor appeared: a deer, a fox, a badger, three little pigs, a wolf, and then—at the first booming clap of thunder, BOOM!—a bear! None of us really knew one another, but somehow it felt comforting just to be together. We shared hot chocolate, cooked, played games, and danced. Time flew by so quickly that we didn't even notice the storm had ended. Before long, it was time for everyone to return home. And we all thought the same thing: "Storms make me shiver. And I'm not the only one..."

A poetic story about shared fear, showing how a thunderstorm brings together an unlikely group of animals. A tender pause in a haven of peace and comfort.



WHEN THE STORM COMES

Written by Olivier Dutto
Illustrated by Violette Grabski
Picture Book – 27 x 24 cm – 36 pages
For ages 3-6
Publication date: October 2026





FROM MORNING TO NIGHT

Written by Alix de Mézamat
Illustrated by Clémence Trossevin
Picture book – 22,5 x 26 – 36 pages
For ages 3-6
Publication date : September 2026



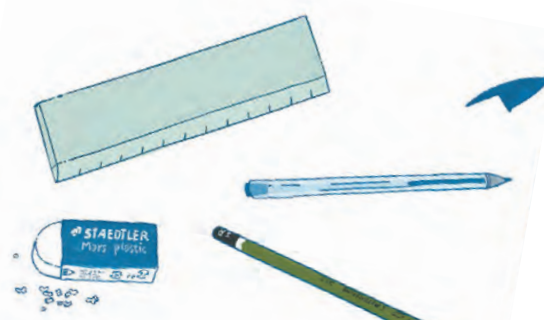
J'ai entendu à travers le volet fermé le bruit de la pluie sur la chaussée
et les voitures qui roulaient et les essuie-glaces qui essayaient.

A gentle,
sensory journey
through
an autumn
day
in the life
of a child.

A simple, warm, and sensitive picture book that invites readers to experience a day through a child's eyes—from the soft cocoon of waking up and the familiar morning routine to the joy of playground games and the steady rhythm of classroom lessons, where children count, cut, throw, and dance. Then comes the anxious wait at school pickup, mixed with the fear of having been forgotten, the happiness of seeing Mom arrive, the delight of singing nursery rhymes together, and the freedom of running, shouting, and singing in the park. Finally, it's time to hurry home, where a warm meal awaits, followed by the comfort of home, a family meal, the cozy nest of a bedroom, and the blue hour that gently settles over everything.

Clémence Trossevin's first picture book, featuring illustrations that capture the scents and poetry of everyday moments. She layers frames like close-up glimpses of the details that captivate a child's attention, recreating the way children experience the world. The double-page spreads linger on moments of waiting, wonder, and contentment.

The best moments always pass too quickly. *From Morning to Night* invites readers to pause, savor these moments, and hold them close.





BERTHA THE MOUSE

Written by Géraldine Collet

Illustrated by Jools Bentley

Picture Book – 23,5 x 23,5 cm – 32 pages

For ages 3-6

Publication date: August 2026



A lively little mouse stars in her very first adventure as a quick-witted, fearless heroine!



Every morning, Bertha the mouse woke up full of joy.

Whether the sun was shining or the rain was falling, she didn't mind—as long as she could scamper through the fields. But one day, as she was dashing through the grass, she heard some very strange noises...

It's impossible not to fall in love with Bertha, who always finds the courage to stay cheerful despite the predators determined to gobble her up. Our intrepid heroine refuses to let fear take over. Even when she's soaring through the air in the clutches of her greatest enemy, she still finds time to marvel at the beauty of the landscape and the wind ruffling her fur.

A spirited, larger-than-life heroine stars in this fast-paced adventure!

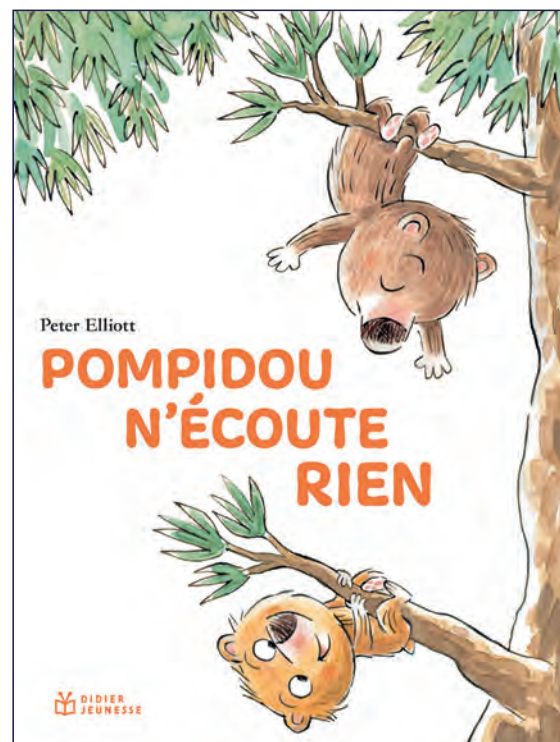


A funny story about the importance of listening.

With Pompidou around, there's always fun to be had. That's why Boris loves spending time with him. But when Zephyr, Olympe, and Tournesol each arrive in turn to warn them about an urgent situation, Pompidou doesn't even want to listen.

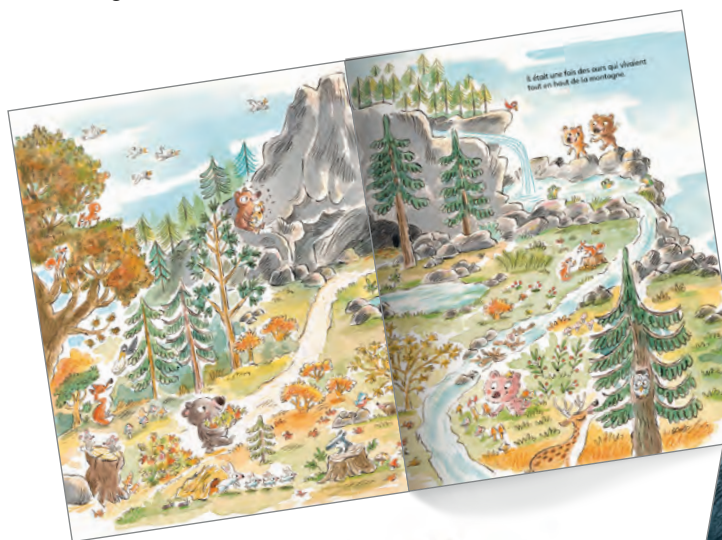
If Pompidou refuses to hear anything, that's his problem! But what about Boris?

Pompidou is the kind of friend who takes the lead—the one with a thousand ideas and endless energy. Boris is more of a follower: he loves laughing and playing with Pompidou, but he struggles to stand up for himself in the face of such a strong personality. With warmth and humor, Peter Elliott shows that finding your voice and gaining confidence are essential to being heard.



POMPIDOU WON'T LISTEN TO ANYONE

Written & Illustrated by Peter Elliott
Picture Book – 21 x 27 cm – 32 pages
For ages 3-6
Publication date : September 2026



A delightfully offbeat mystery starring a tiny king who wakes up with a pair of underpants draped over his nose.

The Tiny Little King is not an early riser—not at all. He never gets up before sunrise. But this morning is different. He opens his eyes, and it's still dark outside. Strange. Something is resting on his eyelids—something soft, something covered in little hearts... A pair of underpants! And they're certainly not his. Who could have dared?!

The Little King sets off to find the owner, asking everyone he meets, "Hey, have you lost something?" He asks the little red hen, a family of bears out for a walk, and seven little workers on their way to work—but the underpants don't belong to any of them. So whose are they?

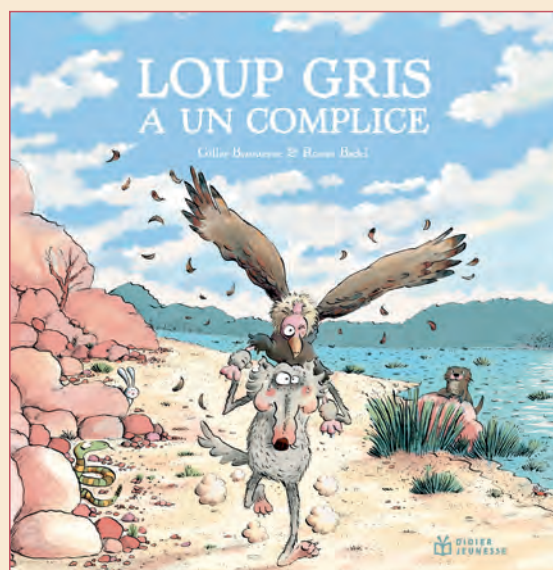
A mischievous, surprise-filled story by Philippe Jalbert, beloved for his wit and playful sense of humor.



THE TINY LITTLE KING'S UNDERPANTS

Written and Illustrated by Philippe Jalbert
Picture book – 21 x 25 cm – 32 pages
For ages 4-6
Publication date : October 2026





GRAY WOLF HAS AN ACCOMPLICE

Written by Gilles Bizouerne

Illustrated by Ronan Badel

Picture book – 25 x 25 cm – 36 pages

For ages 3-8

Publication date: October 2026

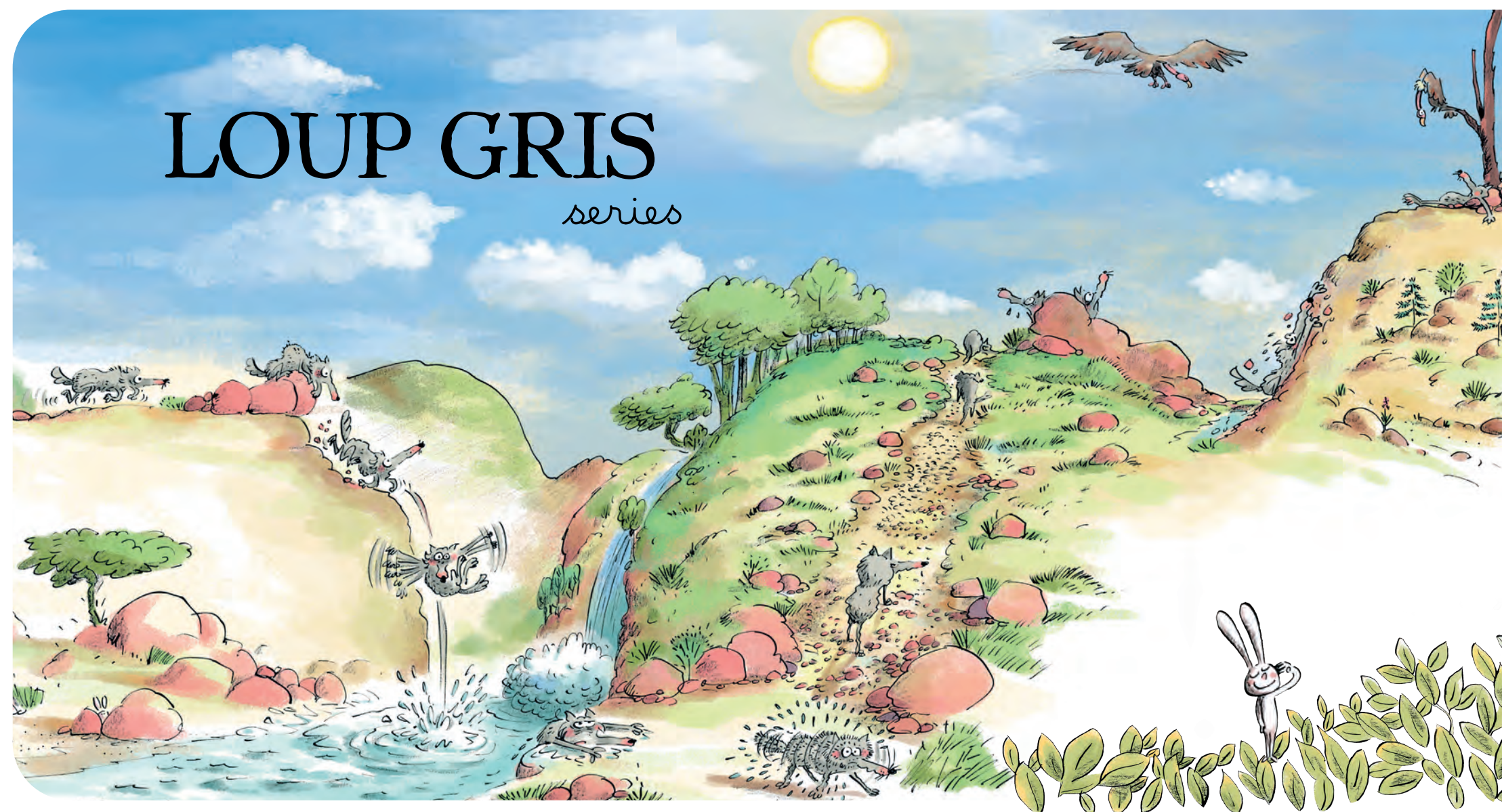
Previous books in the series sold in Breton, Catalan, Chinese (simplified characters), German, Italian, Korean, Romanian, Spanish, Ukrainian, Vietnamese.

IN THE SAME SERIES:

MORE THAN 510.000 COPIES SOLD IN THE SERIES



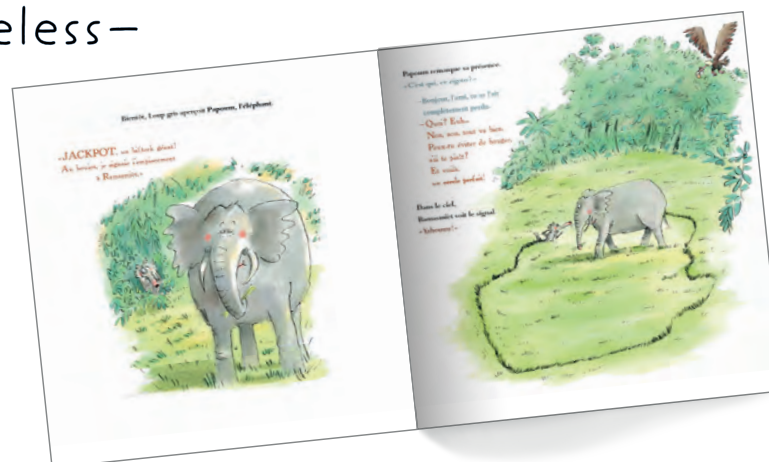
and more...



Gray Wolf meets
Scrounger,
a vulture every
bit as clever
—and hopeless—
as he is.
There's
bound
to be
trouble...

One morning, Gray Wolf meets a vulture named Scrounger, who is looking for a hunting partner. Wolf eagerly agrees to the deal: Scrounger soars high above, and whenever he spots prey, he circles overhead. All Gray Wolf has to do is catch dinner! At first, this new duo—the Dream Team—seems unstoppable. But there's one small problem: Scrounger is afraid of heights, and Gray Wolf, true to form, still manages to let every single meal escape. So Wolf comes up with what he thinks is the idea of the century: they'll swap roles. Unsurprisingly, they're just as disastrous that way...

At last, Gray Wolf has found someone just like himself! Together, they enthusiastically charge from one terrible idea to the next. This story is less about hunting and more about this unlikely partnership—a budding friendship full of shared mischief, comic misunderstandings, and plenty of squabbles along the way.



A playful picture book featuring five real letters to open as readers follow a globetrotting hamster discovering homes around the world!

An original blend of story, interactive letters, and travel journal!

Pluche, Leo's beloved hamster, has had enough of running in circles in his cage. So he trades his exercise wheel for a trip around the world! As the seasons pass, he sends letters home from the Netherlands, Japan, Morocco, Brazil, and Canada. Tucked inside the book are five "real" envelopes for children to open, each containing a letter filled with news of Pluche's adventures, the friends he meets, and the places he explores. After every letter, a double-page spread from Pluche's travel journal offers fascinating facts and amusing anecdotes about homes around the world. From Brazil's stilt houses to Canada's skyscrapers, from Morocco's colorful zellij tilework to Japan's tatami floors and high-tech toilets, readers will embark on an exciting journey around the globe!



MY HAMSTER'S TRIP AROUND THE WORLD: WELCOME HOME

Written by Françoise de Guibert

Illustrated by Luciano Lozano

Picture Book – 26,5 x 21,5 cm – 32 pages

For ages 3-5

Publication date: October 2026

IN THE SAME SERIES:



With real letters to open!



A collection of poems by Carl Norac, featuring his beloved poem *The Dreaming Backpack*.

"And remember, who can say
dreams are only meant for night?
My teacher always tells me
that a poet dreams in daylight."

In this collection of 28 poems, Carl Norac explores the school year with warmth, humor, and tenderness, from the first day of school to the summer holidays. Divided into the four seasons, each illustrated by a different artist, the book follows the rhythm of a school year, accompanying children as they discover, grow, and flourish.

With his trademark playfulness and delight, Norac turns the schoolbag into a character of its own, slipping into a child's everyday life—in the classroom, at home, gazing out the window, on the playground, or sharing lunch with friends. From there, the poems soar into the imagination, opening windows through the teacher's words or following a mischievous backpack that decides to skip school. Above all, they celebrate the joy of school while encouraging children to never stop dreaming.

For the first time, Carl Norac's celebrated poem is published in book form, accompanied by tender, dreamy illustrations by a collective of artists.



THE DREAMING BACKPACK

Written by Carl Norac

Illustrated by Delphine Balme, Violette Grabski, Marie Horrie, Clémence Monnet

Picture book – 18 x 24 cm – 60 pages

For ages 6-8

Publication date: August 2026



A book to help children explore and understand their emotions through music.

This book and CD invite children to put words, images, and music to their feelings, helping them recognize, express, and perhaps even sing about their emotions. Eight emotions are each paired with a piano piece by Robert Schumann, creating a vibrant musical rainbow: joy, fear, anger, love, disgust, surprise, serenity, and sadness.

The book's musical direction is by David Pastor.

Pauline Comis's delicate illustrations beautifully capture the world of childhood and perfectly complement Anne Crahay's poetic texts. Each emotion is embodied by a different animal, and in the final spread they all come together in a joyful tableau, where emotions mingle and coexist—just as they do in real life!



EMOTIONS IN MUSIC

Written by Anne Crahay
Illustrated by Pauline Comis
Musical Direction by David Pastor
Musical Book – 21 x 21 cm – 24 pages
For ages 2-5
Publication date: September 2026



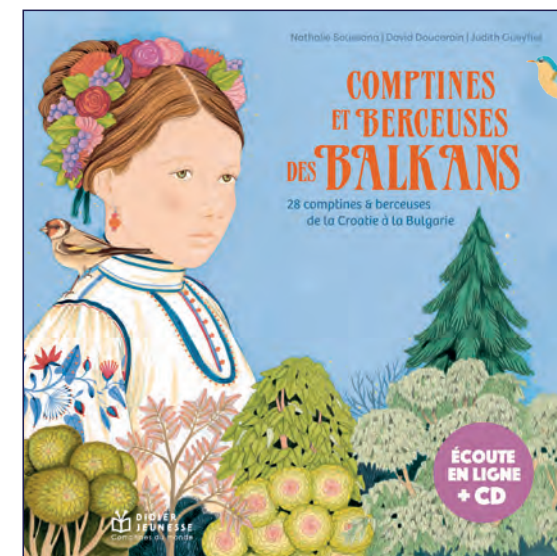
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