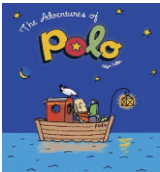












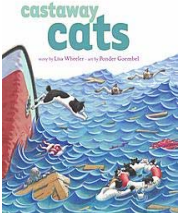

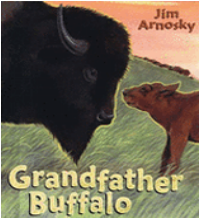

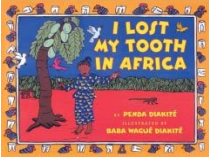


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	<p>The Adventures of Polo Régis Faller</p> <p><i>Equipped with a backpack full of supplies, Polo sets off on a little boat and on a series of adventures that take him across (and under) the ocean, to an island and a frozen iceberg, to space and home again, with a world of magical encounters along the way.</i></p>		2006	978-1596431607	Originally published in 2002 in France as <i>Le Voyage de Polo</i>
	<p>Amy & Louis Libby Gleeson (Author) & Freya Blackwood (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>Amy and Louis live next door to each other, and their lives are closely intertwined. Theirs is a life rich in imagination; they see dragons in the clouds and make castles out of cardboard. But when Amy's family move to another country, the children are separated and the colour drains out of their lives until Louis discovers how to rebuild their special bond.</i></p>		2006	978-1865049359	Published in the United States as: <i>Half a World Away</i>
	<p>Arrival, The Shaun Tan</p> <p><i>What drives so many to leave everything behind and journey to a mysterious country; a place without family or friends, where everything is nameless and the future is unknown? This silent graphic novel is the story of every migrant, every refugee, every displaced person, and a tribute to those who have made the journey.</i></p>		2006	978-0734406941	Recommended for Ages 10+

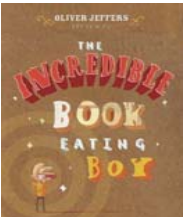

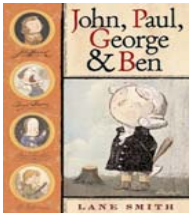

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	<p>Augustus and his smile Catherine Rayner</p> <p><i>Augustus the tiger was sad. He had lost his smile. So he did a HUGE tigery stretch, and set off to find it! This book celebrates the beauty of the world and the simple happiness it brings us when we open our eyes to it.</i></p>		2006	978-1561485109 (US) 978-1845062828 (UK)	
	<p>Benny & beautiful baby Delilah Jean Van Leeuwen (Author) & Pham LeUyen (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>There's a little newcomer at Benny's house, and everyone who visits says how beautiful she is. Only Benny seems to notice that she cries too much and she takes away from his time with Mom and Dad. What's the big fuss about? Then one night Baby Delilah really won't stop crying, and her big brother Benny comes up with a silly, perfect way to make her smile.</i></p>		2006	978-0803728912	
	<p>The Boat in the tree Tim Wynne-Jones (Author) & John Shelley (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>A story about a little boy who learns to accept his newly adopted brother. When his mom and dad bring home his new brother Simon, the boy struggles and finally explodes "I want out of here!" Fascinated with the sea, the boy builds a raft and sails to his own island of Bongadongo, creating an imaginary play world that his brother Simon longs to enter. Then a violent storm blows a small dinghy into a tree, and the boy and his new brother work together to pull the boat from the branches.</i></p>		2007	978-1932425499	



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	<p>Castaway cats Lisa Wheeler (Author) & Ponder Goembel (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>A storm, a shipwreck, an ongoing ocean, then finally, finally a deserted isle....Safety -- but wait! The fifteen swimmers braving the waves are, after all . . . kitties. They are not into cooperating until, until on this desert isle they must.</i></p>		2006	978-0689862328	
	<p>Grandfather buffalo Jim Arnosky</p> <p><i>Grandfather Buffalo is the oldest bull in the herd. Whenever the herd moves on, he is always a little behind. But when a female buffalo is ready to give birth, he is there to protect her, and he's there to help nudge the new calf along. The youngster's liveliness puts Grandfather Buffalo to the test, but the calf learns quickly that whether the herd is braving a dust storm or stopping for a rest, there's no better place to be than right by Grandfather Buffalo's side.</i></p>		2006	978-0399241697	
	<p>I lost my tooth in Africa Penda Diakit� (Author) & Baba Wague Diakite (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>More than anything, Amina wants to lose her loose tooth while visiting her family in Mali, West Africa. Only then can she put it under a gourd for the African tooth fairy, who will exchange it for two chickens! Happily this happens, and even better, the chickens lay eggs. But will the eggs hatch before it's time to return home to America?</i></p>	 	2006	978-0439662260	



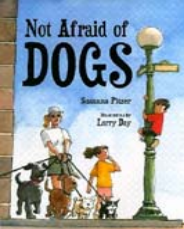



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	<p>The Incredible book eating boy Oliver Jeffers</p> <p><i>Henry has a voracious appetite for books. He discovers his unusual taste by mistake one day, and is soon swept up in his new-found passion - gorging on every delicious book in sight! And better still, he realises that the more books he eats, the smarter he gets. Henry dreams of becoming the Incredible Book Eating Boy; the smartest boy in the world! But a book-eating diet isn't the healthiest of habits, as Henry soon finds out...</i></p>		2006	978-0007182275 (UK) 978-0399247491 (US)	
	<p>John, Paul, George and Ben Lane Smith</p> <p><i>Once there were four lads . . . John (Hancock), Paul (Revere), George (Washington), and Ben (Franklin). Oh yes, there was also Tom (Jefferson), but he was always off doing his own thing, so people usually forgot about him. The lads were always getting into trouble for one reason or another. Johns handwriting was bigger than all the other kids. Pauls ear-splitting job as a bell-ringer made him speak a LITTLE TOO LOUDLY all the time. George was too honest for his own good. Ben was always talking in proverbs. . . . And Tom, well, he was just plain independent. But somehow, these five lads grew up to start a revolutionone that would change this country forever. A fun way to learn about the Founding Fathers of the United States!</i></p>		2006	978-0786848935	

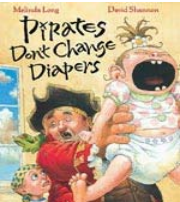



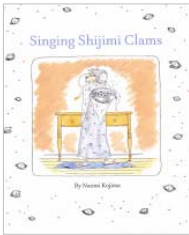

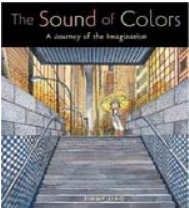

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	<p>Josephine wants to dance Jackie French (Author) & Bruce Whatley (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>Josephine is a kangaroo - who loves to dance. Her little brother, Joey, tells her that kangaroos don't dance, they hop - but Josephine continues to point her toes and leap through the air. When a ballet troupe comes to town and both the lead ballerina and understudy are injured, Josephine's talents are called upon to help save the day. Can she do it and, more importantly, does it matter that she's a kangaroo?</i></p>		2006	978-0207200755 (hbk) 978-0207200809 (pbk)	
	<p>Library lion Michelle Knudsen (Author) & Kevin Hawkes</p> <p><i>Miss Merriweather, the head librarian, is very particular about rules in the library. No running allowed. And you must be quiet. But when a lion comes to the library one day, no one is sure what to do. There aren't any rules about lions in the library. And, as it turns out, this lion seems very well suited to library visiting. But when something terrible happens, the lion quickly comes to the rescue in the only way he knows how.</i></p>		2006	978-0763622626	
	<p>Mama outside, mama inside Dianna Hutts Aston (Author) & Susan Gabers (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>The story of a soon-to-be mother waiting for the arrival of her first child. While she readies herself and her home, so does a mother bird in the tree outside the new baby's window. Time passes as they "build their nests" and get everything just right. Before long there are taps coming from the eggs and the new mother is also having her child. Day by day the mothers and fathers care for the babies and soon the baby birds are ready to fly away but mother and baby will be waiting for their return in the spring.</i></p>		2006	978-0805077162	

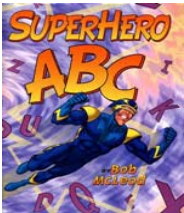

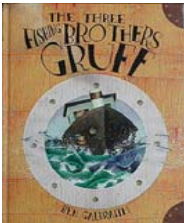

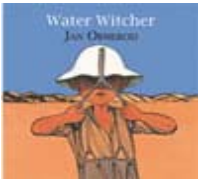

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	<p>Melissa Parkington's beautiful beautiful hair Pat Brisson (Author) & Suzanne Bloom (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>Spectacular!" "Gorgeous!" "Fabulous!" Those are some of the words people use to describe Melissa Parkington's hair, which is long, thick, and so shiny that it seems to sparkle. But Melissa would like to be known for more than her hair. Melissa wants to do something spectacular. But everything she tries doesn't seem to work out. Then one day she discovers that she can do something special--with her hair.</i></p>		2006	978-1590784099	
	<p>Not afraid of dogs Susanna Pitzer (Author) & Larry Day (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>Daniel isn't afraid of spiders. He isn't afraid of snakes. He isn't even afraid of thunderstorms. And no matter what his sister says, he's certainly not afraid of dogs — he just doesn't like them. But there's no avoiding them when he comes home and his mother is babysitting his aunt's dog.</i></p>		2006	978-0802780676	
	<p>Owen & Mzee: the true story of a remarkable friendship Isabella Hatkoff, Craig Hatkoff, Paula Kahumbu (Authors) & Peter Greste (Photographer)</p> <p><i>A true story in which a baby hippo loses his mama during the tsunami, but finds a new home and a new mama.</i></p>		2006	978-0439829731	

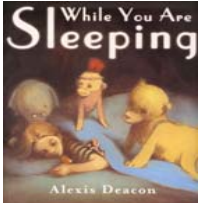

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	<p>Pirates don't change diapers Melinda Long (Author) & David Shannon (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>When the pirate crew turns up at Jeremy Jacob's house and accidentally wakes his baby sister, that wee scallywag howls louder than a storm on the high seas. Sure, there's buried treasure to be found, but nobody's digging up anything until Bonney Anne quits her caterwauling. So, quicker than you can say "scurvy dog," Braid Beard and his swashbuckling pirates become . . . babysitters?</i></p>		2007	978-0152053536	
	<p>Secret science project that almost ate the school Judy Sierra (Author) & Stephen Gammell (Illustrator)</p> <p><i>A third grade girl needs an idea for her science project. She comes across "Professor Swami's Super Slime" on the internet and finds herself with a large, green, slimy glob that begins to grow and swallow those who are rude to it.</i></p>		2006	978-1416911753	
	<p>Singing Shijimi clams Naomi Kojima</p> <p><i>A witch buys some clams for her miso soup but has misgivings about cooking them and ends up having them sing for their supper, so to speak. She has a cranky cat who eventually learns to love the clams, too, and they take them back to the sea where everyone is happier.</i></p>		2006	978-1933605128	
	<p>Sound of colors Jimmy Liao</p> <p><i>A young blind girl travels from one subway station to another while her imagination takes her to impossibly wonderful places. She swims with the dolphins and sunbathes on a whale's back; flies through the air with the birds and travels to the station at the end of the world.</i></p>		2006	978-0316939928	First published in Taiwan in 2001

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	<p>Superhero ABC Bob McLeod</p> <p><i>Silly and zany, and armed with the most unusual skills, these heroes are out to save the world-one letter at a time! bubble-Man blows big bubbles at bullies, and laughing lass laughs at lawbreakers! together, these one-of-a-kind defenders represent the ABC's in a way never seen before.</i></p>		2006	978-0060745141	
	<p>The Three fishing brothers gruff Ben Galbraith</p> <p><i>Once upon a time, there lived three mean and greedy brothers called Gruff. They fish and fish until Poverty Bay is empty, and so resolve to find somewhere else to catch their fish. But watch out, Minke Whale, the Guardian of the Ocean isn't happy and the neither are the townspeople of Poverty Bay!</i></p>		2006	978-0340893418	
	<p>Water witcher Jan Ormerod</p> <p><i>Dougie and his sisters can't remember the last time it rained. The rainwater tanks are empty, and the river is just a string of muddy pools. Each day Dad and Dougie cart water from Last Stop Well, an hour down the track. The crops are brown and crisp in the sun. One day, Dougie's dad tells him about his grandfather's gift of water divining, or witching. Dougie wishes he were a water witcher-then they would have a well of their own, always full of water. So Dougie teaches himself the art of water divining and, despite his sisters' teasing and his mother's scepticism, he discovers a night soak of fresh water.</i></p>		2006	978-1921049510	

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	<p>While you are sleeping Alexis Deacon</p> <p><i>Being a plush toy might sound like an easy job, but when a newcomer joins their group, the bedside toys show him everything that goes into taking care of a child while he is sleeping. Every night, they make sure that he isn't too hot or too cold, and that he stays safely in his bed. They chase away bedbugs and bad dreams. And on Christmas Eve they have the very important task of making sure the child does not awake until morning.</i></p>		2006	978-0374383305 (US) 978-0091893316 (UK)	