

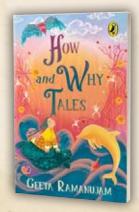
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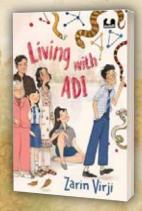








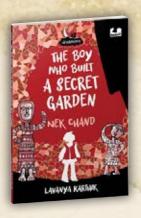


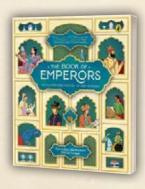




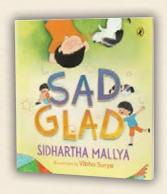
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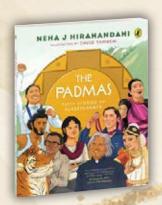












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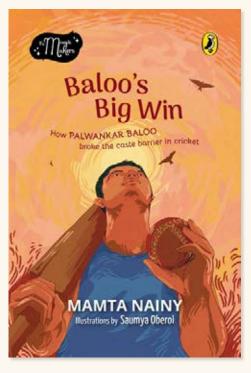
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GENRE Non-fiction

TERRITORY World

MAMTA NAINY is a writer based in New Delhi. She has authored over thirty books for children, many of which have gone on to win national and international awards and recognition.

Baloo's Big Win: How Palwankar Baloo broke the caste barrier in cricket (The Magic Makers series)

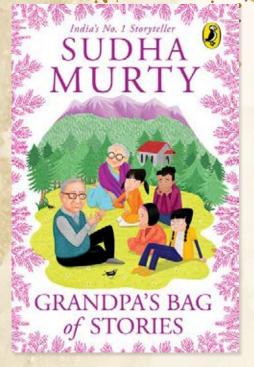
MAMTA NAINY

'Does anyone really win when not everyone gets to play?'

Right from his childhood, Baloo loved cricket. But he lived at a time when the rules of the game weren't fair. Despite being a great bowler, he wasn't allowed on the team because he was from a lower caste. Not one to give up easily, Baloo worked hard and was eventually picked to play on the team. But even after this, he wasn't allowed to mix freely with his teammates.

Could Baloo overcome this obstacle and change the game of cricket?





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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

SUDHA MURTY is a prolific writer in English and Kannada. She has penned novels, technical books, travelogues, collections of short stories and non-fiction pieces and bestselling books for children.

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Embark on new adventures in the best-selling series from India's favourite storyteller!

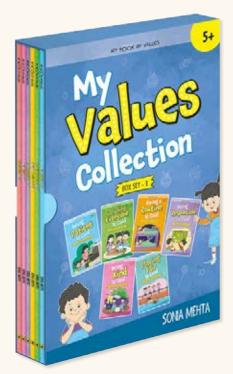
Join Anoushka, Krishna, Meenu and Raghu along with Ajja-Ajji on their adventure to Mayawati, a beautiful hilly region in Uttarakhand. Little do they know their trip will be filled with unexpected magic as, this time, their dear Ajja becomes their new storyteller. Amidst snow-capped mountains and towering deodar trees, Ajja weaves tales of kings and princesses, mermaids and bitter gourds, imparting wisdom and compassion along the way.

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GENRE Fiction/Values/Self-help

TERRITORY World

SONIA MEHTA is a children's writer who believes that sparking off a child's imagination opens up a world of adventure. She has been writing for children for over two decades.

My Values Collection: Box set - 3

SONIA MEHTA

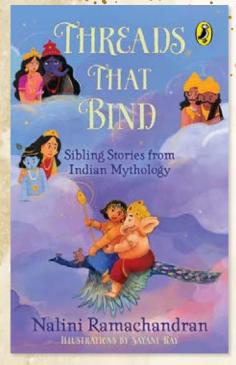
Enjoy this collection of six Nicky-Noni books that show children how having values is so cool.

Nicky and Noni are just like you. They're funny, they're crazy—and like you, they love to have fun. But sometimes, just sometimes, they can be very naughty indeed. That's when they get into trouble. Along the way, they learn something important—that having good values helps them become good people. And that being good isn't boring ... it's lots of fun!

Covers six brand-new topics:

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- 2. Being Patient Is Cool
- 3. Being Kind Is Cool

- 4. Having a Routine Is Cool
- 5. Being Responsible Is Cool
- 6. Playing Fair Is Cool



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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

NALINI RAMACHANDRAN has written many children's books and graphic novels that are rooted in the divine realm of gods and goddesses, the ordinary world of humans and wildlife, and the intriguing land of spirits and fantastical beasts.

Threads That Bind: Sibling Stories from Indian Mythology

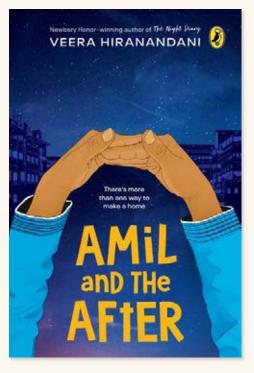
NAI INI RAMACHANDRAN

Celebrate the beautiful bond between siblings through these endearing tales from Indian mythology!

Goddess Parvati and Lord Shiva easily handle small and big problems that occur in the three worlds. But their biggest problem is resolving the constant squabbles between their sons, Ganesha and Karthikeya. When their quarrels go out of hand, Parvati comes up with an ingenious plan—to deal with her sons' complaints, one story at a time!

As the goddess takes them through the sweet and sour, bitter yet beautiful world of divine siblings like Jyeshtha and Lakshmi, Krishna and Katyayani, Kubera and Ravana, Nara and Narayana, and many others, Ganesha and Karthikeya sit back and listen attentively.





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PRICE ₹299

ISBN 9780143469384

GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY Indian subcontinent

VEERA HIRANANDANI, author of the Newbery Honor-winning The Night Diary, earned her MFA in creative writing at Sarah Lawrence College.

Amil and the After

VEERA HIRANANDANI

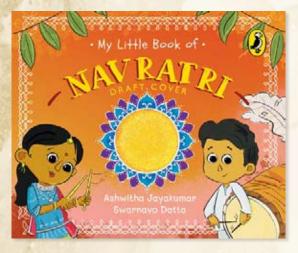
A hopeful and heartwarming story about finding joy after tragedy.

At the turn of the new year in 1948, Amil and his family have started over in Bombay and are once again trying to rebuild their lives in independent India.

Both Muslim and Hindu, twelve-year-old Amil is not sure what home means anymore. The memory of the long and difficult journey from his family's hometown in what is now Pakistan lives with him. And despite having an apartment in Bombay to live in and a school to attend, life still feels lonely and uncertain.

At Nisha's suggestion, Amil begins to tell his story via drawings meant for their mother, who died when he was just a baby. Through Amil, readers witness the unwavering and resilient spirit of a young boy trying to make sense of a chaotic world and to find hope for himself, his family, and a newly reborn nation.





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PRICE ₹150

ISBN 9780143464068

GENRE Non-fiction/Mythology

TERRITORY World

ASHWITHA JAYAKUMAR is a writer, one-time teacher and history nerd who studied English literature at the University of Edinburgh and medieval studies at the University of Leeds.

SWARNAVO DATTA is a corporate trainer by day and an illustrator by night.

My Little Book of Navratri

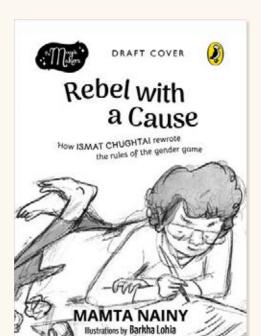
ASHWITHA JAYAKUMAR, SWARNAVO DATTA

Let's dive into the diverse and colourful world of Indian festivals!

This charming board book explores the customs, traditions and stories behind the spirited festival of Navratri.

Discover the many ways in which people celebrate this festival, feel the beat of the *dhak* and the rhythm of *dandiya*, and soak in the nine nights and ten days of festivities, food and community spirit that bring families and friends together.





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TERRITORY World

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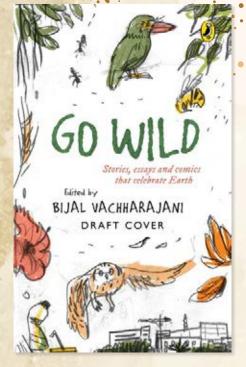
Rebel with a Cause: How Ismat Chughtai Rewrote the Rules of the Gender Game (The Magic Makers series)

MAMTA NAINY

'Aren't girls and boys equal?'

Right from childhood, Chunni's favourite word was 'why'. Why is the sky blue and the grass green? Why can't I look at the sun for long? Why can't I have short hair like my brothers? Why doesn't my dress have pockets? Chunni's curious mind was always bubbling with questions. One day, when a coach arrives to teach her brothers how to ride a snowy white horse, Chunni decides she wants to ride, too. But when she's told she can't because she's a girl, will Chunni have the courage to stand up for herself and ask the most important question of all: Why not?





FORMAT Demy/PB

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ISBN 9780143470564

GENRE Non-fiction

TERRITORY World

BIJAL VACHHARAJANI believes she needs to befriend all cats and dogs—a plan that often derails her work, which includes reading, writing and editing children's books. She mostly writes books that are about green and furry things (which might sound like mould but aren't always). She is now a certified climate worrier.

Go Wild: Stories, essays and comics that celebrate Earth

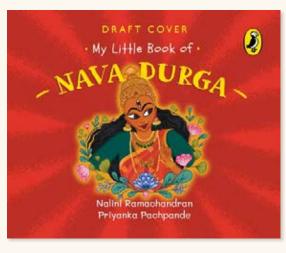
Edited by BIJAL VACHHARAJANI

A journey through nature's wonders!

Meet an army of ants, a chorus of frogs, a plague of pigeons, a ballet of mantises, a grove of trees, a bunch of bee-eaters, a herd of elephants, and a lone owl and vulture, along with groups of human beings. Listen to the tale of three lakes, climb a mountain, dive into the ocean, travel back in time, and see the natural world anew.

Some of India's most celebrated nature writers and illustrators come together to celebrate the planet we call home.





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GENRE Mythology

TERRITORY World

NALINI RAMACHANDRAN has written many children's books and graphic novels that are rooted in the divine realm of gods and goddesses, the ordinary world of humans and wildlife, and the intriguing land of spirits and fantastical beasts.

PRIYANKA PACHPANDE is an illustrator and visual artist, currently based out of Pune.

My Little Book of Nava Durga

NALINI RAMACHANDRAN

Let's dive into the vast and wonderful world of Hindu mythology!

This Navaratri, once again, make way for the guardians divine—

A powerful goddess and her avatars nine!

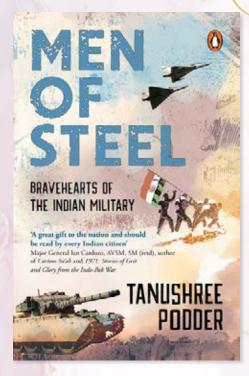
With charming illustrations and simple language, this short tale about Durga will entertain and delight.

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IMPRINT Penguin

FORMAT B/PB

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PRICE **₹275**

ISBN 9780143461128

GENRE Non-fiction

TERRITORY World

TANUSHREE PODDER worked in the corporate sector for eight long years before she quit the rat race to write. A well-known travel writer and novelist, Tanushree enjoys writing in various genres.

Men of Steel: Bravehearts of the Indian Military

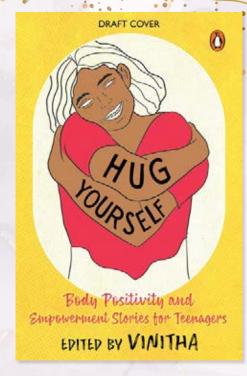
TANUSHREE PODDER

Eighteen riveting tales of patriotism and valour from the Indian armed forces!

From the frigid heights of the Himalayas to the scorching deserts of the west and the humid wetlands in the east, India's borders mirror the nation's diversity. Amidst these rugged landscapes, Indian soldiers battle not only the enemy but also the unforgiving terrain.

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Covering significant military events—the 1971 Bangladesh Liberation War, the Kargil War in 1999, the 26/11 Mumbai terror attack, the Balakot airstrike, and the 2020 Galwan Valley skirmish—these eighteen warriors consistently placed their country above everything else. Recipients of numerous gallantry awards, their sacrifices and brave deeds resonate within the walls of the Indian Military Academy and echo in the hearts of the people of India.



IMPRINT Penguin

FORMAT B/PB

PAGE EXTENT 272/B&W

PRICE ₹350

ISBN 9780143470557

GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

VINITHA is an award-winning author and editor who also paints and writes poetry.

An ex-journalist and columnist, Vinitha has written over thirty books for children.

Hug Yourself: Body Positivity and Empowerment Stories for Teenagers

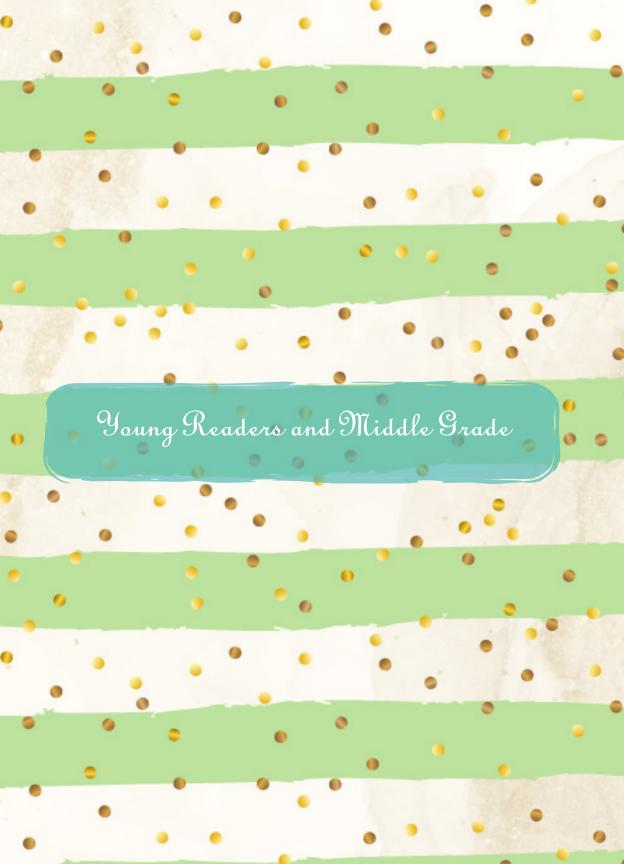
VARIOUS, EDITED BY VINITHA

Sixteen heart-warming stories on body positivity

'Mirror, mirror on the wall. Who's the prettiest of us all?'

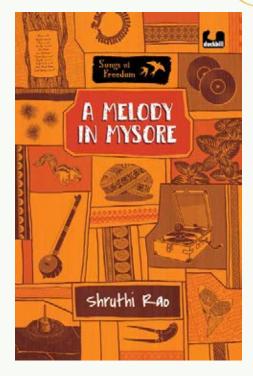
The world has always been precarious for adolescents, and today's teenagers have access to many universes at the tip of their devices. For Indian teenagers living in regular Indian homes with Indian parenting norms and who anyway feel what most teenagers aged thirteen to fifteen are characterized to feel, the world is a hazardous place to be in. Sixteen established women writers come together to share narratives that we hope will be threads of powerful conversations to explore multiple themes on body positivity that will empower teenagers to navigate their modern worlds.











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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

SHRUTHI RAO writes for children. If she wants to learn more about a topic, she writes a book about it. Her books, both fiction and non-fiction, have been published in India and the USA.

A Melody in Mysore

SHRUTHI RAO

Can music change the course of the struggle for freedom?

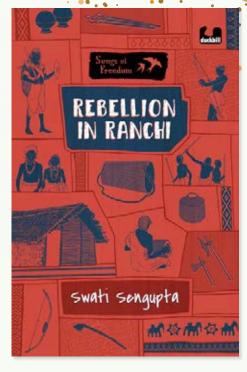
Mysore, 1932.

The rest of India is ablaze with the fervour of the freedom movement, but Mysore remains tranquil under the maharaja's benevolent rule. For twelve-year-old Leela, the movement feels distant—just words in the pages of newspapers—until Malathi Akka moves into her neighbourhood, bringing with her thrilling ideas, new perspectives, and ... a gramophone! As Leela gets swept up by the winds of change, it dawns on her that participation in the freedom struggle can take on forms she hasn't even imagined ...

The Songs of Freedom series explores the lives of children across India during the struggle for independence.







IMPRINT Duckbill

FORMAT B/PB

PAGE EXTENT 120/B&W

PRICE ₹250

ISBN 9780143462392

GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

SWATI SENGUPTA is an author and gender rights educator.

Rebellion in Ranchi

SWATI SENGUPTA

How can a tribal boy be part of the struggle for freedom?

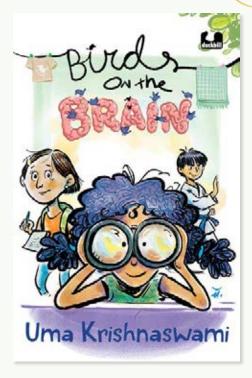
Ranchi district, 1915.

Sibu's life is changing. The Oraons, who live in the forests of Chota Nagpur, are slowly joining the Tana Bhagat movement to protest the injustices that the zamindars and the British Raj perpetrate on the Adivasis. Some are inspired by stories of German Baba, who will help defeat the British in the Great War and bring freedom to the Oraons and to India. Even though the Tana Bhagats follow the path of non-violence, violence is rearing its head in the world around them . . .

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PAGE EXTENT 168/B&W

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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY Indian subcontinent & Singapore

UMA KRISHNASWAMI was born in Delhi and now lives in British Columbia, Canada. Her numerous publications include picture books, middle grade novels, early readers, poetry and non-fiction.

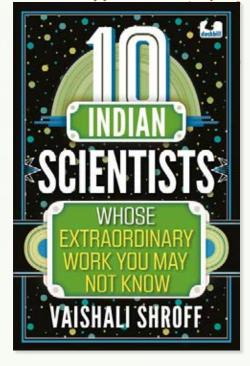
CHETAN SHARMA is an award-winning animator and co-founder and director of Animagic India. His illustration work for children's books and his animation films have won numerous recognitions.

Birds on the Brain

UMA KRISHNASWAMI
Illustrations by CHETAN SHARMA

The story of a young bird lover who would stop at nothing to protect the birds in her city!

Reeni is wild about birds! So when she and her best friend, Yasmin, have to do a survey for a school project, asking their neighbours what they know about birds is an obvious choice. They are shocked to learn that no one—not one single person!—has heard about Bird Count India, when thousands of birdwatchers will be out counting birds as part of a global movement. Why do people not seem to care about the threats to city birds? And is the mayor really trying to stop their city's bird count event? Reeni and Yasmin enlist help from their families and diverse friends—Anil, Book Uncle, the istri lady and even their school bus driver. They must get people interested in the bird count! After all, what's good for the birds is good for all of us!



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PRICE ₹225

ISBN 9780143461975

GENRE Non-fiction

TERRITORY World

VAISHALI SHROFF loves writing about untold histories and unsung people. Her rich non-fiction repertoire has been widely recognized.

10 Indian Scientists Whose Extraordinary Work You May Not Know

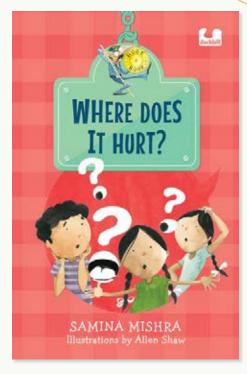
VAISHALI SHROFF

The stories of ten Indian scientists, which reflect the history of science in India.

This book explores the lives and achievements of ten Indian scientists who made remarkable contributions in various fields of science—from measuring the brightness of stars and discovering a treatment for cholera to inventing fibre optics and increasing food sustainability. Though their names and work may not be widely known, they have transformed the quality of our lives.

Vaishali Shroff traces the journey of these scientists, detailing the challenges they faced—financial scarcity, gender bias, inadequate facilities and infrastructure—as she takes us through the evolution of science in India over three centuries.





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PAGE EXTENT 40/Full-colour

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ISBN 9780143463740

GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY World

SAMINA MISHRA is a documentary filmmaker, writer and teacher based in New Delhi. She likes questions, children and children asking questions. Most of all, she likes searching for answers together.

ALLEN SHAW is a Berlin-based Indian artist, illustrator, animator and storyteller.

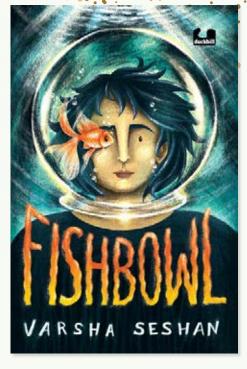
Where Does It Hurt?

SAMINA MISHRA ALLEN SHAW

A book in verse about dealing with pain for young readers.

We all experience hurt in different places, in all sorts of ways. But what can we do to make hurt disappear?





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GENRE Fiction

TERRITORY Indian subcontinent

VARSHA SESHAN is a writer of lists, emails, detailed notes to self and children's books.

Fishbowl

VARSHA SESHAN

A bold novel in verse about loss and rediscovering one's self.

Dead. My parents are dead.

It's ... my fault?

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