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Fletcher 1 - What a Stinker!
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Fletcher, the cleverest and coolest striped skunk in town by a long shot, has made his home in the back yard of the Wild Elk Restaurant—where he also enjoys many an alfresco dining experience – until the day Bode, the head chef and owner of the establishment, cottons on. As a result of this bad break, which Fletcher only survives thanks to his stink pistol, he meets Bode’s son Theo. The two of them discover that they share more than just a penchant for bread dumplings—they both harbour dreams of becoming famous detectives! Fletcher finds a backyard detective agency right there and then, appointing Theo as his PA, and they soon find themselves up to their necks in their first case: Bode, of all people, who is constantly hunting down poor Fletcher, is in danger himself! With the help of his beautiful secretary Cloe the pygmy weasel and his junior assistant detectives, cellar mice Flo, Mo, Jo, Po and Bo, Fletcher immediately sets about solving the case.

Can the combined forces of the backyard detective agency manage to outwit the villains? *It's logicolo!*

- **Kick-off to a series starring a hilarious new character. Fletcher, a master detective in a class of his own, is clever, cool, nimble, a little on the vain side – and always ready with a smart reply.**
- **a fast-paced and highly original children’s book with just the right touch of rule-breaking all children over eight enjoy**
- **with fantastic illustrations by Jan Birk**
- **Fletcher guarantees non-stop excitement, fast-paced action, much accidental hilarity, loads of chaos and plenty of drama—a massively enjoyable read!**

»In this new children's book, Antje Szillat's wonderfully offhand texts and Jan Birck’s fabulous four-colour illustrations are a perfect match: the illustrations seamlessly pick up where the texts leave off. A colourful comic novel which borrows liberally from cinematic sources, with changing perspectives, slo-mo and zooms... Eagerly anticipated by every boy I know!« *eselsehr*

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Antje Szillat is a full time author who has written numerous books for children, teenagers and young readers. Her children’s book series Rick was a huge success. Szillat lives near Hanover with her husband and four children.



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