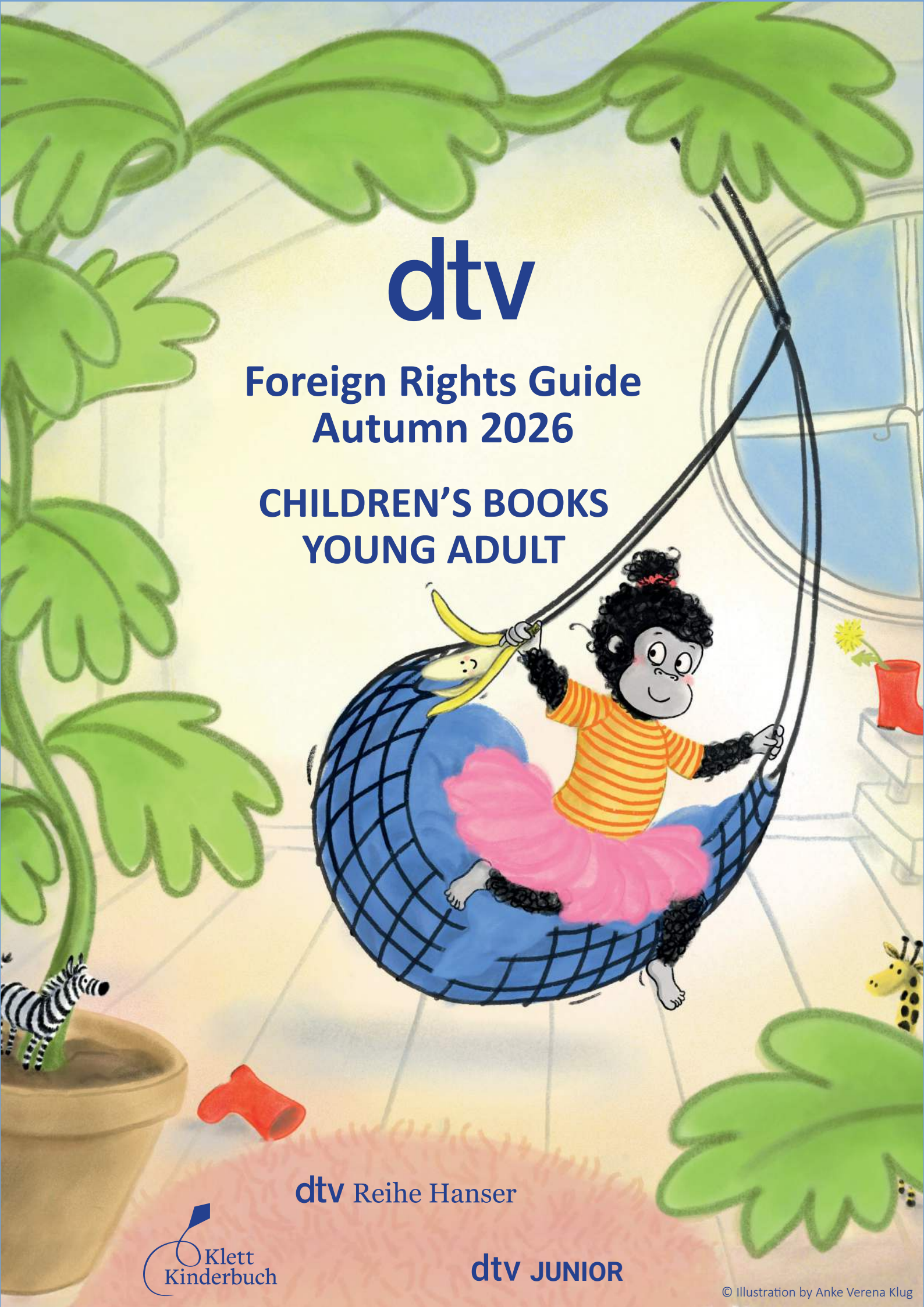


A whimsical illustration of a young girl with dark curly hair, wearing an orange and yellow striped shirt and a pink tutu, swinging happily on a blue globe suspended by ropes. She is holding a banana. The scene is set in a jungle with large green leaves, a window in the background, a zebra in a pot on the left, and a giraffe on the right. A red boot is on the floor.

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YOUNG ADULT**

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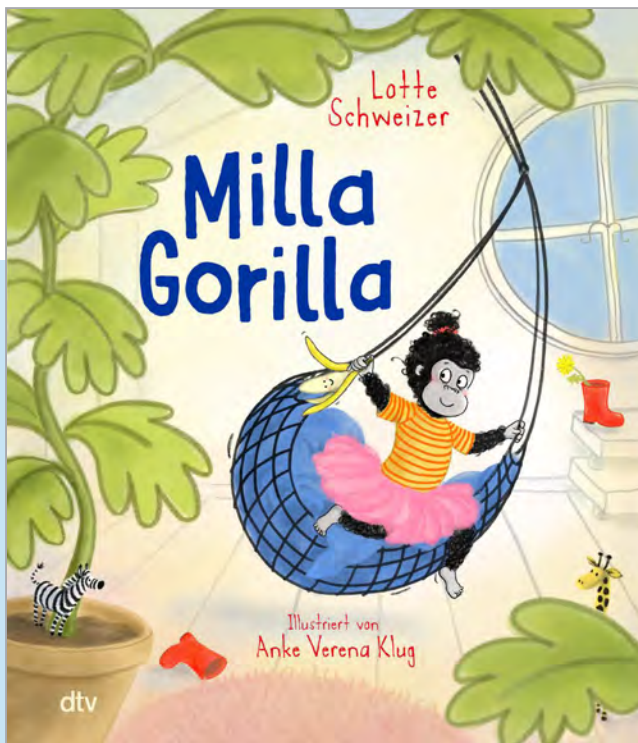
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Kinderbuch**

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Lotte Schweizer: Milla Gorilla

- A charming, extraordinary heroine
- A playful mix of everyday life and the gentle magic of childhood
- Feel-good stories for reading aloud and cuddling
- Second volume in preparation



Lotte Schweizer, Anke Verena Klug (Ill.)

Milla Gorilla

64 pages

July 2026

Age: 3+

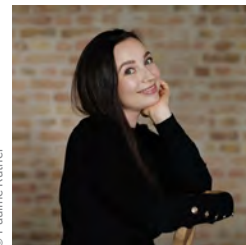
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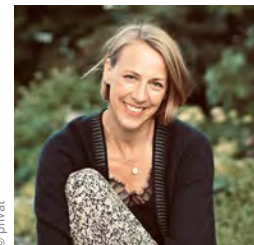
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Raise the curtain for Milla!

Milla is a little gorilla. She is curious, strong and bold. And very cute. She lives in a rooftop apartment with her mom and dad – sometimes it feels as if they were living in a treehouse! Milla experiences something new every day. It's exciting when Benjamin, the little tiger, moves into the same house. It's magical when Benjamin and Milla (maaaaybe!) transform their janitor, the endearing hippo Caruso, into a frog. And it's delicious (and very funny) when she goes to the outdoor swimming pool with her parents, eats swimming pool fries and must help her father – who got stuck in the slide!



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Lotte Schweizer had a boring office job for many years. However, because she prefers having adventures, she set off to travel the world. Since her return, she has devoted herself to writing children's books, creating new adventures at her desk every day.

Anke Verena Klug studied Interdisciplinary Art and Illustration in Paris, Scotland and the Netherlands. She has since moved to Hamburg, where she's been working as freelance artist and illustrator.

Stephanie Schneider: Grimm's Zonkey Tales – Aunt Camembert's Visit (vol. IV)

- New read-aloud stories about Zonkey Carotto and his bookseller
- Lavishly and lovingly illustrated by Stefanie Scharnberg
- Total print-run of the 'Grimm's Zonkey Tales' books: over 390,000 copies

**BEST
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Aunt Camembert causes a stir

When Aunt Camembert visits Grimm and Carotto in the house with the crooked number seven at the gate, there's absolutely no time and space for boredom! Grimm and his little zonkey teach her how to ride a bicycle, together they paint the house walls anew, and, of course, there's plenty of singing and rhyming. Having the weirdest combinations of ice cream at the local pond, trapping a mysterious ghost and painting their nails (or hooves, respectively!) – Grimm and Carotto are in top shape!



Stephanie Schneider, Stefanie Scharnberg (Ill.)
Grimm's Zonkey Tales – Aunt Camembert's Visit (vol. IV)

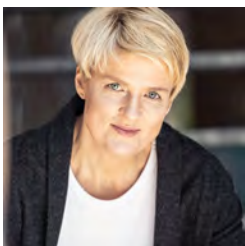
112 pages

September 2026

Age: 5+

4c illustrations, 17,3cm x 24cm

Genre: Family / Friends, Early Reading, Children's Books / YA



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Stephanie Schneider, born in 1972, studied Education and Art at the Fine Arts Academy in Braunschweig. Since 2004 she has been pursuing her childhood dream to work primarily as an author. She lives in Hanover with her husband and two daughters.

Stefanie Scharnberg was born in Hamburg in 1967 and completed a bookseller's apprenticeship in her home town. She then traveled to Florence to study Painting. On her return to Germany in 1992, she resumed her work as bookseller and illustrator. She now lives near Freiburg with her family.

Zany Zonkey Tales: Read-Aloud Stories & Picture Books



Stephanie Schneider
Grimm's Zonkey Tales – Carotto Moves in (vol. I)
 128 pages
 February 2022
 Age: 5+
 4c illustrations, 17,3cm x 24cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Family / Friends, Early Reading

Licenses sold: Belarus (POPURI), Czech Republic (Jan Vasut), Ukraine (Bohdan)



Stephanie Schneider
Grimm's Zonkey Tales – Spring, Summer, Autumn and Carotto (vol. II)
 144 pages
 July 2022
 Age: 5+
 4c illustrations, 17,3cm x 24cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Family / Friends, Early Reading

Licenses sold: Belarus (POPURI), Czech Republic (Jan Vasut), Ukraine (Bohdan)



Stephanie Schneider
Grimm's Zonkey Tales – Grimm and Carotto Take a Break (vol. III)
 96 pages
 April 2023
 Age: 4+
 4c illustrations, 17,3cm x 24cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Family / Friends, Early Reading

Licenses sold: Ukraine (Bohdan)



Stephanie Schneider
Grimm's Zonkey Tales – Carotto in a Vegetable Bed
 32 pages
 September 2023
 Age: 4+
 4c illustrations, 22cm x 30,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Picture-Book, Family / Friends



Stephanie Schneider
Grimm's Zonkey Tales – The Playground Pirates
 32 pages
 February 2025
 Age: 4+
 4c illustrations, 22cm x 30,5cm

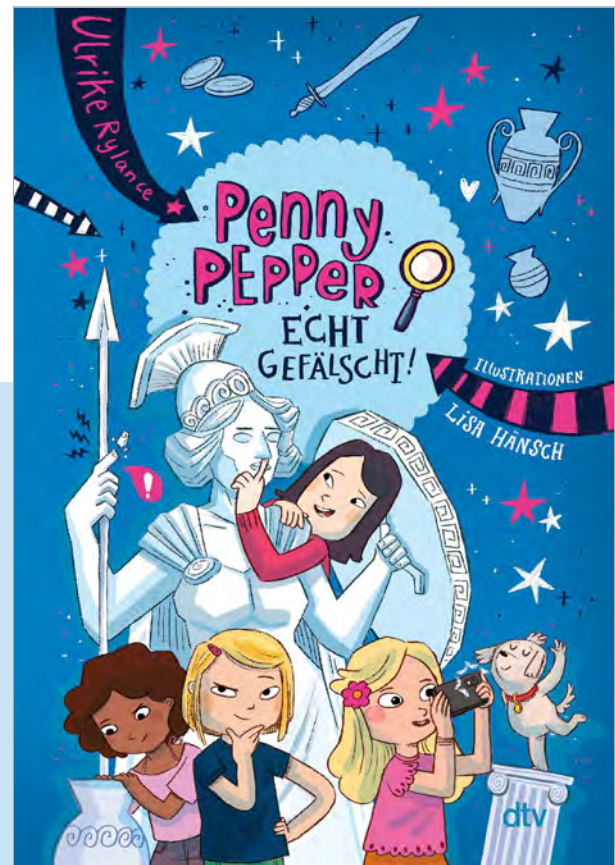
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Picture-Book, Family / Friends

Ulrike Rylance: Penny Pepper – Truly Forged! (vol. XIII)

- Witty protagonist, lovable side characters and a spectacular art heist
- Unbroken success – this is already the 13th volume
- Series print-run of over 370,000 copies

Robbery at the museum

Hurray, Schnuckendorf is newly twinned with a town in Greece, and the village promptly organises a trip to visit their new twin town. Of course, Penny and her friends are in! In Greece they stay with the director of an art museum, who immediately gives them a tour through the museum and all its ancient treasures. The statue of Athena, the goddess of strength and wisdom is especially impressive. With her spear and her cool helmet, she definitely looks like a powerful woman, which is just what Penny and her friends are. This Athena is missing one half of her right index finger, though (she probably picked her nose too much, haha). However, her finger is suddenly whole again during their next museum visit! How is that possible?! Very quickly it becomes apparent that the statue is forged! And the real one was stolen! Penny & Co. immediately start to investigate. Nevertheless, an extremely valuable, mystic gold coin goes missing shortly afterwards. Might the thief be responsible for both the statue and the coin?



Ulrike Rylance, Lisa Hänsch (Ill.)
Penny Pepper – Truly Forged! (vol. XIII)
 144 pages
 November 2026
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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Ulrike Rylance was born in 1968 and studied English and German in Leipzig and London. She was an assistant teacher in Wales and Manchester and also taught German in London. In 2001 she moved to Seattle with her husband and her two daughters.

Lisa Hänsch was born in 1988. She studied Design and Illustration in Münster and now lives in Brühl. As well as illustrating children's books, she works as a cartoon illustrator and animator.

Penny's Peppery Adventures (vol. I–VI)



Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – All Under Control (vol. I)
 160 pages
 September 2014
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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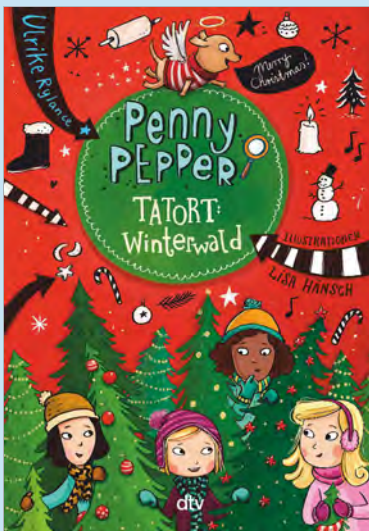
Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – The Rollercoaster Robberies (vol. II)
 160 pages
 April 2015
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

Licenses sold: China, Greece, The Netherlands, Turkey



Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Chaos at School (vol. III)
 144 pages
 September 2015
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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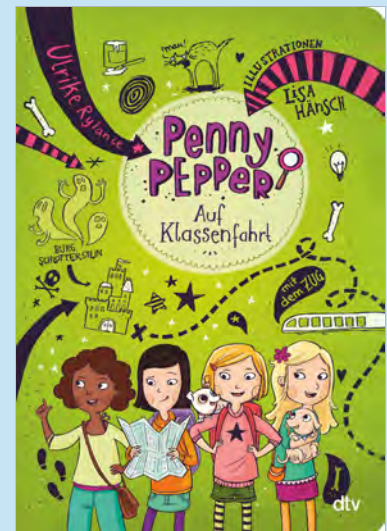
Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Crime Scene Winter Forest (vol. IV)
 144 pages
 October 2016
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Spies on the Beach (vol. V)
 152 pages
 June 2017
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

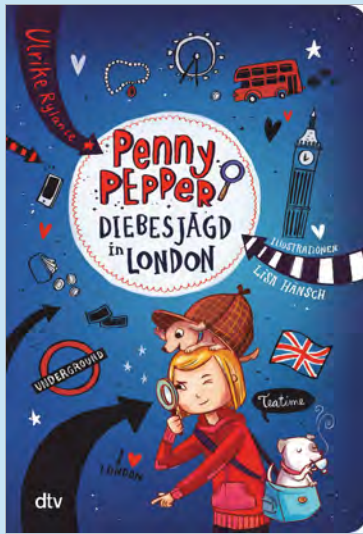
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Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper's Class Trip (vol. VI)
 144 pages
 August 2017
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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Penny's Peppery Adventures (vol. VII–XII)



Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Chasing Thieves in London (vol. VII)
 144 pages
 November 2018
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Scoundrels in the Schoolyard (vol. VIII)
 144 pages
 November 2019
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Wedding Cakes and Scoundrels (vol. IX)
 160 pages
 March 2021
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

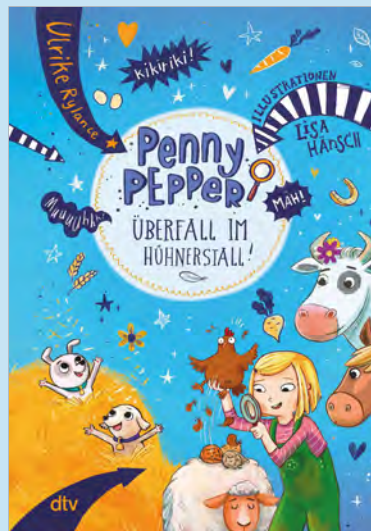
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Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper - Day Trippers and Fly-Tippers (vol. X)
 152 pages
 November 2022
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

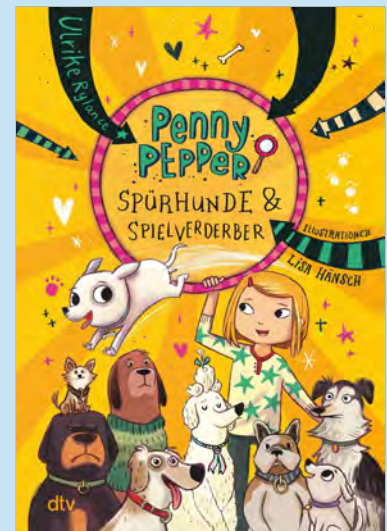
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Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Raid in the Chicken Coop (vol. XI)
 160 pages
 December 2023
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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Ulrike Rylance
Penny Pepper – Sniffer Dogs & Spoilsports (vol. XII)
 144 pages
 November 2024
 Age: 8+
 b/w illustrations, 15cm x 21,5cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Adventure / Crime / Action, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

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Ulrike Rylance: Leap in Time – From Walkman to Wifi

- A hilarious take on our world, as seen through the eyes of a girl from the 1980s
- An exciting combination of comic and time-travel story
- By the author of the popular 'Penny Pepper' series



Ulrike Rylance, Catharina Westphal (Ill.)

Leap in Time – From Walkman to Wifi

176 pages

October 2026

Age: 11+

b/w illustrations, 14,3cm x 22cm

Genre: Comic Novels / Graphic Novels, Children's Books / YA, Middle Grade, Family / Friends

Welcome to the age of falafel, insta and helicopter parenting

It's May 1985, and 12-year-old Roxy is having a perfectly normal day at school. While hiding from her arch-enemy Gaby in the school's basement, however, she comes across a disused-looking door leading to a dark corridor. When Roxy emerges at the other end, everything has changed: School looks really odd, and the kids are staring at little boxes non-stop, talking to themselves and spouting stuff about "mow biles", "tick, tock", "man gas" and "what's ap". In hilarious letters to her friend Becky back in 1985, Roxy describes life in weird and wonderful 2025 – while trying to figure out how to get back to the past!



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Ulrike Rylance was born in 1968 and studied English and German in Leipzig and London. She was an assistant teacher in Wales and Manchester and also taught German in London. In 2001 she moved to Seattle with her husband and her two daughters.

Catharina Westphal was born in 1971 in Weert, the Netherlands. She studied Design with a focus on illustration and has dedicated herself to illustrating children's books ever since. She lives in Münster with her family.

Margit Ruile: World Jumpers – The Book of Portals

- Suspenseful, emotional, imaginative – young readers will love this exciting new universe
- Books by the author have been sold to Romania and Turkey
- Second volume in preparation

Two worlds, one portal and a magical adventure

Is there another world besides ours out there? A better world, perhaps, where lost loved ones are waiting for us? 10-year-old Fabian really misses his beloved great aunt. One day, he meets Emma Lovelace, a girl from a parallel world, who has jumped into his via a portal – and discovers that, over there, his great aunt is still alive and leading the resistance against a band of powerful sorcerers. Immediately, he joins Emma in her mission to bring electricity to her world. Can they harness it to break the sorcerers' grip on power?



Margit Ruile, Kristina Kister (Ill.)
World Jumpers – The Book of Portals
 320 pages
 October 2026
 Age: 9+
 b/w illustrations, 14,3cm x 22cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Middle Grade, Fantasy / Science Fiction / Horror



© Margit Ruile



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Margit Ruile, born in 1967, is a graduate of the Munich Film Academy, has directed numerous film projects and has been writing children's and YA books for various publishers since 2010. She lives in Munich with her family.

Kristina Kister is an illustrator and character designer from Essen. After graduating with a degree in Communication Design, she joined an advertising agency before becoming a freelance illustrator. She now illustrates role-playing books and children's books and develops characters and scenarios for TV shows alongside many other illustration projects.

Una López-Caparrós Jungmann: Laughing Leaves

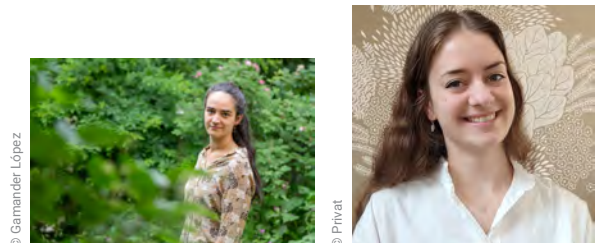
- A touching tale about being scared of change, making new friends and being optimistic about the future
- A lyrical verse novel with beautiful illustrations
- Describing a girl's profound relationship with nature, this is nature writing for both children and their parents – it'll make you long to roam around the woods yourself



Una López-Caparrós Jungmann, Clara Esser (Ill.)
Laughing Leaves
 224 pages
 August 2026
 Age: 9+
 4c illustrations, 13,8cm x 21,5cm
Genre: Family / Friends, Middle Grade, Children's Books / YA

Sometimes a single apple tree can make all the difference

Ina loves roaming around the forest at the back of the house in which she lives with her mother. She adores everything about it: the squirrels, the spotted woodpeckers, the way the wind plays among the leaves, making it sound as if they were laughing ... But one day, during a sudden storm, a big spruce falls on top of their house, destroying the roof. Ina's life changes overnight, as she and her mum move to the city to live with her aunt Anita. Among the grid-like streets, countless buildings and thousands of people, Ina can't help missing her beloved forest. But then she discovers an apple tree growing behind a wall and makes friends with another girl. Perhaps you can feel at home in more than one place, after all?



Una López-Caparrós Jungmann, born in 1999, studied English and German Literature at the universities of Cologne and Rochester. She won the City of Hattingen's *Young Writers' Scholarship* in 2021.

Clara Esser, born in 2000, studied at the University for the Creative Arts in Canterbury, and graduated with a BA in Illustration from the Stuttgart Academy of Communication and Design in 2023. She is now a freelance illustrator and graphic designer.

Frank Maria Reifenberg: Aristide Ledoux – Manhunt on the High Sea (vol. II)

- A charming trio of young heroes whose courage, wit and friendship are put to the ultimate test in a high-stakes race for freedom
- For fans of 'The Thief Lord' and of the exploits of Arsène Lupin
- Original mix of text, illustrations and graphic novel elements, which reluctant readers will love

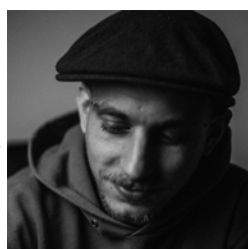
Another cracking case for Aristide!

After their Parisian adventure, Aristide, Leontine and Julien have boarded the luxurious ocean liner *La Gascogne* under assumed names. The ship is headed for New York, and its captain is hoping to set a new transatlantic record. When a priceless diamond necklace goes missing, suspicion falls on the mysterious master thief nicknamed "The Cat".

As Aristide and his friends display their usual courage and wit in tracking down the real culprit, they stumble across an even bigger mystery: A parcel addressed to a US mob boss that has somehow been smuggled on board.



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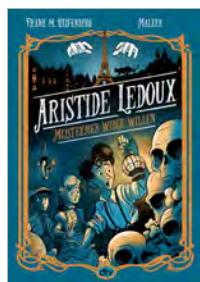


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Frank Maria Reifenberg, born in 1962, is a trained bookseller. He now lives and works in Cologne as a freelance author and speaker. He primarily writes children's and young adult books, as well as screenplays for film and television.

Maleek lives and works in Paris. He was born in Munich and has been drawing since his early childhood.

Backlist



Frank Maria Reifenberg
Aristide Ledoux – Master Thief
Against His Will (vol. I)
 192 pages
 August 2025

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 (Metaichmio)



Frank Maria Reifenberg, Maleek (III.)
Aristide Ledoux – Manhunt on the High Sea (vol. II)
 208 pages
 October 2026
 Age: 11+
 4c illustrations, 16,3cm x 23,5cm

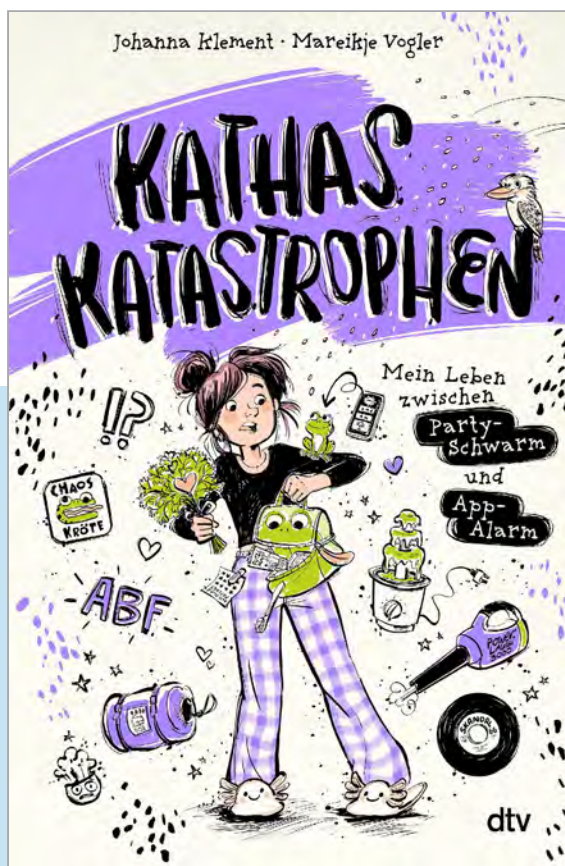
Genre: Early Teen, Children's Books / YA, Comic
 Novels / Graphic Novels, Adventure / Crime / Action

Johanna Klement: Cathy's Catastrophes – My Life

Between Parties, Crushes and Odd Apps (vol. V)

Johanna Klement has won several literary prizes for her non-fiction works, and was nominated for the *German Children's Book Prize* in 2024

Series print-run of over 70,000 copies



Johanna Klement, Mareikje Vogler (Ill.)
Cathy's Catastrophes – My Life Between Parties,
Crushes and Odd App (vol. V)

144 pages

November 2026

Age: 11+

b/w illustrations, 14,3cm x 22cm

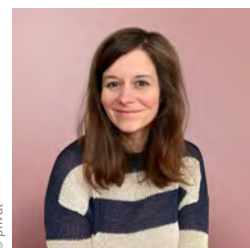
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Family / Friends, Middle Grade

How many big yikes can you fit into one party? Lisi's parents are hosting a party celebrating their wedding anniversary – and they've invited Cathy, too. She's even allowed to stay for a sleepover in their basement party room! While Lisi is stressing out, Cathy is super excited, especially when Lisi's cute cousin shows up. Is he really flirting with her?! But shredded decorations and broken hearts aren't the only things occupying Cathy: An odd app is circulating at school and making its users do increasingly crazy dares – and it's driving everyone mad. What on earth's going on? One thing is for sure: It's total chaos!

Guaranteed cheeky fun: Everyday life is nothing if not an opportunity for blunders, big yikes and crazy ideas – for kids who love hilarious stories.



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Johanna Klement spent twelve years researching the brain and hormones as a medical doctor. In addition to writing scientific texts, she now also writes humorous books for children. She lives in Lübeck with her family.

Mareikje Vogler trained as a media designer and then worked in advertising for a few years. She later studied Cartoons at the Animation School in Hamburg and has been working as a freelance illustrator. She lives in Hamburg with her family.

Proof of Cathy's Capability for Catastrophes ... (vol. I–IV)



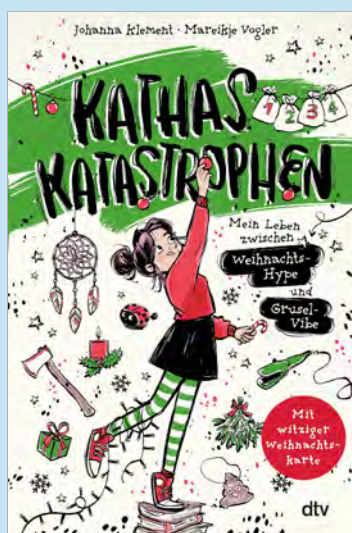
Johanna Klement
Cathy's Catastrophes – My Life from Friendship Bubble to Parent Trouble (vol. I)
 128 pages
 October 2023
 Age: 11+
 b/w illustrations, 14,3cm x 22cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Family / Friends, Middle Grade
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Johanna Klement
Cathy's Catastrophes – My Life from Bone Blunder to Hamster Disaster (vol. II)
 144 pages
 April 2024
 Age: 11+
 b/w illustrations, 14,3cm x 22cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Family / Friends, Middle Grade
Licenses sold: Poland (Marginesy), Slovak Republic (Ikar)



Johanna Klement
Cathy's Catastrophes – My Life from Fact Check to Love Attack (vol. III)
 128 pages
 November 2024
 Age: 11+
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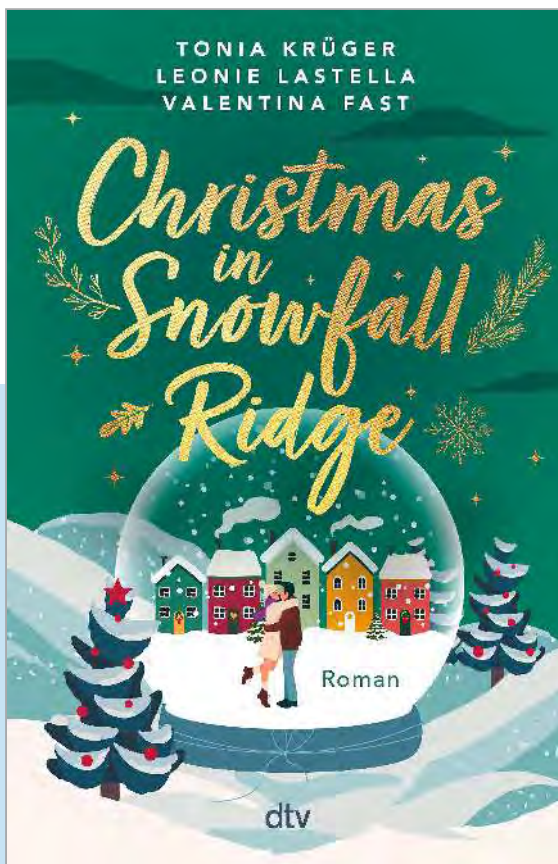


Johanna Klement
Cathy's Catastrophes – My Life between Christmas Hype and Creepy Vibe (vol. IV)
 144 pages
 September 2025
 Age: 11+
 b/w illustrations, 14,3cm x 22cm
Genre: Children's Books / YA, Family / Friends, Middle Grade
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Tonia Krüger, Leonie Lastella, Valentina Fast:

Christmas in Snowfall Ridge

- A Christmas romance about dreams, secrets and newly discovered feelings and about who you want to be
- Tropes: second chance, he falls first, holiday romance, secret identity, small town, found family



Tonia Krüger, Leonie Lastella, Valentina Fast
Christmas in Snowfall Ridge
 400 pages
 September 2026
 Age: 14+

Genre: Love / Romance, Young Adult, Children's Books
 / YA

»Coming Home for Christmas« with a special twist

Just before graduating from high school, an entire class buried notes with their hopes for the future in a time capsule. Five years later, everyone returns to their hometown of Snowfall Ridge over Christmas to open the time capsule together, which stirs up deeply buried feelings. Back then, Sky wrote down her secret crush on Ben and is determined to keep him from finding out. Her best friend Tallie, on the other hand, desperately needs a break from her glamorous life and unexpectedly meets the charming café owner Evan. And as for the dream couple Jason and Ashley, the first cracks are beginning to show in their relationship.

But perhaps looking back to the past offers all of them a chance to rediscover themselves ... as well as true love.

Tonia Krüger studied English and History and gains inspiration from her travels for her books. She lives near Hanover with her boisterous family.

Leonie Lastella, born in Lübeck, now lives with her family close to Hamburg. Since 2017, she has dedicated herself exclusively to writing. Among other accolades, she was honored by DELIA (the society for German-language romance authors) for her books.

Valentina Fast was born in 1989 and lives in the Münster area. Her entire professional world rotates around numbers, which is why she devotes her free time to writing.

Leonie Lastella, Tonia Krüger, Valentina Fast:
Kisses in the Snow



Leonie Lastella, Tonia Krüger, Valentina Fast
Kisses in the Snow
416 pages
September 2023
Age: 14+

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Love / Romance

Leonie Lastella, Tonia Krüger, Valentina Fast:
Snowflakes and Heartbeats



Tonia Krüger, Leonie Lastella, Valentina Fast
Snowflakes and Heartbeats
432 pages
September 2024
Age: 14+

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Love / Romance, Young Adult

A cycle of romantic tales in the Rockies
An avalanche cuts off a village in the Rocky Mountains just before Christmas – leaving six young people snowed in. Ava and Mason have been a couple for a long time – but their relationship is crumbling. Nolan from the village has everything Ava wishes Mason had. Hunter, Nolan's best friend, is visiting his hometown for the first time in a long while. Peyton, his high school sweetheart, runs the bed and breakfast where everyone is staying. Finally, there's Grace, Hunter's best friend, whom he has asked along for emotional support – and who feels a deeper connection to Mason. With Christmas approaching fast, suppressed longings, latent conflicts and forbidden feelings begin to surface.

Driving home for Christmas – an involuntary road trip, 3 couples and a great love story
Three siblings, who have recently lost their parents, want to celebrate Christmas at the family lodge in Arcadia National Park, just as they did every year. But shortly before their departure to Maine, all flights are cancelled and suddenly the siblings are forced to let their friend Sam drive them north in his car – along with an English woman, who hates Christmas and originally wanted to go to the sunny west coast, and a hitchhiker, who is drifting through the world. When the car breaks down in the small coastal town of Rockport, the disaster seems perfect. But Christmas Day is approaching and the six of them realise that it's not where you celebrate, but with whom.

Anne Pätzold: Tokyo Seasons

- Atmospheric seasonal romance in a popular setting
- Tropes: friends to lovers, slow burn, family secret
- Second volume in preparation



Anne Pätzold
Tokyo Seasons
 368 pages
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 Age: 14+

Genre: Love / Romance, Young Adult, Children's Books
 / YA

A trip to Tokyo, a search for answers and finding friends, who are more than family. Spending the end of December in Tokyo was definitely not Caitlyn's plan. Alone and bored in her hotel room she gives a new dating app a try and ends up chatting with Will. However, when they actually meet in person, he doesn't seem to know who she is. It turns out that Caitlyn actually texted Jude, his best friend. Jude, with the best of intentions, was looking for a person for his hopelessly romantic friend, but messed up, deceiving Caitlyn.

But then Jude offers his help to Caitlyn – who is in desperate need of support, as there's a reason why she came to Japan in the first place. And, unfortunately, she doesn't seem to be able to work up the courage to confront it by herself. As they stroll through festively illuminated Tokyo, Caitlyn and Jude discover that they might fall for each other despite the mix-up at the beginning.



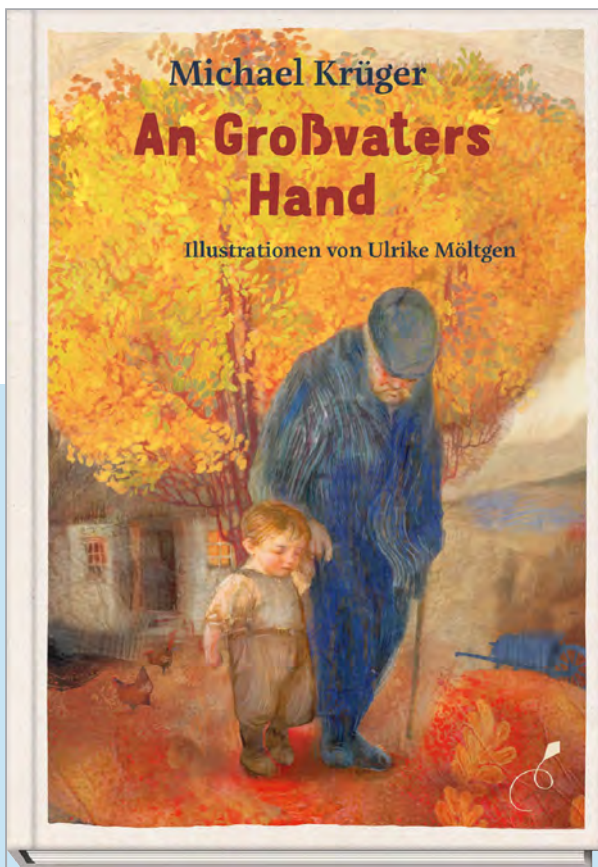
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Michael Krüger: At Grandfather's Hand

- A world without money, without shops, but full of miracles – this book is an oasis of peace amid the clamour of the modern world
- The author's books have been translated into over 25 languages so far



Michael Krüger, Ulrike Möltgen (Ill.)

At Grandfather's Hand

96 pages

August 2026

Age: 7+

4c illustrations, 15cm x 21cm

Genre: Children's Books / YA, Middle Grade, Family / Friends

Wrapped in love

All little Michael wants is to spend one night in the woods all on his own. Finally, his grandparents relent – after all, the boy is already four years old. But he only manages to hold out for a couple of hours and soon runs back home to grandad and grandma. The three of them live in poverty in the countryside, but their home is filled with so much love that young Michael doesn't notice just how hard up they are. With captivating tenderness the renowned poet and former publisher Michael Krüger tells the story of his early childhood in the East-German countryside and later in bombed-out Berlin. A precious tale for young, old, and everyone in between.

Michael Krüger, born in Saxony-Anhalt in 1943, was the publishing director at Carl Hanser Verlag (1986–2013). He has published several volumes of poetry and short stories as well as a number of novels, winning several literary prizes – including the *Eichendorff Literature Prize* in 2017.

Ulrike Möltgen, born in Wuppertal in 1973, studied Communication Design and completed her diploma under renowned illustrator Wolf Erlbruch. Since then, she has illustrated and designed numerous children's books and picture books.

Madlen Ottenshläger: Frederica

Fluteshocker – A Ghost in Search of Her Bottle



Madlen Ottenshläger

Frederica Fluteshocker – A Ghost in Search of Her Bottle

ca. 192 pages

February 2027

Age: 8+

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Genre: Middle Grade, Children's Books / YA

Christian Linker: Inventing Simon



Christian Linker

Inventing Simon

ca. 320 pages

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Age: 14+

Genre: Crime / Thriller / Suspense, Children's Books / YA, Contemporary YA

Two children, one ghost and a missing bottle
When Leonie blows into an old flute in the basement of her school, spirit-in-a-bottle Baroness Frederica von Fallersbach suddenly floats in the air in front of her. And immediately things get lively. It's not just that Frederica can only get back into her flute when Leonie farts. (But try to fart on demand! And in front of others!!) Also, Frederica's most recent excursion outside her flute was in 1738. Our modern world completely overwhelms her. Even worse, Frederica is a spirit-in-the-bottle who has been living inside the flute for far too long. This means that she must now move into a bottle within 48 hours – to be exact, into HER bottle! Or she will simply dissolve. Of course, Leonie and her friend Erjon step up to the challenge and start looking for Frederica's bottle.

One crash. One influencer. One dangerous transformation.

When 18-year-old Simon is hit by a sports car late at night, he sees the accident as an opportunity. Because the driver is the successful influencer and manosphere coach Zed. Simon suggests a deal in return for his silence. Zed will help him become a 'real man' and win the heart of his crush, Tilda. Simon's transformation into a ruthless alpha male rapidly increases his followers on Instagram and his fascination with a world of self-optimisation, masculinity cults and radical ideologies. When Tilda and her cousin uncover connections to a right wing extremist network, Simon's life veers truly out of control. One last live stream could change everything – or finally bring him down.

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