Jeff Anderson



Jeff has been sharing writing strategies with teachers and students for over 25 years. Whether presenting at national conferences, in classrooms, or writing his books for teachers or middle grade readers, Jeff's passion for writing and grammar inspires teachers and young writers to soar. When he's not writing with his "revising" dogs at home near downtown San Antonio, Texas, he's walking, talking, or doing staff development around the US (and sometimes New Zealand). Find out more about Jeff Anderson at www.writeguy.net.



Zack Delacruz is unnoticed at his middle school—and that's just the way he likes it. But a school assembly, a typhoon of spit, and an uncharacteristic moment of bravery are all it takes to change everything. Suddenly Zack is in charge of the class fundraiser. Worse, his partner is the school's biggest bully! If they don't sell all the chocolate bars, there will be no dance for the sixth grade. Zack never wanted to be a hero, but with his classmates' hopes on the line, can he save the day?



Zack Delacruz is eager to meet Abhi, the new girl at school. But when he accidentally knocks her to the ground during a dodgeball game, she ignores all his future attempts at making amends. Nothing works – not his friend's advice or even his "lucky" cologne. Then, at the Fall Fiesta-val, Zack learns the real reason behind his lady love's cold shoulder . . . but not before total chaos erupts: a runaway train, exploding confetti-filled eggs, and Abhi's terrifying older brother looming. Will Zack ever surmount all the middle school mayhem and get a chance to talk to his crush? In the end, Zack learns what it means to believe, to listen, and to be a good friend. This dynamite sequel captures the middle-school experience—and will keep readers laughing from beginning to end!

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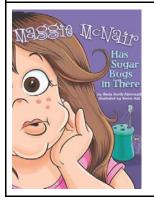
Sheila Booth-Alberstadt



Sheila Booth-Alberstadt is the author of the popular Maggie McNair series and the founder of SBA books, created to publish children's books with a purpose. She has written children's books that tackle grief and other sensitive topics as part of her mission to create books that portray untold stories of the thousands of children who suffer in dysfunctional environments. She, her husband, and their family live in Fairhope, Alabama. To find out more, visit www.sbabooks.com.



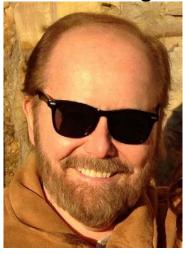
In this humorously entertaining story, Sheila Booth-Alberstadt tells a "slightly" exaggerated tale that will keep both children and adults amused to the very last page. While attempting to help her own child with hair brushing issues, Sheila has ingeniously solved a daily challenge she and many others have experienced when dealing with young children.



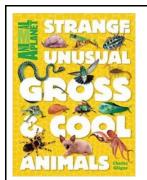
Maggie thinks she has no time to brush her teeth. She would much rather play. But one night she wakes up with a pain in her mouth. An embarrassing trip to the dentist teaches her about the sugar bugs that have made a home in her tooth.

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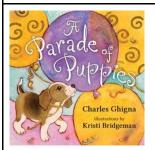
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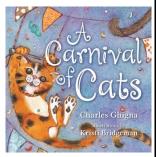
Father Goose® lives in a treehouse in the middle of Alabama. He is an award-winning poet, children's author, speaker, and nationally syndicated feature writer who helps promote the love of poetry and children's literature throughout the world. He is the author of more than 5,000 poems and 100 books. His books have been featured on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America," PBS and NPR. Read more about Charles Ghigna at www.charlesghigna.com.



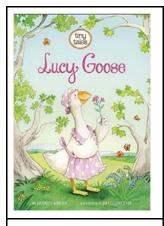
Did you know that an archerfish can spit water up to 16 feet? Or that the giant weta is the world's largest and heaviest insect? Animal Planet's fascinating exploration of animal oddities introduces young animal lovers to some of the most astonishing, gorgeous, and obscure animals in the world-including some brand new discoveries! Packed with more than 200 vibrant photographs and fun facts about animals with unusual behaviors, strange appearances, and remarkable stats, this deluxe gift book is perfect for reluctant readers or anyone who loves totally gross and amazing animals.



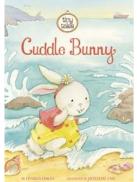
In this follow-up to A Carnival of Cats, babies, toddlers and dog-lovers alike will enjoy discovering and guessing what breed of puppy is hiding on the next page. With playful rhyming text from award-winning author Charles Ghigna, and beautiful illustrations by celebrated artist Kristi Bridgeman, this hint-and-reveal board book will have everyone pondering what puppy will turn up next!



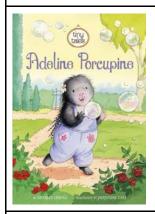
There's a purrrfect little carnival coming to town, filled with adorable cats of all different kinds! In this hint-and-reveal board book, babies, toddlers and cat-lovers alike will enjoy discovering (and guessing) what breed of cat is hiding on the next page. With playful rhyming text from award-winning author Charles Ghigna, aka Father Goose®, and beautiful illustrations by celebrated artist Kristi Bridgeman, this exuberant board book will have everyone guessing what cat is that!



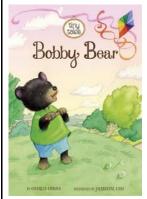
Lucy Goose and her sidekick duckling love life in the barnyard. There is always so much to do, and Lucy takes full advantage of all the fun in this collection of sweet stories. From making a barnyard band to playing hide-and-seek, Lucy stays busy and loves her life.



What kind of name is Cuddle? Well, it's the perfect name for a kind, caring, and adorable little bunny! Cuddle Bunny enjoys all of life adventures. From learning to love herself to reading to her friends, Cuddle will melt your heart in this collection of sweet stories.



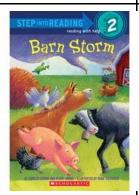
Although Adeline Porcupine looks prickly on the outside, she is one of the most loveable characters around. She loves spending time with her friends. In fact, it's her favorite thing to do. From going to magic shows to playing games, Adeline makes every adventure memorable in this sweet collection of stories.



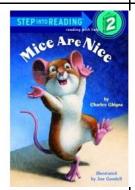
Bobby Bear is one active cub! He loves spending time outside. Picnics at the lake, trips to the park, and camping are just a few of his favorite activities. Follow Bobby Bear on his many adventures in this energetic collection of stories.



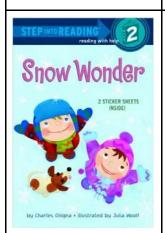
Centipede has one hundred feet. One hundred feet means one hundred shoes. How in the world does Centipede choose shoes? This Math Reader clearly demonstrates the concepts of pairs and multiple sets, all in simple, rollicking, rhythmic text and with bright, graphic illustrations.



When a twister hits the pond near Farmer Brown's farm, some very odd things happen. The fish and frogs take flight. They land in some unlikely places—like the barn and the pigs' trough—setting off an uproarious chain of events that affects the entire farm. Once the weather subsides and the farmer and his family emerge from the storm cellar, they encounter a whole new world, including some unexpected (and four-legged) tenants in their house!

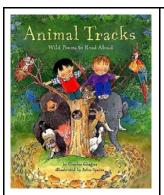


These are just three of the reasons why mice are nice. It is indisputable that mice make the best pets of all. The other pets in Babette's pet store will drop feathers everywhere, growl, hide inside their shells, chew your favorite socks, and maybe even make you sneeze! So it's clear that mice are the only pet you will ever need! With its rhyming text and romping animal fun, kids will eagerly tackle this Step into Reading® Step 1 book by award-winning author Charles Ghigna will be grabbed up by kids everywhere.



When two children wake up to find that it has snowed, they spend the day riding sleds, building snowmen, making snow angels, skating a figure eight, and even taking a break to make gingerbread cookies with grandma. It's a day filled with wonderful wintry fun!

In simple, rhymed text new readers get to experience the wonder of that magical first snow fall. Includes two pages of festive stickers!



Filled with clever puns, wordplay and colourful illustrations, this collection of poems about the many lovable members of the animal kingdom aims to educate and entertain young readers.



Bestselling children's poet Charles "Father Goose" Ghigna has crafted fifty energizing poems for children, parents, teachers, and coaches filled with fun metaphors and reassuring rhymes. Score! is a unique collection that encourages children to reach for their dreams and stay on the path to success. Young athletes will read these poems and be motivated, students studying for a test will be energized, and any young person who is working toward a goal or trying to leap over one of life's many hurdles will be galvanized.

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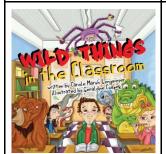


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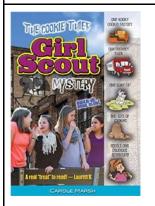
Carole Marsh is the creative force behind more than 15,000 children's books, state-aligned curriculum, and supplemental educational materials. Founded in 1979, Marsh's popular series, Real Kids ● Real Places™, originated from her own children's request for her to write books for kids. It is aimed at young readers ages 7-14. With more than one million of her mysteries sold to date, Carole Marsh's ever-increasing nationwide readership is testament that her motto "give 'em what they want to read" is truly a secret for success. To find out more visit www.gallopade.com.



Devon is a regular third-grader... well, sort of. Devon seems to have an awful lot of hair and a lot of big teeth. Principal Ernie worries that he has some king of "weirdo kid werewolf" on his hands. Devon's friends insist that he is not a werewolf. "Then why does he only eat raw meat?" their teacher, Ms. Bogus, asks. "And why does he how at the moon?" Seems like there's some explaining to do – about how kids don't all develop in the same way? As for Devon, he just likes to sing and dance!



Ms. Bogus' class has gone bonkers! The first day of school, she discovers that her classroom is full of Wild Things! You know: a shark, bear, dolphin, snake, gator, spider, and more! HOWEVER, as it turns out, her human students are the discourteous, unruly "wild things."



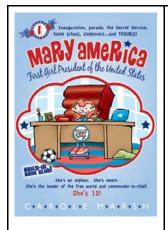
One kooky cookie factory! One delivery truck! One slimy rat! And lots of cookies! Equals one delicious adventure! It's Girl Scout Cookie sale time for Avery, Ella and their friends Kate and Annie. The girls even get a chance to tour a new bakery where cookies are made! But when the girls see a mysterious mix-up at the cookie factory... and notice some of their cookie boxes are missing... and get caught in a dark delivery truck... a mystery really starts cooking! Who is the cookie thief, anyway? And why?? Tag along with foursome as they try to make sense of this tasty cookie case!



Venice, Italy: Mimi has taken her grandchildren Avery, Ella, and Evan on a surprise trip to the Grand Canal in Venice... only the surprise is on Mimi! She does not realize that her special mystery writing suitcase containing her crucial-to-creativity mystery writing eyeglasses, monster coffee mug, and more – had been stolen! Alas, so has a special historical mask that she has been lent to wear to the famous Black & White Ball. Who will save the day? Well, Avery, Ella, and Evan are used to bailing their grandmother out of mystery messes... but this time?



Columbia Lastname has had an unusual life to be only eleven years old. Her physicist father has vanished during a tiny tear in time. Her mother is head of Citizens of the Cosmos, and so is never home. No wonder Columbia can see no reason not to-as her father always wished for her-become the first girl colonist on the Red Planet-Mars. No, no reason at all, except that she has to leave home-probably forever? Can she take her dog, Scram? She's slightly scared and severely smart. But is that enough to survive zero gravity? Loneliness? The long trip? The responsibilities? And what will she find? Who, if anyone, will she meet? Will she grow up? Get married? Have little Martian kids? Columbia's sense of duty to take this awesome journey to become THE FIRST GIRL COLONIST ON MARS!



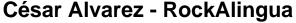
Mary America is now the first girl president of the United States. The inauguration has come and gone, the bells are over, and it's time for the new leader of the free world and the commander-in-chief to get to work! Mary's still getting used to a retired teacher being her secretary, the Secret Service following her around, and finding her way around her new home - the White House! Then there's her pesky younger brother, the First Gramps, and her Aunt Doodah and her baby trying way too hard to help. To make things worse, Mary still has school (and homework!), must go to Capitol Hill to see about the budget, and there's a big RED problem to solve! Mary needs help, and fast, so she calls her friends for a sleepover as they work hard, giggle a lot, and let's just say, "pig out" to resolve just one of Mary's many problems as THE FIRST GIRL PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES!



This kid-friendly book shares interesting facts about our newest President, Donald Trump. It includes information about his childhood, educational background and career, his spouse, and children. The book also includes info on the Vice President, Mike Pence, and the duties of a V.P.

The America's 45th President has interesting information about the: White House and its history; 13 posts that compromise the president's cabinet and what each oversees; Secret Service protection for the president, vice president and their families; Role of the commander-in-chief; And much more!

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Welcome to the musical world of Rockalingua! We are a passionate team of teachers, animators, musicians and computer programmers all with many years of experience in our fields. Our mission is to make learning Spanish fun and easy for kids around the world and to provide teachers with quality teaching materials to use in their classrooms. Kids love cartoons and music so why not mix them to create a powerful learning tool? Beyond the fun, there is also a strong educational basis: Research has shown that music is one of the best ways to learn a foreign language. Visual association is also more effective than rote memorization. César is originally from Madrid, Spain. He has been teaching foreign languages to elementary school students for the

past 12 years. He is also a musician and began writing songs to teach Spanish when he first moved to San Francisco in 2007. Music is his main teaching tool and the basis for Rockalingua, a collection of resources for Spanish teachers. César collaborates with a group of Spanish teachers to design activities and brainstorm ideas for future Rockalingua materials.

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The Desert Island Supply Co. is a nonprofit creative writing program for students in Birmingham, Ala. We offer free after-school workshops plus in-school programs in area schools. Our space in Woodlawn also serves as a hub for creative community projects and events. Our mission is to give students the creative tools they need explore and document their worlds. This year our 6th graders will have the opportunity to participate in a creative writing workshop facilitated by The Desert Island Supply Co.

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Leadership Mountain Brook

Leadership Mountain Brook is a group of high school students who are dedicated to learning about improving the Mountain Brook community. The Leadership Class has spent countless hours writing, illustrating, and editing their new children's book: Buttons Explores the Brook.



Follow Buttons as he explores the various departments of Mountain Brook and learns valuable leadership lessons through fun-filled adventures! This book honors the leaders of Mountain Brook, raises funds for Leadership Mountain Brook city improvement projects, and is a great way to educate yourself and your children about your wonderful community!